OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1. What does this passage teach us about us?

a) We, like the Israelites, are called to remember our salvation by gathering each Sunday as a church. What makes it easy for you to gather on Sundays? What makes it difficult? Do you see Sunday church as a time of remembrance? Why or why not?

2. What does this passage teach us about God?

a) God takes the Israelites on the longer journey toward the Promised Land? Why did he do this (v. 17)? What short cuts have you tried to find in your spiritual growth? How and why has God made you go the long way instead? In what ways can you see his guidance in your life?

3. What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?

a) The Feast of Unleavened Bread symbolized the Israelites freedom from slavery. Are you a slave to sin? Explain your answer. Read Romans 6:17-18 for the answer.

b) God required the life of the firstborn sons but would accept a lamb as redemption (v.13-15). How does this picture our salvation in Christ? Read 1 Peter 1:18-19.

APPLICATION

a) God tells the Israelites to teach the future generations about the Passover and Exodus (v.8,14). What is one way you could teach the next generation about the salvation and faithfulness of God in Christ?

FIGHTER VERSES: 1 Corinthians 5:6-8.

PRAYER

- Thank God for guiding you by the presence of the Holy Spirit.
- Confess ways that you have failed to gather and remember God's salvation.
- Thank Jesus for his redemption of your life from slavery to sin.
- Ask God to help you to trust his faithfulness each day.