

1) What are labels and why are they so dangerous?

What is a label? A label is an adjective given to you, by either someone you love or a number of someones in your life, which they use to describe you but God would never say about you.

What is a name? A name is an identifier someone puts on you when they've heard from your Father.

Labels are the opinion of man; names come from the mouth of God.

A label is a curse; a name is a blessing.

Genesis 35:16-18 NLT – Leaving Bethel, Jacob and his clan moved on toward Ephrath. But Rachel went into labor while they were still some distance away. Her labor pains were intense. 17 After a very hard delivery, the midwife finally exclaimed, “Don’t be afraid—you have another son!” 18 Rachel was about to die, but with her last breath she named the baby Ben-oni (which means “son of my sorrow”). The baby’s father, however, called him Benjamin (which means “son of my right hand”).

The weight of your label is usually measured by the depth of your love for that person and the strength of their emotion towards you.

The fastest way to devalue someone is to give them a label.

Satan wants labels on you to serve as ceilings over you.

A label you receive is a lie you believe.

LED Talks Moment: What is so dangerous about a leader living by a label?
A leader living by a label is too distracted by man to be focused on God.

2) Labels come early and often in life.

Genesis 25:24-26 NLT – And when the time came to give birth, Rebekah discovered that she did indeed have twins! 25 The first one was very red at birth and covered with thick hair like a fur coat. So they named him Esau. 26 Then the other twin was born with his hand grasping Esau’s heel. So they named him Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when the twins were born.

Labels are based on what man sees and thinks. Names are founded upon what God knows and says.

Genesis 25:19-23 NLT

Genesis 27:36 NLT – Esau exclaimed, “No wonder his name is Jacob, for now he has cheated me twice. First he took my rights as the firstborn, and now he has stolen my blessing. Oh, haven’t you saved even one blessing for me?”

Lie #1: What you did is who you are.

Books are what we need to learn a lesson. Mistakes are often how we learn the most important lessons.

The godly aren’t defined by their mistakes; the godly are known for their response to their mistakes and defined by their God’s response to their mistakes.

Proverbs 24:16 NLT – The godly may trip seven times, but they will get up again.
But one disaster is enough to overthrow the wicked.

Psalms 37:23-24 NLT – The Lord directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives. 24 Though they stumble, they will never fall, for the Lord holds them by the hand.

Lie #2: You are what was done to you.

If you go by the label that you are what was done to you, you are giving the one who did it to you, power over you.

It’s not you; it’s what happened to you.

LED Talks Moment: Leaders must understand Satan’s strategy for counterfeiting. Whatever Satan tries to convince you that you are, is the opposite of what God created you to be.

3) Labels don’t have to stick...even if you deserved them.

Use God’s Word to keep man’s words from sticking to you.

The labels I deserved are still covered by the blood I don’t deserve.

4) I AM FORGIVEN!

Revelation 21:8 NLT | Revelation 20:15 NLT | Colossians 2:14-15 NLT

Revelation 3:5 NLT – All who are victorious will be clothed in white. I will never erase their names from the Book of Life, but I will announce before my Father and his angels that they are mine.

WELCOME!

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com.

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

GATHER

Sundays in November- 9a + 11a Three Beautiful Words

The best stories in church can be shared in just three beautiful words. "I was invited." "You belong here." "I am forgiven." Almost every believer's testimony begins with these words. "I was invited to church." The grace of God has been made available to all. The table is an open table. "You belong here." Despite our broken nature, God moved heaven and earth to reach you. "I am forgiven." Be sure to join us all month long as we examine these powerful statements!

Christmas Eve Candlelight Gathering -Saturday, December 24 - 3p & 4:30p

Join us for a full hour of anointed praise and worship, Christmas carols, communion, and a short message as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ! Experience the breathtaking sight of a sanctuary full of candles. This is a gathering you don't want to miss!

GROUP

DP Ladies Appetizer + White Elephant Gift Exchange Friday, December 9 - 6p - 8p

Join us for the final DP Ladies event of the year. Bring a \$10 gift + an appetizer to share and join us for a night of fun with the ladies at Dwelling Place!

GROW

Thursday, January 12 7p - 9p Launch of our Winter Session of Growth Phases

Sign up now at the Next Steps Table to join us for our Winter Session of Growth Phases. We can't wait to see all the Lord will do in and through your life this session!

GO

Christmas Jubilee and Parade of Lights - Saturday, December 3 - 5:30p - 9p

Join us as we serve our City together at the annual Christmas Jubilee and Parade of Lights! You can walk in the parade, decorate our float, or serve at our tent at the Jubilee in Downtown Woodstock. This is an event the whole family can be a part of. Sign up at the Next Steps table today!

GIVE

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