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Gratefulness and Grace

Wedding planning can be hard. All the elements for potential disaster are there. Kinda like running a business. You can and will have drama, people letting you down, and tears. BUT, your job (and my job) is to focus on what is going right. "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." ~ Matthew 6:34. The good news is you are loved! Not only does God love you, but you have someone in your life that has promised to love you till the end of time! Whoa!! That kind of love doesn't happen every day.

When you embark on your wedding planning journey, do what you can to remind yourself why you are going through this process - you are creating something beautiful, a celebration of your commitment to love. The effort you are putting in is worth every tear and every hard moment.

Remember, the hard moments will pass. Focus on what is good, because even if something doesn't go your way, the love between you and your spouse-to-be is all that really matters.

While you are at it, think about the team you have around you. Your team might just be your fiancé, or you may have a huge bridal party and a giant family all wanting to pitch in. Whatever your situation, think about the people who are really showing up for you, loving you and lifting you up. If you have a few people in your life like this, you are blessed! These people are special and should be celebrated. Take a moment to thank your team because showing up is one of the hardest things to do. I'd like to give a special shout-out to Alexa Atkinson, our marketing director. Alexa has helped me fill the gaps when I needed extra help and needed someone I could count on through thick and thin. Alexa has an

incredible work ethic and a passion for weddings. Talk about a blessing! She's been integral to our success!

At The One Bride Guide, we are excited to be building our team again. I'm proud to welcome our newest sales executive, Raquel Espinoza. Kingsville native, Raquel, has a wealth of ex-



Raquel Espinoza

perience working in public relations via all kinds of media including radio and tv. She's already sharing great ideas, has a great sense of style, and is a joy to talk to. We know the wedding industry will love her and embrace her

because she's already been a huge help in lifting up our vendors and contributing to the wedding world! Welcome Raquel!



Me at The Evermore for our cover shoot

We've met some fun new vendors over the past few months and can't wait to bring them into the fold and share them with our brides. 2019 is a year of new venues, new businesses, new staff, and we are excited to report the wedding world is booming! It's a great time to get married.

The theme for us for 2019 is having gratefulness for what we have and the team around us and having grace for all the unexpected things that come up. If we all focus on love and what's going right, and just breathe and pray through the tough times, love will prevail and everything will work out fine!

Good luck and happy wedding planning!

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