



# IS AMERICA A CREEDAL NATION? A JEWISH PERSPECTIVE



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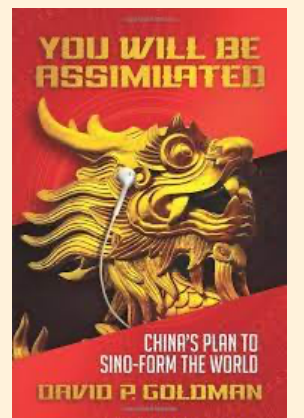
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The American nation owns its history by adoption rather than experience. The Englishmen who founded America appropriated the history of Israel as their own.

But an Israel imagined from this Puritan viewpoint is quite different from the actual Israel. This theology is prone to millenarian excess, as the nation is tempted to take the journey toward the Celestial City.

Our national debility is the dangerous urge to complete, once and for all, that unending journey. But if we understand our national weakness, we can limit the harm it might do.

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