

Wedding Notes

1. Opening Remarks

Brothers and Sisters, we are gathered here today in the presence of God and man to celebrate with the {bride} & {groom}.

Christian marriages are a way of life for believers, given by God.

2. Intent to Marry- Groom

To the **groom**, {**grooms** name}, will you have this woman to be your wife to live together in holy covenant of marriage? Will you love her, comfort her, honor her, and keep her in sickness and in health? And forsaking all others, be faithful to her, as long as you both shall live? {**grooms** response}

3. Intent to Marry - Bride

To the **bride**, {**brides** name}, will you have this man to be your husband to live together in holy covenant of marriage? Will you love him, comfort him, honor him, and keep him in sickness and in health? And forsaking all others, be faithful to him, as long as you both shall live? {**brides** response}

4. Who is giving away this woman to be married to this man?

{wait for response}

5. Scripture Reading

Genesis 1: 26-31

26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

29 And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.

31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

6. OBJECTION TO MARRIAGE

Are there any persons present who have reason to object this marriage?

Speak now or forever hold your
peace.

7. The Vows

{ASK THE BRIDE AND GROOM TO JOIN HANDS AND FACE EACH OTHER}

To the groom,:

{Groom's Name}, will you take {Bride's Name} to be your lawfully wedded wife? {Groom's Response}

Will you be faithful to her? {Groom's Response}

*Will you love her and serve her as long as you both shall live?
{Groom's Response}*

To the bride,:

{Bride's Name}, will you take {Groom's Name} to be your lawfully wedded husband? {Bride's Response}

Will you be faithful to him? {Bride's Response}

*Will you love him and serve him as long as you both shall live?
{Bride's Response}*

8. Exchange of Rings

May I please have the rings?

To the **groom**, place *her* ring upon her ring finger and repeat this vow after me saying:

I give you this ring, {Response}, as a sign of our love this day, {Response}.

To the **bride**, place *his* ring upon his ring finger and repeat this vow after me saying:

I give you this ring, {Response}, as a sign of our love this day, {Response}.

9. Prayer for Groom & Bride

10. Benediction

*Now may the saving grace of our Lord
and savior, Jesus Christ.*

*The love of God the father, the sweet
fellowship of the Holy Spirit, the
comforter.*

*Rest, remain, and abide with us both
now and forever more.*

Amen.

11. Declaration of Marriage

You have come before God, man, these witnesses, and the clergy of the Lord Jesus Christ, here today to express your desires to be husband and wife.

I therefore pronounce that you are now husband and wife. What God has joined together, let no man put asunder.

12. Traditional Kiss

*To the groom, you may
now kiss your wife.*

13. Introduction

*It is now my honor to present to you,
Mr. and Mrs. {Groom's Name}.*

14. Sign Certificate

**May I have the witnesses please to accompany the
Bride and Groom for the signing of the certificate?**

15. Bridal Party Exit