Service Outline

Prelude

Entrance

Greeting

Introduction

Prayer

Reading of Scripture Genesis 2:18-24 Romans 13:8-10 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13 Matthew 19:3-6

Meditation

Declaration of Intention

Pledge of Support

Vows of Marriage Covenant

Exchange of Symbols

Lighting the Unity Candle/Sand Ceremony

Announcement of Marriage

Blessing

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Prayer of Our Savior

Benediction

Pronouncement

Recessional

Vows

Vow A: ______, I give myself to you to be your wife/husband. I promise to love and sustain you in the covenant of marriage, from this day forward, in sickness and in health, in plenty and in want, in joy and in sorrow, as long as we both shall live.

Vow B: ______, I choose you to be my husband/wife, in joy and in sorrow, in plenty and in want, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish as long as we both shall live. This is my solemn vow.

Vow C: In the presence of God and before these witnesses, I _____, take you, _____, to be my husband/wife, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better, for worse; for richer, for poorer; in sickness and in health; in joy and in sorrow; to love and to cherish and to be faithful to you alone, as long as we both shall live.

Vow D: _____, I choose you to be my wife/husband to laugh with you in joy, to grieve with you in sorrow, to grow with you in love, serving one another and our world in peace and hope, as long as we both shall live.

Vow E: _____, I choose you to be my husband/wife. All that I have, I offer you; what you have to give, I gladly receive; wherever you go, I will go. You are my love. God keep me true to you always.

Vow F: I take you, _____, to be my wife/husband and I promise you these things: I will be faithful to you and honest with you. I will respect you, trust you, help you, listen to you, and care for you. I will share my life with you in plenty and in want. I will forgive you as we have been forgiven, and I will try with you to better understand ourselves, our world, and God so that together we may serve God and others forever.

Vow G: ______, I commit myself, body and soul, to you. I promise to share my life with you whatever the future brings. I promise to be honest with you, to listen to you attentively and to honor you in my heart and before the world. I promise to cherish you, to seek your welfare in all things, and to pray for you. I offer myself to be your husband/wife, as God is my witness.

Vow H: _____ I am blessed to be your wife/husband and I promise anew to love and sustain you in the covenant of marriage, in sickness and in health, in plenty and in want, in joy and in sorrow, as long as we both shall live.

Questions

- 1. Tell me about yourselves.
- 2. Tell me about who you are a couple.
- 3. What do you like most about your partner?
- 4. What is the greatest asset you bring to the marriage?
- 5. What is your partner's greatest asset?
- 6. What part of you may be the greatest challenge to this marriage?
- 7. How do you handle conflict?
- 8. What is your communication style? How do you get your point across?
- 9. Do you have a financial plan? How will the bills get paid?
- 10. What is your 10 year plan for life?
- 11. Why did you choose to have the church's blessing?