

## BEHOLD HE COMES – HINENI 7 CHURCHES OF REVELATION

10 DAY BIBLICAL JOURNEY TO ISRAEL  
MAY 7 - MAY 17, 2016

**\$2,200** PER PERSON IN DOUBLE ROOM

OPTIONAL 5 DAY EXTENSION TO TURKEY  
MAY 16 - MAY 22, 2016

**\$1,010** PER PERSON IN DOUBLE ROOM



JOIN US ON A  
JOURNEY  
OF A LIFETIME



## ITINERARY

### Day 1 | SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016

#### USA DEPARTURE

Our Israel Holy Land tour starts today as we depart the USA on our way to Israel –the Land of the Bible. Sit back relax and enjoy your flight. Get some rest...tomorrow you will be walking where Jesus walked!

**Meals included:** On Board

**Overnight:** On Board

### Day 2 | SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2016

#### ARRIVAL IN ISRAEL / JERUSALEM

Today we arrive at Ben Gurion Airport where you will be met by our airport representative to assist you through security & customs. At the arrival hall we will meet our Israeli tour guide and your bus driver. We will then ascend to Jerusalem, the Holy City of Zion. Upon arriving in Jerusalem, experience a breathtaking panoramic view of Jerusalem at Haas Promenade. Continue to our centrally located hotel for check in, introduction & welcome dinner. Free time to rest, relax and enjoy your first evening in Jerusalem. Get some rest. Tomorrow will be a big day.

**Meals included:** Full Buffet Dinner

**Overnight:** Jerusalem Hotel

### Day 3 | MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016

#### TEMPLE MOUNT ARCHEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS / SOUTHERN STEPS / DAVIDSON CENTER / WESTERN WALL AND TUNNELS / JEWISH QUARTER/ TEMPLE MT INSTITUTE

Following breakfast we will enter the Old City via the Dung Gate and visit the Western Wall ("Wailing Wall") – the holiest site in Judaism and one of the original ancient walls that retained the Temple. We will continue to the Temple Mount archeological excavations. Here we will visit the "Southern Steps" – the archaeological reconstruction of the Temple Steps where Jesus walked so often. We will visit the unearthed southern end of the western wall, the paved street and the Robinson's Arch. At the Davidson Center museum we will view a fascinating documentary of the excavation and a 10 minutes film describing a visit of a pilgrim to the second temple – to better understand what the Temple was like in Jesus times. Next, we will visit the western wall tunnels running along the western wall. We will continue our old city exploration and walk through the historic Jewish Quarter and visit the Temple Mt Institute, where the vessels have been prepared for the coming 3rd Temple. We will then return to our hotel to rest and have dinner.

**Meals included:** Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

**Overnight:** Jerusalem

### Day 4 | TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2016

#### FRIENDS OF ZION / MT. ZION / UPPER ROOM / CAIAPHAS' HOUSE/ MT OF OLIVES/ GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE/ GARDEN TOMB / FREE TIME – BEN YAHUDA STREET

After breakfast, we will start our day with a visit to the Friends of Zion Heritage Center, an interactive, multimedia experience that brings the stories of Christian love and heroism to life. Next we will Visit Mt. Zion, and the Tomb of King David. We will then walk to the Upper Room (Luke 22) -the traditional site where Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper and where later Thomas cried, "My Lord and my God". Afterwards, we will travel to The High Priest Caiaphas' House where we will see the actual steps Jesus walked on that led to the place where he was held before his crucifixion. Next, we will head to the top of the Mount of Olives to stand where the Lord ascended into heaven (Acts 1). From the Mount of Olives we take in a breathtaking panoramic view of the city across the Kidron Valley to the Eastern Gate where the Prince of Peace will enter (Ezekiel 44). We will take the Palm Sunday Road down to the Garden of Gethsemane where we will see 2,000 year old olive trees that date back to the time of Christ. We will then continue to the Garden Tomb, where we will celebrate the resurrection with a time of communion and prayer (Luke 23). Return to our hotel for dinner and a good night's rest.

**Meals included:** Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

**Overnight:** Jerusalem

### Day 5 | WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2016

#### SHRINE OF THE BOOK / YAD VASHEM

In the Morning after Breakfast, we will head to the new city of Jerusalem and drive past the Knesset, the Israeli Supreme Court, and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem to visit the Shrine of the book at the Israel museum, where the Dead Sea scrolls are housed. We will also see a full size model of Jerusalem in the Second Temple period. Lastly, we will visit Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Memorial Museum. We will depart and drive to the lowest place on earth - the Dead Sea. We will drive along the shores of the Dead Sea and arrive at our hotel to relax and have dinner, located on the shores of the Dead Sea.

**Meals included:** Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

**Overnight:** Dead Sea

### Day 6 | THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2016

#### MASADA / EIN GEDI / DEAD SEA / QUMRAN / BETH SHEAN

After breakfast we will drive along the shores of the Dead Sea to visit one of the most spectacular sites in Israel – the 1,500 feet mountaintop fortress of Masada. Built by King Herod, Masada is famous for being the last stronghold of the Jewish rebellion against the Romans. We will ascend to Masada by cable car and discover the 1st century Synagogue, Herod's Bathhouse and many other sites. Be sure to bring your sunglasses and hat. Next we will visit the oasis of Ein Gedi, where David hid in a cave when running from Saul (1 Samuel 23). It was here that David composed several of his Psalms. \*Please note, you can stop at the first waterfall which is not strenuous. But for those adventure types, you will not want to miss climbing to the top waterfall! Afterwards, we will return back to our hotel and enjoy relaxing free time at our wonderful Dead Sea resort hotel, conveniently located on the shores of the Dead Sea. Walk to the beach and float in the salty water of the Dead Sea and take a dip in the beautiful swimming pool of our resort hotel. You can also take this opportunity to enjoy the Dead Sea famous mud and mineral treatments at our hotel's spa. After dinner stroll around the grounds and relax or socialize over coffee in one of the many seating areas.

**Meals included:** Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

**Overnight:** Dead Sea

### Day 7 | FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016

#### QUMRAN / BETH SHEAN / JORDAN RIVER BAPTISM / SEA OF GALILEE

After breakfast we will enjoy a little free time in our hotel. Around 10am we will check out from our hotel and head north. Our first visit will be Qumran, where we will walk through the ruins of this ancient Essene community. In this spot, an amazing cache of ancient biblical texts were discovered in 1947 - commonly called the Dead Sea Scrolls. We will have lunch here and plenty of shopping for Dead Sea Products. Afterwards, we will continue through the Jordan Valley and the Beth Shean valley to the ancient city of Beth Shean (Mark 5.20, 7.31) for a visit of this remarkable archeological site. This is where Saul and Jonathan's bodies were hung on the city gates. We will end the day at Yardenit the wonderful baptismal site on the Jordan River for those who want to be baptized. You will receive a beautiful certificate. What a Holy Ghost time of rejoicing it will be as you realize this is the same place where Jesus was baptized by John. Afterwards, we will continue on and arrive at the Sea of Galilee and our Kibbutz hotel, located on the western shores of the Sea of Galilee. Enjoy a free evening to walk along the shores of the Sea of Galilee and experience the place where Jesus spent most of his ministry. Walk the beautiful grounds and enjoy the peacefulness of Galilee.

**Meals included:** Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

**Overnight:** Sea of Galilee



## ITINERARY

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### Day 8 | SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2016

**MOUNT OF BEATITUDES / CAPERNAUM / CAPERNAUM FARMS OLIVE OIL / ST. PETER'S FISH LUNCH/SAIL ON THE SEA OF GALILEE / "JESUS BOAT"**

After breakfast we will travel to the Mount of Beatitudes (Matt. 5,6,7,8), where Jesus preached the Sermon on the Mount and where the famous chapel, constructed in 1939 by the noted architect Antonio Barluzzi is located. As we enjoy the breathtaking view and beautiful grounds, you can picture Jesus speaking here on the hill. We will then continue on our journey to the 2,000 year old remains of Capernaum (Matt. 4.13 13.54, 17.24, Luke 7, Mark 1.2, John 4.46-54). Here we can stand in what is left of the synagogue in which Jesus ministered! It was from this city that Jesus did most of his Galilee ministry, where he performed many miracles, and where Peter's mother-in-law lived and was healed.

**Meals included:** Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

**Overnight:** Sea of Galilee

### Day 9 | SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2016

**GAMALA / GOLAN HEIGHTS / TEL BENTAL / CAESAREA PHILIPPI / TEL DAN**

After Breakfast, we drive up to the Golan Heights, our first stop will be the site of the ancient Gamla, destroyed by the Romans in 68AC. Known as the Golan's Masada, Gamla offers magnificent views over the Sea of Galilee, the highest waterfall in Israel and it is also an important archeological site. We will then Continue to Tel Bental - one of the chain of extinct volcanoes. Tel Bental offers spectacular panoramic views at the crossroads of three countries. We will continue to Banias and ancient Caesarea Philippi (Matt. 16.13 and Mark 8.27), where Jesus said "on this rock I will build my Church". We will take a short drive to Tel Dan. The city of Dan represented the northern border of the Biblical kingdom of Israel. It was here, 2,900 years ago, that King Hazael of Damascus punctuated his invasion of Israelite territory with the erection of the famous House of David inscription, the oldest document to mention the historical King David. Visitors can explore King Jeroboam's temple, which the Hebrew Bible indicates was established to house the golden calf and challenge the Jerusalem Temple for religious supremacy. It was here that Bronze Age inhabitants constructed the world's oldest known gated archway more than 1,500 years before the Romans supposedly invented the arch. In the afternoon we will drive through the natural Hula Valley and the Upper Galilee region back to the Sea of Galilee. Return to our hotel for dinner. Prepare for departure tomorrow. Enjoy your last evening in Galilee.

**Meals included:** Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

**Overnight:** Sea of Galilee

### Day 10 | MONDAY, MAY 16, 2016

**VALLEY OF ARMAGEDDON / MEGIDDO / MT CARMEL / HAIFA / OLD JAFFA / FARWELL DINNER / DEPARTURE**

On our last touring day we will have a relaxing drive along the Lower Galilee and the Jezreel valley to the Valley of Armageddon (Revelation 16). We will Visit Megiddo (1 Kings 4.28, 9.15, 2 Kings 23.29 & Revel. 16.16) and see the remains from Solomon's days, and view the site where the Battle of Armageddon will be fought. A very sobering realization. Our Next stop will be Mount Carmel (Muchraka), where Elijah issued his challenge to the False Prophets. We will drive to Haifa for a panoramic view of the city and then drive to the beautiful coast of the Mediterranean Sea to stop at Caesarea Maritime (Acts 9.30 Acts 10 24-48), which was the center of early Christians. Here Cornelius the Centurion and his household were saved and baptized (Acts 10), and it was also here where Paul made his defense before Festus and King Agrippa prior to his final journey to Rome (Acts 25 & 26). We will finish our day driving to Tel Aviv and will end our journey visiting Jaffa (Joppa) and walk through the narrow passages of Old Jaffa, believed to be the oldest port city in the world. Here we will celebrate the end of our tour with great fellowship, new Friendships and a delicious farewell dinner at a Middle Eastern restaurant. After dinner we will drive back to Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport and say our Fare Wells before our return flight back home.

**Meals included:** Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

**Overnight:** On Board

### Day 11 | TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2016

**ARRIVAL BACK IN THE USA**

Today you will arrive back in the States and start planning for your next journey back to Israel. Be sure to bring someone with you!



## OPTIONAL 5 DAY EXTENSION TO TURKEY SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION TOUR

### Day 10 | MONDAY, MAY 16, 2016

After touring day transfer to our hotel close to the Tel Aviv airport.

**Overnight:** Sadot Hotel Tel Aviv

### Day 11 | TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2016

**ARRIVE IN ISTANBUL**

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your flight to Istanbul. Arrive in Istanbul and continue with a flight to Izmir. Arrive in Izmir and transfer to your hotel in Selcuk.

**Meals included:** Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

**Overnight:** Kusadasi

### Day 12 | WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2016

**EPHESUS**

Depart for Ephesus and visit the ruins of the Temple of Artemis, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world. Then proceed to the ancient city of Ephesus where you will explore some of the best preserved theaters, fountains, and buildings in the world. Stop off at the House of the Virgin Mary, a pilgrimage site for many people of all denominations.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Overnight:** Kusadasi

### Day 13 | THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016

**SMYRNA / PERGAMON**

Head to Pergamon and visit the Red Hall, Asclepion, and Acropolis. Then depart for Izmir, where you will visit St. Polycarp Church at Izmir (Smyrna). Overnight at Kusadasi. (B,L,D)

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Overnight:** Kusadasi

### Day 14 | FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016

**THYATIRA / PHILADELPHIA / SARDES**

Depart from Selcuk to Thyatira whose remains include a temple and large church. Visit Philadelphia with its famous church of Philadelphia, an important place for the spreading of the Christian faith. Continue on to Sardes, the wealthy capital of the ancient Lydian Empire and one of the most amazing sites in Turkey. Head next to Pamukkale, where you will spend this

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Overnight:** Pamukkale

### Day 15 | SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2016

**THYATIRA / PHILADELPHIA / SARDES**

Visit what remains of the ancient city of Hierapolis and the limestone travertine. Drive to Laodicea, which is mentioned in Revelation by St. John, and in ancient times was known as "The City of Compromise." After visiting Laodicea, transfer to Denizli Airport to take your flight to Istanbul.

**Overnight:** Istanbul

### Day 16 | SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2016

**FLIGHT BACK TO THE USA**



### INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR PACKAGE:

- 8 nights 4 star hotel accommodation as per below:
  - LEONARDO JERUSALEM MAY 8-11, 2016 (3 NIGHTS)
  - DANIEL DEAD SEA MAY 11-13, 2016 (2 NIGHTS)
  - NOF GINOSAR KIBBUTZ MAY 13-16, 2016 (3 NIGHTS)
- Breakfasts and Dinners buffet daily at the hotels
- Farewell dinner in a restaurant before departure
- Meet & assist at airport by AIT airport representative
- 1 group arrival transfer by your tour guide
- 1 group departure transfer by your tour guide
- All entrance fees as per your tour program
- 8 full days of private touring
- 8 full days of private transportation in modern deluxe A/C coach
- Porters fees at airport & all hotels
- All entrance fees as per your tour program
- All land taxes and service taxes

### NOT INCLUDED:

- Flights
- Lunches daily
- Travel insurance (highly recommended)
- \$75 per person Tips to tour guide, bus driver and hotel staff

### QUESTIONS?

For more information and registration please contact **Candy Hammond Tel: (727) 455-3356**  
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### REGISTRATION

You may register online by visiting: [www.americaisraeltravel.net/bhc](http://www.americaisraeltravel.net/bhc)

We offer online and mail registration. For those who prefer to register by mail or fax, please complete the "Register By Mail" form and mail / fax it with your \$500 deposit per person to: Israel Tour / 6100 5th ave north / St. Petersburg, FL 33710

Please make all payments payable to: **America Israel Travel** - A \$500 per person Tour Deposit is due upon registration.  
Final payment is due by Monday, March 7, 2016

### MAY 7-17, 2016 ISRAEL TOUR ON 4 STAR HOTELS - \$2200

- Rates are for Land package only, per person in double room
- Valid for minimum 22 travelers
- Single room supplement - \$755

### 7 CHURCHES OF REVELATION TURKEY EXTENSION ON 4 STAR HOTELS - \$1,010

- 6 nights at hotels listed:
  - Near TLV Aiport - Sadot hotel 4\*
  - Kusadasi - Arora Hotel 4 \*
  - Pamukkale - Richmond Hotel 4 \*
  - Istanbul - City Center hotel 4 \*
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- All transfers and tours are private
- 4 breakfast, 4 lunch, 4 dinner.
- Transportation by A/C vehicle.
- English speaking government licensed professional tour guide.
- All entry fees to the sites & museums.

### NOT INCLUDED:

- Domestic flights - Istanbul / Izmir / Istanbul
- Extra night in Istanbul that may be needed on the last day
- Turkish Visa Fee
- Tips to the tour guide and driver
- Everything which is not particularly mentioned in 'Including' section.

### 7 CHURCHES OF REVELATION TURKEY EXTENSION ON 4 STAR HOTELS - \$1,010

- Rates are for Land package only, per person in double room
- Rates are valid for minimum 17 travelers
- Single room supplement - \$300