

## Why pilgrimage with Sacred Bridge Travel?

**An investment into your Spiritual Walk and Biblical Education—** Deepen your faith walk with God and understand how your story fits into His story by going back to where it all began. A journey to the Holy Lands is far more than an overseas vacation with a bit of hiking. It's an investment that will forever change the way you read the Word of God. Every time you open your Bible, you will picture the landscape you walked, and imagine those historical Biblical characters who walked it so many centuries before you.

**Professional, academic Biblical and Theological teaching—**Your tour leader Ivan is a well-seasoned University instructor. His engaging and comprehensive teaching style, wealth of knowledge in bringing in archaeology and history to his lessons, and boundless energy and enthusiasm will leave you with a once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage experience. At SBT, we want to make the land of Israel the classroom, for an unforgettable field trip into the story of the Bible.

**Custom Itinerary with 16 action-packed days including 2 days in Jordan—**Many Christian tours to Israel cover only parts of the country. SBT has custom designed this itinerary so you can see and experience all significant areas of Israel - our tours literally cover from "Dan to Beersheva." Two weeks is the ideal time to be away from home and to soak in the surroundings, and you have the rest of your life after returning home to process all the memories.

**Smaller tour group sizes—**SBT limits its tour group sizes to 25 pilgrims so we can travel as an extended family group, and not feel like we are being herded around on tour buses. All of this leads to a more intimate, personal, pilgrimage experience for you.



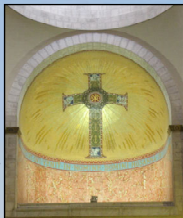
Dead Sea



Waiting Wall, Jerusalem

**Evangelical Christian worship, prayer, and fellowship—**where two or three are gathered... the leaders of SBT are Christian and we try to partner with local Christian travel companies, guides and drivers. We take time out as a group to share stories, reflect, pray together, have devotionals, and sing praise.

**Second-to-none price value—**If you are worried about value, simply try to find a similar all-inclusive two-week tour with 3-4 \*accommodations, including all the extras, for under USD\$4,000. We believe a tour to the Holy Lands is a key aspect of spiritual formation, and we make our trips as cost-effective and as accessible as possible.



**All of the little details taken cared of—**When SBT says all-inclusive, it is. A dedicated Travel Coordinator comes on tour to look after all the logistics and make sure you can focus on your spiritual journey.

**Be challenged spiritually, physically, culturally, politically:**

- ◇ Spiritual formation and learning about your Christian heritage in the land where it all began becomes an integral part of your Christian discipleship.
- ◇ The tour will involve a lot of walking and the days are full. mobility, independence and fitness is required.
- ◇ Talk with the locals and learn about the eastern mindset.
- ◇ The Middle East has been a hot bed of conflict since the beginnings of civilization. Learn about the political situation Jesus stepped into, and fought with through spiritual warfare using words not swords. Combined with our observations of the current culture and locals, and we may get a glimpse into the political milieu of today.

Join Sacred Bridge Travel for an unforgettable quest to understand the Biblical story by journeying through the Holy Lands of Israel and Jordan...

**MARCH 20 - APRIL 4, 2026**

**LAND-TOUR ONLY \$3,700 USD pp**

Double Occupancy. Single Supplement: \$1500 USD.  
\$1000 USD Deposit. Group size = max 26 —book now.

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### ALL INCLUSIVE LAND TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Two exciting countries - Israel and Jordan for 16-days
- All Hotels & Airport Transfers for 15 nights total
- Air-conditioned, wifi bus for our group's private tour
- Licensed Bus drivers and English-speaking Tour guides
- All Breakfasts & Dinners (buffet) each day (Purchase lunches)
- Unlimited bottled drinking water
- Special group dinner—St. Peter's Fish Feast, Tiberias
- All Border Visa Taxes, Site Entry fees with souvenir tickets
- All Gratuities, Honorariums & Tips (guide, driver, hotels)
- Evangelical biblical and theological teaching
- Evangelical Christian fellowship, worship, prayer
- Souvenir pilgrim guide book and map
- Canadian tour leader & organization

**Personal Travel Insurance required**

**This is the ideal time of year to travel, with mild spring temperatures and a dry, desert climate.**

**"Five gospels record the life of Jesus. Four you will find in books and one you will find in the land they call Holy . . . Read the fifth gospel and the world of the four will open to you."**  
Fr. Bargil Pixner

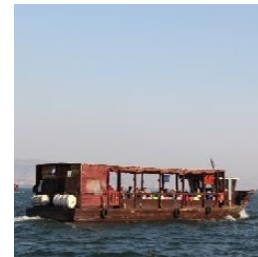


### BIBLICAL TRAVEL TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◇ Jerusalem - the ancient and modern City of David
- ◇ Bethlehem - Shepard's Fields where Jesus was born
- ◇ Sea of Galilee & Nazareth - follow the Jesus Trail
- ◇ Negev Desert & Ein Gedi Wadi - where King David out-ran Saul
- ◇ Dead Sea & Qumran Scrolls - salt and light preserve the Word
- ◇ Life-sized Tabernacle Replica - approach like an ancient Israelite
- ◇ Megiddo (Armageddon) - is this the final battleground?
- ◇ Old Joppa, Caesarea Maritima (Tel Aviv)
- ◇ Petra (Jordan) - the abandoned city
- ◇ Bedouin Camping at Wadi Rum (Jordan)
- ◇ Mt. Nebo (Jordan) - from where Moses saw the Promised Land



THE LANDS OF THE HOLY ONE WITH IVAN DE SILVA



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Travel the lands of the Bible the Sacred Bridge across which God called and sent his people into the world



## SBT TOUR PILGRIM TESTIMONY

Ivan's expertise, knowledge and leadership enabled me to experience Israel in such a way that I would not have been able to do on my own. We traversed the country from top to bottom, fitting in more than I would have thought possible, and discovered how the knowledge of Israel's geography is essential to understanding the biblical narrative in context. Ivan's teaching during this trip made the biblical text come alive for me. We experienced the land, the culture, the food, and the diversity that Israel has to offer. The tour leaders took care of all the voyage details, which allowed us to enjoy our own time even more so, as we wandered and contemplated what the land was like back in the times of the Bible. ~Chelsea S. 2013

## Is it safe to travel to the Middle East?

Both Israel and Jordan are modern states, but often the foreignness of them and our own personal comfort levels can erode our confidence to travel to these interesting places. Here's 6 reasons why it's safe:

### 1. We can have a Skewed Perspective on Safety

The news reports we receive and our distance from the actual events can distort our perspective of the day-to-day reality of the Middle East. While these places do see conflict, our experience is that it is much less than in other major cities, and are resolved very quickly.

### 2. We travel with local Tourism Professionals who know their Homelands and are trained to lead in safety

SBT partners with reputable, local tour operators, guides, and drivers, who know their country and know where to go and where not to go for foreigners. During tours, they are constantly receiving updates on any potential situations.

### 3. Tour Companies have Safety as their Priority

The local tour companies we work with, have your safety as their primary goal. Why? Not just because it's the right thing to do, but because if you were to get harmed on their watch, their good reputation would never recover.

### 4. Israel has Security as its Priority

From the time you enter Israeli airspace to the time you leave, you'll see how committed Israel is to safety. Security on flights is far stricter than any domestic US flights. Israel takes tourists' safety very seriously since tourism is essential to its economy. Sadly, you will not feel the same sense of security today in London, Paris, or New York.

### 5. The Testimony of Others says it's Safe

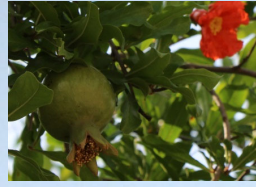
So many tourists are skeptical prior to going to Israel, but their feelings and perspective change as soon as they arrive. The Israeli Ministry of Tourism continually reports excellent ratings of tourist satisfaction, including Personal Security. But don't just take our word for it. Instead, ask any anyone you know who has traveled there whether or not it felt safe.

### 6. We travel by the Grace of the LORD who is our Strength

Oftentimes, God will challenge us to step outside of our comfort zone and enter into a seemingly risky scenario, so that He can show Himself to be our Rock and our Protector. On each of our tours, we trust our Safety to the LORD. If you pilgrimage to the Holy Lands, you will discover all this and more for yourself.

**But for now, you can rest at ease. All the details of the biblical travel tour have been arranged so that you can focus on why you're there - To learn and grow spiritually, connecting the land to the Bible and both to your life.**

## Experience the Lands of the Holy One...



Travelling through Israel and Jordan and experiencing the Lands of the Holy One with all of your five senses, you will feel the deep connection between the biblical story and the land where it played out. As you see the geography, visit archaeological sites, and feel the changing climate, your mind and heart will be quickened to understand the Bible in ways you had not imagined.

It is one thing to read of Herod's great engineering projects, it is another to see the ruins of Herod's Jerusalem temple or his seemingly impregnable fortress at Masada or his seaside villa at Caesarea Maritima. A trip to Mount Hermon and to Caesarea Philippi will help you understand why Jesus took his disciples there to ask who they thought he was. Hiking in the wilderness of En Gedi will reveal how David could hide from Saul and why he referred to God as his Rock. Experience the dry desert air and appreciate how the Dead Sea Scrolls were preserved at Qumran for over 2000 years. Visit Megiddo to understand why John used Armageddon as the final battle ground. Play detective over the two reputed sites where Jesus was crucified and buried.



## IVAN DE SILVA: Your Tour Leader



Ivan has been teaching Religious Studies for 30 years at Trinity Western University and Pacific Life Bible College. He is also actively involved in the teaching ministry of his church.

Ivan has led many tours to Israel, Jordan, Egypt, Turkey, Greece, and Italy—for academic studies and church groups. Ivan is convinced that a trip to Israel is essential for a clearer understanding of the biblical story.

He is looking forward to leading you on a journey of discovery and enlightenment where your eyes will be opened to reading the Bible in a new way. He also believes that a visit to the Middle East will permit some insight into the conflict between Israel and her surrounding nations. We will be listening to both sides of the conflict in order to better understand the complex issues involved.



Camels in Negev Desert



DAY	MAR	ISRAEL & JORDAN 2026: ITINERARY
0	19	Travel Day: Fly to Tel Aviv, Israel.
1	20	Tour Begins in Tel Aviv (Old Town Joppa): Meet at the airport; board the tour bus to Jaffa, site of two major Biblical events.
2	21	Through the Coastal Plains: Travel out to the south and visit the archaeological sites of Gezer (Gezer Calendar); Tel Marakesh Bell Caves; Tel Azekah; and Tel Lachish - two of the ancient gate cities guarding the capital Jerusalem.
3	22	Inland through the Jezreel Valley: Caesarea Maritima - Herod's ancient engineered port city; travel up through the Jezreel Valley; to Mt Carmel; and Meggido.
4	23	Around Nazareth where Jesus grew up: Nazareth city walk; Mary's Well; Church of the Annunciation; Nazareth Synagogue; the beautiful mosaics of Zippori; Cana where Jesus turned the water into wine; Franciscan Wedding Church.
5	24	Onto the Sea of Galilee: Nazareth Village - experience daily life in Jesus' time; hike up Mt Arbel for a stunning view of the Sea of Galilee; view of Mt Tabor, traditional Transfiguration site.
6	25	Following The Jesus Trail: Walk the Mount of Beatitudes (Sermon on the Mount); Tabgha; Church of St. Peter's Primacy; Church of the Multiplication; Capernaum; traditional boat ride on the Sea of Galilee; St. Peter's Fish Dinner.
7	26	Up to the Northern Tribe lands: Golan Heights; Gamla; Syrian border villages; view of Mt Hermon; Caesarea Philippi and Temple of Pan (Baniyas Springs); Tel Dan.
8	27	Crossing into Jordan: Sheikh Hussein Bridge border crossing; Bethany Beyond the Jordan (Baptismal site); Madaba - ancient Moabite city with the oldest mosaic map of the Holy Lands; Mt. Nebo, where Moses viewed the Promised Land and then died.
9	28	Tour Petra and the desert: Petra - the abandoned ancient stone city; Wadi Rum ("The Valley of the Moon") 4WD desert tour; ride a camel; overnight in Petra Desert.
10	29	Free Day in the seaside resort town of Eilat: Early morning return into Israel at Wadi Araba border crossing; remainder of the day is free to explore Eilat and on the Red Sea.
11	30	Into the Negev Desert: Start from the southern-most tip of Israel and journey northwards; Timnah Park and view a life-sized Tabernacle replica; Mitzpe Ramon Crater; Tel Arad; Ein Avdat.
12	31	On the Dead Sea: Masaada- the last standing Jewish fortress; Lot's Wife salt formation; Ein Gedi - King David's desert refuge; float on the Dead Sea and bathe in natural mud.
13	APR 1	Ascent to Jerusalem: Qumran Caves and Dead Sea Scrolls; cross into the West Bank to visit Bethlehem; Shepard's Fields; the Nativity Church.
14	2	Around the Capital: Leave the West Bank to Jerusalem; Temple Mount; Western Wall; City of David & Hezekiah's Tunnel - a feat of ancient engineering; Davidson Center; Yad Vashem.
15	3	The Old City of Jerusalem: Mt of Olives; Mt Zion; Via Delarosa; Old City Markets; the Upper Room; Pool of Bethesda; Church of the Holy Sepulcher; Golgotha; the Garden Tomb; .
16	4	End of the Journey: Farewell at Tel Aviv airport; return flights.

Itinerary Subject to Change. All Dinners and Breakfasts included at the hotel. Lunches and snacks at personal expense. Bottled drinking water supplied. Tour Participant responsible for own flight and transfer arrangements to meet the Tour group and begin the Bus Tour from Tel Aviv Airport International Arrivals Area by 11am Friday 20th March, 2026. (local Israel time).