

## OPTIONAL HYMNS.

Majestic sweetness sits enthroned.  
O, could I speak the matchless worth.  
Blessed assurance.  
Since Jesus is my friend.  
I will sing for Jesus.  
Saviour, thy dying love.

Awake, my soul.  
Jesus, thou everlasting King.  
O, my Saviour, how I love thee.  
All for Jesus.

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## Blackboard.



Mary and Martha honored Jesus by sacrifice and humble service. Each did what she could, and gave her best from her true heart. Love in the heart expresses itself in self-sacrifice. But Judas, the thief, had no thought other than to satisfy self and his avarice for money. His heart was not right with God, and he could not understand the meaning of Mary's gift. As "the gift without the giver is bare," so only the loving service of the heart can be acceptable to God.

## LESSON III. JESUS TEACHING HUMILITY.

[April 16.]

GOLDEN TEXT. I have given you an example. John 13. 15.

## AUTHORIZED VERSION.

[Study the whole chapter.]

John 13. 1-17. [Commit to memory verses 14-17.]

1 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

2 And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;

3 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;

4 He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.

## REVISED VERSION.

1 Now before the feast of the passover, Jesus knowing that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end. And during supper, the devil having already put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he came forth from God, and goeth unto God, riseth from supper, and layeth aside his garments: and he took a towel, and girded himself. Then he poureth water into the ba-