## God's Knot – Cord of Three Strands

The following readings are provided as a sample of what can be read during the braiding of the Cord of Three Strands. You may certainly use these or develop your own!

## Reading - Option 1

Today, [name of groom] and [name of bride] have chosen to braid three strands together into a single cord. Each strand has a significant meaning.

The gold strand represents God and His majesty.

The purple strand represents the groom and his life.

**The white** strand represents the bride and her life.

In braiding these three strands together, [name of groom] and [name of bride] have demonstrated that their marriage is more than a joining of two lives together. It is a unity with God as well. They have chosen to allow God to be at the center of their marriage, woven into every aspect of it.

As **Ecclesiastes 4:9-12** reads, "Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work: If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up! Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken."

## Reading - Option 2

The braiding of the three stands demonstrates how [name of groom] and [name of bride] are joined by God in marriage. Each strand holds special meaning.

**The Gold Strand** symbolizes that the Lord Jesus has been invited by *[name of groom]* and *[name of bride]* to the position of authority in this marriage relationship.

**The Purple Strand** represents the groom. As a new creation in Christ, the majesty of the Groom is represented in purple. As *[name of groom]* loves his wife and submits himself to the Lord, the Lord in turn will demonstrate His great love in the marriage relationship.

**The White Strand** represents the bride. Having been cleansed by salvation in Christ, the purity of the Bride is represented in white. As *[name of bride]* honors her husband and submits herself to the Lord, the Lord in turn will nurture and strengthen the marriage relationship.

**Ecclesiastes 4:12 reads,** "Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken."

Today, [name of groom] and [name of bride] have been woven together by God as ONE in marriage!

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