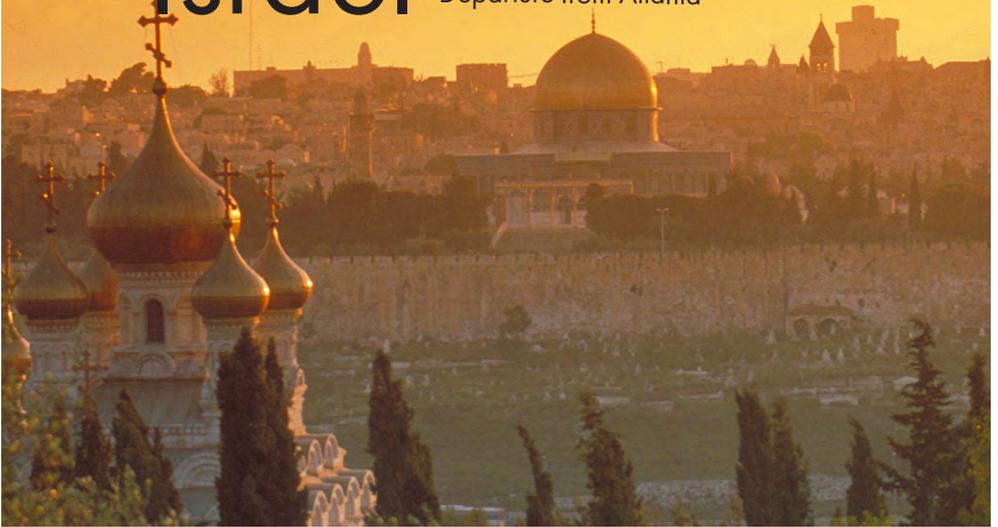


Israel

10 DAYS February 26—March 7, 2021
Departure from Atlanta



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Day 1 - Fri, February 26

Atlanta/ Israel

Meet check-in for the flight(s) to Tel Aviv at Atlanta International airport for the flight to Tel Aviv, Israel.
Meals and in-flight services will be provided en-route.

Day 2 - Sat, February 27

Tel Aviv Jerusalem

Dinner & Overnight
in Jerusalem

Mount Scopus

On arrival, travel by private coach east through the Judean hills to stop for a first sight of the Old City of Jerusalem from this vantage point.

On to the hotel for room allocation and the evening meal.

Day 3 - Sun, February 28

Old Testament Jerusalem

Dinner & Overnight
in Jerusalem

Eastern City Walls

A walk by the Kidron valley and walls of Jerusalem to enter St. Stephen's gate into the Old City.

Mount Moriah

Walk across the Mount (Temple Mount) where the Jewish Temples stood and Jesus taught and stop by the sealed 'Golden Gates'.

Western Wall

Time to witness Jewish prayers and traditions and experience the virtual reality presentation of the second temple from King Herod's time.

City of David

To the location where Jerusalem began and of Judean Kings, Prophets and Priests. See King David's Palace, Hezekiah's Tunnels, and the Pool of Siloam.

Outward Flight



Flight Data

Flying time approximately 16 hrs.

Flight distance approximately 7,350 nautical miles.

Cruise height approximately 36,000 feet.

Jerusalem



Jerusalem

The city of Mount Moriah, Mount Zion and the Mount of Olives, spanning history from the 11th century BC.

Currently hosting eight gates and four quarters within 3.5 miles of Old City walls.

Jerusalem



City of David

It began as Salem, of which Melchizedek was King and Priest. Then as Jebus before David conquered the city to make it his capital as Jerusalem.

Kings, Prophets and Priests of Judea lived on its slopes as witnessed by the Gihon, Ein Rogel springs and the Tombs in the Kidron Valley on the eastern slopes of the city.

Continuing excavations regularly expose biblical artefacts from this period.

Day 4 - Mon, March 1

Gospel Journey

Dinner & Overnight in Jerusalem

The Jerusalem Model

Located in the Israel Museum grounds and built on a scale of 1-50 from the Herodion period – very helpful prior to visits.

The Herodium

Into the desert to stop at King Herod's fortress and palace that dwarfed Bethlehem in Gospel days and where he was buried.

Shepherds Fields Region

Stop to reflect on Ruth, the Wise Men, Angels, Shepherds and the birth of Christ.

Bethlehem Town

Into Manger Square with its ancient church built over cave-dwellings from antiquity.

The Mount of Olives

To the summit for its unique panorama of Jerusalem and hear of its great history. Walk down the Palm Sunday Path to spend time in the Garden of Gethsemane for reflection.

Day 5 - Tue, March 2

New Testament Jerusalem

Dinner & Overnight in Jerusalem

The Pools of Bethesda

Into the Old City through the Damascus Gate to see the location where the cripple was healed.

The Judgement Hall (Gabbatha)

Located underground where Christ was tried by Pilate.

Way of the Cross

Follow sections of the route through the narrow streets to the traditional location of Calvary at the Holy Sepulchre Church.

The Last Supper

Walk through the Old City Christian/Jewish quarters to Mount Zion and visit the Room of the Last Supper above King David's Tomb.

Palace of Caiaphas

On to the nearby location where Jesus was tried under Jewish Law. See the underground cave-prisons and ancient Hasmonean stone steps leading from/to Gethsemane.

Southern Temple Walls

Down to the Dung Gate to see the Temple Gates, Mikveh Baths, Rabbinical Teaching steps and location of the Temple Pinnacle - an area often visited by Jesus.

The Garden Tomb

Outside the city gates with its 1st century rolling-stone tomb and 'Gordon's Calvary' nearby.



The Herodium

One of Herod the Great's fortresses and palaces located in the Judean desert east of Bethlehem that dwarfed the village in Gospel days.

Shepherds would have heard the sounds of the fortress inhabitants drifting across the still evening air only to be blotted out suddenly by the Heavenly Hosts announcing the birth of the Messiah.

Jerusalem



Temple Steps

On the southern Temple walls the original stone steps are preserved. One flight for entry and one flight for exit with varying size of steps to ensure safe movement of vast crowds during feast periods.

Jesus would have walked these steps frequently and entered through the Temple Gates by the money-changers at this location.

The recent excavations possibly solved a mystery of many years as to where the baptism of some 3000 souls took place on the day of Pentecost. The many Mikveh Baths unearthed by the steps is a probable location.

Of note, is a 1968 discovery below the Temple Mount, of a 1st century A.D. large basalt stone with the Hebrew inscription "To the Trumpeting Place". Its original location above the highest point on the southwest wall is considered to be the 'Pinnacle of the Temple' where the Priests trumpeted to announce the Sabbath and feasts.

Day 6 - Wed, March 3

Judea/ Dead Sea/ Samaria

Dinner & Overnight
by Galilee

The Wilderness

Journey down the old Jericho Road with a short stop in the Judean wilderness and reflect on the 'Good Samaritan' story.

The Dead Sea

Stop by the shores with opportunity to float in the unique waters.

The Jordan River

To the banks at Bethany-beyond-the-Jordan where John baptized.

Jericho Oasis

Into the oasis town to examine the fallen walls, its natural spring and the town's sycamore trees.

Shechem

Into the hills of Samaria and the valley between Mounts Gerazim and Ebal. Stop and visit Jacob's Well at Sychar with opportunity to draw water from the 135 foot well.

The Jordan Valley

North by Gilead and Gilboa to the shores of the Sea of Galilee and the hotel.

Day 7 - Thu, March 4

Gospel Galilee

Dinner & Overnight
by Galilee

The 'Peace View'

Ascend the Golan to this location overlooking the Sea of Galilee where the full circumference of the Lake and its 'harp-shape' can be seen.

Chorazim

On to the northern hills and the city site with its impressive remains of the Synagogue and 'Seat of Moses'.

Capernaum

Down to the center of Jesus' Galilean ministry with extensive excavations reflecting seaside life in Gospel days.

Mount of Beatitudes

Up to the mount overlooking the sea where Jesus taught.

The Seashore

Stand on the lake beach in the traditional area where Jesus made breakfast for the disciples and restored Peter.

Sailing Galilee

From a dock near Magdala, sail in a private wooden boat of the kind that the disciples used, stopping mid-way for a demonstration of old fishing techniques.



Jordan River

The ancient crossing point at Bethany-beyond-the-Jordan known to Joshua, Elijah, Elisha, John, merchants and traders and Jewish Pilgrims from Galilee en-route to Jerusalem up the Jericho road.

For the Children of Israel, crossing the river from the east bank was to enter the earthly Promised Land whereas baptism was seen as entering the heavenly Kingdom of God.

Today, the Jordan is still crossed at this location by the Allenby Bridge and is one of the original three biblical crossing points, the others being at the Adam Bridge with access to Shechem and at Beth Shean connecting to the Decapolis.

Galilee



Sea of Galilee

The Hebrew name is 'Kinor' meaning harp which describes the harp-shape of the lake. Its main fresh water supply flows from the springs of Mount Hermon into the northern shores and exits into the Jordan River on its southern shores.

Josephus records that during Roman times there were some 230 fishing boats on the lake as well as Roman naval vessels.

Visitors often witness violent late afternoon winter storms in stark contrast to the normal tranquil waters. Boats and piers are often destroyed and fishermen still work the shoreline early morning and sometimes at night.

Day 8 - Fri, March 5

Biblical Battles

Dinner & Overnight
by Galilee

Beth Shean

South by Mount Gilboa where Saul and his sons fell in battle and visit the city where their bodies were pinned to the walls.

Spring of Harod

In the Jezreel Valley by the Hill of Moreh to the Spring where Gideon selected his army to fight the Midianites across the valley.

Mount Tabor

Pause to view the mount associated with Deborah and Barak and the Canaanites.

Mount Precipice

Ascend to overlook the vast valley of Armageddon.

The Nazareth Village Living Museum

Close the day with a guided tour of this facility displaying rural and village life in Gospel days.

Day 9 - Sat, March 6

Westward Expansion

Dinner & Overnight
In Tel Aviv

Acre sea port (Ptolemais)

West to the Mediterranean shores and the seaport where Paul arrived from his third missionary journey and spent a day with the believers – stop by the harbor and walk the city walls.

Caesarea Maritima -

South by coach to Herod's massive seaport and capital. Walk the shoreline to Herod's Palace where Paul may have been imprisoned; spend time in the 3,500 seated Amphitheatre where according to Josephus, Herod Agrippa died as recorded in Acts 12.

Joppa Old Town

Through Tel Aviv to reflect on Peter's rooftop vision of taking the Gospel to the Gentiles.

Day 10 - Sun, March 7

Israel/ US

Flight Departure

After breakfast, by private coach to Ben Gurion airport for the morning return flight to Atlanta - arriving back late afternoon/evening.



Nazareth Village

Re-established by archaeologists on the site of a previous 1st century settlement using the same materials and techniques.

With many functioning reconstructions, this 'living museum' gives helpful insight into village and rural life in the 1st century Gospel period.

The Via Maris



Caesarea Maritima

Originally a small Phoenician harbor rebuilt by Herod the Great as the provincial capital of Roman Judea and the main port for export and import of goods and people.

Philip, Peter, Agabus, Paul and Cornelius all spent time in the city which has a unique inscription to Pilate.

Return Flight



Details

Flight Info

Provisional Flight Details

Atlanta International via Istanbul to Tel Aviv

OUTBOUND:

ATL/IST Flight TK32 Depart 9.55pm Arrive 4.15pm

IST/TLV Flight TK788 Depart 6.15pm Arrive 7.20pm

RETURN:

TLV/IST Flight TK865 Depart 8.40am Arrive 12.15pm

IST/ATL Flight TK31 Depart 3.40pm Arrive 8.10pm

- Check-in times and meeting points will be detailed in the Travel Packs mailed out approximately ten weeks before departure.
- Alternative airport of departure is available on application.

Hotel Details

JERUSALEM/**Ambassador Hotel**

Convenient and comfortable with terrace and landscaped grounds.



GALILEE/**The Leonardo Club Hotel**

Tiberias center and a short walk to the seaside marina.



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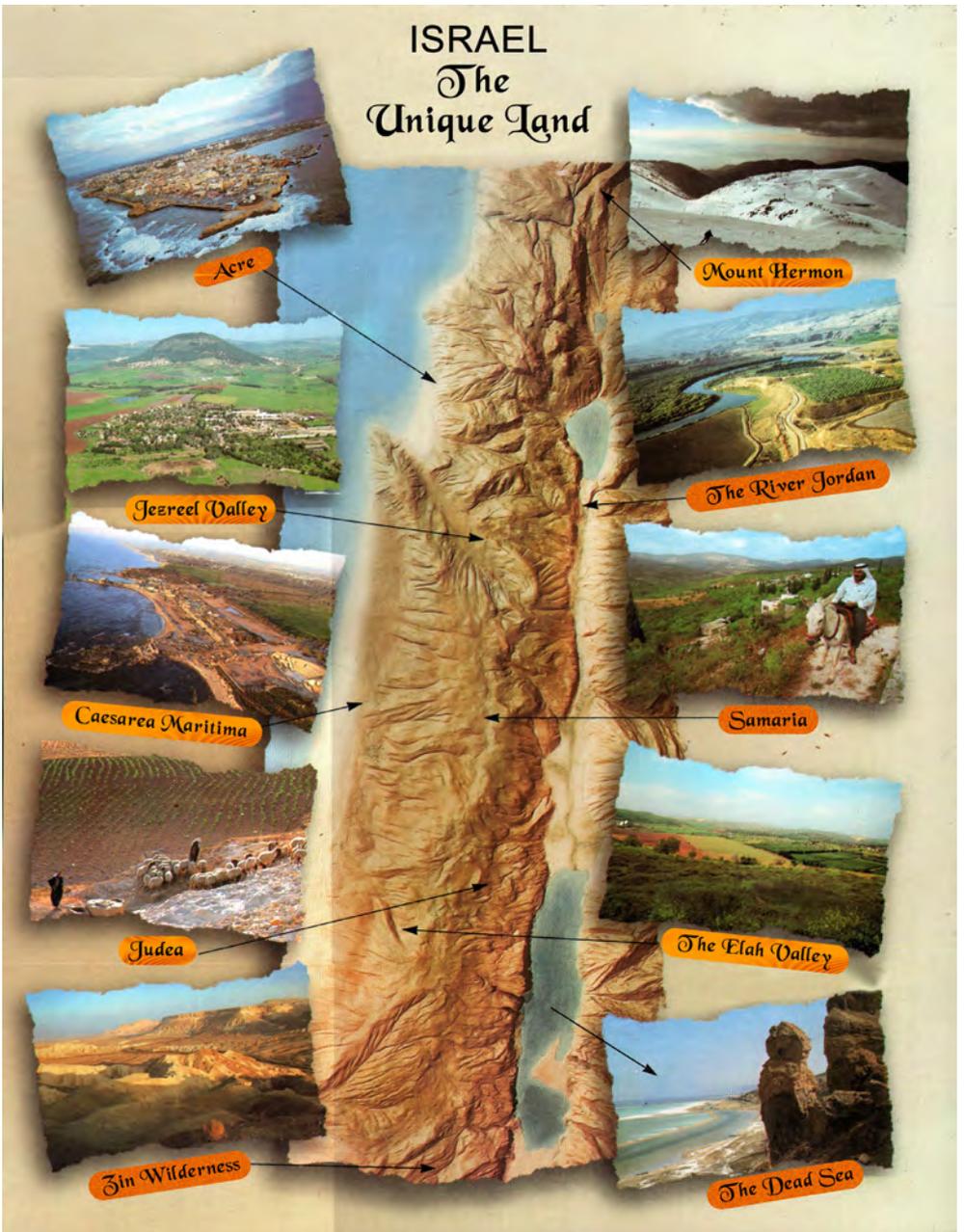
TEL AVIV/**Grand Beach Hotel**

Just off city centre by the Marina and Mediterranean.



Subject to final numbers hotels may change but if so, they will be of the same standard.

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Take a walk. Change the world.



The Psalmist's Prayer

Psalm 122

I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go into the house of the Lord.
Our feet shall stand within thy gates,
O Jerusalem....

...Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
they shall prosper that love thee.
Peace be within thy walls,
and prosperity within thy palaces.