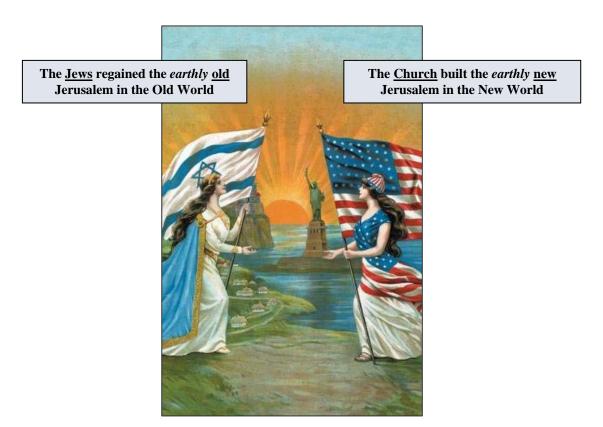
#1421 The United States of America as the New Jerusalem/New Israel – At its founding, the land of America was looked upon by many as representing a New Jerusalem and/or a City Upon a Hill and/or a New Israel, part 4, The Church built the earthly new Jerusalem in the New World while the Jews regained the earthly old Jerusalem in the Old World

An earthly new Jerusalem in the New World. When the discussion arises about Salem representing a new Jerusalem, what is primarily meant by that is that Salem is representing the building of an earthly new Jerusalem in the New World, as opposed to the earthly Jerusalem, Israel, in the Old World. Of course, Salem stood as the symbolism of the United States of America as a whole coming to prophetically/historically represent an earthly new Jerusalem in the New World.



**Jerusalem, Israel.** The Crusaders during the Middle Ages desired to defeat Saladin and other Muslims to capture Jerusalem for Christianity. Later, the defeat of the Muslim Ottoman Turks and the capture of the *earthly* city of Jerusalem during World War I in December 1917 brought Jerusalem into the hands of the so-called Christian world for the first time in 400 years. However, the November 2, 1917, Balfour Declaration was written with the idea that the Promised Land would be returned (in part) to the Jews, with the hope being that both Jews and Arabs could compromise and live together in Palestine. According to the U.N. partition plan of November 29, 1947, Jerusalem was originally designated to be an international city, but the Arab-Israeli war that began on Israel's first day as a nation on May 15, 1948, ended with Israeli

soldiers holding West Jerusalem, and Jordanian troops controlling East Jerusalem. Barbed wire and minefields divided the city.

West Jerusalem became the capital of Israel. But most countries that had diplomatic relations with Israel did not recognize the capital because of the U.N. plan to make Jerusalem an international city. The loss of the Old City, with its Wailing Wall and other sacred Jewish shrines, was a bitter disappointment to the Israelis. However, on June 7, 1967, in the midst of the Six-Day War, the Old City and the Wailing Wall fell to Jewish troops. Jerusalem was theirs.

Key Understanding: While the Ottoman Turks were controlling Jerusalem in Palestine from the 1500's to the early 1900's in the Old World, Christians were building Salem as an <u>earthly new Jerusalem in the New World</u>. Salem was symbolic of the United States of America being birthed as a type of new Jerusalem (and new Israel) in the New World.

Salem was originally symbolic of the United States of America being birthed as a type of new Jerusalem (and new Israel) in the New World, which is why the Puritans in the 1690's desired all the more to rid Salem of its alleged witches.



However, while the <u>Christian Church</u> built the <u>earthly</u> new Jerusalems of Salem and <u>America in the New World</u>, the <u>Jews</u> – after World Wars I and II – regained the <u>earthly</u> old <u>Jerusalem in the Old World</u>, with the help and the blessings of the Christian Church of the <u>earthly</u> new Jerusalem of America in the New World.

Matthew 5:14 (KJV) <u>YE ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD</u>. <u>A CITY THAT IS SET ON</u> AN HILL cannot be hid.

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