



Marriage Blessings

Blessing #1

Blessing of a Marriage

~ By James Dillet Freeman ~

May your marriage bring you all the
Exquisite excitements a marriage should bring,
And may life grant you also patience
Tolerance, and understanding.
May you always need one another - not so much
To fill your emptiness as to help you know your fullness.
A mountain needs a valley to be complete;
The valley does not make the mountain less but more;
And the valley is more a valley
Because it has a mountain towering over it.
So let it be with you and you.

May you need one another,
But not out of weakness.
May you want one another,
But not out of lack.
May you entice one another,
But not compel one another.
May you succeed in all important ways with one another,
And not fail in the little graces.
May you look for things to praise, often say,
"I love you!" and take no notice of small faults.
If you have quarrels that push you apart,
May both of you hope to have good sense
Enough to take the first step back.

May you enter into the mystery which is the awareness
of one another's presence - no more physical than spiritual,
warm and near when you are side by side,
And warm and near when you are in separate rooms
Or even distant cities. May you have happiness,
And may you find it making one another happy.
May you have love, and may you find it loving one another!
meaning to your wedding ceremony.

Blessing #2

~ Author Unknown ~

May the peace of God that passes all understanding
Keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God
And of his Son Jesus Christ:
And the blessing of God Almighty,
The Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,
Be upon you and
Remain with you always.

Blessing #3 - Irish Blessing

~ Author Unknown ~

May God be with you and bless you,
May you see your children's children,
May you be poor in misfortune,
Rich in blessings.
May you know nothing but happiness,
From this day forward.

Blessing #4 - Apache Blessing

~ Author Unknown ~

May the sun bring you new energy by day,
May the moon softly restore you by night,
May the rain wash away your worries
And the breeze blow new strength into your being,
And all the days of your life may you walk
Gently through the world and know its beauty.

Blessing #5

~ Author Unknown ~

Aspire to make your spiritual path the core of your life together.
Help each other on the path to enlightenment,
watering the seeds of love, compassion, generosity, ethics,
patience, joyous effort, concentration
and wisdom in each other.
As you age and undergo the various ups and downs
Of cyclic existence, aspire to transform them
Into the path of love, compassion, joy and equanimity.

Blessing #6 - An Apache Blessing

~ Author Unknown ~

Now you will feel no rain,
For each of you will be shelter for the other.
Now you will feel no cold,
For each of you will be warmth to the other.
Now there will be no loneliness,
For each of you will be companion to the other.
Now you are two persons,
But there is only one life before you.
May beauty surround you both
In the journey ahead and through all the years.
May happiness be your companion
And your days together be good
And long upon the earth.

Treat yourselves and each other with respect,
And remind yourselves often of what brought you together.
Give the highest priority to the tenderness,
Gentleness and kindness that your connection deserves.
When frustration, difficulties and fear assail your relationship,
As they threaten all relationships at one time or another,
Remember to focus on what is right between you,
Not only the part which seems wrong.
In this way, you can ride out the storms
When clouds hide the face of the sun in your lives -
Remembering that even if you lose sight
Of it for a moment, the sun is still there.
And if each of you takes responsibility for
The quality of your life together,
I promise to be faithful and true to you in mind.

Blessing #7- Irish Marriage Blessing

~ Author Unknown ~

We swear by peace
And love to stand
Heart to heart
And hand to hand
Mark O Spirit
And hear us now
Confirming this
Our sacred vow.

Blessing #8 - A Wedding Wish

~ Author Unknown ~

All earthly goods I wish thee.
All that's good for thee and thine
And still, not only earthly
But all we know to be divine.

May earth and heaven mingle
May earth and heaven be one
All through your earthly journey
Till sets your earthly sun.

In Sunshine and in shadow
Through dancing and in song
May heaven bless your union
Throughout your whole life long.

Blessing #9- A Blessing Unknown Origin

~ Author Unknown ~

May your home be filled with laughter
And the warm embrace of a summer day.
May you find peacefulness and beauty,
Challenge, and satisfaction,
Humor and insight,
Healing and renewal,
Love and wisdom, as in a quiet heart.
May you always feel that what you have is enough.

Blessing #10 - Salish Marriage Blessing

~ Author Unknown ~

Now for you there is no rain,
For one is shelter to the other.
Now for you the sun shall not burn,
For one is shelter to the other.
Now for you nothing is hard or bad,
For the hardness and badness
Is taken by one for the other.
Now for you there is no night,
For one is light to the other,
Now for you the snow has ended always,
For one is protection for the other.
It is that way, from now on, from now on.
And now there is comfort.
Now there is no loneliness.
Now forever, forever, there is no loneliness.

Blessing #11 - A Marriage Prayer

~ Author Unknown ~

Bless this marriage, as (name) and (name)
Begin their journey down the road of life together.
May they respect each other's likes and dislikes,
Opinions and beliefs, hopes and dreams, and fears
Even though they may not always understand each other.
May they rest in the knowledge
That no matter what happens
By holding on to each other
Things will work out for the best.
Most of all, dear God,
Help them to keep the torch of love
Burning with the fire that they now share in their hearts.
Amen

Blessing #12

~ Author Unknown ~

Recognize that just as you are a mystery to yourself,
The other person is also a mystery to you.
Aspire to understand yourself, each other,
And all living beings, and to regard all the mysteries
Of life with curiosity and joy.

Blessing #13 - Celtic Blessing

~ Author Unknown ~

Blessed be the Light that has guided your souls
To the threshold of this new day.
Blessed be the Journey you walk as one,
Sharing your love with the world.
Blessed be the Stillness that refreshes your souls
and awakens God's Dream in your hearts.
The Shield of the God of Life be yours.
The Compassion of the Loving Christ be yours.
The Wisdom of the Living Spirit be yours, now and evermore.