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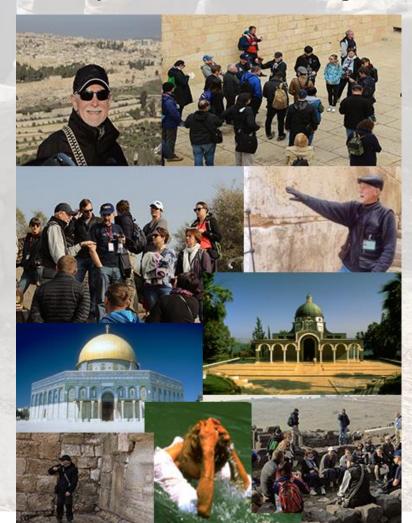


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ISRAEL 2023 WALKING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS



Director/Host: Dr. Chuck Davis, Global Lead Guide: Dr. Bryan Widbin, Bible Settings Ministries



Thursday, April 27. Depart JFK/NY via Turkish Airline

Friday, April 28. ARRIVAL. Arrive Ben Gurion Airport, Tel Aviv. CAESAREA MARITIMA. Upon your arrival, we motor up the coast to the capital city of Roman Palestine, Caesarea by the Sea. This expansive city built by Herod the Great just before the birth of Jesus furnishes an experience in the worlds of Greek culture and Roman imperialism. Later, Caesarea became one of the most prominent Christian cities of the east, and so, sets the stage for our understandings of early Christianity with both Jewish and Gentile influences. Important comparisons of Jesus with Herod the Great and Augustus Caesar furnish an opening look at the Gospel message. Fitting we should start here, as the port of Caesarea received the very first Christian pilgrims from the west, who landed in the Holy Land in the mid-4th century. Overnight Leonardo Plaza, Netanya.

Saturday, April 29. JESUS IN ANTICIPATION: GREEKS, ROMANS, AND SECOND TEMPLE JUDAISM, MOUNT CARMEL, MEGIDDO, NAIN, SEA OF GALILEE OVERLOOK. Our morning opens with a drive to Mount Carmel, which bisects the land cutting off the largely Gentile north from the core of the country in the Central Mountain Range. We begin on the highest peak of the mountain with a consideration of the encounter between the prophet Elijah and the prophets of Baal and Asherah (I Kings 18). Understanding the collision between alternative kingdoms envisioned by the kings, on one hand, and the prophets, on the other, is exceedingly important for grasping Jesus' teachings. We then travel along the ridge above the Jezreel Valley to the Old Testament city of Megiddo (I Kings 9:15) and a look at the Valley of Armageddon (Revelation 16). Lots of insights and experiences are gained here, laving a foundation for the days to come. Then, before settling in for the night, we stop at the village of Nain in lower Galilee, where Jesus raised the widow's son from the dead (Luke 7), and then traverse the hills that Jesus knew so well to where we'll stay for several nights in the city of Tiberias on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. Overnight Caesar Hotel, Tiberias.

Sunday, April 30. JESUS IN BOYHOOD AND COMMENCEMENT. SEPPHORIS, BASILICA OF THE ANNUNCIATION, NAZARETH PRECIPICE, ARBEL, JORDAN

RIVER. This day in the region of lower Galilee begins at the newly built city of Sepphoris, capital of the Galilean tetrarchy of Antipas, son and heir of Herod the Great. Its majestic theater, water system, Jewish guarter, and palaces capture our imagination. Here Salome danced before Antipas on Purim in 28CE and requested the execution of John the Baptizer (Mark 6:23). Sepphoris was once labelled by Josephus "the ornament of the Galilee," and so it was. We then move on to Nazareth for a look inside the Herodian remains of the town where Jesus grew up and visit the largest church in the middle east, The Basilica of the Annunciation, which sits atop the Herodian village. After lunch we move to the brow of the hill, called Mount Precipice today, where the elders of the town thought to cast Jesus down after his offense in interpreting the oracle in Isaiah 61 (Luke 4:1-16). We then move back to the region of the Sea for one more overlook to take in Antipas' "kingdom," and then, to the inlet of the Jordan River from its northern sources for a discussion of baptism as viewed by John and Paul. We'll have time here for a historic pilgrim rite celebrated by the first bishop of Jerusalem, St. Cyril, in the late 4th century. Overnight Kibbutz Caesar Hotel, Tiberias.

Monday, May 1. JESUS IN DISTINCTION. GERGESA, CHORAZIN, SERMON ON THE MOUNT WALK, CAPERNAUM, TANUREEN STOP, SEA OF GALILEE BOAT RIDE (Francis Gordon Galilee Sailing). Our day begins at the site of the so-called "swine miracle" on the opposite side of the Sea of Galilee at Gergesa. Here Jesus encountered the demoniac from the Decapolis. Then we motor on to the northwest corner of the Sea to the medium-sized town of Chorazin. Much to be gained here about Jewish life in first century Galilee. Then it's on to a spectacular view of the lake, stopping in the area of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7), for a walk down the sloping hill here Jesus taught disciples who gathered around him. While we walk, we'll stop frequently to discuss the major points of Jesus' point-of-view on the Kingdom of God and its relationship to the historic covenant faith of Israel and early Judaism. Then, just before lunch, we stop at the ruins of Capernaum, where Jesus harbored at a safe house with his disciples while in the area of the Sea. Lots to take in here at this "favorite town" of Jesus. Finally. after lunch, we'll board a boat fashioned from the ferries of Jesus' dav. relaxing with modern day fishermen on the waters of the Sea. On the way back to our stopping place, we view the remains of Tiberias, built by Antipas in 14AD, in honor of his patron, Tiberius Caesar. The city of Tiberias, a harbor town, was constructed by Antipas as a miniature version of Caesarea, built by his father. Herod, on the Mediterranean coast. Overnight Caesar Hotel, Tiberias.

Tuesday, May 2. JESUS IN FINALIZING: BEIT SHE'AN, NEW TESTAMENT JERICHO APPROACH, QUMRAN, CAMEL

RIDE. Our day begins with a move south to the impressive remains of the Decapolis city of Beit She'an/Scythopolis. Here we experience a day in the life of a citizen of this world famous Roman-Byzantine city, curiously never mentioned in New Testament documents. Then, just before lunch, we drive farther south to the Herodian royal estate of Jericho. We'll stand at the entrance to the town where Jesus encountered the blind man Bartemaeus (Luke 18) and walk through the city where he found tax farmer Zacchaeus in a sycamore tree (Luke 19). After lunch, we move to near the shore of the Dead Sea (now, more than 400 meters below sea level!) for a visit to Qumran. Here, Essene sectarians penned the famous Dead Sea scrolls, telling us much about the state of the Hebrew Scriptures at the time of Jesus and more! We'll also view some of the caves where the scrolls were found. Then before bedding down for the night in Jericho, we offer an opportunity to ride camels near the site of Old Testament Jericho. where the walls fell down. Overnight Oasis Hotel, Jericho.

Wednesday, May 3. DEAD SEA ADVENTURES. EIN GEDI, MASADA, DEAD SEA SWIM (Qalva Beach). This morning we set out to the area of the Dead Sea, the lowest point on the surface of the earth, to Ein Gedi, the canyon where David hid from Saul (1 Samuel 24). We get a full experience of desert life here and a deep sense of what water meant to the psalmists and what it still means to the people who live amongst the arduous conditions of the desert. Then, it's on to the infamous fortress of Masada where in 73 AD. Jewish rebels and their families held to the last against Flavius Silva and the 10th legion of Rome. The impressive remains here leave a lasting impression of what this site means to the modern state of Israel and how we might find application to following Jesus today. This day ends at the northern shore of the Dead Sea for a leisurely "float" in the Dead Sea, before our drive up the Jericho Road through Bethany to the Holy City of Jerusalem, vistas Jesus would have known so well. Overnight Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem.

Thursday, May 4. JESUS IN BIRTH. ISRAEL MUSEUM, THE CITADEL/TOWER OF DAVID, WESTERN WALL,

HERODIUM, **BETHLEHEM**. We begin this day at the Israel Museum in the modern west city for a look at the Jerusalem of Jesus' day, via a 1:50 scale model of Herodian Jerusalem. This mindboggling model will help us enormously in appreciating the events of Passion Week tomorrow. Before leaving the museum, we view some of the actual Judean Desert Scrolls housed in the Shrine of the Book. Then, we return to the Old City of Jerusalem to the remains of Herod's Praetorium and Palace, where King Herod entertained the Magi on their way to Bethlehem and where Pilate tried and sentenced Jesus to death on the charge of sedition. Then, we're off to Bethlehem for lunch and some shopping, before an unforgettable visit to the site of Herod the Great's mausoleum at Herodium, just a few miles away. We compare here this notorious, world-famous figure, "the king by might," with Jesus the Galilean, "the king by right," born close by. Our day ends with a visit to the birthplace of our Lord, at one of the three oldest churches in the world, the Basilica of the Nativity, dedicated in 339AD. Here, we enter the cave below the church, formerly a room in a house, where records from as early as the 2nd century mark the birthplace of our Lord. Overnight Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem.

Friday, May 5. FREE DAY. A day at leisure for relaxation and reflection. We'll get you started with a walk to the New Gate, the 8th and final gate of the Old City, built in 1889, by the Ottomon Turkish Sultan Abu Hamid. Afterwards, we'll give you plenty of options to get the most out of this day on your own. As Sabbath breaks in, we highly recommend a stop at the Western Wall. This is the historic retaining wall of Herod's temple esplanade, known throughout the world as an important religious center of medieval and modern Judaism. Overnight Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem.

Saturday, May 6. JESUS IN PASSION. THE MOUNT OF OLIVES, GETHSEMANE, UPPER ROOM SITE, ST. PETER IN GALLICANTU, THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE.

This final, very meaningful day in Jerusalem begins with a panoramic view of the city from the Mount of Olives, just west of Bethany. Here we will lay out the steps of Jesus between March 27, and April 4, in 33AD, the days of his passion. We'll walk along the pilgrim route to Gethsemane, where we'll enter the cave of the olive press, the "place" where Jesus gathered in secret with his disciples on the night he was betrayed. We also find a quiet spot in the olive garden to contemplate the agonizing temptation of our Lord. Just before lunch then, we visit the site of the Upper Room where Jesus ate the Last Supper with his disciples and then, immediately go to the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu, where Peter denied Jesus. The denial of our Lord occurred just below where Jesus was interrogated before Cajaphas and the Sadducean authorities in the Sanhedrin. After lunch, we start at the site of the Roman trials before Pontius Pilate, where Jesus was scourged and condemned to death and walk the 1st century "Via Dolorosa" to the site of his crucifixion and resurrection. This very emotional day ends with our hands on bedrock near the tomb, a portion of the rock that shook when the earthquake released our risen Lord. A lavish farewell meal and celebration at the hotel concludes this extraordinary experience together, one never to be forgotten as a foundation for the rest of our lives. Transfer to Ben Gurion Airport, Tel Aviv, for your early morning flight to NY/JFK via Istanbul (May 7).

Dear Friends,

Global Lead and Bible Settings Ministries are pleased to announce ISRAEL 2023: "WALKING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS" TOUR. Among its emphases, the trip introduces the formative years of Jesus, their influence upon his life and teachings, and their effect upon how he engaged the Jewish and Roman worlds of his day. We'll zero in on the first century faith of Jesus (ancient Judaism) for a richer understanding of faith in Jesus (early Christianity). I have been on pilgrimage to Israel with Bryan Widbin two previous times. Seminary prepared me well to read the Bible but the flow of Jesus' life came alive to me while walking the streets of Nazareth, Capernaum, Jericho, Bethlehem, and Jerusalem.

Dr. Bryan Widbin holds a Ph.D. in Hebrew Bible from Brandeis University. He is simply unmatched as a believing guide, who is licensed by the state of Israel, has lived in the middle east, loves its lands and peoples, and has a rich knowledge of the cultures, languages, and history of the Bible. Warm and zestful as a person, he also has the wonderful gift of making the trip both richly informational and deeply inspirational. You simply cannot imagine how profoundly this trip will impact your walk with Christ and your knowledge of the Bible. As one traveler put it, this trip was "the beginning of the rest of my life."

Ingrid and I will be alongside you for ongoing spiritual direction and devotional thoughts throughout the tour. Come pilgrimage with us in the Footsteps of Jesus!

Dr. Chuck Davis



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