

## **A Millennial Perspective**

Recently, I read an article that talked about the large epidemic of ignorance among the millennial generation when it comes to history. I believe that this ignorance, and even apathy in most cases, is a strong contributor to the stray from ethics that has plagued our nation and this generation in particular. Unfortunately, the rising youths and young adults in today's church are not immune to this epidemic either.

Many of my peers exhibit a lack of knowledge about basic facts regarding Biblical history and the heritage of our faith. Worse yet, I see a lack of interest in wanting to learn about our heritage and an overall apathetic approach about the history of Christianity and Judaism. Living in a culture today with so many multi-media facets and a variety of exciting things to grab people's attention—video games, movies, television, etc. – it becomes increasingly difficult to spark an interest in learning about some “old, boring history that doesn't matter to me today.” Admittedly, even I sometimes fall victim to entertainment overload and find myself wanting to spend my time doing many things other than learning about Biblical history. Fortunately for me, my interest was reignited by being able to experience the land of Biblical history firsthand.

During the summer of 2018, through a series of circumstances which can only be described as God-ordained, I found myself packing for a trip to Israel with a couple days of notice. Traveling to Israel was something I had wanted to do for quite some time but knew I could not afford to go at this stage of my life. But, thanks to the generosity of an individual who was not able to take the trip himself, I was able to go at almost no cost to myself.

While I knew the trip would be an amazing experience, I did not expect it to be as impactful and eye-opening as it turned out to be. The tour that I happened to go on was dubbed the “Battle for Israel” tour. Throughout the entire trip, we visited a variety of locations that related to significant historical and spiritual battles. I have always been very interested in military history and seeing these locations first hand really brought to life the rich history of the Holy Land. Beyond the military history of the region, it also showed me how real and pertinent all of Biblical history actually is. Being able to visit places like the Garden of Gethsemane, where one of the greatest spiritual battles in history occurred, or the Garden Tomb, representing the place where Christ won the ultimate victory over death, helped spark a passion in me for delving even further into the history of our faith.

As a whole, my pilgrimage to Israel was one that transformed the way I look at my faith and the roots it came from. I was able to interact with and learn from much more seasoned believers on the pilgrimage, and my faith was strengthened by their testimony and conviction. In the hustle and bustle of today's culture, it becomes increasingly difficult to refocus our attention on things like faith. Sometimes it requires stepping out of our everyday lives with a purposeful change of pace. My pilgrimage to Israel did just that for me. It was an experience that helped me refocus on my faith and learn more about the history of it, and it was an experience that I wish many more of the people in my generation of Christians could experience.

My trip was made possible through God's work in the life of someone I'd never met and his enthusiasm to invest in a younger generation. It was an experience I will cherish my whole life and have already purposed to share with others. I'm thrilled that the Millennial Kingdom Scholarship at Lamb & Lion Ministries allow even more people to have an experience like mine. As the scholarship continues to grow and provides opportunities for more and more people, my prayer is and will continue to be that God will work in their hearts and minds to allow the experience of the Holy Land impact them as profoundly as it impacted me.

- Jon Moore

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The generosity of a single Lamb & Lion supporter and Jon's life-changing experience led Tim Moore to propose the Millennial Kingdom Scholarship. The first Lamb & Lion MKS Scholarship pilgrim went to Israel in September, 2019. Many of our supporters have committed to "pay it forward" into the lives of these young people—assuring that fruit-bearers are raised up and nurtured until the Lord returns.

You can contribute to this effort by designating any gift to the MKS Fund at Lamb & Lion Ministries. You can also nominate a young person to be considered for this amazing opportunity. Just contact our ministry or email an inquiry to: [mks@lamblion.com](mailto:mks@lamblion.com)



**Tim Moore and Jon Moore at the border with Lebanon**

