



CELL GUIDE

TOPIC God of the Passover

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## MESSAGE SUMMARY

### GOD OF THE PASSOVER

As we approach Good Friday and Easter, we need a fresh and new understanding of how God's judgment passed over us through the five Passovers of the Bible, as summarised below:

#### THE 5 PASSOVERS OF GOD

Passover #	Biblical Lesson	Our Response should be...
1) ORIGINAL PASSOVER (Exo 12:1-30)	The Israelites were <b>saved from slaughter</b> of the 10 plagues upon Egypt (v.13). God's heart to always protect and prosper His people (Dt 6:24) comes with warnings for our utmost obedience (v.22).	<b>HASTE:</b> There is an urgency for us to <b>resolve to obey</b> no matter how tempting it is to take things into our own hands, and <b>ready ourselves for action</b> (v.10-11).
2) FESTIVAL PASSOVER (Lev 23:5-8)	<b>Saved from slavery</b> to sin, we are to rid ourselves of yeast (1 Cor 5:6-8) or what is unholy, else it undermines Christ's sacrifice.	<b>HOLINESS:</b> As God is holy, we should <b>repent from sin</b> (Lev 19:2) and remember to <b>respect the sacred</b> or what God has called holy (v.7-8).
3) SECOND PASSOVER/ Pesach Sheni (Num 9:1-13)	Today, we are <b>saved from the stain of death</b> or the condemnation by sin. In contrast, the literal touching of a dead body in biblical times means the exclusion of God's people from participating in the covenant.	<b>HUNGER or HOLY DISSATISFACTION:</b> <b>Revere His commands</b> by ensuring we do not break the laws (v.12) and <b>recognise His grace</b> in giving us a second chance.
4) ETERNAL PASSOVER (1 Pet 1:13-24)	We have been <b>saved from sin</b> which cannot be atoned for on our own and would have kept us on the wrong side of eternity.	<b>HOPE: Reject sinful desires</b> (v.14) and <b>reframe our mind</b> by setting our eyes on eternity (v.18).
5) TRIUMPHAL PASSOVER (Rev 5:5-14)	We are <b>saved from Satan</b> , who does <u>not</u> have the final victory over our soul.	<b>HONOUR: Rebuke the curse</b> of death (v.4) and <b>receive His love</b> by worshipping Him in reverence.

## CONCLUSION

The number five represents grace. **The 5 Passovers reveal God's grace upon grace.**

*Pesach Sheni* this year falls on the weekend of *Celebration of Hope*, which is indicative of how Singapore is now given a second chance at revival since Billy Graham's evangelistic rallies 50 years ago. Similar testimonies would be shared at the event. e.g 黄国伦 who got a second chance at his career with God's download for the lyrics of the famous (worship) love song "我愿意", giving him a second chance at his career; as with local celebrity Olivia Ong who sings his song.

# QUESTIONS

**1. How has God's grace manifested in your life?**

**Share which of the five Passover lessons resonates most with you by giving an example of your experience with God's grace.**

**2. Which of the five responses to the God of the Passover – Haste, Holiness, Hunger, Hope, Honour – is He requiring of you or challenging you to grow in, right now?**

**3. DSP Edric emphasised the Second Passover or Pesach Sheni.**

- **Is there something you need a second chance for?**
- **If not, is there someone you know who needs to experience a second chance from God?**