



Welcome, we are here this evening to celebrate love. (Groom) and (Bride ) have chosen this day as their wedding day. Let us surround them with our love and best wishes.

Groom and Bride, Happiness in marriage is not something that just happens. A good marriage must be created.  
The little things are the big things.  
It is never being too old to hold hands.  
It is remembering to say I love you at least once a day.

It is never going to sleep angry.  
It is at no time taking the other for granted.  
The courtship should not end with the honeymoon, it should continue through all the years.

It is having a mutual sense of values and common objectives.  
It is standing together to face the world.  
It is forming a circle of love that gathers in the whole family.  
It is doing things for each other, not in the attitude of duty or sacrifice, but in the spirit of joy.

It is speaking words of appreciation and demonstrating gratitude in thoughtful ways.  
It is not expecting one person to wear a halo, or the other to have the wings of an angel.  
It is not looking for perfection in each other.  
It is cultivating flexibility, patience, understanding and a sense of humor.  
It is having the capacity to forgive and forget.  
It is giving each other an atmosphere in which each can grow.

It is finding room for things of the spirit.  
It is a common search for the good and the beautiful.  
It is establishing a relationship in which the independence is equal, dependence is mutual and the obligation is reciprocal.  
It is not only marrying the right partner, it is being the right partner.

It is written that

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud, it is not rude, it is not self seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongdoing.

Love does not delight in evil, but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, and always perseveres. Love never fails... And now these three remain: Faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Groom and Bride please face each other and hold each other's hands.

These hands that you hold on this your wedding day as you promise to love each other all the days of your lives are the hands of your best friend.

These are the hands that will work alongside yours, as together you build your future, as you laugh, cry, as you share your innermost secrets and dreams.

These are the hands that will hold you tight as you struggle through difficult times

These are the hands that will comfort you when you are sick, or console you when you are grieving.

These are the hands that will love you and cherish you through the years, for a lifetime of happiness. These are the hands that will give you support as she encourages you to chase down your dreams. Together as a team, everything you wish for can be realized.

(Groom) and Bride

are you now prepared to make your promises to each other?

Groom/Bride do take Bride/Groom to be your wife/husband, your partner in all that life brings, to share her/his moments of glory and achievement, to marry your voice with hers/his when it rings out in laughter, and to comfort her/him when she/he is in pain, for as long as you both shall live?

The rings please:

This ring is a symbol of the unbroken circle of love. Love freely given has no beginning and is has no end, no giver and no receiver, for each is the giver and each is the receiver. May this ring always remind you of the vows you have just taken.

Groom/Bride as you place Bride's/Groom's ring on her/his finger do you pledge to her/him your faithful and unconditional love, taking her/him as your wife/husband, promising to share your life with her/him, and to honor, respect, and tenderly care for her/him forever?

Groom and Bride, today you have made a lasting commitment to share the rest of your lives with each other, joining your two lives as one.

Let the power of your love make you happy and the strength of your dedication to each other make you inseparable. Be close but not too close, be understanding and patient with each other. For each of you have your journey of life. Storms will come but they will pass quickly. Find the humor in the moment.

Now, you will feel no rain for each of you will be shelter to the other. Now you will feel no cold, for each of you will be warmth to the other. Now there is no more loneliness. Now you are two persons, but there is only one life before you.

Groom and Bride because you promised to give yourselves to one another and to love one another, which has been symbolized the sharing of vows and giving and receiving of rings, by the powers vested in me by the State of Oregon I now pronounce you husband and wife.

Kiss now and seal your love.