



# Israel Experience 2023

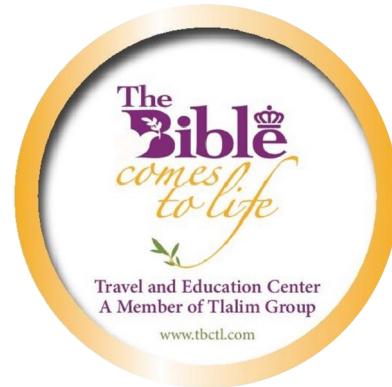
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# **Tour Price: \$4,400**

*Prices are per person, double occupancy*

***Single Room Supplement: \$880***

### **Each Traveler Must Have:**

- Current US Passport valid until at least six months AFTER the return date
- Travel insurance with COVID coverage (medical and quarantine)

### **Your Tour Includes:**

- Round trip international air transportation from Miami, Florida
- First class and deluxe hotels
- Land transportation via a deluxe motor coach (wi-fi equipped)
- Professional tour guide and driver
- Entrance fees to all activities listed on the itinerary
- Breakfast and dinner daily with special meals noted on the itinerary (lunch is purchased on own unless otherwise noted)
- Luggage handling at hotels

### **Your Tour Does NOT Include:**

- Travel insurance
- Domestic flights
- Gratuities for guide and driver (please allow \$120 per person)

### **Payment Schedule:**

- \$300 NON-REFUNDABLE Registration Fee is due at the time of registration
- First payment (1/2 balance) is due Monday, November 21, 2022
- Final balance must be received no later than Saturday, February 4, 2023





#### Day 1: Thursday, April 20, 2023

Today we depart on our Israel experience from **Miami, Florida** on our overnight flight to **Tel Aviv, Israel**.

#### Day 2: Friday, April 21, 2023

Upon arrival at **Tel Aviv's** Ben Gurion Airport our Israeli host will assist us with the transfer of our luggage. We will meet our guide, board our deluxe motor coach, and drive north up the coast. We will stop to visit **Old Jaffa** where Jonah set sail and Peter had his vision in Acts 10. Then we will continue to **Caesarea Maritima**, built by King Herod the Great in 22 BC. After viewing the extensive ruins of this ancient port city, we will drive to the **Galilee** for dinner and overnight at our hotel.

#### Day 3: Saturday, April 22, 2023

After our first Israeli breakfast, we will visit **Megiddo** and see the site overlooking the **Valley of Armageddon** where the final battle is prophesied to happen. Then we will travel through **Nazareth** to the **Mount of Precipice**, the traditional site for where Jesus was rejected by an angry mob and where a miracle occurred. The view of the **Jezreel Valley** below is magnificent. After lunch we will visit the ancient city of **Zippori** where Jesus would have visited and worked as a young man. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

#### Day 4: Sunday, April 23, 2023

After breakfast at the hotel we begin our day with a drive to **Caesarea Philippi (Banias)**, a city of Greek-Roman culture known for its worship of foreign gods and where Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" Next, we visit **Tel Dan**, where the tribe of Dan lived. 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. After lunch we visit **Hazor**, known in Joshua's day as "the head of all those kingdoms." We will then experience true Israeli hospitality and dinner in the home of our CEO, Omer Eshel, on the **Cliffs of Gadara** where Jesus cast the demon (legion) into the swine. Overnight is at our hotel.

#### Day 5: Monday, April 24, 2023

After breakfast at the hotel we set out to see the beautiful **Mt. of Beatitudes** believed to be the setting for Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. Next we will stop at **Tabgha (Primacy of Peter)** on the shore of the **Sea of Galilee** and then on to **Capernaum**, known as Jesus' home town and the scene of many of his miracles and where he called his first disciples. We will see the remains of a 2nd century temple. Next we will see an **ancient boat** dated to the time of Jesus, enjoy a **delicious fish lunch** and take a **boat ride** on the **Sea of Galilee**. Afterward we drive to **Magdala**, a major 1st century port on the **Sea of Galilee**, a center of trade and commerce, and an exporter of salted fish to markets as far away as Europe. It is here we will see a 1st century synagogue where Jesus would have taught. We end our day with dinner and overnight at our hotel.

#### Day 6: Tuesday, April 25, 2023

After breakfast at the hotel we begin our day with a time of spiritual blessing as we stop at **Yardenit**, the baptismal site at the headwaters of the **Jordan River**. Here you are invited to be baptized if you choose. Next we will travel to **Beit She'an** where we will see the most extensive and best preserved ruins of this Decapolis city. It is here that King Saul was defeated and killed, along with his three sons. This city was destroyed by an earthquake in AD 749. After lunch we will drive through **Jericho** and can see the **Mt. of Temptation** along the way to **Qumran**, the place where the **Dead Sea Scrolls** were found before arriving at the lowest place on earth, the **Dead Sea**. Enjoy some time to float in this amazing body of water. Dinner and overnight is at our hotel.



#### Day 7: Wednesday, April 26, 2023

After breakfast at the hotel we set out to see the incredible rock-top fortress of **Masada**. This once palatial refuge for Herod the Great, is better known as the location of a Roman siege against 960 Jewish defenders in AD 74. Afterward we will stop at **Ein Gedi**, a beautiful desert oasis where David hid from Saul when he pursued him to kill him. We will have lunch, then drive to **Jerusalem**. Dinner and overnight will be at our hotel.

#### Day 8: Thursday, April 27, 2023

After breakfast at the hotel we will begin the day with an early morning visit to the **Temple Mount**, a massive platform occupying the south-east corner of **Jerusalem's Old City**. It has connections for Jews, Christians and Muslims. All three faiths regard it as the location of **Mount Moriah** where Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac to God. Next we will visit the **City of David** and see the **Pool of Siloam** and walk through the **Canaanite (dry) tunnel**. We will then walk the **Southern Steps of the Temple** at the **Davidson Center** and see the **Trumpeter Stone** and **Robinson's Arch**. We will walk through the **Western Wall Tunnels** and then take time for a spiritual reflection as we pray at the **Western Wall (Kotel)**, Judaism's holiest place in the **Old City**. It is considered the sole remnant of the temple built by Herod the Great in 20 BC. Next we will have lunch in the **Jerusalem market** with free time to explore and experience the **Old City** and **Cardo**, the oldest shopping market. Dinner and overnight will be at the hotel.

#### Day 9: Friday, April 28, 2023

After breakfast at the hotel we will tour **Jerusalem's Old City's Four Quarters**. We will enjoy many sites including the **wide wall of Hezekiah**. We will visit **Mt. Zion** and see the area known as the 'priest's area'. After lunch we will see the **Tomb of Prophet Samuel** and enjoy an amazing Biblical view of the land from top of the **Fortress at the city of Mizpah**. We will **welcome Shabbat** with dinner and overnight at the

hotel. **Shabbat Shalom!**

#### Day 10: Saturday, April 29, 2023

After breakfast at the hotel we will visit the **Garden Tomb**, the traditional **Christian Golgotha**, believed to be the burial place of Jesus. We will observe communion with those who choose to participate. Afterward we will travel to the **Mt. of Olives** and see an impressive view of **Jerusalem**. This is the site where Christ will return at his second coming. Next we will visit the **Garden of Gethsemane** near the foot of the **Mt. of Olives** directly across from the **Kidron Valley, Eastern Gate and Temple Mount**. This is the site where Jesus prayed in agony before his arrest. We will have a time of reflection and prayer in a private garden. After lunch we will visit the **Israel Museum** to see the **large model of Jerusalem** from the time of Jesus, the **Shrine of the Book**, and many other artifacts. Dinner and overnight will be at the hotel.

#### Day 11: Sunday, April 30, 2023

After breakfast at the hotel we will participate in the **Temple Sifting Project** in hopes to discover artifacts from the **Temple Mount**. Next we will visit **Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust Memorial and Museum**. After lunch we will drive to the **Elah Valley** and see an **authentic 1st century tomb** owned by a wealthy family and a **Roman Theater** where early Christians were fed to the wild beasts. Afterward we will visit **Tel Azeqa** and overlook the valley where the battle of David and Goliath took place. We will enjoy a **farewell dinner** before traveling to the airport for our overnight flight home.

#### Day 12: Monday, May 1, 2023

Overnight flight home to **Miami, Florida**.

**Shalom until next time!**

## **TOUR TERMS and CONDITIONS:**

Prices quoted are in US dollars and are based on fares and costs in effect at the time of publication. Whenever possible, ***The Bible Comes to Life*** obtains price guarantees from suppliers. However, depending upon the strength of the US dollar and the fluctuating nature of oil, gas and other costs, published rates are subject to change without notice.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Economy class air round trip from the international airport identified by your Tour Host(s).

**HOTELS:** Deluxe hotels. Price based on two persons sharing a twin-bedded room. A single room is subject to availability and an additional charge to the price of the tour. A tour participant must pay this supplement if he/she is the sole occupant of assigned accommodation.

**MEALS:** Breakfast and dinner daily. Any other specially meals are identified on the itinerary.

**ATTRACTIOnS:** Transportation and touring via deluxe motor coach with English-speaking guides. All entrance fees are included.

**TAXES/TIPS:** Tips, airport taxes, fuel surcharges / gratuities for guide and driver are dependent on individual group agreements and are communicated to each participant by Tour Host(s).

**NOT INCLUDED:** Food and beverages outside our scheduled meals (i.e soft drinks); room service not included with regular meals; room service charges; travel or accident/baggage insurance; luggage fees incurred by airlines.

**DOCUMENTS – HEALTH - HANDICAPPED:** A passport with a 6-month validity past the tour return date is required and must be obtained in person by each tour member. Israel requires no visas for U.S. citizens. Tour participants are expected to be in good health and able to walk, get on and off the bus and get around without the assistance of another individual. If unable to do so, participant must bring someone to assist you, at your expense. **Due to the continued changes to regulations, your group host will notify you in the event of any vaccination requirement.**

**REGISTRATION FEE:** A non-refundable \$300 per person Initial Registration Fee is required at the time of registration and will be applied to the total trip cost. Registrations received inside one hundred (100) days of departure must be accompanied by full payment.

**PAYMENTS:** All payments should be made payable to TBCTL-USA. Credit card payments will incur a processing fee. Late payments may incur a late charge fee. Returned checks will incur a returned check fee.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** Cancellations **MUST** be submitted in writing. **NO** cancellation will be accepted by phone. No refund is available for cancellations less than 75 days of departure date. **Travel & Trip Cancellation Insurance with coverage to include COVID is required.**

In the event of a travel interruption 84 days or less than the departure date due to occurrences beyond the control of ***The Bible Comes to Life***, including, but not limited to, breakdown of equipment, strikes, theft, war, rebellion, riot, civil commotion, earthquake, fire, floods, accident, pandemic, epidemic, viral outbreaks, or any act of God (Forced Majeure event), every effort will be made to reschedule travel upon interruption resolution.

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**TRAVELER AGREEMENT — RESPONSIBILITY:** By registering for this tour:

- I agree to the Terms and Conditions as outlined in this document.
- I agree that I am in good health and able to walk, get on and off the bus and get around without the assistance of another individual, or that I am bringing someone with me to assist me, at my own expense.
- I agree that I have, or will obtain, a passport with a 6-month validity past the tour return date.
- I agree that all travel documents, as well as compliance with customs regulations, are my sole responsibility.
- I agree to make payments according to the outlined payment schedule provided by my Tour Host(s). Late payments may incur a late charge fee. Returned checks will incur a returned check fee. Failure to comply and respond after notification will be considered an act of intent not to travel and will result in the termination of my registration and forfeiture of all previous payments.
- I understand that travel insurance is not included in the tour cost and that ***The Bible Comes to Life*** requires that I purchase this coverage to protect my travel investment.