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Many men have born the title king throughout history. Too many to count, many that will never be heard of outside their realms. But two kings in recorded human history have influenced and continue to influence the lives of literally billions of people.

One began as a runt shepherd boy in the obscure hills of a land insignificant at the time, but pivotal in human history. The boy's heart burned hot for the God who had revealed Himself to his ancestors with the promise that one of their descendants would bring blessing the world and He would bless them if they kept their end of the bargain. This boy believed in those promises and fought giants and armies in Yahweh's name. He reluctantly became the Hebrew King and unified the tribes as one and established prosperity for his people. Yahweh called him a man after his own heart and promised David that one of his descendants would be the one to bring blessing up on the world.

Nearly a millennium later, David's descendant was born not as a prince, but as a pauper in David's home town of Bethlehem. And though Jesus would never wear a golden crown, He wore a crown of thorns and bore the pain and suffering due our rebellion. Unlike any other king before or after, He rose from the dead and ascended into Heaven where He is preparing His Kingdom for his people when His full reign will be established on earth.

For two weeks, we will journey through the lands where these two great kings lived, worshipping with King David through his life story and at the feet of the King of Kings.

*14 They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because **he is Lord of lords and King of kings**-- and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers."*

Revelation 17:14

*⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross! ⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that **Jesus Christ is Lord**, to the glory of God the Father.*

Philippians 2:8-11

ITINERARY:

DAY 1: Apr. 3, Wednesday- En Route

The Psalmist

Board your El AL flight 006 departing at 1:15PM and arriving Tel Aviv the next day.

DAY 2: Apr 4, Thursday – Bethlehem

The Boy Warrior

Arrival meet, assist and transfer to your hotel in **Bethlehem**. On the way, stop in **the Elah Valley** where David fought Goliath near the brook. Continue to the birthplace of the Great Kings of Israel.

Dinner and overnight Jerusalem, Ramat Rachel

DAY 3: Apr 5, Friday – Bethlehem to Beersheba

The Lion of God

Visit **the Shepherds Fields, the Cave of the Nativity** (the birthplace of Jesus), **the Cave of Adullam**, David's base of operations while in exile from Saul, **Ziklag** the temporary hometown of David and his warriors army while serving under the Philistines, **Nebi Samuel, Nahal Hesor, Beer Sheba**.

Dinner and overnight Beersheba, Leonardo- Beer Sheba

DAY 4: Apr 6, Saturday - Beersheba to Eilat

Shepherd Boy

After breakfast, drive to **Timna Park**, a National Park in the Negev desert of Israel, located north of the southern most city of Eilat. See the stone formation of "the **King Solomon's Pillars**", the "Mushroom", "Arches" and "the Sleeping Lion". It includes what are believed to be the oldest **Copper mines** in the world, dating back to at least 4000 BC and worked almost continuously by (among others) the Egyptians, Romans, Nabateans and Ummayyads. On the way we stop at the **Hai Bar-the biblical Safari**. Drive north through the Negev Desert to the **Ramon Nature Reserve**, the largest of its kind in the **Negev Desert**.

Dinner and overnight Eilat Leonardo Plaza- Eilat

DAY 5: Apr 7, Sunday –Eilat

Ships of Elath

FREE DAY at leisure in **Eilat**.

Optional one day Petra tour or **boat ride, Scuba/snorkel trip** to a crusader fortress island off the coast of Egypt.

Dinner and overnight Eilat Leonardo Plaza- Eilat

DAY 6: Apr 8, Monday - Massada– Dead Sea– Kfar Hanokdim

The Loyal Servant

Drive to **Masada** and ascend by cable car to this palace/fortress constructed during the reign of Herod the Great. Stop at **Mineral Beach** for a swim in the buoyant, therapeutic waters of the "unsinkable" Dead Sea! Hike and bike trail at **Mitzpe Ramon**, Israel's version of the Grand Canyon . afternoon drive to **Kfar Hanokdim**

Beduin hospitality chafla and overnight Kfar Hanokdim

DAY 7: Apr 9, Tuesday - Ein Gedi– Beit Shean – Tiberias

The United Kingdom

Explore **Ein Gedi** where David hid from King Saul and tore the edge of his robe and saved his life rather than kill him. On to **Beit Shean**, where you will explore the extraordinary excavations of an ancient Roman City. See **Mount Gilboa** where soon to be King David lost both his best friend and greatest enemy. Drive to **Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee**.

Dinner and overnight Tiberias, Leonardo Club Tiberias

DAY 8: Apr 10, Wednesday - Banias–Golan-Mt. of Beatitudes-Capernaum- Tabgha *Ambassadors for the King*

We begin our day with a **boat ride across the Sea of Galilee**. Drives to **Capernaum** then continue to **Tabgha, Magdala and the Mount of Beatitudes**. Continue north to **Dan**, the northernmost limit of Jesus' travels and to **Banias(ancient Caesarea Philippi)** at the foot of **Mount Hermon**. At Banias we find the source of the **Jordan River**, the place where Jesus won a ringing profession of faith from Peter.

Dinner and overnight Tiberias, Leonardo Club Tiberias

DAY 9: Apr 11, Thursday Haifa- Caesarea – Jerusalem *City of the Great King*

Hike part of **Gilboa Jesus trail Arbel to Bikat Ginossar** - stop in **Nazareth**, the boyhood home of Jesus. Visit to the **Haifa fire fighters station** – see the damage of the fire in **Mount Carmel** and the recovery. On to **Caesarea**, capital of the Roman procurators of Judea, to visit the remains of the ancient aqueduct, amphitheater, Crusaders' Moat and Byzantine churches. We then continue to – Jerusalem.

Dinner and overnight Jerusalem, Ramat Rachel

DAY 10: Apr 12, Friday – Mt. of Olive – City of David *Tombs of the Kings*

Enjoy the spectacular view from the top of the **Mount of Olives** of this "golden" city. Visit the **Church of Pater Noster, chapel of the Ascension** and then proceed to the olive-treed **Garden of Gethsemane**. On to the **City of David**, the original site of Jerusalem from the time of King David, following this visit we continue to the **Davidson Center**, Enter the restored **Jewish Quarter**. Walk along the excavated **Cardo**, once a main street of ancient Jerusalem Visit **Hezekiah's Tunnel**.

Dinner and overnight Jerusalem, Ramat Rachel

DAY 11: Apr 13, Saturday – Citadel museum – Christian quarter *The Son of David*

Morning visit to the David Citadel museum for a visit. Walk through **St. Stephen's Gate**, stop at the **Pool of Bethesda** and on to the lovely **Crusader Church of St. Anne**. See **Pilates's Judgment Hall, the Chapel of Flagellation and the Arch of Ecce Homo**. Then follow the Via Dolorosa through narrow alleys and souks to the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**.

Dinner and overnight Jerusalem, Ramat Rachel

DAY 12: Apr 14, Sunday–New City- Israel Museum and Yad Vashem *The Legacy*

Visit to **Yad Vashem**, memorial to the Holocaust. Visit the **Museum, Children's Pavilion** and walk along the **street of the Righteous**. Drive via the **Knesset** (Israel's Parliament) to the **Shrine of the Book**, Located at the **Israel Museum**, where the **Dead Sea Scrolls** are housed.

Dinner and overnight Jerusalem, Ramat Rachel

DAY 13: Apr 15, Monday – Jerusalem to Yad Hasmona & Tel Aviv

A Man After God's Own Heart

We say goodbye to Jerusalem and drive west to **Yad Hasmona**, a Biblical Village in the Judean foothills. Plant a tree and celebrate together.

Farewell dinner followed by a transfer to the **Ben Gurion International Airport**.

DAY 14: Apr 16, Tuesday – En Route

The Psalmist

Board your flight back to Los Angeles with memories to last a lifetime.

EI AL 005 departing at 30 minutes past midnight.

PRICES:

Price per person sharing a double room of the following **Net Air & Land package**:

- 35 paying participants -\$3500
- 30 paying participants -\$3525
- 25 paying participants -\$3560
- 20 paying participants -\$3700
- Single Supplement: \$756.00

THE PRICE OF THE ABOVE PACKAGE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:

AIR TRANSPORTATION:

LOS ANGELES INTL (LAX) to TEL AVIV Ben Gurion to LOS ANGELES INTL. ON EL AL INCLUDED: \$689.00 fuel surcharge and tax, both subject to change.

TRANSFER & PORTERAGE:

Roundtrip transfers between airports and hotels including assistance by our representative upon arrival and departure. Portage of one average sized pieces of luggage per person only.

ACCOMODATIONS:

In the following hotels, based on double occupancy, with private facilities including service charge and/or taxes. Hotels are subject to availability and confirmation. Please note that up to 10% of the rooms allocated for the group may be used for single occupancy:

<u>April</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Hotel</u>	<u># of Nights</u>	<u>Website</u>
4	Jerusalem	Ramat Rachel	1	www.ramatrachel.co.il
5	Beersheba	Leonardo Beer Sheba	1	www.leonardo-hotels.com
6-7	Eilat	Leonardo Plaza Eilat	2	www.leonardo-hotels.com
8	Kfar Hanokdim	Kfar Hanokdim	1	
9-10	Tiberias	Leonardo club Tiberias	2	www.leonardo-hotels.com
11-14	Jerusalem	Ramat Rachel	4	www.ramatrachel.co.il

MEALS: Breakfast and dinner daily at hotels.

SIGHTSEEING:

Sightseeing in deluxe private air-conditioned motorcoach, services of a licensed ENGLISH-speaking guide, all entrance fees as per the attached itinerary.

FREE CELL PHONE RENTAL:

For more information, please call ISRAEL PHONES at 866-8-ISRAEL.

NOT INCLUDED:

Passport & insurance fees; tips to guides, drivers and hotel personnel; costs for items not on table d’hôte menus; any other items of a personal nature such as gratuities, laundry, telephone calls, etc.

HEALTH DISCLAIMER FOR TRAVEL: Passengers registering for this tour accept the responsibility for being in good health; able to walk, climb steps, enjoy full sightseeing days and easily transfer to airplane or motorcoach as needed. As many of the sites in Israel are not accessible to the physically challenged, those needing wheelchairs, oxygen, or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting in their experiences.

INSURANCE:

Baggage/Trip Cancellation/Trip Delay/Medical insurance is **highly recommended**.

Isram World's **PASSENGER TRAVEL PROTECTION PROGRAM**, at \$199.00 per person, covers these benefits and more. Please note:

- Should any member of the group wish to purchase this coverage, we recommend you collect the premium at time of deposit. Proof of this payment will be required **if** a pre-existing medical condition is involved in the claim.
- Any and all insurance payments accepted between time of initial deposit and final payment will **not** qualify for the coverage of pre-existing medical conditions.
- Payment of the premium to ISRAM WORLD OF TRAVEL must accompany the initial passenger list as supplied 60 days prior to departure.
- Any and all additional passengers' insurance payment must accompany the final invoice payment due 45 days prior to travel.
- Within 45 days of departure, insurance payments may only be applied to new participants to in the group.

PAYMENTS:

Deposits and payments can be made through the Beacon's website...

www.theBeaconOC.org using credit/debit cards or EFT payments.

**DEPOSIT & CANCELLATIONS:**

\$100 per person

Final payment is due 45 days prior to departure.

CANCELLATION: Cancellation of the group for reasons other than lack of participants between 60 and 45 days prior to departure will incur a fee of \$1000.00. Should the entire group cancel for any reason within 45 days of departure, supplemental fees as imposed by suppliers will apply.

- Please note that cancellations within the group may result in the recalculation of the price per paying passenger.
- **Individual cancellations** received 15 days to 7 days prior to departure will result in a per person charge of \$250.00 plus, as applicable, air penalty and supplemental charges as imposed by suppliers.
- **Individual cancellations** within 7 days of departure or "no shows" will incur a fee of \$350.00 plus, as applicable, air penalty and supplemental charges as imposed by suppliers.

REMARKS:

Please note: Our quotation is based on rates presented by suppliers **on the date of this proposal**, for the specified travel time period and reflects the **currency exchange rate on this date**.

Due the fluctuation of the US Dollar against the local currency, we reserve the right to increase prices of - including but not limited to - hotels, land services, admission fees without prior notice.