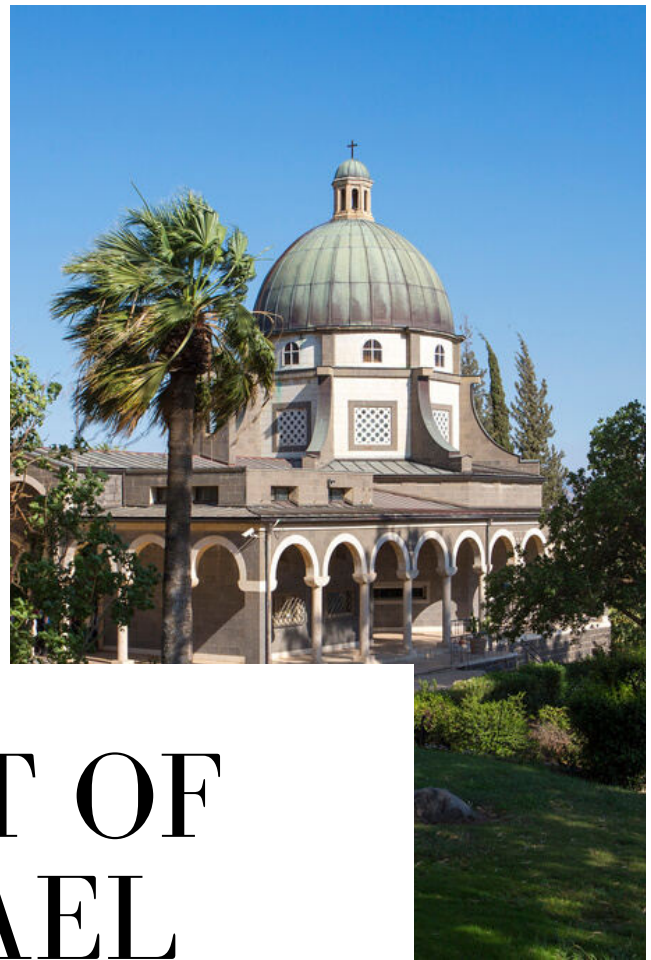


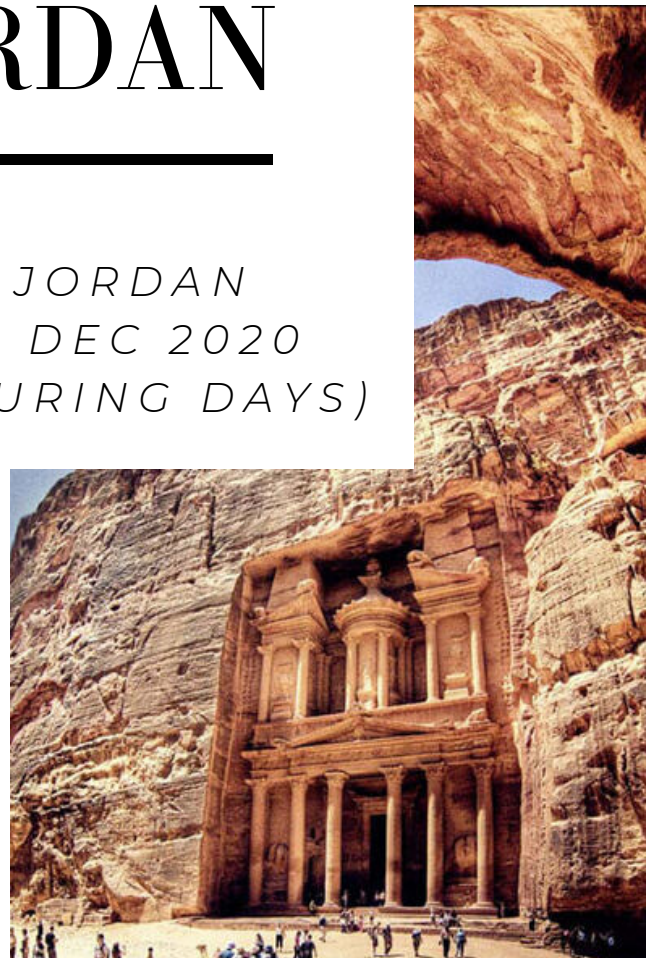
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# BEST OF ISRAEL & JORDAN

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*ISRAEL & JORDAN*  
*30 NOV - 11 DEC 2020*  
*12D9N (10 TOURING DAYS)*



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**IBEX**  
INTERNATIONAL BIBLE EXPERIENCES

## BIBLE LAND TOUR

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## HIGHLIGHTS

### ISRAEL

- Caesarea Maritima
- Nazareth Village
- Sea of Galilee
- Capernaum
- Mount of Beatitudes
- Dead Sea Float
- En Gedi
- Qumran
- Bethlehem
- Mount Olives
- Garden of Gethsemane
- Temple Mount
- Via Dolorosa
- Western Wall
- City of David (Hezekiah's Tunnel)

### JORDAN

- Mount Nebo
- Petra
- Wadi Rum

**Legend:**  
 A-F Overnight  
 ● Sites to visit/pass by  
 — Northern/Sheikh Husein Border  
 — Arava/Yitzhak Rabin Border



\*Map not drawn to scale. For information only.

### Day 1 – Mon, 30 Nov SINGAPORE

Assemble at Changi Airport to begin your journey to the Holy Land.  
**Departure Flight: CX716 SIN-HKG 1800-21555**  
 Check-in starts from 3pm  
 (Changi Airport Terminal 4)  
*Meals on board the plane*

### Day 2 – Tue, 1 Dec TEL AVIV/ NAZARETH

Transit in Hong Kong for flight to Tel Aviv  
**Transit Flight: CX675 HKG-TLV 0130-0725**  
*Meals on board the plane*

Arrive in Tel Aviv this morning to begin your tour. Visit the ancient port – **Caesarea Maritima\*** which was once an ancient Roman city and port built by King Herod to see the magnificent hippodrome and theatre by the seaside. Check-in to the hotel. (L/D)

### Day 3 – Wed, 2 Dec NAZARETH

Visit the **Arab-Israeli Bible Society** (TBC) this morning to learn about their works. Next visit **Tel-Meggido\***, a fortress city mentioned in the Old Testament to see the excavation of the city ruins, including the water-system and Ahab's tunnel. After lunch, we visit **Nazareth Village\*** which reconstructs and re-enacts the village life during Jesus time. Visit **Church of Annunciation**, a church believed to have been built over the place where Angel Gabriel announced the virgin birth to Mary (Luke 1:26-38). (B/L/D)

### Day 4 – Thu, 3 Dec TIBERIAS

Take a boat ride to experience the **Sea of Galilee** which is the same lake that Jesus walked on. Visit **Capernaum**, being one of the three key cities of Jesus ministry. Here, you will see the Synagogue where Jesus taught and the other remains of this town

became his adopted home. Then spend quiet moments up at **Mount of Beatitudes** where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount. Proceed next to **St Peter's Primacy Church** which commemorates the reinstatement of Peter by Jesus and see the beautiful shoreline of the Sea of Galilee. End the day at the **Olive Oil Factory** to taste and shop for local Israeli products. (B/L/D)

### Day 5 – Fri, 4 Dec

**PETRA** (Check-out in the morning)  
 This morning, cross over to Jordan via the **Sheikh Hussein Bridge**. Visit **Madaba** and see a 6th century mosaic map of the Holy Land. Next, visit **Mount Nebo**, where you can see the Promised land from the lookout point. Journey on and arrive at Petra in the late evening. Check into the hotel. (B/L/D)

### Day 6 – Sat, 5 Dec

**WADI RUM** (Check-out in the morning)  
 Explore **Petra\***, the magnificent rose city, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the New 7 Wonders of the World. See the famous treasury building, learn about the Nabateans and explore its many caves and tombs. After lunch, travel to **Wadi Rum\***, the most magnificent of Jordan's desert landscapes. Explore the desert region on a jeep and stay overnight in a Bedouin camp. (B/L/D)

### Day 7 – Sun, 6 Dec

**IN DEAD SEA** (Check-out in the morning)  
 This morning, cross the **Arava Border** to Israel. We stop by **Timna National Park** where you get to enjoy the beautiful geological landscape and visit a replica of the tabernacle. You will also get to try floating at the **Dead Sea (hotel beach)**. (B/L/D)

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Western Wall

## Day 8 – Mon, 7 Dec

**JERUSALEM** (Check-out in the morning)

Visit **En Gedi Nature Reserve\*** to see the beautiful oasis. See the **Jordan River** (Qasr Al Yahud), the traditional baptismal site of Jesus. Next, explore **Qumran\*** where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. Travel to **Bethlehem**, the birthplace of Jesus and hometown of David. Visit the **Shepherd's Field** associated with the scene where the Angel of the Lord visited the shepherds with the news of Jesus' birth. See **Church of Nativity**, one of the oldest surviving Christian churches in the world. Check-in to hotel in Bethlehem. (B/L/D)

## Day 9 – Tue, 8 Dec

**JERUSALEM**

This morning, we will drive up to **Mount of Olives** to see the panoramic view of the Old City. Walk along **Palm Sunday Path\*** to **Dominus Felicit Church** – the teardrop church that commemorates the weeping of the Lord when he observed Jerusalem. See the **Garden of Gethsemane** with the ancient olive trees believed to date back to the time of Christ. Spend some time shopping at the **Mahane Yehuda Market** where you can purchase souvenirs and fresh produce like nuts and dried fruits. Next, visit the **Hebrew Music Museum** to understand the culture and worship of the Hebrews. Proceed next to the **Jerusalem Model**, a miniature model of the Old

Jerusalem city and envision how the city was like in the ancient days. Then, visit **Shrine of the Book** and see the replica of the Dead Sea Scrolls. (B/D) Note: Lunch on your own.

## Day 10 – Wed, 9 Dec

**JERUSALEM**

See the Dome of the Rock located on **Temple Mount**, one of Jerusalem's most recognisable landmarks. Visit the **Pool of Bethesda** where the healing of the lame man took place (John 5) and visit **Church of St Anne** which has amazing acoustics as the structure of the church as designed for Gregorian chants. Take a walk to **Ecce Homo** arch, where Jesus was believed to be trailed by Pontius Pilate. Walk through **Via Dolorosa\*** - the 14 stations and end at the **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**. Visit the **Western Wall**, one of the holiest place of Judaism today. Explore **City of David\*** and take an adventurous walk through **Hezekiah's Tunnel** (wet/dry) to the Pool of Siloam where Jesus cured a blind man with a mud mixture. Experience the last supper meal at **Yad Hashmona – a messianic Jewish community area**. (B/L/D)

## Day 11 – Thu, 10 Dec

**JERUSALEM**

This morning, visit **St Peter in Gallicantu Church** built to commemorate the story of Peter's denial of Christ. Next, visit the **Garden Tomb**, another site believed to be the burial site of Christ where the Spiritual Director will lead a holy communion service. Thereafter, depart to **Ben Gurion International Airport** for your flight home. (B)

Departure Flight: CX676 TLV-HKG 1425-0615 (+1day)

## Day 12 – Fri, 11 Dec

**ON BOARD THE AIRPLANE**

Transit in Hong Kong

Departure Flight: CX691 HKG-SIN 0750-1155

Meals on board the plane

Arrive back in Singapore at 11.55am

*\*Indicates that the site has uneven or steep path(s) that may be challenging for elderly and people with walking difficulties. For such participants, you are advised to use a walking stick.*



Petra

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## GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

Tour Dates	30 Nov - 11 Dec 2020, 12D9N (10 touring days)
Airline	Cathay Pacific
Tour Cost	≥25pax: SGD\$4,850 <sup>1,2</sup> , ≥35pax: SGD\$4,750 <sup>1,2</sup>
Accommodation	3.5 – 4 Star Hotels
Registration closes	31 Jul 2020



<sup>1</sup>Includes airport and fuel taxes (Est of SGD\$400; as of 01 Jan 2020). However, if there is any increase in the taxes, the extra charges will be bore by the participants. <sup>2</sup>Tour cost is based on ≥25pax and ≥35pax respectively. Package cost will increase should there be fewer participants.

## TOUR COST

### Tour cost includes

- Return economy class airfare (Group fare. No seat selection allowed)
- 9 nights twin-sharing accommodation
- Meals catered
- Professional and licenced English-speaking guide
- Air-conditioned tourist bus
- All group transfers from airport to hotel
- Entrance fees to sites
- Border taxes – Israel & Jordan (USD\$50)
- All tips for hotels, restaurants, tour guides and bus drivers
- Airport tax & fuel surcharge of (est SGD\$400 as of 01 Jan 2020)

### Tour cost does not include

- Any increase of airport and fuel surcharge
- Travel insurance
- All expenses of personal nature
- Meals and other expenses not stated in itinerary
- Single room supplement of SGD\$1050 if applicable
- Passport and visa fees is applicable. In additional, IBEx administrative fee of SGD\$15 is required.
- Excludes tipping (USD\$2 per pax) for the jeep ride at Wadi Rum, Jordan.

## HOW CAN I REGISTER FOR THIS TOUR?

1. Register online at [www.bible.org.sg/register/ibex](http://www.bible.org.sg/register/ibex) and select the tour.
2. Before the closing date of the registration, a **deposit of SGD\$1000 (per pax)** is required to secure your place. (Please note the deposit is non-refundable once the tour group materialise).
3. Please note that a minimum group size of 15pax is required for a confirm departure.
4. Once the tour is confirm, the balance payment is required by **31 Aug 2020**.
5. For late registration (once the bookings are full), do note there will be a late booking fee that will be advised to late applicants.
6. Participants who require a visa to enter Israel, do contact us before registering for this tour. The following are some countries that require visa - Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Myanmar, China etc.

**Note:** Itinerary and flight schedule are subject to change without prior notice in the event of unforeseen circumstances. Hotel confirmation will be given 2 weeks before departure.

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