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A 16TH CENTURY MAP OF THE HOLY LAND FROM A 'GENEVA BIBLE'

£250.00

[The description of the holy Land...]

Cartographer POSTEL, Guillaume.
Date 1599
Stock #: 24851
Publication: London: Christopher Barker, c.1599.
Coloured woodcut, 105 x 125mm, set in English letterpress.
Condition: Paper toned, top right corner frayed.

DESCRIPTION:

An untitled map of the Holy Land, published in an edition of the Geneva Bible, the second English translation of the Bible, undertaken by Protestants sheltering in Switzerland and first published in 1560.

The map is adapted from one by Guillaume Postel, and was first published in 1568. There are two galleons in 'The Mediteran Zea' and underneath is a letterpress key of places.

Because of its Calvinist annotations, printing the 'Geneva Bible' was banned soon after the 'King James Bible' was published in 1611. However Robert Barker continued to print copies, with his father's name and date of 1599, until c.1625.