

## Way of the Patriarchs

The "Way of the Patriarchs", runs along Israel's central mountain range from Beer-Sheba in the south through Hebron, Jerusalem up to Shechem (Nablus) and other Biblical sites.



Key Biblical events took place in areas along this road. The major cities and towns in Judea and Samaria have existed for over 4,000 years, since Biblical times.

**Megiddo** - Site of key battles in biblical history, including the prophesied Armageddon.

**Ta'anach** - Mentioned in Judges as the place where Deborah and Barak defeated Sisera's army.

**Dothan** - Where Joseph's brothers conspired to sell him into slavery (Genesis 37).

**Sebaste (Samaria)** - Capital of the northern Kingdom of Israel, founded by King Omri.

**Shechem** Abraham built an altar and Joshua renewed the covenant with Israel.

**Shiloh** - Site of the Tabernacle and Ark of the Covenant in the early Israelite period.

**Beit El (Bethel)** - Where Jacob dreamed of a ladder reaching heaven (Gen. 28).

**Jericho** - Its walls fell after Joshua and the Israelites marched around them.

**Gilgal** - First campsite of the Israelites after crossing into the Promised Land.

**Qumran** - Where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered, believed to have been home to an Essene community.