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1. State the birthdates for the Reformation and the Anabaptist Movement, eight years later:

2. Who was the first Zurich radical to be baptized? Why was Conrad Grebel reluctant to baptize Blaurock and the others?

3. Where did Harry Loewen, our text author, get this story of the first Anabaptist baptism?

4. Review the section on Ulrich Zwingli at the end of chapter 3 and see pages 83-84. What seemed to be the most divisive issue between Zwingli and the Grebel/Manz circle of radical reformers?

5. Read Mark 16:16. Do you think the early Anabaptists had a legitimate argument for believers baptism based on this passage? How did the Anabaptists challenge the concept of corpus christianum?

6. In a sentence or two, explain why Felix Manz was drowned in the Limmat River in January 1527.

7. Why did the Zurich radicals write to Thomas Muntzer?

8. Why did the Grebel circle react against singing German hymns? What scriptures could be used to counter their views?

9. Other than singing, describe the fundamental issues separating the beliefs of the Swiss brethren and Thomas Muntzer.

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10. Why did a group of Anabaptists meet in Schleitheim, Switzerland, in February 1527?

11. A Confession of Faith states the overall basic beliefs of theology held by a particular Christian church or denomination. How does the Schleitheim "Brotherly Union" differ from a regular confession of faith? Why did the Anabaptists radicals choose these seven points?

12. What were the two charges against Michael Sattler at his trial in May 1527?

13. Why did Anabaptism spread so rapidly among the common people?

14. What does Harold S. Bender believe were the primary contributions of the Anabaptists to American Protestantism and democracy?

15. In what way was the Anabaptist Movement a "restoration" attempt rather than a reformation?