

## Judas' betrayal in synoptic comparison

### MARK 14.1-2, 10-11

It was **two days before** the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus **by stealth and kill him**; for they said, "**Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.**" ...

Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and **promised** to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

### LUKE 22.1-6

Now the festival of Unleavened Bread, **which is called** the Passover, was near. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way **to put him to death**, for **they were afraid of the people**. **Then Satan entered into** Judas called Iscariot, who was one of the twelve; he went away and conferred with the chief priests **and temple soldiers** about how he might betray him to them. They were greatly pleased and agreed to give him silver. **So he consented** and began to look for an opportunity to betray **him to them when no crowd was present**.

#### CODE:

**Black** = unique to Mark or Matthew

**Purple** = unique to Luke

**Blue** = common to Mark/Matthew

Plain = common to all three gospels

### MATTHEW 26.1-5, 14-16

When Jesus had finished saying all these things, he said to his disciples, "You know that after **two days** the Passover **is coming, and the Human One will be handed over to be crucified.**" Then the chief priests **and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas, and they conspired** to arrest Jesus **by stealth and kill him**. But they said, "**Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.**" ...

Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, "What will you give me if I betray him to you?" **They paid him thirty pieces of silver**. And **from that moment** he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.