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Holy Lands

Led by Father Doug LeCaptain

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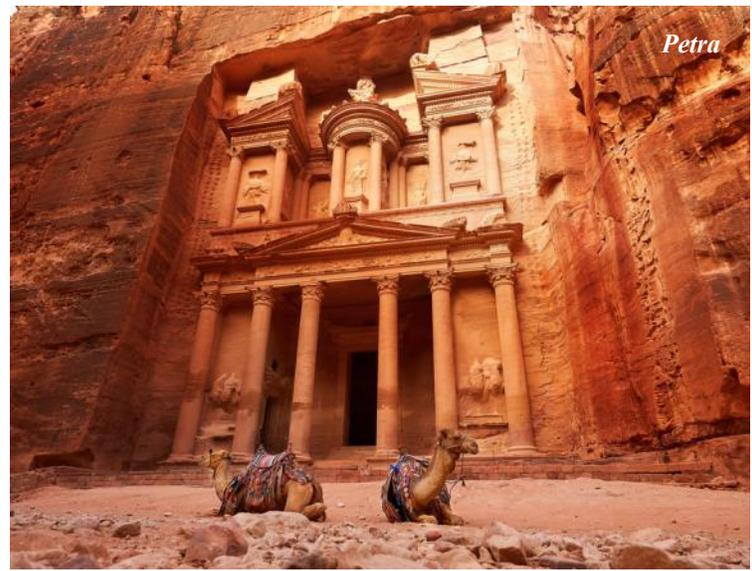
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Mount of Beatitudes



Petra

Day 1: Monday, September 7, 2020 • Depart

Today we depart on our exciting journey to Israel where we visit, see and view the sights of places we have heard about in our biblical studies.

Day 2: Tuesday, September 8, 2020 • Tel Aviv

Upon our arrival at the Ben Gurion International Airport in Tel Aviv, we are met by our tour leader and coach driver and transfer to our hotel for check-in, dinner, group meeting, evening prayers and a good night's sleep. Time permitting, we visit Jaffa. **D**

Day 3 Wednesday, September 9, 2020 • Tiberias

After breakfast we drive to Caesarea by the Sea on the Mediterranean coastline. It was here that Cornelius the Centurion and his household were saved and baptized (Acts 10). Paul also made his defense before Festus and King Agrippa prior to his final journey to Rome (Acts 25 & 26). We visit the top of Mount Carmel, where Elijah prayed down the fire from heaven and defeated the 450 prophets of Baal (I Kings 18). We pass by Megiddo and visit Cana where Christ performed His first miracle (Jn. 2) and Nazareth, the boyhood home of Jesus (Lk. 2). We arrive in Tiberias for dinner and overnight. **B/D**

Day 4: Thursday, September 10, 2020 • Tiberias

Today, we drive to Mt. Tabor and visit the traditional site of the transfiguration (Matt. 17). We then drive around the Sea of Galilee, passing the area of Magdala, home of Mary Magdalene. We enter the 2,000-year-old remains of Capernaum (Lk. 4) and stand in what is left of the synagogue in which our Lord ministered. We visit the Mt. of Beatitudes, the traditional site where Jesus preached His Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-7), Tabgha to commemorate the feeding of the 5,000 (Lk. 9), Mensa Christi, where the Lord appeared to the disciples after the resurrection (Jn. 21), and the country of the Gadarenes (Matt. 8). After lunch, we take a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee and stop at the Jordan River for a time of spiritual blessing. Our day concludes after dinner with the Evening Prayer. **B/L/D**

Day 5: Friday, September 11, 2020 • Mount Nebo Area

After breakfast, we drive to Shikh Hussein and cross the border to Jordan. We visit Bethany beyond the Jordan where John the Baptist ministered. The site is maintained much as it would have been 2,000 years ago. We reflect on the time when Jesus

was baptized and the passage from Matthew 3:17 "And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." We drive to Madaba and enjoy a short visit to St. George's Cathedral, where the 6th century mosaic map is laid down before we continue to the hotel in Dead Sea Jordan area for overnight. **B/D**

Day 6: Saturday, September 12, 2020 • Mount Nebo Area

This morning we swim in the Dead Sea, and then we visit Mount Nebo (the alleged burial place of Moses) to enjoy the panoramic view of the Jordan Valley, the Dead Sea and the Jordan River. The old church on top of the mountain with its well-preserved large pieces of Mosaic, dates back to the Byzantine era. We proceed to visit the World Heritage Site of Um er-Rasas (Kastrom Mefa'a). It contains remains from the Roman, Byzantine and early Moslem periods (end of 3rd to 9th century AD). Um er-Rasas is a master piece of human creative genius given the artistic and technical qualities of the mosaic floor of St. Stephen's Church, a unique and complete example of stylite towers. It is strongly associated with monasticism and with the spread of monotheism in the whole region, including Islam. **B/L/D**

Day 7: Sunday, September 13, 2020 • Petra

Today is a full day to visit Petra. We take a couple of minutes to walk to the gates of Petra, where horses are waiting to take us on a short horse ride to the beginning of the Siq, after which we walk through a narrow canyon to the first great monument where the treasury is revealed, the Roman Theater and Royal Tombs. **B/D**

Day 8: Monday, September 14, 2020 • Jerusalem

We are picked up from Allenby Bridge and continue to Jerusalem. We stop for a panoramic view from Mount of Olives (Lk. 19 & II Sam. 15), visit the Site of the Ascension (Acts 1) and the Pater Nostre Church. We see olive trees that date back to the time of Christ and take time to pray in the Garden of Gethsemane (Jn. 18) and visit Mary's tomb. **B/D**

Day 9: Tuesday, September 15, 2020 • Jerusalem

After breakfast, we drive to the Dead Sea area. We visit Qumran. The Hidden Scrolls found in the caves in 1947 exposed the secret life of the Essenes, a small ultra-religious sect, who hid there from the Roman enemy. This is the finding place of the famous Dead Sea Scrolls. We then visit Masada, the spectacular



Upper Room

mountaintop fortress built by Herod, which is famous for being the last stronghold of the Jewish rebellion against the Romans. From the top of Masada, the Roman camps and siege ramp can still be seen. We return to Jerusalem. **B/D**

Day 10: Wednesday, September 16, 2020 • Jerusalem

After breakfast, we walk up onto the original temple mount platform where King Herod's temple stood and see the Dome of the Rock. Then we visit the City of David and Pool of Siloam. We visit Bethlehem, Church of nativity, Basilica of St. Catherine, Shepard Fields Church and the Milk grotto (Lk. 2). We end the day in Lazarus tomb in Bethany. **B/D**

Day 11: Thursday, September 17, 2020 • Jerusalem

After breakfast, we proceed to Mount Zion on the south side of Jerusalem, King David's city. We sing praises in the Upper Room (Lk. 22), view the traditional tomb of King David, and proceed to Caiaphas the High Priest's house (Jn. 18). Later we stop at the overlook of the Kidron Valley and Valley of Gehanna. We visit Ein Karem and Church of Visitation. **B/D**

Day 12: Friday, September 18, 2020 • Jerusalem

After breakfast, we see a part of Herod's temple as we pray at the Western Wall. We walk through the Old City, visiting the Pool of Bethesda (Jn. 5), and viewing the shops and the unique way of life that these ancient customs and lifestyles have maintained. We proceed to Pilate's Judgment Hall in the Fortress of Antonia (Jn. 18). Walk through the cotton sellers' market, to the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the holy sepulchre. We see the games of the soldiers still etched in its stone floor, sense the agony of Christ's crucifixion at Gordon's Calvary (Lk. 23) and experience the exhilaration and reality of the resurrection at the Garden Tomb. After our farewell dinner we transfer to the airport for our return to the US. **B/D**

Day 13: Saturday, September 19, 2020 • Jerusalem

Return flight to USA.

Abbreviations for Meals
B=Breakfast L=Lunch D=Dinner

Tour Price: \$4,089

Prices are *per person, double occupancy*
 with a minimum of 25 participants

Single supplement: \$825

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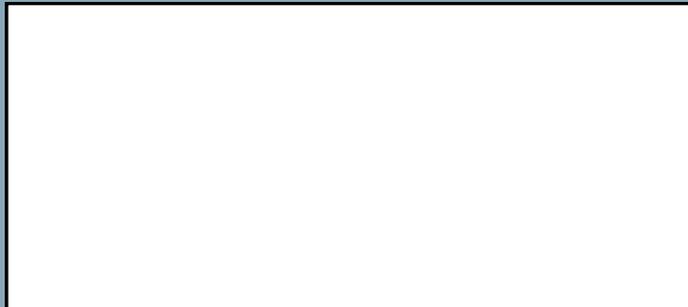
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