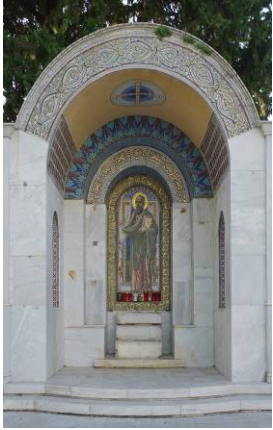


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Join us on a specially-themed Biblical tour package to Greece, featuring a three-night cruise! The package includes sightseeing to the most beautiful and famous attractions in Greece, as well as a three-night cruise with ports-of-call in Mykonos, Ephesus (in Turkey), Patmos, Crete and Santorini. While in Greece, we will be staying at first-class hotels. From there, we'll board our ship for a magnificent cruise among the picturesque Greek islands, all the while taking in their Biblical relevance!

### **OUR BIBLICAL TOUR OF GREECE ITINERARY:**

**DAY 1 - BOSTON~INTERMEDIATE CITY~ATHENS:** Depart Boston's Logan Airport on our overnight flight to Athens (*via intermediate city*) with meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headphones, available while in flight.

**DAY 2 - ATHENS:** We will meet our tour host and be transferred from the airport in Athens to check into our hotel. You will have the remainder of the day free to relax or take a stroll along the streets of Athens to enjoy the flavor of the city. This evening our group will enjoy the first of many delectable European style dinners. Overnight at our hotel. (D)

**DAY 3 - ATHENS:** After breakfast, we will board our motorcoach for a morning tour of Athens. We'll see all the highlights, including Hadrian's Arch, the Temple of Olympian Zeus, Constitution Square, the National Library, the residence of the President of Greece (former Royal Palace), and the Panathenaic Stadium, where the first Olympic Games took place in 1896. Then we'll visit the Acropolis Museum and Archaeological Site. Beneath the Acropolis is the Areopagus, or Mars Hill, which is where St. Paul made his famous "Men of Athens" speech revealing a considerable knowledge of Greek philosophy and character. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 4 - METEORA:** This morning, after breakfast and hotel check out, we'll visit Meteora. Here are the famous Cenobitic Monasteries that are perched precariously on top of huge and precipitous columns of rock that rise up out of the ground (as seen above), thereby giving rise to the name "Meteora," which means "in the air." It was in the 11th century that the first hermits sought refuge in the caves of Meteora where the solitude and spectacular vistas enhanced the mystic way of life. Eventually the hermits began to group together in monasteries whose buildings were decorated with frescoes and icons by the great artists of the day. Check in to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 5 - VERIA & THESSALONIKI:** After breakfast and hotel check-out, we'll head to Veria, site of the ancient Berea where St. Paul established a small church. View the reconstructed steps of the bema (or rostrum) and see the newly placed mosaics of Paul and the plaque of scripture regarding the "more noble" church from Acts 17:1-13. We'll also visit the Jewish Quarter before continuing on to Thessaloniki. There we'll check in at our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 6 - PHILIPPI & KAVALA:** We'll have breakfast and then drive to Philippi, where St. Paul delivered his first sermon in Europe, sowing the seeds of Christianity. Here, St. Paul baptized a certain woman named Lydia, who became Europe's first convert. Visit the Roman forum and

the prison where St. Paul and Silas were jailed. Continue on to the modern port city of Kavala (ancient Neapolis), where St. Paul, accompanied by Silas, Luke, and Timothy, first set foot in Europe. This ancient city was later renamed Christoupolis because it was the first European city to accept Christianity. (B, D)

**DAY 7 – THESSALONIKI-ATHENS:** After breakfast, the New Testament books of Thessalonians I & II will come alive as we tour our host city. We will visit the old city ramparts, the freshly-excavated forum, St. George Church (an ancient Roman monument which was transformed into a church) and the Galerios Arch which rises over the famous Via Egnatia, the road on which Paul walked to Thessaloniki. It was here in the synagogue that Paul "...reasoned with the Jews and the God-fearing Greeks." Return to Athens and check in to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 8 - MYKONOS:** Following breakfast and hotel check-out, we will head to the port and board our ship for our three-night cruise. We sail this morning from Athens to the quaint isle of Mykonos, called the island of "windmills." Experience the waterfront lined with shops and cafes, and then stroll the charming walkways through a maze of whitewashed buildings before returning to the ship for dinner and evening entertainment. (B, L, D aboard the ship with unlimited alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks)

**DAY 9 - EPHEBUS & PATMOS:** Docking in Turkey, enjoy a tour of Ephesus, the city of the Bible and one of the largest restorations still in progress, with miles of ancient treasures. Ephesus was once a thriving port town of 250,000 people. Today you can still see the spectacular excavations of the major streets in this ancient city including the Agora, the Odeon, the Library, the marble-paved main street, the Baths, Trajan's Fountain, the Residences of the Patricians, the Prytaneum, and Temple of Hadrian. The Great Theatre, built in the 4th century B.C., could accommodate 24,000 spectators and is famous even nowadays for its acoustics. This afternoon, we will visit the Isle of Patmos, under statutory protection as a historic monument. Here, we have a tour to see the fortified monastery of St. John and the cave claimed to be where John received the Revelation. Back on the ship, enjoy the Captain's dinner before settling in to your cabin for the night. (B, L, D aboard the ship with unlimited alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks)

**DAY 10 - CRETE & SANTORINI:** Crete is the largest and the most rugged of the Greek islands. Take the included tour to Heraklion and the fantastic ruins of the Palace of Knossos. Discovered in 1899 and partially reconstructed, the elaborate Palace is believed to be the mythical Labyrinth of King Minos and the seat of ancient Minoan culture. This afternoon, call at the island of Santorini which is perhaps the most breathtaking of all the Greek Isles. You may take (on own) the cable car up to Fira to enjoy the views of Caldera or enjoy time at leisure. Return to the ship for dinner and evening entertainment. (B, L, D aboard the ship with unlimited alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks)

**DAY 11 - CORINTH:** Returning to the port of Athens and disembarking, we will drive to Corinth following closely the same route Paul took during his journey. After a short stop at the Corinth Canal, which connects the Aegean and Ionian Seas, we will arrive in Ancient Corinth. We will visit the ruins of Corinth, where St. Paul worked with Aquila and Priscilla. Included are the first-century shops, the Agora, Temple of Apollo and the Bema Seat. We'll then return to Athens to check in at our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 12 - ATHENS-INTERMEDIATE CITY-BOSTON:** After breakfast, we will transfer to the airport in Athens, where we will board our return flight to Boston (via an intermediate city) with meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available in flight. (B)

#### **OUR BIBLICAL GREECE WITH GREEK ISLES CRUISE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:**

- ✦ Round-trip motorcoach transportation to and from Boston's Logan Airport. FREE with a minimum of 35 passengers. Additional charge with fewer than 35. Minimum 20 passengers for arranged transfers.
- ✦ Special meet-and-greet service and assistance at Logan Airport by a Durgan Travel Representative.
- ✦ Round-trip regularly scheduled transatlantic flights Boston-Intermediate City-Athens and return with meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, while in flight. The identity of the carrier, which may include the carrier's code-share partner, will be assigned and disclosed at a later date.
- ✦ Porterage of luggage at the hotel.
- ✦ All transfers and sightseeing aboard a deluxe, temperature-controlled, private motorcoach.
- ✦ 10-nights' accommodations in Greece as described in the itinerary, based on twin occupancy. Call for single supplement. *Limited availability – may be unavailable or subject to surcharge.*
- ✦ Breakfast (B) and dinner daily (D) while on land.
- ✦ 3-night cruise, including all meals while on board, as well as unlimited alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks.
- ✦ Comprehensive sightseeing package, as described in the itinerary, including entrance fees, where applicable.
- ✦ Professional Tour Escort, who will accompany our group throughout the tour, and expert English-speaking guides, as required.
- ✦ All meal and beverage taxes (for included meals).
- ✦ Complimentary Durgan Travel flight bag and complete packet of required travel documents.

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