

## Christina Wedding Ceremony Script 2

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We are gathered here today in the sight of God, and the presence of friends and loved ones, to celebrate one of life's greatest moments. We are here to give recognition to the worth and beauty of love, and to add our best wishes and blessings to the words that will unite  
Bride and Groom in holy matrimony.

1 Corinthians 13:4 -13

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil, but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Bride and Groom, You have known each other for the past 5 1/2 years, from that first glance on the Frisbee field, to this day of commitment. At some point, you decided that you wanted to spend the rest of your lives together. You have been making promises and agreements in an informal way. Before today, you have been many

things to one another- acquaintance, friend, companion, lover, dancing partner, and even teacher, for you have learned much from one another. Now, you shall say a few words that take you across a threshold of life, and things will never quite be the same between you. For after these vows, you shall say to the world, “this is my husband,” “this is my wife.”

### Vows

(face each other and hold hands)(repeat after me)

I, Groom, take you Bride, to be my wife, my partner in life and my one true love.

I will cherish our friendship and love you today, tomorrow, and forever.

I will trust you and honor you.

I will laugh with you and cry with you.

I will love you faithfully, through the best and the worst, through the difficult and the easy.

Whatever may come, I will always be there.

As I have given you my hand to hold, so I give you my life to keep.

I, Bride, take you Groom, to be my husband, my partner in life and my one true love.

I will cherish our friendship and love you today, tomorrow, and forever.

I will trust you and honor you.

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Bride and Groom; I would ask that you always treat yourself and each other with respect, and remind yourselves often of what brought you together today. Give the highest priority to the tenderness, gentleness and kindness that your marriage deserves. When frustration and difficulty assail your marriage - as they do to every relationship at one time or another - focus on what still seems right between you, not only the part that seems wrong. This way, when clouds of trouble hide the sun in your lives and you lose sight of it for a moment, you can remember that the sun is still there. And if each of you will take responsibility for the quality of your life together, it will be marked by abundance and happiness.

### Declaration of Consent

Do you Groom, take Bride, to be your wife, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better or for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish; until death do you part? "I do"

Do you Bride, take Groom, to be your husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better or for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish; until death do you part? "I do"

### Ring Exchange

May I have the rings, please?

These rings are a symbol of your marriage vows, the ties that bind you together as husband and wife. They represent the eternal love of God that lives in you and in the love that you share. Love, freely given, has no beginning and no end, no giver and no receiver; for each is the giver and each is the receiver. May these rings always

remind you of the vows you have taken today. As you place the rings on each other's fingers please say: With this ring, I marry you.

### Box Ceremony

*Bride and Groom* have chosen as a couple to perform a Love Letter & Wine Box ceremony.

This box contains a bottle of wine, and a love letter from each to the other.

The letters describe the good qualities they find in one another, the reasons they fell in love, and their reasons for choosing to marry.

The letters are sealed in individual envelopes and they have not seen what the other has written.

I recommend that you keep the box in a place of honor prominently displayed in your home as a constant reminder of your commitment to each other.

*Bride and Groom*, should you ever find your marriage enduring insurmountable hardships, you are to as a couple, open this box, sit and drink the wine together, then separate and read the letters you wrote to one another when you were united as a couple in marriage.

By reading these love letters you will reflect upon the reasons you fell in love and chose to marry each other here today.

The hope is, however, that you will not have a reason to open this box.

And if this is the case, you are to open this box to share and enjoy on your 5th year wedding anniversary!

You may now seal the box.

### Closing Prayer

Bless the marriage of Bride and Groom O God, as they begin their journey down the road of life together. We don't know what lies

ahead, for the road turns and bends. But help them to make the best of whatever comes their way. Help them to continue to enjoy each other as they did when they first met. Help them to realize that nothing, nor no one, is perfect, and to look for the good in all things and all people including themselves. Help them to respect each other's likes and dislikes, opinions and beliefs, hopes and dreams and fears even though they may not always understand them. Help them to learn from each other and to help each other to grow mentally, emotionally, and spiritually. Help them to realize that no matter what happens to them they will hold on to each other and know that things have a way of working out for the good. Amen

The two of you have declared your love for each other and your intent to enter into marriage with the exchanging of vows and of rings. To make your relationship work will take love. This is the core of your marriage and why you are here today. It will take trust, to know, that in your hearts, you truly want what is best for each other. It will take dedication, to stay open to one another - and to learn and grow together. It will take faith, to go forward together, without knowing exactly what the future brings. And it will take commitment, to hold true to the journey you both have pledged to today.

By the power vested in me by the state of Indiana I now pronounce you Husband and wife!

You may kiss the bride!

Ladies and gentlemen....I present to you, Mr. and Mrs. Insert your name here!

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