

IN THE STEPS OF MOSES

February 28 - March 9, 2025



Tour Host:

Dr. James K. Hoffmeier

The focus of this study tour is to concentrate on the biblical traditions surrounding the Hebrew sojourn in and exodus from Egypt. We will visit sites directly connected to the geography of the sojourn and exodus and pass through the land of Goshen, and onwards to Sinai to visit some of the traditional locations where it is thought Moses and the Israelites traversed, such as “the Springs of Moses,” Wadi Feiran, Gebel Serbal, St. Catherine’s Monastery and Gebel Musa. Additionally, we will spend time at sites and in museums where background information on the exodus and sojourn can be witnessed first-hand. In addition to on-site explanations of the exodus story and its related sites, Dr. Hoffmeier will offer three Powerpoint lectures: “Israel in Egypt,” “Israel out of Egypt,” and “Where is Mt. Sinai and why it does not matter!”



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“ Hosted by Dr. James K. Hoffmeier, PhD from the University of Toronto and professor emeritus from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Hoffmeier was born and grew up in Egypt which foster his passion for the intersection of the Egypt-based biblical narratives and the archaeology of Egypt. For a decade, 1998-2008 he directed archaeological surveys and excavations in North Sinai, and particularly at Tell el-Borg. He is the author of several books and many articles that deal with the subject of the tour, namely, Israel in Egypt? The Evidence for the Authenticity of the Exodus Tradition (New York/Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1996) and soon to appear in a new and enlarged edition, Ancient Israel in Sinai: The Evidence for the Authenticity of the Wilderness Traditions (New York: Oxford University Press, 2005), “Did I Not Bring Israel Out of Egypt?” Biblical, Archaeological, and Egyptological Perspectives on the Exodus Narratives (Winona Lake, IN: Eisenbrauns, 2016), and he contributed to Five Views on The Exodus: Historicity, Chronology, and Theological Implications, ed Mark Janzen (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2021). ”



Tour Itinerary:

Feb 28 Fri

Depart from US

Mar 1 Sat

- Arrival at Cairo International Airport.
- Meet and assist through customs and formalities.
- Transfer to the hotel.
- Dinner and overnight in Cairo.



Mar 2 Sun

- After breakfast, transfer to Giza.
- Visit the **Pyramids of Cheops, Chefren & Mikarinus.**
- **Optional:** enter inside any pyramids.
- After viewing the three great Pyramids from a panoramic viewpoint, visit to the giant one stone **Sphinx.**
- Visit the **Egyptian Museum** located in downtown Cairo, housing thousands of pieces of the ancient Egyptian civilization, including the most famous collection of the young king Tut Ankh Amoun with its fascinating treasures.
- Dinner and overnight in Cairo.

Mar 3 Mon

- After breakfast transfer to visit **Grand Egyptian Museum.**
- Visit the **National Museum of Egyptian Civilization**, which provides a comprehensive history of Egypt and houses 20 royal mummies of the New Kingdom.
- Visit the **Cave Church**, a big church set in a big cave at the heart of Mokatum Hill. It is located by one of Cairo's garbage collectors area, where there are about 50,000 Christians living on manual garbage separation.
- Dinner and overnight in Cairo.

Mar 4 Tue

- Check out after breakfast then transfer to visit the **Land of Goshen, Tanis and Bubastis.** Tanis is the Delta capital after Pi-Ramesses (Rameses/Raamses of Gen 47:11 & Exodus 1:11 & 12:37) was abandoned around 1130 B.C. Many of the statues, inscribed blocks and remains at Tanis came from Pi-Ramesses
- Drive through to Land of Goshen and pass by **Tell el Dab'a (Avaris).**
- Dinner and overnight in Ismailia.





Tell el-Retaba

Mar 5 Wed

- Check out after breakfast then drive north of Ismailia and see some of the only surviving traces of the “Sea of Reeds (*Yam suf*) and then pass through the Wadi Tumilat and visit **Tell el-Maskhuta (Succoth)** and **Tell el-Retaba (Pithom)**.
- Visit **Suez Museum**.
- Dinner and overnight in Suez.

Mar 6 Thu

- Drive to Sinai, stopping along the way at the **Springs of Moses (Ayun Musa), Wadi Feiran** and **Gebel Serbal**
- Dinner and overnight in St Catherine.

Mar 7 Fri

- 01.30 Start to climb Sinai Mountain for sunrise.
- Breakfast at the hotel.
- Visit the monastery and see the chapel of the burning bush
- Dinner and overnight in St Catherine.

Mar 8 Sat

- Drive back to Cairo.
- Dinner and overnight in Cairo.

Mar 9 Sun

- Transfer to the airport for final departure.



St. Catherine Monastery

LAND ONLY

\$2,950 Per Person in Double Room
\$880 Single Room Supplement

INCLUDING

- 3 night in Cairo at 5* **Sonesta Cairo Hotel** (or similar)
- 1 night in Ismailia at 4* **Mercure Ismailia Hotel** (or similar)
- 1 night in Suez at 4* **Lusinda Hotel** (or similar)
- 2 nights in St Catherine at 4* **Morgan Land Hotel** (or similar)
- 1 night in Cairo at 5* **Le Meridian Airport Hotel** (or similar)
- Open buffet daily breakfasts
- 8 dinners
- Entrance fees to all archeological sites included in the program.
- English Speaking licensed tour guide throughout the itinerary.
- Transfers & transportation by private A/C motorcoach based on the size of the group.
- Portage for one piece of luggage at the hotels.
- Guide wireless headset system.

EXCLUDING

- International flights
- Egypt Visa (\$25)- Subject to increase if applied by the government
- Lunches.
- Drinks (including water bottles).
- Tips to tour guide and driver and hotel staff.
- Optionl tours or entrnce to additional sites.

PAYMENT PROCEDURE

- **\$200 per person Deposit** : **June 28, 2024**
- **Full Payment** : **November 28, 2024**

Land Only Cancellation Policy:

Cancellations made before 60 days of departure: Full refund
Cancellations made within 45 days of departure: 90% refund
Cancellations made within 30 days of departure: 75% refund
Cancellations made within 15 days of departure: 50% refund
Cancellations made within 7 days of departure: 25% refund
Cancellations made within 6 days of departure: No refund

In addition to the above cancellation policy, we charge a 5% processing fee for all refunds, no matter the date of cancellation. This fee is necessary to cover the costs associated with processing refunds, including bank fees and administrative expenses. We understand that sometimes travel plans change, and we appreciate your understanding of this policy.

REGISTRATION

you can fill in the secure form at TUTKU website



OPTION 1

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OPTION 2



- 1- Open the Camera app on your device.
- 2- Move the QR code into the frame.

OPTION 3

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