THE HAND GOSPEL

Use this simple technique to teach the gospel of Jesus Christ to others and then invite them to accept Jesus as their Lord & Savior. If necessary, use a translator to explain as you give your Speech & go through the Actions. Try doing Speech by one person followed by another doing Action. See the **BOLD print** for an abbreviated version. God = the fingers on the 1^{st} hand & Man = the thumb. Jesus = the fingers and thumb on the 2^{nd} hand. God & Man & the God Man (Jesus).

<u>SPEECH</u>	ACTION
In the beginning, only God existed.	Show the person you are speaking to the back of your hand with the fingers pointing up and the thumb tucked into palm of hand.
Then God created everything & Man.	Turn your palm toward the person. Point to the fingers (God), then stick the thumb out & point to it to show that this is Man.
God wanted to love & embrace Man,	Tuck the thumb into the palm & fold all 4 fingers over the thumb.
But Man sinned – he disobeyed God.	Keep fingers down but pull the thumb out & away from the hand.
Man's sin caused separation from God & created a gap between Man & God - a gap too big to bridge.	Keep thumb away from hand & slowly raise fingers straight up. Point to the gap between thumb & fingers, then touch the thumb, then arc to the fingers & back to the thumb to show a bridge.
So Man was cut off from God.	In a sawing motion, use the other hand to act like you are sawing off the thumb.
But God sent Jesus Christ to Man. To regain a relationship with Man,	Point to God (fingers on 1 st hand) then to Jesus (2 nd hand) then to Man (thumb on 1 st hand). Then with 2 nd hand (Jesus), push the thumb (Man) back to the fingers (God) on the 1 st hand.
Jesus was a Man in body & God in spirit.	With God hand, point to the thumb on Jesus hand then to the fingers on Jesus hand. Keep thumb next to finger with no gap.
People killed Jesus, But God raised Him back to life.	Use the thumb (Man) on 1 st hand to stick 3 times into Jesus hand (as nailing into R & L hand and His feet) & drop Jesus hand down. Then use fingers on 1 st hand (God) to pull Jesus hand back up.
Jesus was the Holy blood sacrifice to bridge the gap between God & Man.	Point to Jesus hand, then hold up God hand with thumb away from fingers. Touch pinky finger on Jesus hand to thumb on God hand & touch pointer finger to other pointer finger to represent a bridge.
So God could love & embrace Man again.	Point to fingers (God), then to thumb (Man), then tuck thumb into palm & fold fingers (God) over thumb (Man) again.
Do you want God to love & embrace you?	Open God hand. Point to person you are speaking to, then point to thumb (them), then wrap fingers around thumb (them) again.
Tell God you love Him, & you want God to love you.	Open God hand, then with Jesus hand point to your mouth then to fingers (God) then point to person then wrap fingers around thumb & point to fingers. Open God hand again, then point to the fingers (God) & wrap fingers around thumb, then point to person.
God will always love you if you believe in Jesus & accept Jesus' sacrifice to pay for your sin.	Keep God hand held up with fingers (God) wrapped around thumb (the person) while finish salvation script.
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Grow in your relationship with God by praying every day & reading and studying the Bible.

Open both hands & put palms together as praying. Then separate palms, keep pinkies touching as reading.