

Pleasant Valley Weekly

Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our
King, sing praises! For God is the King of all the earth;
Sing praises with understanding. (Psalm 47 : 6—7)

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What is Gambling?

How would you describe the game of baseball to someone?
Would you describe it in such a way that they would know the game
when they see it?

Would you talk about the way the field is shaped, the size of the
ball, the sound of the bat? Would you tell them what position each
player is playing in the field?

Past looks, would you remember to explain the rules on balls and
strikes, how many outs, what the top and bottom of an inning is? Would
you describe how hot roasted peanuts are better than the store bought
ones? What details would you leave out?

How about Gambling? Could you tell someone about that? How
would you describe what it is, and what the dangers are? Unlike
Baseball, most people have no clue what truly constitutes Gambling.
Many Christians look past what God says and rely on their own judg-
ment when it comes to Gambling.

A great deal of Christians speak against Gambling, yet
participate in it multiple times a year. Many Christians look past the
dangers because it has become so common in our lives. They believe
that if everyone is doing it, or if it goes for a good cause, or what's even
worse "it's for the children" then it is ok for them to do it, after all it's
only a dollar.

This is not open for opinions. Gambling is Sin.

What is Gambling?

* Gamble (ing)

To bet on an uncertain outcome, as of a contest
Poker, Black Jack...consider the Raffle Ticket

* Does the size of your wager matter?

No—you can gamble without wagering anything

To play a game of chance for stakes

Radio Contest...be caller number 9

* Why is gambling so prevalent today?

Consider how it is marketed, how we raise our children

Gambling is now called Gaming

Carnivals...it's only a dollar for three throws

* Gambling—The violations of 4 statutes

Legitimate Law of obtaining money

II Thessalonians 3 : 7—12

Tragi Waste

Luke 15 : 11—14a

Covetousness

Romans 8 : 8—10

Bad fruit bearing

Mathew 7 : 17—20