

BEWARE THE LABEL CHANGERS!

TEXT: *Isa 5:20 Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!*

THESIS: To warn believers about those who call evil good and good evil.

INTRO.: A. A hemophiliac (bleeder) has a headache and takes what he thinks is Tylenol, but his wife had placed her heparin (a blood thinner) in the Tylenol bottle, and he takes it and dies. A patient arrives at the emergency room with a bad cut on the leg; someone switched the labels on a bottle of medicine and they give him insulin by mistake and he is not diabetic & dies!

B. Our text speaks of something even more dangerous – changing the labels on morality – *calling evil good and good evil!* A sociologist calls it “**reshuffled morality.**” When such a morality becomes widespread the nation is nearing extinction. *Hello America 2021!* “Sin is fun!” “If it feels good – do it!” *The “poison labels have been replaced with candy labels.*

TRANS.: “**BEWARE THE LABEL CHANGERS!**” Watch out for those who call evil good and good evil. Avoid those who call old-fashioned morality a waste of time and dangerous to our mental health, and who say our ideal state is to be free from guilt over sin and that there are no moral absolutes. (e.g., Ted Turner wants to change the 10 Commandments into 10 Positive Suggestions. Joel Osteen wants to avoid “making judgments” about homosexuals, etc. Rick Warren [“Purpose Driven Church...Life”] calls fundamentalists dangerous and equates us with terrorists in Islam.) [All Muslims are not terrorists, but all terrorists are Muslims!"]

I. THE OPPOSITE OF GOOD IS EVIL – NOT ‘A MISTAKE!’

A. The Bible is Full of Absolutes:

1. Moral values are assigned to lifestyles.
2. God says “*Thou shalt...*” and “*Thou shalt not...!*”

B. The Bible Links Punishment to Sinfulness:

NOTE: We don’t need to be convinced of the fact of sin or punishment, but we do need to see the connection between the two! Sowing and reaping is a moral absolute as well as an agricultural principle. (Got any skeletons in YOUR closet? Your crop will be harvested one day! Here or hereafter!) Here and now promiscuity increases the risk of Sexually Transmitted Disease’s ! AIDS is God’s response to Sodomy! To date not one case of AIDS (formerly GRID – Gay Related Immune Deficiency) has been reported that doesn’t trace its origin to homosexuality – sorry, SODOMY!

II. THE OPPOSITE OF HEALTHY IS SICK – NOT ‘UNFIT!’

A. If You Are Not Healthy You Need Medicine:

1. It is not enough to just look in the mirror and see how bad you look.
2. You need to do something about your sickness.

III. THE OPPOSITE OF MORALITY IS IMMORALITY – NOT AMORALITY!

A. We Are Moral Beings:

NOTE: Animals are non moral or amoral. What they do or do not do may upset us, but we realize they cannot be held accountable – they simply act out of instinct or training.

B. Moral Beings Must Be Accountable:

1. Gangsters and preachers are moral beings and are responsible and accountable for what they do or fail to do.
2. The Al Capones, Nicky Scarfos, and Gambinos as well as the Pedophile Catholic priests, Jim Bakkers, Jimmy Swaggarts, Joel Osteens, et. al., all must answer for their crimes and failures & SINS.

NOTE: The “Label Changers” want to lift accountability for rapists, murderers, and pedophiles and not punish them, but simply attempt to “rehabilitate” them. A man in Cody murdered several people and received a life + ten year sentence, but was paroled after 15 years. He then killed two more people and savagely brutalized another. Child molesters and rapists need to be put to death or given life sentences without possibility of parole. A man in Phila. had been convicted of murdering a 13 year old girl, and received a life sentence but now gets a new trial because of a technicality. He will now defend himself and could be set free! The mother of the little girl gets to grieve all over again! [Fedena’s solution – fire all the extremist (liberal) judges!!!]

IV. THE OPPOSITE OF STRAIGHT IS CROOKED – NOT 'GAY'!

- A. The Opposite of Heterosexuality is Sin – Not Homosexuality.
- B. God Calls It Sodomy & Sin – Not 'Gay' or 'Homosexual!'

ILLUS.: God's response to Sodom & Sodomy was capital punishment! God's sentence for Sodomites today is to "give them up to a reprobate mind" and allow our law enforcement and courts to punish them.

I am NOT "homophobic" (*having an irrational fear of queers!*), but I am Sodomyophobic! 1) I don't want AIDS! 2) I don't want my rights taken and given to the Sodomites! 3) I don't want them abusing little children or "recruiting" them (another label change – they don't recruit they molest!) 4) I don't want them calling their cohabitation a marriage or a family! 5) I don't want them raising children!

V. THE OPPOSITE OF RIGHT IS WRONG – NOT 'LEFT'!

- A. "Right" Defines a Position & a Condition – "Left" Doesn't!

QUES.: Why is it wrong to be a "Gay-basher" but O.K. to be a "Right-wing basher" or "Bible-believer basher"?!

- B. Synonyms for "Right" Are Precise, Exact, Accurate, Sharp, Suitable, Satisfactory, Acceptable, Correct, Proper!

1. The Label Changers have made "right" wrong! (There are no synonyms for "left"!!!)
2. There are several synonyms for "wrong" – false, untrue, erroneous, faulty, imprecise, inaccurate, incorrect, mistaken, etc. **I'd rather be "RIGHT!"**

VI. THE OPPOSITE OF CONSERVATIVE IS EXTREME – NOT LIBERAL!

- A. If You Are Not Conservative, You Are Now an Extremist.

1. It is the "liberals" who are extremists – favoring "gay rights" and abortion (murder)!
2. It is the "liberals" who are extremists – against the war on terrorism.
3. It is the "liberals" who are extremists – allowing and encouraging Muslims in this country, building Mosques, etc. when no Christian or Jew is allowed to carry a Bible, have a church building, or even wear a cross in any Muslim nation!

- B. Many Conservatives are Very Liberal in Giving, Hospitality, Generosity, Charity, Helpfulness, etc.

NOTE: The Label Changers have redefined conservative as non-progressive, narrow-minded, stupid, backward, etc. **I am progressive** and FOR the lives of unborn children, FOR capital punishment, FOR killing the terrorists, FOR executing Bin Laden, Solmeini, FOR profiling, FOR the biblical and traditional family, and FOR righteousness and morality in our society, churches, and government.

VII. THE OPPOSITE OF RELIGION IS SALVATION – NOT HELL!

- A. If You Don't Have Salvation You Will Go to Hell.
- B. If You Have Religion Instead of Salvation You Will Go to Hell.

NOTE: Religion is nothing more nor less than a "work your way to heaven" concept or "good works" plan. Salvation is trusting in what Christ has already done, not what you can do! Morality is good for a society and even for the believer, but it cannot save anyone.

VIII. THE OPPOSITE OF HEAVEN IS HELL – NOT PURGATORY!

- A. There Are Only Two Ultimate Eternal Destinies, Not Three!
- B. If Your Sins Are Not Purged (by the blood) Here They Cannot Be Hereafter!

IX. THE OPPOSITE OF SAVED IS LOST – NOT CONFUSED OR UNDECIDED!

- A. Lost People May Be Confused or Undecided but They Are Still Lost!
- B. If You Die Confused or Undecided You Will Still Go to Hell!
 1. You MUST be born again.
 2. Salvation dispels confusion and indecision & makes lost people saved.

X. THE OPPOSITE OF FAITH IS UNBELIEF – NOT DOUBT!

A. You Either Trust the Bible (Faith) or Disbelieve It!

B. You Either Believe God (Faith) or Deny Him (Unbelief).

1. It is unbelief, not doubt or even all your sins that damns.
2. Unbelief produces doubt and doubt holds unbelievers.

CONCL.: The world may change labels and call good evil and evil good – but God's Word never changes! You have a choice; believed God and His Word or the anchorman on the nightly news or the psychologists, sexologists, and politicians. **"BEWARE THE LABEL CHANGERS!"**