



Join Rev. Justin Iverson

# Journey through the Bible

March 5-15, 2019



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## March 5 & 6 - USA to the Holy Land

Your journey begins as you depart the USA. Arrive in Tel Aviv and transfer to Bethlehem for dinner and overnight.

## March 7 - Jericho and Qumran

Visit the baptismal site of **Qasr el Yehud**, where tradition says Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist. Travel to **Jericho** (the oldest city in the world) and visit the ruins of the ancient city conquered by Joshua (Joshua 6:1, 2 & 20). In the distance, you can see the traditional site of the **Temptation of Jesus** (Matthew 4:1-11). Continue to **Qumran**, site of the Dead Sea Scroll discovery. End your day with the opportunity to take a dip in the mineral-laden waters of the **Dead Sea**.

## March 8 - Herodion and Bethlehem

Explore one of the most exciting archeological digs in Israel the **Herodion**, the palace-fortress and final resting place of Herod the Great. In **Bethlehem**, visit the cave where Jesus was born (Luke 2:1-7) and the **Church of the Nativity**. Gaze out over the **Shepherds' Field**, where angels first proclaimed the Good News.

## March 9 - Caesarea, Mount Carmel and Tel Megiddo

Visit the Roman Aqueduct and Theatre at **Caesarea**, a center of early Christianity and where Paul was imprisoned for two years (Acts 10). View **Mount Carmel**, site of Elijah's victory over the prophets of Baal (1 Kings 18). Travel the ancient caravan route through the Jezreel Valley to **Tel Megiddo**, an exciting archeological dig with its layers of twenty different cities built on top of each other.

## March 10 - The Galilee

Enjoy a scenic drive to **Capernaum**, center of Jesus' ministry in the Galilee (Matt.4:13, 23). On the **Mount of Beatitudes**, contemplate the text of the Sermon on the Mount that Jesus preached there (Matt. 5-7). Experience a special onboard worship service as you **sail across the Sea of Galilee**. Visit the **Church of the Fish and the Loaves** in **Tabgha**, the traditional location of the feeding of the 5,000 (Luke 9:10-17). As you pray in the **Chapel of the Primacy**, remember how Peter professed his devotion to the risen Christ three times (John 21). In **Magdala**, once home to Mary Magdalene, visit a recently discovered first-century synagogue.

## March 11 - Cana, Nazareth, Samaria and Jacob's Well

Begin your day with a visit to **Cana**, the site of Christ's first miracle (John 2) before stopping in **Nazareth**, Jesus' boyhood home (Matthew 2:23). Continue past **Tel Dothan**, thought to be the place where Joseph found his brothers with their flocks (Genesis 37). Visit **Samaria**, the capital of the Northern Kingdom and home to Ahab and Jezebel. See **Mount Ebal** and **Mount Gerizim** where the Israelites recited the blessings and curses of the Law. In modern day **Nablus** (ancient Shechem), see where the Samaritan woman encountered Christ (John 4) at **Jacob's Well**.

## March 12 - Jerusalem

Stand on the **Mount of Olives** and enjoy a remarkable view of the Golden City of Jerusalem. Forty days after His resurrection, Jesus ascended into heaven from this place (Acts 1:9-12). Walk to the **Garden of Gethsemane** and pray beneath the ancient olive trees (Matthew 26:36-44). On **Mount Zion**, visit the **Upper Room**, revered as the site of the Last Supper (Mark 14:12-26) and **St. Peter in Gallicantu**, the home of the High Priest Caiaphas, where Jesus was held after His arrest (Matthew 26:57).

## March 13 - Jerusalem

This morning, enjoy a walking tour of the **Old City of Jerusalem** along the **Cardo**, once the main street of the city. Explore the **Davidson Center** and the **Southern Wall Excavations**, including the **Teaching Steps** and the **Western Wall**. Remember how Jesus healed on the Sabbath when you visit the **Pool of Bethesda** (John 5: 1-18). At **Herod's Antonia Fortress** (Luke 23:1), see where Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate. Walk the **Via Dolorosa** ("the Way of the Cross") and remember the Lord's sacrificial love at the **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**. Share communion together at the **Garden Tomb** in celebration of His Resurrection.

## March 14 - Ein Karem, Nebi Samuel, Emmaus and Valley of Elah

Travel to **Ein Karem**, birthplace of John the Baptist and where Mary visited Elizabeth (Luke 1:26-40). Visit **Nebi Samuel**, thought to be the burial place of the prophet Samuel. In **Emmaus**, recall how the resurrected Jesus appeared to two of His disciples (Luke 24:13-35). Journey through the **Valley of Elah**, where David defeated Goliath (1 Samuel 17).

## March 15 - Return to the USA or Enjoy an Extension.



## Educational Theme

Jesus: His Life, His Times, His Land, His Hebrew Faith

Two Units of CEU Credits Available

Touring itinerary is subject to change based on local conditions and tour occupancy rates.

# OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS



## NILE CRUISE - \$2298\* March 15-22, 2019

- March 15** Fly to Cairo and enjoy dinner and an overnight here.
- March 16** Fly to Luxor and embark on your Nile Cruise before lunch; Visit the Temples of Luxor & Karnak.
- March 17** Visit the Necropolis of Thebes, the Valley of the Kings, the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut and the Colossi of Memnon. Sail to Esna and cross the Nile locks.
- March 18** Visit the Temple of Horus in Edfu; Sail to Kom Ombo and see the Temple to Sobek & Haroeris before sailing to Aswan.
- March 19** Disembark the cruise in Aswan; Visit the High Dam of Aswan and the Temple of Philae before flying to Cairo. Dinner and overnight in Cairo.
- March 20** Visit the Egyptian Museum, the Giza Pyramids & the Sphinx. Enjoy a tour of Old Cairo before returning to your hotel for dinner and overnight.
- March 21** Fly from Cairo to Tel Aviv and prepare for your return journey to the USA.
- March 22** Return to USA.



## WONDERS OF PETRA & DEAD SEA- \$898\* March 15-18, 2019

- March 15** Cross the Allenby Bridge into Jordan. Visit Mt. Nebo & Madaba. Overnight in Petra or at the Dead Sea.
- March 16** Explore Petra. Travel to the Dead Sea area for a late dinner and overnight.
- March 17** Journey through Jerash, and then recross the border into Israel. Enjoy dinner before transferring to the airport for your return flight home.
- March 18** Return to USA.

## HIKING IN THE HOLY LAND - \$998\* March 15-19, 2019

- March 15** Hike from Nazareth to Sepphoris (5 Miles). Travel to Kibbutz Lavi for dinner and overnight.
- March 16** Hike from Kibbutz Lavi to Moshav Arbel (8-10 miles). See the Horns of Hittim & Nebi Shweib (sacred Druze site). Return to Kibbutz Lavi for dinner and overnight.
- March 17** Hike from Mount Arbel to Capernaum (10 Miles). See stunning views of the Sea of Galilee, Wadi Hamam, Sapir, Tabgha, the Church of St. Peter's Primacy and Capernaum. Dip your feet in the Sea of Galilee and rest before returning to Kibbutz Lavi for dinner and overnight.
- March 18** Enjoy a day of rest or join the optional Horseback Riding & Kayak trip (\$100 additional). Dinner at Kibbutz Lavi.
- March 19** Return to USA.

\*All prices reflect a 4% cash discount

Guests taking an extension may be on a different flight than their group and/or traveling companion.

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR HOST

# Rev. Justin Iverson



I invite you to join me on this 11-Day Journey through the Bible program that will expand our knowledge of the Bible and this sacred land. A journey following in the footsteps of Jesus, Paul, Samuel & David will change the way you read the Bible, and you will learn why scholars refer to the Holy Land as the "Fifth Gospel". Please consider this brochure my personal invitation to be a part of this adventure in faith and join me in experiencing a once in a lifetime journey as we see the Bible come to life!

**Save the date and bring a friend!**

Rev. Justin Iverson



## Register Early & Save

<b>\$125</b> register by May 5, 2018	<b>\$100</b> register by June 5, 2018
<b>\$75</b> register by July 5, 2018	<b>\$50</b> register by August 5, 2018
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