

**#642 The Cotton Saints vs. the Linen Saints – The evolution of the Cotton Saints in three steps from the 1630’s John Cotton Puritan theocracy to the 1776 Theophilus Cotton American democracy**

For the purpose of illustrating the theme of the *sword*-carrying *Cotton* Saints, who reflect the spirit of ruling and reigning before the return of Jesus Christ, vs. the *cross*-carrying *Linen* Saints, who reflect the rule with the Lord *after* the return of Jesus Christ, the Lord ordained the early *sword*-carrying Puritan church in the Massachusetts Bay Colony in America to be wrapped around the *Cottons*.

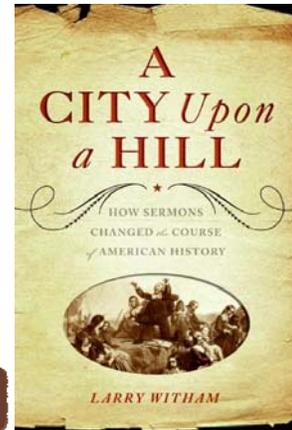
**Key Understanding: John Cotton, Cotton Mather, Theophilus Cotton.** The evolution of the *Cotton* Saints in their role in the birth of the *sword*-carrying *Christian Democracy* “*Body of Americans*” as a *counterfeit* of – or a *replacement* for – the true *cross*-carrying *Body of Christ* occurred in three distinct steps, seen through the “*Cotton*” individuals of (1) John Cotton in the 1630’s, (2) Cotton Mather (a grandson of John Cotton) in 1688-1692, and (3) Theophilus Cotton (a great grandson of John Cotton) in 1774-1776.

**Three steps in the building of the *Christian Democracy* “*Body of Americans*” through the *Cottons*:**

**(1) John Cotton in the 1630’s, representing Puritan *theocracy* establishing a *City Upon a Hill*.**



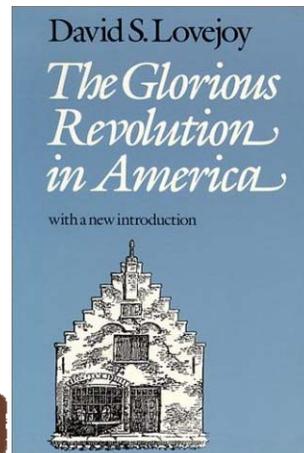
**Puritan theocracy** was mostly represented in the 1<sup>st</sup> establishment of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, though the spirit of democracy existed through the link to the spirit of a Puritan Parliament in England.



**(2) Cotton Mather in 1688-1692, representing Puritan *theocracy* bending toward American *democracy* establishing a *City Upon a Hill*.**



**Puritan theocracy shifting to American democracy** is seen in the 2<sup>nd</sup> establishment of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, linked to England’s Glorious Revolution of 1688 and the English Bill of Rights of 1689.



**(3) Theophilus Cotton in 1774-1776, representing American democracy, and (in the eyes of Ronald Reagan) establishing America as a City Upon a Hill.**

**Puritan theocracy gives way to American Democracy**, as Theophilus Cotton plays a role in the American Revolution (which is discussed in the next Unsealing).



*There is no picture of Theophilus Cotton; the Lexington Minuteman (left) and Concord Minuteman (right) are appropriate substitutes.*



**Revelation 19:11-15 (KJV)** *And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.*

*12 His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.*

*13 And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.*

*14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, **CLOTHED IN FINE LINEN, WHITE AND CLEAN.***

*15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.*



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