

A meal with Jesus

Read it from the Bible

Luke 22:7-23

'Jesus took some bread in his hands and gave thanks for it. He broke the bread and handed it to his apostles. Then he said, "This is my body, which is given for you. Eat this as a way of remembering me!"' Luke 22:19

Tell the story

"It's Passover," Jesus told his friends.

"Time for our special meal."

When the meal was ready, Jesus said, "This is the last Passover meal we will all eat together. Soon, some sad things are going to happen."

Jesus held a cup of wine in his hands. "Thank you, God," he said. Then Jesus gave the cup to his friends. "Pass this round and all have a drink from it," he said.

Next, Jesus held a loaf of bread and broke it into pieces. "Thank you, God," he said, and gave it to his friends. "When you eat this," he told them, "I want you to think about me."

After their meal, Jesus held another cup of wine in his hands.

"Share this," he said. "Soon someone in this room will choose not to be my friend any more."

His friends looked at each other, amazed. "Who is it?" they wondered.

Talk to God

Thank you, Jesus, that we can think of you when we eat and drink.



Use the picture

1 You can use the picture as an introduction to the Bible story or to help you review the story together.

2 Look at the picture and work out what is going on. Identify which person is Jesus. Who are the other people? What are they all doing? What is Jesus holding? Why? Explain that this was an important meal. Jesus and his friends are sharing it together. It is a meal held once a year called the 'Passover' meal.

3 Ask the children to find the bread and colour it in (or stick on pieces of brown paper). Jesus shared the bread with his friends. He asked them to think about him when they ate bread.

4 Jesus is holding a cup. Let the children colour or decorate it. Jesus shared the drink with his friends. He asked them to think about him when they drank.

5 Suggest that the children could think about Jesus next time they eat or drink, just like Jesus' friends did.

A meal with Jesus Luke 22:7-23

