

## A TRIP YOU'LL NEVER FORGET!

Galilee, Mount Hermon, the pool of Bethesda, the oasis of Jericho, Mount Calvary— we read these names constantly in the Bible, we refer to them in Sunday school Classes and Bible Study groups, but for many of us they remain almost imaginary places in our minds. A trip to the Holy Land forever removes this unreality.

I will never forget the first trip I made to Israel— the first glimpse of the Holy City from the Mt of Olives, a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, sitting on a hillside like the one where Jesus fed the five thousand, the garden tomb— never again would these places and events in the Bible be imaginary and far away. It changed my life to walk in the land where the historical Christ visited planet earth.

I would love the opportunity for us to spend concentrated quality time focusing on the claims the Savior makes over our lives as we tour the promised land together.

This is my personal invitation for you to join us for an encounter in the Holy Land you will never get over.



## TOUR PRICING

All expenses are included (guides, drivers, dining, air- conditioned buses, entrance to all sites, taxes, tips, dinner and breakfast each day and one lunch.) [Registration Form \(Fill one out for each person\)](#)

Land Cost	Flight (Group)	Total Per Person +\$750 / SINGLE
\$2987	\$1514	\$4401

After November 16 flight arrangements will be on individual basis and price may vary. If you have questions, contact Bruce Peterson with Purpose Travel at 972.672.5166. **If registering after November 30th, please follow the instructions at the bottom of the registration form and contact Purpose Travel immediately. (972.672.5166 or [email](#))** If you have Sky Miles you may make arrangements with Purpose Travel.

## ITINERARY

### **March 7**

Depart USA, flight to Tel Aviv

**March 8** | Arrive in the Holy land where we are to be met by Transglobal representative who will assist the group through customs and provide a transfer to our deluxe resort hotel on the Mediterranean Sea near Hadera. Orientation meeting, dinner & overnight at our hotel.

**March 9** | Caesarea, Carmel, Megiddo, Nazareth, Tiberias, Sea of Galilee

We proceed to Caesarea to visit the Crusader Fortress built upon the ancient city of Caesarea, named after Augustus Caesar, who imposed the tax that brought Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem. Here we will visit a beautiful example of the Roman Amphitheatre, where the group can experience the acoustics of a structure built in the days of Christ. Continue to Mount Carmel where Elijah issued his challenge to the false prophets. Visit a Druze Village. We then proceed to Megiddo, site of Armageddon, where 22 layers of civilization have been excavated, down to King Solomon's stables. Now on to Nazareth where Jesus spent the silent years of his life. From Nazareth the road winds down to Tiberias and the beautiful Sea of Galilee. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in the Galilee.

**March 10** | Boat ride on Sea of Galilee, Jesus Boat, Caesarea Philippi, Tel Dan, Korazin, Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum, Tabgha, Yardenit Baptism, Tiberias

Today we rise early and board our boat for a cruise on the Sea of Galilee. We visit the Jesus Boat then we have a short tour of the kibbutz, exploring this exciting way of life so similar to the earliest Christians. We then take the road through the Golan Heights where we will hear the explanations of the strategic and political significance of this area. On the Golan Heights we will visit Caesarea Philippi at Baniyas, which is the Site of the Transfiguration; continue to Tel Dan Nature Reserve, source of the Dan River leading into the Jordan and containing the remains of an ancient city from the period of the First Temple thought to be the center of the Dan tribe. Pass Korazin where there are remains of a 1st century synagogue similar to Capernaum (these last 3 are the places which were cursed and which were indeed totally destroyed in an earthquake in 742 C.E.); return to the Sea of Galilee area where much of the Galilean Ministry took place. Here were the homes of the disciples James, Simon, John and Andrew. Near here, Jesus gave Beatitudes and taught in the synagogue on many occasions and performed many miracles. The group will pray together at the Mt. of Beatitudes. We then proceed to visit Tabgha where 5,000 were fed by Jesus who performed the miracle of the multiplication of fish and loaves. Visit Capernaum, and end a magnificent day with a visit to Yardenit, the traditional baptismal site on the Jordan River. Return to hotel for dinner and overnight.

**March 11** | Beit Shean/ Border Crossing to Jordan at the Sheik Hussein Bridge/ Jerash/Mt. Nebo/Medaba/Petra

We proceed through the city of Beit Shean - one of the earliest and most important cities in Israel from the time of the Canaanites. It was here the Philistines impaled King Saul's body to the city wall - we view its magnificent excavations. Crossing over into Jordan, we will visit Jeresh , Mt Nebo where Moses viewed the Promised Land and journey south to the Rose City, Petra. Overnight in Petra

**March 12 |** Tour of Petra, Including lunch

PETRA/THE "ROSE CITY"-A full day tour to Petra-the ancient Edomite and Nabatean Capital (Jer. 49:16-18 and Obadiah). See this spectacular city with its famed gorge, ancient streets, dwelling places and tombs carved in rock. Pass through the famous SIQ and arrive at the "Treasury". Overnight in Petra

**March 13 |** Cross border at Allenby Bridge back to Israel- Massada/Qumran/ Dead Sea/Valley of the Shadow/Jerusalem

On to the Dead Sea, lowest spot on earth and Qumran, center of the Essenes. Visit the ancient caves of Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. Continue south to Ein Fascha, viewing across the saltiest sea in the world the fortress where John the Baptist was beheaded, the desert where ibex roam at Ein Gedi, David's hideout from Saul, and on to the mighty fortress Masada, last stronghold and stand of the zealots against Rome on the edge of the barren Negev Desert. Overnight Jerusalem

## Jerusalem

**March 14 |** Mt of Olives/Garden of Gethsemane/Caiaphas House/ Temple Institute/ Cardo Maximo/ Yad V'Shem (Holocaust Museum)/Israel Museum (Dead Sea Scrolls, Holy Land Model)

We will continue directly to the Mt. of Olives for an introduction to Jerusalem. Ascend the mountains of Jerusalem from Scopus to Mt. of Olives for an outstanding breathtaking view of the city across the Kidron Valley to the Eastern Gate; see Chapel of Ascension, Pater Noster and Dominus Flevit. Walk down Palm Sunday Road and visit the Garden of Gethsemane, cross Mount Moriah viewing the Tombs of Absalom, Saint James and Zacharia. Travel around the temple pinnacle to the City of David and on to the house of Caiaphas at Saint Peter in Gallicantu. Continue to Mount Zion, the Upper Room and Tomb of King David. Drive to Yad V'shem, the memorial to the Holocaust and 6 million Jews murdered by the Nazis. Continue in the new part of Jerusalem by visiting the Israel Museum where there is a scale model of the city of Jerusalem from New Testament times including the Second Temple. Also at the Museum visit the Dead Sea Scrolls, housed in a specially prepared building. Overnight in Jerusalem

**March 15 |** Western (Wailing) Wall/ Rabbinical Tunnels/ Pool of Bethesda/Antonio Fortress / Via Dolorosa/ Church of Holy Sepulcher/Jaffa Gate/Bethlehem

We will visit the famous Rabbi's Tunnel, running along the base of the Western Wall (Due to the enormous demand, and limited access to this fascinating site, our visit may take place at any time of day or night during our stay in Jerusalem). We will visit the Pool of Bethesda where Jesus cured an invalid man; continue to the Praetorium, site of the public trial of Christ, and his condemnation, and view its ancient remains in the Fortress of Antonia, seat of the Roman Procurator. We will walk the Stations of the Cross along the Via Dolorosa and visit the Church of the Holy Sepulcher on the way. Then a visit to Bethlehem, the Church of Nativity and the Shepherd's Field. Return to Jerusalem (only 10 minutes by bus to the Old City). Overnight in Jerusalem

**March 16** | Temple Mount/City of David/Hezekiah's Tunnel/ Davidson Center (Southern Steps of Temple)/ Garden Tomb

We will proceed to the Temple Mount to view the Mosque of Omar, a sacred site for the Muslim as well as the Jewish People. We will continue through the picturesque market streets past the Citadel of David and exit through the Jaffa Gate. We will then visit the Southern Steps, the archaeological reconstruction of the Temple Steps where Jesus walked so often and end our visit to the Holy land with communion and prayer at the Empty Tomb. Overnight in Jerusalem

**March 17** | Early departure for USA /Arrive back to USA late afternoon.

## TRIP INFORMATION

**This tour is all inclusive**—airfare, guides, drivers, air-conditioned buses, entrance to all sites, taxes, tips, breakfast/dinner each day and two lunches.

**Final payment is due on December 15.** You must have a valid passport 6 mo remaining after March 17, 2019. Currently it takes about 2 months to secure a passport, so do not delay.

**No shots or visas are needed. If you are registering after December 15, call Purpose Travel or write**

After final payment is received you will receive further information on your departure, including bag tags, forms, etc.

**Air Transportation** Tour participants will travel regularly scheduled airlines on a jumbo jet service based on the current pricing (DFW group rate secured)

**Hotels** Superior to Deluxe 5\* hotel accommodations throughout the trip. Hotel category is designated in the Official Hotel and Resort Guide publication. Prices are based on double occupancy.

**Meals** A full course buffet breakfast and dinner are served daily. There will be two lunches provided.

Sightseeing Site seeing will be provided as described above, subject to local conditions at the time of the tour. Careful planning assures a complete sightseeing program. Minor adjustments in the sightseeing program may be made by the tour leaders to conform to any reasonable wishes of the tour members.

**Luggage** One checked piece of luggage not weighing more than 50 pounds and one Carry On that is able to fit in Overhead, or under your seat. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Insurance A limited liability medical policy will cover each traveler. Cost included.

**Not Included** Passports, any expenses resulting from illness or accident, loss of or damage to luggage, items of a personal nature, mineral water, soft drinks at meals, or food and beverages not on the regular menu of the included meals.

**Cancellation** A refund (less \$200) is made in the event a person cancels after registration. After ticketing, the cancellation fee will be what is charged by the airline. Sixty days prior to departure there are NO refunds except in the event of illness, emergency or death (doctor's notice required with airline and land operator determining refund amount).

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