

Church Wedding
vs.
Wedding in a Church

A church wedding
wants God
for a permanent partner;
a wedding in a church
settles for God's house
for a day.

A church wedding
seeks the
sacrament;
a wedding in a church
looks at the
architecture.

A church wedding
celebrates liturgy;
a wedding in a church
stages a spectacle.

A church wedding
invites you
to pray;
a wedding in a church
is a prelude
to party.

A church wedding
is conscious of
community;
a wedding in a church
is concerned with
guests.

A church wedding
is celebrated by
the priest and pastor;
a wedding in a church
is controlled by
the consultant and caterer.

The music
at a church wedding
is an aid to
worship;
the ensemble
at the wedding in a church
provides a
concert.

The preparation
for a church wedding
is a retreat and meditation;
the preoccupation
before a wedding in a church
is over lists and invitations.

You are invited
merely to attend
a wedding in a church,
but to participate actively
in a church wedding.

A church wedding
looks beyond
to a life of commitment;
a wedding in a church
is satisfied with
transitory contentment.

When you decide to marry,
therefore,
your prime interest
should not be
the beauty of the building,
but the
sanctity of the relationship.

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