

# Vow Selections

**1** I take you, \_\_\_\_\_  
to be my wife/husband from this day forward,  
to join with you and share all that is to come,  
and I promise to be faithful to you  
until death parts us.

**2** I take you, \_\_\_\_\_, to be my wife/husband,  
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 to better understand  
ourselves, the world, and God;  
through the best and worst of what is to come  
until death parts us.

**3** I take you, \_\_\_\_\_  
to be my wife/husband,  
I promise before God and these witnesses  
to be your faithful husband/wife,  
to share with you in plenty and in want,  
in joy and in sorrow,  
in sickness and in health,  
to forgive and strengthen you,  
and to join with you so that together  
we may serve God and others  
as long as we both shall live.

**4** \_\_\_\_\_, I take you to be my wife/husband  
from this time onward,  
to join with you  
and to share all that is to come,  
to give and to receive,  
to speak and to listen,  
to inspire and to respond,  
and in all circumstances of our life together  
to be loyal to you  
with my whole life  
and with all my being  
until death parts us.

**5** In the presence of God and this community,  
I, \_\_\_\_\_  
take you, \_\_\_\_\_  
to be my wife/husband;  
to have and to hold from this day forward,  
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.

**6** I, \_\_\_\_\_, give myself to you, \_\_\_\_\_.  
By the grace of God,  
I promise to support and care for you.  
In the love of Christ,  
I promise to love and cherish you.  
With the Spirit's help,  
I promise to be faithful to you,  
as long as we both shall live.

## Sources for the vows listed

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