

## **"SEEDS OF PROMISE"**

A ceremony for Job's Daughters to Bee

Suggestions:

Present each Job's Daughter to Bee a rosebud

Seat Job's Daughter to Bee in the South just East of the Altar Line

Honored Queen: (Rises)

**When our organization was started by Mother 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 Bee, the seeds for the Buds of Promise. Guide and Marshal, you will escort our Joble(s) to Bee West of the Altar. (Honored Queen is seated)**

Guide and Marshal proceed on South Marching Line to Joble(s) to Bee (JTB). Guide bows for JTB to follow her. Marshal follows JTB. Guide marches to Altar Line, turns north, to a point between the Altar and the Chaplain's station, turns west and positions JTB behind Altar.

Guide: **Honored Queen, I would like to present our Joble(s) to Bee, (gives names).**

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 Joble to Bee, 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 eleven and are initiated as a Job's Daughter, a rosebud, a Bud of Promise, excited to learn and find knowledge in everything and everyone around you. (Junior Princess is seated)**

Senior Princess: (rises)

**The next stage is being knowledgeable in 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 and 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, becoming a real friend, and helping the others with their endeavors. 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 dais with rosebuds, walks to Altar and presents each JTB a rosebud, then steps back to the center of Altar.)

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, you will escort our Jobie(s) to Bee to the East.

(Guide rounds Altar on south followed by JTB and Marshal, rounds Altar on north [if more than one JTB they follow Guide and Marshal evenly], all march abreast to East Line.)

Honored Queen: (Presents JTB with Bee pin)

It is with pleasure that I present (names) new Jobie(s) to Bee. Guide and Marshal, you will escort our Jobie(s) to Bee to their seats, after which you will return to your stations.

(Guide, JTB and Marshal turn to South Marching Line and escort JTB to their seats. Guide and Marshal return to their seats and are seated.)

(\* rap gavel to conclude ceremony)