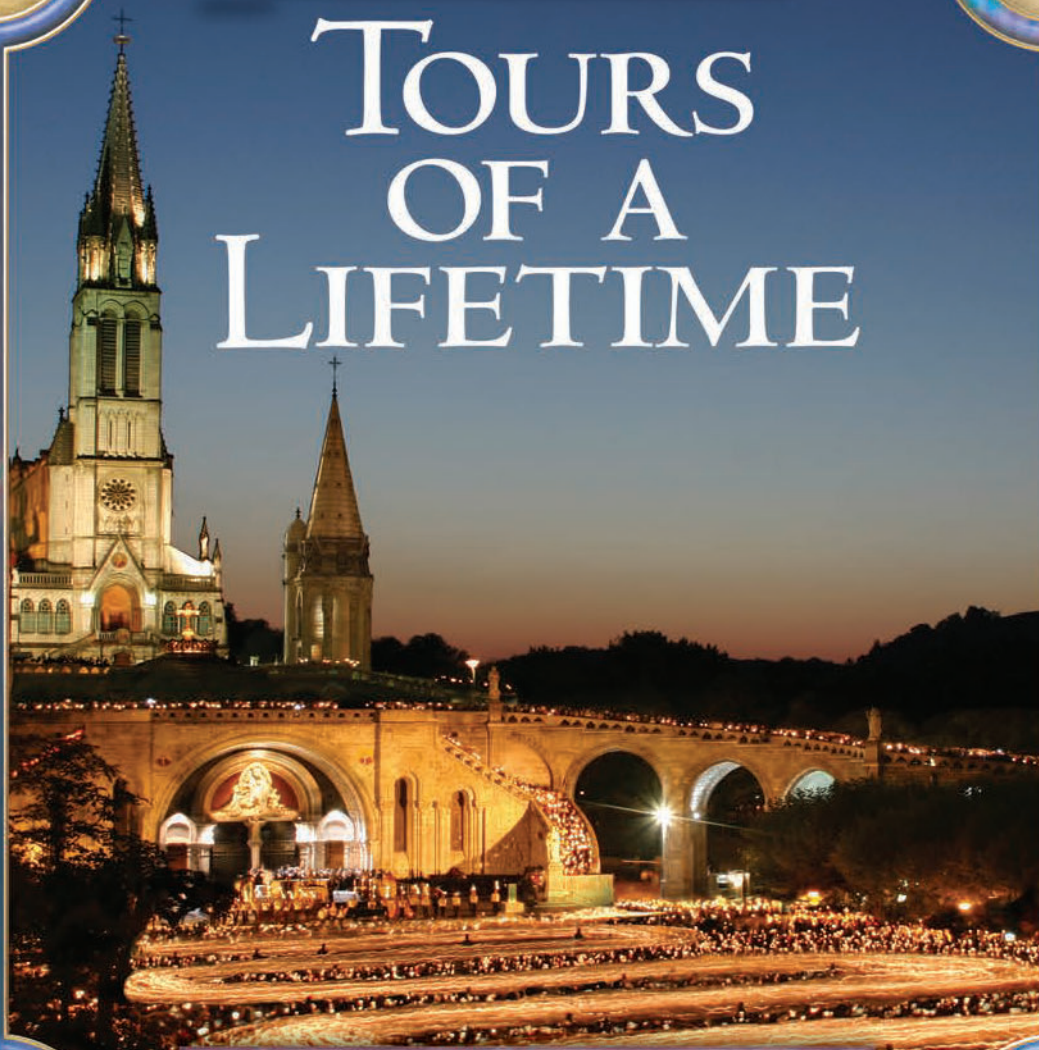




PROUDLY PRESENTS

TOURS OF A LIFETIME



JOIN THE WORLD LEADER IN
QUALITY CATHOLIC TRAVEL
ON A PILGRIMAGE TO:

CATHOLIC ITALY • THE HOLY LAND
THE JOURNEY OF ST. PAUL
MARIAN SHRINES • CENTRAL EUROPE

JOURNEY OF ST. PAUL



Day 1 • USA/ATHENS

Day 2 • ATHENS – On arrival begin our tour of Athens with the Acropolis, the Parthenon, the Temple of Wingless Victory, the Propylea and the Erechtheum. Beneath the Acropolis is Mars Hill where St. Paul made his famous “Men of Athens” speech.

Day 3 • ATHENS/CORINTH

– Drive along the coast to Corinth, stopping at the Corinth Canal connecting the Aegean and Ionian Seas. Visit the ruins of Corinth including the Agora, Temple of Apollo and the Bema Seat where St. Paul likely preached and where we celebrate Mass. Returning to Athens see the National Library, Academy, Presidential Palace, Temple of Zeus and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Day 4 • AEGEAN CRUISE – Board our three-day cruise to the Greek Islands and Turkey. Afternoon arrival at Mykonos, with whitewashed houses and winding streets. Free to explore on our own.

Day 5 • RHODES – Arrive in Rhodes where Paul stopped. Enjoy half-day trip to Lindos, where Paul landed on his sea voyage. Here we see the Acropolis and the Temple of Athena, one of the most beautiful in Greece.

Day 6 • PATMOS/EPHESUS (Kusadasi, Turkey) – Morning in Patmos, where the Evangelist St. John wrote the Book of Revelation in the Grotto. Visit the Monastery of St. John dating from the 11th century. Return to our ship for lunch and then dock at Kusadasi, Turkey to visit the ruins of ancient Ephesus, where Paul spent two years. Visit the ruins here. Tradition says Mary lived here with St. John. Celebrate Mass at the Chapel of Panaya Kapulu, said to be the house of the Blessed Mother.

Day 7 • METEORA/KALAMBAKA – Return to Athens and drive to Kalambaka and visit Meteora, and the monasteries built into the cliffs in the 14th century.

Day 8 • VERIA/THESSALONIKI – Drive through the plains of Thessaly, legendary home of the Greek gods, and continue on to Veria where Paul visited on route to Athens. End in Thessaloniki for overnight.

Day 9 • PHILIPPI – Follow the ancient route of St. Paul to Amphipolis before continuing to ancient Philippi, where Paul established the first church in Europe. Continue to Kavala on the site of ancient Neapolis, where Paul landed on the way to Philippi. Celebrate outdoor Mass where Paul is said to have baptized Lydia, the first European convert. Return to Thessaloniki.

Day 10 • USA – Today we make our way home with memories of a lifetime.



ATHENS • CORINTH • AEGEAN CRUISE • RHODES • PATMOS/EPHESUS
METEORA • THESSALONIKI • PHILIPPI

ITALY TRIP 1 – CLASSIC CATHOLIC ITALY

Day 1 • **USA/ROME**

Day 2 • **ROME/TUSCANY** – Arrive Rome, drive to Tuscan spa town of Montecatini Terme. Afternoon at leisure.

Day 3 • **FLORENCE** – After Mass proceed to Piazzale Michelangelo for a panoramic view and then see the highlights including the Medici Chapel in the church of San Lorenzo, the Duomo, Piazza della Signoria, Palazzo Vecchio and the Loggia dei Lanzi. Afternoon free.

Day 4 • **FLORENCE** – Return to Florence for Mass and a tour of the Basilica of Santa Croce. Afternoon free for shopping, personal adventure, or optional excursions.

Day 5 • **SIENA/ASSISI** – Arrive in magnificent Siena with Mass at the Dominican Church commemorating St. Catherine. Continue to the famous Piazza del Campo. Continue to Umbria and hilltop village of Assisi, home of Saint Francis.

Day 6 • **ASSISI** – Mass and tour of the Basilica of St. Francesco. Begin walking tour including visit to Church of St. Clare and the crucifix that spoke to St. Francis. Pass the famous Temple of Minerva in the Piazza del Comune. Afternoon free to enjoy village on our own.

Day 7 • **ASSISI/ROME** – Morning Mass and visit to the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels, and the Church of the Little Portion in the lower village. Continue to Rome, and begin tour at the Basilica of St. Mary Major and the Church of St. Peter in Chains to view Michelangelo's "Moses."

Day 8 • **ROME** – Morning, audience with the Holy Father. Afternoon, visit Holy Stairs and Basilica of St. John Lateran. Continue to St. Paul Outside the Walls and conclude at one of the Catacombs, burial place of early Christians for Mass.

Day 9 • **ROME** – Early morning Mass beneath St. Peter's. Afterwards, see treasures of the Vatican Museum, the Sistine Chapel and the wonders of St. Peter's. Afternoon free for shopping, rest or personal adventure.

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ITALY TRIP 2 – THE SHRINES OF CATHOLIC ITALY

Day 1 • **USA/ROME**

Day 2 • **ROME** – Arrive in Rome and begin tour including Roman Forum, Arch of Constantine, the Coliseum, and Tomb of the Unknown Soldier concluding at one of the Catacombs for Mass.

Day 3 • **VATICAN CITY/ROME** – Early Mass beneath St. Peter's, then Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel and the wonders of St. Peter's. Afternoon visit the Holy Stairs and St. John Lateran followed by St. Mary Major and St. Peter in Chains to view the "Moses."

Day 4 • **VATICAN CITY/ROME** – Morning audience with the Holy Father. Afternoon visit of St. Paul's Outside the Walls including Mass.

Day 5 • **ROME/ORVIETO/ASSISI** – Drive north to Umbria with stop at Orvieto for Mass at the breathtaking Cathedral. Afterwards continue to the lower town of Assisi to visit the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels and Francis' Church of the Little Portion. Continue to upper village.

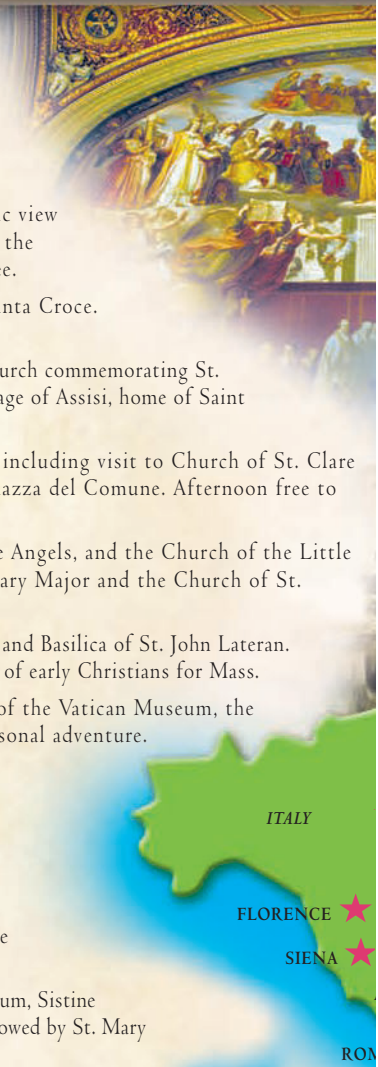
Day 6 • **ASSISI** – Morning Mass at the Basilica of St. Francesco and a tour. Visit Church of St. Clare to view the San Damiano crucifix that spoke to St. Francis. This afternoon taxis take us to the Hermitage of the Carceri, where Francis retreated to pray.

Day 7 • **LORETO/MONTESILVANO** – Drive to the east coast to celebrate Mass and visit Loreto, the site of the Santa Casa or Holy House. Continue southwards to the Montesilvano/Pescara area and the shores of the Adriatic Sea.

Day 8 • **LANCIANO/SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO** – This morning we visit Lanciano, site of the oldest Eucharistic Miracle certified by the Church. Continue south to San Giovanni Rotondo with Mass at the tomb of Saint Padre Pio and a visit.

Day 9 • **SAN GIOVANNI/SUBIACO/ROME** – Drive to Subiaco where Saint Benedict and his sister Scolastica built five little monasteries. We visit the Monastery of St. Benedict and the Sacred Cave where Benedict lived as a hermit. Celebrate Mass staircase which holds the earliest portrait of St. Francis without halo or stigmata. Return to Rome.

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ITALY TRIP 3 – GRAND CATHOLIC ITALY

Day 1 • USA/ITALY

Day 2 • **VENICE** – Arrive in Europe and connect to Venice. Balance of the day at leisure.

Day 3 • **VENICE** – Venice, the Queen of the Cities! Walking tour includes Piazza San Marco and Mass at the Basilica of San Marco and much more. Afternoon free for shopping, or optional romantic gondola ride.

Day 4 • **VENICE/TUSCANY** – Morning Mass and a tour in Padua and the Basilica of St. Anthony. Continue to delightful Tuscan spa town of Montecatini Terme.

Day 5 • **FLORENCE** – Begin at Piazzale Michelangelo for a panoramic view and then see the highlights including the Medici Chapel in the church of San Lorenzo, the Duomo, Piazza della Signoria, Palazzo Vecchio and the Loggia dei Lanzi. Afternoon Mass and a tour of the Basilica of Santa Croce.

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Day 8 • **ASSISI/SORRENTO** – Morning Mass at the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels, and Francis' Church of the Little Portion. Continue south to wonderful Sorrento along the Mediterranean.

Day 9 • **ISLE OF CAPRI** – Morning steamer across the Bay of Naples to the Island of Dreams - Capri. Mass followed by island tour including Anacapri and weather permitting, optional Blue Grotto. Return to Sorrento.

Day 10 • **AMALFI DRIVE/POMPEII/ROME** – We drive along the Sorrento Peninsula on the famous Amalfi Drive with stops including village of Amalfi. Afterwards, continue to Pompeii, destroyed but yet preserved by the ash of Vesuvius in 79 AD. Celebrate Mass at the church of the Holy Rosary and continue to Rome.

Day 11 • **ROME** – Morning audience with the Holy Father. Afternoon, visit Holy Stairs and Basilica of St. John Lateran. Continue to St. Paul Outside the Walls and conclude at one of the Catacombs, burial place of early Christians for Mass.

Day 12 • **ROME** – Early morning Mass beneath St. Peters. Afterwards, see treasures of the Vatican Museum, the Sistine Chapel and the wonders of St. Peter's. Afternoon free for shopping, rest or personal adventure.

Day 13 • **USA** – Today we make our way home with memories of a lifetime.



SI • ORVIETO • LORETO • LANCIANO • VENICE • CAPRI • POMPEII

MARIAN SHRINES

Day 1 • USA/LISBON

Day 2 • LISBON/FATIMA – Arrive in Lisbon with short orientation tour before continuing to Fatima. On route celebrate Mass at the Church of the Eucharistic Miracle at Santerem. Balance of the day at leisure.

Day 3 • FATIMA – Following Mass at Chapel of the Apparition we visit the Basilica and Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima and the birthplaces of the children. This evening join the Rosary and candlelight procession.

Day 4 • FATIMA/SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA – Today continue northwards into Spain to Santiago de Compostela, one of the most famous shrines and the site of the ancient pilgrimage route of St. James. Visit the Cathedral and the Old City.

Day 5 • SANTANDER – Following Mass at the Cathedral of Santiago we head east to Santander along one of the many "Routes of St. James." Enjoy wonderful scenery of mountains and sea along the northern Spanish seacoast.

Day 6 • LOURDES – Mass at a local parish before continuing along the Basque coast crossing the Pyrenees into France and Lourdes. This evening join the Torchlight Pilgrim's Procession.

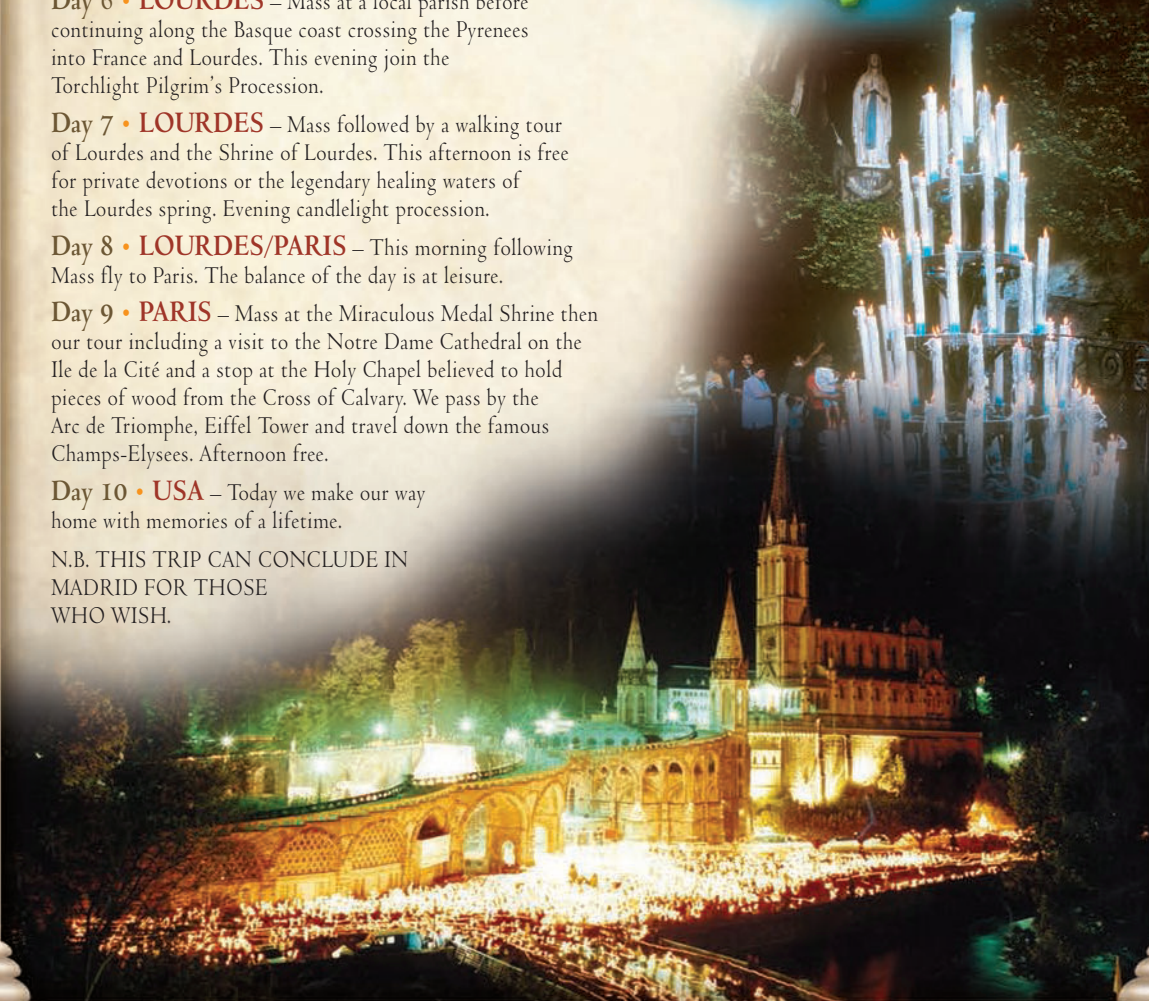
Day 7 • LOURDES – Mass followed by a walking tour of Lourdes and the Shrine of Lourdes. This afternoon is free for private devotions or the legendary healing waters of the Lourdes spring. Evening candlelight procession.

Day 8 • LOURDES/PARIS – This morning following Mass fly to Paris. The balance of the day is at leisure.

Day 9 • PARIS – Mass at the Miraculous Medal Shrine then our tour including a visit to the Notre Dame Cathedral on the Ile de la Cité and a stop at the Holy Chapel believed to hold pieces of wood from the Cross of Calvary. We pass by the Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower and travel down the famous Champs-Elysees. Afternoon free.

Day 10 • USA – Today we make our way home with memories of a lifetime.

N.B. THIS TRIP CAN CONCLUDE IN MADRID FOR THOSE WHO WISH.



LISBON • FATIMA • SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA • SANTANDER • LOURDES • PARIS

HOLY LAND

Day 1 • USA/TEL AVIV

Day 2 • TEL AVIV – Afternoon arrival in Tel Aviv. Transfer to hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 3 • TIBERIAS – Drive along the Mediterranean to Caesarea and visit the Roman and Crusader remains. Continue to Mt. Carmel, the site of Elijah's confrontation with the priests of Baal. Continue to Nazareth where we celebrate Mass at the Church of the Annunciation. Drive to Cana, the site of Jesus' first miracle and where married couples can renew their wedding vows. Conclude in Tiberias and our hotel on the shores of the Galilee.

Day 4 • TIBERIAS – By boat cross the Sea of Galilee and view the surrounding mountains and sites of Jesus' ministry. On the far shore visit Capernaum and the remains of the village synagogue and St. Peter's house. Continue to the Mount of Beatitudes to celebrate Mass in the beautiful gardens. Make the short walk down to the sea to visit Tabgha and the Franciscan Church of St. Peter's Primacy and the Benedictine Basilica of the Loaves and Fishes. Finally visit the Jordan River, where we renew our Baptismal promises.

Day 5 • JERUSALEM – Drive to Mt. Tabor, site of the Transfiguration, to celebrate Mass. Stop at the Roman ruins at Beth Shean and continue through the Jordan Valley visiting Jericho and viewing the Mount of Temptation. We make our thrilling entry into Jerusalem!

Day 6 • JERUSALEM – Visit the place of the Ascension and the Church of the Pater Noster and view the City of Jerusalem from Mt. of Olives. Walk down to Dominus Flevit Chapel, where Jesus wept over Jerusalem and to the Garden of Gethsemane, where we celebrate Mass at the Church of All Nations. Continue to St. Peter in Gallicantu, the house of the High Priest Caiaphas where Jesus was held. Continue to the New City passing the Knesset and Hebrew University. Visit the Shrine of the Book, see the Dead Sea Scrolls, the Model City of Jerusalem in Jesus' time, and Ein Karem, where John the Baptist was born and Mary visited Elizabeth to say the Magnificat.

Day 7 • BETHLEHEM/DEAD SEA – Drive to Bethlehem to visit the Church of the Nativity to see the Manger and the famous star. We celebrate the Christmas Mass here. Then return to the Judean wilderness visiting Qumran, the home of the Essenes connected with John the Baptist and the Dead Sea Scrolls. We have an opportunity to swim in the the Dead Sea, the lowest place on earth.

Day 8 • JERUSALEM/EMMAUS/JAFFA/AIRPORT – Go to Mt. Zion to visit the Church of Dormition and pray in the Upper Room. Then to the Western (Wailing) Wall and visit the Dome of the Rock on the Temple Mount. Next visit the Church of St. Ann, the Pool of Bethesda, Pilate's Judgment Hall and the Arch of Ecce Homo. Prayerfully walk the Stations of The Cross along the Via Dolorosa concluding at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Then travel to Abu Gosh, possible site of Emmaus, where Jesus appeared on the first Easter Sunday where we celebrate our closing Mass. Continue to Jaffa where Peter had his rooftop experience. Celebrate our Middle Eastern farewell dinner before we head to the airport for our overnight flight home.

Day 9 • USA – Today we arrive home with memories of a lifetime.



TEL AVIV • TIBERIAS • JERUSALEM • BETHLEHEM • DEAD SEA • EMMAUS • JAFFA

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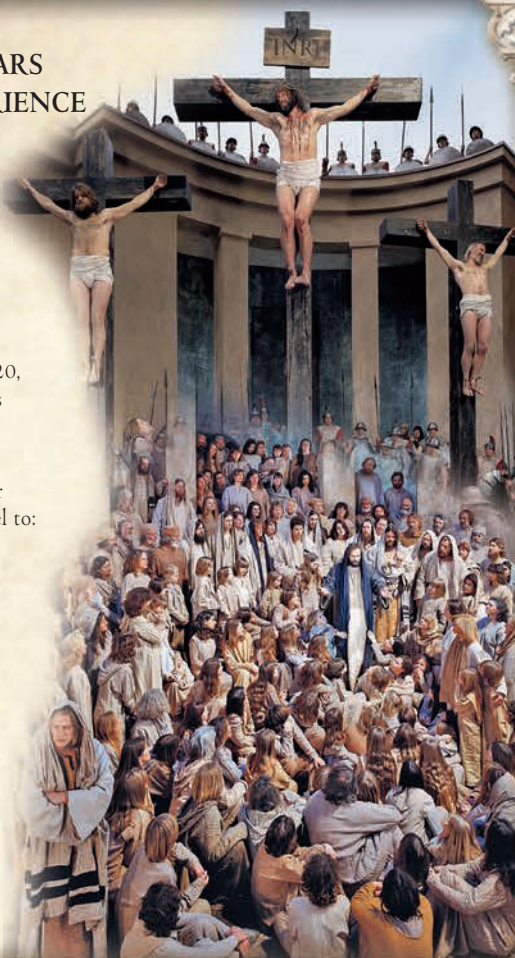
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