Wedding Ceremony
Half Moon Cay

Who gives this woman to be married to this man?

Dear friends of and , it is a pleasure to welcome you here today to share in the wedding ceremony that will unite and in marriage. Let us join in our love and support for and that they will always have everlasting happiness.

Marriage is a companionship, which involves mutual commitment and responsibility.
and you will both share alike in the responsibilities and joys of life; for when companions share sorrow, the sorrow is halved and when they share joy, the joy is doubled.

and , true matrimony is the most honorable of all earthly relationships. It should be entered into thoughtfully and with full understanding of its significant native. The life that you each experienced now individually. Will hereafter be inseparably united.

READING: To and we wish for you a home, not a place of stone and wood, but an island of peace, a place, from which you will receive strength and support, that stays and carries with you throughout your daily lives. We hope that your home encompasses the beauty of nature that has within it the elements of simplicity, beauty and the colors in accordance with your dreams and aspirations. A home with all the things, which represents the highest of both men and women.

May you always need one another, not so much to fill the emptiness, but to help each other know their fullness. May you want one another but not out of lack.

May you embrace one another but not encircle one another. May you succeed in all-important ways with each other and not fail in the little graces. Look for things to praise, often say "I Love You" and take no notice of small faults. May you have happiness and may you find it in making

each other happy. May you always love and may you find it in loving one another

and , have you come here freely and without reservation, to give yourselves to each other in marriage?
Will you love and honour each other as man and wife, for the rest of your lives?

Groom's Response:

I, choose you , to be my wife, my friend and my lover. I will be yours in plenty and in want, in sickness and in health, in failure and triumph. I will cherish and respect you as my equal partner in life. I will delight in comforting and encouraging you and together we shall live freed and bound by our love.

Bride's Response:

I, take you , to be my lawful husband, friend, and lover. I will be yours in plenty and in want, in sickness and in health, in failure and triumph. I will cherish and respect you as my equal partner in my life. I will delight in comforting and encouraging you and together we shall live freed and bound by our love.

Exchange of Rings:

Let these rings symbolize the devotion and commitment each other holds for the other, these rings given in love, are testimony to all who bear witness that and are joined together as husband and wife.
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These two loves are now joined in one unbroken circle. Wherever they go, may they always return to one another in their togetherness. May these two

find in each other the love which all man and women long. May they grow in understanding and in compassion. May the home that they establish be such a sanctuary, that man will find there a friend. Let these two rings symbolize the commitment of undying love in the hearts of both partners.

In as much as you, and have been joined together in marriage; by the exchange of the covenant vows and by the giving and receiving of rings. By the virtue of the authority vested in me as a Marriage Officer of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas, I hereby pronounce you to be husband and wife.

You may kiss the bride!