

# 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—St. Patrick's Day

In two short days the world will celebrate St. Patrick's Day. If you are like most you will wear something green, maybe eat something green, and possibly (depending on where you work) listen to Irish music. But what is St. Patrick's Day all about and what does this day mean to us as Christians? Can a day such as this fit together with Christianity?

St. Patrick's is associated with the luck of the Irish and all things of Ireland. 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?

If there was ever a holiday created solely to remember and celebrate Catholicism, this is it. St. Patrick's is nothing more than a celebration of the spread of Catholicism to Ireland. However today it is seen, specifically in the United States, as a day to celebrate our Irish roots.

So just what are we celebrating, on March 17th? There is more to this holiday than just green, clovers, leprechauns, and stewed meat and cabbage. This holiday is meant to remember those who promote the gospel. The Bible is filled with this idea. The idea that the spread of the gospel should be celebrated, remembered, encouraged, and facilitated. Happy St. Patrick's Day.

## The Observance of Days St. Patrick's Day

- \* The observance of days, months, seasons, and years  
'paratereo' - to inspect alongside; the religious observance of
- \* St. Patrick's Day—What you didn't know  
The day is a Holy Day celebrating the "patron saint of Ireland"

What's in the celebration of this day today?

- \* St. Patrick's—Remembering those laboring in the Faith  
Through Prayer  
II Thessalonians 3 : 1—2; Ephesians 6 : 18—20;  
Colossians 4 : 2—4

Constant remembrance of workers.

Through Resources

III John 5—8; II Corinthians 11 : 7—9

"The Laborer is worthy of his wages."

- \* St. Patrick's—Celebrate your heritage!  
'nachal' (h) - to get as a possession, acquire, inherit, possess  
Deuteronomy 4 : 20; 32 : 9; Ephesians 1 : 11

- \* When do we remember?

We should give thanks always.

We continue daily with one another.

I John 1 : 3—4