

MY HYMN THIS WEEK.

A HEART in every thought
renewed,
And filled with love divine;
Perfect, and right, and pure, and good,
A copy, Lord, of Thine.

MY VERSES THIS WEEK.

MONDAY—Eph. 4: 15.
TUESDAY—John 13: 34.
WEDNESDAY—John 13: 35.
THURSDAY—John 15: 12.
FRIDAY—Matt. 4: 44.
SATURDAY—1 Cor. 13: 13.
SABBATH—2 Sam. 5: 10.

MY LESSON STORY THIS WEEK.



DAVID the shepherd was crowned king of Judah in our last lesson story. In to-day's we learn that he was made a still greater king, for after the death of Ishbosheth all the tribes of Israel came to Hebron and made him king over all Israel. Now he was a great king! He and his men went to Jerusalem. This city David wanted for his capital, for it was well suited for that purpose; but some enemies, the Jebusites, lived there. So David and his men had to fight against them and drive them out.

Mount Zion, the highest part of the city, was a fortress surrounded on three sides by deep valleys. This fortress the Jebusites held, and thought there would be no fear of David and his men taking it; but he did, and drove them all out and lived there himself, and called it the city of David. He afterwards built round about it, and made it a beautiful city. Hiram, king of Tyre, sent messengers to David with cedar trees and carpenters and masons, and they built David a beautiful house. David grew greater and greater, for the Lord the God of hosts was with him.

MY QUESTIONS THIS WEEK.

1. Where do we find the shepherd-king in our lesson story to-day?
2. What took place there again?
3. Where did David and his men go?
4. After David drove the Jebusites out of Jerusalem, what did he do?

MY PRAYER THIS WEEK.

O God! teach me that I cannot grow great or lovable
until I keep close to Thee.