



## **FAITH OVER FEAR 2024**

### **GREECE – Paul’s Missionary Journey Land Tour & 4 day cruise June 24 – 30 (cruise + Athens/Corinth only) June 23 – July 2 or 3 (cruise + land tour)**

**Friday June 23, 2024** Depart US for Athens (early)

**Saturday June 24, 2024** :– ARRIVE ATHENS, overnight Divani Acropolis

#### **DAY 1 Sunday June 25, 2024 TRANSFER TO LAVRIO - EMBARKATION ON CRUISE - MYKONOS**

Early check-out from the hotel. 7am departure to Athens and the port of Lavrio. Embark on the 4-day cruise and sail to Mykonos at 13:00. Lunch on board. Arrive at 18:00 in Mykonos and enjoy your evening walking and exploring the pebbled streets of the cosmopolitan Chora and have a coffee in “Little Venice”. Sail for Kusadasi, Turkey at 23:00. Dinner & overnight on board ship.

#### **DAY 2 Monday June 26: KUSADASI (ANCIENT EPHESUS) & PATMOS**

At 7:00 a.m. we dock at Kusadasi in Turkey, starting point for our included excursion to the ancient city of Ephesus (Acts 18:19-21). The Apostle Paul preached to the Ephesians and lived here for three years. We tour the spectacular ruins where excavations still continue in this once great city. Return to the ship for lunch and enjoy free time in the port of Kusadasi exploring the Bazaars and trying your bargaining. In the afternoon, sail for Patmos and tour the cave where John wrote the book of Revelation then explore the beautiful island and shopping.

#### **DAY 3 Tuesday June 27, 2024: RHODES**

We shall spend our whole day on this beautiful and enchanting island. Paul sailed to the island of Rhodes (Acts 21:1), home of the famous philosophers and orators, on

his homeward journey to Jerusalem. From the port we begin our included tour to the Acropolis of Lindos and the medieval town. Return to the ship for lunch and enjoy free time exploring the medieval town or spend some time relaxing and swimming in one of the many pristine beaches, only a short distance away. At 6:30 pm we sail for Santorini

#### **DAY 4 Wednesday June 28, 2024 – SANTORINI**

At 7:30 am we arrive to the unique island of Santorini. Ride the cable car up to the white-washed town of Thera, perched high on the rim of the ancient volcano. Stroll freely through the cliff hanging villages and admire the breathtaking views or join the optional shore excursion which takes you to Oia Village, famous for the many blue domed churches. At 10:30 p.m. set sail back to the port of Piraeus.

#### **DAY 5 Thursday June 29, 2024 DISEMBARK CRUISE – FULL DAY ATHENS & CORINTH**

Morning arrival in the port of Lavrio. We disembark and start our drive to ancient Corinth. On the way, we stop at the historic Corinth Canal. It was Corinth (Acts 18:1-18) where the Apostle Paul lived and worked, established a thriving church, subsequently sending two of his epistles now part of the New Testament. Here, we see all of the sites associated with his ministry: the Agora, the Temple of Apollo, the Roman Odeon, the Bema and Gallio's Seat. We visit the local archaeological museum and enjoy free time for lunch. Drive back to Athens for our visit to the marble capped Acropolis Hill and visit the famous Parthenon and Erechtheion Temples. We then walk to nearby Mars' Hill (Areopagus) (Acts 17:22) where Paul delivered his soul-stirring sermon to the giants of philosophy, logic and learning and spoke about the inscription: "to an unknown god". We continue our tour with a panoramic sightseeing of the city highlights and transfer to the hotel in Athens for check-in. Enjoy evening at your own leisure in Plaka, the oldest and most picturesque district of Athens. Dinner at the hotel

#### **DAY 6 Friday June 30, 2024**

- **Return to US or start your own journey.**