NOTE: Below you will find many Wedding Vow Designs of Text. Your Classic Wedding Vows, for this writing, tend to be Christian Vow Variations. Following this are DENOMINATIONAL Vows and variations. More, we present Civil Vows in Variation. ALL of this text is intended to empower you - NOT overwhelm you. And, remember as you move through these texts, they can be customized and modified, to help you and your partner find YOUR VOICE for YOUR COVENANT. Happy Reading and Happy Planning . . . and remember - have FUN, as you embark upon this most precious time in your life (www.lrhartley.com/marriageweek).

CLASSIC & TRADITIONAL - Vows 1
I take you, ______________, to be my wife/husband and I promise before God and all who are present here to be your loving and faithful husband/wife, as long as our lives shall last. I will serve you with tenderness and respect, and encourage you to develop God’s gifts in you.

Wedding Vow Variant 1
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.

Wedding Vow Variant 2
Before God and these witnesses, I, (Wife), take you, (Husband), to be my husband/wife, and I promise to love you, and to be faithful to you as long as we both shall live.

Wedding Vow Variant 3
Do you, __________, take this woman/man, ______________, to be your wife/husband, according to God’s holy decree; do you promise to be to him/her a loving and loyal husband/wife, to cherish and keep her/him in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all others, to be faithful only to him/her as long as you both shall live?

Answer: I do.

Wedding Vow Variant 4
____________________, will you have this woman/man to be your wife/husband to live together according to God’s decree in the holy estate of marriage? Will you love her/him, comfort her/him, honor and keep her/him, in sickness and in health, and forsaking all others, faithfully keep to her/him alone, so long as you both shall live?

Answer: I will

Wedding Vow Variant 5
I, ______________, take you, ______________, to be my wife/husband, according to God’s holy decree: to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do we part: and to that I pledge you my faithfulness.

Wedding Vow Variant 6
I _____, take you ______, to be my wedded wife/husband. To have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness or in health, to love and to cherish 'till death do us part. And hereto I pledge you my faithfulness.

Baptist DENOMINATION

Baptist Wedding Vow Sample 2
I, _______, take thee ______, to be my wife/husband, and before God and these witnesses I promise to be a faithful and true wife/husband."

Baptist Wedding Vow Sample 2
"Will you, ________, have ______ to be your wife/husband? Will you love her/him, comfort and keep her/him, and forsaking all other remain true to him/her as long as you both shall live?" ("I will")

(Repeat) "I, __________, take thee _________, to be my wife/husband, and before God and these witnesses I promise to be a faithful and true wife/husband."
(Rings) "With this ring I thee wed, and all my worldly goods I thee endow. In sickness and in health, in poverty or in wealth, 'til death do us part."

**Catholic DENOMINATION - Vow Sample 1**
"I, ______, take you, ________, for my lawful wife/husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and health, until death do us part."

**Catholic Wedding Vow Sample 2**
"I, ______, take you, ________, to be my husband/wife. I promise to be true to you in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health. I will love and honor you all the days of my life."

Rate "Catholic Wedding Vows"

**Christian DENOMINATION Vows - Sample 1**
Groom - I, _____, take you, ________, to be my wedded wife. With deepest joy I receive you into my life that together we may be one. As is Christ to His body, the church, so I will be to you a loving and faithful husband. Always will I perform my headship over you even as Christ does over me, knowing that His Lordship is one of the holiest desires for my life. I promise you my deepest love, my fullest devotion, my tenderest care. I promise I will live first unto God rather than others or even you. I promise that I will lead our lives into a life of faith and hope in Christ Jesus. Ever honoring God's guidance by His spirit through the Word, And so throughout life, no matter what may lie ahead of us, I pledge to you my life as a loving and faithful husband.

Bride - I, _____, take you, ________, to be my wedded husband. With deepest joy I come into my new life with you. As you have pledged to me your life and love, so I too happily give you my life, and in confidence submit myself to your headship as to the Lord. As is the church in her relationship to Christ, so will I be to you. _____, I will live first unto God and then unto you, loving you, obeying you, caring for you and ever seeking to please you. God has prepared me for you and so I will ever strengthen, help, comfort, and encourage you. Therefore, throughout life, no matter what may be ahead of us, I pledge to you my life as an obedient and faithful wife.

**Christian Wedding Vow Sample 2**
Groom - I love you, _____, and I know that God has ordained this love. Because of this I desire to be your husband. Together we will be vessels for His service in accordance with His plan, so that in all areas of our life Christ will have the pre-eminence. Through the pressures of the present and the uncertainties of the future, I promise to be faithful to you. I promise to love, guide, and protect you as Christ does His Church, and as long as we both are alive. According to Ephesians 5 and with His enabling power, I promise to endeavor to show to you the same kind of love as Christ showed the Church when He died for her, and to love you as a part of myself because in His sight we shall be one.

Bride - I love you, ____ and I know that you love me. Because of this I desire to be your wife. For _ years I have prayed that God would lead me to His choice and I am confident that His will is being fulfilled tonight. Through the pressures of the present and the uncertainties of the future I promise to be faithful to you. I will love, serve, and obey you as long as we both are alive. Christ told us that the wife must submit herself unto her own husband as unto the Lord. For as Christ is Head of His Church so is the husband head of his wife. _____, I submit myself to you.

**Christian Wedding Vow Sample 3**
I _____, take you ________, to be my wedded wife/husband. To have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness or in health, to love and to cherish 'till death do us part. And hereto I pledge you my faithfulness.

**Christian Vow Sample 4**
Groom - _____, we read in Genesis, "Therefore shall a man leave his father and mother and cleave unto his wife," and in Proverbs "Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing." He has ordained that the husband be the head of the wife. He instructs me, as the one who will be your husband, to love you as Christ loves the Church. It is my desire and delight to follow this scriptural teaching. With all my heart, I make this pledge to you.
Bride - _______, the Lord instructs me as the one who will be your wife to submit to you as unto Him. Our Father created woman to be man's helper. It is my desire and delight to follow this scriptural teaching. With all my heart I make this pledge to you.

Christian Wedding Vow Sample 5 - Groom - _______, I love you. Today is a very special day. Long ago you were just a dream and a prayer. This day like a dream come true the Lord Himself has answered that prayer. For today, ____, as your joy become my crown. I thank Jesus for the honor of going through time with you. Thank you for being what you are to me. With our future as bright as the promises of God, I will care for you, honor and protect you. I lay down my life for you, ____, my friend and my love. Today I give to you me.

Bride - _______, I love you and I know you love me. I am confident that God has chosen you to be my husband. It is my prayer and desire that you will find in me the helpmeet God designed especially for you, and in confidence I will submit myself unto your headship as unto our Lord. Therefore, ____, I pledge to you my life as an obedient, faithful and loving wife. Whither thou goest I will go, whither thou lodgest I will lodge, Thy people shall be my people, And thy God my God.

Christian Wedding Vow Sample 6 - Groom - _______. I love you and I know that this love is from God. Because of this, I want to be your husband so that we might serve Christ together. Through all of the uncertainties and trials of the present and future, I promise to be faithful to you and love you. I promise to guide and protect you as Christ does his church, as long as we both shall live. God's Word gives us the perfect example of this love in Christ's death for the Church. I shall try always, with God's help, to show you this same kind of love, for I know that in His sight we will both be one.

Bride - ____, I love you. I prayed that God would lead me to his choice. I praise Him that tonight His will is being fulfilled. Through the pressures of the present and uncertainties of the future I promise my faithfulness, to follow you through all of life's experiences as you follow God, that together we may grow in the likeness of Christ and our home be a praise to Him.

Christian Wedding Vow Sample 7

Groom - _______, as we stand before both God and man, making public our commitment to one another, I wish to make it known that I recognize first of all God's authority over my life which is exercised from His loving heart. He has chosen me to be one of his own, and He is now my life. I recognize also that He has blessed me and entrusted to me your life as a free gift that I have not earned. In recognition of these things, ______ I purpose to love you with His love, to provide for your needs through His enablement, and to lead you as He leads me, as long as He give us life together, regardless of the circumstances. As Psalm 34:3 expressed my heart when I asked you to marry me, so it expresses my heart now: "O magnify the Lord with me and let us exalt His name together."

Bride - On this special day, ______., I am reminded of the verse James 1:17 which says, "Every good thing bestowed and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of Lights with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow." With a gift such as you, I know that many new responsibilities face me. In 1 Corinthians, it explains "It is required of a steward to be found trustworthy." I cannot do this on my own strength, ______., but by God's grace and power working within me I desire to be trustworthy as your wife by following your leading submissively, even as unto Christ, loving and serving you in all circumstances as long as He give me life on this earth.

Christian Wedding Vow Sample 8

Groom - I ______., in faith, honesty and love, take you, ______., to be my wedded wife, to share with you God's plan for our lives together united in Christ. And with God's help, to strengthen and guide me I will be a strong spiritual leader for us in our life, for better, for worse, in sickness and in health, in joys and in sorrows, until death do we part. I give you all that I have myself and my love. (All these things I pledge to thee) In the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. With this ring I seal my vow of love to you, ______, and pray I may fulfill God's place in our home, in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Traditional Christian Wedding Vows 9
I take you, ______________, to be my wife/husband and I promise before God and all who are present here to be your loving and faithful husband/wife, as long as our lives shall last. I will serve you with tenderness and respect, and encourage you to develop God’s gifts in you.

Traditional Christian Wedding Vow Variant 10
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.

Non-Denomination Wedding Vows

Non-Denomination Wedding Vow Sample 1
"I __________, take thee __________, to be my wife/husband. To have and to hold, in sickness and in health, for richer or for poorer, and I promise my love to you forevermore"

Non-Denomination Wedding Vow Sample 2
I __________, take you __________, to be my wife/husband. To share the good times and hard times side by side. I humbly give you my hand and my heart as a sanctuary of warmth and peace, and pledge my faith and love to you. Just as this circle is without end, my love for you is eternal.

Just as it is made of incorruptible substance, my commitment to you will never fail. With this ring, I thee wed."

Non-Denomination Wedding Vow Sample 3
Before our friends and those so special to us here, on this wonderful day of gladness and good fortune, I _______ take you _______ as my wife/husband, in friendship and in love, in strength and weakness, to share the good times and misfortune, in achievement and failure, to celebrate life with you forevermore

Presbyterian Wedding Vows - Sample 1
I, __________, take thee ________, to be my wedded wife/husband, and I do promise and covenant, before God and these witnesses, to be thy loving and faithful wife/husband; in plenty and in want, in joy and in sorrow, in sickness and in health, as long as we both shall live.

Presbyterian Wedding Vow Sample 2
"Do you, __________, take ______ to be your wife/husband? Do you promise to love, honor, cherish and protect her/him, forsaking all others and holding only unto her/him?" ("I do")

(Ring) With this ring, I thee wed; all my love, I do thee give."

Methodist Wedding Vows

Methodist Wedding Vow Sample 1
I, __________, take thee ________, to be my wife/husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better? for worse, for richer? for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do us part, and thereto I pledge thee my faith.

Methodist Wedding Vow Sample 2
I, ______, ask you, _____, to be my husband/wife as my friend and my love. On this day I affirm the relationship we have enjoyed, looking to the future to deepen and strengthen it. I will be yours in plenty and in want, in sickness and in health, in failure and in triumph. Together we will dream, will stumble but restore each other, we will share all things, serving each other and our fellow humanity. I will cherish and respect you, comfort and encourage you, be open with you, and stay with you as long as we shall Live, freed and bound by our Love.

Methodist Wedding Vow Sample 3
"_________, wilt thou have this woman/man to be thy wedded wife/husband to live together after God’s ordinance in the Holy Estate of matrimony? Wilt thou love her/him, in sickness and in health, and forsaking all others keep thee only unto her/him, so long as ye both shall live? ("I will")
(Repeat) "I, ________, take thee ______, to be my wife/husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better ? for worse, for richer ? for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do us part, and thereto I pledge thee my faith."

(Rings) "In token and pledge of the vow between us made, with this ring I thee wed; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

(Rings) "Receive this ring as a token of wedded love and faith."

United Methodist Declaration of Consent
I take you, (name), to be my (husband/wife) from this day forward, to join with you and share all that is to come, and I promise to be faithful to you of God and this congregation to declare your intent. Will you have this (man/woman) to be your (husband/wife), to live together in a holy marriage? Will you love (him/her), comfort (him/her), honor (him/her), and keep (him/her) in sickness and in health, and forsaking all others, be faithful to (him/her) as long as you both shall live?

Lutheran Wedding Vows

Lutheran Wedding Vow Sample 1
I, ________, take thee ______, to be my wife/husband, and pledge thee my troth, so long as ye both shall live.

Lutheran Wedding Vow Sample 2
I, (name), take you, (name), to be my (husband/wife), 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 better to understand ourselves, the world, and God; through the best and the worst of what is to come as long as we live.

Lutheran Wedding Vow Sample 3
(Name), Our miracle lies in the path we have chosen together. I enter into this marriage with you knowing that the true magic of love is not to avoid changes, but to navigate them successfully. Let us commit until death parts us.

Lutheran Wedding Vow Sample 4
"_______, wilt thou have this woman/man to be thy wedded wife/husband to live together after God’s ordinance in the Holy Estate of matrimony? Wilt thou love her/him, comfort her/him, honor and keep her/him as long as ye both shall live?" ("I will")

(Repeat) "I, ________, take thee ______, to be my wife/husband, and pledge thee my troth, so long as ye both shall live?"

(Rings) "Receive this ring as a token of wedded love and faith."

(Repeat) "Receive this ring as a token of wedded love and faith."

(Rings) "With this ring I thee wed, and pledge thee my troth."

Quaker Wedding Vows

Quaker Wedding Vow Sample 1
"In the presence of God and these our Friends, I take thee to be my wife/husband, promising with Divine assistance to be unto thee a loving and faithful wife/husband as long as we both shall live.

Quaker Wedding Vow Sample 2
On this (Day), (Month), in the year of our Lord, (Year). (Name) and (Bride’s name), appeared together, and (Husband Name) taking (Wife Name) by the hand, did, on this solemn and joyous occasion, declare that he took (Wife Name) to be his wife, promising with Divine assistance to be unto her a loving and faithful husband; and then, in the same assembly, (Wife Name), did in like manner declare that she took (Husband Name) to be her husband, promising with Divine assistance, to be unto him a loving and faithful wife.

And moreover they, (Husband Name) and (Wife Name), did, as further confirmation thereof, then and there, to this certificate set their hands.

(Husband Name) (Wife Name)

And we, having been present at the marriage, have as witnesses hereunto set our hands.
**Quaker Wedding Vow Sample 3**

Whereas (Husband Name) of (Home City and State), son of (Father Name) and (Mother Name), and (Wife Name) of (Home City and State), daughter of (Father Name) and (Mother Name), having declared their intentions of marriage with each other to the (Meeting House Name) monthly meeting of the Religious Society of Friends held at (Town and State of Meetinghouse), their proposed marriage was allowed by that Meeting.

Now this is to certify to whom it may concern, that for the accomplishment of their intentions, this (Day of the Month), in the year of our Lord (Year), they, (Husband Name) and (Wife Name), appeared in a meeting for worship of the Religious Society of Friends, held at (City, State), and (Husband Name), taking (Wife Name) by the hand, did on this solemn occasion, declare that he took her, (Wife Name), to be his wife, promising with Divine assistance to be unto her a loving and faithful husband so long as they both shall live, and then, in the same assemble (Wife Name) did in like manner declare that she took him, (Husband Name), to be her husband, promising with Divine assistance to be unto him a loving and faithful wife so long as they both shall live. And moreover, they, (Husband and Wife Names), did as further confirmation thereof, then and there, to this certificate set their hands.

(Name) (Name)

And we having been present at the marriage have hereunto set our hands.

**Civil VOW 2**

I offer myself to you as a partner in life. I will cherish our friendship, our love, our lives. I will trust you and honor you for who you are this day and every day. I will love you faithfully through the best and the worst, through the difficult and the easy, through the pain and the joy that is life. Whatever may come, I will always be there for you. As I have given you my hand to hold, so I give you my life to keep in your heart for all the days of my life. This and more - forever thankful that we found each other. Forever together in love.

**Civil VOW 3**

I commit my life to our partnership in marriage. I promise to comfort you, to encourage you in our journey through life. I promise to express my thoughts and emotions to you and to listen to you in times of joy and in times of sorrow. I love you, and you are my closest friend. Will you let me share my life and all that I am with you?

**Civil VOW 4**

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

**Blessing of the Apaches**

Now you will feel no rain, for each of you will be shelter for the other.

Now you will feel no cold, for each of you will be warmth to the other.

Now there will be no loneliness, for each of you will be companion to the other.

Now you are two persons, but there is only one life before you.

May beauty surround you both in the journey ahead and through all the years,

May happiness be your companion and your days together be good and long upon the earth.
CLERGY or HOLY Leader Explanation:

Treat yourselves and each other with respect, and remind yourselves often of what brought you together. Give the highest priority to the tenderness, gentleness and kindness that your connection deserves. When frustration, difficulty and fear assail your relationship - as they threaten all relationships at one time or another - remember to focus on what is right between you, not only the part which seems wrong. In this way, you can ride out the storms when clouds hide the face of the sun in your lives - remembering that even if you lose sight of it for a moment, the sun is still there. And if each of you takes responsibility for the quality of your life together, it will be marked by abundance and delight.

Jewish Wedding Vows

Groom - Do you ____________, take _______ to be your wife? ("I do"). Do you promise to love, cherish and protect her, whether in good fortune or in adversity, and to seek with her a life hallowed by the faith of Israel? ("I do")

Bride - Do you ____________, take _______ to be your husband? ("I do"). Do you promise to love, cherish and protect him, whether in good fortune or in adversity, and to seek with him a life hallowed by the faith of Israel? ("I do")

Muslim Wedding Vows - Muslim Vows

Bride: ____ I, ________, offer you in myself in marriage in accordance with the instructions of the Holy Qur’an and the Holy Prophet, peace and blessing be upon Him. I pledge, in honesty and with sincerity, to be for you an obedient and faithful wife.?

Groom: ________ I pledge, in honesty and sincerity, to be for you a faithful and helpful husband.?

Muslim Questions of Intention

Will you please, as an expression that your hearts are joined together in love, now please join your hands.

(Groom's Name), do you take (Bride's Name) to be your wedded wife, to live together in marriage. Do you promise to love her, comfort her, honor and keep her For better or worse, for richer or poorer, in sickness and health And forsaking all others, be faithful only to her. So long as you both shall live?

(Bride's Name): ?I do?

2nd Wedding

Vow & Ceremony Samples

Vow Sample 1

Secure in the knowledge that you will be my constant friend, my faithful partner in life, and my one true love.

Vow Sample 2

On this special day, I give to you in the presence of God and all these witnesses my pledge to stay by your side, in sickness and in health, in joy and in sorrow, as well as through the good times and the bad.

Vow Sample 3

I promise to love you without reservation, comfort you in times of distress, encourage you to achieve all of your goals, laugh with you and cry with you, grow with you in mind and spirit, always be open and honest with you, and cherish you for as long as we both shall live.

Sample Wedding Vows for children and blended families.

"I,____, take you, _____, to be my lawful wife / husband, to have and to hold from this day forward. For better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health...for all eternity."
I, _______, take you now, in the presence of God and these witnesses, to be my wife/husband. I promise to love you, to hold you and to honor you, in good times and in bad, to enjoy you, to communicate with you always, and to console you when you need consoling. I will give thanks for you each and every day, and cherish you with all of my heart until our time together on earth has ended."

"_______, I promise to be a good and faithful husband/wife to you, and also a patient, loving father/mother to (children's names), caring for them and providing for them as my own. I promise to be their strength and their emotional support, loving them with all my heart forever."

The children—now part of a loving blended family—can then repeat "We do" after these words: "And now, (children's names),
• do you promise to love and respect your parent's new husband/wife?
• Do you promise to support their marriage and new family?
• Do you promise to accept the responsibility of being their children, and to encourage them and support them in your new life together?"

For 2nd Marriages with Children

The Family GIFT ceremony invites them to participate in the ceremony, signifying the creation of a new family.
• Pendants come with an 18" chain,
• keepsake booklet,
• poem and numerous ceremony examples.
• Personalize GIFTs with each child's initials.
• Read more about the Family GIFT ceremony here.
• Create a Family Unity Sand Jar
• Create a Seashell Unity Jar
• Work with your clergy to design a unique experience that will be meaningful to you and your children.
• Consult the children and seek their involvement.

Sample for 2nd Wedding Vows
- NOTES -

To make wedding vows more meaningful and personal, we strongly encourage couples to write their own remarriage vows for their second wedding ceremonies. Original vows, written from the heart, serve as a source of strength and inspiration for a lifetime.

When you write your own wedding vows, acknowledge what your upcoming marriage means to you. Focus on what makes your relationship so special. Describe what your partner, the marriage ceremony and spending the rest of your life together mean to you.

If you don’t have a flair for writing, don’t worry! Below you will find several sample wedding vows that you can use (the whole vow or simply the parts that appeal to you), which have been specially written for a second marriage ceremony.

"I marry you with my eyes wide open. You have helped me let go of the past, and I embrace the future. Thank you for making me laugh again. Bless you for taking my hand as we begin anew."

"I offer myself to you as a partner in life. I vow to love you in sickness and in health. I commit myself to encourage you in good times and in bad. I will cherish and respect you all the days of our life together. Starting anew once again, I give thanks that I have found you. May our marriage be a gift to the world and our families, as your love is a gift to me."

"God has given us a second chance at happiness. I come today to give you my love, to give you my heart and my hope for our future together. I promise to bring you joy, to be at home with your spirit and to learn to love you more each day, through all the days of our lives. My love for you is endless and eternal."

"Because of you, I laugh, I smile, I dare to dream again. I look forward with great joy to spending the rest of my life with you, caring for you, nurturing you, being there for you in all life has in store for us, and I vow to be true and faithful for as long as we both shall live."
Since I have found you, I have found a new life. The decision to commit to share that life with you is one I make happily and with full confidence in our love.

(Bride/Groom), [Life/God] has given us a second chance at love. I come today to give you my heart and my hope for our future together. I promise to bring you joy, to be at home with your spirit and to learn to love you more each day, through all the days of our lives. My love for you is endless and eternal.

I am proud to marry you this day, (Bride/Groom). I promise to wipe away your tears with my laughter and your pain with caring and compassion. Together we will wipe clean the old canvases of our lives, and let God, with His amazing artistic talent, fill them with new color, harmony and beauty. I give myself to you completely, and I promise to love you always, from this day forward.

Secure in the knowledge that you will be my constant friend, my faithful partner in life, and my one true love.

On this special day, I give to you in the presence of God and all these witnesses my pledge to stay by your side, in sickness and in health, in joy and in sorrow, as well as through the good times and the bad.

I promise to love you without reservation, comfort you in times of distress, encourage you to achieve all of your goals, laugh with you and cry with you, grow with you in mind and spirit, always be open and honest with you, and cherish you for as long as we both shall live.

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