



# 2016 Bible Land Tour

April 4 -16

with optional  
studies  
program



## A Passage to Understanding and Enrichment



### Tour Directors



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*"A trip that satisfied curiosity, clarified history, and bolstered faith."* Dr. Richard Brumback (2015 Bible Land Passage Expedition)

## Daily Itinerary

### Monday, April 4

Depart mid-afternoon from Newark

### Tuesday, April 5

Arrive at Tel Aviv and eat lunch near Joppa. Travel along the beautiful Sharon Plain and visit the ancient port city of Caesarea. Visit the excavations of this ancient city and see where Paul made his defense before Festus and King Agrippa. Walk along the beach and watch the sunset over the Mediterranean while standing under ancient Roman Aqueducts. Overnight at Caesarea. **D**



### Wednesday, April 6

See Mt. Carmel where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal, and then look across the beautiful Jezreel Valley where Deborah and Barak defeated the Canaanites. Travel to Tel Megiddo where Solomon constructed one of his chariot cities. Visit the Nazareth Village, a recreation of life during the time of Christ. Stand on Mt. Precipice and imagine seeing Jesus as a young boy looking out over the breath-taking vista. Travel to Mt. Arbel and look out over the Sea of Galilee and the Plains of Gennesaret. Overnight at Tiberias. **B D**

### Thursday, April 7

Awaken to a beautiful sunrise on the Sea of Galilee. Travel near the ancient site of Bethsaida on our way to Chorazin, where we will see the ruins of an ancient synagogue and learn more about the preaching of Jesus. Visit Caesarea Philippi (Baniyas) where Jesus made the promise to establish His church, and walk along the beautiful headwaters of the Jordan River. Then on to Tel Dan, where you will learn about some of the most important archaeological discoveries in Northern Israel. Overnight at Tiberias. **B D**

### Friday, April 8

Engage in some private prayer from your balcony overlooking the Sea of Galilee. Visit the first century "Jesus Boat" museum at Ginnosaur and then take a scenic boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. Walk through a first century synagogue at Migdal, and then travel to Capernaum to walk among the ruins where Jesus made his home during his public ministry. End the day with a visit to the traditional site for the Sermon on the Mount. Overnight in Tiberias. **B D**

### Saturday, April 9

Begin the day with a quick stop at the Jordan River. Travel along its banks and peer across the valley to the Mountains of Gilead. See the Roman and Egyptian ruins at Beth She'an. As time permits visit Ein Harod where Gideon prepared for battle against the Midianites, and then travel over the top of Mount Gilboa on your way to the Judean Wilderness. An early arrival at the hotel will offer an opportunity

to float in the Dead Sea and observe the rugged and rocky terrain of the desert. Overnight at the Dead Sea. **B D**

### Sunday, April 10

Scale Masada, David's stronghold, where King Herod built a huge desert fortress overlooking the Dead Sea. See Ein Gedi, an oasis in the desert where King David took refuge during his flight from Saul (if possible, Jericho will substituted for this sight). Visit Khirbet Qumran, the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. Travel the Old Jericho Road and stop at Mt. Scopus for personal reflection and thought before entering the city of Jerusalem. Sunday evening worship in Jerusalem. Overnight in Jerusalem. **B D**



### Monday, April 11

Visit Gezer and the ruins from Solomon's day and beyond. Drive to Beth Shemesh, where the Ark of the Covenant was returned, and then on to the Valley of Elah where David fought Goliath. Walk to Khirbet Qeiyafa and look down toward the ancient Philistine territory. Continuing through the "Shephelah" (lowlands) of Judah, travel on our way to the ancient Isra-

elite city of Lachish, a city conquered by King Sennacherib. Continue on to the biblical Negev and visit the ancient site of Beersheba and other places where the Patriarchs once encamped. Overnight in Jerusalem. **B D**



### Tuesday, April 12

Tour the Israel Museum where we will see the Shrine of the Book, a model of first-century Jerusalem, and some of Israel's most precious artifacts and holdings. Next, it's on to the Old City of Jerusalem and end up at the church of Gallicantu, the site where it is believed that the Lord was imprisoned, and where Peter denied Jesus. Here we will also examine the topography and environs of ancient Jerusalem, and sing a song inside a first century prison cell. Our day will conclude with a visit to the ancient City of David, the Gihon Spring, and a walk through Hezekiah's tunnel. Overnight in Jerusalem. **B D**

### Wednesday, April 13

Begin the day from atop the Mount of Olives. Visit the Garden of Gethsemane and see the ancient olive trees. Enter the Old City walls through the Sheep Gate and move on to the Pool of Bethesda. Walk along the traditional site of the Via Dolorosa (The Way of Suffering), and then on to the Western Wall. Explore the Southern Wall Excavations of the Temple Mount, and walk on stones that were in place during the time of Christ. See ancient baptisteries, remains of first century buildings, and end the day with a devotional at the base of the temple mount. Overnight in Jerusalem. **B D**

### Thursday, April 14

Learn about modern Israel and tour Yad Vashem (Holocaust Museum). The rest of the day will be yours to enjoy on your own. A great day for shopping or visiting other places in the city such the traditional sites for the Upper room, Caiaphas' House, and Oscar Schindler's grave. Other great sites to consider would be the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the Eastern Gate, the Rampart Walk, the Temple Institute, Wohl Museum, and much, much more. It will be a special day of adventure, or rest and relaxation. Overnight in Jerusalem. **B D**

### Friday, April 15

Start by touring nearby Bethlehem and see the Shepherds Field and the church of the Nativity, one of the Bible Land's oldest church buildings, and where some believe that Jesus was born. Next visit the Citadel, a historically rich archaeological site and museum and the likely site of the Roman trial of Jesus. Our last stop will be the Garden Tomb, where we will end our tour with a devotional about the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. Then it's back to the hotel for packing and a special farewell dinner.



From the hotel we will travel by coach to catch a late night flight out of Tel Aviv and arrive back into Newark by 5:00 AM Saturday morning. Overnight on the return flight. **B D**

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**B** = Breakfast **D** = Dinner

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# General Information

## Tour Directors

John and Carla Moore have been actively involved in ministry and Christian education since 1987. Having studied at Jerusalem University and traveled widely in Israel and Jordan, John offers a unique perspective on the relationship between the Land of Israel and the Biblical Text. Dr. Jonathan Moore is both a Podiatric surgeon and holds an MA in Biblical Studies, and has traveled extensively in Israel and many other places in the world. He is an experienced and passionate lecturer, and has an extensive knowledge of both archaeology and the Bible.

## Space is limited

To maximize the travel and tour experience, and to keep cost affordable, a minimum and maximum number of passengers is set between 25 and 49. To ensure your place on this unique tour opportunity, please secure your reservation immediately by completing the registration form and making your deposit. Registration forms will be processed on a first-come, first served basis.

## Studies Program and Ministers Fund Raising

An optional non-accredited continuing education course offered through the *Academy of Christian Studies* Program will coincide with the tour. More information is available on the *Passages* website. A fund raising plan is also available.

## Cost

The basic per person cost for sharing a twin room, including roundtrip airfare from Newark to Tel Aviv, is \$4,150. Price is based on double occupancy and single occupancy will need to add the \$1,206.00 supplement. Please see [www.biblelandpassagetours.com](http://www.biblelandpassagetours.com) for terms, conditions, and expenses. For a minimal fee *Passages* will accept credit card payments through PayPal.

## Tour Price Includes

Round-trip flights from Newark Liberty Airport to Tel Aviv economy class • 5-star and deluxe hotels • Abundant, delicious all-you-can-eat breakfast and dinner buffets • Luxury coach transportation in Israel • All entry fees to museums, special sites, holy sites, areas of interest (except on Free Day) • Boat Ride on the Sea of Galilee • Tips for guides, drivers, bellmen • All known Airport taxes, service charges, government taxes, and fuel surcharges • One suitcase per person at airports and hotels • Israel maps and trip handouts • Instructional Lessons, Bible Applications and Connections, and explanations at all sites • Special farewell meal

## Hotels:

Deluxe hotels throughout:

- 1 night at Dan Caesarea Hotel (Breakfast and Dinner)
- 3 nights at Leonardo Plaza Hotel in Tiberias (Breakfast and Dinner)
- 1 night at David Dead Sea Hotel (Breakfast and Dinner)
- 5 nights at Leonardo Plaza Hotel in Jerusalem (Breakfast and Dinner)

Accommodations are based on First Class Hotel standards of Israel with two persons sharing a twin-bedded room with private facilities. Since hotel rooms are per room, the tour price for rooms occupied by one person is higher than those where two or more persons share the cost. **Single rooms are available at a supplemental charge to the overall price of the tour for \$1,206.**



## Price Does Not Include:

Domestic flights to or from Newark. **Surcharge for payment by Credit card to Bible Land Passage Tours.** Passport and visa fees, phone calls, valet/laundry service, and other items of a strictly personal nature, excess baggage, beverages and meals not detailed in the itinerary, optional excursions, health or trip insurance. It is the responsibility of the Traveler to obtain and maintain a current U.S. Passport in accordance with applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

## Deposits:

A nonrefundable deposit of **\$300** per person is required upon registration. In the event that the tour does not materialize for any reason, deposits will be refunded. A second payment of **\$1500 (\$1630 for participants paying with a credit card)** is due on December 1, 2015. Remainder of payment (**\$2350**) is due 2 months prior to departure (February 4, 2016).

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