

#1428 The United States of America as the New Jerusalem/New Israel – Ronald Reagan’s America as a shining “City Upon a Hill” is an extension of John Winthrop’s “City Upon a Hill”

[The subject matter of Ronald Reagan pronouncing America as a shining “City Upon a Hill” was covered previously in Unsealing #393 and in the series City on a Hill vs. Habitation of Devils in Unsealings #588–#589 and #594–#595.]

Reagan’s America as the shining “City Upon a Hill.” Ronald Reagan’s final words in his Farewell Address to the nation on January 11, 1989, a few days before he finished his second term as President of the United States, characterized America as a “shining city upon a hill.” His words were exciting and powerful and brought chills to patriotic Christians in America, but they actually represented the seduction of false doctrine, and were a counterfeit of Matthew 5:14.

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

Reagan’s “City Upon a Hill” was an extension of Winthrop’s “City Upon a Hill.” Ronald Reagan in his January 11, 1989, Farewell Address was referring back to John Winthrop’s sermon about creating the Massachusetts Bay Colony and Boston, Massachusetts, as a *City Upon a Hill*. In his address, Reagan called Winthrop “an early Pilgrim, an early freedom man,” words that easily bridged any gap from the Puritan objective of religious freedom in 1630’s Boston as part of the *City Upon a Hill* to Boston’s Revolutionary War identity as *The Cradle of Liberty*. [Note: The 1620 Pilgrims were Separatists, *separating* from the Church of England, and thus were different than the 1630’s Puritans, who were not necessarily separating from, but were attempting to *purify*, the Church of England.]

Key Understanding: Ronald Reagan’s “City Upon a Hill” was an extension of John Winthrop’s “City Upon a Hill.”

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