

Holy Land

10 Day Land Tour

10/29/2023 - 11/12/2023

This is the trip you always dreamed of . . .

The scriptures will come alive for you as you read them and learn about their history in the actual places where they took place. You will have insights and understanding like never before. You will be traveling with others who share similar beliefs and you will hear from top LDS scholars. It is the spirit and feelings you get in these sacred sites that you will always remember, and that you will cherish for the rest of your life. Make the most of our tour with your optional Jordan/Petra extension. You will love traveling with Daniel Peterson and a fun LDS group.

Headliners:



Daniel Peterson

Itinerary:

Day 1: Depart from the United States

October 29, 2023 (Sunday)

Depart from the United States.

If you are booked on the Egypt tour, you will arrive on the 29th.

Day 2: Arrive in Israel

October 30, 2023 (Monday)

Arrive in Tel Aviv. Transfer to the hotel and spend the evening on our own preparing for our amazing

experience. You can swim in the Mediterranean, walk the boardwalk or take a nap before dinner. Dinner is included if you arrive before 8:00 PM.

Day 3: Caesarea - Mt. Carmel - Megiddo or Sepphoris - Nazareth

October 31, 2023 (Tuesday)

Today we travel to Caesarea, the place of the first recorded Christian convert. Here we will discuss Cornelius or recall the story of Paul preaching to King Agrippa. Not far away, the road rises to Muhraqa (Mt. Carmel), site of the prophet Elijahâ€™s contest with the priests of Baal. After a lunch stop, we head to Megiddo OR Sepphoris (headlinerâ€™s choice). We continue on to Nazareth, the town where Jesus Christ â€œgrew and waxed strong in spiritâ€!â€• In Nazareth we explore the Church of the Annunciation, St. Josephâ€™s carpentry shop, and The Synagogue Church. Our last stop is Mt. Precipice, where, in addition to enjoying the spectacular view, we discuss the transfiguration. We end our day at our hotel by the shores of Galilee, our home for the next two nights. (B,D)

Day 4: Valley of the Doves - Mount of Beatitudes - Tel Dan - Caesarea Philippi - Mt. Bental

November 1, 2023 (Wednesday)

This morning we walk a short distance in the Valley of the Doves to experience part of â€œthe Jesus trailâ€• between Nazareth and the Sea of Galilee. We then visit Tabgha, the Church of the Multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes, and view a 5th Century Byzantine mosaic floor. Next we visit the Mount of Beatitudes to discuss the â€œSermon on the Mountâ€•. Time permitting, we will visit the national park at Tel Dan to see the remains of an ancient pagan altar. After lunch we enter Caesarea Philippi (the location of â€œPeterâ€™s confessionâ€•), explore Palace of Agrippa II, and then drive to Mt. Bental, which offers a sweeping view north to Mt. Hermon (possible site of Jesusâ€™s Transfiguration) and the road to Damascus. (B, D)

Day 5: Magdala - Capernaum - Sea of Galilee - Bet She'an

November 2, 2023 (Thursday)

Our first stop is the village of Capernaum, where Jesus lived for much of his Galilean ministry. Next is Magdalaâ€”the hometown of Mary Magdaleneâ€”where we explore the remains of a 1st century synagogue and harbor. After a delicious lunch of St. Peterâ€™s Fish we board a replica of an ancient fishing boat and sail on the Sea of Galilee. We continue our journey to the beautiful ruins of Bet Sheâ€™an where King Saul and his sons were hung from the walls. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Masada - Qumran - Jordan River - Dead Sea

November 3, 2023 (Friday)

Our day begins as we journey to Masada and take the aerial tram up to Herodâ€™s mighty fortress. Visit the caves of Qumran where the precious Dead Sea Scrolls were found and have free time for lunch. In the afternoon, we see the traditional baptismal site on the Jordan River. Our last stop is Qumran Beach where we can enjoy the buoyant salty waters of the Dead Sea. (B,D)

Day 7: Jerusalem Center - Bethlehem - Shepherd's Field - Church of the Nativity - Israel Museum including the Holy Land Model & Shrine of the Book

November 4, 2023 (Saturday)

We will start the morning with Church Services at the Jerusalem Center. Today we head to the little town of Bethlehem. First we spend some time in the shepherdsâ€™ field as we contemplate the events that took place near there so many years ago. Next we visit the Church of the Nativity to remember the birth of Christ followed by a visit to the Grotto of St. Jerome. After lunch, we have some shopping time before heading to discover the treasures of the Israel Museum. First, we see the Holy Land Model, a unique scale model of Jerusalem as it was at the time of Christ. We then visit the Shrine of the Book, the site chosen to house the priceless Dead Sea Scrolls. We end our visit exploring the fascinating Israeli artifacts housed in the museum. (B, D)

Day 8: Dome of the Rock - Pool of Bethesda - Church of the Holy Sepulchre - House of Caiaphas

November 5, 2023 (Sunday)

Our first stop of the day is the Temple Mount to see the Muslim mosque and Muslim shrineâ€”Dome of the Rock. Next, we experience the incredible acoustics of the St. Ann Church. At the Pool of Bethesda, we marvel once again at Christâ€™s miracles. In the Old City, we will see the traditional area where the Antonia Fortress once stood and where Christ was scourged. We then walk the following parts of the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. After a break for lunch and/or shopping, we walk by Hezekiahâ€™s â€œBroad Wallâ€• and then head to the Room of the Last Supper to recall the poignant last moments of Christ with His beloved disciples. Our next stop is the House of Caiaphas where Jesus was imprisoned before His final day in mortality. We stop at the Mount of Olives overlook for an excellent panoramic view of the incredible city. (B, D)

Day 9: Garden of Gethsemane - Orson Hyde Park - BYU Jerusalem Center - Western Wall - Jersualem Archaeological Park - Garden Tomb - Flight home or transfer to Jordan

November 6, 2023 (Monday)

We begin our last day with a visit to the Garden of Gethsemane and the Church of All Nations. Here we walk among ancient olive trees and feel the spirit of that sacred area. At the amazing Jerusalem Archaeological Park, we see the ancient steps leading to the temple mount that Christ must have tread. Our final stop is the beautiful Garden Tomb, believed to be the site of Jesus™ burial. Next to the Garden, there is a limestone hill which many revere as Golgotha, site of the crucifixion.

We will transfer to the airport or Jordan border. (B)

Day 10: Arrive Home

November 7, 2023 (Tuesday)

Arrive back home for those doing only the Israel portion.

Day 10: Wadi Rum, Free Time at Red Sea

November 7, 2023 (Tuesday)

Those continuing to Jordan:

You will wake up this morning at an amazing resort on the coasts of the Red Sea. This morning, we will drive out to Wadi Rum. Here we will load up into pickups where we will take a surreal ride through the Wadi Rum desert. This is a great place for a camel ride. In the afternoon, you will have free time to explore Aqaba, relax on the beach or snorkel in the Red Sea. (B,D)

Day 11: Petra - Transfer to Airport

November 8, 2023 (Wednesday)

We will spend this day visiting one of the New Seven Wonders of the World—Petra! At Petra we will walk between the towering cliffs leading to the magnificent edifice made famous by the movie, Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade. The entire area is filled with fascinating caves and carvings that are sure to leave a lasting impression.

Day 12: Arrive Home

November 9, 2023 (Thursday)

Arrive Home

Information:

Space is limited so BOOK NOW!

INCLUDED

Lectures with DANIEL PETERSON

Meals as indicated

Transportation in Deluxe Coaches

Hotel Accommodations

Use of Listen Technologies receiver to listen to the guideâ€™s narrative and instructions above the background noise

Entrance Fees & Activities

Transfer to airport on departure evening

NOT INCLUDED

Lunches

We will provide one shuttle. If you arrive early or late you will need to taxi to the hotel.

Roundtrip Air

Personal Items

Trip Cancellation Protection

Tips (\$100 per person for Israel collected in advance). You will need to bring tips of about \$60 for Jordan.

Extra nights if you arrive early or depart late

Pricing:

Price

- \$2495 per person based on double occupancy for cash or check payments.
- \$2595 per person based on double occupancy for credit card payments.
- Single Supplement is \$1050.

Optional Jordan/Petra Add-on

- \$650 per person based on double occupancy for cash or check payments.
- \$700 per person based on double occupancy for credit card payments.
- Single Supplement is \$300
- Visa included
- Exit Tax not included (about \$35 per person) â€“ this will be added to your final payment invoice.

Payment Schedule

- \$250 per person due at time of booking (deposit is non-refundable – it can be transferred to another person on the same tour date. We will attempt to find someone to take your spot if you cancel but we cannot guarantee it).
- Final Payment: Final payment is due three months before the tour departure date.

Cancellation Policy

- If you cancel: Deposit is non-refundable; however, it is transferable to another guest on a new booking, traveling on the same tour date. After final payment, the full amount is non-refundable. If you cancel and you can find someone to take your spot, we will refund the deposit. If we have a waiting list, we will refund your deposit by placing someone in your spot.
- If we cancel the tour due: Deposit is non-refundable; however, it can be transferred to any other tour or kept as a future tour credit to be used at any time on one of our advertised tours (cannot be transferred to a cruise). The balance will be refunded or applied to a future tour as a credit.
- The only way to avoid trip cancellation penalties is to buy trip cancellation insurance. If you are interested in the insurance, we can help you purchase it.

Check Your Invoice Names: Please check to see that your names are spelled correctly. Your first and last names must appear as they appear on your passport for International travel and Driver's License for domestic tours.

COVID: Vaccines are currently required to enter Israel

PASSPORTS ARE REQUIRED and should be valid 6 months after the end of the tour.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Due to the nature of this tour you must be able to climb stairs and walk unassisted at a moderate pace.

Please note that minor changes to the itinerary may occur due to local conditions and to better accommodate our group.