



[Israel & Petra with Pastor Doug Delong](#)



October 31 – November 12, 2021

Led by: Pastor Doug Delong

Guided by: Mark Sugarman

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Pricing

<i>For 20+ adult-paying passengers</i>	
All inclusive, per passenger in a shared room with round-trip airfare	\$4750.00
Supplements + Add-ons	
Single room throughout	+\$990.00
Per extra night in a shared room on BB with a private airport transfer	+\$175.00
Reductions & Discounts	
For a 3 rd person in a Triple Room (discount can be split 3 ways)	-\$170.00
Booking your own airfare	-\$1200.00
Not going to Petra. You can enjoy a free day at your hotel.	-\$475.00
Balance payment by check (you can still pay deposit by credit card)	-\$80.00
Prepay your final balance payment early by April 15	-\$50.00
If there are 40 or more paying passengers	-\$100.00

Included

- Round-trip airfare (including taxes) from Newark on El Al Airlines, direct flight to Israel
- Personal assistance after passport control through baggage, customs & to your transfer vehicle
- Luggage assistance in/out of every hotel
- Transfers to/from Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion International Airport.
- 11 days of air-conditioned travel coach with free WIFI
- 10 hotel overnights in High 3-Star & 4-star accommodations (see itinerary for links)
- Day trip to Petra, Jordan (including lunch)
- Breakfast & Dinner daily, including lunch on the Sea of Galilee, lunch in Petra and a full-course farewell dinner before flying home
- English-speaking, licensed tour guide throughout
- Whisper system (for groups of 20 or more)
- All National Park fees, entrance fees, activities & guest speakers
- Traveler's Welcome Kit
- Baptismal Kits (if needed)
- All credit card fees

Excluded

- Recommended gratuities for guide, driver, bellboys, boat ride and special meals (**\$150** per person)
- Most lunches (average \$12-\$15 per meal)
- Personal expenses such as telephone calls from room, mini bar, room service, etc.
- Any transportation deviations from group

- Optional traveler's insurance

Deadlines

	Deadline Date
Early-bird registration ends.	June 30 2021
Final payments & details are due.	July 31 2021
Late registration & late payment fees (min. \$200) go into full effect.	Aug 1 2021
Airline tickets are issued & begin.	Sep 1 2021

Itinerary

Sun, Oct 31 – Departure day (Meals & Entertainment in Flight)

- 21:50 – Depart from Newark on a direct flight to Israel with El Al Airlines LY26.

Mon, Nov 1

- **14:15** - Arrival to Ben Gurion International Airport, Tel Aviv, Israel.
- Immediately after passport control, our representative will assist you through luggage, customs and to your private, transfer vehicle.
- Time permitting, we'll have a short tour of **Jaffa** before checking into our hotel
- In the evening, we'll have a “welcome home” dinner at our hotel and have a short kick-off meeting to prepare for the days to come.
- Overnight & dinner: [Leonardo Plaza](#) (Netanya, Mediterranean Sea)

Tue, Nov 2

- This morning, we'll visit the site of **Caesarea** (Acts 10, 12, 23), Rest, relax and have a stroll along the shores of the Mediterranean Sea
- Next, we'll drive to **Haifa** to see the beautiful Bahai Gardens and Elijah's Cave.
- Ascending Mt. Carmel, we'll come to the site of **Muhraka**, where Elijah fought the prophets of Baal.
- We'll then make our way to the biblical city of **Megiddo** (Armageddon; 1 Kings 9:15; Rev. 16:16), where more battles have been fought throughout history.
- We complete our tour overlooking the **Jezreel Valley** at **Mt. Precipice**, the traditional site for Jesus being chased out of Nazareth (Luke 4) and make our way to visit the **Nazareth Village**
- Dinner and overnight: [Leonardo Tiberias](#)

Wed, Nov 3

- After breakfast, we make our way north through the Hula Valley stopping first at **Tel Hazor**, a city taken by Joshua (Joshua 11:10-14).
- We then head to **Tel Dan** where we will tour extensively and include a visit at the Canaanite – Bronze era mud brick gate that has been nicknamed the "Gate of Abraham".
- At the foot of Mt 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).
- Next we will visit one of the **Druze villages** perched on the Golan heights where we will have a stop for lunch.
- After enjoying the tastes and spices of this Syrian/Lebanese cuisine we will visit the **Mt. Bentel overlook**. From this former military base, we can look into Syrian territory and learn about the ancient **Damascus Road** as well as modern military history in this region.
- We conclude our day with an amazing **boat ride on the Sea of Galilee**, where we will have time for worship. Afterwards, we visit the "Jesus boat" from the first century, a vessel found here along the shores of Galilee in 1986.
- Dinner and overnight: [Leonardo Tiberias](#)

Thurs, Nov 4

- 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 style lunch** with other options as well (included!), we will conclude touring around the Sea of Galilee.
- First visiting the 1st Century remains of **Magdala** including the greatest highlight of all: a 2000-year-old synagogue.
- We continue to travel to **Mt. Arbel** to enjoy the view of the Sea of Galilee (John 6:23) and connect with the footsteps of having been chased out of Nazareth.
- We travel to a special 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 you have an option for **baptism** and renewal.
- We return to the hotel in Galilee for dinner and overnight.
- Dinner and overnight: [Leonardo Tiberias](#)

Fri, Nov 5

- After breakfast, we leave the Galilee and make our way 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 displayed upon the city walls after they were defeated by the Philistines (1 Samuel 31:10-12).
- We then continue to **Kaser-El Yahud Baptismal site** where tradition believes Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist.

- 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).
- Then we continue to the site of the Dead Sea Scroll community and view some of the most important caves that this ancient treasure of a library was hidden for two millennia at the site known as **Qumran**.
- A short drive away is **Ein Gedi**, where David hid from the wrath of King Saul. We enjoy a walk up to the flowing and lush oasis waterfalls, hopefully seeing Ibex along the way.
- We will enjoy the rest of our afternoon at our **hotel at the Dead Sea**, where we have an opportunity to go swim/float (included) or treat yourself to a spa treatment or massage (at your own expense).
- Dinner and overnight: [Prima Oasis](#), Ein Bokek, Dead Sea

Sat, Nov 6

- **Petra Day.** Today we will rise early and cross the border with Jordan to visit the Rose-colored city of Petra. The trip will include a horse ride and lunch inside Petra. NOTE: You also have the option to remain at the hotel in Israel and enjoy the spa amenities and relaxation.
- Dinner and overnight are at the [Prima Oasis](#), Ein Bokek, Dead Sea

Sun, Nov 7

- We Begin our day at **Masada** and 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 then walk down the ancient and preserved relic of the Roman Ramp (easy walk on a downwards moderate incline) to meet our awaiting transport that will drive us deep into the Judean Wilderness where we dine for **lunch (INCLUDED)** and then have the option of riding a camel!
- We will descend by the Roman Rampart.
- We continue to the southern border of ancient Judea and arrive at **Tel Arad**, one of the earliest examples of fortified city life from the dawn of the Bronze Era and settlement civilizations, as well as an Israelite era fortress and a temple to Jehovah! This is a unique site and window opener into the ancient Judean Kingdom on the brink of destruction and also the book of Numbers with the wanderings of the Israelites for forty years in the Exodus!
- Continuing to **Beer Sheva**, in the Negev Desert, a city named after an oath and water well that was named by Abraham 4000 years ago. Since then, Beer Sheva has held an important place in the history of both modern and ancient Israel. Tel Sheva is where archaeologists have uncovered two-thirds of a city dating from the early Israelite period (10th century BCE.) This city is located on the edge of the wilderness near the confluence of the Beer Sheva and Hebron Streams. The meticulously planned water system of this city demonstrates impressive engineering expertise. Connecting between ancient and modern Israel with desert water systems and engineering which are today at the core of

modern Israel and its founding fathers' vision - that saw the Negev desert as the true testing ground for the modern Israeli chapter of Zionist History.

- The declaration of the state of Israel was made by David Ben Gurion - and we will visit that site in Tel Aviv during our tour – however, Ben Gurion wanted people to "rise to the Negev" to visit him for eternity! As such he chose the site of his burial on the banks of the **Tzin Valley** adjacent to his beloved Kibbutz and home **Sde Boker**. From this vantage point we can reflect on the wonderings of the tribes of Israel in days of Exodus and the meaning of making a nation out of tribes in the modern context with biblical prophecy that was at the heart of Israel's founding fathers.
- We'll end our day at the Cave of the Machpelah in **Hebron**, and then make our way along the Way of the Patriarchs to Jerusalem
- Dinner and Overnight: [Lady Stern](#), Jerusalem - a lovely new boutique hotel on Jaffa Street and all the New Jerusalem highlights

Mon, Nov 8

- We'll begin our day on the **Mt. of Olives**.
- Walking the **Palm Sunday Road** we will descent through the commemorative sites and the Jewish cemetery till we reach the **Garden of Gethsemane** for prayer and reflection.
- We'll then make our way to the **House of Caiaphas**, also known as St. Peter In Gallicantu and the **Upper Room on Mt. Zion**.
- For lunch and the remainder of the day we will travel to **Bethlehem** and visit the sites of Pilgrimage while meeting the local Palestinian Christian population.
- Return to our hotel again for another lovely overnight and dinner at the [Lady Stern](#), Jerusalem

Tues, Nov 9

- First thing in the morning is to rise up and onto the **Temple Mount**, visiting the site of where the Temple once stood. Outside of the Temple Mount, and outside the city in the context of John 5, is the relics of the **Bethesda pools!**
- From here, we'll pick up the **Via Dolorosa** and make our way to visit the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**.
- Our tour has led us through the historical and traditional sites of Second Temple Era Jerusalem, and to conclude we will take our own footsteps to the climax of our Pilgrimage at Calvary and celebrate together at the empty tomb, known as the '**Garden Tomb**' or Gordon's Calvary!
- We then enter the Old city and tour **the Jewish Quarter** including **the Southern Steps, Robinson Arch and Ophel excavations** to see the original entranceways Jesus took to enter the temple mount, even money changers tables discovered there!
- Next up is a fabulous tour of the **Western Wall Tunnel** - where we will witness the prophecy of destruction, as not one stone will be left upon another.
- We will continue to the excavations that have unearthed the **City of David** and will ultimately arrive at the **Pool of Siloam** (John 9).
- Return to our hotel for dinner and another night's rest at the [Lady Stern](#), Jerusalem

Wed, Nov 10

- This morning we'll head up into the norther hill country and Samaria.
- We'll first visit **Shilo**, where the ark of the covenant rested for 369 years.
- Next we'll make our way up to **Mt. Gerizim** to see the ancient and modern Samaritan temples, where they sacrifice to this day.
- We'll look out over modern Shechem, an amazing site between the **Hill of Blessings over the Hill of Curses**.
- You'll then have the option with the driver to enter the Palestinian town of Shechem to visit Jacob's Well, and other sites of interest.
- After a short break, we'll visit the ancient site of Aphek (Antipatris), where the ark was stolen in battle.
- We'll then make our way into the lower hill country, or Shephelah Region
- We'll visit the **Elah Valley** sets the scene for David and Goliath and also stand on Beth Shemesh where the ark was returned by the Phillistines.
- We'll return to Jerusalem for a final night at the [Lady Stern](#), Jerusalem

Thurs, Nov 11

- Morning of leisure and packing
- We will then continue to the **Israel Museum** to see the **Shrine of the Book** Dead Sea Scrolls exhibition and the **model of the 2nd Temple Era**.
- Upon leaving Jerusalem we will visit the **Children's Memorial** and the **Avenue of the righteous amongst the Nations at Yad Vashem** to reflect on the victims of the holocaust and some messages from history for humanity to never forget.
- We'll have a short visit to the town of **Ein Kerem**, where tradition holds that John the Baptist was from.
- We'll end our tour with a **farewell dinner** on the Road to Emmaus.
- After dinner, we'll transfer you to the airport for your flight home (just after midnight)

Fri, Nov 12

- 01:00 – Depart on El Al Airlines LY27 on a direct flight for Newark (EWR)
- 06:00 - Arrive at Newark

Policies

- **Final Hotels & Itinerary:** We typically post final hotel choices 6 months in advance and you may find links to them in the itinerary itself. Along the way, we reserve the right to update the hotel, change a site or replace any service with an equal or better-quality experience or value.
- **Group Minimum:** A minimum of **20** paying adult passengers are required. If this minimum is not reached by the Early-Bird special date, we may either a.) request that all adult 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.
- **Deposit & Payments:** This tour has a non-refundable (but transferable) **\$300.00 deposit per person** upon signup. The deposit can be paid by debit/credit card, check, money order, over-the-counter deposit. You can make monthly payments of any amount toward your balance from your online account or contact us for setting up a payment plan. **Important Note:** We provide a **significant discount** for paying your final balance by check (see add-ons).
- **Late Registrations:** Any registration beyond the Early-bird deadline will be subject to a strict, minimum \$200 per person fee (see add-ons) due to the amount of work involved with updating hotels, airlines and service providers on your behalf.
- **Group Airfare:** A group airfare must have 10 or more passengers on the same group flight. Group flights are not always more affordable, but they are far more flexible in terms of cancellations and deposit refunds than individual airfares. Typically, only 10% of the tickets may diverge from the main group international flights. Passengers may book their own domestic airfare to/from the main group departure hub or ask us to get a quote for your connection.
- **Individual Airfare:** If we do not offer a group airfare for your tour, you or we may book your flight individually. We're happy to do the job for you and provide the best airfare for the best quality versus price for just a \$50.00 fee + the actual cost of the flight that you. To book your individual airfare, send us your passport, credit card details, seating preference, and Miles card if you have one. Individual airfares are non-refundable, but typically can be changed up to 1 year for a fee.
- **Diversions & Add-Ons:** If you arrive either before or after the scheduled group departure and arrival times you may and most likely will be subject to additional costs for airport transfers and/or overnights. We are happy to provide our customer with every possible experience and service that is needed from Door to Door, so please contact us if you wish to extend your package to other countries like Greece, Turkey, Egypt, Rome, Jordan, Petra only or any other experience or activity you might want to have to make your experience 100%.
- **Refunds:** Your initial deposit is non-refundable; however, it can be fully transferable to another passenger or may be used for future travel dates with us. The following balance refunds apply to non-insured travelers only:
 - 90+ calendar days before departure – full refund
 - 89-60 days before departure – minimum 75% refund
 - 59-30 days before departure – minimum 50% refund
 - 29-0 days before departure - minimum 0% refund
- **Force Majeure and Postponements:** If Samson Tours decides to postpone the tour due to political unrest or for any reason beyond our company's control that could compromise your security, then your tour will be postponed, and your entire balance will carry over to new tour dates. Depending on the new dates, there may be an increase in costs for tours that are rescheduled later than one year from the time of postponement. If you are unable to join the

new tour dates and are not insured, then you will be entitled to a refund, less any other non-refundable deposits that may be imposed on us by suppliers.

- **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 our partner’s 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.
- **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.
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1 About you

Name (1) _____ Birthdate (1) _____

Name (2) _____ Birthdate (2) _____

Name (3) _____ Birthdate (3) _____

Name (4) _____ Birthdate (4) _____

Email (1) _____ Email (2) _____

Cell Phone _____ Alternative Phone _____

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

Home Address _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____

2 How you intend to pay your balance?

- I'll pay by **debit/credit card** (see the Credit Card form attached)
- I will submit payment via **check** , money order , over-the-counter deposit .

Remember: You can pay your initial deposit by credit card/debit card. We provide a **discount** if you pay your **final balance** by check.

3 Travel Information

Travel information is required not later than 3 months before departure. If you do not know this information now, leave blank.

- What kind of room? SINGLE DOUBLE TRIPLE FAMILY
- If you are in a DOUBLE room, would you like a TWIN/SPLIT KING-size ?
- 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

Passport information (including an actual copy of your passport) is required **not later than** 3 months before departure. If you do not know this information now, leave blank. Please print your name EXACTLY as it appears on your passport (*even if you have just applied for the passport*).

Passport Name (1) _____ Country _____

Passport # _____ Date Issued: _____ Date of Expiry _____

Passport Name (2) _____ Country _____

Passport # _____ Date Issued: _____ Date of Expiry _____

Passport Name (3) _____ Country _____

Passport # _____ Date Issued: _____ Date of Expiry _____

Passport Name (4) _____ Country _____

Passport # _____ Date Issued: _____ Date of Expiry _____

● **Your Signature** _____  _____

(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)

1

Credit Card Details

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

*Name(s) on card _____

*Card number _____

*Expiration _____

*Security Code (see image to right) _____

*Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

*Billing Address for credit card _____

*Email for Receipt _____



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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 _____ # of payments. Note: The number of payments cannot exceed the number of months there remains before your tour. All payments will be of equal in size.

3

Your Signature



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