We are gathered here today to celebrate not one or two, but three of life's greatest moments: the joining of two hearts, the giving of recognition to the worth and beauty of love, and to add our best wishes to the words which shall unite this couple in marriage.

For PERSON A and PERSON B, out of the routine of ordinary life, the extraordinary has happened. They met each other, fell in love, and are memorializing that love with this wedding on this day.

Cherish the memory of this day -- as a reminder of what your love has already accomplished, and the amazing possibilities of what it can continue to accomplish and overcome in the years ahead of you.

But always remember: a good marriage must be created, worked on, and refreshed daily. And a good marriage is based on simple but important instructions:

- Never being too old to hold hands.
- Never going to bed angry with one another.
- Remembering to say "I love you" every, single day.
- Speaking words of appreciation and demonstrating gratitude in thoughtful ways, daily.
- Having the capacity to forgive and forget.
- Giving each other an atmosphere in which each can grow.
- Searching daily for the good and the beautiful in life -- and in each other.
- And, it is not only marrying the right person -- it is *being* the right partner.

I Do's

PERSON A, do you take PERSON B to be your SPOUSE and Best Friend, and do you promise to love and protect your spouse, forsaking all others and holding only unto this person? ("I do")

PERSON B, do you take PERSON A to be your SPOUSE and Best Friend, and do you promise to love and protect your spouse, forsaking all others and holding only unto this person? ("I do")

Rings

Wedding rings are an unbroken circle of love, signifying to all the union of this couple in marriage.

PERSON B, by the act of PERSON A placing this ring on your finger, (s)he is physically demonstrating for all to see that the ring is his sacred gift to you, sealed with his promise that (s)he will always love you, cherish you, and honor you for the rest of your life.

PERSON A, repeat after me, "PERSON B, with this ring, I thee wed."

PERSON A, by the act of PERSON B placing this ring on your finger, (s)he is physically demonstrating for all to see that the ring is his sacred gift to you, sealed with his promise that (s)he will always love you, cherish you, and honor you for the rest of your life.

PERSON B, repeat after me, "PERSON A, with this ring, I thee wed."

And so it is: by the power vested in me by the Universal Life Church and the State of Washington, I now pronounce you a married couple! And for the first time as a married couple, you may kiss your spouse! **Congratulations!**