



**JOURNEY TO THE LAND OF THE BIBLE**  
*Hosted by South Park Presbyterian Church*  
**March 17—26, 2011**

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Friends,

*Join us for the trip of a lifetime!*

**Imagine yourself** walking on the shores of the Sea of Galilee, where Jesus performed the majority of his ministry.

**Imagine yourself** viewing the fallen walls of Jericho or standing on Mount Carmel, where Elijah defeated the prophets of Baal.

**Imagine yourself** visiting Qumran where they discovered the Dead Sea Scrolls and floating in the Dead Sea, the lowest point on earth.

**Imagine yourself** standing on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem and viewing the Temple Mount where Solomon's magnificent Temple once stood.

**Imagine yourself** strolling through the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus was arrested and taken for trial.

**Imagine yourself** peering in the Garden Tomb and taking communion in memory of Christ's atoning sacrifice for us.

This will be the perfect time of year to visit Israel with the desert flowers in full bloom. So, don't hesitate to claim your spot on this life-changing trip! I guarantee you won't be disappointed! Jesus said that even if His followers should fall silent, the very stones of Jerusalem would shout out! (Luke 19:40) Indeed they do. Come and experience for yourself.

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## ITINERARY

### MARCH 17 • DEPARTURE

Our spiritual adventure begins as we depart from the U.S. for our long-awaited destination—Israel!

### MARCH 18 • ARRIVAL

**ARRIVAL** Upon our arrival in Tel Aviv, we will be assisted through customs and introduced to our guide and driver. Then we drive north to the Sea of Galilee.

**MT. ARBEL** A stunning panorama of the Sea of Galilee and the biblical sites of Jesus' public ministry.

### MARCH 19 • AROUND THE SEA OF GALILEE

**SEA OF GALILEE** This morning we board an ancient-style boat for worship on the Sea of Galilee.

**CAPERNAUM** This city witnessed many of Jesus' miracles.

**MT. OF BEATITUDES** Where Christ delivered the Sermon on the Mount.

**CAESAREA PHILIPPI** This New Testament city is where Peter made his great confession, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Here we will see the cliffside where the demons entered the swine after being cast out of the demoniac.

**KURSI**

### MARCH 20 • ANCIENT EXCAVATIONS

**BAPTISM IN THE JORDAN** We will have the opportunity to be baptized in the same waters in which John baptized Jesus.

These Roman ruins sit in the shadow of the hill where the Philistines displayed the bodies of King Saul and his sons.

**BET SHE'AN**



### MARCH 20 – CONTINUED

**MEGIDDO** The Chariot City of King Solomon; explore the excavations and view the Jezreel Valley where the nations will gather at Armageddon.

**MT. CARMEL** Where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal.

### MARCH 21 • CAESAREA & UP TO JERUSALEM

**CAESAREA** Here we will see the Roman theater, harbor, newly excavated hippodrome and palace, and aqueducts.

**UP TO JERUSALEM** We will journey up to the magnificent city of Jerusalem.

**MT. OF OLIVES** At this panoramic vista, we are reminded of what Christ saw as He looked out over the city.

**DOMINUS FLEUIT** We will walk down Palm Sunday Road and stop at the place where Jesus wept over Jerusalem.

**GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE** Here, amongst the ancient olive trees, is where Jesus was betrayed.

### MARCH 22 • ISRAEL YESTERDAY & TODAY

**BETHLEHEM** This morning we will visit the Church of the Nativity, the traditional site of the birth of Christ.

**HERODIUM** Herod the Great's fortress and burial place.

**YAD VASHEM** Israel's Holocaust memorial and museum.

**JERUSALEM MODEL** This display gives us an excellent visual of the city as it looked during the time of Christ.

**SHRINE OF THE BOOK** Here we will see one of the highlights of biblical archaeology, the ancient Dead Sea Scrolls.

### MARCH 23 • THE DEAD SEA

- MASADA** We will ride a cable-car up to Herod's lavish palace/fortress where Jewish zealots made their final stand in their revolt against Rome.
- EN GEDI** One of the places where David encountered Saul.
- QUMRAN** The Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered here.
- SWIM IN THE DEAD SEA** We will have some time to swim in the unique waters of the Dead Sea and enjoy the hot sulfur pool at Mineral Beach.
- WADI QILT** The wilderness where Christ was tempted for forty days.

### MARCH 24 • THE MESSIAH

- SOUTHERN TEMPLE STEPS** A place where you can actually say, "I walked today where Jesus walked."
- THE TEMPLE MOUNT** View the ancient site of the Temple, now holding the Dome of the Rock and the Al Aksa Mosque.
- POOL OF BETHESDA** The pool where Jesus healed a sick man.
- ST. ANNE'S CHURCH** This old Crusader church's amazing acoustics will enhance any group's songs of praise.
- ANTONIO'S FORTRESS** This is the place where the soldiers mocked Jesus and placed a crown of thorns on His head.
- VIA DOLOROSA** We will journey down the "Way of the Cross" until we reach the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the traditional site where Jesus laid down His life for mankind.



### MARCH 24 – CONTINUED

- THE CITY OF DAVID EXCAVATIONS** Starting from the platform on which King David's palace was located, we will see Warren's Shaft, the waterspout through which David's forces climbed to capture the city, and the Pools of Siloam where the blind man washed the mud off his eyes and received his sight. We will also have the opportunity to walk through Hezekiah's Tunnel.

### MARCH 25 • THE OLD CITY

- UPPER ROOM** The traditional site of the Last Supper.
- ST. PETER GALICANTU** The traditional site of Caiaphas' house.
- HEZEKIAH'S CITY WALL & THE CARDO** We will wind through the narrow streets and colorful bazaars of the Old City, stopping along the way to discover history that proves our faith.
- THE GARDEN TOMB** We will walk into an ancient tomb similar to the one in which Christ was buried and then have a communion service celebrating the resurrection of our Savior... "He is not here! He has risen!"
- WESTERN WALL** This evening we will watch the Orthodox Jews usher in Shabbat (the Sabbath) at their most sacred site, also known as the Wailing Wall.

### MARCH 26 • HOMEWARD BOUND

With heart-changing memories of our time in the Holy Land, we will return home!

#### **TOUR COST & PAYMENT INFORMATION**

*Tour Cost: \$3,250 per person*  
*Single Occupancy: \$625 additional*

*\$500 deposit due with reservation form*  
*\$1,200 due by November 15, 2010*  
*Balance due by December 30, 2010*

**INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST**

**Air Transportation**—Round-trip transatlantic economy class from Chicago, Illinois. A limited number of seats will be confirmed. Participants will be given these seats on a first come, first served basis. Airfare used is based on economy class effective at date of publication. *Airfares and airlines are subject to change should more seats be needed than allocated.*  
**Hotels**—First class hotels throughout, double occupancy.  
**Meals**—Breakfast and dinner daily except where noted on itinerary. *(Beverages provided at breakfast only.)*

**Sightseeing**—As itinerary specifies, in deluxe motorcoaches with English-speaking guide. All entrance fees are included.  
**Transfers**—All group transfers between airports and hotels.  
**Porterage**—Porterage of one suitcase (standard size).  
**Tips**—Tips to guides, drivers, and hotel staff.  
**Taxes**—Airport departure taxes in the U.S. and Israel; amount is subject to change and is based on tax rates & fuel surcharges at time of ticketing.

**NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST**

**Lunches**—Also beverages at meals, other than coffee and tea with breakfast.  
**Personal Expenses**—Such as passport fees, visas for non-US citizens, travel insurance, laundry, phone calls, etc.

**Single Occupancy**—A limited number of single rooms are available at an additional cost of \$625 per person.  
**Services**—Not specifically mentioned above.

**SPECIAL NOTES**

**Reservations**—A deposit of \$500 must accompany the reservation form for each participant enrolling in the tour. An additional partial payment of \$1,200 is due by November 15, 2010. Final payment is due by December 30, 2010.

**Tour Prices**—All tour prices are based on costs, charges, taxes and US dollar exchange rates known at the time of booking. We regret should any of these costs change, a surcharge may be added to the cost of your tour. You would be notified prior to travel.

**Deviations & Changes**—Participant requests for deviations from itinerary are subject to space plus an applicable airfare surcharge, and a \$50 deviation fee per person. To enable finalizing of group arrangements, requests and changes are not accepted less than 60 days prior to departure.

**Insurance**—Baggage, trip cancellation and emergency medical insurance is STRONGLY recommended. Forms will be provided upon registration. **Important:** The exclusion of Pre-Existing Conditions is waived provided the premium is received no later than fifteen days after the initial deposit for your trip.

**Cancellations**—All cancellation notices must be received in writing.

Date of Cancellation	Refund Policy
Prior to Nov 15, 2010	Full refund less 50% of your deposit
Nov 15 to Dec 30, 2010	Penalty of 50% of your deposit plus \$500
Dec 31, 2010 until departure	No refund

**Passports**—You must have a valid passport with expiration not less than 6 months after your return to the US. It takes about eight to twelve weeks to secure a passport so don't delay. Non-US passport holders must contact Morning Star Tours to confirm need for visa. Passport information along with applications can be obtained on the WEB by going to: [www.travel.state.gov/passport/index.html](http://www.travel.state.gov/passport/index.html)

**Baggage Allowance**—Due to bus size we can only allow one checked piece, not to exceed 62 inches (length plus width plus depth) and 50 lbs. You may also bring one carry-on item.

**The tour operator reserves the right to make necessary changes to the itinerary.**

**RESPONSIBILITY** Morning Star Tours, with their officers and staff, act only as agents for the various companies whose accommodations are utilized. They assume no responsibility or liability in connection with the services of any train, carriage, automobile, airplane, or other conveyance which will be used either wholly or in part. Neither will they be responsible for any act, error, omission, or any injury, loss, accident, or any delay which may be occasioned by reason of defect in any vehicle or through neglect or default of any company or person engaged in the conveying of passengers. Morning Star Tours accepts no responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delays or changes in motorcoach, train, airplane services, or that of any other conveyance, sickness, accident, weather, strikes, war, quarantine, or other causes; and all such losses or expenses must be borne by the passenger. The airlines and/or other transportation companies concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time the passengers are not aboard their plane or conveyance. The passage contract, as issued by the airlines or other transportation companies involved with the tour, shall constitute the sole contract between the purchaser and the airlines or transportation companies and limit the responsibilities of the tour sponsors concerning the related travel and accommodations. Prices and schedules that appear in any brochure or web site are based on current schedules and tariff rates and are subject to change without notice.

**Payment of deposit for this tour signifies full understanding and acceptance of the above-mentioned conditions.**

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To reserve your place on this tour, please complete the reservation form and mail it with your \$500 deposit per person. Additional information will be sent to you upon receipt of your reservation form and deposit.

Name (as it will appear on your passport) \_\_\_\_\_

Name Tag \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Gateway city for departure: Chicago

Is this your first time to travel with Morning Star Tours?

YES  No, I traveled with MST in \_\_\_\_\_

- I am enclosing a \$500 deposit (for each participant, due with reservation form) and will pay a partial payment of \$1,200 per person by November 15, 2010, and the balance by December 30, 2010.
- I desire a single room (\$625 extra).

**Form of Payment:**  Check (Make checks payable to Morning Star Tours)  
 MasterCard  Visa  Discover

Card # \_\_\_\_\_

3 Digit Validation Code \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

*I authorize Morning Star Tours to charge my credit card in the amount of \$500 per person and to automatically charge the credit card when payments are due (November 15, 2010, and December 30, 2010).*

The name **and** billing address are the same as above for this credit card (If not, please provide below)

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Mail reservation forms to:  
Tour #512



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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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