

BIBL 526: JESUS AND HIS TIMES – STUDY TOUR IN ISRAEL

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3 graduate credit hours; or 3 audit hours

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is an exciting opportunity to spend two weeks in Israel, in the very places where Jesus lived and taught. We will follow the basic chronology of Jesus's life, spending one week in Galilee and the second week in Jerusalem. Through walking tours, lectures, and interactions with local people, we will get to know the geographical, historical, and cultural setting of Israel during the time of Christ. This course is offered in conjunction with Jerusalem University College.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Our objectives for this class are:

1. To acquire an understanding of how extra-biblical Jewish and non-Jewish sources from the first-fourth centuries AD can provide understanding and insights into the Gospel story;
2. To acquire a basic knowledge of the geographical and archaeological background of the Gospels;
3. To better appreciate the geographical, cultural and historical perspectives from which the Gospel writers wrote, and in doing so, to better understand the message of God's word and gain spiritual insights for our lives and His service;
4. To experience, enjoy and develop a love for the land of the Gospels.

COURSE OUTLINE

This course includes minimal classroom study with most lectures being given on site during daily field trips and overnights into various regions.

REQUIRED TEXTS

A Bible in a modern translation, with an Apocrypha

Regional Study Maps 2, 3 and 5 (provided)

Historical Geography Notebook, JUC (provided)

Peter Walker. *In the Steps of Jesus: An Illustrated Guide to the Places of the Holy Land*. Zondervan, 2007. ISBN: 9780310276470 \$31.99

All prices subject to change without notice. The Regent College Bookstore offers a 20% discount on regularly priced books (some exceptions may apply).

SPECIAL NOTE

This course includes minimal classroom study with most lectures being given on site during the daily field trips and overnights into various regions. However, this means that the program involves much **stair climbing and sustained hiking in rugged terrain**. Students must be in very good physical condition and complete a physical form prior to acceptance into the program. If a student is 50 years or older, or have indication of a medical condition, they must have a physical and doctor's recommendation.

Additional course fees apply. This course has special application procedures and deadlines. Please view the full course syllabus on moodle for complete details.

Please Note: The Course Information Sheet is meant to assist in selecting courses.

The official syllabus should be consulted for more detailed information. Full syllabus with drop deadlines, policies, and course assignment details, is available on Moodle: moodle.regent-college.edu/login

