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As I stood at the altar and watched my bride walking towards me, I smiled the smile of joy at her beauty, the smile of happiness in our future, and the smile of confidence in our lifelong union.

We held hands and vowed we would remain faithful "for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health."

That vow would be tested by unforeseen financial disaster, debilitating illnesses, and family crises. Despite the pain and trouble these caused, we were able to emerge stronger in our love for one another and for our Lord. For the times when I was in despair and wishing to give up was when she was the strongest. Her perspective allowed me to see the future through her eyes, a future filled with dependance, endurance, and hope. What a blessing it is also, for her to see the future through mine and claim my strength, stamina, and patience.

Men and women are different – always a good thing, especially for children! One parent is the law-giver, the other the rule bender, one the feared, the other the hugger, both become one and loved.

One man, one woman, it is good!

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