

Carr Manor Non-Religious Wedding Ceremony Example

Of course you can edit this in any manor you like or provide your script or instructions. This is to give you an idea of how the ceremony would be conducted.

Welcome

Inn Keeper or Officiator: Ladies and Gentlemen, today we have gathered together to celebrate the marriage of (Bride name) and (Groom name). Marriage is the promise between two people who love each other, who trust that love, who honor one another as individuals in that togetherness, and who wish to spend rest of their lives together. It enables the two separate souls to share their desires, longings, dreams, and memories, their joys and sorrows, and to help each other through all uncertainties of life.

Inn Keeper or Officiator: "Marriage has certain qualities of contract, in which two people take on the housekeeping tasks of living together, to enhance life's joy.

However, marriage is more than a contract. Marriage is commitment to take that joy deep, deeper than happiness, deep into the discovery of who you most truly are. It is a commitment to a spiritual journey, to a life of becoming - in which joy can comprehend despair, running through rivers of pain into joy again.

And thus marriage is even deeper than commitment. It is a covenant – a covenant that says: I love you. I trust you. I will be here for you when you are hurting, and when I am hurting, I will not leave.

It is a covenant intended not to provide haven from pain or from anger and sorrow. Life offers no such haven. Instead, marriage is intended to provide a sanctuary safe enough to risk loving, to risk living and sharing from the center of oneself. This is worth everything." ~ Margaret A. Keip

Intentions

Inn Keeper or Officiator: (Bride's and Groom's Names), will you take (Bride's and Groom's Names), to be your husband/wife? Will you love him/her, comfort him/her, honor and protect him/her and forsaking all others to be faithful to him/her until death do you apart?

Groom: I Do.

Bride: I Do.

Marriage Vows

Inn Keeper or Officiator: (To the Bride and Groom), repeat after me:

I, (Bride name)/(Groom name) take you (Bride name)/(Groom name) to be my (husband/wife), and my better. I will take care and cherish our relationship and love you today, tomorrow, and forever. I will always be open, honest, and faithful to you. I take you for my (husband/wife), to have and to hold from this day on, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish for all the days of my life and until my last breath.

Exchange of Rings

Inn Keeper or Officiator: (To the Bride and Groom), repeat after me:

This ring, which has no beginning and no end, symbolizes the love and trust between us that will never cease. May its presence on your hand remind you of my love and vow. I place it on your finger as a visible sign of the promises, which have made us husband and wife.

Inn Keeper or Officiator: Until now (Bride name) and (Groom name) have spent each moment of their lives as separate individuals. But from this day on, and every day after their each moment shall be shared and spent as one. By the power enthroned in me by the state of, I now pronounce you husband and wife. You may now kiss your bride.

Inn Keeper or Officiator: Ladies and Gentlemen, I present to you Mr. and Mrs. (Last Name)