

“May you be covered with the dust
of your Rabbi,”

Yose ben Yoezer, Mishnah, *Avot* 1:4.

The idea behind this ancient saying is that the closer you walked behind your rabbi, the more you'd be covered in his dust, symbolizing your commitment and zeal to follow in his footsteps.

Israel: Dan to Beersheba III is a unique opportunity to do just that. Whether exploring the exotic marketplaces of the Old City, worshipping beside the mirrored images of the Sea of Galilee, or walking the *Via Dolorosa* in the early hours of dawn - we will become pilgrims following in the footsteps of our Great Shepherd Rabbi.



ABOUT OUR GUIDE



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Bill's first trip to Israel was as a young adult where he farmed cotton on a Kibbutz just outside Jerusalem. Since then he has travelled extensively through the region, leading others into life-changing pilgrimages through Biblical teaching, music, and ministry.

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“Go inspect the city of Jerusalem.
Walk around and count the many
towers. Take note of the fortified walls,
and tour all the citadels, that you may
describe them to future generations.”

Psalms 48:13-14 (NLT)



THE TOUR AT A GLANCE

Originally the term “from Dan to Beersheba” was an Old Testament expression meaning something like, “from here to Timbuktu.” The region of Dan, to the far north, Beersheba, to the south, covers a large swath of this diverse country. From coast to coast, north to south, we’ll immerse ourselves in Israel’s fascinating Biblical and cultural history.



Times of teaching, solitude, music and fellowship will lace our time in Israel.

ABOUT KER AND DOWNEY

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THE MEDITERRANEAN & NORTHERN HILLS

From the modern city of Tel Aviv we head up the coast to Haifa before veering east towards Megiddo, Mt. Tabor (site of Transfiguration) and Tiberias in the Galilee region. This was the home of the Apostle Peter and a place of numerous miracles. After experiencing the Mt. of Beatitudes, the lush freshwater springs of Dan, and a cruise on the Sea of Galilee, we'll head southwards, paralleling the River Jordan towards Jerusalem.



Sunrise over the Sea of Galilee, Tiberias



The freshwater well-head at Dan, Northern Israel

CENTRAL REGIONS

Cana, the location of Jesus' first miracle, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Bethany, and of course, Jerusalem roughly make up this mid-section of the country. Numerous holy sites, from Mt. Olives, where Jesus was betrayed, to the Old City, where he was judged, crucified, and resurrected will fill our days. This area includes museums, restaurants, and the luxuries of city life.



The Wailing Wall, Old City Jerusalem



Children at the church of the Holy Sepulcher, Jerusalem

THE SOUTHERN DESERTS

The topography of Israel is astonishing. We'll find ourselves at the lowest point on the planet at Qumran, *Ein Gedi*, and at the Dead Sea. We'll take in Masada and visit the locations where Joshua led the Israelites into the Promised land and Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist. Opportunities for rededication of baptismal vows prove to be significant times in the hearts of our guests.



It's easy to keep afloat at the lowest point on the planet, the Dead Sea



Gold mosaic at the Church of the Transfiguration, Mt. Tabor (Central Region)