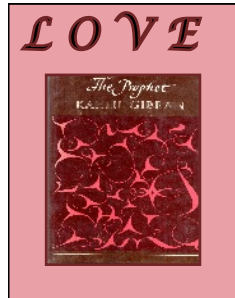


KAHIL GIBRAN: THE PROPHET

This wonderful book of wisdom poetry has been in my possession since 1982, and has been read intermittently since. After meeting my now wife in 1987; marrying in Hobart, 1992, we selected the following extract on Love, as part of our wedding vows.

—Philip Crouch, Tasmania 2020



The Almitra spoke again and said, And what of Marriage, master?

And he answered saying:

You were born together, and together you shall be for evermore.

You shall be together when the white wings of death scatter your days.

Aye, you shall be together even in the silent memory of God.

But let there be spaces in your togetherness.

And let the winds of the heavens dance between you.

Love one another, but make not a bond of love:

Let it rather be a moving sea between the shores of your souls.

Fill each other's cup but drink not from one cup.

Give one another your bread but eat not from the same loaf.

Sing and dance together and be joyous, but let each one of you be alone.

