

Making Inferences

When things aren't explained literally in a text, you can use clues to reach a logical conclusion. This is called inference.

Read this part of the Easter Story then answer the questions in full sentences.

The Easter Story (Based on Matthew 26: 17-30)

The Last Supper Part I

During the feast of Unleavened Bread, or Passover, Jesus sent two of his disciples ahead with some instructions of how to prepare the Passover meal.

The meal was prepared and Jesus and his twelve disciples all sat around the table for the Last Supper. It was a dangerous time for Jesus as there were many people who wanted him killed because they were angry about his popularity. Because of this, Jesus' disciples were very quiet whilst eating.

During the meal, Jesus finally spoke and said, "I tell you the truth, one of you here will betray me." The disciples were all shocked and wondered who it could be.

Jesus carried on and said, "The one who dips their hand into this bowl with me will betray me. I will die, just as it is written, but the man who betrays me will feel sorry forever."

Then, with his head bowed down, Judas quietly asked, "It isn't me is it?"

To this, Jesus replied, "Yes, you are the one." This made Judas very ashamed and worried.

Jesus then thanked God for the bread and broke it apart to share with everyone. "Take this and eat it. This is my body which is given for you," he announced. He then held a cup of red wine and said, "This is my blood, which will be poured out for many people so their sins may be forgiven." The cup was passed around and everyone took a sip from it.



The Easter Story Questions

1. Were the disciples worried about Jesus' safety? Why do you think this?

2. Why did the disciples stay with Jesus for a meal if his life was in danger?

3. What could Judas do next?

4. Why did Jesus say the bread was his body and the wine was his blood?

5. Why did all of the disciples share the same cup to drink from?