

# Holy Land Journey

with Dr. Jonathan McPherson, Jr.

June 16 - 26, 2024

*Discover the rich history of Black people throughout the Bible on this Holy Land tour with Dr. Jonathan McPherson, Jr. and the African Bible Study Team. Visit [AfricanBibleStudy.com](http://AfricanBibleStudy.com) for more details.*



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# ITINERARY



## June 16 & 17 - USA to the Holy Land

Your pilgrimage begins as you depart the USA on an overnight flight. You will be welcomed at the Tel Aviv airport by our representative and transferred to your hotel to enjoy dinner before retiring for the night. Time permitting, visit the port city of Joppa on your way to Tiberias.

## June 18 - The Galilee

Worship as you sail across the Sea of Galilee. Visit Capernaum, the center of Jesus' ministry in Galilee, and visit the synagogue built on the site where Jesus taught (Matthew 4:13, 23). On the Mount of Beatitudes, contemplate the "Sermon on the Mount" (Matthew 5-7). Explore the Church of the Loaves and Fish at Tabgha, the traditional site of the feeding of the 5,000 (Luke 9:10-17). See the Chapel of the Primacy, where Peter professed his devotion three times to the risen Christ (John 21). Travel to Mount Arbel and walk along its peak for a stunning view of the Sea of Galilee and the area where Jesus ministered, with extended views of Mount Hermon in the north and Mount Tabor in the south. Recall Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist at the Jordan River.

## June 19 - Cana, Nazareth, Tel Megiddo & Mount Tabor

Visit the Franciscan Wedding Chapel in Cana, the site of Jesus' first miracle. Continue to Nazareth, Jesus' boyhood home (Matthew 2:23), and Mount Precipice, where an angry crowd from the synagogue attempted to throw Jesus off a cliff (Luke 5:28-30). Look out over Tel Megiddo (Armageddon) to view one of the most important archaeological sites in Israel. Ascend Mount Tabor, where Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Matt. 17:2).

## June 20 - Mount Carmel & Caesarea

Journey to the top of Mount Carmel, where Elijah prayed down the fire from heaven and defeated the 450 prophets of Baal (I Kings 18). Today's last stop is Caesarea, a center of the early Christians where an angel visited Cornelius, the first Gentile believer (Acts 10), and where Paul was imprisoned for two years before appealing to Caesar.

## June 21 - Jericho, Dead Sea & Bethlehem

As you stop in Jericho to view the ruins of the city conquered by Joshua (Joshua 6:1, 2, 20), in the distance, you can also see the traditional site of the Temptation of Jesus (Matthew 4:1-11). End your day with a dip in the salt and mineral-laden waters of the Dead Sea. In Bethlehem, visit the cave revered as Jesus' birthplace and see the Church of the Nativity constructed over the site (Matthew 1:18-25). Gaze out over Shepherds' Field before continuing to Jerusalem.

## June 22 - Jerusalem

Continue to Mount Zion to visit the House of the High Priest Caiaphas, where Jesus was questioned on the night of His betrayal (Matthew 26:57). Meditate on the events of the Last Supper as you visit the traditional location of the Upper Room (Mark 14:12-26). Spend time in the Hinnom Valley, where sacrifices occurred by the Kings of Judah. After lunch, wander through the excavations of the City of David. Explore Hezekiah's Tunnel, an amazing engineering feat that was dug from either end and met in the middle! (Note: Those who are claustrophobic may want to meet the group at the other end of the tunnel!). Visit the Pool of Siloam, recently uncovered at the foot of the city.

## June 23 - Jerusalem & the Old City

Begin your day walking the Temple Mount (conditions permitting) once the site of the Temple of Solomon (II Chronicles 3) is home to the Dome of the Rock. Continue to the Mount of Olives, where Jesus ascended into heaven (Acts 1:9-12). Walk the Palm Sunday Road, pray in the Garden of Gethsemane, and envision the scenes of the night before Jesus' crucifixion (Matthew 26:36 - 44). Explore the poignant exhibits of Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust Memorial.



### June 24 - Masada & Lachish

Ascend by cable car to Masada, Herod's legendary mountaintop fortress, which became the last desperate stronghold of the Jewish Zealots against the Romans. You can still look down on the remains of the Roman camps and the siege ramp below. Continue to Lachish, a city that dates back over 2000 years before Christ. Captured by both Joshua and fortified by Rehoboam, it was one of the principal cities of Judah. One of its conquerors, Sennacherib, destroyed Lachish (II Kings 18:13-17) and memorialized the victory in reliefs on the walls of his palace in Ninevah.

### June 25 - Jerusalem

Explore ancient Jerusalem at the Teaching Steps and the Western Wall. View the Pool of Bethesda, where Jesus performed the Sabbath miracle (John 5:1-18). Sing a hymn in the Church of St. Anne and experience its rich acoustics. Visit Herod's Antonia Fortress, where Jesus appeared before Pontius Pilate (Luke 23:1), and follow in Christ's steps on the Via Dolorosa ("the Way of the Cross"). At the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, take time to reflect on His sacrificial love. Visit the Garden Tomb for a time of reflection and communion.

### June 26 - Return to the USA



## PRICING

**\$4,998**  
From New York

### YOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

Roundtrip International Airfare,  
Basic Tour & Guided Sightseeing,  
Transfers, Breakfast & Dinner

Tips, Taxes, First-Class Hotels and much more!

*EOX highly recommends purchasing a  
Travel Protection plan*

## OPTIONAL EXTENSION



### JORDAN Extension

June 26 - 27, 2024 • \$548\*

*A minimum number of participants must be reached to operate extensions.  
Contact us for specifics.*

#### June 26 - Mount Nebo & Zarqa

This morning, you will journey across the Allenby Bridge on your way to Mount Nebo, where Moses caught a glimpse of the Promised Land (Deut. 34). On a clear day, you can see all the way across the Jordan Valley and the Dead Sea to the rooftops of Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Continue to see the Jabbok River before continuing to your hotel.

#### June 27 - Return to the USA from Amman

Guests taking an extension may be on a different flight than their group and/or traveling companion.

A minimum number of participants must be reached to operate extensions. Contact us for specifics.

\*A 3.5% surcharge will be added to all credit card transactions



**PROGRAM CONDITIONS**

**INCLUDED IN PRICE:**

- Round-trip International Airfare • Deluxe motorcoaches • 1st class hotels • Guided sightseeing • Breakfast and Dinner • Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in itinerary)
- Hotel gratuities • Program fees • Administrative fees • Transfers • Fuel Surcharges \$600 • Government Taxes \$98 (increases in government tax and fees are subject to change)

**NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:**

- Optional Travel Protection Program • Extensions and optional sightseeing as listed in the brochure • Miscellaneous fees such as individual transfers; passports, laundry, lunches, beverages at meals & baggage fees • Volunteer "Love Offering" for guide and driver • \$100 Document fee for Non-US/Canadian residents

**ACCOMMODATIONS:**

Price is per person based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While EOX will try to match roommates, EOX cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 30 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or you request a single room, the following charges apply: \$1148 during the basic tour; \$98 Jordan.

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

Payment Amount	Payment Due Dates & Notes
<b>\$300</b>	Due upon registration
<b>\$1,500</b>	2nd Deposit due by 03/03/24.
<b>Full Payment</b>	Final Payment is due 04/02/24. If paid after the due date, a late payment fee of \$100 will be assessed.
<b>Travel Protection Amount</b>	EOX highly recommends purchasing a Travel Protection plan. Upon registration, you will be sent an email from Travel Insured with different options to choose from and instructions on purchasing. Please contact EOX if you have further questions or need help purchasing a Travel Protection plan.

**REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED by March 3, 2024:**

We welcome registrations after 03/03/24. Registrations received after this date may incur additional fees based on availability. Additional fees will be advised upon registration

**CANCELLATION FEES:**

100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following per-person cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 105 days prior to departure, you will be charged the \$100 non-refundable cancellation fee plus any airline fees. Additionally, thereafter, you will be charged any airline penalties and a single room supplement if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single plus the following per-person charges: 104-60 days = \$400; 59-45 days = \$600; 44-31 days = 40% of total cost; 30 days to day of departure = 100% of total cost. Submit cancellation in writing. On or after day of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

**STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY**

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Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged and space limitations on tour buses, wheelchairs and scooters cannot be accommodated. Those needing oxygen or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting in their experiences. Persons using C-pap machines requiring distilled water will need to inform us ahead of time, so we can work with local operators to prepare as it is not always available. EOX reserves the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in the sole judgment of EOX, incapable of group travel without causing undue demands upon the staff or other tour participants. Accessible rooms/cabins are limited and subject to confirmation after receiving the passenger's written request. If you have questions, please see [eo.travel/fit-to-travel-statement](http://eo.travel/fit-to-travel-statement) or contact Educational Opportunities Tours Inc. for more details.

**PASSPORT INFORMATION:**

Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 03/03/24. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Any fees incurred due to discrepancies are the responsibility of the passenger.

**ITINERARY CHANGES:**

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While EOX will make every effort to ensure you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. No changes to the itinerary are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no other person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour.

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**VALIDITY DATE:**

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