

Four Questions

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Source: Baltimore Social Justice Seder

Sing together:

Mah nishtanah halaylah hazeh me'kol ha'leilot

מה נשתנה הלילה הזה מכל הלילות

Recite together:

Why do we believe in equality under the law, but imprison African Americans at a higher rate and for longer than whites for similar crimes?

Why do we tell people returning from prison that they should make an honest living, but then place insurmountable barriers to finding employment and housing?

Why do we believe that drug addiction is a disease, but treat those afflicted by it as criminals?

Why do we place such a high value on public safety, but fail to implement evidence-based policy recommendations that would make us safer?