



Sand Ceremony

(Bride and Groom's names), today you join your separate lives together. You have just sealed your relationship by saying your vows and by the giving and receiving of rings. This covenant is a pledge between two people who agree that they will commit themselves to one another throughout their lives. Today, this relationship is symbolized with the Unity Sand Ceremony. The two separate bottles of sand symbolize your separate lives, separate families and separate sets of friends. They represent all that you are and all that you'll ever be as an individual. As these two containers of sand are poured into the third container, the individual containers of sand will no longer exist, but will be joined together as one. Just as these grains of sand can never be separated and poured again into the individual containers, so will your marriage be a molding of two individual personalities; bonded together forming one heart and one love. The life that each of you experienced before, individually, will hereafter be inseparably united, for the two shall become one.

**Optional: Some couples also place rocks or stones in the bottom of the third container to symbolize the strong foundation of Christ in their marriage.*