

Turkey & Greece: Seminar in the Bible & the Aegean — Itinerary

Denver Seminary Course OT/NT 690 in conjunction with the St. Paul Cultural Center & Tutku Educational Tours
May 19 - June 1 or 3, 2025 — NOTE: All the destinations on this itinerary are U.S.-Embassy approved for safe travel

- Sun., 5/18: Due to time-zone changes, your departure day for flights from anywhere in the US to Istanbul, Turkey
Mon., 5/19: Arrive in Istanbul in the afternoon, ideally; directions to get to our hotel will be given at a later date
Tues., 5/20: Istanbul Archeology Museum, Hippodrome, Grand Bazaar, Sülemaniye Mosque, & the Bosphorus Strait
Wed., 5/21: Group flight to Antalya, and visits to Perga, the Old City & Harbor, and the St. Paul Cultural Center
Thurs., 5/22: Scenic drive to Pisidian Antioch, then Colossae, and lodging at a thermal resort near Hierapolis
Fri., 5/23: Hierapolis, with St. Philip's tomb; Laodicea; St. John's Basilica; and lodging at an Aegean-seaside hotel
Sat., 5/24: Ancient Ephesus & its slope houses, the dramatic ruins of Miletus, and the same seaside hotel
Sun., 5/25: Smyrna agora, Philadelphia, Sardis (with worship on-site), and lodging at another thermal hotel
Mon., 5/26: Thyatira, Pergamum & its famous Asclepion, Assos, and lodging in a charming seaside fishing village
Tues., 5/27: Alexander Troas, Troy, and drive into Greece, visiting the ancient Neapolis Harbor; lodging in Kavala
Wed., 5/28: Philippi, with Lydia's baptism site; and then to Thessaloniki for a great Greek dinner and lodging
Thurs., 5/29: Thessaloniki, Berea, Vergina (Aigai), and a Meteora monastery; dinner and lodging in Kalambaka
Fri., 5/30: Drive to and tour Ancient Delphi and its museum before continuing to Athens for dinner and lodging
Sat., 5/31: Corinthian Canal, Ancient Corinth (worship on-site), Mycenae, and Cencrea; a special dinner in Athens
Sun., 6/1: Athens Acropolis & Museum, Mars Hill, and the Ancient Agora; the Turkey-Greece tour will end by 4pm

- Those on the 7:20pm London flight or on any other evening flight from Athens will be taken at 4pm to the airport.
- Those choosing to stay longer in Athens will be responsible for their own dinners, lodging, etc. on & after June 1st.

- Mon., 6/2: Many illuminating biblical connections at the British Museum & Library; and a free evening in London
Tues., 6/3: Today you're on your own: you can further explore London or arrange for your travel home or elsewhere

The tour price includes:

- 13 nights (with the London extension, 15 nights) of double accommodation in quality, highly rated hotels.
- 13 breakfasts & dinners (with the London ext., 15 breakfasts & 14 dinners), and 1 group lunch.
- Entrance fees for designated sites and museums and the public boat tour in Istanbul.
- The flight from Istanbul to Antalya on 5/21 and the ext. flight from Athens to London on 6/1.
- Government-licensed, Bible-oriented tour guides in Turkey and Greece.
- On-site teaching at the majority of sites by Drs. Dallaire and/or Bultema.
- Group bus travel in high-quality coaches and all group transfers from 5/20 through 6/1.
- Various small gifts from Tutku Educational Travel and St. Paul and Mozaik Cultural Centers.
- All service charges and local taxes.

The tour price does not include:

- Single accommodation, which can be added: the Turkey-Greece portion is \$830 extra; the London ext. is \$130 extra.
- International and/or domestic flights apart from those listed above.
- Lunches, except for the sandwich on the plane on 5/21 and the group lunch on 5/24.
- Drinks at dinner, beyond the water that is served, and other such personal expenses.
- Travel or other insurance and any other such item not specifically included above.
- Tour-related costs for course credits, to be paid in Denver Seminary's business office.

A deposit payment of \$200 is due no later than Dec. 1, 2024, and the full payment is due no later than Feb. 15, 2025. To reserve a tour spot, go to [Tutku Educational Travel's website](#), create an account and login, fill out your profile and passport details, and pay your \$200 deposit by credit card or wire transfer. If you'd like to register in person, please do so via Denver Seminary's business office, which may include extra fees. Each participant must be registered and paid for separately. If you have questions about: registration and payments, write to info@tutkutours.com; Denver Seminary course credits, write to helene.dallaire@denverseminary.edu; or the tour itinerary, etc., write to jamesbultema@spccturkey.com. Once you are registered, you will receive confirmation and more information in stages up until our tour actually begins.

Denver Seminary's Turkey & Greece Tour will imbue ancient biblical texts with experiential life. We hope you join us!