

Presented by Disciple Daily

Israel & Jordan Tour

October 5-21, 2019



Israel Training Tour for Disciples of Jesus

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October 5, Saturday

Saturday is departure day. Airline arrangements are your responsibility. Make your reservations to arrive in Israel on October 6 before 5 P.M. Please send us your flight schedule.

October 6, Sunday

Following passport control and the collection of your luggage, our representative will greet you in the Arrival Hall. He will accommodate your transfer to the Hotel Gilgal, in Tel Aviv, where you will meet the rest of the group for dinner and orientation.

**October 7, Monday**

Our tour begins as we head south into the Negev, the land of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. We will stop at the Elah Valley where David defeated Goliath, participate in an archeological dig, and finish the day with a couple of sites along the road to the capital of the Negev, Beer-Sheva where we will spend the night at the Leonardo Negev.

October 8, Tuesday

The day begins at Tel Beer Sheva, in the heart of the Negev, the territory occupied by Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. The first Patriarch of the Jewish people, Abraham, may be responsible for digging the well outside the gates of Tel Sheva. We will cross the Negev and the Arabah en route to Timnah Park, where you will enter a life-size replica of the Wilderness Tabernacle. Crossing the border into Jordan, we will spend the night at a Bedouin encampment (Sunset Camp) for a taste of what it might have been like during Israel's forty-year wandering.

October 9, Thursday

Wadi Rum was part of the territory on the east side of the Jordan River where Israel wandered north and south to ancient Amman and back. We will explore Wadi Rum first thing this morning via jeeps and camels. Driving north, we will travel through Edom en-route to Petra. One of the seven wonders of the ancient world, the capital city of the Nabatean Empire will very likely play an essential role in God's prophetic end-times plan. Following our afternoon exploration, we will drive north towards Amman, the capital of Jordan where we will spend the night at Hotel Geneva.

October 10, Friday

On Mt. Nebo, Moses was able to look into the Promised Land before his death. It is our first stop this morning before descending to the Jordan Valley. The mantle of leadership passed from Moses to

Joshua who led Israel across the Jordan, near Jericho. We will re-enter Israel into Israel somewhere near their crossing point. This is the area where John the Baptist ministered and where Jesus was baptized before His wilderness wandering. Those wishing to do so can be baptized in the Jordan River near the place where John the Baptist immersed his Lord and Savior, Jesus. Jericho will be conquered in the afternoon before we head south along the shore of the Dead Sea. Tonight's lodging will be at the Masada Hostel, at the foot of Masada. Barring a cloudy sunrise, the morning view will be spectacular!



October 11, Saturday

The highlight of the day is a visit to Masada, the desert fortress where Rome defeated the last remnant of the zealot movement that opposed Rome following the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A.D. As we continue north, EnGedi and Qumran are also on the schedule. We will spend the night within shouting distance of the spring where Gideon selected 300 fighting men at Kibbutz Ein Harod.

October 12, Sunday

Today we will start exploring the life and times of Messiah Jesus at Beit Shean, not far from where we spent the night. This is the largest archeological preserve in Israel with levels dating back to the Egyptian Pharaohs. Known also as Schytopolis, Beit Shean was one of the ten Decapolis communities, the only one on the western side of the Jordan Valley. After crossing the Jezreel Valley, Nazareth Village is next. This unique attraction is a re-creation of the 1st Century community Jesus would have known. From Nazareth, we will make our way to the Sea of Galilee. God willing, your first view of this area will be from the top of Mt. Arbel. For the next three nights, we will be staying at the brand new Sofia Hotel in Tiberias, on the western shore of the Sea of Galilee.

October 13, Monday

The people living around the Sea of Galilee witnessed seventy-five percent of the miracles Jesus performed. They heard the amazing things He said and wondered aloud "who is this that speaks with such authority, not like the Scribes and Pharisees?" Today we will be visiting the places where these things occurred at Capernaum, Bethsaida, and Chorazin. One of the highlights will be a boat ride on the lake where Jesus calmed the waves with a word.

October 14, Tuesday

The Golan Heights provide a strategic buffer zone between Syria and Israel. Today, you will discover why this area is crucial to the security of the State of Israel. On the border with Lebanon, we will hike

through the Tel Dan nature preserve. You will stand on the altar built by Jeroboam where the golden calf was reintroduced to Israel at the beginning of the Divided Kingdom period. Idolatry is the theme of the day as we continue our exploration of the north at Caesarea Philippi. We will drive back towards the Sea of Galilee on top of the Golan Heights. Mount Bental provides a strategic look into Syria. Damascus is just over the horizon to the northeast.



October 15, Wednesday

Today we will go up to Jerusalem. Along the way, we will make a stop at Har Megiddo, the location of some of the events of the Last Days. The Shepherd Fields of Bethlehem will be our next stop. You will never look at Christmas nativity scenes the same way again. Late this afternoon, your first view of Jerusalem will be from the Mt. of Olives. We will walk down the mountain to the Garden of Gethsemane to prepare for our time in the City of the Great King. For the next four nights, we will live at the Sephardic House in the heart of the Old City, the Jewish Quarter.

October 16, Thursday

This is a uniquely crafted day. It is designed to help you understand the 4,000-year saga of the Jewish people and their historical claim to the Promised Land. The day is not pleasant. But it is essential because it tells a story so few know or understand. It starts at Yad Vashem, the national memorial to the Holocaust. The systematic extermination of 6,000,000 Jews was the product of Satan's attempt to destroy God's covenant people. The anti-semitic sentiment that produced the Shoah and the resolve among Jewish people worldwide are what our second stop is all about. Before returning to our hotel, we will explore the Israel Museum, home of the Model City and the Shrine of Book.

October 17 - 18, Friday & Saturday

This will be a busy two days. There will be no bus to ferry us around. We will explore Jerusalem on foot from the time of King David to the day Jesus ascended back to heaven. We will visit the City of David, explore Hezekiah's Tunnel, and the southern steps of the Temple Mount. We will pray at the Western Wall and journey through the Rabbis' Tunnels to experience the impact of Herod the Great. We will physically walk through the day Jesus died for you and me. The folks at the Garden Tomb are our hosts for an intimate look at what could have been the burial site of Jesus, two-thousand years ago. One of the highlights of this tour is being in Jerusalem on Friday night, the start of the Shabbat. Thousands of people converge on the Kotel (Wailing / Western Wall) at twilight before returning home for a family meal and a day of rest. We will experience this together.

October 19, Sunday

Leaving Jerusalem behind, our driver will head back towards the Coastal Plain somewhat along the route taken by the two travelers on their way to Emmaus.

Perhaps your heart will burn within you as you contemplate what you will tell others upon your return home. Paul was imprisoned for two years at Caesarea Maritima before being sent to Rome.

That is our first destination today. The afternoon and evening will find us at

Jaffa. Like Jonah and Peter before you, perhaps God is commissioning you to tell

the world what He has told you. We will complete our evening together talking about these things at Hotel Gilgal on our final night in the Promised Land.



October 20, Sunday

You are free to make your reservations for your return flight at any time on Sunday.

FINANCE DETAILS

- The land-only cost of this tour is \$4,000 per person. If you plan to travel alone, an additional \$800 single supplement is applicable.
- The size of the group will be no more than 20 people.
- The cost includes tour bus, driver, guides, all accommodations and entrance fees, all tips and gratuities.
- If you would like assistance with making your airline reservations, we are happy to help.
- Noemi and Arlie will be flying to Israel through Newark on United Airlines. If you would like to make your reservations and travel with us, you are welcome to do so.
- Accommodations are a combination of kibbutz guest houses and hotels. They are not fancy, but they are clean and comfortable.
- Breakfast and dinner are included every day. Lunch is your responsibility. Estimate \$15 per person / per meal. It won't always be that amount, but we don't want you to be surprised.

WHAT MAKES DISCIPLE DAILY'S TOURS UNIQUE?

Two Full Weeks

Standard "tour-in-a-box" vacations last about ten days, including travel days. The itineraries offered are almost identical. Because our Israel tours are longer, participants gain exposure to parts of the Promised Land vacationers never see. For about the same cost as a standard 10-day vacation tour, Disciple Daily's Israel tours last a full 14 days in the country.



Conducted Chronologically

Every story has a beginning and an end. The Bible is no different. Vacation tours begin with the life of Jesus, two-thirds of the way into God's grand story. Our tours are organized to introduce you to the unfolding story of the entire Bible, including two nights in Jordan.

Living Stones

God is doing a new work in Israel. For the first time in almost 2,000 years, Jewish people are once again coming to faith in Yeshua, their Jewish Messiah. Many Arabs are now recognizing Jesus as Savior and Lord. As one new man, they are doing ministry in Jerusalem, Judea & Samaria, and around the world. You will meet some of these incredible Jesus followers on our tours.

Equipping For Ministry

Disciple Daily's Israel tours are limited to no more than 20 people to enable discussion among all the participants. We learn from each other. Large groups cannot do that. Everyone who travels with us returns home equipped to begin telling the grand story of the Bible where they live, work, and play.

Do You Want To Go To Israel With Us?

A \$1,000 non-refundable deposit and a completed tour application secures your space. Full payment must be made by July 31, 2019. We do not accept credit cards payments. If Disciple Daily cancels this trip, all payments are refunded in full. If you have any questions, please call Arlie Francis at (210) 846-2582. Mail deposits, payments and application to:

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