



Discovery Insiders Tour of Israel:
Connecting with the Leaders of Ancient and Modern Israel
 September 8-17, 2019

WE HAVE 5 ROOMS LEFT AND HAVE EXTENDED THE REGISTRATION DATE UNTIL WE SELL THE LAST 5 ROOMS. SO HURRY UP AND REGISTER.

Land Package Price Per Person: \$4900

In double occupancy hotel accommodations

Additional Fees Billed and Paid Separately (not included in package price above)

- **Standard Tips & Gratuities \$180 per person**
 For guide, bus driver, hotel bell staff and waiters for included meals.

Options & Discounts

Option	What is it?	Add/Deduct
Single Occupancy	One person per hotel room <i>(limited availability)</i>	Add \$1235

Deposit & Payment Schedule

January 1, 2019	Deposit of \$500 per participant <i>(applied to total payment)</i>
March 8, 2019	50% payment due
June 8, 2019	Payment due in full <i>(including tips)</i>

Refund Schedule For cancellation or non-participation for any reason

Cancellation after	Refund
January 1, 2019	Full refund less \$300 per person
March 8, 2019	Full refund less \$ 1,500
June 8, 2019	Full refund less \$ 2500
July 15, 2019	No Refund

Payment Options

- **Online** – Pay with MasterCard or Visa online at www.keshetisrael.co.il/forms/keshet-billing
- **Check** – Mail a check payable to **Educational Encounters International, Inc.(EEII)** to:
Educational Encounters International, Inc.(EEII), 110 Chestnut Ridge Road, Suite 228, Montvale, NJ 07645
- *Keshet strives to offer fair pricing and therefore does not budget for contingencies resulting from weather or security issues. Itineraries may be altered as a result of these factors. Also, the prices listed reflect rates quoted by hotels and vendors as of March 2018. In the event of devaluation of the US dollar exchange rates, hotels and other vendors may add surcharges; Keshet reserves the right to pass such increases on to trip participants.*

Accommodations

Hotel	Dates	Hotel	Dates
Royal Beach, Tel Aviv	Sept. 9-11	Isrotel, Dead Sea	Sept. 11-12
Isrotel Orient, Jerusalem	Sept. 12-15	Ramot Resort, Galilee	Sept. 15-17

Arrival in/Departure from Israel

Flights are being arranged by each traveler. Neither Keshet nor Discovery Institute assumes any responsibility for flight arrangements, delays or cancellations. When booking flights, please note the following:

First night of included hotel accommodations	Monday, Sept. 9: Check-in at the Royal Beach Hotel in Tel Aviv from 3:00 PM onward
Conclusion of included hotel accommodations	Tuesday Sept. 17: Check-out from the Ramot Resort Hotel by 11:00 AM
Start of Program	The program will begin on Monday evening Sept. 9 at the Royal Beach Hotel in Tel Aviv at 3:00 PM. <i>The Keshet staff will be happy to help you arrange and pre pay for airport taxi services if you so desire and to help you with any additional accommodations or touring services that you might need to arrange prior to or after the trip.</i>
End of Program	The program ends on Tuesday morning Sept 17 at the Ramot Resort hotel.

Package Price Includes:

- All group transportation in Israel on private chartered bus as per the itinerary
- All hotel accommodations – double occupancy - as per the itinerary
- All site admissions and programs as per the itinerary
- Lavish Israeli breakfast plus 7 dinners
- Keshet Israel Tour Educator
- Keshet Hostess
- Customized Sourcebook
- Keshet Hat and insulated water bottle holder
- Keshet Map of Israel and backpack

Not Included in Package Price

- Airfare
- Meals on your own
- Laundry service
- Personal charges at hotels and restaurants
- Medical and Trip Insurance

Trip Insurance

Keshet urges you to purchase cancellation insurance and supplemental medical coverage (which covers preexisting conditions). We recommend the "Cancel For Any Reason" policies which offer the broadest coverage. Please note that most insurance policies require purchase within 14 days of your date of registration for the trip. While you are free to purchase insurance from any company of your choice, Keshet has made arrangements with SMS-Travel Insurance Center of Omaha, Nebraska. SMS has over 25 years of experience as worldwide insurance brokers and can help you choose the policy that best meets your needs. Our contact persons are Yonah Engel & Dani Eisenstock:

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USA phone: [1-888-747-3773](tel:1-888-747-3773)

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Please note: We cannot accept responsibility for any losses or expenses which you or any member of your party may incur as a result of failure to secure adequate insurance coverage.

Discovery Institute's role in this tour is only to provide certain speakers and educational presentations. It also does not assume any liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity to person and property because of an act of default of any hotel, airline carrier, restaurant, company, or person rendering or making arrangements for any of the services included in the tour, or because of any act of war or natural disaster.

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*Connecting with the Leaders
of Ancient and Modern Israel
Offered by The Discovery Institute*

*With Guest Host **Michael Medved***

*And the participation and ongoing input of **George Gilder** and **Titus Kennedy***

September 9 - 17, 2019

Join The Discovery Institute and Michael Medved the Talk Show Host for an in-depth and stimulating tour of Israel. You will see not only the Holyland and modern Israel but gain insight into the spirit of Israel and its leaders.

Today's crisis of leadership concerns us all. Join us for as we explore models of leadership from the Bible and the modern State of Israel, meeting leaders and individuals whose values and clarity of action serve as a source of inspiration.

This tour will take us to sites of religious, historical and cultural significance as well as great vistas of natural beauty in off-the-beaten-path locales in Israel. Meet heroes of modern Israel, commanders in the IDF, political leaders, visionaries and private citizens.

Stay in fine hotels, enjoy fine food with a famed Israeli breakfast every day and travel up close and personal alongside Michael Medved and his family as we explore Israel together!

Talk show host Michael Medved will offer his unique perspective and insight into Israel, its role as the Holy Land and the Jewish State.

Sunday, September 8: *Departure*

- Depart U.S.

Monday, September 9: *Bruchim HaBa'im (Welcome)!*

- Arrive in Tel Aviv.
- **13:00** Optional Walking Tour of the pioneering **Tel Aviv** neighborhood of **Neve Zedek** and **Achuzat Bayit**.
- Check in to the hotel from **15:00**
- **19:00** Cocktails with **Michael Medved, Stephen Meyer, George Gilder and Titus Kennedy** overlooking the Mediterranean Sea.
- **19:30** Dinner at the **East Side** Chef restaurant at the hotel
- **22:00** Michael Medved Live Radio Broadcast

Overnight: Royal Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv

Tuesday, September 10: *Modern Israel*

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- **8:30** Depart the hotel
- ***Against All Odds:*** Visit **Independence Hall** to explore Israel's first prime minister **David Ben Gurion's** decision to declare Independence against the express opposition of U.S. President **Harry Truman** and his Secretary of State, former U.S. Chief of Staff **George Mashall**.
- Continue to **Holon** to learn about the work of **Save A Child's Heart**, a unique institution which has provided life-saving heart surgery for over 3,400 children from Africa, the Middle East, Gaza and the West Bank.
- Lunch
- ***Israel: A Light Unto the Nations?*** Meet with the founders of **IsraAID**, first responders in Haiti, Japan and other sites of natural disasters around the world to learn about Israel's vision of its role in and out of Israel.
- ***The establishment of Modern Israel*** Lecture and discussion by **Michael Medved** with interview questions by **Stephen Meyer**.
- Tour of Ancient Jaffa the town of Biblical origins from which modern Tel Aviv grew.
- Dinner on own in **Jaffa**,
- **20:30 *The Israel Test:*** Hear Discovery Institute co-founder **George Gilder** discuss why the world's most besieged state is a beacon of freedom and hope for the world economy.
- **22:00** Michael Medved Live Radio Broadcast

Overnight: Royal Beach Hotel, Tel Aviv

Wednesday, September 11: *The Assyrian Threat*

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- **8:00** Meeting at the hotel with Israeli author **Eshkol Nevo** for his insights into who are the heroes in Israel today. Mr. Nevo's grandfather, after whom he is named, was **Levi Eshkol**, Israel's prime minister during the Six Day War in 1967.
- **Heroine of Co-existence**: Travel to the city of Lod to meet with principle **Sharin Natur Hafi**, champion of the future of underprivileged Arabs of Lod and proponent of co-existence. Ms. Hafi, who is an Arab, holds a doctorate in Hebrew literature and teaches at a Jewish religious boys' school in Jerusalem.
- **Like a Bird in a Cage**: Visit **Tel Lachish**, site of Assyrian general Sannacherib's siege and conquest during the revolt of Judean King Hezekiah of Jerusalem in the Eighth Century.
- Picnic Lunch
- **Fifty Days of Life & Death Decisions in 3 Second Windows**: Visit the **Tze'elim IDF base** for a detailed briefing and discussion on the ethical challenges of combat in Gaza from **Brigadier General Bentzi Gruber** the Vice Commander of Israel's armored division.
- Travel across the **Negev Desert** to the **Dead Sea**, lowest point on earth. Along the way discuss the challenges of land management and the growing demands of Bedouin populations, one of Israel's most pressing social and security challenges.
- **20:00** Check in and Dinner in the hotel.
- **21:00 The Bible and Archeology**: In this session with Discovery Institute Senior Fellow **Stephen Meyer** and Discovery Institute archeologist **Titus Kennedy** learn all the ways that modern archeology has been providing evidence for the historicity of the Bible about what archeology can tell us about Hezekiah and Jesus; and get a preview of the top 10 things to see at the **Israel Museum**.
- **22:00** Michael Medved Live Radio Broadcast

Overnight: Isrotel, Ein Bokek

Thursday, September 12: *What Price Freedom?*

- Breakfast at the hotel followed by time at the hotel spa and to float in the **Dead Sea**
- **10:30** Depart hotel
- Visit **Masada**, stronghold of the Zealots to understand the historical background and implications of what happened there nearly 2,000 years ago.
- Lunch on own at Masada
- Stop at **Qumran**, home of the Essenes and site of the discovery of the **Dead Sea Scrolls**
- Visit **Ethiopian Jewish immigrants** in their homes in **Ma'aleh Adumim** to hear first-hand the account of their quest for freedom as they fled Ethiopia and trekked through the desert to Sudan where they waited for months in refugee camps before being airlifted to Israel by the Mossad.
- Dinner at Eucalyptus restaurant
- **20:00** Check in to the Orient hotel
- **21:00 Optional** tour of one of Jerusalem's neighborhoods, Nachlaot, including a traditional challah bread baking workshop.
- **22:00** Michael Medved Live Radio Broadcast

Overnight: **Orient Hotel, Jerusalem** (Jerusalem's newest 5-star hotel!)

Friday, September 13: *Biblical and Modern Jerusalem*

- Breakfast at the hotel
- **8:30** Depart the hotel
- Visit the **Israel Museum** to see the **Shrine of the Book** with its **Dead Sea Scrolls** and the **Holyland Model of Jerusalem** during the days of the Second Temple. Finally, explore the Archaeology Wing with its copies of the relief from Sennacherib's palace in Ninveh describing his siege and conquest of Lachish as well as the Sennacherib Prism describing the (unsuccessful) siege of Jerusalem during King Hezekiah's reign
- Continue to the **City of David**. Here we'll discuss the history of the city, its founding as the capital by **King David**, the role of the prophets here and the heroic stand of **King Hezekiah** against the Assyrians. Meet with a staff archaeologist who will guide us through the remains thought by many to be remnants of the palace and administrative center of **Kings David and King Solomon**. Optional walk through Hezekiah's Tunnel, a waterway carved before the Assyrian siege 2,500 years ago to bring water into the city during the siege
- Lunch on own at museum or in the Jewish Quarter.
- Experience the hustle and bustle before Shabbat (the Sabbath) in Jerusalem at the vibrant **Machaneh Yehudah** open air fruit and vegetable market
- Pre-Shabbat (Sabbath) session with **Michael Medved** on the meaning of Shabbat observance
- **17:45** Depart the hotel
- Visit the **Kotel (Western Wall)** with dance and prayer as Jerusalem welcomes the Shabbat
- **18:08** Shabbat enters
- Walk through the streets of Jerusalem to absorb its unique Shabbat atmosphere
- **20:00** Enjoy a **festive Shabbat dinner** with **Michael Medved** and family, including his Venture Capitalist and entrepreneur brother **Jonathan Medved**

Overnight: Orient Hotel, Jerusalem

Shabbat, September 14: *Shabbat in Jerusalem*

- Breakfast at the hotel

OPTION1: MOUNT OF OLIVES

- **10:00** Depart the hotel
- Tour the **Mt. of Olives**, the **Garden of Gethsemane** and the **Basilica of All Nations**.
- Walk to Golden Gate, **St. Anne's Church** (Pool of Bethesda), **Church of the Holy Sepulcher** (Tomb of Jesus), led by **Titus Kennedy**.
- Lunch on own in the Old City
- Visit the tomb of the **Herodian family** in park behind King David Hotel with Titus Kennedy.

OPTION 2: SHABBAT IN JERUSALEM

- Time to join one of the many **synagogues** near the hotel for Shabbat morning services.
- Jerusalem neighborhoods walking tour

BOTH GROUPS:

- The **Third Meal** (dinner): Enjoy a shared meal towards the end of the Sabbath.
- **19:23 Havdalah service**, commemorating the conclusion of Shabbat
- **20:00 Science, Faith, and Intelligent Design**: Hear Discovery Institute Senior Fellow **Stephen Meyer** and a panel of **distinguished Israeli scientists** discuss the growing evidence of intelligent design in nature.

Overnight: Orient Hotel, Jerusalem

Sunday, September 15 The Conquest of the Land

- Breakfast at the hotel
- **8:30** Briefing by former IDF Chief of Staff and Defense Minister **Moshe “Bogey” Ya’alon**: Israel’s Military Challenges (upon availability)
- **10:00** Depart the hotel
- Visit **Jericho**, oldest city in the world. Visit **Tel Jericho**, including newly understood evidence of the destruction of the city at the time of Joshua
- Meet with **Tass Saada**, former PLO operative and now founder of **Seeds of Hope**, working with kindergarten children and their parents to create a better future.
- Lunch on own in Jericho
- Continue to the Jordan River Valley. Visit **Bio-Bee at Kibbutz Sde Eliyahu**. Learn about kibbutz and Bio Bee Biological Systems, one of the leading international companies in the field of Biologically-based Integrated Pest Management.
- Travel to **Tiberias** on the **Sea of Galilee**
- **Sunset cruise** followed by **dinner** at the **Sea of Galilee**
- **20:30** Check in to the hotel
- **21:30 The Bible and Archeology**: **Stephen Meyer** and **Titus Kennedy** lecture on the archeology of the Exodus from Egypt and the Conquest of Canaan

Overnight: Ramot Hotel overlooking the Sea of Galilee

Monday, September 16: Jesus in the Galilee

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Today we’ll have two options in the morning through the early afternoon:

Option I: Jesus in the Galilee

- **8:30** Depart the hotel
- Tour **Capernaum**, home base of Jesus’ Ministry.
- Visit **Tabgha** where the miracles of the loaves and the fishes is commemorated.
- Continue to the **Mt. of Beatitudes** to remember the Sermon on the Mount.
- Explore the newly excavated **Migdal Synagogue**, home town of **Mary Magdalena**.

Option II: Between A Rock and a Hard Place

- **8:30** Depart the hotel
- Travel to **Zefat**, city of Mysticism for a tour of the Old City and its ancient synagogues.
- Visit the **Ziv Hospital**, where hundreds of injured Syrian civilians have been treated throughout the Syrian Civil War.
- **Art and Kabbala**: Meet acclaimed mystical artist **David Friedman** in his studio to understand Kabbalistic ideas as expressed in his paintings.
- Travel to **Rosh Pina** to meet with **Hezi Segev** to hear the powerful and touching story of his son **Nimrod** who fell in Lebanon in 2006 and his efforts to memorialize him.

- **Both Groups:**
- Travel to **Tel Saki**, battle sight from the **Yom Kippur War** in 1973 to meet with **Nir Atir**, one of the heroes of that war in which a handful of determined soldiers stopped the advance of a vastly larger and better equipped Syrian army.
Meet with **Capt. Yaakov Selavan** a strategic affairs expert, a Golan resident and an IDF Tactical Command College alumnus, he served as an Armored Corps Combat Commander.
- **19:30** Return to our hotel for a **BBQ Farewell Dinner** overlooking the **Sea of Galilee**
- **22:00** Michael Medved Live Radio Broadcast

Overnight: Ramot Hotel overlooking the Sea of Galilee

Tuesday, September 17: *The Galilee in the Time of Jesus*

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Free morning at the hotel to use the hotel facilities
- **Bus 1** Early transfer to Ben Gurion airport for morning and afternoon flights back to the US
- **Bus 2 and 3**
- **11:00** Depart the hotel
- Explore the complex relationship between Jewish and Roman Pagan civilizations during a visit to the ancient Roman capital of **Caesarea**, built by King Herod on the shores of the Mediterranean. Consider the challenges faced by Jews living in a predominantly Roman city during a guided walk through the remains of the theater, hippodrome, bath house complex and palace of this magnificent city.
- Free time at the Caesarea Port for lunch
- Enjoy wine and chocolate tasting at the award-winning **Tishbi Winery** in **Binyamina**.
- **16:00** Transfer to the airport for flights back to the US
- **17:00** arrive at Ben Gurion airport
- Drop off in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem for those who are extending their stay



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