

Renewal Of Vows 4

(Including the Couples Children Sand Ceremony)

_____ and _____, When you first joined hands and hearts in marriage ___ years ago, you did not know where life would take you.

You promised to love, honor and cherish one another through all things. Life has surely brought you both wonderful blessings and difficult challenges over the years.

But here you are today, having fulfilled the vows to love, honor and cherish you each made on your wedding day. (And God is smiling!)

As you celebrate here today, and as you reflect back over all the years as husband and wife, do you now wish to reaffirm the vows you took ___ years ago? WE DO!

Please face each other and join hands.

RENEWAL OF VOWS:

_____, will you continue to have _____ as your wife and continue to live in this happy and loving marriage?

_____: I WILL

Do you reaffirm your love for her, and will you love, honor and cherish her in sickness and in health, for richer or poorer, for better for worse, and forsaking all others, be faithful to her for as long as you both shall live?

_____: I DO

_____, will you continue to have _____ as your husband and continue to live in this happy and loving marriage?

_____: I WILL

Do you reaffirm your love for him, and will you love, honor and cherish him in sickness and in health, for richer or poorer, for better for worse, and forsaking all others, be faithful to him for as long as you both shall live?

Janet: I DO

Rings:

(If Re Exchanging)

____ and _____ On your wedding day you exchanged rings as a symbol of the never-ending circle that symbolizes the eternal quality of God, unending strength, and unending love!.

May you always wear your rings as a reminder of your wedding vows to each other, and your commitment to continue to live in unity, love and happiness.

(If Not Re-Exchanging):

God bless these rings and the two who exchanged them in love on their wedding day. Keep _____ and _____ safe in the circle of Your protection and love.

READING AND BLESSING OF COUPLES

Marriage is a commitment to learning to care for one another in mutually fulfilling ways. It is not an act but a life-long relationship always in the making.

Marriage deepens and enriches every facet of life.

Happiness is fuller, memories are fresher, commitment is stronger, even anger is felt more strongly, and passes away more quickly.

Marriage understands and forgives the mistakes life is unable to avoid. It encourages and nurtures new life, new experiences, and new ways of expressing a love that is deeper than life.

When two people pledge their love and care for each other in marriage, they create a spirit unique unto themselves which binds them closer than any spoken or written words.

Marriage is a promise made in the hearts of two people who love each other and the potential of marriage requires a lifetime to fulfill.

Sand Ceremony

_____ and _____ you have just recommitted your love for each other by the giving and receiving of rings. This covenant is a relationship pledge between two people you also share a beautiful bond you have been blessed with child/children. (child's name)

Today this relationship is symbolized through the pouring of these containers of sand. The pouring of the sand into the center container represents not only the union of _____ and _____ but the unity formed in this family in which your lives will now continue to shine as one family. It is important for the children to have a special place, a sense of belonging and security for your home to be filled with joy and peace. I ask the (child/ren) to come forward at this time to join their mother and father through the pouring of sands. At this time please pour your sand and repeat after me:

Just as the grains of sand are joined together our hearts are forever joined as a family never to be separated.

Please seal the vase and place it in a special location in your home. This will always be a quiet reminder of the love you shared here today. Remembering, you have sealed your love, and your hearts, as one in here today.

PRONOUNCEMENT

_____ and _____, today you have renewed the promises and vows you made to each other on your wedding day. You have symbolized the renewal of the marriage union by the joining of hands, the taking of vows, and by exchanging of rings

It is with pleasure that I conclude the ceremony of renewing the vows of marriage that joined you and forever binds you as husband and wife. Please celebrate this renewal of vows with a sign of affection.... You may kiss!

