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▶ Newsletter

If you wish to contribute articles for the newsletter, kindly write in to Jeffrey for more details. The deadline for submission of articles for next issue will be mid July 2005.

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▶ Inductive Bible Study (IBS) Workshops

Cecilia and Jeffrey are planning IBS workshops in the month of August 2005. Kindly contact us if your church is interested to host one.

Basic: Jude / Obadiah / Haggai / Titus / 2 Peter

Intermediate: Colossians / Jude / Titus
Advance: Handling Difficult Topics / Spiritual Gifts / Second Coming

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▶ Moriel Ministrries: David Royle

Pastor. David Royle is planning to drop by Singapore in September 2005. If your church is interested to host him. Kindly get in touch with us.

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SOUTH INDIA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

BY KELLY NANDAR & SUZANNA LIM

INDIA! MORE THAN A COUNTRY that carries a reputation for being exotic, it is a land that is still shackled to its traditions - the century-long social caste system for one. Men and women are trained to think and behave as society trained them to. It even carries into the church: men and women are required to be serious and not smile, especially when standing in front of the congregation to sing praises to the Lord! Imagine a group of people singing of the joy they have in the Lord with the gloomiest of faces!!

Because of the sheer number of people in India, it is no surprise that many aim at materialism and a priority for them is ensuring economic prosperity, with setting up a family and eventually rearing up children as a close second and third. Their local newspapers reserve a section entirely for the advertisements of potential and prospective marriage partners and Christian newsletters and magazines do likewise!



From left, Kelly, Shruti, Michelle, Cecilia and Suzanna.

What's exciting is that God is at work in India. But where God works, the devil never fails to take notice; he follows suit. The recent upsurge of false teachings worried Dorothy, the bishop's wife, to bring in our beloved teacher, Cecilia Perh, to teach her flock in a women's conference setting.

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◀ EDITOR'S NOTE ▶



DEAR TIMOTHY,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to you who love God & His Word!

The joy I have in God's people is certainly mixed with grief as I receive news of Christian leaders walking down the ecumenical path. Why is there such a lack of discernment? The only reason must be because we have based our judgment on our feelings rather than the Word of God!

As I sat down to chart the direction of the ministry, God made me realize that the teaching ministry will be an unpopular one. The sinful flesh just wants the easy way out. Few would give themselves to serious consistent study of God's Word. As with any revival, people get excited in the beginning but when the daily grind of life kicks in, the zeal just fizzles out!

But whatever the outcome, God helping us, our ministry will accomplish what the Lord has set for us to do.

"A lion has roared! Who will not fear? The Lord God has spoken! Who can but prophesy?" (Amos 3:8)

On a more positive note, there are a few who hunger after the Word of God, desiring to know God in a more intimate way. We thank God for their receptive hearts and their steadfastness.

Just as God gave us the Bible one book at a time, we plan to write workbooks one book at a time. We do pray that God will raise more teachers in this area of teaching and writing materials.

Have you wondered how a 9-year old believer like me can be standing there and teaching people who are older in the Lord when it should be them teaching me instead? Well, it's all about desire for God! How much of God do you want? That is how much you will get.

"But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory" (2 Corinthians 3:18).

His bondservant,
Jeffrey Loh

◀ TEACHING MATERIALS ▶



MP3 CDs

Teaching Conferences

- Jacob Prasch 2004 \$15
- Dave Royle 2004 \$10

Old Testament Books

- Genesis (Pt 1) \$10
- Daniel (Pt 1 & 2) \$20
- Haggai \$10
- Joel \$10
- Obadiah \$10
- Habakkuk \$10

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- Romans (Pt 1 & 2) \$20
- Romans (Pt 3 & 4) \$20
- Jude \$10

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- Spiritual Gifts \$10
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- Salvation \$15
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- Once Saved, Always Saved?! (Audio) \$15
- Why Does a Good God Allow Suffering? (A) \$10



All prices for MP3 CDs are in Singapore dollars and without postage.

In Singapore, add **\$S1.50 for CD postage**. Please provide us with your full name, address & e-mail.

If you have the ability to write or love to do research, and have a burden in assisting the ministry in the area of compiling or writing the workbooks, do drop Cecilia a note at cecilia@2tim2-2.com



Drop Jeffrey a note at editor@2tim2-2.com if you want to subscribe to our monthly e-mailer.

WORKBOOKS

You can also purchase the following workbooks which accompany the MP3 CDs:

- Plumbing the Depths of the Book of Revelation, Pt 1, 2
- Plumbing the Depths of the Book of Hebrews, Pt 1, 2
- Plumbing the Depths of the Book of Romans, Pt 4
- Plumbing the Depths of the Epistle to the Colossians, Pt 1
- Plumbing the Depths of the Epistle of Jude
- Dipping into the Book of Haggai
- Dipping into the Book of Joel
- Dipping into the Book of Obadiah
- Dipping into the Book of Zephaniah
- Second Coming, Pt 1, 2



Workbooks are available only in Cecilia's classes and workshops.

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◀ TEACHING SCHEDULE ▶



Cecilia's Schedule for H2, 2005

MONDAY EVENINGS:

- ⌚ 7.45pm-9.45pm at *Bethesda Bedok-Tampines Church*
- 📍 300 Bedok North Ave 3, S469717

- What does the Bible Say About **the Coming of Our Lord and the Gathering Together of the Saints?** (Part 2)

> **Commencing: 11 July 2005**

TUESDAY EVENINGS:

- ⌚ 8-10pm at *Hakka Methodist Church*
- 📍 1B Evelyn Road, S309298

- Plumbing the Depths of **Colossians** (Part 2)

> **Commencing: 12 July 2005**

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS:

- ⌚ 9.15am-12.15pm at *Hakka Methodist Church*
- 📍 1B Evelyn Road, S309298

- Plumbing the Depths of **Colossians** (Part 2)

> **Commencing: 13 July 2005**

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS:

- ⌚ 7.45pm-9.45pm at *Joy Fellowship*
- 📍 21A Keong Saik Road, S

- Foundational Truths in **Exodus** (8-week course)

> **Commencing: 13 July 2005**

THURSDAY EVENINGS:

- ⌚ 8-10pm at *Bethesda (Frankel Estate) Church*
- 📍 4 La Salle Street, S456930

- Plumbing the Depths of **Hebrews** (Part 3)

> **Commencing: 14 July 2005**

FRIDAY MORNINGS:

- ⌚ 9.30am-12.30pm at *Bukit Panjang Gospel Chapel*
- 📍 12 Galistan Ave, S669686

- What does the Bible Say About **the Coming of Our Lord and the Gathering Together of the Saints?** (Part 2)

> **Commencing: 15 July 2005**

FRIDAY EVENINGS:

- ⌚ 8pm - 10pm at *Bukit Panjang Gospel Chapel*
- 📍 12 Galistan Ave, S669686

- **Marriage as God Intended** (Part 1)

> **Commencing: 15 July 2005**

SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

- ⌚ 12.30pm-1.45pm at *Bukit Panjang Gospel Chapel*
- 📍 12 Galistan Ave, S669686

- Dipping into the book of **Haggai** (4-week course)

> **Commencing: 3 July 2005**



↑ SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS ↓

Cecilia and Jeffrey are always open to speaking and teaching wherever God opens a door, so do e-mail or call them as to how they can serve you and your church in this area!

All teaching sessions are tailor-made depending on the needs of the church or fellowship, so do contact / email them to discuss.

Jeffrey's Schedule

SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

- ⌚ 12.30pm-1.45pm at *Bukit Panjang Gospel Chapel*
- 📍 12 Galistan Ave, S669686

- **22 May** - Haggai Overview (Part 1)
- **29 May** - Haggai Overview (Part 2)

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Cecilia, in her usual dynamic style, proclaimed boldly the warnings that are contained in the book of Jude and laced it with practical insights. Her audience took to the warnings pretty well. Some, whose eyes were pried open by the warnings and teachings, came scurrying forward with questions. God also awakened the desires of some to venture into more Word-based resources.

Cecilia also had the privilege to personally tutor a few leaders who would be teaching Jude in their own languages – Tamil and Kanada, in their respective rooms while Cecilia taught at the main hall in English. (Thanks to Dorothy's arrangement!) With Cecilia's "heavy" notes in hand, the leaders were totally cast on the Lord to grant them grace and wisdom to speak His words to His people. And indeed God came through! He never disappoints!

As the series of Jude continued for two days, the warning that "false teachings are usually a mix of Biblical teachings and errors" sounded forth clearly. The influence of media was also brought forth clearly. "The example of 'Titanic' hit home! I never thought of it as 'glorified' fornication!" squealed an excited leader. "I need to share that with my girls..." And that is exactly what 2 Tim 2-2 aims to do. Thanks be to God that the leaders of India have caught that vision! Indeed, this is seen at the closing of conference with Dorothy's final exhortation on the need to "pass on the truth" to others.

However the story has not ended here! God still wants to do greater work through Cecilia. Another session on Jude, especially for pastors was arranged for her. This was the last session and it was here that the unction of the Holy Spirit on the preacher was most strongly evident.

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The unity of Christ's body in the Spirit is so beautiful & encouraging!

It seems that God considered it vital to put His truths into the minds of the leaders of His church in this part of India. Through this session, further contacts were being made and Cecilia will be invited back to India this coming November, not only to speak at another women's conference but also to train and teach the pastors! Praise the Lord for this open door and His favour!

As Cecilia ministered joyfully in India, she too received bountifully from the people of India. The love, the kindness, the hospitality they showered upon her was heart-warming. Yes, it even overflowed to Cecilia's traveling companions, Suzanna and Kelly. The unity of Christ's body in the Spirit is so beautiful and encouraging!

We would like to thank all of you who laboured for us in prayers too! You are storing for yourself great rewards in heaven for as God said in 1 Samuel 30:24b: "For as his share is who goes down to the battle, so shall his share be who stays by the baggage; they shall share alike"!!

Lessons Learnt ... I, for one, see the effectiveness of God's Word that transcends boundaries, times, cultures, social backgrounds and any advances in society. "I want to teach Your Word," my heart cried out to Him, for it is the most powerful tool of change – a change that will cause people to manifest His beauty, His perfections and everything He stands for.

"Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways!" (Rom 11:33) ■

Suzanna concurs totally with Kelly!

 ANY TRANSLATION of the ancient Biblical texts to modern day English has never been easy. Many times, the translator is faced with the arduous task of translating a word or phrase that is absent or lacking in the English language. At other times, it is to remove any hint of Jewishness from the Bible as the church grew to be more Gentile in outlook. To compound this difficulty further, mistranslations occur not infrequently, as a result of ignorance of Hebrew idioms and expressions. One classic example of such is the story concerning Peter's denial of Jesus at the Passover prior to the Crucifixion.

Luke 22

- 31 *"Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has demanded permission to sift you like wheat;*
 32 *but I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned again, strengthen your brothers."*
 33 *And he said to Him, "Lord, with You I am ready to go both to prison and to death!"*
 34 *And He said, "I say to you, Peter, the cock will not crow today until you have denied three times that you know Me."*



HEBREW ROOTS

THE COCK CROWS

By Jeffrey Loh

*Adapted with permission from
 Dean and Susan Wheelock's article
 "The Quiet Revival"*



That night, Jesus was taken by the Temple guards to the house of the High Priest where He was held in custody. Peter was allowed into the courtyard when a certain slave-girl came along

Luke 22

- 56 *And a certain servant-girl, seeing him as he sat in the firelight, and looking intently at him, said, "This man was with Him too."*
 57 *But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know Him."*
 58 *And a little later, another saw him and said, "You are one of them too!" But Peter said, "Man, I am not!"*
 59 *And after about an hour had passed, another man began to insist, saying, "Certainly this man also was with Him, for he is a Galilean too."*
 60 *But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about." And immediately, while he was still speaking, a cock crowed.*
 61 *And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had told him, "Before a cock crows today, you will deny Me three times."*
 62 *And he went out and wept bitterly.*

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 ear Jeffrey,

Thanks for sending the slides. Amazing, delivering a long day course and still up at 1 am.

Given the amount of time you have, I truly appreciate all the efforts put into delivering the course. It is not an easy feat. At the end of it all, I have received more than what I expected.

Looking forward to attend more of your classes.

Thanks again for conducting the courses and may God bless and prosper your ministry.

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 ear Jeffrey,

I appreciate the administrative task that is very thoughtful of you in providing papers and went a step further of having it punch hole.

The workshop has made me feel very lacking spiritually though I have been following the church's one-year reading programme. It is pure reading without in-depth analysis / knowledge. Maybe this is something which I need to pray about.

Best regards,
 Catherine Yeo



Ebyown Children's Village

The Ebyown Children's Village is a ministry of Moriel Ministries. This has been established out of a desire to see children affected by the HIV/AIDS pandemic taken care of. Genesis tells us how God created families as a basis unit for human society. As the Psalmist says:

*'God places the solitary in families and gives the desolate a home in which to dwell'.
 (Psalm 68:6a - NASB)*

The project was begun by encouraging families to take on one or two children affected either directly or indirectly by HIV/AIDS.

The aim of the village is to provide a place of safety where children who have been affected by the HIV/AIDS pandemic can grow.

AIDS research has shown that if a child who is HIV+ is accepted, eats healthy food and exercises regularly, their life span can be lengthened and the well-being of the child improved.

Other research on orphans not infected by HIV/AIDS (HIV-), who have grown up within an institutional home / orphanage, has shown the children to be educationally and emotionally suppressed.

Were any of the above children to grow up within a foster care family, the child's intellectual, emotional and physical situation would be improved.

We believe that this can be catered for through the following means:

- Provision of a loving and caring Christian home for the child with a family unit (parents & siblings) as well as extended family support
- Provision for the child's physical, emotional, intellectual, social and spiritual needs within the family unit, thereby allowing the child to grow into mature adults ready to take their place within society
- Provision of a healthy lifestyle within a safe, nurturing and stimulating environment.

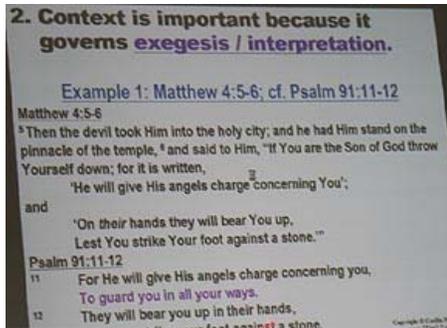


To find out more concerning how you can be of help to these orphans, kindly get in touch with our secretary Suzanna at secretary@2Tim2-2.com. Alternatively, you can contact Pastor David Royle at the email below:

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... our hearts were thrilled and encouraged to see people hungry to study the Word and to take God seriously



Our ministry is especially grateful to Glory Presbyterian Church for supporting our work and vision in equipping believers with IBS skills. We pray God will grant us opportunities for future partnerships. ■

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Cecilia and myself are always open to teaching workshops at churches, fellowship groups etc. Do inform us if you are interested. Pray for us that God will raise up more trainers & teachers in our ministry and also to write new workbooks and workshops where possible.



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FROM THE IBS WORKSHOPS HELD @
GLORY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
30 APRIL - 1 MAY 2005

FEEDBACK/COMMENTS FOR THE WORKSHOP

✍ Arrogance, prideful ones will be judged. The context of Edom applies to my life. Security in possession leads to pridefulness. - GG

✍ The way the course is structured is very helpful to the participant. The objectives have been accomplished. I've learnt the skill the do IBS. I'm looking forward to attend the Intermediate workshop which I hope will be soon. I want to master this skill! - YL

✍ The greatest takeaways: the ability to see scriptures in its correct context; the knowledge of systematic analysis using the analytical tools (FOTO, 5Ws and H) and the ability to focus on key points and not be confused by not so important points. Many of my doubts (questions) were answered - yeah!!! Jeffrey makes biblical principles real and current and applicable; no excuse not to obey. He's very comprehensive, articulate and interesting. Able to put across complicated thoughts (e.g. salvation) very simply. - CC

✍ What I've learnt: To be clearer on how to make use of IBS to read the bible via "step by step" hands on exercise; To learn how to title the book & chapters; To see and apply God's Word into our time. - LHC

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This account is also repeated in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and John using similar words as well. However, there is a problem with such a translation because the Jews were forbidden to raise chickens within the walls of the Jerusalem city during Temple times.

"One may not rear chickens in Jerusalem because of the holy [foods]."

~ tractate Baba Qamma 7:7 of the Mishnah (Babylonian Talmud)

The reason for this prohibition was because chickens have the obnoxious habit of finding their way into places they do not belong. Therefore, in order to prevent desecration of the Temple through their unwanted access, especially into the Holy Place or Holy of Holies, the Priests simply forbade everyone in Jerusalem from having chickens.

So, what do we make of the passage in the gospels which say that a "cock" crowed and it was heard in the courtyard of the house of the High Priest? How could Peter deny Jesus 3 times before the "cock" crowed when chickens were not allowed in Jerusalem?

The answer to this dilemma is to understand that the "cock" or "rooster" that Peter heard was not a bird at all but a man, a priest of the Temple. This priest was known as the Temple Crier or "Gever" in Hebrew which is also the same Hebrew word for "cock" or "rooster".



How could Peter deny Jesus 3 times before the "cock" crowed when chickens were not allowed in Jerusalem?

He was responsible for rousing all the Priests, Levites, and Israelites to prepare for the morning worship at the Temple before dawn. Every night, he would unlock the doors of the Temple and place the key in an opening in the floor of one of the rooms in the Temple. After which he would place a flat stone over the opening and place his sleeping mat over the stone and sleep over the key to the Temple.

At dawn, this priest would arise at first light and retrieve the key. He would then proceed to unlock the doors to the Temple and cry out in a 3-part proclamation with a loud voice:

"All the kohanim (priests) to their avodah (service).

All the Levi'im (Levites) to their duchan (stations or platforms).

All the Israelites to their Ma'amad (post)."

~ Talmud Yerushalmi Shekalim 5.48

It was quite likely that it was the Gever's cry that was heard in the courtyard where Peter denied the Lord 3 times, since it was within walking distance from the house of the High Priest; also take into consideration that this was during Passover. It was the Gever's obligation to rouse all the Priests, Levites, and worshippers and call them to begin their preparations for the morning sacrifice service.

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This issue does not affect salvation & it does not change the meaning of the story in any way (i.e. Peter denied the Lord 3 times). However, this illustration serves to remind us of the fact that the Bible is a Jewish book written primarily to the Jewish people with a culture that is mainly Jewish. It is important not to impose our 21st century meaning to the Word of God. And as we always teach our students, the background of the books of the Bible defines the context which can never be changed because history cannot be changed.

Note: Alfred Edersheim in his book "The Temple - Its Ministry and Services" quoted the practice of slaughtering chickens during Yom Kippur, in contradiction to the above article. However, the practice of slaughtering chickens as part of the Yom Kippur sacrifice did not begin until the middle ages and it is frowned upon by most Rabbis. It certainly was not a practice that existed during the Temple period and neither was it part of the Yom Kippur sacrifice as stated in the Torah ■

Reference: Encyclopedia Judaica



TEACH ME THY WAYS

JACOB PRASCH TEACHING CONFERENCE 2005

6 ~ 8 JULY 2005 @ HAKKA METHODIST CHURCH (1B EVELYN ROAD, SINGAPORE 309298)

PROGRAMME

- 6th July 2005 (Wed) Afternoon: 1:30pm-2:30pm > The Sabbath; 2:45pm-3:45pm > Tithing; 4:00pm-5:00pm > Midrash on Ezra & Nehemiah. Evening: 7:30pm-8:30pm > Christ the Foundation (1Cor 3) "When Truth Becomes A Lie"; 8:45pm-9:45pm > 1 Thess 1.
7th July 2005 (Thur) Afternoon: 1:30pm-2:30pm > Leviticus 18; 2:45pm-3:45pm > John 8; 4:00pm-5:00pm > The Attack Of Rabshekah. Evening: 7:30pm-8:30pm > Those who Drift (Heb 2) "How Backsliding Comes About"; 8:45pm-9:45pm > Message of Jude.
8th July 2005 (Fri) Afternoon: 1:30pm-2:30pm > Once Saved Always Saved; 2:45pm-3:45pm > Metatrone: The Angel of the Lord; 4:00pm-5:00pm > Judgment in the Midst of Revival. Evening: 7:30pm-8:30pm > The Ephesus Autopsy "What Kills a Good Church"; 8:45pm-9:45pm > Jewish Understanding of Intercession.

THIS YEAR'S workshop during the Labor Day period saw a bigger turn out than the last, which was held on November 2004. We thank God for the response and His provision for the church premises. Our God never fails to provide!

This is my second time teaching a Jude / Obadiah workshop and probably my 100th time reading Jude. I never fail to be amazed how I can be learning new truths through repeating a book over and over again. Repetition surely helped me refine my method of delivery and teaching. And I thank God for an unabating enthusiasm and a lively workshop. Nothing discourages a trainer more than a bored audience!

As always, our ministry's desire is to provide training for individuals who are serious about studying God's Word with the goal of knowing God in a more intimate way. Israel only knew God's acts but Moses knew God's ways (Ps 103:7). And it is Moses' example we ought to follow, knowing His Person rather than hankering after the things He gives.



The Basic and Intermediate workshops aim not only to impart the IBS skills to individuals but also to inculcate these tools in our daily lives as we study God's Word. My workshop covered the overviews of Jude and Obadiah whereas Cecilia's workshop taught students how to use the new skill of structuring to dig deeper into the book of Colossians and glean more to help them understand the context & theme of the book..

Though the two workshops ran concurrently over the Labor Day period where people ought to be "resting", our hearts were thrilled and encouraged to see people hungry to study the Word and to take God seriously. I'm sure most participants would agree it's a true spiritual "rest". Thanks for your encouraging feedback!

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TEACH ME THY WAYS

INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY (IBS) WORKSHOP @ GLORY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

30TH APRIL - 1ST MAY 2005

By Jeffrey Loh



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Other Highlights
(depending on schedule)

- On site teaching by D'vora, Cecilia and other teachers
- Mount Carmel School of Ministry at Haifa
- Welcoming the Shabbat
- Rosh Hashana celebration and teaching
- Daily devotion - Epistle of 1 John
- Nightly debriefs and prayer in small groups

📖 **Pre-Trip Bible Study** - There will be a Bible study (3 Saturday afternoons) prior to the trip. This is to ensure that travelers to Israel understand the Biblical significance of the different sites. Travelers will be informed of the date nearer the trip.

Ⓜ **Security** - We do trust God to protect us but we also know that we are to exercise wisdom in what we choose to do. Thus we seek your cooperation to ensure the safety of all on this study tour. We expect you to follow the instructions of our Tour Leader and Guide so that *everyone* has a blessed and enjoyable time. In the event that certain sites cannot be visited due to safety issues, we will endeavor to substitute those sites with other activities or places of biblical & historical interest.



Reservations should be made with a non-refundable deposit of S\$ 500 per pax and a completed registration form for each person.

Please make payment to **2Tim2-2.com** by cheque and write your name and contact numbers at the back. As we are limiting the number of travelers on our trip, reservations will be on a first-come-first-served basis.

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: 30 JULY 2005

Cost - S\$ 3,500 per pax

- Single room supplement: add S\$600 more

Tour price includes:

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- full board
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- land travel in luxury air-conditioned coach

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- expenses of a personal nature
- travel insurance

Any queries?

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Last year's teaching conference at Hakka Methodist saw Jacob teaching to a full crown over 2 evenings!

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- 6th July (Wed) Afternoon / Evening
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- 8th July (Fri) Afternoon / Evening

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“WELCOME HOME to Israel!” That was what Moshe our tour guide greeted us with when we first landed in Jordan from where we started our ‘Tour of the Bible Lands’. And even though this was a tour I looked forward to with much anticipation and excitement, I was taken aback by that statement as the thought of ‘going home’ to ISRAEL never crossed my mind. But this greeting turned out to be so apt because as we continued our tour, it truly turned out to be a homecoming indeed! We came home to God’s land, God’s people, back to the land of our Messiah!

Our “home” had this vastness of space as far as the eye could see – an endless undulating hilly terrain that merged into the brilliant blue, cloudless skies. Our first glimpse of a flock of sheep brought home to us the cherished thought of “The Lord” as our “Shepherd”. It was wonderful to see the flocks of sheep grazing on the grass, watched over by Bedouin shepherds with their tents pitched nearby.

With this beginning, we were brought right smack into the Bible! And as we went from the Negev in the South, through the Dead Sea, Jerusalem, the Galilee and up to Tel Dan in the North, the scenes stirred up more memories of our Lord and the incidents in the Scriptures which we saw come to life right before our eyes!

Moshe was truly a special guide who wanted us to love the land of Israel and as such created many unusual experiences for us. He brought us to the Timnah Valley where we saw Solomon’s pillars towering majestically over the desert landscape and then walked in the searing heat of the scorching desert sun for just a while – a tiny experience of what it must have been like in the wilderness wandering! It was so exciting to see the excavated temple remains of Jethro’s time (c. 1500BC) and the highlight of this portion of our trip was when we climbed 50m up a cliff face to see Rameses’ seal (perhaps the Pharaoh of Moses’ time) carved onto the rock face!

OUR TRIP TO ISRAEL

By Esther Goh, Cecilia Perh & Ruth Soon



Along the Kidron Valley is the Pillar of Absalom which is similar to the Upper Room of Jesus’ Days

STUDY TOUR TENTATIVE ITINERARY

DO YOU KNOW THE ANSWERS TO THE LOCALES?

- Where Peter first brought the Gospel to the Gentiles...
- Where the Messiah died and rose again...
- What is considered the most sacred place to the Jews...
- Where David hid in the caves from Saul...
- Where Jesus chose His first disciples...
- Where you can’t sink no matter how hard you try...

Whether you do or you don’t, you should still join us for our **Israel Bible Study Tour 2005** in September!



⌘ DATES:

24 SEPTEMBER 2005 TO
6 OCTOBER 2005

→ AIRLINES:

SINGAPORE AIRLINES & EL
AL AIRLINES (VIA BKK)



DAY 1 (SUNDAY)
- 25 SEPT 2005

Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport..
Caesarea; Haifa - Mount Carmel School of Ministry (Pastor Tsukahira); Megiddo

Overnight in Kibbutz Hagoshim - 4 nights

DAY 2 (MONDAY)
- 26 SEPT 2005

Tel Dan; Banias (Caesarea Philippi); Golan Heights

DAY 3 (TUESDAY)
- 27 SEPT 2005

Mount Tabor (Mount of Transfiguration); “The Galilee Experience”; Bethsaida (et-Tell)

DAY 4 (WEDNESDAY)
- 28 SEPT 2005

Boat ride on the Sea of Galilee; Ancient Boat Museum; Tabgha; Capernaum; Mount of Beatitudes

DAY 5 (THURSDAY)
- 29 SEPT 2005

Drive along the Jordan Valley; Qumran; Dead Sea

Overnight at the Dead Sea - 1 night. (Novotel Dead Sea)

DAY 6 (FRIDAY)
- 30 SEPT 2005

Massada (cable car); ruins of Gomorrah; south of Dead Sea; Ein Gedi

Overnight at Jerusalem - 5 nights (Olive Tree Hotel).

DAY 7 (SATURDAY)
- 1 OCT 2005

Mount of Olives; Garden of Gethsemane; Kidron Valley; Israel Museum; Replica of the model of Jerusalem in Jesus’ time.

DAY 8 (SUNDAY)
- 2 OCT 2005

Archeological Garden (Davidson Center); The Western Wall and Rabbi’s Tunnel; Temple Institute Museum; City of David



DAY 9 (MONDAY)
- 3 OCT 2005 (EVE OF ROSH HASHANA)

Yad Vashem; Neot Kedumim

DAY 10 (TUESDAY)
- 4 OCT 2005 (ROSH HASHANA)

Ecce Homo; Holy Sepulcher; Christian and Jewish quarters

DAY 11 (WEDNESDAY)
- 5 OCT 2005 (ROSH HASHANA)

Garden Tomb; Yad Hashmona; Shopping in Jaffa and Tel Aviv before transfer to Ben Gurion Airport after dinner.

Leave Ben Gurion Airport for Singapore via Bangkok; arrive in Singapore on 6 Oct 2005 at 2120hr.



2Tim2-2.com is thankful to God that we are able to organize a Bible study trip to Israel, the land of the Hebrews. It is our desire to conduct a tour that goes beyond the usual tourist experience by integrating prophetic studies to the usual historical, cultural and political aspects of the places visited. This is to enable travelers to see the Bible come alive with fresh and new insights.

The tour itinerary has been diligently planned to include on-site Bible studies through Cecilia and our local guides who will enhance the places visited with their knowledge of the historical, cultural and Biblical aspects.

To obtain more understanding of the Jewish elements of our faith, we will visit messianic congregations, interact with the believers there, celebrate the Sabbath and Rosh Hashanah and more!

There will be no hidden costs and we have tried to make it as affordable as is possible to God's people. Do pray and plan to join us in this trip and expect great blessings from our gracious Lord and Master..

Blessings in Yeshua's name.

Jeffrey Loh

See next page for itinerary

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THY WAYS**
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An unforgettable moment was when we walked through a replica of the Tabernacle in the desert. Every article and vessel had a meaning, wonderfully explained to us by a Messianic believer who made our Messiah come alive with the deep spiritual insights she gave for every item in this tabernacle. It was so refreshing to hear a Jewess' love her Messiah and extol His greatness in providing mankind with redemption.

To ensure that a bit of ourselves was left in Israel, we planted cypress trees and took many celluloid memories of this occasion.

What could top this memory?

How about carrying a real live lamb in your arms? Or drawing water from an ancient well, possibly even the well that Mary the mother of our Lord drank from? What about standing on top of the Maccabean stone tombs and realizing what the phrase "being gathered to one's fathers" mean and being at the "real" Bethlehem, the one in Judea and not the one in Benjamin which most tourists are directed to?

And we haven't yet gone to Jerusalem!

Jerusalem, city of David, the city our Lord wept over - the place to which He will return. To every heart that loves the Lord, Jerusalem will always be special and truly it was so special for each one of us as our understanding of God's love for this great city and His people grew.



Beside Kidron valley is Mt Moriah

Wandering through Jerusalem would take more time than we have and thus we were thrilled to be brought to several significant new findings that were pertinent to our understanding of the Bible and especially the End Times.



Esther & Ruth

But the most spiritual experience which most, if not all of us experienced was the time we spent in the Ecce Homo Convent (Latin for "Behold the Man"). We went down to the *lithostrotos* (Greek for "pavement", see John 19:13, margin) and saw the actual courtyard where Christ was tortured by the Roman soldiers. Etched on the ancient flooring were the markings of a game called "The King's Game".

It was probably the game in which the Roman soldiers used our Lord Jesus as a human pawn, where they taunted and mocked Him during this time and where the crown of thorns was rammed onto His head by those cruel calloused hands.

The awesome thought of standing where our Lord actually stood! This sacred moment was etched into our hearts as we spent some time on our knees, praying to God and thanking Him for His love and mercy, many of us with tears even as we worshipped Him. It still awes me to realize that we were literally standing where His act of supreme love began.

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*The Tabernacle
(Exodus 26:1-36)*



Items in the Ark



*Table of Showbread
(Exodus 25:23-30)*



*Symbol of House of
David*



*Ruins of the Tower of
Siloam*

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"Excavations at the actual pool of Siloam!" - This was what Moshe dangled before us. And we stood in the newly discovered pool, climbed onto the fallen stones of the collapsed tower of Siloam (Luke 13:4), saw the actual Gihon spring, and stood at the place where Solomon was crowned as king (1 Kings 1:38). This discovery is causing some to re-evaluate the location of the Temple Mount which is most likely located in the Ophel, just below the Silver Dome of the Al-Aksa Mosque.



Pool of Siloam



*Gihon Spring :
Where King Solomon's coronation took place*

The Upper Room was the most surprising and novel place we visited. It was right above the tomb of David in the Kidron Valley, a place seldom visited because most people do not realize its significance. We were initiated into the Jewish burial customs of David's days which most likely were carried into the first century practice as well. What was novel was to realize that the living was separated from the dead by just nine arms' lengths away, and that this custom of feasting on special feast days was done at the tombs of their ancestors.

Having left Jerusalem, we went up to Mount Carmel and visited the House of Prayer and Pastor Peter Tsukihara's church. Hearing Peter expand on how God taught them to reach the Russian Jews blessed us and increased our motivation to pray more for Israel. God doubled their numbers so much so that his church is composed mostly of Russian immigrants. They are even now looking to God to expand their ministry.



*Entrance where Joab entered the Jebusite city of
Jebus via the water system*



On the Kidron Valley

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We went to the northernmost part of Israel, right up the Golan heights, to Tell Dan. We even heard bombs exploding in Lebanon! Tell Dan is a beautiful nature reserve and it is no surprise that Jeroboam chose this place to place one of his golden calves, a sin which led the ten tribes of the Northern Kingdom of Israel into the Assyrian captivity in about 200 years. We saw the Asherah (a big spreading tree) beside the huge altar. Later we went through some city gates and understood more of how life was lived in those days.

In all, we had a wonderful trip in Israel and look forward to going there again. There were so many memories we carried back but so much more to see. **Join us?! ■**