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# Passages of the Bible Cruise

September 28 - October 11, 2025

11 Nights Aboard Celebrity Eclipse • Round Trip from Piraeus, Greece

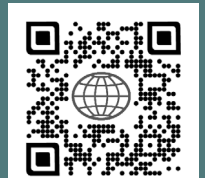


Guest Speaker:  
Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz



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**Guest Speaker:**

**Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz** is the Executive Director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty in Washington, D.C. Previously, he was the Speaker of The Lutheran Hour radio program with over one million listeners across North America. He has also served at Concordia University Irvine, Life's Journey Ministries and in congregations in New York City, Dallas and Tampa.



**SEPTEMBER 28 – DEPART THE USA**

Your Journey of a Lifetime begins as you depart the USA on your international overnight flight.

**SEPTEMBER 29 – ARRIVE IN ATHENS, GREECE**

Arrive in Athens, Greece, where you will be met by our representative and transferred to the port in Piraeus to board the Celebrity Eclipse.

*Guests not purchasing air through EO will have to purchase transfers to be included in group transfer.*

**SEPTEMBER 30 – EPHEBUS, TÜRKIYE**

Ephesus is one of the Seven Churches of Revelation and was once a bustling port town graced with wide, colonnade-bordered streets and a population of 250,000. Explore the Ephesus Experience Museum for an up-close look at Ephesus as you travel back in time. Although spectacular excavations have revealed much of the glory of ancient Ephesus, including the huge agora and library, much has been lost. The ancient world once declared the Temple of Artemis to be one of the Seven Wonders of the World but today, only a single column remains to mark its site. View the terrace houses, also known as “the houses of the rich,” which give a true impression of the ancient lifestyle.

**OCTOBER 1 – AT SEA**

**OCTOBER 2 – CAIRO & PYRAMIDS OF GIZA, EGYPT**

Explore the Museum of Egyptian Antiquities, home to an extensive collection of ancient Egyptian antiquities. It contains 120,000 artifacts! Then, head to the Pyramids of Giza, one of the only existing Wonders of the Ancient World. Nearby, view the Great Sphinx of Giza, the largest and most well-known Sphinx.

**OCTOBER 3 – ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT**

See the sights in Egypt's second-largest city, Alexandria. The large Jewish community that once called this area home wrote the Septuagint – a Greek translation of the Hebrew Bible. It was also home to the Great Library of Alexandria, which once held one of the most extensive collections of ancient texts. Make your way through Alexandria's side streets to the catacombs, consisting of three burial chamber levels. Visit Pompey's Pillar, the largest triumphal column and the only known free-standing column of Roman Egypt. The amphitheater of Alexandria is one of the city's most distinguished highlights and is set within view of many modern structures. Glimpse the Citadel of Qaitbay, a 15th-century fortress situated on the northern tip of Pharos Island. Then, enjoy some leisure time exploring this legendary city on your own.

**OCTOBER 4 – LIMASSOL, CYPRUS**

Go deep into Cyprus' history as you explore the island today. This beautiful port town is known for its seafood, pottery, leather goods and traditional lace works. Wander the streets and enjoy the shops. *Shore excursions today will be booked directly through Celebrity and are not included.*

**OCTOBER 5 & 6 – BETHLEHEM & JERUSALEM, ISRAEL**

While docked in Ashdod, explore Bethlehem, where you will discover the cave revered as the place where Jesus was born (Matt. 1; Luke 2). The Church of the Nativity, constructed over the site, is the oldest functioning church. Journey to Jerusalem and stand upon the Mount of Olives while you view the city as Jesus did. See the ancient olive trees of the Garden of Gethsemane. Wander the Old City to view the Pool of Bethesda and walk along the Via Dolorosa. Step inside the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, built over the sites of the crucifixion and the resurrection.

**OCTOBER 7 – GALILEE (HAIFA), ISRAEL**

Venture inland to the Sea of Galilee to stand on the Mount of Beatitudes, where Jesus preached (Matthew 5). At Tabgha, the traditional location of the feeding of 5,000, you'll visit the Church of the Loaves and Fish (Luke 9). On the shores of the Sea of Galilee is the Chapel of the Primacy of St. Peter, where three times Peter professed his devotion to the risen Christ (John 21). From there, travel to Capernaum, where Jesus called Peter, Andrew, James, John (Matt. 4) and later Matthew to be disciples.

**OCTOBER 8 – AT SEA**



## OCTOBER 9 – SANTORINI, GREECE

Dock in Santorini today, one of the most beautiful of the Greek islands, where picturesque, whitewashed villages topped with brilliant blue domes stand in stark contrast to the sheer drop cliffs overlooking the Aegean Sea. The island itself perches on the edges of a volcano whose eruption 3,500 years ago is thought to have led to the collapse of the Minoan civilization. Explore the island on your own or join one of the optional excursions available for purchase on board. *Shore excursions today will be booked directly through the cruise line.*

## OCTOBER 10 – ATHENS & CORINTH, GREECE

Disembark Celebrity Eclipse and discover the rich architectural splendor of the ancient city of Athens as you explore the world-renowned Acropolis, the Propylaea, the Parthenon, and the Erechtheum. Stand on Mars Hill as the Apostle Paul did when he proclaimed, "I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom, therefore, ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you." Also, view the House of Parliament, the Presidential Palace, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. This afternoon, tour the city of Corinth, where the Apostle Paul met fellow tentmakers Aquila and Priscilla and received a vision from the Lord saying, "I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city" (Acts 18). As Paul spoke, Crispus (chief ruler of the synagogue) and many others believed and were baptized, establishing the church at Corinth to whom Paul later wrote his two epistles. Discover the archaeological museum, marketplace, and temples. As you walk among the ruins, stand on the Bema, where the Apostle Paul stood before Gallio to face charges brought against him by the Jews.

## OCTOBER 11 – RETURN TO THE USA or ENJOY A ROME POST-TOUR

Transfer to the airport to return home with a new understanding of the Bible and ministry or continue on to the optional Rome post-tour.

## OPTIONAL POST-TOUR



### Rome

October 11 - 14, 2025  
Starting at \$1,498\*

### October 11 – Depart Athens for Rome

Disembark the Celebrity Eclipse and transfer to the Athens airport for your flight to Rome. Arrive in Rome, Italy, where you will be met by our representative and travel along the Appian Way. Step beneath the surface into the Catacombs of Callixtus, built along the Appian Way. Here, sixteen popes from the 2nd through 4th centuries were interred, though they have been removed to various churches over the centuries. Check into your hotel this evening and enjoy dinner and rest.

### October 12 – Ancient Rome

Discover the history woven throughout Rome with visits to the Colosseum, the Pantheon, the Forum, Circus Maximus, the Arch of Titus, the Baths of Caracalla, and the Arch of Constantine today. After touring, return to your hotel for dinner and rest.

### October 13 – Vatican City & Christian Rome

Visit the Vatican and explore its museum. Marvel at the beauty of St. Peter's Basilica and stand in awe of Michelangelo's frescoes in the Sistine Chapel. Next, see the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls. The present structure stands over the place where Constantine built the first church, which is over Saint Paul's grave. The church features a portrait of every pope who has served the church. Climb the graceful Spanish Steps and stop at the famous Trevi Fountain before returning to your hotel this evening for dinner and rest.

### October 14 – Return to the USA

Bid farewell to Rome as you transfer to the Rome airport this morning for your return flight to the USA.



*Guests taking an extension may be on a different flight than their group and/or traveling companion.*

*\*A 3.5% surcharge will be added to all credit card surcharges.*

**SAVE \$150**

when you register by June 28, 2024!

**SAVE \$100**

when you register by Sept. 28, 2024!

## Included Perks

Classic Beverage Package  
Basic WiFi Package

Full deposit required. Savings deducted from balance.

## ALL-INCLUSIVE CRUISE PRICING FROM NEW YORK\*

I2 - Interior Stateroom	\$5,999*
O2 - Ocean View Stateroom	\$6,399*
O1 - Ocean View Stateroom	\$6,449*
V2 - Balcony Stateroom	\$6,699*

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To fly from a city near you, call 1-800-247-0017, X590 or register online at [www.eo.travel](http://www.eo.travel)

**PROGRAM CONDITIONS**

**INCLUDED IN PRICE:**

- Round Trip International Airfare • Transfers for those purchasing airfare from EO • Deluxe motorcoaches
- Guided sightseeing • Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in the itinerary) • Meals on ship
- Program fees • Administrative fee • Fuel surcharges \$500 • Government Taxes \$98 (increases in government tax and fees are subject to change) • Cruise Taxes \$110.68 • Port charges \$300

**NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:**

- Optional Shore excursions • Alternate restaurants that have additional fees • Onboard Gratuities
- Miscellaneous fees such as passports, lunches off the ship, baggage fees • Visa(s)
- Voluntary "Love Offering" for guide and driver • Transfers if not purchasing airfare from EO
- \$100 Document fee for Non-US and Non-Canadian residents
- Required Vaccinations • Required medical testing before, during, and/or after travel

**ACCOMMODATIONS:**

Price is based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms/cabins are often smaller than doubles. While EOT will try to match roommates, EOT cannot guarantee one will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 35 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or if you request a single, the following single room/cabin charges apply: I2 - \$2999; O2 - \$3199; O1 - \$3225; V2 - \$3349. Single staterooms are extremely limited and subject to confirmation. \$498 for Rome Post-Tour.

**PAYMENT INFORMATION:**

A 3.5% surcharge will be added to all credit card transactions.

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

Payment	Amount	Due Date
<b>Initial Deposit</b>	<b>\$250</b>	Due at the time of registration
<b>Second Deposit</b>	<b>\$250</b>	2nd Deposit due 11/22/24
<b>Third Deposit</b>	<b>\$1,300</b>	3rd Deposit due 03/02/25. Guests registering after this date must submit a total deposit of \$1,800
<b>Final Payment</b>	05/01/25. If paid after the due date, a late payment fee of \$100 will be assessed.	
<b>Travel Protection Amount</b>	The Travel Protection Plan premium will be due no later than 04/30/25 to be in full effect. Travel protection premiums must be paid in addition to your deposits and in advance of the final payment for coverage to be in effect.	
<b>Cabin Availability</b>	After 01/31/25 or once we have sold out of our allotment of cabins we can no longer guarantee cabin pricing. Cabins purchased after this date will be subject to availability and may require a supplemental charge.	

**REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED after May 1, 2025:**

We welcome registrations after 05/01/25. Registrations received between 05/02/25 - 06/30/25 will incur a fee starting at \$100 per person. Registrations received between 07/01/25 - 07/15/25 will incur a fee starting at \$200 per person. Registrations received between 07/16/25 - 07/30/25 will incur a fee starting at \$400 per person. Registrations received on 07/31/25 or later will be subject to cabin availability and may require a supplemental cabin charge as well as the air fees above. Additional fees will be advised upon registration.

**CANCELLATION FEES:**

100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following per-person cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 241 days prior to departure, you will be charged a \$150 non-refundable cancellation fee plus any airline fees. Additionally, thereafter, you will be charged any airline penalties and a single room supplement if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single plus the following per-person charges: 240-181 days = \$250; 180-151 days = \$500; 150-121 days = \$1,000, 120-91 days = 50% of total cost; 90-61 days = 75% of total cost; 60-day of departure = 100% of total cost. Submit cancellation in writing. On or after day of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

**STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY**

EOT does not accept responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air schedules, hotel overbookings, other hotel related problems or causes, and/or travel supplier cancellations or postponements. Travel suppliers include all tour operators, cruise lines, airlines, hotels, bus companies, entertainment venues, and any other travel supplier used to operate the tour. All such losses or expenses will be the responsibility of the passenger. EOT reserves the right to make adjustments to the itinerary as deemed desirable by EOT, and EOT reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. If a tour is canceled beyond the control of EOT, EOT will provide a refund or a future travel credit to be used two years from the date of issuance for the value of all funds paid by the passenger less nonrefundable travel supplier prepaid deposits, travel supplier change fees, nonrefundable travel protection premiums, and a \$150 administration fee.

**FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:**

Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged and space limitations on tour buses, wheelchairs and scooters cannot be accommodated. Those needing oxygen or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting in their experiences. Persons using C-pap machines requiring distilled water will need to inform us ahead of time, so we can work with local operators to prepare as it is not always available. EOT reserves the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in the sole judgment of EOT, incapable of group travel without causing undue demands upon the staff or other tour participants. Accessible rooms/cabins are limited and subject to confirmation after receiving the passenger's written request. If you have questions, please see eo.travel/fit-to-travel-statement or contact Educational Opportunities Tours Inc. for more details.

**PASSPORT INFORMATION & CHECK IN PROCESS:**

Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 04/30/25. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Any fees

incurred due to discrepancies are the responsibility of the passenger. You will also be required to check in with the cruise line prior to travel and according to the cruise line's requirements and instructions provided in your final documents.

**PRICE INCREASES**

All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increase after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees.

**AIRLINE ROUTES AND TICKETS:**

In order to keep prices low, EOT does not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once issued, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire itinerary. If you choose to depart from a different city than your group or traveling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may fly on a different scheduled flight(s) than the rest of your group. If you make your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact guest services for further details.

**FLIGHT TIMES AND SEATING**

All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. EOT is not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties. There is no advance seat selection for groups on most airlines. Early check-in is necessary to secure seats with travel companions and those with special needs. Due to security measures taken at airports, it is advisable to arrive at the airport three hours prior to departure time. Seating is solely under the control of the airlines.

**ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:**

You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline's discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary. Additionally, you may incur optional fees (food, excess baggage, overweight baggage, items of personal nature, etc.) as well. For more information, visit eo.travel/travel-info/airline-fees.

**ON OWN DEVIATIONS:**

On Own Deviations from the standard tour program must be submitted in writing and are subject to additional airline fees, if applicable. Transfers for passengers who deviate are not included.

**ITINERARY CHANGES:**

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While EOT will make every effort to ensure you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, the order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in cruise line, airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. No changes to the itinerary are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no other person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour. The cruise line has the ultimate control over your voyage and may, without notice, alter the length of the cruise and the order of and/or inclusion of ports. EOT is in no way responsible for these changes and does not make reimbursement for such changes.

**PREGNANCY/INFANT REGULATIONS**

As to pregnancy, a woman cannot have begun her 24th week of pregnancy at any time before or during the cruise. If you are pregnant, please provide a medical note upon arrival at the pier for check-in from your physician stating your expected due date and medical fitness to travel. If you are in the 24th week or have completed it you will not be allowed to board. Due to the limited medical facilities, infants must be at least one year old on the first day of the cruise.

**VALIDITY DATE:**

This brochure is valid until 08/19/24. If validity date has passed, current brochures may be found at www.eo.travel. Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date.

**RELEASE INFORMATION**

Payment of deposit indicates permission for EOT or its agents to record the registrant's participation and appearance on video tape, audio tape, film, photograph, or any other medium and to use the registrant's name, likeness, voice, comments, submitted documentation, written papers, and/or biographical material without restrictions or limitation for any advertising, marketing, publicity, educational or promotional purpose which EOT or its agents deem appropriate, unless the registrant or guardian otherwise notifies EOT in writing prior to departure.

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Trip Cost	Cost*	Trip Cost	Cost*	Trip Cost	Cost*
\$0 - \$1000	\$99	\$3501-\$4000	\$399	\$6501-\$7000	\$699
\$1001-\$1500	\$149	\$4001-\$4500	\$449	\$7001-\$8000	\$799
\$1501-\$2000	\$199	\$4501-\$5000	\$499	\$8001-\$9000	\$899
\$2001-\$2500	\$249	\$5001-\$5500	\$549	\$9001-\$10000	\$999
\$2501-\$3000	\$299	\$5501-\$6000	\$599		
\$3001-\$3500	\$349	\$6001-\$6500	\$649		

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**Maximum Benefit**

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Trip Interruption	Up to 100% of the non-refundable Trip Cost
Missed Connection	\$500
Trip Delay	Up to \$150 Per Day, to Maximum of \$1,500
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Accident & Sickness Medical Expense	\$25,000
Medical Evacuation & Repatriation of Remains	\$50,000
24 Hour Accidental Death & Dismemberment	\$25,000
Baggage & Personal Effects	\$1,000
Baggage Delay	Up to \$200