# A biblical tour to the HOLY LAND

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Tuesday 1st – Wednesday 9th May 2018



## Worldwide Christian Travel

I am inviting you to join me on this life changing experience to the Holyland. It does not matter who you are, what your background is or perhaps you are just curious because you have heared the story. I want to assure you that you will experience something new. For those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ it is an opportunity to walk on the land our saviour walk and lived and also to experience and see what you have heared and read in the bible. It is amazing.

It will be a great opportunity to pray and fellowship with others. An experience and memories that will never be forgotten.

Please join me for this great encounter to the Holyland. It is real and our redeemer lives.

### Day 1 - Tuesday

We leave London Luton on a direct morning flight to Tel Aviv, where we will be met on arrival for transfer to our hotel in Tiberias (by the Sea of Galilee).

### Day 2 - Wednesday

We start the day with an audio-visual introduction to the region at "The Galilee Experience". We visit the amphitheatre and aqueduct at Caesarea and drive to Mount Carmel, the scene of Elijah's conflict with the prophets of Baal. Then, passing Mount Tabor (a possible site of the Transfiguration) we visit Cana (where Jesus turned water into wine), and continue to Nazareth - where we see a church built around Mary's Well, and Jesus' reputed childhood home (at the Church of the Annunciation). We visit Nazareth Village (depicting life in the time of Jesus), and the Mount of the Precipice (believed by some to be where Jesus was taken by the angry crowd after preaching at the Nazareth Synagogue) - from which we view the Jezreel Valley, the Biblical location for Armageddon.

### Day 3 - Thursday

We visit the 2000 year old "Jesus Boat" at a nearby kibbutz, and then sail across the Sea of Galilee on a replica of this boat - pausing during this for our Sunday worship. We visit sites associated with Jesus' ministry: Migdal (the home of Mary Magdalene, with a synagogue from the time of Jesus); Kursi (a possible location for the Gadarene swine): Capernaum (Jesus' home town, with its ancient synagogue and Peter's house); We enjoy a St Peter's fish lunch and Tabgha (a possible site of the feeding of the 5000, and of a lakeside resurrection appearance of Jesus). We finish the day celebrating communion on the hillside of the Mount of Beatitudes (the setting for the Sermon on the Mount).

### Day 4 -Friday

Today we visit the Baptismal site at Yardenit where there will be opportunity to be baptised in the River Jordan. Leaving the Galilee, we travel south to Jericho - where we view the ancient city and take the chair lift to the Mount of Temptation before we continue to the Inn Of The Good Samaritan. We recall the temptation of Jesus, and reflect on Jesus' encounters with Bartimaeus and Zacchaeus. We continue through the Wadi Kelt (possibly the inspiration for the "Valley of the Shadow of Death") where we see St George's Monastery across the valley. As we draw close to Jerusalem, we visit Bethany, the site of Lazarus' tomb. We continue to our new hotel in Bethlehem.

### Day 5 - Saturday

In the morning, we visit nearby Herodion (one of Herod's many palaces, believed to have contained Herod's tomb); the Shepherds' Fields; and the Church of the Nativity. During the afternoon, we proceed to Hebron to visit the cave of the Patriarchs or the cave of Machpelah. The compound is the second holiest site in Judaism after the Temple Mount in Jerusalem. Dinner and overnight in Bethlehem.

### Day 6 - Sunday

We drive to Ein Kerem birth place of John the Baptist and then we drive to the top of the Mount of Olives and walk down the Palm Sunday route to Dominus Flevit, the Church of All Nations and the Garden of Gethsemane. In the afternoon drive to Mount Zion to visit Dominus Abbey, the Upper Room also known as the Cenacle, commemorating the Last Supper. We then visit St Peter in Gallicantu. Dinner and overnight Jerusalem.

### Day 7 - Monday

Today we enjoy a walking tour of the Old City. We visit the Western Wall and proceed to the Temple Mount and walk along the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. We visit the Pool of Bethesda (where Jesus healed a crippled man), the Jewish quarter and before ending the day at the Garden Tomb where we have a service. Dinner and overnight Jerusalem.

Our evening meal will be a shortened form of the Passover Seder, to help us understand what was happening at the Last Supper.

### Day 8 - Tuesday

We take a "day out" to visit the desert area south-east of Jerusalem. We drive along the shore of the Dead Sea (the lowest place on the earth's surface), and visit the ancient fortress of Masada (another of Herod's fortresses, and the famed site of Jewish resistance); Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, possibly associated with John the Baptist; and Ein Gedi, scene of David's pursuit by Saul. Finally, we have the opportunity to "float" in the Dead Sea.

### Day 9 -Wednesday

In the morning we visit the Israel Museum to see the "Shrine of the Book". We visit Jaffa and then transfer to the airport for our return flight to London Luton.

### Price per person - £1,470 per person

### What the price includes

- Return flights from London Luton to Tel Aviv
- Accommodation in good hotels in twin bedded rooms with private facilities on half board basis
- Services of fully qualified English speaking guide
- Travel in deluxe air-conditioned coaches
- Entrance fees, service charges, porterage and gratuities
- Airport taxes
- ATOL Protection Contribution

### Not included in the price

- Travel from home to UK airport
- Lunches
- Items of a personal nature
- Single supplement £312 per person
- Travel insurance (see back page)

Please note that the cost of the tour may be subject to surcharges - please see the booking conditions. Currency exchange rates used  $\pounds 1 = USS1.3019$  as published in the Financial Times on 28th September 2016.

<sup>\*</sup> APC (ATOL Protection Contribution) provides passenger protection via the ATTF (Air Travel Trust Fund). For further information visit www.caa.co.uk

### How to book

You can book this tour by completing the attached booking form and sending it together with your deposit of £200 and a copy of your passport (full payment if within 10 weeks of departure) to:

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### Further information and paying the balance

Further information will be sent to you regarding any action that may be required approximately 12 weeks before departure.

A final invoice will also be sent at this time and the balance for the tour must be paid at least 10 weeks before departure.

### **Travel information**

Full travel information, including details of meeting points, flight times, accommodation and travel information, will be sent to you approximately 2 weeks before departure. Normally, tickets are not issued but are handed to you at the airport or departure point by our representative who will be there to ensure that you depart without a hitch and to deal with any last minute difficulties.

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It is compulsory to have travel insurance for your booking. Holiday Extras have a range of policies available at very competitive prices.

You can obtain a quote online by visiting www. christian-travel.com or alternatively you can call 0871 360 2742 and quote ABTA number 93522.

### Gratuities

Our normal procedure is to deal with tips on a group basis and these are included in the price. The tour leader will distribute them to the guide, driver and hotels on your behalf. Individual tipping is not recommended unless the circumstances are exceptional.

### Room check in and check out times

The standard international practice is to let rooms from midday to midday. However times do vary. Check-in times are usually between 2pm and 3pm, check-out times between 11am and 12 noon on the day of departure. Therefore, if you check-in immediately after a night flight this would normally count as one night's accommodation. Similarly if your return flight is at night you will normally be required to vacate your room at 12 noon prior to leaving for the airport. Day rooms are subject to availability/cost and should be arranged locally with the accommodation management.

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