

Both:

Father, in the name of Jesus, we rejoice and delight ourselves in you, and in one another. We have been born again. Old things have passed away, and all things have been made new. We are in Christ, and we are one spirit with Him, and in covenant with each other. May we faithfully represent the relationship of Jesus and His bride, the Church, to those around us. May we be seen as bright lights, beacons shining out clearly, in a dark world.

Husband:

Father, I love my wife as Christ loves the Church. I give myself to her as Jesus gave Himself to the Church, totally and completely. I wash and cleanse her with the water of your Word, that she might be gloriously beautiful, without spot, wrinkle, blemish, or any such thing; holy and faultless, as my helper and covenant-partner.

I love my wife as being, in a sense, my own body. She is bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh. I love her as I love myself. Therefore, I faithfully nourish her, carefully protect her, and tenderly cherish her as Christ does the Church, for we are members of His body.

I thank you, Father that you have made us able ministers of the New Covenant, ministers of reconciliation. You chose us as your own in Christ before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy, consecrated, and separated for yourself in love.

Wife:

Father, in the name of Jesus, I submit and adapt myself to my husband as a service to you. I respect and revere my husband. I notice him, regard him, honor him, prefer him, esteem him, defer to him, praise him, and love and admire him exceedingly.

My hjsband can trust in me confidently and rely on and believe in me safely. I will comfort, encourage and do only good for him as long as there is life within me.

As I seek counsel from my husband he will be my strength, my hiding place, my high tower, and my intercessor. We will stand side by side as we minister life, love, healing, and wholeness to those God sends our way.

Both:

Father, you have poured out your love in our hearts by the Holy Spirit. Your love reigns supreme in our marriage. We believe your love is fully expressed in us. Your love knits us together, making us of one heart and one mind, to do that which is pleasing in your sight.

We choose to live and conduct ourselves and our marriage in a honorable and godly manner. We esteem our marriage as precious, and worthy of our deepest commitment. We dedicate ourselves to live in love and mutual harmony, as we delight in the blessings of our covenant-partnership.

Father, we believe and confess that we are gentle, courteous, compassionate, and tender-hearted to each other. We seek peace, and it keeps our hearts in quietness and confidence. Because we follow after love, and dwell in peace, our prayers are powerfully effective. Together, we are heirs of the grace of life.

Our marriage grows stronger each day in the bond of unity, because it is founded on your Word, rooted and grounded in your love. We thank you, Father, for a heavenly, beautiful marriage.

In Jesus' name, Amen!