



Israel Tour with Rev. Krishna Seepersad

10 Days/9 Nights on Land in Israel

January 25-February 5, 2020

Led by: Rev. Krishna Seepersad

Guided by: Erez Berkovitz

with special guest: Harry H. Moskoff

Land & Air rates per person	20+ paying passengers
Per person in a shared double/twin Room with roundtrip airfare from Orlando, via JFK on El Al	\$3800.00
Discount for 3 rd passenger (age 13+) in a shared triple room	-\$150.00
Single Supplement for a single room throughout the main tour	\$790.00
Additional Supplements & Options	
Pre-Arrival or Post-Departure Room in a SINGLE on BB	\$200.00 per night in Single
Pre-Arrival or Post-Departure in a Shared TWIN on BB	\$125.00 per person, per night
For final balance payment by credit card.	+\$90.00

Register & make payments online via the Group Page!

What's included?

- **Round-trip airfare** from Orlando, FL (or up to \$1300 value). Your ticket will be booked by our office individually.
- Private Transfers to/from the airport
- Luggage & Airport services upon arrival/departure
- Licensed Israeli Tour Guide (proficient English speaking)
- 10 days of new air-conditioned tour bus & driver
- 9 nights in quality accommodations (see links to proposed hotels)
- Full buffet Israeli-style breakfasts & dinners at hotels and restaurants
- All park fees & scheduled activities and entertainment
- Internal Headset Whisper System for groups of 20 or more
- Traveler's Kit (hat, map, 2 starter water bottles)
- Bus Banners and Name Tags
- Wire Transfer fees (our side)
- Credit card fees for initial deposit and online registrations.
- Pilgrimage Certificate

What's not included?

- Credit Card fees for the Balance Payment (unless specified otherwise, add up to 3% for credit payment)
- Gratuities from A-Z (\$150.00 per person minimum)
- Any domestic connection airline costs to main group departure hub
- Special hotel-airport transfers for anyone not on the main group flight
- Lunches, as well as soft drinks and other special drinks served by the hotels.
- Any *substantial* fuel surcharges or tax increases for flights
- Personal expenses such as telephone calls from room, mini bar, room service, etc.
- Visa Fees, if required
- Optional Traveler's Insurance through [World Nomads](#)

Special Note

This tour will run coincide with our annual Pastors' Familiarization tour and will be touring most days with the pastors. On occasions the groups may split and rejoin as deemed necessary by Samson and its chief guide, Erez Berkovitz.

Deadlines

Milestones & Deadlines	Due Date	Action Re-quired
Group Minimum Should be Reached	Aug 14th 2019	
Final Payments are Due	Sept 13th 2019	
Deposits become non-refundable to Samson	Sept 14th 2019	
Last Day for Early Bird Registration	Sept 14th 2019	
Late Registration Fee of \$200 Goes into effect	Sept 15th 2019	
All Passenger Info is Due (Passports, Roommates, etc.)	Sept 14th 2019	Updates Online

How to Register

- Click here to register online **or paste** the following web link into your browser: <https://samsontours.com/group-tours/1217-israel-tour-with-krishna-seepersad>
- **Fax** your Registration Details to 352-835-0885 (see forms below)
- **Phone us** with your registration details at 352-414-5991

Itinerary

* This itinerary is subject to minor changes.

Saturday, Jan 25 – (Meals & Entertainment in flight + Dinner)

Depart at your leisure from your home city.

Reminder: You are welcome to choose from a variety of affordable add-ons for earlier arrivals or later, or simply contact us so that we can serve your best interests for your budget.

Sunday, Jan 26 (D)

Today, you'll arrive to Israel's **Ben Gurion International Airport**. You (**as well as all members arriving on different flights**) will be immediately after Passport control by our airport representative. Our representative will assist you with luggage carts through Baggage, Customs and into the Arrivals Hall and out to meet your private driver.

Check in to our hotel, and enjoy a lovely stroll along the beaches of **the Mediterranean Sea**

- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo Art, **Tel Aviv** or similar

Monday, Jan 27 (B/D)

After breakfast, we'll visit **Ashkelon**, the city of the Philistines. Next, we'll drive to **el Sheva**, the city of Abraham in Beer Sheva. After this, you'll have the opportunity to gather up 5 smooth stones in the **Elah Valley** where David fought Goliath (1 Samuel 17). Along the way we'll stop by **Tel Beth Shemesh** to see the place of the 'return of the ark of the covenant' (2 Samuel 6:1f and Samson country, Zora and Eshtaol, the place of Samson's birth and stories (Judges 13-16). We'll then return to our hotel near the Mediterranean Sea

- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo Art, **Tel Aviv** or similar

Tuesday, Jan 28 (B/D)

En-route to the Galilee we will be visiting the following Biblical sites: **Caesarea** (Acts 10), **Megiddo** (Armageddon; 1 Kings 9:15; Rev. 16:16), and **Mt. Carmel** (1 Kings 18). Next we'll visit Tel Megiddo, overlooking the Valley of Armageddon, and end our day at the traditional site for Jesus being chased out of **Nazareth**. Time permitting, we'll visit the Church of the Annunciation in Nazareth before heading to our hotel by the Sea of Galilee.

- Overnight & Dinner: Emily's Hotel or Leonardo, Tiberias (Sea of Galilee)

Wednesday, Jan 29 (B/D)

Our day begins on the modern day Israeli northern border at **Tel Dan** where we will tour extensively the ancient northern border of Israel, and include a visit at the Canaanite – Bronze era - mud brick gate that has been nicknamed the "Gate of Abraham". At the foot of **Mount Hermon** we will visit the springs of Banias and the site of **Caesarea Philippi**. This is where Peter made his declaration about Jesus (Matt. 16). Returning to the Sea of Galilee we start our day atop the **Mount of Beatitudes** and read from Matthew 5, the Sermon on the Mount. We continue on to **Capernaum**, the center of ministry for Jesus in Galilee. Next, we visit **Tabgha**, remembering the story of the feeding of the 5,000 and John 21 with Jesus calling out to Peter to cast the fishing net on the right side. Following our stop for a St. Peters Fish optional lunch we will conclude our touring around the Sea of Galilee. First visiting the 1st Century remains of **Magdala** including the greatest highlight of all: A 2000 years old Synagogue. We travel to an overview of the Valley of **Bethsaida**, which is the hometown of Peter, Andrew, and Philip. We will end our day at the **Jordan River** where baptism is carried out and commemorated.

- Overnight & Dinner: Emily's Hotel or Leonardo, Tiberias (Sea of Galilee)

Thursday, Jan 30 (B/D)

After breakfast, we conclude our time in Galilee with an amazing **boat ride on the Sea of Galilee**, where we will have time for worship. Afterwards, we will visit **the "Jesus boat"** from the first century, a vessel found here along the shores of Galilee in 1986. Today we leave the Galilee and make our way southwards along the **Jordan Valley**. The highway takes us to the Biblical site of **Beit Shean**, a well-preserved Decapolis Roman city. Here the bodies of King Saul and his sons were hung from the city walls after they were defeated by the Philistines (1 Samuel 31:10-12). We continue our drive through the Wilderness of Judah for **Jericho**, where we view from outside the ancient city where the wall came tumbling down (Joshua 2-6; Mark 10:46; Luke 19:1). We then continue to **Kaser-El Yahud Baptismal site** where tradition believes Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist. We make our way to our hotel at the **Dead Sea**, where we have an opportunity to go swim/float (included) or enjoy a spa treatment on your own at the hotel.

- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo Plaza, Dead Sea

Friday, Jan 31 (B/D)

After breakfast, we depart the Dead Sea and make our way to **Masada**. Here we ascend high upon the wilderness mountain, by way of the cable car, to the fortress built by King Herod. We survey the ruins of the fortifications, waterworks, the synagogue, temples and palaces. We have an optional walk back down the snake path. We then continue our drive for **Ein Gedi**, where David hid from King Saul. We enjoy a walk back to the waterfalls, hopefully seeing ibex and coeys along the way. In the afternoon, we drive back north to **Qumran** and the settlement of the Dead Sea Scrolls community. We then begin our ascent of 4,000 feet in 13 miles to the majestic city of Jerusalem. Upon entering **Jerusalem** we begin our sightseeing with a visit to the **Mt. of Olives**, beholding a breath-taking panorama of the Holy City. We visit **Pater Noster** and then walk down the “**Palm Sunday**” route to the **Garden of Gethsemane** for private prayer.

- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo, Jerusalem or similar

Saturday, Feb 1 (B/D)

This morning we visit **Mt. Zion** and the **Jewish Quarter** where we will pick up the events of Holy Week that we left off in the Garden of Gethsemane when we arrive at the traditional place for the house and **courtyard of Caiaphas** the high priest. The traditional room of the Last Supper is also here and this will lead us into the Jewish quarter to explore some of the excavations here that are now part of the streets of the modern Jewish quarter that has been rebuilt since the 1967 Six Day War. Having visited the traditional site for weeping over the destruction of Jerusalem on the Mt. Olives, we will continue by witnessing the destruction at first hand that highlights "not one rock left upon another" at **the Southern Wall** and **Ophel** excavations and the Davidson Visitor Center. From here we will continue to **Bethlehem** and tour the **church of the Nativity and the Shepherds Fields**. We will also visit a local Christian family and see their olive wood carvings that the local Christian population are famous for.

- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo, Jerusalem or similar

Sunday, Feb 2 (B/D)

This morning we are going to go underneath the city's streets and homes as we explore the entire length of the **Western wall** in the excavations of the **Western Wall Tunnels**. Exiting at the north of the **Temple Mount**, this leads us to the **St Anne Church** and the area of **Bethesda Pools** that we find in Jesus healing the paralyzed man in John Chapter 5. Deep in the Old City and upon the well-trodden paths of tradition and pilgrimage we will pick up the **Via Dolorosa** and follow most of the 14 stations as we climb to Latin **Calvary**. A break for lunch at the **Christian Quarter** and some free shopping time before we gather and visit the Church of the Holy Sepulcher – one of the traditional sites for Jesus's crucifixion and burial. The conclusion of our day is to walk in the footsteps of David and the ancient Jerusalem that is hidden in the **City of David** and concludes our day by walking in the flowing waters of the **Siloam tunnel** (Hezekiah's Tunnel – Wet or Dry route is optional) and finding the 2000-year-old **Pool of Siloam!**

Following dinner, we will take a short walk through the **Mamilla** promenade to the **Sound & Light Show at the Tower of David**

- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo, Jerusalem or similar

Monday, Feb 3 (B/D)

Rising for an early morning visit on the **Temple Mount** will start our day off early in an attempt to beat the crowds but be aware that queuing in line may take some time with no sitting area and only limited shade. This will allow us to tour the platform but not enter the restricted areas for Muslims only such as inside the **Dome of the Rock** and the **Al Aqsa Mosque**. From the rock of temple and sacrifice we continue to the rock of crucifixion and the empty tomb at **the Garden Tomb**. The climax and pinnacle of any pilgrimage tour is a visit to the Garden Tomb, where we will have worship and communion. This afternoon we will visit both the **Israel Museum Shrine of the Book Museum**, where the Dead Sea Scrolls are displayed, and **Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial**. At both exhibitions I will guide you through the display.

At approximately, 18:00 we'll have a Farewell Dinner in **Jaffa** with our friends from the Pastors' FAM Tour and after dropping them off at the airport we'll return to Jerusalem.

- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo, Jerusalem or similar

Tuesday, Feb 4 (B) – Samaria & Depart from Israel

This morning, we'll travel into the hill country of Samaria to visit **Tel Shilo**, where the tabernacle was stationed for some 369 years. Next, we'll drive up to a fabulous lookout over **Shechem**, and see the Hill of Blessings and the Hill of Curses. We'll then see the Samaritan Temple where the Samaritans still sacrifice today. We'll return to Jerusalem where you'll have some free time on your own until you are transferred to the airport for your flight home.

Wednesday, Feb 5 – Arrive back to the USA

Return home with many memories to share of Pools, Springs and Streams, a Land of 7 Species and a 5th Gospel in your feet – The Land of Israel!

Policies

- **Final Itinerary & Hotels:** The itinerary may be updated from time to time at the discretion of Samson Tours, its guide and its tour leader. Final Hotel Arrangements will be posted no later than 100 days before departure. In the event of a hotel change, Samson Tours will guarantee a replacement at the same quality or provide an upgrade to a higher class of accommodations at no extra charge.
- **Group Minimum:** A minimum of **6** or more paying participants are required for this tour program. If the group minimum is not reached by 4 months before departure, Samson Tours or its tour leader will have the right to either a.) request that all tour members pay a supplement for the increase in costs of no greater than \$500.00 per person and operate the group at the same quality; b.) lower the hotel class by at least 1 star to offset the increased costs; or c.) postpone the dates until a minimum number of participants are achieved.
- **Group Maximum:** A maximum **50** paying participants will be allowed to join this unique tour program.
- **Group Airfare:** Samson Tours works alongside the tour leader to find the best airfare and best price for the group. In order to request a group airfare price, there must be at least 10 passengers on the group flight. The airfare will be paid to the airline in full upon their request and subject to their cancellation/refund policies.
- **Booking your own Airfare:** If you are not joining your tour's group airfare, please do not book your airfare until 90 days before the tour departure date or until the Notice of Group Minimum has been sent to you.
- **Flight Diversions:** If you elect to be on the group flight and wish to depart from a different city of origin, you can a.) Book your own domestic airfare connection or b.) Select the Add-On in your My Account for a \$50.00 Domestic Flight Booking Fee. Any costs or savings for the additional flight will be added or deducted from your tour balance. Please [contact us](#) with your specific departure city request.
- **Deposit & Payments for Land:** To ensure your spot on the tour, we request a **\$400.00 deposit** be paid upon signup. The deposit (less a \$100.00 non-refundable fee per person) and any other payments made are refundable up to 90 days before departure. After that, the remaining deposit amount is non-refundable, but can be used as a future credit with Samson Tours or converted into a Gift Certificate which you can transfer to a third party. The deposit can be paid by cash, check, money order, bank transfer, debit or credit card. If the tour is canceled by Samson Tours, then you will be entitled to a full refund without any cancellation fee. This refund of cancellation fee does not apply to tour leader cancellations or postponements due to group minimums not being reached. For cases of political instability or cancellations or postponements due to *force majeure*, please see the Force Majeure section below.
- **Final Payments:** The final payment will be made 90 days before departure. Payments made by check or cash will be made in US\$ to Samson Tours, Inc. Payments made by debit or credit card to Samson Tours, Inc. will be charged the full balance. If there are any unpaid fuel surcharges for the group flight, they will be billed to you at cost per the group airline contract either before or after the tour. There is a Late Payment Fee of \$200.00 if the balance is paid after the final payment date.
- **Late Registrations & Payments:** Theoretically, you can join a tour anytime up to the time of the departure date (Land Only and subject to Hotel Availability). There will be a Late Payment Fee of \$200.00 and an additional \$50.00 fee if you require airfare assistance. If a hotel or other service listed in the itinerary is unavailable, we will find an alternative hotel for you, however you will be responsible for any transportation costs to/from joining the main group.
- **Land Diversions:** If you arrive either before or after the recommended group departure/arrival time, or if your flight is delayed beyond a reasonable waiting period, or if you elect to divert or add-on additional days to the trip, then it is understood that you will arrive at the hotel or to the airport at your own expense. We will more than happy to assist you with these arrangements

- **Refunds (Land):** The following refunds for the **land portion** of the price will apply **for non-insured travelers only**: Your balance less a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per person, which is transferable or can be applied to future tours if cancelled 90+ calendar days before departure. 75% refund of balance less a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per person if cancelled 89-60 days before departure. 50% of balance less a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per person refund if cancelled 59-30 days before departure. 0% refund if cancelled 29 or less days before departure.
- **Refunds (Group Air):** Per group contract with airline. Typically, there is a \$100 non-refundable fee up to 3 months before departure and 100% non-refundable 30 or less days before departure. Most airlines will, however, allow you to postpone your travel dates for a re-ticketing or name transfer fee.
- **Force Majeure:** If Samson Tours decides to postpone the tour do to political unrest or for any reason beyond our company's control that could compromise your security, then your balance will carry over to the new tour dates. Depending on the new dates, there may be an increase in costs for tours that are rescheduled within 1 year. If you are unable to join the new tour dates, then you will be entitled to a refund, less the cancellation fee (see Deposits) and any other non-refundable deposits that may be imposed on us by suppliers such as airlines and hotels. The deposit and/or balances amount can also be applied to any future tour or may be transferable to a third party.
- **Travel Insurance** – Samson Tours does not require travel insurance. It is, however, strongly advised that **all travelers** equip themselves with a comprehensive travel insurance plan through World Nomads. You can obtain an individual travel insurance quote, by visiting our [Insurance page](#) and clicking on any of the 'Get a Quote' links that refer you to the World Nomads website. Travel Insurance coverage begins **ONLY** from the time you have purchased travel insurance. It is advisable only to purchase travel insurance when you have made non-refundable payments that exceed the amount of travel insurance purchased.
- **Add-ons** once you have registered for a tour you can select from a variety of add-ons in your My Account area you may select or deselect any of these add-ons (extension tour, hotels, late fees, etc.) until 30 days before your tour.
- **Your Health:** All participants should be in good health and walking condition. This program is active and involves a lot of walking over uneven surfaces and climbing stairs. All locations may not be accessible for the disabled. Having a disability does not disqualify you from joining any tour. However, be advised that you may have to forgo portions of the said itinerary by waiting on the bus or in a safe location until the main group has returned. If you require special accommodation, please report this at the time of your reservation so that we can better serve you.
- **Single Supplement:** For single travelers, a single supplement fee for the hotels is required. This usually amounts to around 85%-90% of the Double Room cost. If a person has ordered a double room and his or her roommate cancels his or her tour, then the individual holding a double room must find a new roommate or pay the single supplement.
- **Exchange Rate:** Samson Tours, Inc. reserves the right to charge a supplement to the price if the dollar falls below the 3.5 threshold. To date, we have never yet had to charge an exchange rate surcharge.
- **Government Imposed VAT or taxes:** Currently there are no VAT taxes for foreign on tour land packages to Israel. Should such a tax be imposed before the start of the tour, even after 'final payment' has been made, Samson Tours will notify all of its participants in writing. In order to participate in the tour, you will be required to pay all such taxes before the start of the tour. If you are an Israeli Citizen, you will be asked to pay VAT at the time of you final payment.
- **Responsibility** - Samson Tours, Inc., its agents, suppliers, guides, leaders and representatives shall be, in no way, liable or responsible for any personal or property loss, damage or injury howsoever caused. The company shall also not be responsible for penalties for privately-booked flight tickets if purchased before the minimum is reached.
- **Update** – These policies may be updated from time to time. Upon update, you will be notified by Samson Tours, Inc. or its group leader.



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1 About you

Name(1) _____ Birthdate (1) _____

Name(2) _____ Birthdate (2) _____

Name(3) _____ Birthdate (3) _____

Email(1) _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Best time of day to phone: Morning Afternoon Evening or Specific _____

Home Address _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____

2 Degree of Interest

- I'm definite! Attached is my **\$400.00** (per person) **check or cash deposit**
- For sure! I'll pay by **debit/credit card** (see the Credit Card form)
- I will submit payment via another means. Please specify: _____

- I'm sitting on the fence (will decide later)

3 Travel Information

Travel information is required 3 months before departure. If you do not know this information now, leave blank and we will contact you at a later time.

- Ⓢ What kind of room are you requesting? SINGLE DOUBLE TRIPLE (circle one)
- Ⓢ If you are in a DOUBLE room, would you like a TWIN/SPLIT or KING bed (circle one)?
- Ⓢ I'd like to share a DOUBLE room with _____
- Ⓢ I'd like to share a TRIPLE room with _____

- & _____
- Ⓢ Do you have any medical conditions or limitations? YES NO
- Ⓢ Medical Notes or Special Requests: _____

4 *Passport Information*

This information (along with a copy of your passport) is required 3 months before departure. Please print your name EXACTLY as it appears on your passport.

Passport Name (1) _____ Country _____ Passport # _____
Passport Name (2) _____ Country _____ Passport # _____
Passport Name (3) _____ Country _____ Passport # _____
Date Issued _____ Date of Expiration _____

5 *Your Signature*

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(By signing, you have read and agree to the **Policies** for this tour.)

Please submit this form to the tour leader or fax us directly, along with your credit card form, to 352-835-0885.



CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM

(Visa, MasterCard, Discover, Amex)

Check your Inclusions or Exclusions for notices of Credit Card Fees.

1 Credit Card Details

*Type of Card: Visa - MasterCard - Discover - Amex

*Name(s) on card _____

*Card number _____

*Expiration _____

*Security Code (see image to right) _____

*Email _____

*Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

*Billing Address for credit card _____



2 Payment Schedule

Please process my **deposit** payment now **and** my **final payment** later with this card. Note: we will process your final payment 4 months before departure.

Please process my **deposit payment only** with this card. I will pay the balance later via another means. _____

Please process my deposit payment and set up a **payment plan** for the balance. I will pay the deposit now and you can automatically bill my credit card the remaining balance over 3 4 5 6 9 payments.

3 Your Signature _____

(By signing, you agree to let Samson Tours, Inc. and/or its agents to process your payments with the details provided above.)