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Sea of Galilee

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Tour Dates:

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Nazareth



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Megiddo



Day 1: Friday, November 5, 2027 • Depart USA

We begin our journey to the Holyland with a flight to Tel Aviv.

Day 2: Saturday, November 6, 2027 • Arrival in Tel Aviv

Upon our arrival at Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport, our Israeli host assists us with the transfer of our luggage. We then board a motor coach, meet our guide, and drive along the shores of the Mediterranean Sea to our Tel Aviv hotel. Time permitting, we take a walking tour of Joppa/Jaffa, the ancient seaport mentioned in the biblical narratives of Jonah and the whale and Solomon's import of the cedars of Lebanon. It is also where Simon the Tanner lived and Peter stayed during his missionary activities. **D**

Day 3: Sunday, November 7, 2027 • Galilee Region

After our first Israeli breakfast, we board our coach and drive north up the coast to Caesarea Maritima, built by King Herod the Great in 22 B.C. It was here that Pontius Pilate lived and where the Gospel was first brought to the Gentiles. While here, we visit the Roman Theater, the Roman Aqueduct, and the Herodian Port. We drive by Mount Carmel where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal. We continue to Megiddo, the Chariot City for Solomon and Ahab. Here we explore the vast archaeological remains of this ancient city. We end our day with a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee and stop to see the 2000-year-old Jesus boat. **B/D**

Day 4: Monday, November 8, 2027 • Galilee Region

Our morning begins at Nazareth where we visit the Church of the Annunciation, see Mary's well, and walk through Nazareth Village. We stop at Mount Precipice where the Nazarenes wanted to throw Jesus off the cliff (Lk. 4:16-30). Next we drive around the Sea of Galilee, passing by Magdala, home of Mary Magdalene. We enter the 2,000-year-old remains of Capernaum (Lk. 4:31-37) and stand in what is left of the synagogue in which our Lord ministered. We also see Peter's house. We visit Tabgha, commemorating the feeding of the 5,000 (Lk. 9); Mensa

Mount of the Beatitudes



Tel Dan



Christi, where the Lord appeared to the disciples after the resurrection (Jn. 21); and the Church of Peter's Primacy. We stop at Chorazim and Mount of the Beatitudes, where Jesus gave the Sermon on the Mount. We end the day in a time of spiritual blessing as we stop at Yardenit, the famous baptismal site at the headwaters of the Jordan River. Here we will be invited to touch the water. **B/D**

Day 5: Tuesday, November 9, 2027 • Galilee Region

This morning, we drive to Caesarea Philippi (Banias), a source of the Jordan River. Here Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" and explained to them that he must go to Jerusalem (Mt. 16:13-23) and be crucified. At Tel Dan, we see where the tribe of Dan lived; it was originally called Laish. Dan introduced idolatry into the land of Israel, and it was here where King Jeroboam set up a high place of worship to a golden calf (1 Kgs. 12:25-33). We reflect on the significance of the Road to Damascus. In the Golan Heights, we recall the scene of bitter fighting during the Six Day War and the Valley of the Tears. We enjoy the snowcapped peak of Mount Hermon, the highest mountain in the Middle East. At Gamla, we view the remains of a 1st-century town and synagogue where Jesus likely preached, the beautiful waterfall, and the large vultures and eagles soaring above us. We visit Bethsaida and return to our hotel in the Galilee region for dinner and overnight. **B/D**

Day 6: Wednesday, November 10, 2027 • Dead Sea

We start the day at Gideon Spring where Gideon chose his army to fight the Midianites. We continue to the Tel of Bet Shean, where the bodies of King Saul and his sons hung from the city gates (1 Sam. 31). We spend time at the luxurious Roman city of Bet Shean before passing through the Judean Wilderness by Jericho en route to Qumran. We view Cave # 4, which contained the greatest quantity of scrolls. Time permitting, we continue to En Gedi and relive one of David's historic encounters with King Saul. We stop at the Dead Sea, where we have a chance to swim and float. Dinner and overnight is in the Dead Sea area. **B/D**

Dead Sea



**Day 7: Thursday, November 11, 2027 • Jerusalem**

We start the day at Masada, the famous stronghold where the Jewish people held out while being under attack from the Roman Army. We rise to the top by cable car and see remnants of the city on the top. We drive through the Elah Valley where David faced Goliath (1 Sam. 22) and walk along the Road Emmaus. We continue to Jerusalem for dinner and our hotel for the next 5 nights. **B/D**

Day 8: Friday, November 12, 2027 • Jerusalem

We travel to Shilo, the ancient home of the Arch of the covenant, then drive through the Samaritan mountains back to Jerusalem. We visit the Israel Museum where we see the Temple Model and the Shrine of the Book. Our day ends at the Western (Wailing) Wall, Judaism's most holy site. **B/D**

Day 9: Saturday, November 13, 2027 • Jerusalem

Our morning begins at Mt. Zion, where we sing praises in the Upper Room (Lk. 22:7-38), view the traditional tomb of King David, and proceed to St. Peter Gallicantu, Caiaphas the High Priest's house (Jn. 18). At Herodium we view the tomb of Herod the Great. We have lunch with local Christians. We see the Shepherd's Fields and explore Bethlehem, including a visit to the Church of the Nativity. **B/L/D**

Day 10: Sunday, November 14, 2027 • Jerusalem

We drive to the top of the Mount of Olives where we enjoy a breathtaking panoramic view of the Old City and the Kidron Valley. From here it is a short walk down along the Palm Sunday Way to the Garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus prayed while the disciples slept. We stop at Dominus Flevit, the Tear Drop Church. Later we visit the Bazaar of the Old City and Cardo before continuing our day at Yad Vashem, a museum dedicated to the Holocaust. The Valley of the Lost Communities and the Righteous Alley are home to trees planted in honor of people such as Oscar Schindler, who risked their lives to save Jewish people during World War II. **B/D**

Day 11: Monday, November 15, 2027 • Jerusalem

Our final day in the Holy Lands includes a visit to the South Steps where the Rabbi taught, as well as the Pools of Siloam, Hezekiah's Tunnel, Warren's Shaft, and David's Palace. Entering the Old City through the Lion's Gate, we walk along parts of the Via Dolorosa past Zion Monastery. We continue to Ecce Homo (site of Jesus' scourging) and see an authentic Roman pavement at the Antonia Fortification. Following visits to Saint Anne's Church and the Pool of Bethesda, a walk is planned through the colorful Arab Bazaar where the sounds and smells of the Middle East come alive. We continue our walk to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher and end the day at Calvary and the Garden Tomb. This evening includes a very special communion service and a closing session. We enjoy a farewell dinner before we head to the airport for our early morning flight home. **B/D**

Day 12: Tuesday, November 16, 2027 • Return

We board our plane for our very early morning flight home.

Tour Price: \$5,949

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land and estimated air from MSP
with a minimum of 20 paying participants*

Single supplement: \$1,300**Your Tour Includes:**

- Estimated round-trip airfare from MSP to Tel Aviv and return, including taxes and fuel surcharges, of \$1,950. Final price may be adjusted based on confirmed airfare. Seat assignment fees may be in addition.
- Land transportation via private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach.
- Accommodations (double occupancy) in superior tourist and moderate first-class hotels
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- Services of a professional tour manager
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- All taxes and tips for provided services, except as indicated below

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- Beverages, except with breakfast
- End-of-tour gratuity for tour manager and coach driver
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees (Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.)
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Payment Schedule:

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Abbreviations for Meals
Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

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