

**#1420 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 3, Salem, Massachusetts, as a new Jerusalem and a City Upon a Hill**

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

**Key Understanding #1:** Since (i) Salem essentially represents Jerusalem, and since (ii) Salem also represents a “City Upon a Hill,” we can see that (iii) Jerusalem easily becomes the city in a “City Upon a Hill.” Salem is therefore a new Jerusalem for the Lord in the New World, a Christian city that is a “City Upon a Hill” and the Light of the World.

Of course, the overall idea extends beyond that of the city of Salem representing a new Jerusalem to eventually that of the entire United States of America being considered the City – the “City Upon a Hill,” and the City of a new Jerusalem.

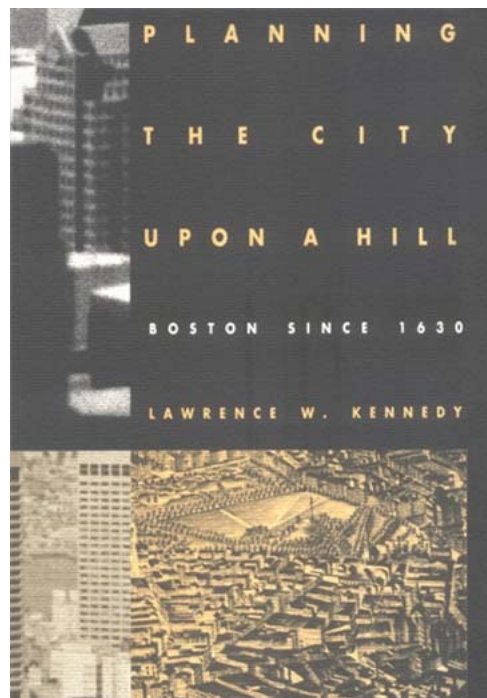


**Key Understanding #2:** Remember, it was the desire of the Puritans to keep Salem pure that stimulated the Salem Witch Trials. It was the people of Salem who would be considered . . .

- the Church of Jesus Christ,
- the Light of the World,
- the City Upon a Hill,
- and a new Salem, or new Jerusalem.

Likewise, the hope of the Puritans was that the people of the entire Massachusetts Bay Colony, and New England, would also be considered . . .

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