



TEL AVIV

Tel Aviv feels like New York and acts like Silicon Valley, all while sitting alongside the pristine waters of the Mediterranean. It has often been said that Israel is a beautiful amalgamation of the ancient and modern, and Tel Aviv is Israel's hi-tech gem. Just over 100 years ago, Tel Aviv was a desert. Today it is a 21st century city with an entrepreneurial spirit that is second-to-none.

Israel boasts more companies listed on the Nasdaq than any other country, save the US and China. It leads the world in venture capitalism as a percentage of GDP, produces more scientific papers than any nation on earth, and is the second most highly educated country in the world.

The epicenter of this modern miracle is Tel Aviv. And as a result of this ingenuity and entrepreneurial spirit, Israel is fulfilling its God-given mandate as a light unto the nations. Israeli technological breakthroughs have changed the way we live our lives in this digital age, and Israeli medical breakthroughs affect everything from routine medical care to how one treats battlefield wounds. Additionally, Israel's scientific advancements have made deserts bloom, changed how we grow crops, and brought water to parts of the world where its scarcity costs lives.

Israel is often referred to as the start-up nation, but to the believer this should come as no surprise. Israel is commanded by God to be a light unto the nations, and in today's modern age that light shines brightly from the tops of the skyscrapers of Tel Aviv.

