

## **Marriage Vows**

Marriage Vows can be an “I do,” or an “I will,” a repeat-after-me, or read to each other. The only legal requirement of a wedding ceremony is that the Bride and Groom verbally indicate they want to be married. The term Expression of Intent and Marriage Vows are really the same thing. You can have an Expression of Intent – which is an “I do” or an “I will.” You can also then have a repeat-after-me Marriage Vow, and then a separate repeat-after-me for the Ring Exchange.

### **Combining the Vows and Ring Exchange**

The Ring Exchange can be separate or be included in any vow by Judge Armstrong saying:

**To Groom:** Grm, as you place this ring on Bde’s finger, please repeat after me.

**Or**

**To Groom:** Grm, please place this ring on Bde’s finger.

Do you Grm take Bde as you wife etc. followed by an “I do.”

### **Write your own Vows**

These are sample vows that can be changed as you like. Some are religious and some are not. You can delete words, add the words you choose, or write your own vows. These samples may help you with ideas. Don’t try to memorize your vows. You can read the vows to each other – Judge Armstrong holds the papers and hands a copy to the Bride and Groom at the appropriate time.

### **Repeat-after-me Vows**

For repeat-after-me vows Judge Armstrong will read a few words at a time and the Bride and Groom repeat the words. The / mark shows the breaks in repeat-after-me vows.

#### **Vows 1.**

##### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

Bde, I take you to be my wife / from this time onward, / to join with you / and to share all that is to come, / to give and to receive, / to speak and to listen, / to inspire and to respond, / and in all circumstances of our life together / to be loyal to you / with my whole life / and with all my being.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

Grm, I take you to be my husband / from this time onward, / to join with you / and to share all that is to come, / to give and to receive, / to speak and to listen, / to inspire and to respond, / and in all circumstances of our life together / to be loyal to you / with my whole life / and with all my being.

## **Vows 2.**

### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I take you, Bde, / to be my wife, / I promise before God / and these witnesses / to be your faithful husband, / to share with you in plenty and in want, / in joy and in sorrow, / in sickness and in health, / to forgive and strengthen you / and to join with you / so that together / we may serve God and others / as long as we both shall live.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I take you, Grm, / to be my husband, / I promise before God / and these witnesses / to be your faithful wife, / to share with you in plenty and in want, / in joy and in sorrow, / in sickness and in health, / to forgive and strengthen you / and to join with you / so that together / we may serve God and others / as long as we both shall live.

### **Vows 3.**

#### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I, Grm, / take you, Bde, / to be my wife, / and I promise to love and sustain you / in the bonds of marriage, / from this day forward, / in sickness and in health, / in plenty and in want, / in joy and in sorrow, / till death shall part us, / according to God's ordinance, / and to this end / I give you my faith.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I, Bde, / take you, Grm, / to be my husband, / and I promise to love and sustain you / in the bonds of marriage, / from this day forward, / in sickness and in health, / in plenty and in want, / in joy and in sorrow, / till death shall part us, / according to God's ordinance, / and to this end / I give you my faith.

### **Vows 4.**

#### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold one hand.*

*Judge Armstrong gives a copy of the Vows to the Bride  
and a copy to the Groom.*

**Groom:** *Reads to Bride.*

Bde, I offer my love. I offer my strength. I offer my support. I offer my loyalty. I offer my faith.

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Bde, I take you as my wife as long as we both shall live.

I believe that we are meant to be for each other a sign of Christ's love; that we are called to bring each other to God; that we are called to love and forgive each other. Believing these things, I offer myself completely to you to be your husband in marriage.

**Bride:** *Reads to Groom.*

Grm, I offer my love. I offer my strength. I offer my support. I offer my loyalty. I offer my faith.

Grm, I take you as my husband as long as we both shall live.

I believe that we are meant to be for each other a sign of Christ's love; that we are called to bring each other to God; that we are called to love and forgive each other. Believing these things, I offer myself completely to you to be your wife in marriage.

*The Bride and Groom return the copies to Judge Armstrong.*

## **Vows 5. - by Roy Croft**

### **Wedding Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold hands.*

*Judge Armstrong gives a copy to the Bride  
and a copy to the Groom to read to each other.*

**Groom:** Bde, I love you,  
Not only for what you are,  
But for what I am when I am with you,

**Bride:** Grm, I love you,  
Not only for what you have made of yourself,

But for what you are making of me.

**Groom:** Bde, I love you  
For the way you brighten my darker days,  
And how you keep me motivated in my life long goals.

**Bride:** Grm, I love you.  
For putting your hand into my heart and passing over all the foolish things that I  
can't help. Dimly seen there and for drawing out into the light all the beautiful  
qualities that no one else had looked far enough to see.

**Groom:** Bde, I love you.  
Because you have done more than any person could have done to make me good  
and more than fate could have done to make me happy.

**Bride:** Grm, You have done it:  
Without a touch.  
Without a word.  
Without a sign.  
You have done it, by being my everything life consists of.

**Together:** I love you –  
Unconditionally  
Completely – forever.

*The Bride and Groom return the copies to Judge Armstrong.*

## **Vows 6.**

### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I take you, Bde, / to be my wife, / and these things I promise you: / I will be faithful to  
you / and honest with you; / I will respect, and trust you, / 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 / better  
to understand ourselves, / the world, and God; / through the best and worst / of what is to come /  
as long as we live.

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**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I take you, Grm, / to be my husband, / and these things I promise you: / I will be faithful to you / and honest with you; / I will respect, and trust you, / 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 / better to understand ourselves, / the world, and God; / through the best and worst / of what is to come / as long as we live.

**Vows 7. - From *I Will Always* by Larry S. Chengges**

**Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.  
The Bride and Groom face each other and hold hands.*

*Judge Armstrong hands a copy of the vows to the Bride  
and a copy to the Groom.*

**Bride:** Grm, I Will Always - promise to give you the best of myself, and to ask you no more than you can give.

**Groom:** Bde, I Will Always - accept you the way you are. I fell in love with you for the qualities, abilities, and the outlook on life that you have, and I won't try to reshape you in a different image.

**Bride:** Grm, I Will Always - respect you as a person with your own interests, desires and needs, and to realize that those are sometimes different, but no less important than my own.

**Groom:** Bde, I Will Always - share with you my time, my close attention, and will bring joy and strength and imagination to our marriage.

**Bride:** Grm, I Will Always - pledge to keep myself open to you - to let you see through the window of my personal world, into my innermost fears and feelings, secrets and dreams.

**Groom:** Bde, I Will Always - promise to grow along with you - to be willing to face change as we both change in order to keep our marriage alive and exciting.

**Together:** I Will Always Love You - In good times and in bad, with all I have to give and with all I feel inside in the only way I know how, - completely and forever.

*The Bride and Groom return the copies to Judge Armstrong.*

### **Vows 7. – Another Version**

#### **My Vows of Love to You**

*Judge Armstrong hands a copy to the Bride and a copy to the Groom and they read the vows to each other.*

**Groom:** Bde, I vow to give you the best of myself and to ask of you no more than you can give.

**Bride:** Grm, I vow to respect you as your own person and to realize that your interests, desires and needs are no less important than my own.

**Groom:** Bde, I vow to share with you my time and my attention and to bring joy, strength and imagination to our relationship.

**Bride:** Grm, I vow to keep myself open to you. To let you see through the window of my world into my innermost fears and feelings, secrets and dreams.

**Groom:** Bde, I vow to grow along with you, to be willing to face changes as we both change in order to keep our relationship alive and exciting.

**Bride:** Grm, last, but not least, I vow to love you in good times and in bad, with all I have to give, and all I feel inside in the only way I know how.

**Together:** Completely and forever.

*The Bride and Groom return the copies to Judge Armstrong.*

**Vows 8.**

**Expression of Intent**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, do you take Bde as your wife? Will you be faithful to her in tender love and honor, offering encouragement and companionship and will you live with her and cherish her with love and respect in the union of marriage?

If yes, say "I do."

**To Bride:** Bde, do you take Grm as your husband? Will you be faithful to him in tender love and honor, offering encouragement and companionship and will you live with him and cherish him with love and respect in the union of marriage?

If yes, say "I do."

**Marriage Vows**

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I, Grm, / take you, Bde, / to be my partner in life. / I will cherish our friendship, / and love you today, / tomorrow, and forever. / I will trust you / and honor you. / I will love you faithfully / through the best and the worst, / through the difficult and the easy. / Whatever may come / I will always be there. / As I have given you my hand to hold / so I give you my life to keep, / so help me God.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I, Bde, / take you, Grm, / to be my partner in life. / I will cherish our friendship, / and love you today, / tomorrow, and forever. / I will trust you / and honor you. / I will love you faithfully / through the best and the worst, / through the difficult and the easy. / Whatever may come / I will always be there. / As I have given you my hand to hold / so I give you my life to keep, / so help me God.

## **Vows 9.**

### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I, Grm, / take you, Bde, / to be my wife. / I am proud to stand beside you / this day and forever, / and these things I promise you. / I will be faithful to you / and honest with you. / I will respect and trust you, / 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 the worst / of what is to come. / I vow to love, / to honor, / and to cherish you / as long as we both shall live.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I, Bde, / take you, Grm, / to be my husband. / I am proud to stand beside you / this day and forever, / and these things I promise you. / I will be faithful to you / and honest with you. / I will respect and trust you, / 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 the worst / of what is to come. / I vow to love, / to honor, / and to cherish you / as long as we both shall live.

## **Vows 10.**

### **Expression of Intent**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

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*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.  
The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, do you take Bde to be your wife, to share your life with her, and do you pledge to love, honor and cherish her all the days of your life?

If yes, say "I do."

**To Bride:** Bde, do you take Grm to be your husband, to share your life with him, and do you pledge to love, honor and cherish him all the days of your life?

If yes, say "I do."

### **Marriage Vows**

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I, Grm, / choose you, Bde, / to be my wife, / my companion / through all life's joys and sorrows. / On this day, / I affirm my commitment to you, / acknowledging the love we share / and looking forward to all that is to come. / I will stand by you / in plenty and in want; / in sickness and in health; / in failure and in triumph. / I will cherish and respect you, / comfort and encourage you, / be open with you / and at your side / as long as we both shall live.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I, Bde, / choose you, Grm, / to be my husband, / my companion / through all life's joys and sorrows. / On this day, / I affirm my commitment to you, / acknowledging the love we share / and looking forward to all that is to come. / I will stand by you / in plenty and in want; / in sickness and in health; / in failure and in triumph. / I will cherish and respect you, / comfort and encourage you, / be open with you / and at your side / as long as we both shall live.

### **Vows 11.**

#### **Expression of Intent**

**To Groom and Bride:** Grm and Bde, have you come here freely and without reservation to give yourselves to each other in marriage?

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If so answer “We have.”

**To Groom and Bride:** And will you love and honor each other as husband and wife for the rest of your lives?

If so answer “We will.”

After having considered the importance of the step you are about to take, and having expressed your willingness to assume the duties and obligations of a marital relationship, I now ask you in the presence of your family and friends to state your vows.

### **Marriage Vows**

Groom and Bride, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Do you Groom take this woman to be your wedded wife, to live together according to law in a state of matrimony, to love her, comfort her, honor, keep and cherish her in sickness and in health and be true and faithful to the duties and obligations of the marital relationship so long as you both shall live?

If yes, answer, “I do.”

**To Groom:** Groom, please repeat after me.

I, Groom, / take you Bride /to be my wife. / In the presence of God / and before these witnesses / I promise to be a loving, / faithful and loyal husband to you, / for as long as we both shall live.

**To Bride:** Do you Bride take this man to be your wedded husband, to live together according to law in a state of matrimony, to love him, comfort him, honor, keep and cherish him in sickness and in health and be true and faithful to the duties and obligations of the marital relationship so long as you both shall live?

If yes, answer, "I do."

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I, Bde, / take you Grm / to be my husband. / In the presence of God / and before these witnesses / I promise to be a loving, / faithful and loyal wife to you, / for as long as we both shall live.

## 12. – Religious Vows

### Marriage Vows

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, will you have Bde to be your wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of matrimony; will you love her, comfort her, honor and keep her, in sickness and in health, and forsaking all others keep yourself only for her so long as you both shall live?

If yes, say "I will."

**To Bride:** Bde, will you have Grm to be your wedded husband, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of matrimony; will you love him, comfort him, honor and keep him, in sickness and in health, and forsaking all others keep yourself only for him so long as you both shall live?

If yes, say "I will."

## 13.

### Marriage Vows

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

*Judge Armstrong gives a copy to the Bride  
and a copy to the Groom.*

**Groom:**

From this day on I choose you, Bde, to be my wife

**Bride:**

From this day on I choose you, Grm, to be my husband

**Together:**

To live with you 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  
To bring out the best in you always  
And, for you, to be the most that I can be  
To laugh with you in the good times  
To struggle with you in the bad  
To support you when you are discouraged  
To wipe your tears with my hands  
To comfort you with my body  
To mirror you with my soul  
To share with you all my riches and honors  
To play with you as much as I can until we grow old  
And still loving each other sweetly and gladly  
Our lives shall come to the end

*The Bride and Groom return the copies to Judge Armstrong.*

**Vows 13. - Repeat After Me**

**Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.  
The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

From this day on / I choose you, Bde /  
To be my wife /  
To live with you 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 /  
To bring out the best in you always /  
And, for you, / to be the most that I can be /  
To laugh with you in the good times /  
To struggle with you in the bad /  
To support you when you are discouraged /  
To wipe your tears with my hands /  
To comfort you with my body /  
To mirror you with my soul /  
To share with you all my riches and honors /  
To play with you as much as I can / until we grow old /  
And still loving each other / sweetly and gladly /  
Our lives shall come to the end

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

From this day on / I choose you, Grm /  
To be my husband /  
To live with you 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 /  
To bring out the best in you always /  
And, for you, / to be the most that I can be /  
To laugh with you in the good times /  
To struggle with you in the bad /  
To support you when you are discouraged /  
To wipe your tears with my hands /

To comfort you with my body /  
To mirror you with my soul /  
To share with you all my riches and honors /  
To play with you as much as I can / until we grow old /  
And still loving each other / sweetly and gladly /  
Our lives shall come to the end

#### **Vows 14. – Traditional “I do”**

##### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Do you Grm take Bde, for your lawfully wedded wife, to have and to hold, from this day forward, to love and to cherish, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, until death do you part?

If yes, say “I do.”

**To Bride:** Do you Bde take Grm, for your lawfully wedded husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, to love and to cherish, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, until death do you part?

If yes, say “I do.”

#### **Vows 14 – Another version with Ring Exchange**

##### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Do you, Grm, take Bde, for your wedded wife, to have and to hold, from this day forward, to love and to cherish, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health, as long as you both shall live?

If yes, say “I do.”

*The Best Man hands the Bride’s ring to the Groom.*

As a token of your love, please place this ring upon Bde’s finger.

**To Bride:** Do you, Bde, take Grm, for your wedded husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, to love and to cherish, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health, as long as you both shall live?

If yes, say “I do.”

*The Maid of Honor hands the Groom’s ring to the Bride.*

As a token of your love, please place this ring upon Grm’s finger.

## **Vows 14 – “I will” Version**

### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, will you take Bde, for your lawfully wedded wife, to have and to hold, from this day forward, to love and to cherish, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, until death do you part?

If yes, say “I will.”

**To Bride:** Bde, will you take Grm, for your lawfully wedded husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, to love and to cherish, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, until death do you part?

If yes, say "I will."

## **Vows 15.**

### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I, Grm, / take you, Bde, / to be no other than yourself; / loving what I know of you, / trusting what I do not yet know, / with respect for your integrity, / and faith in your love for me / through all of our years / and in all that life may bring us. / As a mirror of my true self / and as my partner on the same path, / I take you, Bde, / to be my wife. / I will love you, / comfort you, / respect, and cherish you / all the days of my life.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I, Bde, / take you, Grm, / to be no other than yourself; / loving what I know of you, / trusting what I do not yet know, / with respect for your integrity, / and faith in your love for me / through all of our years / and in all that life may bring us. / As a mirror of my true self / and as my partner on the same path, / I take you, Grm, / to be my husband. / I will love you, / comfort you, / respect, and cherish you / all the days of my life.

## **Vows 16.**

### **Marriage Vows**

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*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I Grm, / take you Bde, / to be my wife. / To laugh with in joy, / to cry with in sorrow, / and to grow with in love. / I humbly give you my hands and my heart / as a sanctuary of warmth and peace, / and pledge my faith and love to you.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I Bde, / take you Grm, / to be my husband. / To laugh with in joy, / to cry with in sorrow, / and to grow with in love. / I humbly give you my hands and my heart / as a sanctuary of warmth and peace, / and pledge my faith and love to you.

## **Vows 17. - With Ring Exchange**

### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I Grm, / take you Bde, / as my wife, / in friendship and in love, / in strength and in weakness, / to share the good times and misfortune, / in achievement and failure, / to celebrate life with you forevermore. /

*The Best Man hands the Bride's ring to the Groom.*

Bde, take this ring / as a symbol / of my never-ending love and devotion.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I Bde, / take you Grm, / as my husband, / in friendship and in love, / in strength and in weakness, / to share the good times and misfortune, / in achievement and failure, / to celebrate

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life with you forevermore. / Grm, take this ring / as a symbol / of my never-ending love and devotion.

*The Maid of Honor hands the Groom's ring to the Bride.*

Grm, take this ring / as a symbol / of my never-ending love and devotion.

## **Vows 18.**

### **Expression of Intent**

Grm and Bde, we have come together to honor your love and commitment to one another and support your decision to become lifetime partners. May your love always be unchanging and everlasting.

**To Groom:** Do you Grm, take Bde to be your wife? Do you promise to love, honor, cherish and protect her, and forsaking all others, be true and loyal to her for now and forevermore.

**Groom:** I do.

**To Bride:** Do you Bde, take Grm to be your husband? Do you promise to love, honor, cherish and protect him, and forsaking all others, be true and loyal to him for now and forevermore.

**Bride:** I do.

### **Exchange of Vows**

Grm and Bde, the vows you are about to exchange will join your lives. You both bring individual strengths and weaknesses to this marriage, and as you stand together as a married couple, may you complement each other and fulfill what each other needs. as your love and commitment continue to deepen throughout your married life.

Please join hands, and give your vows.

*The Bride passes her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I, Grm, / take you Bde, / from this day forward / as my wife, partner and best friend. / I promise to take you to my heart / as you are and as you will be. / I will walk by your side forever / and grow together with you. / I promise to support your dreams / and to be there for you / for the rest of our lives.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I, Bde, / take you Grm, / from this day forward / as my husband, partner and best friend. / I promise to take you to my heart / as you are and as you will be. / I will walk by your side forever / and grow together with you. / I promise to support your dreams / and to be there for you / for the rest of our lives.

## **Vows 19. – With Ring Exchange**

### **Vows and Exchange of Rings**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

Today, Bde, I join my life to yours, / not merely as your husband, / but as your friend, / your lover, and your confidant. / Let me be the shoulder you lean on, / the rock on which you rest, / the companion of your life. / With you I will walk together / from this day forward.

*The Best Man hands the Bride's ring to the Groom.*

With this ring / I thee wed.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

Today, Grm, I join my life to yours, / not merely as your wife, / but as your friend, / your lover, and your confidant. / Let me be the shoulder you lean on, / the rock on which you rest, / the companion of your life. / With you I will walk together / from this day forward.

*The Maid or Honor hands the Groom's ring to the Bride.*

With this ring / I thee wed.

**20.**

### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I promise to love you / with all my heart / and all my strength. / I vow to be your best friend / and to do everything I can / to make you happy. / I will trust you with my dreams / and support you in your dreams. / I don't know what challenges lie ahead / but I know that we will face them together / as husband and wife.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I promise to love you / with all my heart / and all my strength. / I vow to be your best friend / and to do everything I can / to make you happy. / I will trust you with my dreams / and support you in your dreams. / I don't know what challenges lie ahead / but I know that we will face them together / as husband and wife.

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### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

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*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Groom:** Grm, please repeat after me.

I, Grm, / take you, Bde, / to be my wife. / I choose you this day / to love and confide in, / to have and to hold, / to believe in and to share with, / to learn from and grow with. / I choose you this day / to give you my heart.

**To Bride:** Bde, please repeat after me.

I, Bde, / take you, Grm, / to be my husband. / I choose you this day / to love and confide in, / to have and to hold, / to believe in and to share with, / to learn from and grow with. / I choose you this day / to give you my heart.

**22.**

### **Marriage Vows**

Grm and Bde, please join hands and give your vows.

*The Bride hands her flowers to the Maid of Honor.*

*The Bride and Groom face each other and hold both hands.*

**To Bride and Groom:** Do you, Grm and Bde, accept each other as husband and wife? Do you promise to share with each other in times of joy, as well as in times of trouble, to share your hopes, thoughts and dreams? Do you promise to talk and to listen, to honor and to appreciate, to provide for and support each other in trust and love? Do you promise to be companions and friends, partners in parenthood and allies in conflict, to be comrades in adventure, and accomplices in mischief?

**Bride and Groom:** We do.