



# 2022 BIBLE LAND STUDIES PROGRAM

May 23 - June 4<sup>th</sup>



## IN THE STEPS OF JESUS AND PAUL



**EXPLORING ISRAEL AND ROME**  
Program Directors and Guides: John and Carla Moore  
**Featured Speaker: Dr. Denny Petrillo**

Bear Valley Bible Institute International



# BIBLE LAND PASSAGES: EXPLORING ISRAEL & ROME

*Examining the Land and the Book: A Passageway to Faith, Education, and Edification*

**Monday (23)** – Depart US: Newark UA Passengers - 4:25 PM

**Tuesday (24)** – Arrive at Tel Aviv on UA flight 84 at 9:55 AM and travel by coach through the ancient tribal territories of Judah and Simeon. Depending on arrival time, we will travel to the Biblical Negev where Abraham sojourned and walk in the steps of the patriarchs. Visit the ancient tel of Beersheba and learn about the early water systems described in the Bible of both the Bronze and Iron Age eras. Stop at a scenic overlook for an afternoon devotional. Enjoy a delicious dinner at the Dead Sea.

**Overnight at the Dead Sea** (*Dinner Provided*).



**Wednesday (25)** – After watching the sun rise over the mountains of Moab, we will visit the traditional site of King David's stronghold and what would later become known as Masada, where King Herod built a huge desert fortress overlooking the Dead Sea. Leaving Masada, our next destination will be Khirbet Qumran, the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered, and then it's on to Jericho, the oldest city in the world. From here we will travel up the Ascent of Adumin (the old Jericho road) stopping to read a Psalm of Ascent at the Wadi Qelt. From there we head to Mt. Scopus for personal reflection and thought before entering the city of Jerusalem. **Overnight in Jerusalem** (*Breakfast and Dinner Provided*)



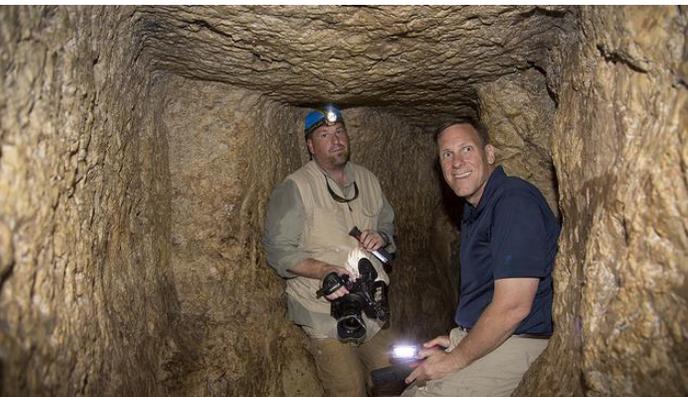
**Thursday (26)** – Travel to the outskirts of Jerusalem and visit Nebi Samuel, the traditional tomb of the prophet Samuel. The tomb and ancient synagogue and mosque overlook the cities of Mizpah, Ramah, Gibeah, and Gibeon. The site has ancient remains from the Hasmonean and Crusader periods. This will be a special day for visiting the geopolitically important area of the Shephelah.

This narrow section of foothills is wedged between the ancient sites belonging to the Philistines and the terraced farmland of the Judean Hill Country. This area is rich with Old Testament history involving Samson, the Ark of the Covenant, David and Goliath, Micah, the Kings of Judah, and the Invasion of Sennacherib at Lachish. The morning will be very busy with an exciting stop at the Valley of Elah. Our afternoon plans will include visits to the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial as well as Israel's impressive outdoor model of first century Jerusalem and the Shrine of the Book where many of the Dead Sea Scrolls are preserved.

**Overnight in Jerusalem.** (*Breakfast and Dinner Provided*).



**Friday (27)** – Our day will begin with a tour of the excavations south of the Temple Mount. We will walk on streets from the time of Christ and sit near the place where the first century church first assembled. You will also step into ancient baptistries, see the remains of first century buildings, and visit the ruins of buildings and towers from the time of King



Solomon. From here, we will proceed north and visit the famed Western Wall, the Western Wall Tunnels, and emerge near the first-century pool of Bethesda, where our group will sing in the acoustically phenomenal "St. Anne's Church". After walking along the traditional Via Dolorosa, we will stop for lunch in the Jewish quarter and then proceed on to the ancient City of David. Here, we will see the remains of a large stone palace structure, walk underground to the Jebusite fortress, travel through Hezekiah's tunnel, and visit the pool of Siloam. **Overnight in Jerusalem** (*Breakfast and Dinner Provided*).

**Saturday (28)** – This day will be devoted to walking in the steps of Jesus during His passion. Our day begins with a breathtaking view of the Old City of Jerusalem, including Mount Moriah and the Dome of the Rock from atop the Mount of Olives. We will walk near the path that Jesus took as He wept over the city of Jerusalem upon His triumphal entry, then make our way to the Garden of Gethsemane where we will see olive trees that are hundreds of years old. Here we will read the scriptures of Jesus' prayer and arrest, and take time for personal reflection. Next, we will stop at the Kidron Valley, consider the night of His betrayal, and move along to Gallicantu, the proposed site for the home of Caiaphas. This emotional trek will also take us to the other proposed sites for His trial, crucifixion, and resurrection. We will stop at the Hidden Gate, the Citadel, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, and the Garden Tomb. It will be a transformative and powerful day. **Overnight in Jerusalem** (*Breakfast and Dinner provided*).



**Sunday (29)** – After an early morning worship service with our group, this will be a free day to use as you choose. It will be a great day for shopping, relaxation, or visiting other places in the city such as the Temple Mount, the traditional sites for the upper room, David's Tomb, Zedekiah's Cave, The Damascus Gate Museum, Roman Guardhouse, and Oskar Schindler's grave. Other great sites to visit would be the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the Rampart Walk, the Temple Institute, the Wohl Museum, the Rockefeller Museum of Archaeology, and many other historically and culturally interesting and significant places. It will be a special day for individual adventure and exploration, or rest and relaxation. **Overnight in Jerusalem** (*Breakfast and Dinner provided*).

**Monday (30)** – A busy day of sightseeing and travel will begin with an early departure to visit the ancient site of Shiloh where God's tabernacle once stood. Along the way we will pass through the tribal territories of Benjamin and Ephraim where the cities of Ai and Bethel are located. After visiting Shiloh, we will travel to the ancient Roman and Byzantine city of Scythopolis at Beth She'an. From the top of Beth She'an we can look out over the Harod valley, Byzantine, Egyptian, and Roman ruins, the Trans-Jordan mountains, and gaze upon on Mount Gilboa where King Saul met his death. From here, our journey will take us along the eastern shore of the Sea of Galilee where we will check in to our hotel and then end the day with a devotional as we watch the sun set over the Sea of Galilee at the iconic Kibbutzim hotel at Kinar. **Overnight near the Sea of Galilee** (*Breakfast and Dinner Provided*).



**Tuesday (31)** - Awaken to the picturesque scenery surrounding the Sea of Galilee and begin the day by watching the sun rise over the Sea of Galilee. Visit the ancient villages of Bethsaida and Capernaum where Jesus performed most of His mighty works. From here we will make our way to Chorazin, sit on a replica of the seat of Moses, and walk among the ruins of this once thriving Talmudic village. As this thrilling day of walking in the steps of Jesus continues, we will be blessed by riding aboard a wooden vessel as we take a scenic boat ride across the lake where Jesus once walked and encounter the lake where He calmed a storm. Finally, we will

end our day at yet another impactful vista on Mt Arbel, overlooking the Sea of Galilee, where we will take time to reflect on the teachings of Jesus as revealed in the Sermon on the Mount. **Overnight near the Sea of Galilee** (*Breakfast and Dinner Provided*).



**Wednesday (1)** – An early departure before our trip to Rome will take us near the Mt. Carmel range on our way to Bet She’arim, the Jewish Catacombs of the Roman period where we will learn about Rabbinic Judaism. Enjoy identifying the various historically significant mountaintops and valleys of the biblical world as we make our way to the ancient port city of Caesarea, the capital of Judea under the Romans. Visit the excavations of this ancient city and see where Paul made his defense before Festus and King Agrippa. We will visit the ancient hippodrome, harbor, and theater of the Roman and Byzantine periods. You will also see the remains of an

ancient crusader fortress. From here we will make our way to Ben Gurion International airport and travel as a group on board El Al Airlines to beautiful and historic Rome. **Overnight in Rome** (*Breakfast Provided*).

**Thursday (2)** – Waking up in historic Rome is exciting. While the sounds of a busy city will be heard all around, your awareness of its enthralling and storied history will soon become clear as you make your way to Rome’s most iconic site—the Colosseum. This ancient stadium was used for more than four centuries for Roman entertainment including gladiator battles, wild animal fights, large mock combat engagements, and much more. As we are led by expert Italian guides in Roman history, imagine the horrific events that took place inside the Colosseum. From there we will visit the



splendid Arch of Constantine, the biblically significant Arch of Titus, the Roman Forum, and Palatine Hill. Our day will include a devotional at the Circus Maximus where numerous Christians lost their lives because they would not renounce the faith nor deny the name of Jesus. Our day will conclude with a visit to the San Sebastiano Catacombs. **Overnight in Rome** (*Breakfast Provided*).

**Friday (3)** – After breakfast, travel by bus to Vatican City and spend the morning walking through one of the largest museums in the world. Learn more about the history of Catholicism, see magnificent art treasures, view archaeological discoveries relating to the Bible, enter St. Peter’s Basilica, walk through the incredible map room, and visit the historic Sistine Chapel. Our afternoon will include some free time on your own for exploring, shopping, or to simply rest and relax. Later in the evening, we will enjoy a walking tour through some of the most iconic and familiar sites of Rome. We will see the Trevi Fountain, the Spanish Steps, and the beautiful Piazza Navona. A highlight of the tour will include a visit to the historic Pantheon, one of the most influential and well-preserved buildings of ancient Rome. **Overnight in Rome** (*Breakfast Provided*).

**Saturday (4)** – Depart Rome on United Flight 41 at 9:45 AM and arrive in Newark the Same Day at 1:25 PM.

*There is no way to adequately describe what traveling to the Bible Lands will you do for you, both spiritually and educationally. To sing, pray, and study at various sites where heroes of faith once stood is thrilling and edifying. You will walk in the footsteps of both Jesus and Paul, and your life will be forever changed. Our highly unique program is designed to bring color, clarity, and a deeper understanding of the many customs, words, and practices of the people and settings of the Bible story and its historical and geographical context. The information and experiences gained from this trip will put you in a better position to understand the biblical text and evangelize the lost. After walking where both Jesus and Paul walked, you will never look at the Bible in the same way again.*



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# General Information

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## Featured Speaker:

Dr. Denny Petrillo will be delivering lessons at various sites throughout Israel and Rome. He is the President of Bear Valley Bible Institute and one of the premier exegetes in the church and possesses a superb knowledge of the original languages. He holds a B.A. in Bible (Harding University), M.A. in New Testament (Harding Graduate School of Religion), and a Ph.D. in Religious Adult Education (University of Nebraska). He has been a preacher, author and Christian College teacher.

## Program Organizers and Guides:

The Bible Lands Studies Program is organized through Bible Land Passages, a ministry of John and Carla Moore. John is an instructor at Bear Valley Bible Institute International and has been actively involved in ministry and Christian education since 1987. Having studied at Jerusalem University and traveled widely in Israel, Jordan, Italy, and Greece, John offers a unique perspective on the relationship between the Land of Israel and the Biblical Text. Carla frequently lectures to women's groups and preachers' wives at schools of preaching and is a writer for *Christian Woman* with a featured column focused on lessons from the Bible Lands. See [www.biblelandpassagetours.com](http://www.biblelandpassagetours.com) for travel information and questions, and [www.biblepassages.net](http://www.biblepassages.net) for ministry information.

## Eligible Participants and Maximum and Minimum Numbers Required:

Eligible participants include those meeting the guidelines with the attached Terms and Conditions. To maximize the travel and tour experience, and to keep costs affordable, a minimum and maximum number of passengers is set between 30 and 50. To ensure your place on this unique tour opportunity, please secure your reservation immediately by completing the registration form and making your deposit. **Registration forms will be processed on a first-come, first served basis. Registration forms will be processed on a first-come, first served basis.** As of 3/12/22 Covid vaccinations are NOT required, but a negative covid test within 72 hours of departure must administered by an official testing site for specific countries.

## Cost:

The basic per person cost for sharing a twin room, including estimated airfare, is **\$4,950**. Price is based on double occupancy. If you prefer single occupancy you will need to add the **\$1,200.00** supplement. For those wishing to make their own flight arrangements a "land-only" price is offered at **\$3,800** (see terms and conditions regarding portage). This price INCLUDES airfare and portage from Tel Aviv to Rome). Please see [www.biblepassages.net](http://www.biblepassages.net) for terms, conditions, and expenses. For a fee, *Passages* will accept credit card payments through PayPal.

## Tour Price Includes

Round-trip flights originating from Newark, NJ to Tel Aviv, from Tel Aviv to Rome, and from Rome back to Newark (economy class)  
\* Standard hotels \* Abundant, delicious, all-you-can-eat breakfast and dinner buffets (breakfast only in Rome) \* Luxury coach transportation in Israel \* All entry fees to museums, special sites, holy sites, areas of interest (except on Free Days) \* Boat Ride on the Sea of Galilee \* Tips for guides, drivers, bellmen \* All known Airport taxes, service charges, government taxes, and fuel surcharges \* One suitcase per person at airports and hotels \* Israel maps and trip handouts \* Instructional Lessons, Bible Applications and Connections, and explanations at all sites.

**Price Does Not Include:** **Surcharge for payment by Credit card to Bible Land Passages. Airfare or portage to and from original point of group embarkation.** Passport (it is the responsibility of the Traveler to obtain and maintain a current U.S. Passport in accordance with applicable laws, rules, and regulations), phone calls, valet/laundry service, and other items of a strictly personal nature, excess baggage, beverages and meals not detailed in the itinerary (e.g. daily noon meal and evening meals in Rome), optional excursions, health or trip insurance. **All expenses related to Covid testing are the passengers' responsibility.**

**Travel Insurance:** BLP requires travel/trip insurance. Airline tickets are non-refundable, and once final payment for the overall cost of the trip is processed it is extremely difficult to obtain even a partial refund from entities in Israel.

## Hotels:

Standard hotels throughout:

- 1 night at David Dead Sea Hotel (Breakfast and Dinner)
- 5 nights at Leonardo Jerusalem Hotel (Breakfast and Dinner)
- 2 nights at a Hotel near the Sea of Galilee (Breakfast and Dinner)
- 3 nights at Gioberti Hotel (or similar) in Rome (Breakfast)

Accommodations - based on basic hotel standards for Israel with two persons sharing a twin-bedded room with private facilities. Since hotel rooms are per room, the tour price for rooms occupied by one person is **higher** than those where two or more persons share the cost. **Thus, single rooms are available at a supplemental charge to the overall price of the tour for \$1,200.00.**

## Enrollment/Deposits/Payments:

Payment can be made by cash, check or credit card (via Paypal w/fees). A non-refundable deposit of \$300 per person is required to secure your reservation. Within 145 days of departure, 50% of payment is required and a supplement in airfare may apply. Balance of tour price is due upon receipt of final invoice, approximately 60 days prior to departure. **To officially enroll**, complete the attached registration form and acknowledge that you have read the terms and conditions document. Mail this form along with your \$300 per person deposit to Bible Land Passages at 2707 S. Lamar St., Denver, CO 80227. For further information please email us at [johnmoore.biblepassages@gmail.com](mailto:johnmoore.biblepassages@gmail.com) or call 512-695-5099.



## BIBLE LANDS STUDIES PROGRAM

### Registration

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*Yes. I want to register for the Bible Land Passages Tour to Israel and Rome scheduled for May 23-June 4. I am sending with this form my non-refundable per person deposit, payable to **Bible Land Passages** (one form per person.). Please include a copy of your passport photo page with this registration. Passports must be valid for 6 months PAST RETURN TRAVEL DATE. I understand that space is limited and registrants will be taken on a first-come first served basis.*

#### Personal Information:

Name (Exactly as it appears on passport; 1 name per form): \_\_\_\_\_

Name you are called \_\_\_\_\_ Profession: \_\_\_\_\_

Education/Experience/Training \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact/Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Home Church \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

#### Rooms are based on double occupancy.

- My roommate for this trip is \_\_\_\_\_
- I need a roommate assignment YES OR NO
- I request a single room and agree to pay the \$1,200.00 single supplement additional cost: YES or NO

#### Health:

- I understand the trip will include stairs, uneven surfaces, and long distances to walk. \_\_\_\_\_
- My physical AND mental health for the past year has been:  Excellent  Good  Fair
- My health conditions and/or impairments that tour directors should know about are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

- I am fully vaccinated against Covid-19 (Not Required): YES or NO

***I have read, I understand, and I agree with the Terms and Conditions for the Bible Land Passages Tour and Studies Program. (Please carefully read all Terms and Conditions listed below). I also understand that Bible Land Passage Tours highly recommends the purchase of travel insurance.***

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this completed form, your non-refundable deposit per person, and copy of your passport to:

***Bible Land Passages \* 2707 S. Lamar St., Denver, CO 80227***

For questions or information contact: [johnmoore.biblepassages@gmail.com](mailto:johnmoore.biblepassages@gmail.com) or by phone at 512-695-5099

***For what to bring and how to prepare see our travel guide at [www.biblepassages.net](http://www.biblepassages.net)***



## Terms and Conditions

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**Eligible Participants:** To safeguard the security and intent of the Bible Land Tour program, unless otherwise stated, the following rules apply to be eligible for participation in a Bible Land Passage tour.

1. Be a member of a church or a close friend or relative of someone who is (References may be required).
2. Be 12 years of age or older.
3. Those under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult family member, legal guardian, or have special permission from the tour directors to attend. For a minor under the age of 18, to travel outside of the US without either both parents or legal guardians, a notarized affidavit must be obtained and presented to airport or governmental officials upon departure and return.
4. Must have a valid passport not expiring within six months of departure date.
5. Must agree to the terms and conditions as outlined on the registration documents
6. Must agree to abide by the principles of conduct as outlined in the New Testament.
7. Meet the health and physical disabilities criteria outlined below.
8. Unless rescinded by the Israeli government, all passengers must be fully-vaccinated against Covid-19.

**Vaccine Requirements AND Testing:** As of 3.14.22, proof of vaccination will be NOT required. Covid-19 testing prior to arrival in Israel and the US is required, and again upon arrival in Israel. Testing is no longer required to enter Italy for those who are fully vaccinated. **For those who are NOT vaccinated** a negative PCR test is required within 72 hours of departure from Tel Aviv. We will update participants with the latest Covid protocols as they become available. **Passengers are responsible for all expenses incurred as result of Covid-19 testing.**

**Space is limited.** To maximize the travel and tour experience, and to keep cost affordable, a minimum and maximum number of passengers is set between 30 and 50. To ensure your place on this unique tour opportunity, please secure your reservation immediately by completing the registration form and making your deposit. Registration forms will be processed on a first-come, first served basis.

### **Cost:**

The estimated per person cost for sharing a twin room, including roundtrip airfare from Newark is **\$4,950.00** Price is based on double occupancy and requested single occupancy will need to add the **\$1,200.00** supplement. For those wishing to make their own flight arrangements a “land-only” price is offered at **\$3,800** (see terms and conditions regarding portage). This price **INCLUDES** airfare and portage from Tel Aviv to Rome). For a fee, *Passages* will accept credit card payments through PayPal. Price is also based on estimates and is not guaranteed. However, significant change in estimated price is unlikely. (Please see disclaimers and conditions listed below. Trip insurance is required).

### **Tour Price Includes:**

Standard hotels

Roundtrip Airfare from Newark

Abundant, delicious all-you-can-eat breakfast and dinner buffets (breakfast only in Rome but may include

Dinner as well -still in negotiations)

Luxury coach transportation in Israel

All entry fees to museums, special sites, holy sites, areas of interest, except on Free Day

Tips for guides, drivers, bellmen

Airport taxes, service charges, government taxes, and fuel surcharges

One suitcase per person at airports and hotels

Israel maps and trip handouts

Instructional Lessons, Bible Applications and Connections, and explanations at all sites

Special farewell meal

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## **Hotels:**

Standard hotels throughout:

- 1 night at David Dead Sea Hotel (Breakfast and Dinner)
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- 3 nights at Gioberti Hotel (or similar) in Rome (Breakfast and possibly dinner)

Accommodations are based on 3 to 4 Star Hotel standards of Israel with two persons sharing a twin-bedded room with private facilities. Since hotel rooms are per room, the tour price for rooms occupied by one person is higher than those where two or more persons share the cost. **Single rooms are available at a supplemental charge to the minimum price of \$1,200.00.**

**Price Does Not Include: Surcharge for payment by Credit card to Bible Land Passages. Airfare or portage to and from original point of group embarkation.** Passport (it is the responsibility of the Traveler to obtain and maintain a current U.S. Passport in accordance with applicable laws, rules, and regulations), phone calls, valet/laundry service, and other items of a strictly personal nature, excess baggage, beverages and meals not detailed in the itinerary (e.g. daily noon meal and evening meals in Rome), optional excursions, health or trip insurance, nor COVID 19 testing.

## **Deposits and Final Payments**

Payment can be made by cash, check or credit card (via Paypal w/fees). A non-refundable deposit of \$300 per person is required to secure your reservation. **Within 145 days of departure, 50% of payment is required** and a supplement in airfare may apply. Balance of tour price is due upon receipt of final invoice, approximately **60 days** prior to departure. To officially enroll, participants must sign the terms and conditions document and mail to BLP along with your \$300 deposit (see attachment or call 512-695-5099).

## **Participants From Outside the United States**

Travelers whose origination point is from outside of United States will need to contact John Moore for applicable details and costs, and the payment plan.

**Cancellation/Refund Policy:** Remember, space is limited so please reserve your spot on the tour today. All Cancellations must be received in writing. However, due to our already low cost we will not have excess monies to meet our contractual agreement with the airlines or Blue and White Israel Tours if passengers cancel after reservations are secured. In the event an emergency arises and you must cancel your reservation, **we will do our very best to refund as much of your money as possible.** However, we may not know the full financial impact of your cancellation until the actual day of our departure. **BLP highly recommends travel/trip insurance. Airline tickets are non-refundable,** and once final payment for the overall cost of the trip is processed it is extremely difficult to obtain even a partial refund from entities in Israel.

Cancellation **penalty** is as follows: 89-60 days prior to departure: 10%; 59-45 days prior to departure: 20%; 44-30 days prior to departure: 50%; 29-15 days prior to departure: 75%; 14 days & After No refund

**Air Transportation & Airline Prices and Rules:** Air fare is aboard regularly scheduled air carriers. Once tickets are issued they are non-refundable and non-transferable. Tour prices are based on current airfares and airline-imposed fuel surcharges, and other airline-imposed charges, any related taxes, and levies imposed by any government or its agencies, and are subject to change without notice. Any increases in airline fares, taxes and fees shall be borne by the passenger. **Airfare pricing is not guaranteed until paid in full and tickets are issued. Name changes due to spelling corrections, or to match passport names are subject to airline rules, and penalties for re-ticketing will apply.**

**Alcohol:** The consumption or purchase of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited.

**Conduct:** In an effort to ensure companionable group membership, Bible Land Passage Tours reserves the right to accept, reject, or expel any person whose conduct is deemed incompatible with the general well-being of the group as a whole.

**Meals:** While in Israel, delicious all-you-can-eat breakfast and dinner buffets are included in the cost of the tour. Rome evening meals on Thursday and Friday may be available free of charge (but not guaranteed).

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**Tips & Taxes:** All currently known government taxes, local taxes, hotel taxes & service charges, airport taxes, security fees and fuel surcharges are included. These taxes and fees are controlled by the Government(s) and are subject to change without notice. Any additional taxes are the responsibility of the passenger.

**Gratuities:** Gratuities are included for Motor Coach Drivers, Guides, Dining Room Waiters, and baggage handling at hotels.

**Sightseeing:** Program as shown in the Day by Day Itinerary includes entrance fees to sites. Sites visited on Free Day are NOT included.

**Health and Physical Disabilities:** The passenger warrants that he or she is physically and otherwise capable to endure the demands of the entire tour. Bible Land Passage Tours reserves the right to refuse passage to anyone with a physical or mental condition (in the opinion of Bible Land Passage Tours) that renders him or her incapable of participating in this tour or who (in the opinion of Bible Land Passage Tours) requires care beyond that which Bible Land Passage Tours can provide.

**Travel Insurance:** Travel Insurance (Trip and Health) is not included, but is required. This will be the responsibility of each traveller to obtain.

**Luggage Restrictions and Packing:** PLEASE PACK LIGHT (you will be so glad you did) See [www.ricksteves.com/travel-tips/packing-light](http://www.ricksteves.com/travel-tips/packing-light) for packing tips and for some ideas about packing light.) For ease of travel and to expedite moving from place to place with land transportation, we need to limit our packing to one small (preferably) size suitcase per person, and to one small carry-on and/or backpack (or if you are a Rick Steves fan, then limit all your luggage to just one carry-on and backpack). Baggage handling for one standard size suitcase per person is included in the price. Due to limited motor coach capacity, this bag should have dimensions not exceeding 62 linear inches (length + width + height; including wheels and handles) and weight not exceeding 50 lbs. Carry-on bags are the responsibility of the passengers. One carry-on and one personal item are allowed. Dimensions for carry-on bags are not to exceed 9" X 14" X 22" inches.

**Luggage Restrictions for flights arranged through BLP. A single checked bag fee (meeting airline specifications) from the US to Tel Aviv only is included in the price of the trip.** All other cost incurred for baggage on domestic flights are the responsibility of the passengers and to be paid by passenger directly to the airline at the time of check-in. Baggage Insurance is recommended. *Bible Land Passage Tours* is not responsible for loss or damage to passenger's baggage or other belongings.

### **Clothing while in Israel**

Please dress comfortably but modestly. We also ask that you wear long pants or Capri style pants (local officials at some sites may not allow you to enter with shorts.) There will at times be some modifications to these guidelines, when for example we enter Hezekiah's tunnel and visit the Dead Sea.

Traveling Overall: For security precautions we ask that you not wear any visible images associated with your Nationality on your clothes, handbags, or caps. **Please see the BLP Travel Guide for full Details.**

### **Passports:**

You will need a valid passport. **Passports must be valid for 6 months PAST return travel date.**

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### **Responsibility:**

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