

Join The Salvation Army and Major Lydia Pearson

HOLY LAND TOUR



September 11-23, 2027

All-inclusive price starts at \$4498* from New York

YOUR ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICE INCLUDES:

Basic Tour and Guided Sightseeing ~ Round-trip International Airfare ~ Fuel Charges and Government Taxes subject to change

Administration Fees, Entrance Fees, Gratuities and Program fees

Travel Protection Plan ~ Daily Breakfast and Dinner ~ Deluxe Motorcoaches ~ First Class Hotels and much more!

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Day 1—Departure

Depart USA for Israel on your transatlantic flight with meals served on board.

Day 2—Arrival in Tel Aviv

Arrive in Tel Aviv and time permitting, visit the biblical Joppa, now the port city of Jaffa. Transfer to Tiberias for dinner and overnight.

Day 3—Upper Galilee

Travel to the Upper Galilee and explore Hazor, one of the oldest archaeological sites in Israel. The 3000-year-old city was the inspiration for The Source, James Michener's epic history of the region. Here Joshua fought against Jabin (Joshua 11:1-11). At nearby Tel Dan see the mud brick arch constructed in pre-Israelite (Canaanite) times and where the House of David fragment from the First Temple Period was discovered. See the Dan Springs, which are one of the sources of the Jordan River. Visit Caesarea Philippi, where Jesus traveled with His disciples and near where Peter made his great confession to Jesus, "Thou—art the Christ, the Son of the Living God" (Matthew 16:16). Travel on through the strategic tableland known as the Golan Heights. Return to Tiberias for dinner and overnight.

Day 4—Sea of Galilee

Take a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. Visit Capernaum, the center of Jesus' ministry in the area. See the synagogue, which stands on the site where Jesus taught. At Kibbutz Nof Ginnosar, learn about the "ancient boat," a rare example of the kind of boat in which Jesus would have sailed. Travel to the Mount of Beatitude, where Jesus preached the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7). At Tabgha, the traditional location for the calling of the disciples and the feeding of the 5000, visit the Church of the Loaves and Fish (Luke 9:10-17). Visit the Chapel of the Primacy, where three times Peter professed his devotion to the risen Christ (John 21:15-23). Dinner and overnight in Tiberias.

Day 5—Lower Galilee and Caesarea by the Sea

Start your day at the Yardenit Baptismal site. Travel to the ruins of Beit Shean, where the bodies of Saul and his sons were displayed on the walls after they were killed in battle (1 Samuel 31). Beit Shean is also noted for having the best-preserved Roman theatre in Israel. Stop at Mount Carmel, where Elijah defeated the prophets of Baal. Travel along the coast to Caesarea-by-the-Sea and visit the Roman aqueduct and theatre, a center for the early Christians. It was here that Cornelius became the first Gentile convert to the new religion (Acts 10) and Paul was imprisoned before being taken to Rome for trial. Dinner and overnight in Tiberias.



Day 6—Nazareth Village, Sepphoris, Megiddo

Visit Nazareth Village, a museum in the open air, that puts you in the middle of first-century life and allows you to experience the traditions and customs of ordinary people at the time of Jesus. Continue to Sepphoris, the cosmopolitan Roman capital of Galilee until Herod Antipas built Tiberias. It is heralded as the traditional birth place of Mary. Travel the caravan route to Tel Megiddo, where 20 different cities lie superimposed upon each other, and where Solomon built his stables. Transfer to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight.

Day 7—Jerusalem

Stand in the Upper Room, revered as the place of the Last Supper (Mark 14:12-26). Continue down Mount Zion to the home of the High Priest Caiaphas, where Jesus was imprisoned for a night (Mark 26:57-65). Visit the Davidson Center where you can learn about past and present Excavation work. Understand better the Jerusalem of Jesus' day with a look at a first-century model of the City of Jerusalem, now based at the Israel Museum. Visit the Shrine of the Book, where the Dead Sea scrolls are displayed. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 8—Jerusalem

Travel to Bethany (conditions permitting), the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus, where Jesus visited on several occasions and raised Lazarus from the dead (John 11). In Jerusalem, stand atop the Mount of Olives as Jesus did and enjoy a remarkable view of the "Golden City" of Jerusalem. Forty days after His resurrection, Jesus ascended into heaven from the Mount of Olives (Acts 1:9-12). Visit Dominus Flevit, the church built on the place where Jesus mourned for Jerusalem. Walk to the Garden of Gethsemane via the Kidron Valley (Matthew 26:36-44). Travel to Bethlehem to see the Shepherds' Field, where the Good News was first heard, and visit the Church of the Nativity, the world's oldest functioning church. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 9—Jericho, Qumran, Ein Gedi, Masada and the Dead Sea

Travel to Jericho and visit the ancient ruins of the city that was conquered by Joshua (Joshua 6). From Jericho you can see the traditional site of the Temptation of Jesus (Matthew 4:1-11). Even today the road from Jericho to Jerusalem twists for miles and it climbs from below sea level into the Judean mountains. Jesus traveled the nearby Roman road, the setting of His parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:30-36). Continue to Qumran, the site of the Dead Sea Scroll discovery, to learn about the mysterious community of the Essenes, who once lived on the shores of the Dead Sea. Journey to the oasis of

Ein Gedi, where David and his men sought refuge from Saul (1 Samuel 23). Visit Masada, Herod's mountaintop fortress that became the last stronghold of the Jewish rebellion against the Romans. Ride the cable car to the top to explore. Peer down upon the remains of the Roman camps and the siege ramp below. Stop at the shores of the Dead Sea for a quick dip in the salt and mineral laden waters. This evening watch the city of David Sound and Light Show. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 10—Jerusalem

Enjoy a free day in Jerusalem to rest and reflect on the tour experience. After dinner join fellow pilgrims for a time of singing and testimony.

Day 11—Jerusalem

Start your day with a tour of the Old City of Jerusalem. Visit the Western Wall and the Temple Mount. Visit the Church of St. Anne and view the Pool of Bethesda, where Jesus performed the sabbath Miracle (John 5). Visit Herod's Antonia Fortress, where Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate (Luke 23:1-11). Walk the Via Dolorosa and stand in reverence at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Visit the Garden Tomb, the possible site of the garden of Joseph of Arimathea and experience the reality of the resurrection. Enjoy some free time in the afternoon. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 12—Temple Mount Sifting Project and National Parks

This morning, participate in the Emek Tzurim (Temple Sifting Project). Journey through the Valley of Elah, where David defeated Goliath (1 Samuel 17). Continue to Emmaus, the traditional site of Jesus' appearance. Visit Maresha and the caves of Beit Guvrin, which housed homes, baths and water cisterns during the Maccabean period. Depending on the flight schedule, you'll either overnight in Jerusalem or transfer to the airport for your return flight home.

Day 13—Return home

Arrive in the USA with memories of a life-changing Tour.