



Southern Temple Steps



Church of the Multiplication



The Garden Tomb



The Western Wall

Walk Where Jesus Walked Holy Land Tour

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Highlights of Your Tour

Scheduled International Flights • Top Quality Four Star Hotels • Israeli Buffet Breakfast & Dinner Daily • Top Guide with In-Depth Knowledge of the Old & New Testaments • Private Air Conditioned Motorcoach • Visits to the Major Historical Sites • Boat Ride on the Sea of Galilee • Certificate of Your Pilgrimage to ISRAEL . . . and more!

WALK WHERE JESUS WALKED!

THUR, FEB 22 KANSAS CITY • TEL AVIV

Depart from Kansas City on our flight to Tel Aviv. Meals and overnight on board. After dinner relax and enjoy the on-board entertainment.

FRI, FEB 23 TEL AVIV

Arrive at Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport and meet our guide who will welcome us to the Land of the Bible and escort us throughout our stay in Israel. Israeli guides are legendary for their knowledge and dedication. Ours will instruct us on the many sites we will visit and their relationship to the religion, history, archaeology, culture, and modern life in Israel. Time permitting, visit **Old Jaffa (Joppa)**, the traditional home of Simon the Tanner and the port from which Jonah sailed. Visit **St. Peter's Church. Dinner and overnight at our hotel on the Mediterranean coast.**

SAT, FEB 24 CAESAREA • MT CARMEL • MEGIDDO • TIBERIAS

Refreshed from a good night's sleep you may wish to stroll the beach before a full Israeli buffet breakfast. Today we pass through the fast-growing towns and farms of the Plain of Sharon enroute to **Caesarea Maritima** (Caesarea by the Sea), built by Herod the Great in honor of Augustus Caesar, site of major events in the lives of Peter and Paul and one of the main locations where the gates were opened to make Christianity a universal religion. It's on to **Megiddo**, an ancient city inhabited continuously for more than five millenia and prophesied site of Armageddon in the book of Revelation. Archaeological digs reveal 20 layers of civilization, including fortifications of King Solomon and the water tunnel of King Ahab. Megiddo provides a magnificent view of the fertile **Jezreel Valley**, at the crossroads of the ancient **Via Maris**. We drive through the Jezreel Valley and visit **Mt. Carmel**, the place where Elijah slew the prophets of Baal. From here we travel to visit **Samaria**, a central focus point in Israel and then to biblical **Shechem** (Sychar). Time permitting, it's on to **Sepphoris**, the former Roman capital of the Galilee and the famous seat of the Sanhedrin, the ancient Jewish ruling council, in the second century C.E. Sepphoris is comprised of a Crusader fortress, a Roman amphitheater and numerous impressive mosaics. **Dinner and overnight in Tiberias.**

SUN, FEB 25 SEA OF GALILEE • UPPER GALILEE • GOLAN HEIGHTS

This day alone is worth the trip! We are now literally walking in the footsteps of Jesus. We start with a visit to **Magdala** (town of Mary Magdalene). We will take a most memorable boat ride in a replica of the ancient wooden boats used in Jesus' day. Then we walk into old **Capernaum**, the center of Jesus' ministry, with the ancient synagogue. It's on to **Tabgha**, just north of Tiberias, the traditional site of the Multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes and up to the site of the Sermon on the Mount, the **Mount of Beatitudes**. We will stop nearby at the **Tabgha Beach** (Primacy of St. Peter – the site where Jesus fed His disciples breakfast). You will have an opportunity for a lunch of St. Peter's fish (optional). In the afternoon we will journey north to **Caesarea Phillipi**, (Banias Spring) where Jesus decided to return to Jerusalem and Simon identified Jesus as the Messiah. From here we will journey to **Hazor**, originally conquered by Joshua in the 13th C.B.C. King Solomon began reconstruction here and King Ahab erected a magnificent palace here as well. Return via the **Golan Heights** (for a panoramic view of the peaks of Mt. Hermon and the Hula Valley), to the area around the north-eastern Sea of Galilee. **Dinner and overnight in Tiberias.**

MON, FEB 26 NORTHERN GALILEE

Start the day with a visit to **Bethsaida** (hometown of Peter, Andrew, Philip and the third most mentioned city in the New Testament), **Kursi** (where the demon possessed man was healed), and an **eastern site** of the Feeding of the 5,000. Proceed to the mystical city of **Safed**, said to be founded by one of Noah's sons after the Flood, high up overlooking the Sea of Galilee. Walk the quaint cobblestone streets and visit the famous artists' quarter. Continue through the rolling hills of Galilee to **Nazareth (Church of the Annunciation)**, and to the site of **Mary's Well**, and then to **Cana**, site of His first miracle. Also visit the **Nazareth Village**, an accurate, full-scale recreation of first-century Nazareth, including homes, storage caves and a synagogue, set on the last remaining field that was farmed by Nazareth villagers at the time of Jesus. Restoration of the farm site and construction of the village were done with first-century building techniques. **Return to our hotel in Tiberias for dinner and overnight.**

TUES, FEB 27 JORDAN VALLEY • JERUSALEM

Drive along the Jordan Valley to **Beit She'an** to visit the expansive excavations, including an amphitheater, one of the Ten Roman Cities where Jesus taught and on the walls of which were hung the bodies of Saul and Jonathan. Continue driving south to **Jericho**, oldest known walled city, for a view of **Mt. Temptation** and **Mt. Nebo**, from where Moses looked upon the Holy Land. Here we will visit the **Jordan River** and have the opportunity for a baptismal service at the **Qasr al-Yahud Baptismal site**, if so desired. Here we will also see the **Jordan River Crossing Site** (into the Promised Land) and **Camp Gilgal**. It's now time to "go up" to **Jerusalem**. We will travel the "ancient road" from Jericho to **Jerusalem** with a stop at the **Inn of the Good Samaritan**. We will enter the Holy City, Jerusalem, as pilgrims did since ancient times to fulfill the words of the prophet "I was glad when they said unto me: 'Our feet shall stand within thy Gates, O Jerusalem'" (Psalms 122:1-2). **Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.**

WED, FEB 28 JERUSALEM • BETHLEHEM

Start the day with a spectacular panoramic view of the Old City from the top of the **Mt. of Olives**. Walk to the **Garden of Gethsemane**, and the Church of All Nations and drive across the Kidron Valley. Enter the **Old City** through St. Stephen's Gate (Lions' Gate) to the Moslem Quarter, visit the beautiful **Church of St. Anne**, a 12th century Crusader church, and the **Pool of Bethesda**, **Pilate's Judgement Hall**, and the **Ecce Homo Arch**. Walk along the **Via Dolorosa**, into the Christian Quarter, and see the Stations of the Cross. Drive to **Mt. Zion** to see the **House of Caiaphas** and the **Upper Room** of the Last Supper. Leaving Jerusalem, we will enjoy **Ein Karem**, a small village where, according to tradition, John the Baptist was born. We will then visit **Bethlehem** and see **Manger Square**, the **Church of the Nativity**, and view the **Shepherds' Fields** and the **Fields of Boaz and Ruth**. **Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.**

THUR, FEB 29 MASADA • DEAD SEA • QUMRAN

Depart to **Masada**, situated on an isolated cliff, high overlooking the Dead Sea, near ancient **Gomorrhah**, where we ascend by cable car to visit the remnants of Herod's Palace and where from 70 to 73 A.D. the Zealots made their last stand against the Roman Legions. We will proceed to **Hebron** (mentioned 72 times in the Bible) site of Abraham's Well, the Cave of the Patriarchs, and Tomb of Jesse and Ruth. It's on to **Qumran** where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found in 1947. Time permitting,

we will go for a swim, rather a "float", in the salty, mineral rich waters of the **Dead Sea**, the lowest point on earth's surface. **Return to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight.**

FRI, MAR 01 JERUSALEM

We will begin the day with a visit to the reconstructed **Jewish Quarter**, walk through the **Cardo**, the original Roman street, and see the amazing Israelite wall. We will visit the **Western Wall** (also known as the Wailing Wall) and the **Temple Mount Southern Stairs** (original stairs where Christ walked). We will visit the **Western Wall Tunnels** running along the base of the Western Wall. Our tour also includes the new Visitors Center, highlighted by a three-dimensional virtual reconstruction of the Second Temple. Then on to the **Temple Mount** and the **Dome of the Rock**, where Abraham was to sacrifice Isaac, and now the site of a mosque. We will visit the **Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial**, in western Jerusalem, located on Mount Herzl (Mount of Remembrance) and established in 1953 as Israel's official memorial to the victims of the Holocaust. End the afternoon at **Golgotha** (Gordon's Calvary) and the **Garden's Empty Tomb**. Special time is planned for worship, communion, meditation and inspiration. This evening we will share in a Farewell Dinner and the presentation of a Certificate of Pilgrimage to each tour participant. **Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.**

SAT, MAR 02 JERUSALEM • KANSAS CITY

Today we transfer to the airport. Our guide will assist us with check-in procedures. Depart on our flight to the USA. We arrive home today with wonderful memories of a visit to the Land Where Jesus Walked!



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- Round trip jet economy class
- First Class Hotels. Accommodations based on two persons sharing a room.
- Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner daily
- Transfers by private motorcoach including a qualified, licensed English-speaking guide
- Porterage for one suitcase per person not to exceed 50 pounds
- Airport taxes and airline fuel surcharges of \$650 per person, subject to change
- Love offering for guides, driver, restaurant staff and housekeeping staff

NOT INCLUDED

- The cost of obtaining a U.S. passport, meals or beverages other than specified, insurance, items of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone calls, etc.

DOCUMENTS: A valid US passport is required.

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