



**ISRAEL COLLEGE
OF THE BIBLE**

TOURS



**BIBLICAL ARCHAEOLOGY
MAY 30-JUNE 10, 2017**

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Shalom!

Israel College of the Bible Tours is dedicated to providing in-depth study tours of the Land of Israel that will enrich your understanding of God's word and His people. Below you will find a detailed quote for our Archaeology of the Land of the Bible Study Tour and Excavations from May 30 – June 10, 2107. Please note, all rates and prices are subject to change until booked.

PROGRAM ITINERARY

DAY	DATE	PROGRAM	OVERNIGHT
1	May 30 (Tuesday)	Arrive in Israel and transfer (on your own) to your hotel in Jerusalem. Late Afternoon lecture: Introduction to the Archaeology of the Land of the Bible, followed by a festive meal for Shavuot (Feast of Weeks).	Jerusalem
2	May 31 (Wednesday)	Today the focus is on the locations of Yeshua's ministry in Jerusalem, his crucifixion and resurrection: visiting the Pools of Bethesda, the Mt. of Olives, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Via Dolorosa, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Tour the Israel Museum with its model of Second Temple period Jerusalem, Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit and the archaeological treasures that shed light on life in Bible times. In the evening we'll have a special time of worship to remember the coming of the Holy Spirit in power in this city on the first Shavuot after Yeshua's ascension.	Jerusalem
3	June 1 (Thursday)	Become acquainted with the geography of Jerusalem, from its beginnings as a small Canaanite city-state until the time it became David's capital. Learn about destructions, resettlement and subsequent growth, to understand the first century AD city which was the backdrop for Jesus' ministry. Sites will include the City of David excavations, the Southwall Excavations/Davidson Center, the Western Wall Tunnel and the Herodian Quarter	Jerusalem
4	June 2 (Friday)	We'll descend to the Dead Sea to explore Masada. Learn about the life of Herod the Great, who built his cascading palace on the north end of the cliff. We'll discuss the relations between Jews and Romans that led to the Jewish revolt in 70 AD. Time permitting, visit the museum which houses the highlights of Masada's archaeological treasures. In the afternoon hike through the oasis at Ein Gedi to David's falls. Continue to the area of the Judean wilderness where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered and end the day with an opportunity to float in the Dead Sea.	Dead Sea Region



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5	June 3 (Saturday)	Follow the Jordan Valley up to the Golan Heights. Visit the Decapolis city of Susita and the ruins of the Jewish city of Gamla, famous for its resistance to Rome in 66 AD.	Sea of Galilee Region
6	June 4 (Sunday)	Today we'll focus on the archaeology of Yeshua's ministry. We'll visit Kursi, to discuss the possible locations of the casting out of demons from the man who dwelt among the tombs, Capernaum, Chorazin and Magdala. After lunch visit the ancient fishing boat, found in the lake-bed near Kibbutz Ginosar, and then check into our hotel where we'll meet the staff and other volunteers for our excavation experience.	Kibbutz Ginosar (for next five nights)
7-11	June 5-9 (Mon - Fri)	Excavations, artifact processing and field school lectures. On Friday on our way back to Netanya, we'll stop at Nazareth to visit some of the archaeological sites and tour Nazareth Village.	Overnight: June 10 Netanya
12	June 10 (Sat)	Transfer, on your own, to the airport for flights home, or stay in Israel longer for more exploration.	

GENERAL INFORMATION

Archaeology 12- day tour and excavations	Price
Per person in double room (tour) and triple room (excavations)	\$1,790
Single supplement (if single room is desired)	\$570
Fee for 3 academic credit hours (optional)	\$450 (\$150/credit hour)

Please note:

- All rates are in **US Dollars**
- *Changes can occur in hotels due to factors beyond our control,*
- *Changes in the price may occur, due to exchange rate fluctuation, prior to departure date.*
- *The itinerary is subject to change according to weather and security conditions.*

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The proposal is based on the following accommodations or similar:

Nights	Location	Hotel or similar
3	Jerusalem	Foyer Mar Maroun or similar
1	Dead Sea Region	Kibbutz Kalia or similar
1	Sea of Galilee	Kare Deshe Youth Hostel or similar
5	Sea of Galilee	Kibbutz Ginosar Holiday Village or similar
1	Netanya	Orit Guest House or similar

RATE INCLUDES:

- ✓ Eleven nights' accommodation youth hostel or similar, in a double or triple room with ensuite toilet and shower. **If you desire to be in a double room** and do not have a roommate, a roommate will be assigned to you. If a roommate cannot be assigned, single supplement rates will apply.
- ✓ Breakfast and dinner daily, as per program
- ✓ Evening lectures during the tour
- ✓ 5 touring days with a professional and licensed English-speaking guide
- ✓ 5 days participation in the Archaeological Field School of the Bethsaida Project Excavations
- ✓ Transportation for tour days as per program
- ✓ Entrance fees to sites mentioned in itinerary
- ✓ Map and stationery

RATE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Flights to/from Tel Aviv
- Transfer to Jerusalem on the first day and transfer back to the airport from Netanya at the end of the tour
- Tips for drivers (discretionary)
- Travel Insurance for entire tour, including airfare costs
- Passport and visa fees if applicable
- Lunches and other expenses not mentioned in the itinerary

BOOKINGS AND RATES

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PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION PENALTIES:

- The Deposit of **\$300** is **non-refundable**.
- Final Payment is due by March 30, 2017
- 50 % of total tour cost will be charged if cancellation occurs 30-45 days prior to departure
- 100 % of total tour cost will be charged if cancellation occurs 30-0 days prior to departure



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DOCUMENTS

A valid passport for at least **six months** after returning home is required. It is the passenger's responsibility to obtain, at their own expense, the documents required to enter Israel according to citizenship.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

You are required to purchase medical insurance for the duration of your time in Israel. In addition, we strongly advise you to purchase travel insurance for your trip to Israel. Travel insurance usually covers your expenses in case of cancellation before departure due to health and other issues.

ICB Tours shall not be liable or responsible for any injury, sickness, loss or damage to any person or property as a consequence of natural disasters, strikes, civil disturbances or other factors over which the company has no control and cannot influence to change them. ICB Tours offers no coverage or compensation of any kind in case stated above, nor for cancellations or inability to travel.

PASSENGER FITNESS

Traveling in Israel and participating in excavations requires each participant to be in good health and able to walk, as many sites are not accessible to people in wheelchairs or those who are physically challenged. If there are any issues pertaining to your health or physical fitness, we ask that you consult with us prior to registration.