The Religious Origins Of Manifest Destiny: The Jewish People And Their Sacred Scriptures: The Impact Of Jewish Values On Civilization

Manifest Destiny is a phrase that was first coined in the 19th century to describe the belief that the United States had a God-given right to expand its territory across North America. This belief was based on a number of factors, including religious, economic, and political motivations.

In this article, we will explore the religious origins of Manifest Destiny. We will examine the role that Christianity played in shaping the beliefs of American settlers and how these beliefs justified the expansion of the United States.

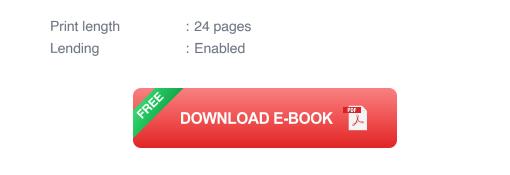
The Puritan Origins of Manifest Destiny

The Puritan settlers who came to America in the 17th century believed that they were a chosen people. They saw themselves as the new Israelites, and they believed that God had promised them a land of their own. This land, they believed, was North America.



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The Puritans believed that they had a duty to spread their religion to the Native Americans. They also believed that they had a right to take the land that the Native Americans occupied. This belief was based on the idea that the Native Americans were pagans who did not deserve to own the land.

The Great Awakening and Manifest Destiny

The Great Awakening was a religious revival that swept through the American colonies in the 18th century. This revival led to a renewed interest in Christianity and a belief in the importance of personal salvation.

The Great Awakening also had a significant impact on the development of Manifest Destiny. The revivalists preached that America was a land of opportunity and that it was the duty of Americans to spread their religion to the rest of the world.

The Second Great Awakening and Manifest Destiny

The Second Great Awakening was a religious revival that swept through the United States in the early 19th century. This revival led to a renewed interest in Christianity and a belief in the importance of social reform.

The Second Great Awakening also had a significant impact on the development of Manifest Destiny. The revivalists preached that America was a land of opportunity and that it was the duty of Americans to spread their religion and their values to the rest of the world.

The Role of Christianity in Manifest Destiny

Christianity played a central role in the development of Manifest Destiny. The Puritans, the Great Awakening revivalists, and the Second Great Awakening revivalists all believed that America was a Christian nation. They also believed that it was the duty of Americans to spread their religion to the rest of the world.

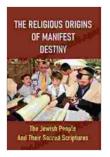
This belief in American Christian exceptionalism justified the expansion of the United States. The settlers believed that they had a God-given right to take the land that the Native Americans occupied. They also believed that they had a duty to spread their religion to the Native Americans.

The Impact of Manifest Destiny

Manifest Destiny had a profound impact on the development of the United States. It led to the westward expansion of the United States and the displacement of Native Americans. It also led to the development of a sense of American nationalism and a belief in American superiority.

The legacy of Manifest Destiny is still felt today. The United States continues to be a Christian nation, and many Americans still believe that it is the duty of the United States to spread its values to the rest of the world.

Manifest Destiny was a complex phenomenon with a number of causes. Religion played a central role in the development of Manifest Destiny. The Puritans, the Great Awakening revivalists, and the Second Great Awakening revivalists all believed that America was a Christian nation and that it was the duty of Americans to spread their religion to the rest of the world. This belief justified the westward expansion of the United States and the displacement of Native Americans. The legacy of Manifest Destiny is still felt today. The United States continues to be a Christian nation, and many Americans still believe that it is the duty of the United States to spread its values to the rest of the world.

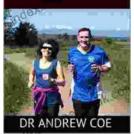


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