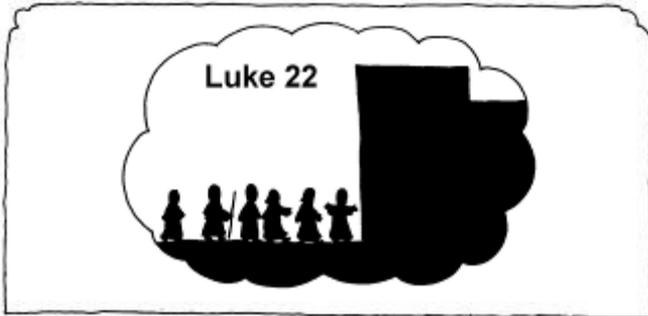


JESUS eats with his friends

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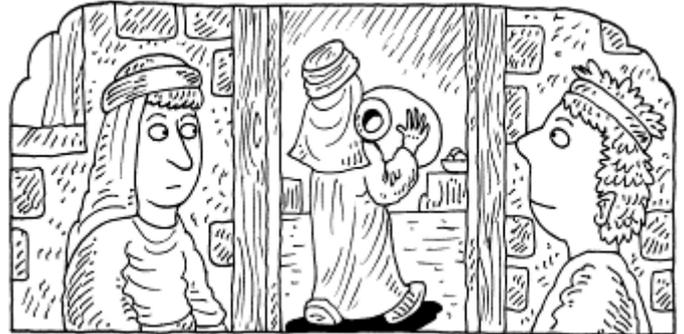
Jesus went to Jerusalem,
for the very last time,
to eat the special
Passover feast with his friends.



Jesus said to his friends,
"I want to eat the Passover feast
with you before I go away.
Go and get it ready for us."



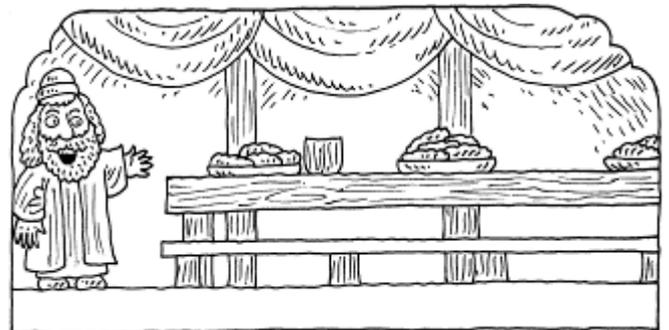
Look for a man carrying
a water jar and follow him.
He will show you where to go."
His friends found the man and followed him.



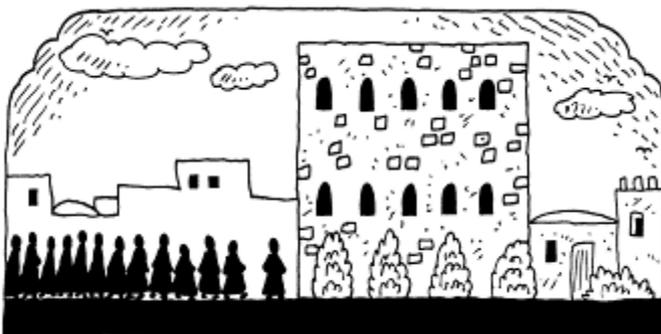
The man went into a house.
This was the house Jesus would come to.
Jesus friends knocked
at the door and waited.



"Do you have a room for Jesus?" they asked.
"Yes, I have a room upstairs.
Everything you will need is ready.
I knew Jesus would come," said the man.



He took them upstairs to a big room.
They got dinner ready
with baskets of flat bread
and wine, made from grape juice.



Soon Jesus came
with his other friends.
They went up stairs
to have dinner together.



Jesus took the flat bread and broke it.
They shared it. They shared the grape juice, too.
Jesus said, "Whenever you do this, remember me."
In church we call this "Communion."