PASTOR AND PARISHIONER



DAY 1: Arrival Day

On this day you will arrive for your program and check in to your housing accommodations. Get some rest and prepare for the start of your program the next morning!



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DAY 2: OT Jerusalem Walk

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Begin the day with a program orientation to unpack logistics, tour JUC's campus, and meet your instructor. Embark on a walk around the city of Jerusalem, examining how its geography set the stage for historical Old Testament events. Suggested Reading: 2 Sam. 5; 1 Kgs. 7-8; 2 Kgs. 18-19; 2 Kgs. 24-25; Ps. 121



DAY 3: NT Jerusalem Walk

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Set out on a final walk through the city, now looking at the geography of Jerusalem through the lens of the New Testament. A classroom lecture will familiarize you with the land of Benjamin before you explore it.

Suggested Reading: Mt. 23; Jn. 5:1-14; Jn. 9; Acts 2



DAY 4: Jerusalem Approaches

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This field study brings you out of the Jerusalem basin to locate its connections to surrounding regions. This vantage point highlights the city's northern, eastern, and southern approaches, with sites like the Mount of Olives, Herodium, and Bethlehem. Suggested Reading: 2 Sam. 15; Ps. 48; Ezk. 10, 43; Luke 19:28-ch 24



DAY 5: Benjamin

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Today you will be introduced to the geo-political significance of Benjamin. By visiting sites like the Judean Wilderness, Jericho, and the Benjamin Plateau, you can analyze the eastern and western approaches to the Judean Hill Country. Suggested Reading: Josh. 2-6; Josh. 9-10; 1 Kqs. 9:15-17; 1 Kqs. 15:9-24



DAY 6: Judah, Shephelah, & Philistia

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Today you will travel into the Judean Hill Country to investigate the region's isolated nature and the Israelites' appeal to it. Consider the valleys and corridors of the Shephelah that presented opportunity to ancient peoples of the hills and coast. *Suggested Reading: Judg.* 13–16; 1 Sam. 17; 2 Chron. 32; Isa. 5; Jer. 34:1–7



DAY 7: Exploration Day

This day is here for you! Take advantage of a day without lectures to rest, study, explore new places, or revisit familiar sites.

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DAY 8: The Dead Sea Area







On this day, you will explore sites such as Masada, Ein Gedi, and Qumran. Our objective will be to unpack how the geography of the area influenced its function as a border, a base of resources, and a place of refuge.

Suggested Reading: 1 Sam. 23-24; Ps. 63; Ezk. 47



DAY 9: Sharon Plain & Jezreel Valley







A visit to Caesarea Maritima will shed light on the historical decisions that made the Sharon Plain a doorway for international influence. Stops at Mount Carmel, Megiddo, and Tel Jezreel will help unpack the Jezreel Valley's strategic importance. Suggested Reading: Judq. 4–5, 7; 1 Sam. 28, 31; 1 Kqs. 18; 1 Kqs. 21



DAY 10: Upper/Lower Galilee

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With a new understanding of the Sharon Plain as an international doorway, this field study will help you interpret the varied responses from people of the north. To do so, you will visit and compare cities like Nazareth and Sepphoris. Suggested Reading: Josh. 19:10–23, 32–39; Lk. 4:14–30; Jn. 2:1–12



DAY 11: Huleh Basin & Golan Heights

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Grow acquainted with the routes of the Upper Jordan Valley and hear the stories of those who traversed them to cultivate an understanding of why historical figures positioned themselves in its vicinity.

Suggested Reading: Josh. 11:1-15; Judg. 17-18; Mt. 16:13-17:23; Acts 9



DAY 12: Sea of Galilee

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This day focuses on Jesus' ministry around the Sea of Galilee. By tapping into the context in which he lived, you will gain insight into the geographical and cultural realities that influenced his teachings and decisions. Later, all students will gather for a final departure meeting. Suggested Reading: Mt. 4–11, 14; Mk. 4–5; Lk. 8



DAY 13: Exploration Day

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DAY 14: Departure Day

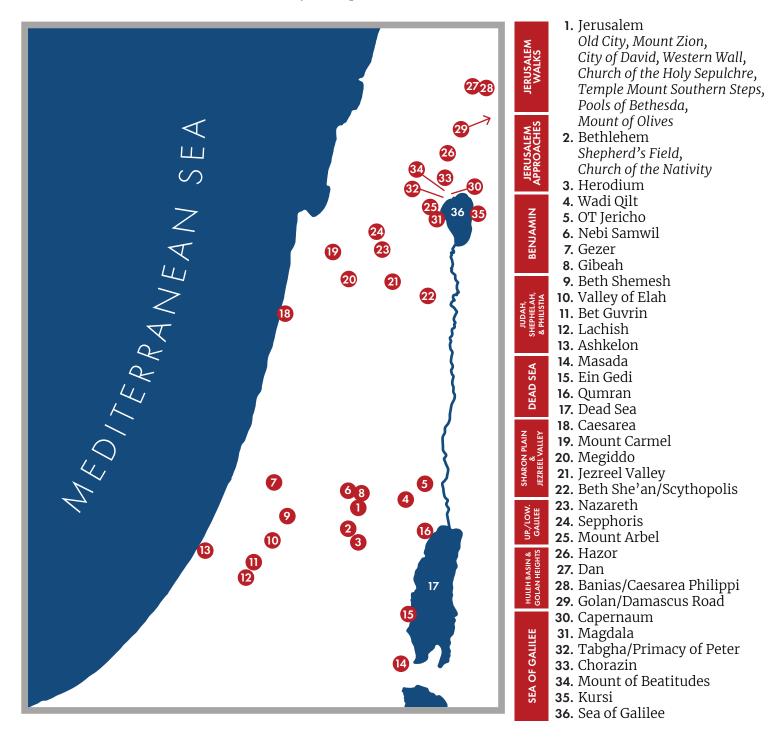
This day marks the conclusion of your program. Plan to depart Tel Aviv on your scheduled flight. Thank you for entrusting JUC with your journey through the Land of the Bible. We hope to welcome you back again one day!

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