

Moody Bible Institute

Journeys of Paul



Day 1: Wednesday, September 11 - Depart for your Moody Journeys of Paul Tour

Our *Moody Journeys of Paul Tour* begins with our flight to beautiful Athens. Read, chat, study, or sleep. Anticipate traveling to the New Testament cities where Paul taught and wrote his Epistles.



Day 2: Thursday, September 12 - Arrive Athens, Greece

Arrive Athens and transfer to our five-star hotel for a relaxing dinner. Then enjoy a good night's rest in the Divani Acropolis Palace Hotel.

Hotel: Divani Acropolis Palace Hotel, Athens



Day 3: Friday, September 13 - Athens

We'll study the Scriptures at the Areopagus/Mars Hill, where Paul presented the true God and the resurrection of the Lord Jesus to the Greek philosophers. Explore the Acropolis, symbol of Classical Greece. Take a close look at the outstanding archaeology at the Acropolis Museum.

Hotel: Divani Acropolis Palace Hotel, Athens



Day 4: Saturday, September 14 - Corinth

Explore Corinth, the most important trade city in ancient Greece; here Paul established a church. We can open the Scriptures to understand the words of his letters to the Corinthians. Board the Star Clipper, where "nothing is more exciting than a day under the sails" as we retrace the journeys of Paul from port to port on the Aegean.

Star Clipper



Day 5: Sunday, September 15 - Mykonos

It's time to relax on Mykonos, island of the winds with its charming 16th century windmills. Wander through narrow streets to the quaint old port area for perfect souvenirs or relax on the pristine beaches.

Star Clipper

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Day 6: Monday, September 16 - Ephesus and Miletus

Ephesus (modern Kusadasi) is one of the most impressive archaeological sites in Turkey. The Apostle Paul planted a church here during his two year stay. Walk about its luxurious Terraced Homes; see the fountains, monuments, and expansive Celsus Library. Tread the path to the ancient Council Church of AD 431. We'll tour the nearby port of Roman Miletus where Paul said farewell to the Ephesian elders on his way to Jerusalem.

Star Clipper



Day 7: Tuesday, September 17 - Patmos

We'll explore where the Apostle John was exiled to this small rocky Greek Island by Roman Emperor Domitian. From this place, John wrote the book of Revelation. We will visit the traditional location of his imprisonment in the Cave of the Apocalypse.

Star Clipper



Day 8: Wednesday, September 18 - Pergamum

Here you will understand one of the most vital Greek cities under Roman rule. Pergamum had an important Biblical position as one of the Seven Churches of Revelation. We will be challenged to stay strong in our faith here. Among the wonders of Pergamum we'll visit Asklepeion, the temple to medicine and healing.

Star Clipper



Day 9: Thursday, September 19 - Philippi

We will disembark Star Clipper in Kavala and continue our journey overland in deluxe air conditioned buses. We'll tour the city of Philippi, "a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony" where Paul came on his Second Missionary Journey in response to the Macedonian call. Like Paul, we'll visit the riverbank where Lydia's heart was opened to receive the Lord, becoming the first follower of Jesus in Europe.

Hotel: Grand Hotel Palace, Thessaloniki

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Day 10: Friday, September 20 - Thessalonica

Paul and Silas arrived in Thessaloniki proclaiming King Jesus; we will see the city where they were identified as “those who turned the world upside down.” Like Paul, we’ll continue on to Berea (Veria) to see a modern synagogue that sits on the foundation of the earlier synagogue, in which the Berean’s “examined the Scriptures daily” to confirm Paul’s teaching about Messiah Jesus. We’ll make a stop at the Tomb of Philip of Macedon, father of Alexander the Great, whose treasures rival that of King Tut.

Hotel: Divani Meteora Hotel, Kalambaka



Day 11: Saturday, September 21 - Meteora

Climb (or view) the amazing rock formations of Meteora. Here Greek Orthodox monasteries were built in the Dark Ages to preserve Biblical manuscripts. We’ll also see the Thermopylae battle site of 480BC which is celebrated as an example of heroic persistence against impossible odds.

Hotel: Divani Acropolis Palace Hotel, Athens



Day 12: Sunday, September 22 - Return to US – or – Continue on to Rome

Time to say farewell to Greece. You will depart Athens Airport for your return to the US --**OR**-- join us for a few more days on to Rome, the Eternal City, which Paul visited twice.

We will visit Ostia Antica, one of the best-preserved areas of ancient Rome rivaling the ruins of Pompeii. We’ll see the synagogue, one of the oldest outside of Israel. We’ll visit the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, built by Constantine as the traditional burial place of the Apostle Paul.

Hotel: Radisson Blu GHR or Cardinal San Peter Hotel, Rome



Day 13: Monday, September 23 - Rome / Pantheon & Vatican

Today we’ll explore the Vatican Museums, which conserve the immense collection of art collected by the Popes. We’ll see the beautiful Trevi Fountain one of the most famous fountains in the world. Stroll through the Piazza Novona with its breathtaking palaces and fountains. We’ll see the Pantheon with its unsurpassed dome built by Hadrian in AD126, as Rome’s grandest temple; but it has been a church since AD609. You can walk (or view) the Spanish Steps, the widest and longest stairway in Europe, and “star” of many Hollywood movies.

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Day 14: Tuesday, September 24 - Rome / Colosseum, Forum & Jewish Quarter

Today we'll walk the early history of Rome: The Colosseum, symbol of ancient Rome, is the largest amphitheater in the Empire; The Forum, heart of Imperial Rome; The Arch of Titus, war monument to Rome's AD70 victory over Israel with its carvings of the looted Temple treasures being carried away to Rome. Stand in the Mamertine Prison, where Paul was held a prisoner. Visit Palatine Hill where Emperors had their palaces. Wander through the Jewish Quarter (ghetto), where the Jews of Rome were required to live from the Middle Ages to the late 19th century, and where today you'll find charming coffee shops. We will spend time in the Catacombs of Callixtus, subterranean passageways that were used for burial by Christians and Jews, and as hiding places from the Roman authorities by believers.

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Day 15: Wednesday, September 25 - Return to US

We say farewell to Rome and our unforgettable experience on sea and land on the *Moody Bible Institute Journeys of Paul Tour*.