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**BIBLE TRUTH CHAPEL & RIVER CITY CHURCH PRESENT:**

**“INTRODUCTION TO LANDS OF THE BIBLE” CRUISE AND LAND TOUR**

**MARCH 14 – 24, 2024**

**ON THE *CELESTYAL JOURNEY* – Celestyal Cruise Line has been the Cruise Critic multiple time winner for Best Dining, Best shore excursions, Best service AND BEST VALUE!**

**THE COST FOR THIS PACKAGE (Based upon a Category IA stateroom with double occupancy) $3898 pp**

**A $800 deposit per person made payable to: Gifts From Above, is due with application.**

**A SECOND INSTALLMENT OF $800 was due: SEPTEMBER 1, 2023 (per person)**

**Final payments are due: DEC 1, 2023. (sorry, we do not accept credit cards but payment by bank transfer/wire is an available option – contact us for details)**

This **11-DAY//10-NIGHT** cruise tour out of (Piraeus) Athens, Greece has been packaged to include the following:

* Round trip air from ORD **(\*see #1 exceptions/notices below – other airports available).**
* Transportation from Athens airport to hotel.
* Two-night stay at the Polis Grand hotel in Athens in STANDARD ROOM. **(\*\*see #2 exceptions below) hotel website: www.polisgrandhotel.gr**
* Tour of Athens Acropolis, Marrs Hill and **full day excursion to Corinth**
* Transportation to cruise ship
* 7 Night accommodations on ***Celestyal Journey*** in category IA **(\*\*\*see #3 exceptions below)**
* Full board (breakfast, lunch, dinner) – every day while on cruise **(\*\*\*\*see #4 exceptions below)**
* Welcome dinner the night of arrival to Athens
* Farewell Dinner our last evening//Greek Cultural event
* Celestyal’s drink package **(\*\*\*\*see #4 exceptions below)**
* Shipboard and Evening entertainment (designed to bring the culture of each port on board)
* Free Wi-Fi package
* Visas for both Turkey and Egypt (included in cost and will be handled by the cruise line)
* All tips for onboard services and hotels **(\*\*\*\*\*see #5 exceptions below)**
* All port charges and fuel charges **(\*\*\*\*\*\*see #6 exceptions below)**
* **BIBLE TEACHER PASTOR DANIEL TYLER**
* **AND GROUP LEADER ALFRED NAKHLA.**
* INCLUDED Land Excursions [in addition to **Corinth and Athens**]:
* Port Said: Full day Classical Cairo Tour – includes visit to Pyramids of Giza
* Ashdod: Full day tour of Jerusalem
* Cyprus – Limassol excursion
* Rhodes: Medieval Acropolis of Lindos & Citadel of Knights
* Kusadasi: tour of Ancient Ephesus and a silk rug manufacturer
* Return to airport post-cruise transfers

**EXCEPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS:**

1. Coach Airfare is included in our quote. (Seat upgrades as well as other nationwide departures are available upon request – passengers pay only the difference – quotes will be given).
2. Price is based upon double occupancy.

The City of Athens imposes a **4 Euro charge per room per night per room** for all rooms in all hotels (this tax is only payable in cash – at the time of check-in and cannot be paid in advance). [This tax DOES NOT apply to nights spent on the ship]. Room keys will not be provided until the tax is paid.

In the event the tax (or VAT percentage changes) the hotel reserves the right to adjust the above rates accordingly.

1. The inclusive price quoted is for **CATEGORY IA** (INSIDE STATEROOM ON DECK 4). Upgrades to **CATEGORY XC** (OUTSIDE STATEROOMS ON DECK 4 or 5**)** are available for an additional **$363.00** per person; **CATEGORY SJA** [Junior Balcony Suite – deck 9] is available for an additional **$840** per person.
2. **BREAKFAST & DINNER IS INCLUDED** DURING OUR TWO-DAY PRE & POST -CRUISE STAY IN ATHENS. Unless indicated otherwise, lunch, and beverages ae not included in our price during the tour’s land portion. The Crystal’s drink package includes sodas, wine, specialty coffees, and bottled water. Hard liquor is not included in this package.
3. **WHILE ALL TIPS AND GRATUITIES ARE INCLUDED FOR ALL SERVICES ON THE CRUISE SHIP AND HOTELS – OUR CLIENTS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT GUIDES FOR ALL EXCURSIONS APPRECIATE TIPS.** TIPS WILL BE ENTIRELY AT YOUR DISCRETION. [General recommendations are $3-5 per person for a half day tour and $5–8 for a full day tour. At the GARDEN TOMB, the ministry will appreciate A LOVE OFFERING (We recommend a minimum of $5 per person for the ministry – which charges no admission and operates entirely on donations).
4. CELESTYAL CRUISE LINE reserves the right to impose fuel charges in the amount of $4 per person per day should the price of ice Brent exceed US $90; and $8 per person per day due to the price of ice Brent exceeding US $110. **This is currently in effect**.
5. Gifts From Above utilizes guest pastors as teachers for our cruise tours. In the rare event an advertised pastor is unable to fulfill his teaching responsibilities, we will engage a replacement.
6. **COVID TESTS & VACCINES** – if required, will be the individual’s responsibility**.**

**Benefits of group travel to Lands of the Bible by ship:**

* Our extensive panorama of sites and excellent Bible teacher will make God’s Word come alive.
* You unpack and pack only once.
* The official shipboard language is English; there’s always someone on hand to help and give guidance.
* You won’t have to worry about finding good, reasonable restaurants, and you’ll still have the flexibility to dine alone or with friends.
* Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are all included (on the days we are on the ship)
* There will be independent time. You’ll have fun exploring, shopping, or relaxing on your own or with your new friends.
* No hidden extras at hotels. You won’t have to deal with the inconvenience and extra expense of handing out tips to porters and chambermaids throughout your stay.
* We will have a professional tour director, licensed guides and professional drivers. You can completely relax, knowing that an experienced escort is taking care of all the details and reconfirming every arrangement for your comfort and enjoyment.
* Travel by cruise ship to all our destinations is safe and secure. Embarkation security is comparable to the high standards of airlines. While many European cities currently have ‘travel advisories’ in effect, there are no longer advisories for Egypt, Israel or Turkey. Nevertheless, while in Egypt, we will have security on every motor coach and a police escort to all sites.

**OUR 11-DAY//10 NIGHT ITINERARY**

MAR 14 Thurs -- depart USA for on overnight flight to Athens, Greece

MAR 15  Fri – arrive Athens –– we are met at airport/transferred to hotel for check-in [this evening our “welcome dinner” is included.]

MAR 16   Sat. – check out of hotel; visit Acropolis & Marr’s Hill before heading to ship.

 ***Celestyal Journey*** Departs Piraeus in the late afternoon.

| **Day**  | **Port**  | **Arrive**  | **Depart**  |
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| MAR 16  Sat | Piraeus (Greece) |   |  5:00 PM |
| MAR 17 Sun | Day at Sea | - | - |
| MAR 18 Mon | Port Said (Egypt) | 07.00 | 22.00// 10 PM |
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| MAR 19 Tues | Ashdod (Israel) | 08.00 | 22.00 // 10 PM  |
| MAR 20 Wed | Limassol (Cyprus) | 11.00 | 18.00 //   6 PM |
| MAR 21 Thurs | Rhodes (Greece) | 12.00 | 20.00 //   8 PM |
| MAR 22 Fri | Kusadasi (Turkey) | 07.00 | 19.30 //   7:30 PM |
| MAR 23 Sat | Piraeus (Greece) | 07.00 | -     Disembark ship  |

MAR 23 Disembark ship, board motor coach for full day excursion to Corinth. After,

we will check into an Athens hotel and enjoy a ‘farewell’ dinner with music and traditional Greek entertainment.

MAR 24 Sunday – Transfer to airport for flight home

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**OUR REFUND POLICY** – PLEASE NOTE: **Travel insurance with ‘cancel for any reason’ clause is highly recommended**. Currently Israel requires insurance for those entering the country.

Gifts From Above will issue a full refund of all deposits within a 30-day period of new applications. Due to supplier regulations, a $350 administrative fee will be deducted from all refunds requested after 30 days.

Upon receipt of the second installment, we will purchase group airline seats. Airline seats are nonrefundable/ nontransferable and are not exchangeable. **Once group airline ticketing is completed, cancellations will be ineligible for a refund of the deposit or second installment of total cruise/tour cost.**

**60 days prior to departure only a 25% refund of the third and final payment will apply.**

**Cancellations made between 59 and 40 days prior to travel will receive only a 10% refund of the third and final payment.**

**Cancellations made 39 days or less before travel date are ineligible for any refunds.**

– ANY REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATIONS MUST BE MADE **IN WRITING** TO GIFTS FROM ABOVE. THE POST MARK ON THE ENVELOPE (OR YOUR E-MAIL) WILL SERVE AS DATE OF OFFICIAL NOTICE OF INTENT TO CANCEL.

**PLEASE NOTE -- AIRLINE TICKETS AND SEAT ASSIGNMENTS -** We negotiate special rates with major carriers and air arrangements are subject to certain restrictions on change/or cancellation, eligibility and seat assignments. Group seating policy is different for each airline. Gifts From Above Travel is not in control of seat assignments. Seats are subject to airline discretion and may change without notice. We do everything possible to confirm seats whenever available. Some airlines and/or fare types do not allow for pre-seating and require this be done at airport check-in only. Even when seats are originally pre-assigned, they are not guaranteed and can be modified by the airline due to equipment changes. Bulkhead and exit row seats cannot be requested or pre-assigned ahead of time. Bulkhead seats are given to the passengers traveling with infants and for those with disabilities. Exit row seats are held for assignment at airport check in only, as passengers wishing to sit in these seats must be physically capable of carrying out the associated responsibilities. The airline agent must see a passenger’s physical condition before assigning them an exit row seat. On most routes, these seats can be purchased for a fee on arrival at the airport.

At the time of booking our flights we will update all travelers on seating regulations.

Gifts From Above is not responsible for flights that are occasionally overbooked, delayed or cancelled by the airlines. All fares and schedules are subject to change without notice.

**PLEASE NOTE – RESPONSIBILITY / DISCLAIMER STATEMENT -** Gifts From Above Travel acts only as an agent for the various independent suppliers that provide hotel accommodations, transportation, sightseeing, activities, or other services connected with this tour. Such services are subject to the terms and conditions of those suppliers. Gifts From Above Travel and their respective employees, agents, representatives, and assigns accept no liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or any other incident which may be caused by negligence, defect, default of any company or person in performing these services. Responsibility is not accepted for losses, injury, damages or expenses of any kind due to sickness, weather, strikes, hostilities, wars, terrorist acts, acts of nature, local laws or other such causes. All services and accommodations are subject to the laws and regulations of the country in which they are provided. Gifts From Above Travel is not responsible for any baggage or personal effects of any individual participating in the tours / trips arranged by Gifts From Above Travel. Individual travelers are responsible for purchasing a travel insurance policy, if desired, that will cover some of the expenses associated with the loss of luggage or personal effects.

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Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_ (if none is available you will need a single room.)\* I prefer a single room:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**$800** **SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT WILL APPLY for hotel & IA stateroom -the cruise line will notify for single charges for XC or Balcony rooms.)****PLEASE NOTE – WE WILL WORK TO MATCH ROOMMATES FOR THOSE WHO REQUEST US TO DO SO; HOWEVER, GIFTS FROM ABOVE WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY PROBLEMS OR ADDED COSTS WHICH RESULT FROM ROOMMATES PROVING INCOMPATIBLE. SHOULD A PRIVATE STATEROOM BE NECESSARY, IT WILL BE THE INDIVIDUAL’S RESPONSIBILITY.****GENERAL FLIGHT INFORMATION:** Your preferred airport? ORD:\_\_\_\_ OTHER:\_\_\_\_\_Do you require a special diet/meal for your flight or cruise? Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ If so, what type of diet? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Do you have any special travel needs? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_If so, will you require a special seat assignment for your flight? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(Please note: If a special seat is required, after airline bookings become available, we will provide upgrade options & price.)****NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY CONTACT PERSON**:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­­­­­­­­­­\_­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE#**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **RELATIONSHIP:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_****PLEASE NOTE -- AIRLINE TICKETS AND SEAT ASSIGNMENTS -** We negotiate special rates with major carriers and air arrangements are subject to certain restrictions on change/or cancellation, eligibility and seat assignments. 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