

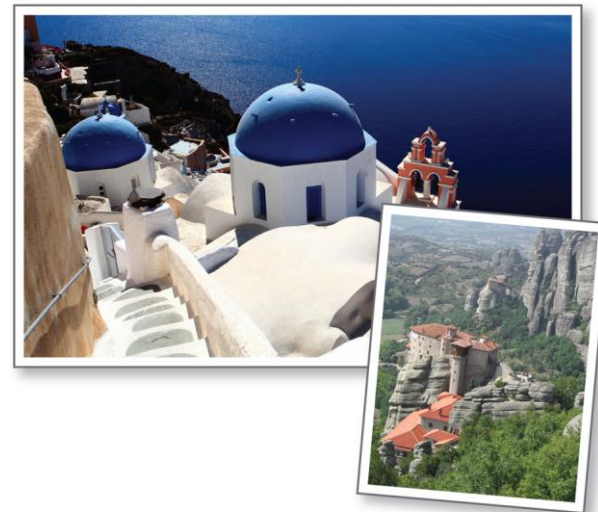
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The Department of Biblical Formation *presents...*

Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul the Apostle *featuring a 3-night Greek Islands & Turkey Cruise*

March 26 – April 5, 2014



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HIGHLIGHTS...

Athens • Taverna Dinner Show • 3-Night Cruise • Mykonos
Ephesus • Patmos* • Santorini • Thessaloniki • Kavala • Philippi
Kalambaka • Meteora • Delphi • Corinth • Acropolis



Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul the Apostle

11 Days • 21 Meals :
9 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 9 Dinners

DON'T MISS OUT! BOOK BY 09/27/13
Inside Cat. Cabin Rates: **Double \$3,699.00**
Outside Cabin Rates: **Double \$3,749.00**

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from OHare Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Cruise Taxes and Fees, Port Charges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$305 per person

Rates are Per Person *

Please note: The above rates will increase by \$250 after 09/27/13.

Cabin categories/rates are not guaranteed and subject to availability on a first come first serve basis when names and deposits are received in house.

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (**See registration form for consent.**)

YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight	Day 8	Famissi Eden Hotel, Kalambaka
Day 2	Holiday Inn Athens, Athens	Day 9	Hotel Anemolia, Arachova
Days 3 – 5	Louis Cruises , Piraeus	Day 10	Crowne Plaza Athens City Center, Athens
Days 6, 7	Capsis Hotel, Thessaloniki		

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



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Photos shown are reflective of the area(s) visited, but may not be included in the actual tour itinerary.

Included Meals Key:

B = breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

GREECE: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF PAUL THE APOSTLE

Day 1: Wednesday, March 26, 2014

Overnight Flight Paul the Apostle, the prolific writer of the New Testament letters, was one of the first Christian missionaries. Trace his journey through the ancient cities and pastoral countryside of Greece and Turkey.

Day 2: Thursday, March 27, 2014

Athens, Greece - Tour Begins Your tour begins in Greece's lively capital, Athens. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner in Athens' historic district - *the Plaka* - a lively historic neighborhood nestled at the foot of the Acropolis. **Feast on local cuisine and enjoy fine wine in a traditional taverna while Greek entertainment creates a lively and wonderful ambiance around you.** (D)

Day 3: Friday, March 28, 2014

Athens - Piraeus (Embarkation) - Mykonos Embark on a wonderful 3-night cruise to the Greek Islands and Turkey. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are served daily while on board. **Mykonos, the whitewashed jewel of the Cyclades Islands, is your first stop.** This charming, mountainous island is known for the hundreds of tiny chapels, white-washed buildings and beautiful windmills that dot the island. Don't miss Mykonos Town, where mazes of narrow streets link the whitewashed buildings and traditional life continues amidst the bustling activity. Enjoy free time to explore this island paradise. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Saturday, March 29, 2014

Kusadasi, Turkey - Patmos*, Greece Visit the Turkish port of Kusadasi for an included excursion to the ruins of Ephesus where Paul the Apostle spent three years during his ministry and where its inhabitants were the recipients of Paul's famous epistle. Visit the House of Mary, where she is said to have spent her last days. A visit to the ruins includes the Agora, the great theater, and the stadium where chariot races took place and gladiatorial combats were held. It is said that Paul himself fought here against wild beasts. Later, visit the ruins of John's Basilica where the "disciple whom Jesus loved" is said to be buried. Continue your cruise to Patmos, the "Jerusalem of the Aegean." **Visit the Monastery of John and the Cave of the Apocalypse where John the Evangelist, inspired by God, wrote the Book of the Revelation during his exile.** (B, L, D)

Day 5: Sunday, March 30, 2014

Heraklion (Crete) - Santorini Arrive early this morning in Heraklion, Crete. Time is allowed for an optional excursion to Knossos, one of the most extraordinary archaeological sites in the western world and the center of the 4000 BC Minoan civilization. Explore the site and visit the world-famous Knossos Archaeological Museum. **Later, you arrive on the fabled island of Santorini, known as the "Black Pearl of the Aegean."** Accessible by foot, cable-car or donkey, enjoy free time to visit the cliff-top village of Fira for one of the world's most breathtaking panoramas. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Monday, March 31, 2014

Piraeus - Disembark Cruise Ship - Athens - Thessaloniki After an early morning disembarkation, travel north. Make a picture stop at Thermopylae, famous for its heroic defense by Leonidas and his courageous Spartans against the Persian army. Your

day ends in Thessaloniki, Greece's second largest city. Founded in 315 B.C., Thessaloniki was an early center for Christianity, where Paul visited and preached during the winters of 49-50 A.D. and wrote two epistles to the ancient Thessalonians. Visit the Museum of Byzantine Culture, one of the finest museums in the world devoted to Byzantine art and civilization with an impressive collection of many Byzantine and early Christian frescoes, icons and artifacts. (B, D)

Day 7: Tuesday, April 1, 2014

Thessaloniki - Kavala - Thessaloniki Travel to the coastal town of Kavala where Paul, accompanied by Silas, Luke and Timothy, first set foot on European soil. In nearby Philippi, Paul delivered his first sermon in Europe, planting the seeds of Christianity. Join a local expert for a guided tour of this historic town featuring the archaeological site and monuments spanning the Ancient, Roman and Byzantine eras. See the dungeon where Paul was held prisoner and the site where he baptized Lydia, the first Christian in Europe. (B, D)

Day 8: Wednesday, April 2, 2014

Thessaloniki - Kalambaka Proceed through the fertile Thessalian Valley - the breadbasket of Greece - to spectacular Meteora, a UNESCO World Heritage site. These dark, sandstone pinnacles rise abruptly from the plain of Thessaly, with six historic monasteries perched upon their peaks. Beginning in the 10th century, hermits, monks and ascetics sought solitude and spiritual solace in these dramatic crags. **Visit two amazing Meteora monasteries** renowned for their intricate construction and exquisite Byzantine art.** (B, D)

Day 9: Thursday, April 3, 2014

Kalambaka - Delphi Travel through scenic mountain terrain to Delphi, one of the most moving sites of the ancient world. Once considered the "navel of the world," Delphi is nestled on the slopes of Mount Parnassus, in a landscape of unparalleled beauty and majesty. Pilgrims once came from all over the ancient world to consult its mysterious oracle. **A guided tour takes you along the Sacred Way to see the Doric Temple and the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Treasuries, and the intriguing Archaeological Museum with its staggering collection of ancient artifacts including the 5th-century bronzed Charioteer.** (B, D)

Day 10: Friday, April 4, 2014

Delphi - Corinth - Athens Travel to Corinth, where Paul wrote two epistles, lived and preached for two years. Explore ancient Corinth on a guided tour featuring the Agora, where Paul's trial by Gallio took place, and the Bema, where Paul was brought before the tribunal, as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles. **In Athens, see the hill of Areopagus (Mars Hill) where Paul delivered his famous "Men of Athens" speech, and visit the incomparable Acropolis.** This evening, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of your trip to Greece. (B, D)

Day 11: Saturday, April 5, 2014

Athens - Tour Ends You've explored the ancient land where Paul the Apostle made missionary journeys. You've seen the places to which he sent his famous epistles - Thessalonians, Philippians and Corinthians - and seen many of the places described in the Acts of



the Apostles. Return home inspired by the incredible, soothing landscapes and the words and deeds of Paul the Apostle. (B)

Please Note:

Turkey visas are purchased on board the cruise ship upon arrival in Kusadasi. Approximate cost is \$20 USD.

To complete your vacation, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

*Please note that from June 7-August 30th, Patmos will not be included in the itinerary. Instead, a full day stay in Kusadasi will be substituted.

**In order to enter the monasteries in Meteora, women must wear skirts that cover the knees and men must wear long trousers and for both sexes, shoulders must be covered. Museum visits and shopping may be affected with observance of religious or local holidays.

Please note that single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour.

Cruise ships have a limited quantity of cabins available in each cabin category. We will make every effort to accommodate your cabin category preference at the time of booking. If the cabin category preferred is not available at the time of booking, the next closest category available will be offered and a surcharge may apply. Louis Olympia cabin categories are based on the following: IC (inside superior cabin) and XC (outside superior cabin).

Experience It! Philippi

Toward the end of the year 52 C.E., Paul the Apostle arrived in the ancient city of Philippi to preach the new faith. Philippi was a bustling and prosperous Roman garrison town on an important trade route between Italy and Persia. Its population's religions reflected the diversity of such a busy settlement. Residents worshipped Greek, Roman, Phrygian and Egyptian gods and there was a small Jewish population as well. It was here that Paul met Lydia, a local woman and merchant of purple cloth, who became the first European Christian. Paul's time in Philippi is described in the Acts of the Apostles, and his ongoing relationship with the city's residents and growing Christian population is revealed in his Epistles to the Philippians. Philippi is considered to be the most important archaeological site of eastern Macedonia. Explore the impressive site with a local guide and see where Paul baptized Lydia and where he was held prisoner by Roman authorities.

