

I am Dan T. Smith, Royal Scribe to the Princess of Kashmir. I am a physicist, philosopher, and creator of the Best Possible World Hypothesis. That World has been influenced by two people here today, one that I have been close to for many years, and one that I have come to know more recently. It is on behalf of one of them, the Royal Footman and Deputy Butler, that I am privileged and honored to read the Royal Scribe.

The Scribe documents the marriage of Princess Aliyah of Kashmir to her Royal Footman, Ron. With this promotion, the Royal Footman is elevated from minor servant to full member of the Royal Family. The Footman now serves next to the Princess, bound to her for life as her closest friend and partner in all that life shall bring and with all the rights and responsibilities that come with the title.

The Scribe acknowledges that the Kingdom is in disarray, that the Princess has been under siege of dark forces close to the King, that she and at times the King have been banished to a dark cave, that she has been bound, fingerprinted, and nearly jailed. Those dark times have come to pass. With this marriage, the Scribe also reveals that the Royal Footman is in fact the White Knight, come to free the Princess in order to restore and complete the white magic of the Kingdom. Those who have opposed the Princess with their darkness will inherit the karma they have created for themselves. Those who have supported the Princess are already recognized and will be rewarded with the first among this inner circle being the Princess's Father by choice, Jahanmir, who first set into motion the circumstances which allowed these children to discover each other; and the Royal Cinematographer, Fred, who brings Apples to the Princess to ensure her health, wellbeing, and productivity.

The Scribe recognizes Cheekoh of Costa as the master of events, bringing the Princess and the White Knight together along with Felix, Chandler, Evelyn, Coco, and Mandy. He met the Princess in Costa Rica, travelled with her back to his native home of Kashmir, and later introduced her to the Royal Footman and Deputy Butler. It was Cheekoh's idea that the Princess should marry the Footman, and it was Cheekoh and friends who invited you to participate in this event.

It was during a hot summer day here in Virginia, that the Princess introduced herself to Dr. Ron in search of a new residence for Cheekoh. Dr. Ron was at work constructing a large arbor. It may have seemed poor judgment to take on the task of constructing such an arbor, particularly during the hottest part of the year, but if not for such poor judgment, Dr. Ron would not have been standing on the third rung of the ladder, tools in hand, and focused on the task of applying liberal amounts of carpenters wood glue before driving screws to secure the rungs to the upper braces. Out of the corner of his eye, he caught movement from across the street at the home of the Large Man, Big Woman, and Small Dog.

Walking briskly across the street was the Princess of Kashmir dressed in her Royal robes. She noted that Dr. Ron had four cats, and she asked if he would consider providing a home for another. Dr. Ron quickly agreed knowing that he was going to marry the Princess, and thus stage was set for the opening act of the Best Possible World. The following day the Princess returned to discuss Cheekoh's care, and from then on the Princess and Dr. Ron shared daily communications.

With the arrival of Cheekoh, the Princess was obligated to visit each day. The beauty, joy, and inspiration of her presence so inspired Dr. Ron, that he requested an opportunity to serve the Princess in

an additional capacity, and she offered Dr. Ron an opportunity to serve as Royal Footman. The grace, intellect, imagination, and dedication of the Princess so pleased the Royal Footman, that he sought to master the arts of cooking to better serve the Princess, earning the additional title of Deputy Butler and enabling the Footman to serve the Princess and other members of her Court.

The Best Possible World soon began to emerge, with the Princess and her Royal Footman taking on many new challenges. With each passing day the Footman came to realize how blessed he was to have been given an opportunity to serve the Princess. Her kindness and love towards all God's creatures inspired the Footman to seek a larger and more permanent relationship. He offered the Princess a ring as a token of his desire for her hand in marriage, but the Princess interpreted the gesture as the token of his love for Cheekoh. As weeks passed into months, the Footman continued to offer the Princess rings and other tokens as expressions of his love for the Princess and his dedication to her vision of feeding the hungry, educating the ignorant, and bringing joy and enlightenment to the world.

As Royal Scribe and creator of the Best Possible World hypothesis, I witnessed the Princess raise the Royal Footman up from his knees, introduce him to God, and inspire him to do God's work here on Earth. I too was inspired by the Princess, and I was honored by her granting me the title of Royal Scribe. It is in that capacity that I share with you today a few observations of the countless good works she has accomplished during the short time during which I have served her highness.

The marriage of the Princess to the Royal Footman opens a new chapter in my Best Possible World hypothesis. It is a chapter on the Best Possible Marriage. One based on honesty, trust, dedication, and a broad spectrum of attributes brought to bear on a set of shared visions. It has been a great privilege for me to serve the Princess, and I look forward to serving the couple and documenting the creation and evolution of the Best Possible Marriage as part of my Best Possible World.

After all this is LIFE.