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Convocation and Expression of Intent to Marry

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We are assembled here in the presence of God and these witnesses to celebrate the joining of this man and this woman in the unity of marriage. There are no obligations on earth more sweet or tender than those you are about to assume. There are no vows more solemn than those you are about to form. True marriage is the holiest of all earthly relationships. It should be entered into reverently, thoughtfully, and with full understanding of its sacred nature. Marriage to be complete must first be spiritual. From this inner state of conscious unity in FAITH, LOVE, THOUGHT, PURPOSE, PLAN and ACTION, there comes the outer state corresponding to it, making the outer, like the inner, peaceful and harmonious.

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The state of matrimony is true marriage only when based on this deep, invisible union of two souls who seek to find completion in one another. Do you understand this?
(I do.)

Today your separate lives with their individual memories, desires, and hopes merge into one. Will you bring to this new life each for the sake of the other, the best that you have in you, seeking to express your life together, each at the highest level of his own understanding?
(I do.)

The Exchange of Vows

Please face each other and join hands?

Mary, will you take this man, whose hands you hold, choosing him alone to be your wedded husband? Will you live with him in a state of true matrimony? Will you love him, comfort him, honor him and be faithful to him?
(I will.)

John, will you take this woman, whose hands you hold, choosing her alone to be your wedded wife? Will you live with her in the state of true matrimony? Will you love her, comfort her, honor her, and be faithful to her?
(I will.)

The Blessing and Exchange of Rings

As you take these preliminary vows, John and Mary, I would have you remember: To love is to enter a whole New World, a world of togetherness, a world of sharing... All that is dearest and deepest within your hearts.

To love is to remember and keep alive forever all those unique qualities that drew you to one another in the beginning...That wonderful feeling of oneness when your eyes met.

To love is to constantly search for new ways to bring each other to happiness, to make the most of every moment you share together, and marvel at how your feelings for one another keep rising to new dimensions.

To love is to create an oasis of tranquility for one another and a quiet place, apart from others, where you can be yourselves...And know within your hearts, you will be accepted by one another. To love is to greet each day with anticipation...Always eager for another opportunity to share new adventures...And gather up new memories TOGETHER!

To love is to be able to laugh at yourselves and be willing to say..."I was wrong, I'm sorry"...To forgive, and more importantly, to FORGET, and to always believe and trust in one another.

To love is to find beauty in all the simple things of life, and to find, within ourselves, a deeper appreciation and a new awareness of how wonderful it is to be alive... and to be together...and always believe that all things are possible with faith and love.

I understand you have brought rings as a token of your sincerity?

The ring is a symbol of the unbroken unity of truth now to be symbolized in your married life.

Bless these rings, that as they give and receive one to the other, they may ever abide in peace, living together in unity, in love, and in happiness.

Mary, will you please take John's ring and place it on his finger as you repeat after me:

I, Mary, take you John to be my husband,
to love and to cherish, from this day forward,
and thereto pledge you my faith.
With this ring, I thee wed.
Let it ever be to us a symbol of our love.

John, will you please take Mary's ring and place it on her finger as you repeat after me:

I, John, take you Mary to be my wife,
to love and to cherish, from this day forward,
and thereto pledge you my faith.
With this ring, I thee wed.
Let it ever be to us a symbol of our love.

The Pronouncement of Marriage

Eternal Spirit, Life, Truth and Substance of All, with whom to be in conscious union is joy, and from who to feel separated is darkness, may this man and this woman, who have entered into this spiritual union, always be conscious of Spirit's presence. May they be one with each other as they are even now. May they rejoice in perfect love and peace together, and live always in accord with the true law of their Divine Being. And so it is!

In as much as you, John, and you Mary, have consented together in the union of matrimony and you have pledged your faith each to the other in the presence of God and this company, now by the authority vested in me as a minister, I now pronounce you Husband and Wife.

Congratulations, you may seal your marriage with a kiss.

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