

### Opening and Closing Services for Fourth Quarter of 1883.

#### OPENING SERVICE.

I. Silence.

II. Responsive Sentences.

*Supt.* Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Zion : and unto thee shall the vow be performed.

*School.* I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people.

*Supt.* The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.

*School.* Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

*Supt.* Glory ye in his holy name : let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

*All.* Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

III. Singing.

IV. The Ten Commandments, or Apostles' Creed.

I. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

II. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth ; thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them : for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me ; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

III. Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain : for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

IV. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work : but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD thy God : in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates ; for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day ; wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

V. Honour thy father and thy mother : that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

VI. Thou shalt not kill.

VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VIII. Thou shalt not steal.

IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

V. Prayer, followed by the Lord's Prayer in concert.

VI. Scripture Lesson. \*

VII. Singing.

#### LESSON SERVICE.

I. Class Study of the Lesson.

II. Singing Lesson Hymn.

III. Recitation of the Title, Golden Text, Outline, and Doctrinal Suggestion, by the school in concert.

IV. Review and Application of the Lesson, by Pastor or Superintendent.

V. The Supplemental Lessons. †

VI. Announcements (especially of the Church service and week-evening prayer-meeting).

#### CLOSING SERVICE.

I. Singing.

II. Responsive Sentences.

*Supt.* We ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip ; for how shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation ?

III. Dismission.

## Book Notices.

*Judas Maccabeus, and the Jewish War of Independence.* By CLAUDE RUGNER CONDER, R. E. New Plutarch Series. New York : George P. Putnam's Sons. Toronto : William Briggs. Price \$1.

The Story of the Maccabees forms one of the most important episodes in Jewish history. It was a preparation for the advent of Christianity. It left its permanent impress on the character of the nation. It records one of the most heroic struggles for liberty which ever took place in the annals of mankind. Prof. Conder throws much light on this period by his exhaustive study, not only of Josephus, and the Book of Maccabees, but that of the Talmud and contemporary history. This is a good book for S. S. libraries.

\* Either the International Lesson for the day, or some suitable portion of Scripture.

† Special Lessons in the Catechism may here be introduced.