



**The Fifth Gospel – Holy Land:
In the Footsteps of Jesus and His Apostles
August 02 – August 11, 2019**

DAY 01: August 02 - DEPARTURE

Departure from your gateway city, transatlantic flight to **Israel**.

DAY 02: August 03 - ARRIVAL TO TEL AVIV

Upon the arrival at Ben Gurion airport our guide meets us. Our first overnight in Holy Land. Hotel and Dinner in Tel Aviv

DAY 03: August 04 - CAESAREA - MONTE CARMEL - NAZARETH - CANA OF GALILEE

Drive along the coastal road to the Crusaders port city of Caesarea and the Roman capital of ancient Israel. See the Roman Theater from the days of King Herod and Paul's imprisonment. On the way to Haifa we will stop in **Monte Carmel**. Then to Haifa to view the golden domed Bahai Temple and its beautiful Persian gardens.

Nazareth - In the New Testament, the city is described as the childhood home of Jesus.

Cana of Galilee is best known as the place where, according to the Fourth Gospel, Jesus performed his tenth miracle the turning of a large quantity of water into wine at a wedding feast (John 2:1-11) Hotel and Dinner in Tiberias

Day 04: August 05 - GALILEE – CAPHARNAUM - MOUNT OF BEATITUDES - TABGHA

Mount of Beatitudes. The Mount of the "Sermon on the Mount" is recorded in Matthew 5-7 and Luke 6. **Capharnaum** "the Town of Jesus". We learn from the Gospels that Jesus left Nazareth and settled in Capharnaum (Mt 4:12), which in some way became "his own town" (Mt 9:1). **Boat ride on the Sea of Galilee.** **Tabgha** - the traditional site of the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes (Mark 6:30-46) and the third resurrection appearance of Jesus (John 21:1-24) in Christianity. Church of the Multiplication and Church of the Primacy of St Peter. Hotel and Dinner in Tiberias

Day 05: August 06 - MOUNT TABOR - QASR AL YAHUD – JERICHO - DEAD SEE

Mount Tabor. Early Church fathers believed that the Transfiguration took place on Mt. Tabor.

Qasr al Yahud (The Jews' Castle or Palace) is a site on the banks of the Jordan River not far from Jericho. Christian tradition associates Qasr al Yahud with the site of Jesus' baptism (Matthew 3) and it has been revered as such from at least the fourth century.

Jericho - the most excavated site in Israel. Jericho is believed to be one of, if not the oldest cities in the world. As recorded in the Gospels of Matthew (4:1-11) and Luke (4:1-13) — and fleetingly in Mark (1:12-13) — the Holy Spirit led Jesus into the desert. While he fasted, the devil tempted him three times to prove his divinity by demonstrating his supernatural powers.

THE DEAD SEA REGION. This region is amazingly alive and well! The Dead Sea is also probably the most phenomenal body of water on earth, and its surroundings the most wondrous.

Leisure time you will be able to take a sunbath and swim in the Dead Sea.

Qumran is a ruin from the days of the Second Temple on the northwest shore of the Dead Sea. It became famous since 1947 when a number of ancient manuscripts were found in nearby caves. These manuscripts are now known as the Dead Sea Scrolls. Hotel and Dinner in Jerusalem

DAY 06: August 07 - BETLEHEM - EIN KEREM

Bethlehem. According to the New Testament, Bethlehem is the birthplace of Jesus of Nazareth.

Ein Kerem is a picturesque village located approximately 8 km southwest of Jerusalem. It is indirectly mentioned in the bible as home of St. Zacharia and his wife Elizabeth, and the birthplace of their son John the Baptist. **Mary's Spring.** The village fresh-water spring is the traditional location where Mary and Elizabeth met. Hotel and Dinner in Jerusalem



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Day 07: August 08 - JERUSALEM

We start our day with a view of **The Holy City** from the **Mount of Olives, Mount of Ascension and Pater Noster**, following the **Palm Sunday Road**, the road Jesus followed on His way to Jerusalem. We stop for the **Holy Mass** at the chapel of **Dominus Flevit**, then proceed to the **Garden of Gethsemane** and pray at the church of All Nations (Church of Gethsemane), where Jesus prayed. We will also visit the church of **St. Peter Gallicantu, the Last Supper**, church of **Dormition** where the **Blessed Virgin Mary** fell into Eternal Sleep. Hotel and Dinner in Jerusalem

Day 08: August 09 - JERUSALEM

Church of St. Anne and Pool of Bethesda. Dome of the Rock and the Weeping Wall, Via Dolorosa is a street in the Old City of Jerusalem. Traditionally, it is held to be the path that Jesus walked on the way to his crucifixion. It is marked by nine of the fourteen Stations of the Cross. The last five stations are inside **the Church of the Holy Sepulchre**. Hotel and Dinner in Jerusalem

Day 09: August 10 – THE LAST DAY IN HOLY LAND – JERUSALEM – BETHANY

Bethany is recorded in the New Testament as the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus, as well as that of Simon the Leper. Jesus is reported to have lodged there after his entry into Jerusalem, and it could be from Bethany that he parted from his disciples at the Ascension. Free Time. Hotel and Dinner in Jerusalem

DAY 10: August 11 – TEL AVIV – LOS ANGELES

PRICE: 3,250.00. Price includes the following services:

Round trip ticket: Los Angeles – Tel Aviv – Los Angeles.

Accommodation (according to the program) in hotels **** (local standard)

Breakfast and Dinner with option HB;

Transport (bus-coach);

English Speaking Tour Guide;

Entrance fees as follows: Caesarea National Park; Taxis to Mount Tabor; Capernaum; Cruise on the Sea of Galilee;

Pools of Bethesda (St. Anne Church); Pater Noster; St Peter in Gallicantu; Mount of Olives Ascension; Dead Sea Beach;

Tips for tour guide, driver, restaurants services, hotel staff (\$104.00 per person)

Price does not include: Single supplement \$850.00; insurance; personal expenses; drinks during dinner.

Deposit of \$500.00 per person is required at time of booking to secure reservation.

Balance is due no later than March 31, 2019

Note: If you register before January 31, 2019, we will pay your Mandatory Travel Insurance, value of \$150.00

Note: All prices quoted in this flyer are based on airfares, land and exchange rates in effect in September 2018 and on group rates of 35 passengers or more.

All prices are subject to change without notice prior to departure due to major currency fluctuations, fuel price increases and/or unforeseen economic conditions.

We reserve the right to change the price of this tour and to change the hotel and itinerary without previous Notice.

Please complete the booking form with full name as it appears on passport, and mail it to us with your check deposit of \$500.00 per person to:

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