

# The Last Supper

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CAST: Jesus

Mary

12 Disciples

2 guards

Narrator 1

Narrator 2

Angel

Mary Magdalene

Mary

Chorus

PROPS: Table for the Disciples

Bread

Drink (glasses)

Table and a sheet for the tomb

A large cross for Jesus to carry

MUSIC: *Your choice, these are only suggestions.*

## SCENE 1

*(Song, "Remember Me" plays as the disciples walk on stage and gather around the table. Jesus walks in and sits down in the middle of them. They then pretend to be talking to each other in a whisper as the song is being played. Jesus can break the bread and pass it out during the song.)*

NARRATOR 1: That evening, Jesus sat down at the table with the 12 apostles to eat his final meal before going to the cross. As they dined together, he told the twelve that one of them would soon betray him.

NARRATOR 2: One by one they questioned, "I'm not the one, am I, Lord?" Jesus explained that even though he knew he would die as the Scriptures foretold, his betrayer's fate would be terrible: "Far better for him if he had never been born!"

NARRATOR 1: Then, Jesus took the bread and the wine and asked his Father to bless it. He broke the bread into pieces, giving it to his disciples and said, "This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

NARRATOR 2: And then he took the cup of wine, sharing it with his disciples and said, "This wine is the token of God's new covenant to save you--an agreement sealed with the blood I will pour out for you." He told all of them, "I will not drink wine again until the day I drink it new with you in my Father's Kingdom." Then they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives.

## SCENE 2

*Mount Olives*

*(Jesus leaves with his disciples and walks over to garden. Jesus then bows on his knees and starts praying, looking up to the heavens and tells them to watch out for him. They all fall asleep and start yawning and fall to the ground.)*

NARRATOR 1: Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me."

NARRATOR 2: Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will."

NARRATOR 1: Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour?" He asked Peter. "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak." He went away a second time and prayed, "My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done."

NARRATOR 2: When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing. Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour is near, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"

*(Guards walk in and grab Jesus, while his disciples watch and get upset. Jesus is taken away. Jesus, with the disciples, goes around to the foyer back of the church and walks down the aisle with the cross over his back.)*

## SCENE 3

*The song plays, "The Old Rugged Cross an Instrumental"*

*(This will be an emotional scene. Two guards and the disciples follow Jesus to the front of the stage. The thorns are now placed on his head while he is standing in front of the cross. Some are*

*weeping. A few minutes later Jesus dies and drops his head, and then they come and take him down from the cross and drag him to the tomb.)*

#### **SCENE 4**

*(A table and white sheet is used for the tomb.)*

NARRATOR 1: After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb and suddenly there was a great earthquake; an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.

*(Mary Magdalene and the other Mary walk towards the tomb.)*

*(Sounds of the thunderstorm and rain on CD plays for a few minutes)*

NARRATOR 2: His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come see the place where he lay."

*(The two Marys look in tomb.)*

CHORUS: *(Sings, "Christ Arose.")*

*(Jesus shows up on the other side of stage with his arms reaching to the sky. He opens his arms towards the heavens and all cast bow down to him. While song plays out.)*

**THE END**