

SAMPLE WILL WORDING

A Christian Preamble to Your Will

A Christian preamble to your will provides a unique opportunity to share your faith with your family and friends. Through the Holy Spirit, this personal statement of faith will comfort your loved ones in their time of loss and encourage them to place their trust in Jesus Christ.

If you would like to include such a statement of witness in your will, one of these sample Christian preambles could be added or used as a guide in writing your own.

PREAMBLE 1

I, _____, of the City of _____ and the Province of _____, being of sound and disposing mind and memory and being under no restraint, do make, declare, and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all Wills and codicils hereto made by me.

First, realizing the uncertainty of this life I place full confidence and trust in my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who promised: "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die" (John 11:25-26).

Second, knowing that the wages of sin is death, I believe that Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, suffered and died for the forgiveness of all my sins, which I neither deserve nor merit, but receive as a free gift of God, who is rich in grace and mercy.

Third, I urge my heirs not to set their hopes on uncertain riches, but to take hold of the life, which is life indeed through faith in Jesus Christ.

PREAMBLE 2

I, _____, of the City of _____ and Province of _____, being of sound and disposing mind and memory and being under no restraint, do make, declare and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all Wills and codicils heretofore made by me.

First, I commit myself to God's care, secure in His love for me and trusting in the salvation purchased for me through Christ's suffering and death. I leave those who survive me the comfort of knowing that I have died in this faith and have now joined my Lord in eternal glory.

Second, I commend my loved ones to the protecting arm of God, knowing that He will continue to provide for them despite my absence; and I encourage them to place their faith and trust in Him alone.