

## Toasts, Blessings and Proverbs to Help Celebrate

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Toasts should be offered during times of celebration.

The words spoken can be solemn, sentimental, humorous, bawdy or insulting.

Blessings and proverbs help show gratitude for the guest of honor, and the company, companions or country you keep. They also give others insight your personality.

A few simple words sincerely offered can hold great wisdom, humor or both. Most importantly, making a toast illustrates the respect you have for another.

This short compendium will ensure you're not left speechless.

May your doctor never earn a dollar out of you and may your heart never give out. May the ten toes of your feet steer you clear of all misfortune, and before you're much older, may you hear much better toasts than this.

May you have the hindsight to know where you've been, the foresight to know where you're going and the insight to know when you're going too far.

May you be poor in misfortune, rich in blessings, slow to make enemies, quick to make friends. But rich or poor, quick or slow, may you know nothing but happiness from this day forward.

Home: The place where the great are sometimes small, and the small often great.

Home: The place where you are treated best and grumble most.

May we have the unspeakable good Fortune to win a true heart, and the Merit to keep it.



Marriage: The happy estate which resembles a pair of shears; so joined that they cannot be separated; often moving in opposite directions, yet always punishing any one who comes between them.

Marriage is the most important voyage of discovery a person can embark upon.

Friendship: May its lamp ever be supplied by the oil of truth and fidelity.



May we ever be able to serve a friend, and noble enough to conceal it.

May differences of opinion only cement our friendship.

May our Friend in sorrow never be a Sorrowing friend.

May the hinges of friendship never grow rusty.

Our Friends: May the present have no burdens for them and futurity no terrors.

Our Friends: May we always have them and always know their value.

Friends: May we be richer in their love than in wealth, and yet money be plenty.

Good Judgment: May opinions never float in the sea of ignorance.

May the pleasures of youth never bring us pain in old age.

May the sunshine of hope dispel the clouds of calamity.

May we court and win all the Daughters of Fortune except the eldest—Miss Fortune.

May we Live to learn well and Learn to live well.

May we never murmur without cause, and never have cause to murmur.

May we never lose our bait when we fish for compliments.

May care be a stranger and serenity a familiar friend to every honest heart.

May bad example never attract youthful minds.

May poverty never come to us without rich compensations and hope of a speedy departure.

May our nation ever enjoy the blessings of the widest liberty, and be ever ready to promote the liberties of mankind.

May our love of country be without bounds and without a shadow of fear.

May our statesmen care less for party and for personal ambition than for the nation's welfare.

May our nation know no North, no South, no East, no West, but only one broad, beautiful, glorious land.

May the form of liberty never be used to subvert the principles of true freedom.

Our Voters: May they always have a standard to try their rulers by, and be quick to punish or reward justly.

Anticipation may be very agreeable but participation is more practical.

It may conquer past or present pain but toothache, while it lasts, laughs at philosophy.

May we have the wit to discover what is true and the fortitude to practice what is good.



May we have a head to earn and hearts to spend.

May we have keen wit, but never make a sword of our tongues to wound the reputation of others.

May our injuries be written in sand and our gratitude for benefits in rock.



The Deeds of Men are the best interpreters of their motives.

The imprudent man reflects upon what he has said, the wise man upon what he is going to say.

It is much safer to always think what we say than always to say what we think.

Love and Affection: The necessary basis for a happy life.

May we never have friends who, like shadows, keep close to us in the sunshine only to desert us in a cloudy day or in the night.

May we never give way to melancholy, but always be merry at the right places.

Dogs cannot make dreams come true -- people must do that.

Don't be too bold, or you will burn your eyes; but don't be too slow, or you will lose your share.

Even the hardest of winters fears the spring.

Fear and love do not go together.

For every head a hat.

May our eyes be no keener when we look upon the faults of others than when we survey our own.

To err is human, to forgive divine.

I have known many, liked not a few, loved only one, I drink to you.

May you live as long as you want, and never want as long as you live.

May the best day we have seen be worse than the worst that is to come.

May your glass be ever full. May the roof over your head be always strong. And may you be in heaven half an hour before the devil knows you're dead.

Here's to me, and here's to you, And here's to love and laughter-I'll be true as long as you, And not one moment after.

When we drink, we get drunk. When we get drunk, we fall asleep. When we fall asleep, we commit no sin. When we commit no sin, we go to heaven. So, let's all get drunk, and go to heaven!

Here's to our wives and girlfriends: May they never meet!

May you live to be a hundred years, With one extra year to repent.

May you live all the days of your life!

May the grass grow long on the road to hell for want of use.



As you slide down the banisters of life may the splinters never point the wrong way.

May your troubles be as few and as far apart as my Grandmothers teeth.

May the roof above us never fall in, and may we friends gathered below never fall out.

May the sun shine, all day long, everything go right, and nothing wrong. May those you love bring love back to you,

and may all the wishes you wish come true!

May the Lord keep you in His hand and never close His fist too tight.

May your neighbors respect you, Trouble neglect you, The angels protect you, And heaven accept you. May your pockets be heavy and your heart be light, may good luck pursue you each morning and night.

May I see you grey and combing your children's hair.

One day teaches the other.



Beautiful young people are acts of nature, But beautiful old people are works of art.

First take care of business, then drink and laugh!

God gave teeth; He will give bread.

Constantly enjoy life! You're longer dead than alive!



Lucky stars above you, Sunshine on your way, Many friends to love you, Joy in work and play-Laughter to outweigh each care, In your heart a song-And gladness waiting everywhere All your whole life long!

Whenever there is happiness Hope you'll be there too, Wherever there are friendly smiles Hope they'll smile on you, Whenever there is sunshine, Hope it shine especially for you to make each day for you as bright as it can be.

May the road rise to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face. And rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, May God hold you in the hollow of His hand. Life is wonderful, you just need to see it through the right glasses.

May you get all your wishes but one, so you always have something to strive for!

Here's to cold nights, warm friends, and a good drink to give them.

To get the full value of joy, you must have someone to divide it with.



May you have warm words on a cold evening, a full moon on a dark night, and the road downhill all the way to your door.

May you always have work for your hands to do. May your pockets hold always a coin or two. May the sun shine bright on your windowpane. May the rainbow be certain to follow each rain. May the hand of a friend always be near you. And may God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.

May God grant you always... A sunbeam to warm you, A moonbeam to charm you, A sheltering angel, so nothing can harm you.

Offer the lazy an egg, and they'll want you to peel it for them.

Life has limits, but love has no bounds.

If you go to bed hungry, you'll wake up without having slept.

It is difficult to teach a cow to climb a tree.

May your pockets be heavy and your heart be light. May good luck pursue you each morning and night.

> May joy and peace surround you, Contentment latch your door, And happiness be with you now, And bless you evermore.

May good luck be your friend In whatever you do. And may trouble be always

A stranger to you.

May your blessings outnumber The Shamrocks that grow. And may trouble avoid you Wherever you go. These things, I warmly wish for you-Someone to love, some work to do, A bit of o' sun, a bit o' cheer. And a guardian angel always near.

May your troubles be less, And your blessing be more. And nothing but happiness, Come through your door.

He who loses money, loses much; He who loses a friend, loses more; He who loses faith, loses all.

May you enjoy the four greatest blessings: Honest work to occupy you. A hearty appetite to sustain you. A good woman to love you. And a wink from the God above.

May brooks and trees and singing hills Join in the chorus too, And every gentle wind that blows Send happiness to you. May the raindrops fall lightly on your brow. May the soft winds freshen your spirit. May the sunshine brighten your heart May the burdens of the day rest lightly upon you. And may God enfold you in the mantle of His love.

May the wings of the butterfly kiss the sun. And find your shoulder to light on. To bring you luck, happiness and riches. Today, tomorrow and beyond.

Smoke spreads further than the fire.





May you live a long life Full of gladness and health, With a pocket full of gold As the least of you wealth. May the dreams you hold dearest, Be those which come true, The kindness you spread, Keep returning to you. To a starving man bread is sweeter than honey.

To be without learning, is to be without eyes.

There is no need to whip docile horses.

May the friendships you make, Be those which endure, And all of your grey clouds Be small ones for sure. And trusting in Him To Whom we all pray, May a song fill your heart, Every step of the way.

Who gives, has.

## Thank you, from Karl Bimshas

I hope the Toasts, Blessings and Proverbs in these pages have given you words to help celebrate.

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