



10-DAY COMPLETE BIBLICAL TOUR OF ISRAEL THE HOLY LAND

**Hosted by: Abiding Above Ministries
Rev. Chris Hodges**

Travel Dates: October 10 – 19, 2010

**\$3,485 FROM MEMPHIS
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**
**(Includes current airline tax/fuel charges
& personal tipping)**

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AVAILABILITY.*****

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DAY 1, OCTOBER 10, SUNDAY—DEPART USA

We depart this afternoon on our Delta flights from Memphis via Atlanta to Tel-Aviv. After take-off, meals will be served in accordance with the airline schedule. Get some rest on the flight... tomorrow you will be walking where Jesus walked!

DAY 2, OCTOBER 11, MONDAY—ARRIVAL TEL-AVIV ISRAEL

Afternoon arrival into Ben Gurion airport. Once we have gone through passport control, we will be met by our land agent who will take us through customs and to our awaiting bus. We drive on to our hotel on the shore of the beautiful Mediterranean Sea in time to see the magnificent sunset before dinner and turning in for our first night.

DAY 3, OCTOBER 12, TUESDAY—TEL-AVIV TO TIBERIAS, SEA OF GALILEE

Following our first Israeli breakfast, we journey northward by motor coach, along the coast to Caesarea. This ancient Mediterranean city contains many ruins most of which date back to the Crusader period. Prominent among these are the hippodrome, the ancient theater, the Crusader city and the fantastic aqueduct. Next, we continue our drive to Haifa, to Elijah's Cave, nestled at the base of Cape Carmel, "Mt. Carmel," we will visit the cave where Elijah meditated before defeating the 400 prophets of Baal. We will visit the Monastery on the peak of the mountain with the great view over Northern Kingdom of Israel and Phoenicia. Proceed our drive as we prepare to gear back 2,000 years as we arrive at Megiddo, (which dates back to 4,000 B.C.). We will stop for lunch, and on to Nazareth (Luke 4:16) hometown of young Jesus, visiting the Church of Annunciation which includes the archaeological site of artifacts from the time of Christ. We end the day, arriving to our home on the Sea of Galilee.

DAY 4, OCTOBER 13, WEDNESDAY—SEA OF GALILEE, CAESAREA PHILIPPI, SEA OF GALILEE

There is nothing quite like witnessing a sunrise on the Sea of Galilee. It is spectacular. These are the shores where Jesus walked and Peter and Andrew fished (John 4:18). Eleven of the twelve apostles came from these shores. Many of the recorded miracles took place here. You will always remember our boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. We visit Capernaum, the Mount of Beatitudes and where a lad's lunch fed 5,000. After lunch, we will ascend from 687 feet below sea level into the Golan Heights. Israelis, who produce rich harvests from the fertile fields, now administer this former Syrian territory. At the base of Mt. Hermon, we stop at Banyas, "Caesarea Philippi" of the Bible, and a major source of water for the Jordan River. Here Peter made his great confession (Mark 8:27), and Jesus made His promise to build His church. On to the Syrian border town of Kuneitra (Golan, a city of refuge in the Old Testament), only 36 miles from Damascus. We will remember that Saul of Tarsus traveled here on his way to Damascus and came face to face with the living Christ (Acts 9:1-19). Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight in Tiberias.

DAY 5, OCTOBER 14, THURSDAY—SEA OF GALILEE, BET SHEAN, JERICHO, JERUSALEM

After breakfast, we load our luggage onto the bus and head south, crossing the Jordan River where it flows out of the Sea of Galilee. We stop to walk among the excavated ruins of Beit Shean, where the bodies of King Saul and his sons were nailed to the city wall (1 Samuel 31). We continue south along the Jordanian border to Jericho, the hometown of Elisha and Zacheus. From the top of the tel is an excellent view of the Mount of Temptation (Matt. 4) and the plains of Gilgal (Joshua 4:19). After lunch and some time for shopping, we drive to Jerusalem. The road from Jericho to Jerusalem is an ascent of 4,000 feet in 13 miles. Upon arrival we stop at Mt. of Olives (or Mt. Scopus) for a Gensis welcome into Jerusalem (Gen 14). Behold the wonderful site of Jerusalem! We arrive at our hotel our home for the next four nights.

DAY 6, OCTOBER 15, FRIDAY—MT. OF OLIVES, ISRAELI MUSEUM & MODEL, BETHLEHEM

Every day is a highlight in the Bible lands, and today we will begin with our drive to the Israel Museum, housing the Model of Jerusalem from the time of the Second Temple. Nothing short of spectacular. It is here that you will get a complete view and understanding of the different locations we will be visiting in the next several days. The museum is also home to Shrine of the Book where the Dead Sea Scrolls are housed. We will proceed to the Knesset to view the famous bronze Menorah. We drive to the Eastern slopes of Jerusalem to the Mount of Olives. What a breathtaking view from atop, the city of Jerusalem

spread out below, you will feel the Biblical stories come alive. At the foot of the mountain, is the Church of All Nations "Basilica of Agony" and adjacent to that is the Garden of Gethsemane, a beautifully kept olive garden featuring trees over 2,000 years old. Late afternoon we depart on our drive toward Bethlehem, visit Shepherd's Fields (where angels sang) and visit the Church of the Nativity. There will be some time to shop before returning to our hotel for dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

DAY 7, OCTOBER 16, SATURDAY—MASADA, EIN GEDI (FIELD SCHOOL LOOK OUT), QUMRAN

Leaving Jerusalem we will descend down to the Dead Sea and the wilderness of Judah. Our first stop will be Masada, where we will ascend high upon the wilderness mountain by way of the cable car to the fortress built by King Herod. Here we survey the ruins of the fortification, water works, synagogue, temples and palaces. Following the road along the western shore of the Dead Sea, and time permitting we will stop at Ein Gedi where David hid from King Saul. Next and of course weather permitting we will have a chance to float in the waters of the Dead Sea (bring your suits). We pass Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered, the likely settlement for many of the scholars of the Essene community. En route we pass by the Good Samaritan Inn, and arrive back at our hotel in Jerusalem for dinner and overnight.

DAY 8, OCTOBER 17, SUNDAY—WAILING WALL, TEMPLE MOUNT, ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, POOLS OF BETHESDA, EXCAVATIONS BY TEMPLE MOUNT, JEWISH QUARTER, UPPER ROOM AND DAVID'S TOMB, YAD VASHEM

We return to the city walls as we start the day with a visit to the holiest site in the Jewish religion. The Western or "Wailing Wall." From here proceed to the 35 acre Temple Mount, today's 3rd holiest shrine for the Moslem world. We see the Al Aqsa Mosque and the Dome of the Rock. It was here where the Jerusalem Temple once stood, the location of Solomon's Temple. We arrive at the Pool of Bethesda, where Jesus healed a lame man recorded in John 5. At St. Anne's Church we will have the unique opportunity to sing our prayers. After lunch, we drive to Mount Zion, just outside the old city walls to visit the Upper Room, the traditional location of the "Last Supper" ("Coenaculum" — dining room). The Last Supper is one of the most important events in the life of Jesus. We return to the old city and enter through the Zion Gate and walk through the Jewish Quarters, by the famous Roman Cardo. Our day will end with the visit to Yad Vashem, the memorial to the six million Jews who perished in the European Holocaust. Early evening return to our hotel. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

DAY 9, OCTOBER 18, MONDAY—GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE, ST. PETER IN GALICANTU, ECCE HOMO, VIA DOLOROSA, GARDEN TOMB

Our last day in Jerusalem, will be dedicated to recall the Passion of Christ — we start at the Garden of Gethsemane a beautifully kept olive garden featuring trees over 2,000 years old. And then to St. Peter in Gallicantu which is occupying the site of Caiaphas Palace where Jesus was condemned by the Sanhedrin and lowered into a dungeon. We proceed to Jaffa Gate where we visit the Citadel of David. And then follow the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. A stop for lunch and some time to relax. Late in the afternoon we will visit the Garden Tomb set in a quiet enclosure just outside the Damascus Gate, and here celebrate a communion service. Farewell dinner at a wonderful local restaurant before our departure to the airport for our overnight flight home.

DAY 10, OCTOBER 19, TUESDAY—ARRIVE HOME

Early morning arrival in New York, "JFK," connecting on to our flights home arriving early afternoon, the close of an unforgettable journey.

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INCLUDED FEATURES

- Round trip Delta Airline flights
- Meeting services and transfers upon arrival and departure at Tel-Aviv Airport
- Hotel accommodation in first class/superior first class including buffet breakfast and dinner
- Modern heated/air-conditioned coaches.
- English speaking government licensed guide
- Sightseeing including all entrance fees to places visited as per brochure
- Motorboat ride on the Sea of Galilee
- Worry free pre-collected gratuities for all services provided
- Porterage of one piece of luggage per person
- Airline **current (January 18, 2010) fuel/tax charges** of \$501.19 subject to change and increase at the discretion of the airlines without prior notice until tickets are issued.

*** Space is limited and based on availability.***



Rev. Chris S. Hodges, founder and President of Abiding Above Ministries, demonstrates a keen awareness of the inner life, and needs of people. Through Chris' Bible teaching ministry, he encourages spiritual growth, and emotional healing, as hearers apply biblical principles, and say yes to God's call of absolute surrender to the guidance, and immediate control of the Holy Spirit.

NOT INCLUDED

Optional Travel Insurance** highly recommended and based on double occupancy starting from \$147 per person—plus premium option on Cancel for Any Reason from \$256 per person; daily lunches; beverages with meals other than the customary tea/coffee with meals; items of personal nature; single room supplement of \$350.

Reservation Form

10-Day Complete Biblical Tour of Israel

Please present or mail to: Creative Travel Partners, Inc., 1301 S. Wolf Road, Prospect Heights, IL 60070.

Make your deposit check payable to: Creative Travel Partners, Inc. Passenger Trust Account

Please enroll me in the 10-Day Complete Biblical Tour of Israel.

PASSPORT IS REQUIRED FOR TRAVEL AND MUST BE VALID BEYOND (6) MONTHS OF THE TOUR RETURN (APRIL 21, 2011) YOUR NAME ON THE BELOW RESERVATION FORM MUST MATCH YOUR NAME ON THE PASSPORT. NAME CHANGES/CORRECTION ONCE TICKETED COST FROM \$150 – \$275 AND ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TRAVELER. Do not wait for passport to send deposit. Forward passport information at a later date.

Departure Date: October 10, 2010

Tour Departure City: Memphis

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Tel. Home: () _____ Tel. Business: () _____

Passport No.: _____ Date of Passport Issue: _____ Date of Expiration: _____ Country of Issue: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____ Nationality: _____

Your Tour Host(s): Abiding Above Ministries — Rev. Chris Hodges Roommate: _____

The \$300 non-refundable deposit per person is due immediately to reserve airline, hotel and ground transportation. I understand that the final payment is to be paid in full by July 5, 2010.

The \$300 non-refundable deposit (per person) is attached to confirm participation and is a credit to the total cost of the tour. Air arrangements for this program are described in this tour brochure along with all ground arrangements, tours, related services. Please review the tour brochure for all the terms and conditions regarding your program. The tour brochure provides certain rights which you should review prior to making your deposit. I have carefully read the tour brochure and agree to its contents and conditions.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

All funds deposited at Northern Trust Bank, 8501 W. Higgins Rd. Chicago, Illinois 60631: Passenger Trust Account: # 20250544.

TOUR CONDITIONS

This tour is based on rates, tariffs and ground costs in effect January 2010 at the time of tour quotation and subject to future ARC and IATA fare increases, carrier fuel surcharges, and possible land increase costs in effect at the time the tour operates and subject to change without notice.

LAND TRANSPORTATION: As specified in the respective tour itineraries. Where motor coaches are specified, these are modern, large-windowed, air-conditioned/heated vehicles designed especially for sightseeing. The cost of the land arrangements as outlined in this brochure is based on a busload ranging from 26/30 tour participants as available locally.

HOTELS: As specified in brochure. The tour price is based on shared accommodation in twin-bedded room with private shower or bath. A limited number of single rooms are available at additional supplements stated in brochure. Single rooms when available are often smaller than doubles. Tour participants without a roommate will have to pay the single rate.

MEALS: As per tour brochure. In-flight meals as per the airline's normal meal service policies.

SIGHTSEEING: As specified in each itinerary, including the services of a local multilingual guide. (Right is reserved to vary the sequence of sightseeing programs, or to make substitutions if necessitated by circumstances beyond our control.)

TRANSFERS AND PORTERAGE: Included in each city abroad between airports, rail stations, piers, and hotels and vice versa. Porterage includes the handling of one normal piece of luggage per person. Additional pieces (including garment bags or similar) may be handled at additional charges and collected upon arrival abroad. Free allowance for checked baggage aboard airlines is 50 pounds (for touring/space wise: one piece of luggage only).

A special bag tag for quick identification is also provided. Carry-on bag must fit the dimensions of 9 in. by 14 in. by 22 in.

TIPS AND LOCAL TAXES are included, except as noted below, or in the tour brochure.

INCLUDED IN PRICE OF BASIC STANDARD PROGRAM: Round trip airfare, transfers with group to and from overseas airports and piers; shared double room in first class hotels; two meals daily; English speaking guide; transportation and entrance fees to sites to be visited. The current U.S. and International departure taxes/fuel charges at \$ 501.19 change and increase; tipping for services provided.

NOT INCLUDED: Passport fees; phone calls; valet/laundry service; and other items of a strictly personal nature; baggage or other insurance (which is highly recommended); and any beverage; (Please note that the custom abroad is to include coffee or tea with breakfast only; it is an extra charge when served with other meals, as are mineral waters, wines or liquor); expenses within the U.S.A. or Canada. Also any exception noted on the face of the booking registration form and/or in the tour brochure as indicated in not included box of brochures.

PASSPORTS: All tour members must have a valid passport with expatriation date no earlier than April 21, 2011.

DOCUMENTATION: U.S. citizens require a valid passport for international travel.

RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENT INFORMATION

RESERVATIONS may be secured upon receipt of a non-refundable \$300 deposit per person, as specified in the tour brochure. We recommend this be done far in advance of departure to allow adequate time to secure passports, visas and other documents.

DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT: The non-refundable \$300 deposit per person is due for confirmation; full and final payment is required 97 days (July 5, 2010) prior to departure. Final documents will not be released until receipt of full payment. Extraordinary mail charges required by late booking, changes, or late payments must be borne by the passenger or tour host. Naturally, Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights Illinois does not agree to provide any services until full payment is received.

LAND CANCELLATIONS: In the event of cancellation after final payment have been received (July 5, 2010) to 51 days (Aug. 20, 2010) prior to departure 55% of total cost of tour, 50 days from date of departure the charge is 100% of total cost of the tour. No shows or cancellations after date of departure, no refund whatsoever. All refund claims must be received in writing.

ITINERARY CHANGES: Changes must be requested and approved in writing by Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights, Illinois. If you return individually and not with the group, there is a \$100 surcharge plus any additional airfare differential for the deviation. A handling fee of \$25 per person will be made for changes requested after receipt of deposit. This fee will be assessed each time a change is made.

AIRLINE CANCELLATION: In accordance with airline regulations, 100% of the airfare will be charged for cancellation within 50 days (Aug. 20, 2010) of departure. If cancellation is due to health or illness in the immediate family of the traveler, and can be supported by a Doctor's Certificate, this may be waived.

TRANSFERS: Transport between overseas airport, hotel and piers is included in the standard program. Those who request changes from standard program and who do not arrive with the group (land only passengers) are responsible for their own transfers even when coinciding with group transfers.

FLIGHT TIMES: Subject to change by airlines without advance notice. Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights Illinois, is not to be held responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays.

INSURANCE: Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights Illinois, is not responsible or liable for loss, damage, theft of luggage or personal belongings, personal injury, accidents or illness. For your protection we suggest that you purchase adequate insurance to cover these eventualities and cost of your tour. We strongly recommend that you be insured against the eventuality of cancellation.

HEALTH REGULATIONS: Smallpox vaccinations are no longer required to enter countries visited in the brochure, or to re-enter the U.S.

PRICES quoted herein for land arrangements are expected to be in effect at the time of departure but are subject to change prior to departure. Fare levels are subject to change and government approval and as applicable on date of departure.

GENERAL CONDITIONS AND RESPONSIBILITY: Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights Illinois and its Associated Companies agree to provide the itinerary described in this brochure and this represents the entire agreement between the passenger and his agent, the travel agent, the tour host, and the tour operator. No changes or deviations are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour. All prices, itineraries and schedules are subject to regulations and changes thereof by acts of Government, International Agreement and Airline tariff adjustments, rules and regulations. Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights Illinois, reserves the right to change or withdraw the tour, in whole or in part at any time. In the event of rescheduling of the tour due to unforeseen circumstances, the cancellation and refund clause will apply. Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights Illinois, reserves the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in the sole judgment of Creative Travel Partners, Inc. incapable of group travel. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, the tour operator assumes no liability or responsibility for any injuries, inconveniences, illness, irregularity or incidental damages occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of the tour operator, or by any person or reason whatsoever, including but not limited to events such as strikes, revolts, wars, natural disasters, closures of airports or hotels, default or omission of any common or private carrier or the default, negligence, or omission of and by any third party providing services or facilities related to or included in this tour or any part thereof, or in arranging for the same, or the acts or omissions of the travel agent or the tour host. The commercial carriers are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time the passengers are not on board commercial carriers. The passenger contracts, in use by all commercial carriers involved when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the commercial carriers and the passenger or purchaser of this tour and/or passage and tour operator assumes no liability or responsibility in connection therewith. Enrollment in and payment for the tour, constitutes your acceptance of the conditions, and statement of responsibility. The conditions become a binding contract when your enrollment and payment are received and accepted by Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights, Illinois. Venue for any disputes is Cook County, Illinois. The laws of the state of Illinois shall govern this contract. Baggage is at owner's risk at all times. Any transport or conveyance companies mentioned or provided shall have no responsibility or liability to any passenger, except as common carriers, and they shall have no liability during the time passengers are not on the particular transport or conveyance. Each ticket or coupon issued as to the tour(s) and the passage contract in use by the transport or conveyance companies mentioned or provided, when issued, constitutes the sole contract between them and the purchaser of these tours and/or the passenger.

PASSENGER'S RESPONSIBILITY: Creative Travel Partners, Inc. accepts no responsibility or expense on any personal purchases made while overseas. It is the full responsibility of the passenger.

SEQUENCE OF TOURS: During certain periods of conventions, congresses, and other unforeseen events and circumstances, the tour operator may have to make last minute changes (sometimes even after arrival) in the sequence of the tour. All services to which participants are entitled to will be rendered.

TOUR OPERATOR'S RELATIONSHIP TO TOUR HOST: Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights Illinois, acts as agent for you in the making and securing of all arrangements for transportation, for sightseeing or for hotel accommodations for the tour program. Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights Illinois, does not own, manage, control or operate any transportation vehicle, any hotel or restaurant or any other supplier of services. All coupons, receipts and tickets are issued subject to the terms and conditions specified by the suppliers. By utilizing the service you agree that neither Creative Travel Partners, Inc. of Prospect Heights Illinois, nor any of its subsidiary companies, affiliates or representatives shall be liable for any loss, injury or damage to your clients in connection with any accommodations, transportation or other services resulting directly or indirectly from any occurrences beyond its control, including breakdown in equipment, strikes, theft, delay or cancellations of or changes in itinerary or schedules, etc. Also remember that travel documents as well as compliance with customs regulations are the responsibility of your clients.

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