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DAY 1 - DEPART USA

We depart for Israel from [your city's](#) International Airport for our flight to Tel Aviv.

DAY 2 - TEL AVIV/ GALILEE

We arrive in the afternoon at Ben Gurion Airport near Tel Aviv and drive from the Mediterranean to the shore of the **Sea of Galilee**. Sitting 690 feet below sea level and flanked by mountains, the Sea of Galilee becomes our home for the next four nights. Dinner and overnight are Nof Ginosar. (D)

DAY 3 - GALILEE

We begin our day with a visit and study session on the **Mount of Beatitudes**. Mid-morning, we descend the hill to **Capernaum**. Sitting under the trees, we share the story of Jesus driving out the demon from the man who attended his teaching, and we picture the paralytic being lowered through Peter's roof, just 37 yards from where we sit. After an optional lunch of St. Peter's fish, we drive to the archaeological site of **Bethsaida**, the ancestral home of Peter and his brother Andrew, where we discuss daily village life during the time of Jesus and the historical and political environment in which he lived. We end our day with a stop at **Magdala**, the home town of Mary Magdalene. Dinner and overnight Nof Ginosar. (B,D)

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DAY 4 – GALILEE

We head north to the **Upper Galilee** to reach Dan, the northern border of Israel. We stroll along the **Dan River**, reaching the site of ancient Dan with the remains of its altar for the golden calf. After lunch, we visit **Caesarea Philippi** where Jesus asks his disciples, "Who do you say I am?" Finally, we ascend to an overview of the snow-peaked Mount Hermon, probable site of the transfiguration. Dinner and overnight Nof Ginosar. (B,D)



DAY 5 – GALILEE

This is a morning of leisure, perhaps strolling along the water's edge, taking pictures, writing in our journals, or spending private time in prayer. We will see a **2,000-year-old fishing boat**, which once sailed the Sea of Galilee. After lunch, we hike to the **Arbel Cliff** for an unforgettable panoramic view of the Sea of Galilee, and then at dusk we **sail on the Sea of Galilee** in a replica first-century fishing boat! Overnight at Nof Ginosar. (B,D)

DAY 6 – GALILEE/ JERUSALEM

This morning we head south, "up" to Jerusalem, stopping first at **Nazareth**, where we visit the **Church of the Annunciation**, remembering the angel Gabriel's encounter with Mary. From there we move to "the brow of the hill" where an angry mob threatens to throw Jesus off the cliff (Luke 4:14-30). Next, we visit **Caesarea Maritima**, the deep-water port built by Herod the Great. Caesarea was the home of the Roman garrison and Pontius Pilate. We'll see the port itself, the remains of the hippodrome, Pilate's palace and the fully restored theater where Herod Agrippa (who executed James, the apostle John's brother) "was eaten by worms and died" (Acts 12:1-24). Leaving Caesarea, we drive up to Jerusalem. Dinner and overnight Leonardo Plaza. (B,D)

DAY 7 – JERUSALEM

We begin our Jerusalem visit, by walking down the **Mount of Olives** on the "Palm Sunday Road," where we look directly across to the **Temple Mount**. Halfway down the hill we reach the **Garden of Gethsemane**, where we stop for an hour of prayer time in the private garden. After lunch, we enter the **Old City** through the **Damascus Gate** and follow Jesus along the **Via Dolorosa**, or the **Way of the Cross**, ending at Jesus' tomb in the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**. Dinner and Overnight Leonardo Plaza. (B,D)

DAY 8 – JERUSALEM

Today, we begin with a stroll through the **Jewish Quarter** and a visit to the **Western Wall**, (or the "Wailing Wall"), the holiest site in Judaism. Here we join the men and women of Jerusalem as they offer prayers to God. Be sure to have your own prayers ready for this very special place. From the Western Wall, we move to the **Israel Museum** and the **Shrine of the Book**, home of the **Dead Sea Scrolls**. Dinner and overnight Leonardo Plaza. (B,D)

DAY 9 – JERUSALEM

Today, we tour the **Southern Wall Excavation site**, including the **Southern Steps**, the very place where Jesus taught at the Temple! After lunch, we visit the **City of David**, the ancient part of the city that dates back to the Old Testament. Dinner and overnight Leonardo Plaza. (B,D)

DAY 10 – JERUSALEM: DEAD SEA

Today, we descend from Jerusalem to the **Dead Sea**, the lowest place on earth, arriving at **Ein Gedi**, a lush oasis, which served as David's hideout when he was on the run from King Saul. Next, we visit **Masada**, where the Jews made their last stand against the Romans after the fall of Jerusalem in 70 A.D., and we ride the cable car to the top of the fortress built by Herod the Great. After lunch (on our own), we travel to **Qumran**, the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found and to explore the archaeology. On our way back to Jerusalem, we stop for an **optional float in the Dead Sea**. Dinner and overnight Leonardo Plaza. (B,D)



DAY 11 – JERUSALEM/TEL AVIV

This morning at leisure. After checking out of our hotel in the afternoon, we visit the **Garden Tomb**, where we bring our "Footsteps of Jesus" tour to a close, with reflection and prayer. After a **farewell dinner** in Jerusalem we drive to Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv for our flight home. (B,D)

DAY 12 – ARRIVE HOME

We arrive back home, filled with memories, new friendships and grace!

Note:

- *This is a moderately strenuous tour, walking on archaeological sites, cobblestone streets and hills. For your safety and enjoyment you should be able to walk a mile briskly and climb 100 stairs. Most sites are not handicapped accessible.*
- *While we do our very best to make sure all items listed in your itinerary are included, there are times when conditions beyond our control affect your program/itinerary, including but not limited to air carrier changes, delays, weather, political climate, time constraints, or changes by your group leaders and tour guide.*