

LABELS

Changing God's label on something:

- *Affects how seriously I take my actions
 - *Affects what responsibility I accept
- *Determines what my response will be

When we or culture changes the label on something, we're not just changing vocabulary, we're ultimately changing our response to it. (behavior)

1 Cor 6:9

Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals,

1 Cor 6:10

**nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards,
nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the
kingdom of God.**

1 Cor 6:11

Such **were** some of you; but you were washed,
but you were sanctified, but you were justified in
the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the
Spirit of our God.

Rom 1:28

And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge
God any longer, God gave them over to a
depraved mind, to do those things which are not
proper,

Rom 1:29

being filled with all unrighteousness, wickedness,
greed, evil; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit,
malice; they are gossips, slanderers, haters of God,
insolent, arrogant, boastful, inventors of evil,
disobedient to parents,

Rom 1:31-32

without understanding, untrustworthy, unloving, unmerciful; and although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they **not only do the same, but also give hearty approval** to those who practice them.

1. Changing God's label on something affects how seriously I take my actions

2. Changing God's label on something affects
what responsibility I accept

Today sin is called sickness, so people think it requires therapy, not repentance.

John MacArthur

Don't treat feelings like facts!

3. Changing God's label on something determines what my response will be

Grace gives me the freedom to use
the right label

RELABELED PROBLEM



MINIMIZED SERIOUSNESS



REDUCED RESPONSIBILITY



WRONG SOLUTION

GOD'S LABEL



HONEST RECOGNITION



PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY



GOD'S SOLUTION