

Narrator: It was time for the Passover meal. Jesus and his disciples were going to share the meal together. A large number of people had come to Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover, so the disciples asked Jesus where they could prepare the Passover meal.

Jesus: Go into Jerusalem. A man carrying a water jar will meet you. Follow him, and he will show you a room where we can have our Passover meal.

Narrator: Two of the disciples went into the city, and everything happened just like Jesus said. They prepared the meal for the group. That evening, Jesus and his disciples arrived and they shared the meal. But what happened next was different than other Passover meals. Jesus began to share with them.

Jesus: One of you will betray me.

Narrator: Deeply saddened, the disciples asked one by one if it was them.

Jesus: The one who is dipping bread with me in this bowl will betray me.

Narrator: That disciple was Judas. When he realized Jesus knew that he was going to betray him, he got up and left. Then Jesus continued serving his disciples. He took a loaf of bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them.

Jesus: Take; this is my body.

Narrator: He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them. They all drank from it.

Jesus: This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many.

Narrator: They sang songs of praise and went out to the Mount of Olives. Jesus was preparing the disciples for his coming death. They didn't understand what he was saying, but what happened in the following weeks brought his words back to the disciples and helped them understand.

(Based on Mark 14:12-26)

