

God's Faithfulness



A Shoresh Study Tours Itinerary

October 12-24, 2017
Hosted by: Theresa Newell

Travel through the land of Israel, from coast to desert to mountains, and visit the places where important Biblical events took place. Dig into the Scriptures studying their original context to learn about God's faithfulness to His people, in the past, present, and future. This tour includes sites from the Old and New Testaments as well as the history of modern Israel. In addition, you will learn about God's work amongst believers in the land today. Jesus



Golan Heights



Christ Church Guesthouse



Church of the Beatitudes



Capernaum Synagogue



Cave #4, Qumran



Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Jerusalem



King David's Citadel



Nazareth Old City



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Thu., Oct. 12 Departure

Depart New York's JFK Airport late this afternoon on the transatlantic flight to Tel Aviv.

Fri., Oct. 13 Arrival in the Land of Promise

Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport, and meet the guide and bus driver for the trip. Drive to the Ashkelon Hotel located on the Mediterranean Coast for dinner, followed by a brief meeting for introductions, orientation, and prayer.

Sat., Oct. 14 The Lives of the Patriarchs

Climb through the strategic lowlands into the Mountains of Judea, to the burial Cave of the Patriarchs in Hebron, and look at God's covenants with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob while there. Continue in the steps of the Patriarchs in the southern desert region called the Negev in the Bible. Visit Tel Arad, a major pre-Abrahamic city and later an Israelite fortress. Time permitting; experience Bedouin hospitality and enjoy a short camel ride. Travel through the Judean Desert to the David Spa Hotel located along the Dead Sea for overnight. There is time to enjoy a float in the therapeutic mineral rich waters either at the inside pools or at the beach.



Sun., Oct. 15 The Judean Desert: Seeking Refuge in the Wilderness

Today's theme is the wilderness and what it signified to the ancient Israelites. Begin the day at Masada, Herod the Great's magnificent desert fortress palace, and the site of the last stand of the Zealots, a Jewish revolutionary group at the time of Jesus. From Masada, drive north to the beautiful subtropical oasis of Ein Gedi, where David hid from Saul. Depending on conditions, walk into the nature reserve and to the waterfalls. Be on the lookout for wildlife, including the furry rock badger and the graceful ibex. Discuss the temptation of Jesus in the Wilderness while at Ein Gedi. Continue to Qumran, the likely home of the Essenes, a First Century Jewish sect which may have influenced early Christianity, and the site of the most exciting archaeological discovery ever made in Israel—the Dead Sea Scrolls. Then travel up through the spectacular Syrian African Rift Valley, and cross the Jordan River before arriving at Ma'agan Holiday Village located along the shores of the Sea of Galilee.

Mon., Oct. 16 Around the Sea of Galilee: Daily Life and Religion in the Time of Jesus

Visit various sites around the Sea of Galilee today and picture the daily life and religion of the First Century, and to better understand the miracles and teachings of Jesus in His original Jewish context. Begin at Chorazin, the well-preserved ruins of a typical Galilean village, and study village life, the Jewish religion, and the Pharisees. Continue to the Mount of Beatitudes, the traditional site of the Sermon on the Mount to consider Jesus' teachings on the Kingdom of God. Take a short walk downhill to Capernaum, the town where Jesus lived during the majority of His ministry. Enjoy a contemplative time on the shore of the Lake at lovely Tabgha, which commemorates the multiplication of loaves and fish, and where Jesus met the disciples after the resurrection. Later in the afternoon visit Kibbutz Ginosar to see the "Jesus Boat," a Galilean fishing boat from the First Century. Set sail for on a boat ride on the Lake and enjoy the views and time for worship, prayer and reflection. After dinner, meet with a local believer. Return to Ma'agan Holiday Village for overnight.



Tue., Oct. 17 Northern Israel: "Who Do Men Say That I Am?"

Explore Northern Israel today, one of the most beautiful regions of the country and climb up to the magnificent Golan Heights. Learn what the Jewish people of 2,000 years ago expected of the Messiah, and how that was fulfilled in Jesus. First, visit a reconstructed Talmudic village at Katzrin, to examine life in New Testament times and the use of everyday imagery in Scripture. Travel along the lower slopes of Mount Hermon—Israel's highest mountain, and the most likely site of the Transfiguration. Stop at Caesarea Philippi, in the region where Peter made his famous confession that Jesus is the Messiah. Pass by Druze Villages before arriving at Mt. Bental, a lookout spot near the border with Syria and the area where the Apostle Paul met the Lord on the road to Damascus. Stop at the Dan Nature Reserve, to see the incredible archaeological remains of the OT city of Dan, including the city gate from the time of Abraham, and there consider ancient Israel's apostasy. Enjoy a pleasant walk along a stream and discuss the meaning of "living water" as used in the Hebrew Scriptures and in Jesus' teaching. Return to Ma'agan Holiday Village for overnight.



Wed., Oct. 18 Light to the Nations: Jews, Gentiles, and the Messiah

Travel down the coast, to visit a number of Biblical sites which testify to God's faithfulness to His word, past, present, and future. Stop at ancient Nazareth, Jesus' boyhood home and place of His early ministry. At nearby Sepphoris, examine Jesus' relationship to Elijah, as well as His first miracle. End the day at the fabulous ruins of the Herodian city of Caesarea Maritima, the site of the conversion of Cornelius and the location from which Paul left Israel and set sail on his journey to Rome. Late in the afternoon, make the ascent to Jerusalem—the City of the Great King. After dinner, enjoy a short stroll for a rooftop panoramic view of the Old City and talk with the Director of Shores Study Tours. Overnight accommodations while in Jerusalem are at Christ Church Guesthouse.

Thu., Oct. 19 The Restoration of Hope: A Garland Instead of Ashes

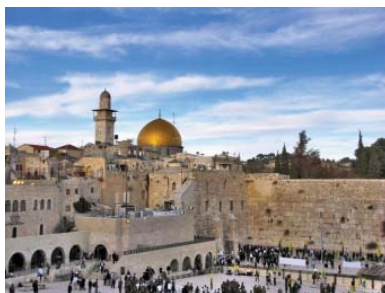
Today's study focuses on both a great tragedy and the wonder of the Lord's redemptive power. Examine King David's capital city of Jerusalem, the systematic annihilation of six million Jews in the Nazi genocide, and the loving witness of Christians committed to the Biblically prophesied physical restoration and spiritual rebirth of the Jewish people. Begin with a tour of the Christ Church Heritage Centre to learn about CMJ's 200-year history of ministry to the Jewish people. Then, after breakfast, travel to the place where it all began—the City of David. Learn about King David's conquest of the Jebusite city, and walk through Hezekiah's Tunnel to the Pool of Siloam. Continue to Yad VaShem, the Israel Memorial Museum to the Holocaust and examine the spiritual and theological roots of the most notorious genocide in history and the connection between the Church, Jesus and the Jewish people. Return to Christ Church for overnight.



Fri., Oct. 20 Jerusalem in the Time of Jesus: The Temple at the Center

Today is devoted to learning about the Jerusalem of Jesus' day, when the Temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish life. Studies focus on how worship was performed in the

temple, the Sadducees and Jesus' attitude towards them, and will provide insight into many important events in the gospels and book of Acts. Begin with a trip to the excavations near the base of the Temple Mount to discuss Pentecost on the Southern Steps where Jesus walked. After a visit to the Western Wall place of prayer, Judaism's most holy site, descend into the subterranean Western Wall Tunnels to walk at what was street level during the time of Jesus. After lunch, go up to the Temple Mount to consider some of Jesus' activities there, as well as the claims of Islam. If time permits, stop to examine the remains of the Pool of Bethesda. Return to Christ Church for overnight.



Sat., Oct. 21 Free morning in Jerusalem & the Birthplace of Jesus

The morning is free for rest, reflection, shopping, or for the energetic, perhaps a walk on the walls of the Old City. Drive to Bethlehem this afternoon to visit the Church of the Nativity, which marks the probable site of the birth of Jesus, and see the "Shepherd's Fields" where the angels heralded the advent of Messiah. Celebrate a Jewish Passover Seder meal this evening to fully understand the role of the Lamb of God and make the Biblical connections to the "last supper" that Jesus shared with His disciples. Return to Christ Church for overnight.

Sun., Oct. 22 Worship at Christ Church & The New City

Participate in the morning worship service at Christ Church today. In the afternoon, travel to the New City. While most Biblical sites in Jerusalem are located inside or nearby the walled Old City, most of the population of modern Jerusalem lives in the bustling and vibrant New City. For a glimpse of modern Israeli society, follow pedestrian streets along Jaffa Road to Zion Square, then up Ben Yehuda Street to the colorful Mahane Yehuda open-air market, where Jerusalemites shop for some of the best and freshest foods in Israel and sit in cozy cafes. The whole walk is filled with interesting history, as well as great people watching, photographic and eating opportunities. Return to Christ Church for overnight.

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Register on-line at: <http://www.cvent.com/d/gvq15m>

Mon., Oct. 23 In the Steps of Jesus: Crucifixion, Death, Burial and Resurrection

Today's focus is on sites related to the Biblical passages concerning Jesus' last week in Jerusalem. Discover why He was crucified, how He was buried, and what it meant to the Jewish people of the First Century that He was raised from the dead. Begin with a panoramic overlook of Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, the site of Jesus' ascension to heaven and His future second coming. After viewing a tomb from the time of Jesus, walk down the Mount of Olives to Gethsemane. Cross the Kidron Valley and enter the Old City through Dung Gate traveling through the Jewish Quarter of the Old City to see the Herodian Villas, the palatial mansions that were the home to the Sadducees, the ruling priesthood at the time of Jesus. Continue to the Citadel "Tower of David" and Kishle, the site of King Herod's palace and probable location of Jesus' trial before Pilate. Enter the Christian Quarter to arrive at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the most likely site of the burial and resurrection of Jesus. The tour ends with a time of reflection at a site which wonderfully illustrates Jesus' burial and resurrection, the peaceful Garden Tomb. Return to Christ Church to rest before an evening departure for the airport.

Tue., Oct. 24 To the Ends of the Earth

The flight home departs just after midnight, with arrival scheduled in the U.S. around six in the morning.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Itinerary and accommodation subject to change if conditions necessitate.
- Some days involve a significant amount of walking and/or steep climbing. Every effort is made to enable all tour members to fully participate at every site, but in some cases may not be possible.

Tour Price (based on departure from JFK, NY and two persons sharing a double room)

Air & Land Price: \$4,109 (check payment)

Land Only Price: \$2,589 (check payment)

Single Room Supplement: \$579 (check payment)

Travel Protection Insurance (per person, non-refundable):

\$316 per person for coverage up to \$4,000

\$397 per person for coverage up to \$5,000

Pay insurance premium at time of deposit.

Deposit (due at time of registration*): A \$500 deposit per person (plus insurance premium, if applicable) is required to secure registration. Space is limited and reflects special group rates.

* Registrations and deposits are due by June 7, 2017. Late registrations or deposits received after this date will likely incur additional charges due to supplier contract terms. Final payment is due by August 13, 2017.

Credit Cards are accepted, please add a 4% convenience fee to your payment(s). This fee is calculated automatically on the registration website when credit card payment is selected.



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Tour Features and Conditions

Please read all Tour Features and Conditions carefully. Payment of tour deposit constitutes acceptance of these conditions.

Air Transportation: Air transportation is restricted to the services of any IATA carrier, in economy class based on non-refundable fare. Travelers are responsible to provide their names as they appear in their passport. Ticketing will be made 30-45 days prior to departure, after which there will be a charge for name corrections. Tour price includes current airline taxes and fuel surcharges, which are subject to change until ticketed. Tour participants are responsible for any increase in airline taxes or fuel surcharges imposed by the airline.

Seat Assignments: Raptim Humanitarian Travel notes specific seat assignments as requested by tour members and submits them to the airline. However, the airline makes the actual assignments; there is no guarantee that all requests will be honored. Any changes should be requested at check-in by the traveler. Please advise your travel consultant of any special seating needs due to health or mobility, or note under "Airline Seat Request" when registering.

Accommodations: Based on two or more persons sharing a room in accommodations listed in itinerary, or similar. Single rooms are subject to availability at an additional charge. If a passenger cannot supply a roommate, the passenger is responsible for the additional charge.

Meals: In-flight meals and snacks are served according to airline policy. Breakfast and dinner will be provided daily.

Transfers and Baggage: Group transfers between airports and hotels upon arrival and departure are included in the tour price, including handling of one medium-sized suitcase per person, not exceeding 62 dimensional inches (length plus width plus height) or weighing more than a maximum of 50 pounds. Due to limited luggage storage space on motor coaches, it is important that each person bring only ONE piece of checked baggage. In addition, a flight bag or overnight case may be taken, which must be handled by the passenger at all times. Baggage allowance is subject to change according to airline policy.

Sightseeing and Entrance Fees: Are included as indicated in itinerary, using private motor coach or other conveyance, with local guides where necessary.

Tips and Taxes: Service charges and taxes on accommodations and tips to guides, drivers, and hotel staff are included. Tips for lunches and personal services are not included.

Not Included: Lunches and lunch tips, beverages with dinners, passport fee, the travel protection plan, checked baggage fees, and expenses of a purely personal nature are not included. Transportation from your home to departure city and return is not included.

Deposit and Payment: Reservations may be secured with a deposit payment of \$500 per person at time of registration before June 7, 2017. You will be invoiced for final payment, which is due August 13, 2017.

Passenger Initiated Cancellation Conditions: The cancellation conditions outlined below apply to all passenger initiated cancellations. Should circumstances require that the passenger cancel, written notice of cancellation must be received by Raptim Humanitarian Travel minimum of 100 days prior to departure to secure any refund of deposit funds.

- From date of deposit to and including July 2, 2017: \$175 per person service fee applies
- From July 3, to and including August 13, 2017: Full deposit (\$500 per person) plus any unrecoverable fees apply
- After August 13, 2017: No refund

Cancellation policies apply when cancellation occurs for any reason. There is no refund for any unused services or portion of the tour package.

Host and/or Shores Initiated Cancellation Conditions:

The tour host and/or Shores would only consider cancelling a tour if government warnings or airline cancellations necessitate cancellation.

- When the tour is cancelled by the tour host, a \$100 per person service fee will apply.
- When tour is cancelled by SHORES a \$250 per person service fee will apply.

Protect Your Investment: Group travel protection coverage is available to cover medical expenses (first-pay coverage), medical evacuation & repatriation, trip cancellation/interruption, trip delay, baggage and personal effects loss, and baggage delay. A pre-existing condition exclusion waiver is available if coverage is purchased up to and including time of final payment. Further information can be found on the Insurance tab of the tour registration website or by contacting your Raptim consultant.

Passport, Visa & Health Requirements: A valid passport is required. If you do not have a passport, you should apply for one immediately. Information on obtaining or renewing a U.S. passport can be found at <http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english.html>. If you now have a passport, please verify that it is valid beyond April 10, 2018. Visas are not required for Israel. Participants are responsible to fulfill entry requirements for countries to be visited by contacting the appropriate consulates. No inoculations are required, but please check with your physician for his recommendation.

Rates & Fares Information: Rates are based on a minimum of 21 persons traveling together. Fewer tour participants will result in a price increase. The quoted tour price is based on the current rate of exchange. Fluctuation in the foreign exchange rate can result in price increase.

Deviations: Any individual making a change in travel arrangements apart from this group program will be charged a service fee of \$100 per person, plus any additional air or land costs incurred. If you choose to make your own travel arrangements (not through Raptim Travel), we are not responsible for any charges or cancellation fees you may incur at any time.

Tour Operator Itinerary Changes: The itinerary as outlined is an indication of sequence and sites to be included in the tour program. However, the tour operator reserves the right to alter or change the itinerary and/or the sites included should it be deemed necessary due to local conditions, time restrictions, or other circumstances.

Traveler Safety: In the ever-changing world situation, Raptim recommends personal monitoring of news about your destination. For the latest country information from the U.S. Dept. of State, please visit <http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/alertswarnings.html>.

Disabilities: Guests with disabilities or dietary restrictions should inquire in advance about whether their needs can be accommodated.

Responsibility

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Prices and schedules appearing in this brochure are based on current schedules and tariff rates and are subject to change without notice. The tour operator reserves the right to modify the itinerary where deemed necessary or caused by changes in air or other schedules. The airlines and/or other transportation companies concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not aboard their plane or conveyance. The passage contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and purchaser of tours and/or the passenger.

**Reservation Form
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Complete & mail this form, with a deposit of \$500 per person prior to June 7, 2017 & include the insurance premium (payable to Raptim Humanitarian Travel) to Raptim Humanitarian Travel, 116 Lake Street., Ephrata, PA 17522 or complete the credit card payment information below.

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I have read the Tour Features and Conditions for this tour and agree to the terms listed therein. I understand that the airline tickets or air tours I am purchasing are subject to supplemental price increases after the date of deposit due to additional charges imposed by a supplier or government. I acknowledge that I may be charged additional sums by Raptim Humanitarian Travel to offset increased fees, fuel surcharges, taxes, and fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination thereof. I hereby consent to any post-purchase price increases. Raptim Humanitarian Travel has offered the option of purchasing travel insurance, and I take full responsibility for my decision to purchase or not.

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