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Greece: In the Footsteps of St. Paul

Includes 4-Day Aegean Cruise with 4 Shore Excursions

Led by: **Dr. Bill Creasy**

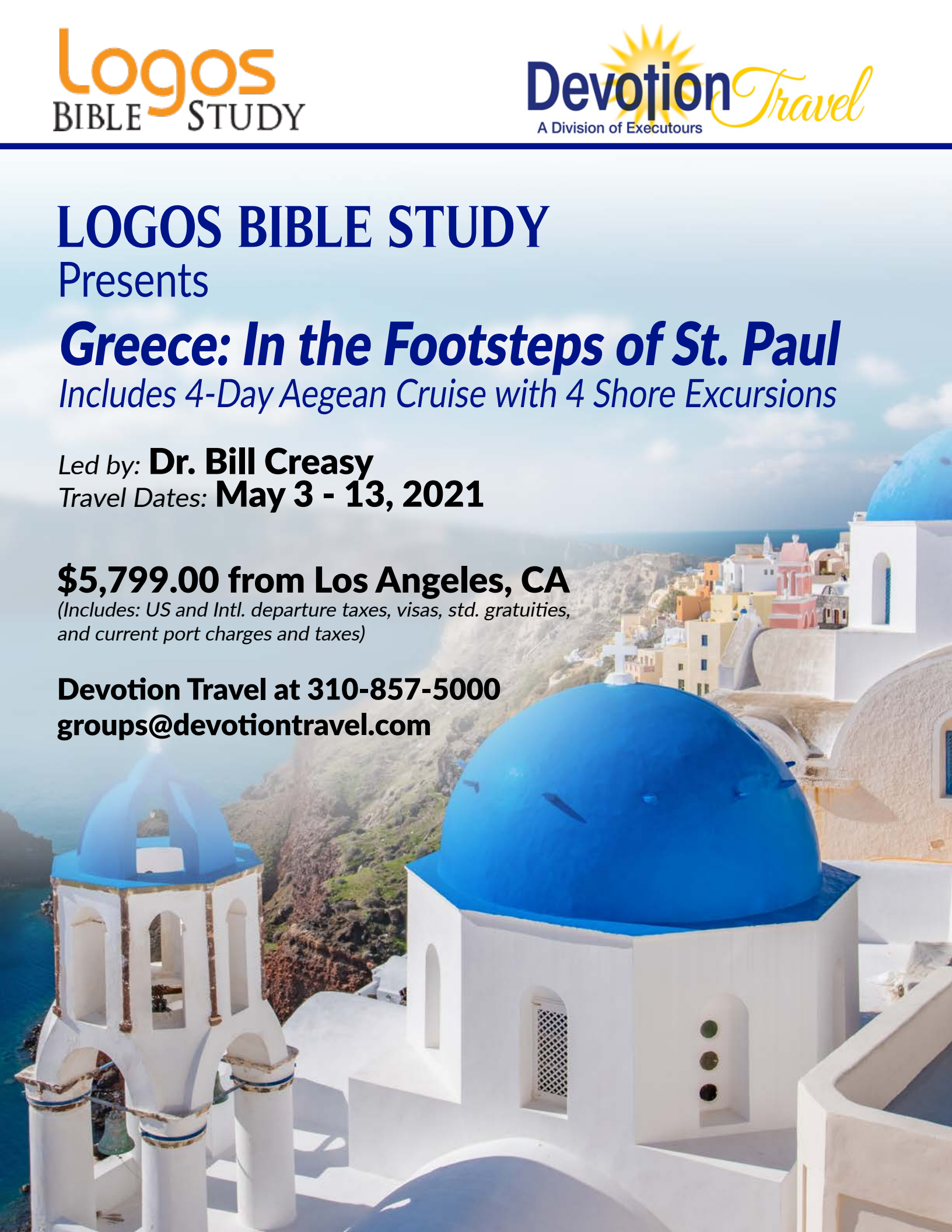
Travel Dates: **May 3 - 13, 2021**

\$5,799.00 from Los Angeles, CA

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DAY 1 - MONDAY, MAY 3: LOS ANGELES/ THESSALONIKI

We embark upon our journey with an overnight flight to Thessaloniki, Greece. Tomorrow we will be walking where the apostle Paul walked!

DAY 2 - TUESDAY, MAY 4: THESSALONIKI

We arrive this afternoon in Thessaloniki and transfer to our hotel in time for our welcome dinner. This is where St. Paul was preaching the Word of God until he was chased out of the city. He spent only three Sabbath days (3 weeks), and yet, the church in **Thessalonica** (as it was called in St. Paul's day) was a model of faith for all the other churches in Macedonia and Achaia! (D)

DAY 3 - WEDNESDAY, MAY 5: THESSALONIKI - KAVALA and PHILIPPI

After breakfast, we begin our day exploring **Thessaloniki**, and discuss St. Paul's visit while seeing several of the city's landmarks, including the **White Tower**, the **Walls of the Byzantine Acropolis**, the **Roman Arch of Galerius** and **Rotondo**. We also visit two of the city's oldest and most admired Christian churches, the **Basilicas of St. Demetrius** and **St. Sophia** (Divine Wisdom). We follow the route of the **Via Egnatia** and visit, like Paul and his companions, the area of Amphipolis to see the **famous funerary Lion of Amphipolis**. We travel to **Kavala** (Neopolis of Paul's day) and see where Paul, Timothy, Silas, and Luke first set foot on the continent of Europe. Here on the picturesque harbor we enjoy a self-hosted lunch on the waterfront. After lunch we take a short drive north to **Philippi**. Here, we visit the **Baptistery of Lydia** near the river, where Paul baptized Lydia and her friends. Lydia was the first convert of Paul on European soil, followed by the Philippian jailer (of course, Paul ended up in jail there!). Also, we visit the ruins of the **Forum of Philippi**, the **Christian Basilicas**, the **"Prison of Paul"** and the **Theater**. From Philippi, we drive back to Thessaloniki. (B, D)

DAY 4 - THURSDAY, MAY 6: THESSALONIKI/ VERA (BEREA)/ METEORA/ ATHENS

Early this morning we depart Thessaloniki and drive to the **ancient city of Verea** (Berea of Paul's day). This is the city where Paul and Silas were sent by friends after being accused of treason in Thessaloniki (Acts 17: 5-15). We also visit the **Bema of Apostle Paul**, where he is said to have stood and preached the Gospel to the local community. We travel south to **Meteora** for lunch (on our own) and to visit the **world-famous Byzantine Varlaam** and **St. Stephen's monasteries** perched high atop summits of gray rock peaks of varied and beautiful shapes. Their history goes back to the 14th century when the monks sought refuge in the cliff-side caves, then fled higher to build the original wooden shelters, which were later transformed into monasteries. Inside the monasteries, we view many historical and religious treasures. Late this afternoon we

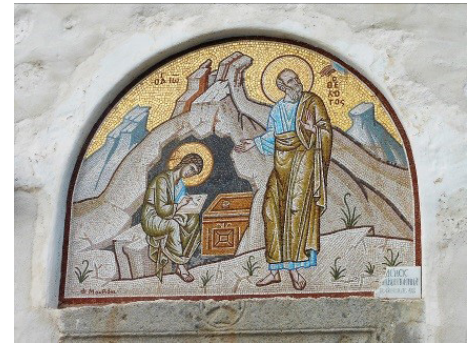
continue to **Athens**, where we will have a late dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 5 - FRIDAY, MAY 7: ATHENS/ PIREAUS, AEGEAN CRUISE (EMBARKATION)/ MYKONOS

Late this morning we transfer to the port of **Pireaus** to board the **Celestyal Olympia** to begin our four-day/ three-night **Aegean cruise**. Bon voyage! We set sail to the picture-post-card isle of **Mykonos**, called the **island of windmills**. This evening we arrive at Mykonos, where we disembark and have time on our own to explore the waterfront lined with shops and cafes and **stroll the charming walkways** through a maze of **white-washed buildings** before returning to the ship for dinner and evening activities. (B, L, D)

DAY 6 - SATURDAY, MAY 8: AEGEAN CRUISE - KUSADASI/ PATMOS

Early this morning we arrive in the port of **Kusadasi, Turkey**. Here we enjoy a **shore excursion** to the **ruins of Ephesus**, where Paul spent three years during his ministry. The impressive remains of Ephesus include the **Agora, Theater, Stadium, Library of Celsus**, and ruins of the **Temple of Diana** (one of the "Seven Wonders of the Ancient World"). We conclude with a visit to the **House of Mary**, where the Virgin Mary is said to have spent her last days in the care of the Apostle John. We return to our ship and set sail to **Patmos**, where the Apostle John wrote the book of Revelation. Our Patmos **shore excursion** late this afternoon includes visits to the **Monastery of St. John**, on one of the island's highest points, and the **Grotto of the Apocalypse**. Tonight, we return to our ship for dinner. (B, L, D)



DAY 7 - SUNDAY, MAY 9: AEGEAN CRUISE - HERAKLION, CRETE/ SANTORINI

We arrive early this morning at the **island of Crete**. St. Paul and Titus visited Crete, and Paul famously said in his letter to Titus that one of Crete's own poets [Epimenides, 7th century B.C.] noted that "Cretans have always been liars, vicious beasts, and lazy gluttons" (Titus 1: 12)! [Actually, they're very nice folks, as we'll see.] Paul left Titus in Crete and gave instructions on appointing church leaders in the towns (Titus 1:5ff). This city has been identified with **Plato's mythical Atlantis** from his dialogues of the Timaeus and Critias and is also known in myth most famously through the story of Theseus and the Minotaur. Our **shore excursion** includes a short ride through the **town of Heraklion** before arriving at the **ancient Minion Palace of**

Knossos. Here, Sir Arthur Evan's archaeological discoveries revealed a great empire and civilization dating back to 4000 B.C. We walk around the large **Central Court** to view the awe-inspiring **Throne Room**, the **fresco** of the "**Prince of the Lilies**," **Grand Staircase**, the **Queen's Megaron** and **apartments**. We return to our ship for leisure time and lunch. Late this afternoon we dock at **Santorini**, one of the **most stunning islands** in the Aegean Sea. The island is part of a volcanic caldera, the rim of an ancient volcano, and **possibly** the **site of Plato's Atlantis**. Santorini is often referred to as the most breathtaking of all the Greek islands. The exquisite whitewashed villages, including the town of Fira, or Thira, cling to volcanic cliffs, accessible by cable-car, or mule. We are transported from our ship by tender boats to the port of **Athinios**. Our **shore excursion** includes the **village** and **archeological site** of **Akrotiri**. It once was a bustling town before the Thira eruption. The ash from the volcano buried the city, preserving many of its structures and frescoes. We explore the remnants of the houses, shops and workshops that surrounded the village square thousands of years ago. Our next stop is **Fira**, the capital of Santorini and its largest town. We will visit the **Orthodox Metropolitan Cathedral**, famed for its elegant construction and beautiful frescoes. After our visit, we will have time to shop and enjoy a coffee. We board the cable car, the teleferik, and descend to the port below, where our tender boats will transport us back to our ship for dinner. (B, L, D)

DAY 8 - MONDAY, MAY 10: AEGEAN CRUISE – PIREAUS (DISEMBARKATION)/ CORINTH/ ATHENS

Early this morning we disembark from our cruise ship in the port of Piraeus. We continue our sightseeing with a visit to **Ancient Corinth**. This is the once-glorious city near the Isthmus, where **Paul met Aquilla** and **Priscilla** and spent a year and a half preaching the Word of God. We visit the **Archaeological Museum, Forum, Temples**, and the **famous "Bema"** where Paul stood before Gallio, accused by the Jews of Corinth. As well as the "Erastus Inscription"; the Diolkos, the paved trackway across which small ships and cargo were hauled across the Isthmus; and go to the top of the acropolis (or "Acrocorinth") for an overview of the entire isthmus. This afternoon we return to Athens. Before arriving at our hotel, we will have a panoramic tour of **Constitution Square** with the **House of Parliament** and the **Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**, the **Temple of Zeus**, the **Old Olympic Stadium**, and **Neoclassical Buildings** of Athens. This afternoon is at leisure to explore the city on your own. Dinner and overnight in Athens. (B, D)

DAY 9 - TUESDAY, MAY 11: ATHENS – MUSEUM and ACROPOLIS

We begin our day with a visit to the **National Archaeological Museum**. It is considered one the most important museums in the world and contains the richest

collection of artifacts from Greek antiquity. After lunch on our own, we explore the **world-renowned Acropolis** to see the **Propylea**, the **Erechtheum** and the **Parthenon**. We visit **Mars Hill**, where Paul



delivered his speech on the "Unknown God." Then we see the **Agora**, the ancient center of the economic and public life of the city, where Paul preached to the skeptical Athenians. Late this afternoon, we will have free time in the **Plaka**, a picturesque old town perched on the slopes of the Acropolis, which has been continuously inhabited for over 5,000 years. Explore this ancient city and cradle of Western civilization. Dinner and overnight in Athens. (B, D)

DAY 10 - WEDNESDAY, MAY 12: ATHENS - DELPHI

Today, we make a special visit to **Delphi**, high up on **Mount Parnassus**. This mountainous city which today is both an **archaeological site** and a **modern town**. For the **ancient Greeks**, Delphi was labeled the "**omphalos**" (navel) of the earth and it is here that the **eternal flame burned** in the **Temple of Apollo**. Delphi was the **site of the Delphic oracle**, the most important oracle in the classical Greek world. It was also here beginning in 586 B.C. that athletes from all over the Greek world competed in the **Pythian Games**, one of the precursors to the modern Olympics. On our way up to Delphi, we will have time to stop and enjoy the small scenic villages that cling to the mountainsides. Dinner and overnight are in Athens. (B, D)

DAY 11 - THURSDAY, MAY 13: ATHENS/ LOS ANGELES

We transfer this morning to the Athens Airport for our return flight home. During the flight, we will have memories to share, photos to edit, and new friendships to enjoy, having walked in the very footsteps of St. Paul! (B)

Note:

**This 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 effect your program/itinerary, including but not limited to air carrier changes, vessel changes, delays, weather, political climate, time constraints, or changes by your group leader and tour guide.*

**Breakfast & Dinner included daily while on land. Three meals will be provided each day (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner) on board the cruise. Drinks are not included with meals, except for customary items served at the buffet. Four excursions are included in the itinerary.*

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INCLUDED IN PRICE:

Round-trip group coach air from Los Angeles, CA; US and Intl. departure taxes; group transfers from group flights to group lodgings; accommodation and sightseeing per itinerary; breakfasts and dinners listed as "B", "L", and "D" in the daily itinerary; entrance fees to sights visited as noted in the itinerary; destination group ground transportation; local guide(s); and all standard taxes and gratuities. Port fees & cruise gratuities of \$168; price based on outside cruise cabins category XF standard cabin; shore excursions included for group to Patmos, Ephesus & Crete on board Celestyal Cruises. Prices based on a **minimum group size of 25.**

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

1) Optional Travel Insurance Program; 2) Miscellaneous fees and personal expenses such as Individual Transfers; Passports, Laundry, Beverages at All Meals; 3) LUNCHES ON LAND; 4) Meals not listed as Included Above, Excess Baggage and Items of a Personal Nature; 5) Fuel Surcharges which may be imposed by airlines and other suppliers. If applicable, fuel surcharge will be paid by the passengers; 6) Any increase in taxes and fees imposed after printing of brochure; 7) Airline baggage/carryon charges; and 8) Any other items not listed above as included.

PAYMENT:

\$500.00 per person is required at registration. Only the deposit may be charged to your credit card. **Final payment for trip, including optional insurance premium if applicable, is due by December 18, 2020, and must be paid by check (to help keep trip prices reasonable).** Registrations received on or after **December 18, 2020, must be accompanied by full payment.** Thereafter, a late payment fee of \$150 will be assessed. *Imagine* reserves the right to add a surcharge if the dollar declines by more than 2.5% against the Euro on foreign exchange rates in effect on September 28, 2020.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

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In order to keep prices low, **we do not guarantee you will be on the most direct flights to your final destination. Also, we do not guarantee the group will be on the same flights.** Flight routings are chosen by the airlines. Airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded once issued. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class aboard IATA and ARC carriers utilizing non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together for entire itinerary. We are unable to use individual frequent flyer points to upgrade or accept them as partial payment for air transportation. Deviations by the passenger, from the group's scheduled flights, could result in different routings/air carriers. **VISAS:**

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