

**August 24, 2025 – Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group**  
**“The Requirements for Observing Passover” -- Exodus 12:43-51**

**Questions for Younger Ones (ages 5-18) to Answer from the Text:**

1. What did the LORD give to Moses and Aaron to pass on to the people of Israel (v. 43a)?
2. Whom did the LORD say could not eat the Passover (vv. 43b-45)?
3. What permitted a slave who was purchased by an Israelite to partake of the Passover (v. 44)?
4. Where was the Passover meal to be eaten (v. 46a)?
5. What could not be taken outside the house (v. 46b)?
6. What must the Israelites never do when preparing the Passover lamb for sacrifice (v. 46c)?
7. Who was required to observe the Passover feast (v. 47)?
8. What did a stranger who wanted to partake of the Passover need to do (v. 48a)?
9. How was the stranger to be treated if he fulfilled the requirement to partake of the Passover (v. 48c)?
10. Who absolutely was forbidden to eat the Passover meal (v. 48d)?
11. Were there to be different rules for the stranger and the Israelite when observing the Passover meal (v. 49)?
12. How did the Israelite people respond to the LORD's instruction given to Moses and Aaron (v. 50)?
13. On what day did the Israelites leave Egypt (v. 51a)?
14. How did the LORD bring out the Israelites from the land of Egypt (v. 51b)?

**Questions for Reflection and Discussion:**

15. Are there differences between the foreigner, the stranger, and the sojourner? If so, what might they be?
16. Why were a foreigner and a hired worker not allowed to eat the Passover, but a stranger was allowed?
17. Why was a slave allowed to eat the Passover?
18. Why was circumcision required before eating the Passover meal?
19. Why was a stranger required to circumcise all the males in his household before *he*, the stranger, could partake of the Passover?

20. When the stranger was circumcised to partake of the Passover, did that mean he was a full citizen of Israel? Why or why not?
21. Why is the Lord's Supper the fulfillment of Passover?
22. What similarities and differences are there between Passover and the Lord's Supper?
23. Should people be excluded from participating in the Lord's Supper even though they may desire to do so? If so, how should they be excluded? If not, why not?
24. What does the Reformed practice of "fencing the Table" mean?
25. What must precede the administration of the Lord's Supper? Why?
26. How can someone participate in the Lord's Supper?
27. When should a Christian decline to partake of the Lord's Supper? When should they NOT decline to partake of the Lord's Supper?
28. Are there ways the Lord's Supper can be abused by *declining* to partake of the Lord's Supper? If so, how?
29. Should a Christian leave the worship service after the sermon but before the serving the Lord's Supper because he is pressed for time?
30. What is meant by the "corporate" aspect of the Lord's Supper? What is meant by the "individual" aspect of the Lord's Supper? Which is more important? Why?