



## Introduction

*Events leading up to the arrest of Jesus.*



## Questions

1. What did Jesus say as he sat down to eat the Passover?
2. What did Jesus say the roles of the 12 apostles will be in his Kingdom?
3. What did Jesus say in his prayer on the mount of Olives?



## Summary Points

- **v 1 to 6** The Jewish leaders continue to look for a way to execute Jesus. Judas offers to betray him when a suitable opportunity arises
- **v 7 to 20** Jesus shares a meal with his disciples the night before his death. He gives special significance to the bread and wine (see theme) they are having. He tells them to carry on doing this in his memory
- **v 21 to 30** He then warns them he will be betrayed. They argue about their relative greatness, but Jesus emphasizes their need for humility
- **v 31 to 38** Jesus says Peter will deny him and warns that his own end is in sight
- **v 39 to 46** Jesus goes to a place on the Mount of Olives. He is tempted to pray for an alternative way. Then he is strengthened by an angel and by further prayer
- **v 47 to 62** Jesus is betrayed and arrested. Peter fails under pressure and denies that he ever knew him. He is overcome with remorse
- **v 63 to 71** Jesus is mistreated and is then led before the Jewish council

**Timeline** 30 AD (see below)



## Theme

### The Breaking of Bread

*A selection of verses showing what the Bible means by the breaking of bread.*

The evening before his arrest, trial and crucifixion, Jesus tells his disciples where to prepare for a Passover meal:

*Matthew 26 verse 18*

During that meal Jesus gives a special significance to the bread that they eat together:

*Matthew 26 verse 26*

The bread is a loaf, and is so described by Paul in his letter to the Corinthians:

*1 Corinthians 10 verse 17*

Jesus then gives special significance to the cup from which they drink:

*Matthew 26 verses 27 to 29*



Luke's gospel record tells us that Jesus asks his disciples to remember him in this way:

*Luke 22 verses 19 and 20*

The apostle Paul makes it very clear that all believers should remember Jesus in this way:

*1 Corinthians 11 verses 23 to 26*

It appears that it becomes the custom of the first century church to do this weekly.

They describe this activity as breaking bread although it also involves the sharing of a cup:

*Acts 20 verse 7*

## **?** **Answers to questions**

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 15 and 16, Q 2: v 30, Q 3: v 41 and 42



# Bible timeline

