

Last Supper

Based on Luke 22:1-20; John 13:3-17; Matthew 26:30

Jesus and his **closest followers** arrived in Jerusalem. It was nearing the time of an important religious festival, and many people were in the city.

Then **Judas**, one of Jesus' twelve closest followers went over to the **religious leaders** to discuss the best way to betray Jesus to them. They were delighted and promised him a reward. So Judas began looking for an opportunity to betray Jesus so they could arrest him quietly when the crowds weren't around.

Jesus and his twelve closest followers, including Judas, sat down together at the table to celebrate the meal for the religious festival. Jesus said, "I have looked forward to eating this meal with you before my suffering begins."

Jesus knew that God had given him authority over everything so he got up from the table, took off his robe, wrapped a towel around his waist, and poured water into a basin. Then he began to wash his closest followers' **feet** and to wipe them with the towel he had around him.

After washing their feet, he put on his robe again and sat down and asked, "Do you understand what I was doing? You call me 'Teacher' and 'Master,' and you are right, because it is true. And since I, your Master and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other's feet. I have given you an example to follow. Do for each other what I have done for you. It's true that a servant is not greater than the master. You know these things-now do them!"

Jesus also took a **loaf of bread**, thanked God for it, and gave it to his closest followers to eat. He said, "This bread represents my body, given for you." Do this in order to remember me." After supper he took a **cup of wine** and said, "This wine is a symbol of God's new promise to save you-an agreement sealed with the **blood** I will shed for you."

Then they sang a song of **praise** and went out to an **olive grove** on a hill just outside of the city.

Drawing Elements: Jesus, Disciples, Judas, Religious Leaders, Feet, Bread, Cup, Blood, Praise, Olive Grove

Drawing Note: The two flowers below the cup represent a loaf of bread broken in two (broken body).



