

**Subject: Renewal of Marriage Vows**

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We are gathered here in the presence of God and friends and family to celebrate the renewal of the sacred vows made by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_.

We rejoice with you today as you re-affirm the covenant which you entered into on your wedding day when you took each other as companion, lover, and friend.

Marriage symbolizes the spiritual union of two lives. Yet this union must not diminish, but rather enhance the uniqueness of you each.

Kahlil Gibran, in speaking on marriage, said, "You were born together, and together you shall be...even in the silent memory of God. But let there be spaces in your togetherness, and let the winds of the heavens dance between you. Love one another, but make not a bond of love; let it rather be a moving sea between the shores of your souls. Fill each other's cup but drink not from the same cup.

"Sing and dance together and be joyous, but let each of you be alone, even as the strings of a lute are alone though they quiver with the same music. Give your heart, but not to each other's keeping, for only the hand of life can contain your heart."

Please face each other and hold hands.

Today you are renewing your vows of love and devotion, believing in each other to the utmost.

(Husband), on your wedding day you pledged your love to (wife) and you took her to be your wedded wife. Will you therefore reaffirm your vows of love and loyalty and continue this devotion to her as long as you both shall live?

(Wife), on your wedding day you pledged your love to (husband) and you took him to be your wedded husband. Will you therefore reaffirm your vows of love and loyalty and continue this devotion to him as long as you both shall live?

(Husband), repeat after me: "I, \_\_\_\_\_, give myself to you \_\_\_\_\_, to be your wedded husband. To love and to cherish, from this day forward."

(Wife), repeat after me: "I, \_\_\_\_\_, give myself to you

\_\_\_\_\_, to be your wedded wife. To love and to cherish, from this day forward."

Prayer: "Eternal Spirit that is the very Life, Truth, and Substance of us all, with whom to be in conscious union is joy, may this man and this woman who have entered into this spiritual union, always be conscious of thy indwelling presence. May they be one with each other as they are now ever one with Thee. May they rejoice in perfect love and peace together, and live always in accord with the true nature of their own divine essence. And so it is. Amen."

Inasmuch as you \_\_\_\_\_, and you, \_\_\_\_\_, have renewed your commitment to one another, and have once again pledged your faith to each other, by the power of your own love, I and your friends and family celebrate your unity. Whom love hath joined together, may it never be put asunder. Amen. (The kiss.)

Ladies and gentlemen, it is my privilege to present to you Mr. and Mrs.  
\_\_\_\_\_.

**Rose Ceremony**  
(for renewal of vows)

It is now my privilege to present you with this gift. In the language of flowers, a red rose is the symbol of love. Our gift to you is the gift of love. Will you please exchange your red roses? In this exchange, you have given to each other the gift of love.

And it would be our hope that in your home, that there be a specially appointed place in it for red roses. And that on each wedding anniversary you celebrate it, at least in part, by each of you bringing to that appointed place a red rose as a re-statement of love, and as an acknowledgement of the vows which you made on your wedding day and which you have renewed today.

And in every marriage it is occasionally difficult to find the words to resolve certain issues which may arise. And, you probably haven't had any quarrels up until now, but if and when such issues might come to your marriage, if either of you will remember and bring to the appointed place a red rose, the other will see it and understand it as a statement of love and accept it, because love is the gateway to all answers.

Corinthians: "Love is patient, love is kind and envies no one. Love is never boastful, nor conceited, nor rude; never selfish, and not quick to take offense. Love keeps no score of wrongs; does not gloat over other's mistakes, but delights in the truth. There is nothing love cannot face; there is no limit to its faith, hope, and its endurance. In a word, there are three things that last forever: Faith, hope, and love...and the greatest of these is love."

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