

Biblical Tour of the

HOLY LAND

Led by John Marshall

Sunday 14th - Monday 22nd April 2024



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This tour has been planned knowing that everyone will have a very special experience of the land where Jesus walked. Scripture will come alive in new ways as we tour these many Biblical sites together.

For the last twenty years, John Marshall has been a frequent visitor to Israel. Twice he has had the privilege of living in Jerusalem short-term when working at The Garden Tomb. Until retirement, John pastored a local church in Stafford and he is now a member of Rising Brook Community Church.



John writes, 'I look forward to exploring the Land together.'

DAY 1 - Sunday 14 April

We depart early morning from London Luton airport for day flights to Tel Aviv. On arrival we will be transferred to the Christmas Hotel in Jerusalem for dinner and overnight.

DAY 2 – Monday 15 April

We travel south through the Judean Hills to the town of David, Bethlehem - birthplace of Jesus the Messiah. After we have visited the Shepherds Fields where traditionally an angel appeared to announce the Saviour's birth, our tour takes us to Manger Square and the church of the Nativity. After lunch, the coach takes us to the Mount of Olives to retrace Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. We will walk down the Palm Sunday Road visiting Dominus Flevit (where we remember Jesus weeping over Jerusalem). We will spend time overlooking Jerusalem before descending into the Garden of Gethsemane considering His final hours; this is a very powerful and moving experience. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

DAY 3 – Tuesday 16 April

A day sightseeing in the Old City of Jerusalem. We start at The Pool of Bethesda where Jesus healed the crippled man. We follow the Via Dolorosa, the traditional journey Jesus took to his crucifixion, starting close to what was the site of Pilate's palace. We visit Ecce Homo and then walk through the souk up to the Church of Holy Sepulchre. After lunch our

walk continues to Mount Zion retracing Jesus' last 24 hours, to visit the Upper Room and the Church of St Peter where he denied his friend Jesus, three times. From here we will follow the original steps Jesus walked up from the Lower City (City of David) to the House of Caiaphas the High Priest.

Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

DAY 4 – Wednesday 17 April

The coach will take us to the Old City and we will visit the Cardo, the main thoroughfare at the time of Christ and then on to the Temple Mount. We take time at the Wailing Wall and the Western Plaza before entering the Western Wall Tunnels to see the excavations from the time of Christ. We take the short drive to the Israel Museum to view the large model of first century Jerusalem. We enter the Shrine of the Book, to view the Dead Sea scrolls (and catch a glimpse of the Knesset buildings too.) Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

DAY 5 – Thursday 18 April

We start the day with a tour of the Garden Tomb, a powerful reinstatement of the resurrection. There will be the opportunity to share communion in this moving and beautiful setting. The rest of the day will be at leisure in Jerusalem.

Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

DAY 6 – Friday 19 April

We travel through the Judean Wilderness, to the shores of the Dead Sea to visit En Gedi, the oasis where David took refuge when hunted by King Saul. We travel on to Qumram, near the caves where the community of the Essenes hid the Dead Sea scrolls. There will then be an opportunity to visit a resort on the Dead Sea and float in the salt waters at the lowest place on earth. Our tour will take us to Jericho, the oldest inhabited city in the world, with an opportunity to view the Mount of Temptation. Our journey will allow time to stop at the view point over at Wadi Qelt to view the old pathways in the wilderness where Jesus walked on His journeys from Jericho to Jerusalem. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

DAY 7 – Saturday 20 April

Today we leave for Galilee. After breakfast we travel to Maritime Caesarea the Roman headquarters at the time of Christ and the home of Cornelius. We continue on to Nazareth, the town in which Christ grew up, where we visit the old synagogue and the Church of the Annunciation. We then travel on to Cana (where Jesus turned water into wine) before arriving on the shores of the Sea of Galilee.

Dinner and overnight at Nof Ginosar on the shore of the Sea of Galilee.

Day 8 – Sunday 21 April

After breakfast we take a boat trip across the Sea of Galilee. We visit the 'Jesus' boat at the Ginosar kibbutz. By coach we travel to the Mount of Beatitudes, (the traditional site of the Sermon on the Mount), Tabgha (feeding of 5000), and the lakeside shore (resurrection appearance of Jesus). We continue our drive along the Sea of Galilee visiting Capernaum, the centre of Jesus' ministry and see the early Synagogue and Peter's House. At the hotel we will have access to the lakeside and should any of the guests request it, we would be able to arrange a baptism here.

Dinner and overnight at Nof Ginosar.

DAY 9 – Monday 22 April

Before we leave Galilee, we have a short visit to Magdala, the home town of Mary Magdalene to view the recent discoveries. We then travel south towards Tel Aviv. Depending on the time of our flight, there may be the possibility of a quick visit to the Mediterranean port of Joppa where Peter had stayed with Simon (a tanner) before our tour ends with the return flight to London Luton.

Itinerary subject to change

Price £2070 per person

What the price includes

- Return flights from London Luton to Tel Aviv (Details of flight numbers and times have not yet been finalised)
- Accommodation in good quality hotels in twin bedded rooms with private facilities on half board basis
- Transfer of passengers and baggage
- Sightseeing as in itinerary
- Services of a fully qualified English speaking guide
- Headsets (for 20+ passengers)
- Travel by air-conditioned coaches
- Entrance fees, gratuities, service charges and portage
- Airport taxes
- ATOL Protection Contribution*

Not included in the price

- Items of a personal nature
- Lunches and drinks
- Single Supplement - £512 per person
- Travel insurance (which covers for COVID-19)

Please note that the cost of the tour may be subject to surcharges - please see the booking conditions. Currency exchange rates used £1 = US\$1.262 as published in the Financial Times on the 10th May 2023.

*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 £300 (full payment if within 10 weeks of departure) to the address below.

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General Information

Fitness

People of all ages are welcome, but, whatever your age, we must insist on a reasonable level of fitness. A number of sites involve rough walking and exploring Jerusalem means climbing many sets of steps.

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Travel Advice

For the latest travel advice please visit www.fco.gov.uk or call 0870 606 0290.

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.

Travel Insurance

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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