## **Last Supper Drama for Kids Program**

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## Preparation:

This drama is developed to involve children. You will need a Jesus character, 12 children, 3 soldiers and a narrator and an audience sign holder. You can use girls as well as boys for actors.

**Costuming:** For easy costuming get earth color single bed flat sheets. They are usually 66"X96" You will need four flat sheets for the 12 disciples and one red single flat sheet for three soldiers.

Fold the sheet in half from side to side to make a double panel 33"X96" Then fold the lengthwise in thirds to make 3 double rectangles 32" by 33". Cut the thirds which will make three doubled over panels. DO NOT cut the folded over section.

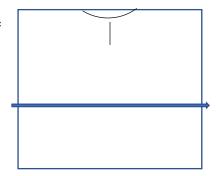
You now have 15 double folded panels 32" X 33"

You can sew or hem the edges if you want but for costuming really not necessary

Next you need to cut a slight semi-circle in the center of each panel so you can slip the panel of the child's head. In the center of the fold edge mark 8" and the 4" mark on either side of center and you can place the edge of a paper plate to mark a slight curve for the cut.

Then cut a slight slit down the front neck section

This panel can be slipped overt the child's head and then wrap at the waist with a section of heavy yarn or rope and tie at the sides.



**Set:** In the front of the room place two long tables and 13 chairs along the back and sides but not the front. Small table behind two tables of hold the Passover meal items.

**Materials:** small wood like salad size bowl., 13 clear plastic cups, small loaf of bread, grape juice or other purple or red beverage in pitcher. Table covering optional.

Poster board signs with the following

Hooray for Jesus Here Jesus comes Let's go see Jesus BOOO!!! YEAH !!!!!! I see Jesus

No! No! Jesus did nothing wrong

SCRIPT

**Narrator:** In the Bible in the book of Luke we read that Jesus was coming into Jerusalem with His disciples. The people had heard about all the wonderful things Jesus had done. He had healed people who were very sick, Jesus cast out demons from people, He had raised His friend Lazarus from the dead. Jesus had also calmed the storm when He and the disciples were crossing the lake. Jesus made blind people sea, crippled people walk, deaf people hear.

So, when the people heard Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they were excited. They all gathered along the road and cheered when He came riding on a donkey.

## Audience signs - Hold up one at a time

Hooray for Jesus Here Jesus comes Let's go see Jesus
YEAH !!!!!!

No! No! Jesus did nothing wrong

Action: Jesus and disciples walk in from the back of the room and go to one side of the room in the front pretending to talk to each other

**Narrator:** But not everyone was glad. The Jewish chief priests and Pharisees didn't like Jesus ....

## Audience Action sign: BOOO !!!

**Narrator:** ....because Jesus told them they needed to believe that He was the Messiah, the only Son of God.

When Jesus came to Jerusalem it was the time of Passover. This was when Jesus planned to have the Passover meal with His disciples. It would the very last meal with his disciple friends because Jesus knew in two days He was going to be crucified and die on the cross for the sin of everyone, including you and me.

Jesus said to Peter and John ......

Jesus: "Go in the city and you will meet a man with a pitcher of water who will show you a room upstairs in a house for the last supper. Go and get the meal ready."

Narrator: Peter and John did what Jesus said

(Two disciples go off to the center and they get items from the small table and set the table and prepare the Passover feast – cup at each place, bowl near center for Jesus – bread on plate near center for Jesus – fill cups half with juice)

Narrator: Later Jesus and the disciples gathered in the upper room

(Jesus goes first to the center stage and then welcomes each other disciple by name as they come and take a seat. Judas sits next to the center where Jesus sits.

**Narrator:** Once they were gathered, they had a lot to talk about. The disciples had many questions. Then Jesus said....

Jesus: "My friends and disciples, I am so glad to have this Passover meal with you as this is the last time we will be able to have a meal together."

**Narrator**: Then Jesus took the Passover bread and broke it in pieces and said to His disciples....

Jesus: "This bread is like my body. I have broken it and soon my body will be broken for everyone. Eat the bread and when you eat bread again, it will remind you of me."

(the disciples all eat the bread)

**Narrator:** Then Jesus took the cup of wine and said to His disciples....

Jesus: "This cup of wine is like my blood which will soon be poured out of my body as I die for everyone's sin. It is like the blood of the Passover lamb when it is killed and prepared for the Passover meal. But I will be the final sacrifice for sin

and lambs will not have to be killed any longer for sacrifices for sin. Take the cup and drink the wine"

(The disciples drink their juice)

**Narrator:** While they were having the Passover meal the disciples began to argue among themselves each saying there were the best disciples

(Disciples all say one after another "I am the greatest")

Narrator: Then Jesus said to them.....

Jesus: "The greatest are those who serve others."

**Narrator:** Then to show the disciples what it meant to serve others Jesus took a towel and a basin of water and washed all the disciple's feet from all dirt and dust from walking on the dirt roads.

Audience sign: Hooray for Jesus!

As they were talking Jesus said He would be betrayed by many and that even one in the room would betray Him. The disciples kept asking who it was. Jesus finally said the one who dips his bread in Jesus's bowl would be the one

Judas dipped his bread in the bowl and knew at once Jesus knew it was him. Judas had already betrayed Him to the high priest and others for thirty pieces of silver..

(Judas dips his bread in the bowl)

...... Judas was so ashamed he got up and left the room.

(Judas gets up and leaves)

After the feast was over Jesus took His disciples and went to the garden to pray.

(Jesus and the disciples leave the center and go to the other side of the room)

**Narrator:** It was dark in the garden, only the lights of the moon and night stars. Jesus prayed a long time and while He was praying the high priest and guards come into the garden. Judas was with them. Because it was dark Judas went and gave Jesus a hug so the guards would know which one was Jesus so they could arrest Him.

(They act this out)

**Narrator:** Then they arrested Jesus and took Him away.

(Soldiers take Jesus and exit out the back of the room)

Audience sign: NO! NO! Jesus did nothing wrong!

Narrator: And the disciples all quickly left because they were afraid.

(Everyone leaves in a hurray out to the back of the room)

**Narrator:** The next day they took Jesus before the governor and Jesus was accused of saying He was the Messiah, the Son of God. The Jewish priests and Pharisees when so angry they said that Jesus should be crucified and the governor was so afraid the people would riot he said they could crucify Jesus.

Audience sign: No! No! Jesus did nothing wrong

**Narrator:** So, they took Jesus and crucified Him on a cross just like Jesus said that His body would be broken and His blood spilled out. When He died, He was buried in a tomb? That was Friday. And on Sunday when His friends went to the tomb, He was not there. Jesus had risen from the dead and He was alive again.

Audience sign: Hooray for Jesus!

(Jesus comes back in and gives the gospel presentation (Gospel story bag) and invitation then prays for the children)

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