

LABELS

Week 1: **Who am I?**
(Labels I accept about myself)

Week 2&3: **Who are you?**
(Labels I place on other people)

What is this?

(How we label our actions and others actions?)

Changing the label of something doesn't
change what it is...

1. The Creator is the one who has the authority to name (label) things.

If God has spoken clearly about something
neither culture nor I have the
authority to rename it!

God *called* the light Day.

God *called* the darkness Night.

God *called* the expanse Heaven.

God *called* the dry land Earth.

2. Satan's tempting of Eve and Adam was a form of mislabeling.

Isa 5:20

Woe to those who **call** evil good, and good evil;
Who substitute darkness for light and light for
darkness; Who substitute bitter for sweet and
sweet for bitter!

3. Changing the label will change how I respond.

Sin vs Mistake

If I mislabel the problem, I won't
have the appropriate response.

4. Scripture speaks to things we don't have permission to omit or change

1 John 1:9

If we confess **our sins**, He is faithful and
righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse
us from all unrighteousness.

2 Cor 7:10

For the sorrow that is according to the will of God produces a repentance without regret, leading to salvation, but the sorrow of the world produces death.

Sometimes discomfort is God
getting my attention.

5. Jesus never relabeled sin - He redeems sinners!

God labels things truthfully, not
to keep something from us
but because He loves us.