

A 7-Day Wedding Reading Pack

For the engaged couple in the week before the ceremony, or for a marriage-prep class.

Beautiful KJV scriptures for wedding ceremonies, vows, invitations, and marriage blessings.

How to use this pack

- Read one page a day out loud together, not silently and separately.
- Answer the prompt in the space provided — write, don't just think.
- Bring the pages to your officiant; the answers usually become the vows.

The seven days

Day 1 — What love actually does · 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Day 2 — Leaving and cleaving · Genesis 2:24

Day 3 — The threefold cord · Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Day 4 — Covenant, not contract · Song of Solomon 8:6-7

Day 5 — Honouring one another · Ruth 1:16-17

Day 6 — Sacrificial love · Colossians 3:14

Day 7 — The blessing · Ephesians 5:25

A Christian wedding celebrates the sacred covenant between husband and wife before God. These timeless scriptures from the King James Bible speak of love, commitment, and the divine foundation of marriage. Whether you are planning a traditional ceremony, writing heartfelt vows, designing elegant invitations, or preparing a toast, these verses provide the perfect words rooted in God's eternal truth. Use them to honor the holy union of two souls becoming one flesh under the blessing of the Lord.

What love actually does

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (KJV)

The 'Love Chapter' — the most popular wedding scripture

Devotion prompt

Charity is described by its behaviour, not its feelings. Which line of 1 Corinthians 13 does your love already do well, and which one will cost you most?

Write your answer

Pray it back to God before you close the page.

Leaving and cleaving

Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

Genesis 2:24 (KJV)

God's original design for marriage

Devotion prompt

What are you each leaving behind — a household, a habit, an expectation — so that this marriage can be one flesh and not two lives running in parallel?

Write your answer

Pray it back to God before you close the page.

The threefold cord

Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour. For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up. Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm alone? And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (KJV)

The strength of partnership

Devotion prompt

Name one practical way God will be the third strand this year: a shared prayer time, a church, a giving decision. Be specific enough to schedule it.

Write your answer

Pray it back to God before you close the page.

Covenant, not contract

Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death; jealousy is cruel as the grave: the coals thereof are coals of fire, which hath a most vehement flame. Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.

Song of Solomon 8:6-7 (KJV)

The power and permanence of love

Devotion prompt

A contract ends when one side fails. What does it change about your wedding day to know you are making a covenant instead?

Write your answer

Pray it back to God before you close the page.

Honouring one another

And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God: Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried.

Ruth 1:16-17 (KJV)

A beautiful declaration of commitment

Devotion prompt

Write down one thing you deeply admire in the other person — then say it aloud. Habits of honour are built before the wedding, not after.

Write your answer

Pray it back to God before you close the page.

Sacrificial love

And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

Colossians 3:14 (KJV)

Love binds everything together

Devotion prompt

Christ loved the church and gave himself for it. What is one comfort you are willing to give up in the first year of marriage?

Write your answer

Pray it back to God before you close the page.

The blessing

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it.

Ephesians 5:25 (KJV)

The standard for a husband's love

Devotion prompt

Read the closing verse over each other as a blessing. What do you want spoken over your marriage on the day, and who should speak it?

Write your answer

Pray it back to God before you close the page.

More verses for this season

Keep this page for cards, texts, and the days when you need different words.

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.

Proverbs 31:10-11 (KJV)

Honoring the bride

What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

Mark 10:9 (KJV)

The sacred bond of matrimony

We love him, because he first loved us.

1 John 4:19 (KJV)

Love originates from God

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

1 Corinthians 13:13 (KJV)

The enduring nature of love

Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another.

Romans 12:10 (KJV)

Mutual respect and honor

And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

1 Peter 4:8 (KJV)

Love covers all

For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

Ephesians 5:31 (KJV)

Paul's restatement of God's design for marriage

Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour of the Lord.

Proverbs 18:22 (KJV)

Marriage as a blessing from God

And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it.

Genesis 1:28 (KJV)

God's first blessing on marriage

A prayer for this season

Lord, you made marriage before you made nations. Bind us together in a love that is patient when we are not, and let our home be a place where your name is honoured. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Practical ways to use these verses

- 1 Corinthians 13 is perfect for ceremony readings — consider having a family member read it aloud
- Ruth 1:16-17 works beautifully as wedding vows or in the bride's personal statement
- Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 illustrates the 'threefold cord' of God in marriage — ideal for unity candle ceremonies
- Use shorter verses like Proverbs 18:22 or Mark 10:9 for wedding invitations and programs
- Song of Solomon 8:6-7 captures romantic love and works well for reception toasts
- Pair Ephesians 5:25 with Proverbs 31:10-11 to honor both bride and groom
- Print your favorite verse on table cards or the ceremony backdrop for a personal touch

Notes and prayer requests

Read the full collection, with every verse in context, at biblesundays.com/life-events/wedding-verses — free KJV verse collections, printables, and reading plans for every season of life. Free to print and share; please keep this page attached.