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#### A SERMON IN WOOD.

BY J. VAN TASSEL.

The following verses were written upon one of the sections of olive wood described above:

ONLY a beautiful block of wood, From the branch of an olive tree; Whose leaves kissed a spot where Jesus stood In the garb of humanity.

I place it upon my open palm, And gaze on its radiant face; Till my heart o'erflows with a joyous psalm, To the praise of redeeming grace.

It tells of the mount most sacred made, By the pressure of holy knees, Bending in prayer in the silent shade, Of its friendly old olive trees.

It tells me of yonder sunlit height,
Last touched by the wounded feet
Of Him who thence took homeward flight,
To the city with golden street.

But He is coming to stand some day, On Olivet's sunny slope; And I for its dawning fervently pray, While watching and waiting in hope.

Blessings upon the reverent hand, -\$That brought it from over the sea; Souvenir dear of the Holy Land! Sweet sermon in wood to me!

# Opening and Closing Services.

SECOND QUARTER.

## OPENING SERVICE.

I. Silence.

II. Singing,

III. The Apostles' Creed [all standing].

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

IV. The Lord's Prayer [all standing].

V. Singing.

VI. Prayer.

VII. Responsive Reading of a Scripture Lesson [not the lesson of the day, but some other portion of the Scripture].

#### LESSON SERVICE.

I. Class Study of the Lesson.

II. Singing Lesson Hymn.

III. Recitation of 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 Lesson. [Special lessons in the Church Catechism may here be introduced.]

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

### CLOSING SERVICE.

I. Singing.

II. Responsive Sentences.

Supt. Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep.

School. Through the blood of the everlasting

Supt. Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ. School. To whom be glory forever and ever.

III. Dismission.