

The 13 Gold Coins Ceremony

Minister: The symbolism of the 13 gold coins in this ceremony is that the groom recognizes his responsibility as a provider, and pledges his ability to support and care for his wife. Acceptance by the bride means taking that trust and confidence unconditionally with total dedication and prudence.

Thirteen gold coins, will now be counted out to the groom.

Minister: As I count out the 13 coins and place them in the grooms hands they also represent different values that the couple desire to share between themselves: love, harmony, cooperation, commitment, peace, happiness, trust, respect, caring, wisdom, joy, wholeness and nurturing.

May these coins be a symbol of this couple's mutual love, fidelity and trust.

Minister to the Groom: _____, please repeat after me.

Groom: I, _____, give you _____, these 13 coins as a symbol of my unquestionable trust and confidence I place in you as my beloved wife. As we unite our lives today I share all material responsibility with you.

Minister to the Bride: _____, please repeat after me.

Bride: I _____, accept these coins and assure you of my total love and dedication in looking after you, your possessions and my unconditional love.

Minister: In exchanging these coins, _____ and _____ are essentially saying, "What's mine is yours and what's yours is mine." I bless these coins knowing that they are also symbolic of the unlimited good the universe has in store for this loving couple. I accept this for _____ and _____, and so it is, Amen.