

PARTIAL SAMPLE of NEW AGE VOWS:

Minister blows Triton horn shell at start and end. OPTIONAL

MINISTER SAYS *(to escort or to all your guests)*

- May I ask who bestows their love and blessings on this new marriage? (I do/we do)
- Do the families and friends of this happy couple support their decision to marry? (we do/own words)
- *Escort silently kisses/hugs or shake hands with BOTH people, then steps back*

(to guests) Family and friends, a warm welcome to this marriage ceremony of ****spouse2**** and ****spouse1****! This wedding is a celebration of love; your presence here today signifies that you believe in love and all the rewards that a committed relationship brings with it. Your presence here today also shows your love and affection for ****spouse2**** and ****spouse1**** and they want you to know how deeply grateful they are that you chose to spend this special day with them.

(to couple) ****spouse1**** and ****spouse2****, together you now begin living within the creation of something wholly new and transcendent. And in doing so, you open yourselves to a fuller experience and expression of the great, vast miracle of Love. We speak of reasons why people marry. You each have a firm understanding that you are not entering into this marriage for reasons of security—that the only real security is not owning or possessing, nor be owned or possessed. Nor to have demands or expectations of the other—to not even hope that what you think you need in life should be supplied by the other. But rather, in knowing that everything you need in life—all the love, wisdom, power, compassion and all the truth, already lives within yourself. And that you are not marrying each other in the hope of **getting** these things, but rather in hope of **giving** them, that your life partner might have them in greater abundance.

[SKIP TO VOWS]

****Spouse1****, please repeat after me as you look in best friend's eyes:

****Spouse2****, my soul has two parts—one I was born with, and one you give me. From this day forward you shall not walk alone. I will live and laugh with you; stand by your side and sleep in your arms; be joy to your heart, and food to your soul, keep you during weakness and strength; and celebrate joys and overcome challenges with you. This, my vow is made in love, kept in faith, lived in hope and eternally made new.

[SKIP TO RINGS]

****spouse1**** and ****spouse2**** chose to bless each other with wedding bands. So may we have the rings please? Thank you.

(to couple) The circle is the symbol of our beautiful Sun, the nurturing Earth and the infinite Cosmos. It is also a symbol of unconditional love and of an everlasting promise. These wedding rings are also symbols of the Unity which you are creating here today.

(to wedmate1) ****spouse1****, please place this ring and repeat after me:

I give you this ring as a symbol of my love. You are my soul mate and partner in life: to live and laugh with you; to stand by your side and sleep in your arms; to be joy to your heart, and food to your soul for the rest of our days.

(to wedmate2) ****spouse2****, please place this ring and repeat after me:

This ring is a sign of my love, and my commitment to you. For with this ring, I thee wed, and the world will know, that you live in my heart, my home is in your arms, and our souls share the same sweet journey forever.

[SKIP TO END]

Please join hands. May we offer another prayer: Spirit of Love and Life: out of this whole world, these two earthbound Angels happily found each other. Their destinies are now woven into one design, and their challenges and joys shall be known, together. Please continue to hold them in your sweet Grace on their new Journey across this Earth. Blessed be and amen.

So now, please look into each other's eyes. Friends, as you declared your love, vows and commitment to each other this day in the sight of **God/Spirit/the Infinite Divine/Everyone**, and consent to be heart-joined in matrimony, so shall you remain united from this day forth in the eyes of all who love you. ****spouse1**** and ****spouse2****, I am honored to pronounce that you are now, as your hearts have always been, husband and wife/to each other.

(to couple) I ask you both to begin your New Journey together with a kiss! (*BIG kiss!*)