

# Clive's Funny Valentine

Premise: Clive is hoping for a valentine, but no one has sent him one.

Props: (in video) 3 or 4 envelopes with WILLIAM, written on the front in big letters.

Character's: Clive

Format: A screen play :) straight to video.

[TITLES: CLIVE'S FUNNY VALENTINE – FADE IN FROM BLACK TO HEARTS AND LOVEY DOVEY. THEN SHOW TITLE.]

[ SCENE: CLOSE-UP OF CLIVE'S TWO EYES THROUGH LETTER BOX: CUT TO CLIVE WAITING BEHIND DOOR FOR POST TO ARRIVE, LOOKING AT DOOR. A SHADOW ARRIVES AT DOOR AND SOME POST IS SHOVED THROUGH. CUT TO CLOSE-UP OF POST LANDING ON FLOOR. ]

[VOICE OFF CLIVE] Would you look at that. It's all Bill's!

[ TURNS TO CAMERA ] Boys and girls, I was hoping to bring you some good news today. I was hoping that I would be able to make an announcement that would be quite important, bearing news of glad tidings and great joy.

You may not be aware, but it is valentines day today...

[SNIFF]

And valentines day is a day when a person who loves someone may have traditionally sent a card or other greeting to someone else, what they loved.

[SNIFF]

So it is very hard for me at this time...

[SNIFF]

It is very hard for me at this ... time... to take this opportunity...

To announce that there is not going to be an announcement because....

[WAILS]

I did not get a valentines card.

[SNIFF]

So I must compose my self, and bear this indignity with fortitude.

I must remember that I am an apostle. being as I am the Apostle Clive. And I must remember what Jesus told me that he loved me.

Now I guess I shouldn't expect Jesus to send me a valentines card. Because the custom of sending valentines cards did not come about until a few years after he had gorn back up into heaven.

But even so, it would have been nice .....

Err, ere, ang on, what's this.

[BIG BIBLE PERHAPS SHOT OF CLIVE OPENING IT. AND CLIVE'S HAND TRACING THE TEXT.]

Would you look at that. It says here:

[QUOTES FROM BIBLE] "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that every one who believes in him may not be lost, but have Immortal Life"

[IN AWE] Wow. I was hoping for a Valentines card, and maybe if I was lucky, some Chocolates.

[EXCITED] But look what I got instead!!! because I have specifically asked Jesus to be my friend, he has given me Eternal life!

Adam and eve had a pretty tough time of it in the Garden of Eden. They didn't do what God wanted, and so Adam and Eve and all their children were cut off from God. They could never walk with him in the Garden again. The price of their sin was to be apart from God. It was a bit like being dead.

But of course God didn't like that. After all, He'd gone to all the effort of creating us, and He couldn't bear to be apart from us.

So God, sent his only Son. Jesus. Sent him to be... well, our valentine really. The one person in the world who can bring us closer to God.

And the best thing is that God – even though we have done things which God can't bear to look at – will accept us back because Jesus has stepped in to pay the ultimate price for our sins by dying on a cross and rising again to show that he had beaten death.

Now I know this is all very confusing. But the one thing I want you to remember is that God is with you always, to the end of the ages and ever and ever and ever after.

Now that beats a valentines card.

But what about chocolates....

[CLIVE LOOKS ROUND FOR CHOCOLATES AS SCREEN FADES]