

# Pleasant Valley Weekly

I will worship toward Your holy temple, And praise Your name For Your loving kindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name. (Psalm 138 : 2)

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## The observance of days—Valentine's Day

Yesterday, all round the world was the celebration of Valentine's Day. If you are like me you either said or were told, "Happy Valentine's Day." But what does Valentine's Day mean to us as Christians? And how does Valentine's Day and Christianity fit together?

Valentines is associated with love as Christianity is. This morning we continue our study on the holidays. What in this holiday can we, as Christians, take away and learn from? What is in the celebration of this event? And how can we emulate this in our everyday lives?

Valentines allows you to remind those in your life how much they mean to you. As Christians we should be the best at this, yet sometimes we can be too much aligned with the world. How is it that we who received God's grace and love show so little of it towards each other? Is all love the same? No. Are there certain types of love that are to be avoided? Yes.

So just what are we celebrating, on February 14th? Did you know that the official name for Valentine's Day is Saint Valentine's Day? There is more to this holiday than just flowers and candy. The Bible is filled with love, however not every type of love is worthy of our lives. What love should we honor, and what is to be abhorred? Happy Valentine's Day.

## The Observance of Days Valentine's Day

- \* The observance of days, months, seasons, and years  
    'paratereo' - to inspect alongside; the religious observance of
- \* Valentine's Day—What you didn't know  
    Up until 500 A.D. was celebrated as a pagan holiday  
    What's in the celebration of this day today?
- \* Valentine's—Not all love is acceptable...  
    Love of evil and the love of the world is not acceptable.
- \* Valentine's— ...yet love is approved by God  
    Love good, love your enemies, love your brethren
- \* How is proper love shown?  
    Husband & Wife  
        Hebrews 13 : 4  
    Father & Mother & Child  
        Ephesians 6 : 1—4  
    Brethren  
        Galatians 6 : 1—2, 10  
    God & Us  
        Matthew 7 : 9—11
- \* When do we celebrate this newness of the law?  
    By loving Him who loved us, by assembling together, and always remembering one another.