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I Knew That I Had Been Touched By Love

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I knew that I had been touched by love
the first time I saw you,
and I felt your warmth,
and I heard your laughter.

I knew that I had been touched by love
when I was hurting from something that happened,
and you came along and made the hurt go away.

I knew that I had been touched by love
when I quit making plans with my friends,
and started dreaming dreams with you.

I knew that I had been touched by love
when suddenly I stopped thinking in terms of "me",
and started thinking in terms of "we".

I knew that I had been touched by love
when suddenly I couldn't make any decisions
by myself anymore,
and I had the strong desire to share everything
with you.

I knew that I had been touched by love
the first time we spent alone together,
and I knew I wanted to stay with you forever
because I had never felt this touched by love.

A Good Wedding Cake

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4lb of love.

1lb butter of youth.

½lb of good looks.

1lb sweet temper.

1lb of blindness of faults.

1lb of self forgetfulness.

1lb of pounded wit.

1lb of good humour.
2 tablespoons of sweet argument.
1 pint of rippling laughter.
1 wine glass of common sense.
1oz modesty.

Put the love, good looks and sweet temper into a well furnished house.
Beat the butter of youth to a cream, and mix well together with the blindness of faults. Stir the pounded wit and good humour into the sweet argument, then add the rippling laughter and common sense. Work the whole together until everything is well mixed, and bake gently for ever.

The Art Of A Good Marriage

(shortened version)

Wilferd Arlan Peterson

A good marriage must be created.
In marriage the little things are the big things...
It is never being too old to hold hands,
It is remembering to say "I love you" at least once a day,
It is never going to sleep angry,
It is having a mutual sense of values and common objectives,
It is standing together and facing the world,
It is forming a circle of love that gathers in the whole family,
It is speaking words of appreciation and demonstrating gratitude in thoughtful ways,
It is having the capacity to forgive and forget,
It is giving each other an atmosphere in which each can grow,
It is a common search for the good and the beautiful,
It is not only marrying the right person, it is being the right partner.

The Prophet Kahil Gibran

" Love one another, but make not a bond of that love. Let it rather be like a moving sea between the shores of your souls.
And stand together, and yet not too near together. For even the pillars of the temple must stand apart; and the oak tree and the cypress will not grow in each other's shadow. Remember that love gives nothing but from itself. Love possesses not, nor would it be possessed, for love is sufficient unto love. And think not that you can direct the course of love. For love, if it finds you worthy, will direct your course."