

Christian Ceremony One
Two Guys and a Wedding

Welcome everyone. We are delighted you are here today to share in the celebration of the marriage between Bride and Groom. We are also here to celebrate and share in the glorious act that God is about to perform-the act by which He converts their love for one another into the holy and sacred estate of marriage.

Let Us Pray:

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for bringing all of us together today so we can see your plan for Groom and Bride unfold before our very eyes. Thank you for bringing them together so that they may help each other overcome the hardships of life. Thank you also for doubling their joy because the happiness of one is the happiness of the other. I pray that they be a haven for each other's hearts, as you have intended. Let them have faith in each other and believe in love, which is the greatest gift you have given all mankind. Amen.

A few points about marriage

Pastor Speaks:

Marriage is a Commitment (Gen. 2:18-20) Marriage is a lifetime commitment made before God and man. From this point on you do not stay married because you love. You choose to love because you have made the commitment to be married.

And the Lord God said it is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help mate; vs 24 "therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh."

Marriage is Work- "As it is written, there is none righteous no not one....

Marriage involves two fallen and sinful people coming from two separate backgrounds and living in a sinful world. Therefore good marriages don't just happen. They take work.

Wedding Vows

If therefore, Groom and Bride it is your desire to be united in marriage, will you signify by joining your hands.

Pastor

 Groom standing in the presence of God and these witnesses, do you solemnly pledge your faith and love to Bride. Do you promise to live with her according to

God's ordinance in the holy estate of marriage; do you promise to love her, comfort her, honor, and keep her, in sickness and in health, and forsaking all others, keep yourself only unto her, and through God's grace to promise to be to her a faithful and devoted husband as long as you both shall live?

I will.....

Pastor

Bride do you take Groom____ whom you hold by the right hand to be your husband. On your life, your love, and devotion he will lean for strength and inspiration. He is going to look to you for encouragement, for cheerfulness and confidence. May your life and your love be the inspiration that will constantly lead him to greater dependence upon our Lord Jesus Christ. Do you vow here, as you have promised Groom, that you will be loyal in adversity, ministering to him in affliction, comforting him in sorrow, and forsaking all others, keep yourself only to him for so long as you both shall live?

I will.....

Ring Ceremony

A ring is more than a symbol of your marriage. It is a seal of the vows you have given to one another! The circle of the ring is, as far as human eye can see, a perfect circle--without beginning or end.

So God has perfect love for you and wants you to love one another in His grace. May these rings be the outward and

visible sign of an inward and spiritual bond which unites your two hearts in love that has no end.

Pastor: May I have the rings?

Groom do you give this ring to Bride as a token of your love for her?

I do...

Place this ring upon the third finger of Brides left hand...

Repeat after me.....

With this ring I thee wed... as I give myself to you...with all the love and affections of my heart...so long as we both shall live

Bride, Do you give this ring to Groom as a token of your love to him?

I do...

Place this ring upon the third finger of the grooms' left hand....**Repeat after me.**

With this ring I thee wed...as I give myself to you...with all the love and affections of my heart....so long as we both shall live.

Presentation of Bride and Groom

Pastor-

"_You have consented together to be bound to one another in lawful marriage. You have made special promises to each other which have been symbolized by the joining of hands, taking of vows_Acting in the authority vested in me by the laws of this state, and looking to heaven for divine sanction, I pronounce you husband and wife in the presence of God and these assembled witnesses. What God hath joined together, let no man put asunder.

You may kiss the Bride.

It is now my honor and privilege to introduce to you

Mr and Mrs