

# 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 Independence Day

Yesterday, in the United States, it was actually legal to set off mini-cans, small rockets, and to shoot fireballs into the air. Why? Because it was Independence Day. What is Independence Day all about and what does this day mean to us as Christians? Can a day such as this fit together with Christianity?

Independence Day is the day in which we as United State Citizens celebrate our independence. Each of here this morning are blest that we have the freedom to worship God in the way He chose us to worship Him. The freedom came because of our Independence.

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 should we already be emulating this in our everyday lives?

Due to recent events, yesterday brought about memories of what this holiday is supposed to evoke. A country where those living in it are governed by those who listen to the people. A people who are free to live their lives the way they choose.

Our Independence is under attack. Our freedom to be only Christians is under attack. We need to celebrate this day everyday. Happy Independence Day.

## The Observance of Days Independence Day

- \* The observance of days, months, seasons, and years  
‘paratereo’ - to inspect alongside; the religious observance of

- \* Independence Day—What you didn’t know

The Liberty Bell, in Philadelphia, did not ring on July 4th but instead on July 8th at the public reading of the declaration of independence.

What’s in the celebration of this day today?

- \* Liberty = Freedom from oppression

Luke 4 : 16—21—Oppression from

The Old Law—Colossians 2 : 11—14

Sin—Romans 8 : 1—4

- \* Liberty = Freedom

Having been set free from sin—Romans 6

Free but not free—I Peter 2 : 15—16

Beware of False Freedoms—II Peter 2 : 18—19

- \* Declaration of Independence

Man was made in the similitude of God

We can have life and have it more abundantly

- \* The Christians Declaration—The Gospel of Christ

The Gospel of Christ = Salvation

Romans 1 : 16—I am not ashamed