

## Prude

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Valentine's day was once a day to honor the canonized "saint" of the Roman Church by celebrating romantic love between sweet-hearts. Given that in our times the Establishment culture encourages the fornication that our Lord condemns, Valentine's day now has descended into the abyss of the works of the flesh, such as, adultery, fornication, uncleanness, and lewdness (*Galatians 5:19*). A girl who describes herself as a "prude" is guaranteed to discourage many boys from giving her an expensive Valentine's day gift! "Chaste" is not as much "fun" as "chased."

**"Prude" is from the old French "prude femme," meaning "a good or virtuous woman."** Among worldly women, derogatory terms for the immoral are used as terms of affection and familiarity among girlfriends. Popular culture abuses our young ladies by telling them that their greatest attribute is their sensuality and not their integrity or moral character. As girls become more coarse the pressure is on for boys to become even more coarse in order to live up to the standards set for them by the pretty girls. The less lady-like the girls behave, the less prone the boys are to cherish, respect and protect them and their "honor" or "good name." What good name? There is little left that is good when the protections of innocence are stripped away and defilement is so common.

Now we have "do-me feminism" which is really "doom-me" feminism." It was inevitable that some women seeking "empowerment" should act like the worst kinds of men when it comes to immorality. Fornication is the supposed intimacy of marriage without the divine authority God placed in marriage. Many men are little more than animals using the suggestion of intimacy to deceive their victims into "fun without feelings" or "no strings attached." **Now it is even harder for women and men to form close personal bonds, and to give and receive the kind of attention and affection that is romantic and fulfilling.**

God's counsel has always been wise. **"He who would love life and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips from speaking deceit. Let him turn away from evil and do good;** let him seek peace and pursue it. For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteousness, and His ears are open to their prayers; but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil." *1 Peter 3:10*

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