

Possible Wedding Vows

In the following options, the pastor reads the vow phrase by phrase, and the bride and groom repeat the phrase after the pastor. Alternately, you can use a phrasing and say it from memory; the pastor will want a copy of the vows just in case.

I, _____, take you, _____, to be my wife/husband // and these things I promise you: // I will be faithful to you and honest with you; // I will respect, trust, help, and care for you; // I will share my life with you; // I will forgive you as we have been forgiven; // and I will try, with you, to better understand God and the world // through the best and the worst of what is to come // as long as we live.

I, _____, take you, _____, to be my wife/husband, // and I promise before God and these witnesses, // to be your loving and faithful husband/wife: // in plenty and in want, // in joy and in sorrow, // in sickness and in health, // as long as we both shall live.

I, _____, take you, _____, to be my wife/husband. I will accept you and allow you to differ with me. I will give you the freedom to be creative, will love you when life is peaceful and when it is in disorder, when I am proud of you and when I am disappointed in you. I will always try to keep my love growing and to never let it fall into the trap of stagnant security.

I, _____, take you, _____, to be my wife/husband. I will love and respect you as an equal. I will not only be a husband/wife, but a helper, friend, and guide so that you will be able to meet life's joys and tribulations, knowing that I stand by your side.

I, _____, intend in heart and mind to live with you, _____, in a fashion consistent with God's design for marriage. I promise to love you, honor you, and be faithful to you in times of personal need and personal blessing. I do pledge, with God's help and to the best of my ability, to seek to establish and maintain honest and loving communication between you and myself. Forsaking all others, I promise to remain faithful to you as long as we both shall live.

I give myself to you to be my partner/wife/husband, and these things I promise you: I will be faithful to you and honest with you; I will respect, trust, help, and care for you; I will share my life with you; I will forgive you as we have been forgiven; and I will try with you to better understand ourselves, the world, and God; through the best and worst of what is to come; as long as we both shall live.

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Possible Wedding Vows, *continued*

In the following options the pastor says the vows and you say "I do" or "I will." That is easier and you don't have to do the back and forth.

_____, will you give yourself to _____ to be your husband/wife, and will you promise, before God and these witnesses, to be committed and faithful in plenty and in want, in joy and in sorrow, in sickness and in health, as long as you both shall live?

_____, will you give yourself to _____ to be your wife/husband? Will you accept her/him and allow her/him to differ with you? Will you give her/him the freedom to be creative? Will you love her/him when life is peaceful and when it is in disorder, when you are proud of her/him when life is peaceful and when it is in disorder, when you are proud of her/him and when you are disappointed in her/him? Will you always try to keep your love growing and to never let it fall into the trap of stagnant security?

_____, will you give yourself to _____ to be your husband/wife? Will you promise to be faithful and honest to her/him? Will you respect, trust, help, and care for her/him? Will you share life with each other? Will you forgive her/him? Will you seek to better understand God, each other and the world, through the best and the worst of what is to come as long as you live?

Will you, _____, take _____ to be your wife/husband? Will you love and respect her/him as an equal? Will you not only be husband/wife, but a helper, friend, and guide so that she/he will be able to meet life's joys and tribulations knowing that you stand by her/his side?