

PARTIAL SAMPLE of TRADITIONAL CHRISTIAN:

(to guests) Welcome, ladies and gentleman. ****spouse1**** and ****spouse2**** wish to thank you for being here at this amazing and wonderful moment in their lives, as we gather in the sight of our blessed God to join them together in the sacred estate of holy matrimony. Your presence here today is another blessing to our happy couple. So let us begin.

(to all) In Eden, the marriage ordinance was began by God. He created us to care for and love each other, just as God loves each of us. The institution of marriage was also blessed by Christ with his presence at the marriage feast in Canaan in Galilee, and commended to us again by the apostle Paul as worthy of all honor.....

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(to couple) So, let us pray as you make your marriage vows today: Holy Father of Heaven and Earth, as ****spouse1**** and ****spouse2**** pledge themselves to each other, help them and bless them that their love be pure, their commitment be strong, their marriage be happy, and their vows be true. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

(to groom) ****spouse1****, do you take this woman to be your wife to live together according to God's will? And do you promise to love her, comfort and keep her, in sickness and in health, and forsaking all others, faithfully keep to her alone, so long as you both shall live? (I do)

[SKIP TO VOWS]

(to all) A reading from the apostle Paul in Corinthians, chapter 13: Love is patient, love is kind....

(to bride) And, ****spouse2****, please repeat after me as you look in your best friend's eyes:
I, ****spouse2****, take you, ****spouse1****, to be my wedded husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer or poorer, to love, honor, and cherish, 'til death do us part, according to God's holy Will for our new life together, I promise you my solemn vow.

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(to all) Friends, let us pray: Dear Lord, we ask your blessing upon this loving couple. May these rings be symbols of the faith they have in each other, and a reminder that true love, like these rings, has no end. Please bless the giver of each ring, and the one who will wear it. May we all be blessed to abide in Your infinite peace and wisdom. And especially for.....

For those whom God has joined together, let no one put asunder. In so much as you, ****spouse1**** and ****spouse2****, consented together in holy wedlock, witnessed the same before God, pledged your vows to each other, and declared same by the giving and receiving of rings, by the authority vested in me by God, I pronounce that you are husband and wife/ to each other.

(to couple) You may seal your vows with a kiss! (*BIG kiss, applause*)

(to guests) Friends, it is my honor to present to you for the first time, the new _____!

(minister announces and blows Triton shell horn) OPTIONAL