

## SEEDS OF PROMISE

A ceremony for Job's Daughters-to-Be

### SUGGESTIONS:

1. A tiny live rosebud for each Job's Daughter-to-Be (JD2B)
2. Seat the Job's Daughter-to-Be on South in section just east of Altar line.
3. If you have other JD2B, they could sing "I am a Promise".

HONORED QUEEN: (rises) **When our organization was started by Mrs. Ethel T. Wead Mick in Nebraska in 1920, she called her Job's Daughters "Buds of Promise". Tonight, we welcome our Job's Daughter(s)-to-Be, she is (they are) the Seeds for the Buds of Promise.**

**Guide and Marshal, you will escort our Job's Daughter(s)-to-Be, west of the Altar.** Honored Queen is seated. Guide and Marshal proceed on South Marching Line to where JD2B are seated. Guide bows for JD2B to follow her, Marshal follows JD2B. Guide marches to Altar line, turns north, to a point between the Altar and Chaplain's station, turns west, and positions JD2B behind Altar.

GUIDE: **Honored Queen, I would like to present our Job's Daughter(s)-to-Be** (names):

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HONORED QUEEN: (rises) **Welcome. We are glad to have you become a part of our Bethel. Being a Job's Daughter is like being a rose, both lives are divided into stages.**

**The first stage is being a Job's Daughter-to-Be. It is the start of something new and exciting, a learning experience, a time to grow, a seed for the promise for something special to come.** Honored Queen is seated.

JUNIOR PRINCESS: (rises) **The next stage begins when you are ten and are initiated as a Job's Daughter, a rosebud, a Bud of Promise, excited to learn and to find knowledge in everything and everyone around you.** Junior Princess is seated.

SENIOR PRINCESS: (rises) **The next stage is being knowledgeable about the world and places around you. When you reach this stage, you will have the responsibility of helping the newer girls, the seeds and buds, by becoming a friend. This will be a rewarding experience.** Senior Princess is seated.

HONORED QUEEN: (rises) **The last stage is being a mature rose, or Daughter, experienced in everything you do. You are now participating in all the Job's Daughter activities, by becoming a real friend, and helping the other members with their endeavors. And when this special time arrives, you will share a special warmth and love.**

**All these stages are special and full of friends and love. You will grow from a Seed of Promise, to an initiate, a Bud of Promise, into a sharing and caring Job's Daughter friend.** Song: "I am a Promise" may be played or sung at this time.

The Honored Queen descends the dais with rosebuds, walks to the north side of Altar and presents each JD2B a rosebud, steps back to the front and center of Altar.

HONORED QUEEN: **You represent a seed that will grow into a rosebud. As you watch these rosebuds grow into mature roses, think about how you will grow into experienced Job's Daughters.**

Honored Queen backs to a point half way between Altar and East, turns and ascends dais.

HONORED QUEEN: **Mother Mick once said,**

**"There is something that makes a Bethel  
Out of four walls, ceremony, and prayer.  
Something like seeds in a garden,  
Becomes a Bud of Promise rare."**

**Guide and Marshal, will you escort our Job's Daughter(s)-to-Be to the East.** Guide, rounds Altar on south followed by JD2B and Marshal, rounds Altar on north (if more than one JD2B they follow Guide and Marshal equally), all march abreast to East Line.

HONORED QUEEN: (presents her (them) with her (their) card and introduces her (them)) **It is with pleasure that I present (name(s)), new Job's Daughter(s)-to-Be. Guide and Marshal, will you escort our Job's Daughter(s)-to-be to her (their) seat(s), after which you will return to your stations.**

Guide, followed by JD2B(s), and Marshal, turn to South Marching Line and escort JD2B(s) to her (their) seat(s). Guide and Marshal return to their stations side by side and are seated. One rap of gavel (\*)