



## BLESSING PRAYER FOR A MARRIAGE BED

Lord and Creator of All that is Good,  
You who have been known to prophet and saint  
by the simple name of Love,  
be with us now  
as we bless our marriage bed.  
We rejoice that Your Son, Jesus, spoke of Your kingdom  
as a wedding feast of love and joy.  
That bed which we share  
shall be a place of sleep;  
may it also be a place of love and joy.  
Make it, Lord, a holy place  
that is overflowing with refreshment and tenderness.  
Open our eyes to see it as sacred  
since within it we shall recommit ourselves,  
in love and hope, to one another.  
Daily, Lord, open our eyes  
so that we might understand the marvelous mystery  
of how, in our mutual love for each other,  
we experience You, our God.

Send Your holy spirits of gentleness and affection  
to surround this marriage bed  
so that we who share it  
may find communion and healing within it.  
May the dark spirits of resentment and selfishness  
be forever forbidden to nap here,  
and may only love, joy and playfulness  
be permitted to sleep with us.

We pray, then that the rich blessing of Your divine name,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
descend upon this bed  
and remain here forever.

Amen+

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