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RELIGION EXPLAINED AND DEFENDED

If I were a priest or a friar and had a tongue worthy of spiritual exercises, a voice to preach with until I split a lung, all for the greater glory of the cross,

I'd do some ferocious preaching. If I were able, I'd explain how living the one Good and True Religion is like making a table of oak or mahogany or cherry wood.

We have our long arms and sturdy backs. We plane and plane until it's smooth enough for a king to see, as if we'd used a wax.

Except a single knot—after we've found it, we all decide that it's a little tough, commend it to the Faith and work around it.

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