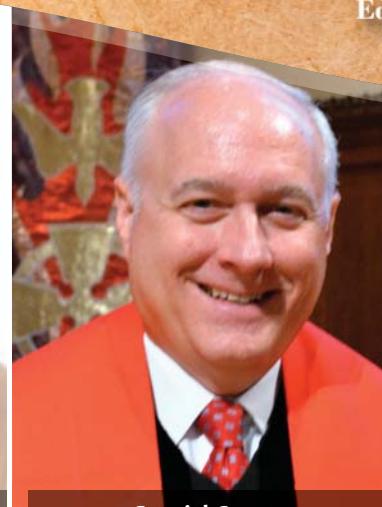


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Holy Land Classic

10 Days - January 16-25, 2018



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January 16 & 17 - USA to the Holy Land

Your spiritual pilgrimage begins as you depart the USA on an overnight flight. You will be welcomed to the Holy Land by our airport representative and transferred to your hotel in the Galilee. Enjoy dinner before you rest.

January 18 - Capernaum, the Mount of Beatitudes, Tel Dan & Caesarea Philippi

Travel to **Capernaum**, the center of Jesus' ministry in the **Galilee**. Visit the synagogue which stands on the site where Jesus taught. Recall his teaching and preaching the gospel of the kingdom (Matt. 4:13, 23). Travel to the **Mount of Beatitudes** where Jesus preached to the people (Matt. 5-7). Walk the ancient remains of **Tel Dan** and see where the altar built by King Jeroboam I once stood (1 Kings 12). Visit **Caesarea Philippi**, where Jesus traveled with His disciples and near where Peter made his great confession to Jesus, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matt. 16:16). See **Mount Hermon**, probably the site of the Lord's Transfiguration (Matt. 17:1-9).

January 19 - The Sea of Galilee and Beit Shean

At **Tabgha**, the traditional location for the calling of the disciples and the feeding of the 5,000, visit the **Church of the Fish and the Loaves** (Luke 9:10-17). You'll also visit the **Chapel of the Primacy**, where three times Peter professed his devotion to the risen Christ (John 21). At **Kibbutz Nof Ginnosar**, learn about the "Ancient Boat," a rare example of the kind of boat in which Jesus would have sailed. Cross the waters of the **Sea of Galilee** by boat, and along the way, participate in a special onboard worship service. Visit the ruins of **Beit Shean** which was continuously inhabited for 5,000 years and was one of the Roman cities Jesus passed on his way from Galilee to Jerusalem. Conclude your day at the **River Jordan** where you can remember your baptism at the **Yardenit Baptismal Site**.

January 20 - Nazareth, Megiddo and Caesarea

Visit **Nazareth**, Jesus' boyhood home (Matt. 2:23). Travel the ancient caravan route to **Tel Megiddo** where 20 different cities lie superimposed upon each other. Visit the **Roman Aqueduct** and **Theatre at Caesarea**, a center of the early Christians. Here, Cornelius became the first Gentile convert to the new religion (Acts 10) and Paul was imprisoned before being taken to Rome for trial. Continue to **Jerusalem** for overnight.

January 21 - Jerusalem

In **Bethlehem**, visit the cave revered as the place where Jesus was born (Matt. 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-7). The church, constructed over the site is the world's oldest functioning church. Nearby, view **Shepherds' Field**, where the Good News was first heard. Stand atop the **Mount of Olives** as Jesus did and enjoy a remarkable view of the "Golden City" of **Jerusalem**, including the **Temple Mount, Dome of the Rock**, the **Kidron Valley** and the **Valley of Gehenna**. Forty days after his resurrection, Jesus ascended into heaven from the Mount of Olives (Acts 1:9-12). Visit the **Chapel of the Ascension**. Pray in the **Garden of Gethsemane** as Jesus prayed (Matt. 26:36-44).

January 22 - Jerusalem and the Old City

Visit the **Southern Wall Excavations** of the ancient Temple, including the **Teaching Steps** and the **Western Wall**. Walk the **Cardo**, the ancient main street of the **Old City**. Once lined with shops, it is now partially restored. View the **Pool of Bethesda** (John 5:1-31), where Jesus performed the Sabbath miracle, and sing a hymn in the **Church of St. Anne**. Visit **Herod's Antonia Fortress**, where Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate (Luke 23:1-11). Walk the **Via Dolorosa**, "the Way of the Cross," and stand in reverence at the **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**.

January 23 - Qumran, Masada, Dead Sea & Ein Gedi

Even today, the road from Jerusalem to the **Jordan Valley** twists for miles as it descends below sea level to the lowest spot on the earth's surface. Jesus traveled the nearby Roman road, the setting of His parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:30-36). Visit **Qumran**, site of the Dead Sea Scroll discovery, to learn about the mysterious community of Essenes who once lived on the shores of the Dead Sea. Discover **Masada**, Herod's mountaintop fortress which became the last stronghold of the Jewish Rebellion against the Romans. Ride the cable car to the top to explore. Peer down upon the remains of the Roman camps and siege ramp below. Stop briefly at the shores of the **Dead Sea** for a quick dip in the salt and mineral laden waters. Journey to the oasis of **Ein Gedi**, where David and his men sought refuge from Saul (1 Sam. 23).



Itinerary continued...

January 24 - Jerusalem

This morning, visit **Mount Zion** to visit the **House of the High Priest Caiaphas**, where Jesus was imprisoned for a night (Matt. 26:57-65). Stand in the **Upper Room**, revered as the place of the **Last Supper** (Mark 14:12-26). View the site of **King David's Tomb**. Visit the **Haas Promenade** for a last panoramic view of the **Old City** from the south of Jerusalem. See the **Old City** walls and the hill called **Mount Moriah**, where Abraham was commanded by God to offer Isaac as a burnt offering (Gen. 22:2, 4). Visit and worship at the **Garden Tomb** and experience the reality of the Resurrection.

January 25 - Return to USA

Depart on an exciting extension or return to USA.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS



WONDERS OF PETRA & DEAD SEA- \$798* January 25-28, 2018

Jan. 25 Cross the Allenby Bridge into Jordan. Visit Mt. Nebo & Madaba. Overnight in Petra or at the Dead Sea.

Jan. 26 Explore Petra. Travel to the Dead Sea area for a late dinner and overnight.

Jan. 27 Journey through Jerash, and then recross the border into Israel. Enjoy dinner before transferring to the airport for your return flight home.

Jan. 28 Return to USA.



JERUSALEM EXTENDED STAY - \$298* January 25-27, 2018

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