

HOW TO SAY: "I LOVE YOU".

(A sketch for two voices – a man and a woman, preferably married to each other, and especially a minister and his wife)!

Stand at opposite sides of the chancel.

Speak alternately and speak as if they do not hear the secret thoughts of the other....

....until they come to: "I love you _____".

Alex: I have been trying all week to tell my wife that I love her....but without any success.

Patricia: " " " " " husband " him... " " "

Alex: I thought I would buy her some **flowers**....but the local Post Office doesn't sell flowers

Patricia: " " buy him a nice **card**....but none of the cards quite said what I wanted to say

Alex: I wondered about buying her some **chocolates**....but that would just be temptation when she is dieting!

Patricia: I wondered about buying him a lovely **tie**....but that's no use to a man who wears his shirts backwards!

Alex: I had the bright idea of **telephoning** our own house....but every time I rung it was engaged.

Patricia: I had the bright idea of sending a **fax**....but then I remembered that we don't have one.

Alex: I wanted to **sing** a romantic love song....but I can't sing.

Patricia: I wanted to **draw** a picture showing my love....but I can't draw.

Alex: I thought about waving **flags**....but we don't have any flags.

Patricia: I thought about sending **smoke signals** like Red Indians....but we don't have a coal fire.

Alex: I considered beating **African jungle drums**...but thought that the neighbours would object

Patricia: I considered ringing the **church bells**....but that would have brought everybody to church on Tuesday!

Alex: I tried **Morse Code**....but the only letters I could spell were SOS.

Patricia: I tried using a **carrier pigeon**....but that's one "doo" that didn't work!

Alex: So **How** can I tell my wife that I love her?

Patricia: So **How** can I tell my husband that I love him?

PAUSE.....Then look at each other with strong, direct eye contact

Alex: I love you, Patricia!

Patricia: I love you, Alex!

Alex: I also want to tell people that **Jesus** loves them....how can I possibly do that?

Patricia: When God tried to tell us that He loves us....

- He wrote the Bible

- He sent prophets and priests and preachers and parents

But more than words....He came Himself as Jesus

and showed His love by living, suffering, dying and rising again for us.

Alex: So spread the Good News! And do it in word and in action!