

Tour Greece & Türkiye by Land and Sea

Explore Ancient Civilizations & Early Church
History at the Crossroads of Christianity and Islam,
led by Dr. David Moseley

Mar 20 – Apr 3, 2027

15 Days / 13 Nights

From \$ 7,144 per person

Double Occupancy

Single Supplement: \$1520

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The Trip will also include the following unique elements:

- A series of early evening ***live* Zoom classes** related to the trip taught by Dr. David Moseley (which will be recorded) during the first few months of 2027 before our departure. These illustrated classes will delve into the historical, religious and cultural significance of all the destinations on the itinerary so that travelers are fully prepared for what they will experience in Greece and Türkiye
- A detailed, **customized, illustrated Guidebook** for the Trip written by Dr. Moseley as a traveling companion and keepsake for all trip participants.

David Moseley's Tour 2027

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There is a \$750 per person (non-refundable) deposit.

Price: \$7144 per person double occupancy

Tour Highlights

- 15 Days / 13 Nights — Mar 20 – Apr 3, 2027
- Cities: Istanbul, Çanakkale, Izmir, Kusadasi, Greek Islands Cruise, Athens, Delphi, Kalambaka, Thessaloniki
- 6 nights Turkey + 4 nights Greece + 2 nights Celestyal cruise
- Meals as listed · Private luxury motorcoach
- International airfare based on \$1250/pp
- Bible-oriented English-speaking guide in Turkey
- Licensed English-speaking guides in Greece
- Entrance fees · Patmos shore excursion included
- Selected drinks with meals onboard cruise

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE: Each traveler is permitted 1 checked luggage bag and one soft carry-on item, such as a backpack.



David Moseley, Ph.D. is Director of Global Education and Teaches Religious Studies & Philosophy at The Bishop's Episcopal School, La Jolla, CA. Dr. Moseley holds undergraduate and graduate Degrees in Law, Theology and Philosophy from Oxford University; and a Doctorate in Theology from Cambridge University.

Dr. Moseley taught Theology and Biblical Studies at the University of San Diego for 16 years; he was formerly Theologian-in-Residence at St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral in San Diego; a founding member of the Faculty of the San Diego Diocesan School for Ministry; he has Led Trips to the **"Holy Land"** and many community service trips in the developing world; and Teaches Adult Education Classes in Parishes throughout San Diego County, and online college-level courses through his "The Bible... for Smarties!" program.

Day 1: SATURDAY, MAR 20 DEPART USA

You will board your bus from San Diego to LAX Airport. You embark on your international flight to begin your journey from the USA to Istanbul. (**Airfare included in price)

Day 2: SUNDAY, MAR 21 ARRIVAL IN ISTANBUL (D)

Upon arrival at Istanbul International Airport, meet our local ground team and transfer to the hotel.

Remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Crowne Plaza Istanbul Old City (or similar).

Dinner included.

Day 3: MONDAY, MAR 22 HISTORIC ISTANBUL (B,L,D)

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel.. You'll be journeying on a tour of Historic Istanbul visiting Hagia Sophia: Justinian's 6th-century masterpiece — vast dome, marble, and glittering Byzantine mosaics that later served as mosque and museum.

Blue Mosque (Sultan Ahmed): cascading domes and six minarets, a landmark of Ottoman worship across from Hagia Sophia. Hippodrome: the old chariot-racing heart of Constantinople, still marked by the Obelisk of Theodosius and the Serpentine Column.

Basilica Cistern: Justinian's cool underground water palace of columns and arches. Grand Bazaar: one of the world's oldest covered markets — labyrinthine shops and Turkish crafts.

Overnight: Crowne Plaza Istanbul Old City (or similar).



Day 4: TUES MARCH 23 - BOSPHORUS & BYZANTINE ISTANBUL (B,L,D)

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel. Today we go on a scenic cruise along the Bosphorus, separating Europe and Asia.

Continue to the Spice Market, then Chora Church, famed for its Byzantine mosaics and frescoes.

Overnight: Crowne Plaza Istanbul Old City (or similar).



Day 5: WED MARCH 24 - GALLIPOLI & TROY → ÇANAKKALE (B,L,D)

You'll enjoy your breakfast at the hotel before heading out for the day. Grab all your belongings and check out of the hotel.

Depart Istanbul and travel to the Gallipoli Peninsula.

Visit the historic battlefields, memorials and cemeteries commemorating one of the most significant campaigns of World War I. After crossing the Dardanelles we'll visit the legendary ancient city of Troy before continuing to Çanakkale and check into our hotel.

Overnight: 1 Night - Kolin Hotel Canakkale or similar



Day 6: THURS MARCH 25 - ALEXANDRIA TROAS → PERGAMON (B,L,D)

You'll enjoy your breakfast at the hotel before heading out for the day. Grab all your belongings and check out of the hotel.

We will visit Alexandria Troas, the biblical port where the Apostle Paul received the Macedonian Vision calling him to take the Gospel into Europe.

Continue to Pergamon, one of the Seven Churches of Revelation. Here we will explore the Acropolis, Asklepion Medical Center and Red Basilica before continuing to Izmir.

Overnight: 1 Night - Izmir — Park Inn Hotel or similar



Day 7: FRI MARCH 26 - SMYRNA → EPHESUS & ST. JOHN (B,L,D)

You'll enjoy your breakfast at the hotel before heading out for the day.

Grab all your belongings and check out of the hotel.

Visit ancient Smyrna, another of the Seven Churches of Revelation. Afterward, we will drive to Selcuk and explore the magnificent ancient city of Ephesus, one of the best-preserved Roman cities in the world and one of the Seven Churches of Revelation.

Highlights include the Library of Celsus, the Great Theatre, Marble Street, and the Temple of Hadrian. We will continue on to visit the Basilica of St. John. Then we will drive to Kusadasi and check into our hotel.

Overnight: 1 Night - Kusadasi — Ilayda Avant Garde Hotel or similar





Day 8: **SAT MARCH 27 - KUSADASI → GREEK ISLANDS CRUISE → PATMOS (B, L, D)**

Enjoy your breakfast at your hotel , gather your belongings and check out of the hotel.

We will be transferring you to the Port of Kusadasi and boarding the Celestyal Greek Islands Cruise.

After embarkation, enjoy lunch onboard as the ship sails toward Patmos. Familiarize yourself with the boat as it sails as you will be aboard for 2 nights. Go check out the excursion desk for optional excursions you can take on Heraklio and Santorini.

We will arrive to Patmos at 4:30pm. On Patmos, participate in the included shared 2 excursions to the Monastery of St. John and Grotto of the Apocalypse, traditionally associated with John's receiving the Revelation.

Lunch and dinner onboard.

Overnight: 2-nights on board Cruise (IB Inside Cabin).

Day 9: **SUN MARCH 28 - GREEK ISLANDS CRUISE → CRETE & SANTORINI (B, L, D)**

Enjoy your early breakfast aboard the cruise.

Arrive in Heraklion, Crete, at 7:00am in the morning. Guests may choose an optional excursion to the ancient Minoan Palace of Knossos.

Later in the day, sail to spectacular Santorini, famous for its whitewashed villages perched dramatically above the Aegean Sea. Arrival into Santorini is 4:30pm. Enjoy time on the island or choose an optional excursion to Oia.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard.

Overnight: onboard cruise (IB Inside Cabin).



Day 10: **MON MARCH 29 - GREEK ISLANDS CRUISE DISEMBARK → ATHENS → ACROPOLIS → ANCIENT CORINTH (B,D)**

Arrive in Athens early this morning around 06:00 am and disembark after breakfast.

Meet your escort and begin a full day of biblical and historical exploration. Visit the Acropolis, Parthenon and Mars Hill, where Paul addressed the philosophers of Athens.

In the afternoon, travel to Ancient Corinth, where Paul lived and ministered. Explore the Agora, Bema, Temple of Apollo and surrounding archaeological area.

Return to Athens for dinner.

Overnight: 1 Night - Athens — Fresh Hotel or similar

Day 11: TUES MARCH 30 ATHENS → DELPHI (B, D)

Breakfast at the hotel. Grab your belongings and check out of the hotel.

Depart Athens head towards Delphi.

Delphi is the famous oracle where the priestess of Apollo, Pitia, influenced, with their prophecies the history of cities and states of antiquity. Visit the archaeological site and museum. The museum houses an impressive collection associated with ancient Delphi, including the earliest known notation of a melody, the famous Charioteer, golden treasures discovered beneath the Sacred Way, and fragments of reliefs from the Siphnian Treasury. Close to the exit is the inscription that mentions the Roman proconsul Gallio. The reference to proconsul Gallio in the inscription provides an important marker for developing a chronology of the life of Apostle Paul by relating it to the trial of Paul in Achaëa mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles (18:12-17).

Overnight: 1 Night – Delphi Amalia Hotel or similar

Day 12: WED MARCH 31 - DELPHI → METEORA → KALAMBAKA (B,D)

Enjoy your breakfast at your hotel, grab your belongings and check out of the hotel. Depart Delphi and travel north to Meteora.

Visit the extraordinary monasteries built high upon towering rock formations and learn about the history of the Eastern Orthodox monastic communities.

Check into the hotel and enjoy dinner.

Overnight: 1 Night - Kalambaka — Amalia Hotel or similar

Day 13: THUR APRIL 1 BEREÄ → VERGINA → THESSALONIKI (B,D)

Enjoy your breakfast at your hotel, grab your belongings and check out of the hotel.

Today we travel to Berea, modern-day Veria, where Paul preached and the Bereans were commended for examining the Scriptures daily.

Continue to Vergina and visit the royal tombs of ancient Macedonia, including the tomb traditionally identified as that of King Philip II, if open.

Continue to Thessaloniki for hotel check-in and dinner.

Overnight: 2 Nights - Thessaloniki — Lazart Hotel or similar





Day 14: FRI APRIL 2 - THESSALONIKI → PHILIPPI → KAVALA (B,D)

Enjoy your breakfast at your hotel. Begin with a brief tour of Thessaloniki, the city associated with the apostle Paul and his letters of First and Second Thessalonians. Seeing landmarks including the White Tower, Roman Agora and Arch of Galerius.

Continue to Philippi, where Paul preached to Lydia and established the first recorded Christian congregation in Europe. Visit the traditional site of Lydia's baptism, the ancient marketplace, theater and traditional prison site of Paul and Silas. Continue to Kavala, ancient Neapolis, where Paul first entered Europe during his second missionary journey.

Return to Thessaloniki for the final evening of the tour.
Overnight: Thessaloniki — Lazart Hotel or similar

Day 15: SAT APRIL 3 - DEPARTURE

Enjoy your breakfast, grab all your belongings and check out of the hotel. We will transfer you to Thessaloniki International Airport for the return flight home.



INCLUSIONS/EXCLUSIONS:

INCLUDES:

- Transportation from 1 location in San Diego to Lax & Return from LAX to 1 location in San Diego
- International Air est at \$1250 (subject to surcharge based upon carrier at time of booking).
- 6-nights' accommodations in Turkey
- 5-nights' accommodations in Greece
- 2 nights all-inclusive aboard the Celestyal Greek Islands Cruise
 - **Cruise based on IB Inside Cabin** (includes port charges)
 - Full boards (Breakfast – Lunch – Dinner)
 - Entertainment on board
 - Shore excursions on sharing basis
 - Patmos 01: Religious visit to St John Monastery & Grotto of Apocalypse
 - Selected drinks included with meals (Specialty Restaurants excluded)
 - Complimentary House wine (red- white-rose) by the glass for lunch & dinner
 - House beer by the glass – lunch & dinner
 - Variety of sodas by the glass (7-up, coke, diet coke, lemonade, orangeade, soda, tonic, ginger ale) - Variety of juices by the glass: orange, grapefruits, tomato & apple - Filtered coffee / Tea & Iced tea - Mineral water by the glass
 - The above drink package does not apply in the Specialty Restaurant where only saleable items are available
- Meals as indicated throughout the land program
- Private air-conditioned transportation
- Bible-oriented English-speaking guide in Turkey
- English-speaking licensed guides in Greece
- Entrance fees to included sites
 - Istanbul sightseeing: Bosphorus cruise; Gallipoli, Troy, Alexandria Troas, Pergamon, Smyrna, Ephesus, Patmos included shore excursion, Athens & Acropolis, Ancient Corinth, Meteora, Berea, Vergina, Thessaloniki, Philippi
- TURKEY Hotel taxes as included by suppliers
- Tips for guides, drivers and travel assistants

The cruise is based on an IB Inside Cabin. XB Outside Cabin Upgrades are available for an additional supplement of \$196 for double and \$392 for single.

NOT INCLUDED:

- Personal items such as drinks with meals and telephone calls, etc.
- Any drinks/beverages (except those that are already included as indicated).
- Medical and Travel Insurance
- Airport & Hotel Portage & Trolleys
- Overnight city tax paid directly to hotels per room per night for 4* hotels Euro 10
- Tourism Sustainability fee for the cruise which is charged at the credit card of each client on board the cruise ship total for the 2-night cruise Euro 7