"And when the hour came, He and the twelve apostles with Him reclined. And He said to them, with desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer."

- Luke 22:14-15; Matt. 26:17-21; Mark 14:12-18; John 13:21, 30-35

It was the annual Passover meal they were eating. cf. Exodus 12

WHY DID JESUS SURRENDER TO THE MURDERS AT PASSOVER AS OPPOSED TO ANOTHER DAY OR MONTH?

To fulfill the type I Cor. 5:7; John 13:1

To fulfill the prophecies (see last week's PM message)

To establish eternal salvation for us Isa. 53:10-11

To set a pattern for us to follow John 13

1 Cor. 11:26 For "as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you show" the Lord's death until He shall come.