

TURKEY STUDY TRIP

OCTOBER 18 - 30, 2026

WITH
BRAD NELSON



Brad Nelson is the Content Director at Walking The Text, where he curates The Teaching Series—a bi-weekly podcast and video resource—leads study trips to the Bible Lands, and contributes as a writer for The Lord's Prayer film and The Sacred Thread, a groundbreaking episodic series that takes viewers on a global journey into the original context of the Bible. He is also the co-author of Bringing Heaven Here: How the Lord's Prayer Can Change Your Life and Our World.

A national speaker, writer, and communication specialist, Brad brings nearly two decades of pastoral experience to his work. Prior to joining Walking The Text, he served for 17 years in church ministry in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and later planted Brick City Church in Ocala, Florida. Brad holds a B.A. in History from Cornerstone University (Grand Rapids, MI) and a Master of Divinity from Western Theological Seminary (Holland, MI), along with additional graduate study at Jerusalem University College in Israel.

He and his wife, Trisha, live in Greensboro, Georgia, with their three daughters.

ITINERARY

Sun - Oct. 18	ATL to IST (TK32) Depart Atlanta INT - 9:50pm (Turkish)
Mon - Oct. 19	Arrive Istanbul at 3:40pm (Duration 9 hrs 50 min) IST to AYT (TK2428) Depart Istanbul - 5:35pm (Turkish) Arrive Antalya at 7:00pm (Duration 1 hr 25 min)
Mon - Oct. 19	Dinner & Overnight - <i>Ramada Plaza by Wyndham (Antalya)</i> Tel: 90 242 249 11 11
Tues - Oct. 20	Southern Coast: Antalya Harbor, Antalya Museum, Perge Dinner & Overnight - <i>Pisidia Hotel (Yalvac)</i> Tel: 90 246 441 25 32
Wed - Oct. 21	Central Turkey: Pisidian Antioch Dinner & Overnight - <i>Doga Thermal Hotel (Pamukkale)</i> Tel: 90 258 271 44 00
Thurs - Oct. 22	West Central Turkey: Hierapolis, Colossae, Laodicea Dinner & Overnight - <i>Doga Thermal Hotel (Pamukkale)</i> Tel: 90 258 271 44 00
Fri - Oct. 23	West Central Turkey: Aphrodisias, Philadelphia Dinner & Overnight - <i>Lidya Sardes Thermal (Sardis)</i> Tel: 90 236 715 55 55
Sat - Oct. 24	West Central Turkey: Sardis, Thyatira Dinner & Overnight - <i>Ramada Hotel Soma (Bergama)</i> Tel: 90 236 615 24 24
Sun - Oct. 25	Western Coast: Pergamum, Smyrna Dinner & Overnight - <i>Charisma Deluxe Hotel (Kusadasi)</i> Tel: 90 256 633 38 38
Mon - Oct. 26	Western Coast Dinner & Overnight - <i>Charisma Deluxe Hotel (Kusadasi)</i> Tel: 90 256 633 38 38
Tues - Oct. 27	Western Coast: Ephesus Hike, Ephesus Museum, Ephesus Dinner & Overnight - <i>Charisma Deluxe Hotel (Kusadasi)</i> Tel: 90 256 633 38 38
Wed - Oct. 28	Western Coast: St. John's Basilica, Ephesus, Weaving Center Dinner & Overnight - <i>Charisma Deluxe Hotel (Kusadasi)</i> Tel: 90 256 633 38 38
Thurs - Oct. 29	Western Coast: Priene, Didyma, Miletus Dinner & Overnight - <i>Charisma Deluxe Hotel (Kusadasi)</i> Tel: 90 256 633 38 38
Fri - Oct. 30	ADB to IST on TK2313 - Depart Izmir at 10:40am (Turkish) Arrive Istanbul at 12:05pm (Duration 1 hr 25 min) IST to ATL on TK31 - Depart Istanbul at 3:20pm (Turkish) Arrive Atlanta INT at 8:45pm (Duration 13 hrs 25 min)

"A detailed itinerary isn't given because how you encounter something shapes the experience and the learning.

If you have an idea of what's next, it isn't as impactful. Thus, you're simply invited to enjoy the journey and receive each site as a gift and surprise.

But don't worry, we will visit all of the major sites during this trip."

- Brad





PRICING & DETAILS

TOUR PRICING:

- \$5390 per person (double occupancy)
- \$1200 extra for your own room without roommate
- \$100.00 early booking discount for registrations prior to Apr. 24, 2026

NOTE: Airfare is subject to additional fuel surcharges or taxes as may be assessed by the airline prior to ticketing.

INCLUDES:

- Roundtrip Economy Class from Atlanta
 - Option to upgrade to Business Class (\$4540 - Contact GTI for info)
- Deluxe Hotels, Deluxe Motor Coach Touring
- Buffet Breakfast and Dinner Daily, Lunches served on site
- Osprey Hydration Hiking Backpack, Bottled Water
- Bible, Study Guide, Journal (like a Moleskin), Plug Adapter
- Guide and Driver Tips

DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Turkish Visa
- Travel Insurance
- Drinks at meals (water is provided at every meal, juice and coffee at every breakfast)

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

- \$500 per person deposit on confirmation
- \$2400 due May 29, 2026
- Total balance due August 28, 2026

REFUND CANCELLATION POLICY:

- Full refund less \$200 for cancellations after deposit
- Full refund less \$500 for cancellations after April 24, 2026
- Full refund less \$2000 for cancellations after May 29, 2026
- No refunds for cancellations after August 28, 2026

INSURANCE:

We **HIGHLY** recommend Travel Insurance. Learn more at <https://gtitours.org/travel-insurance>

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