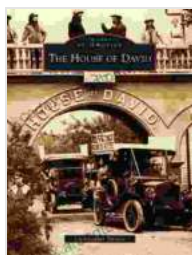
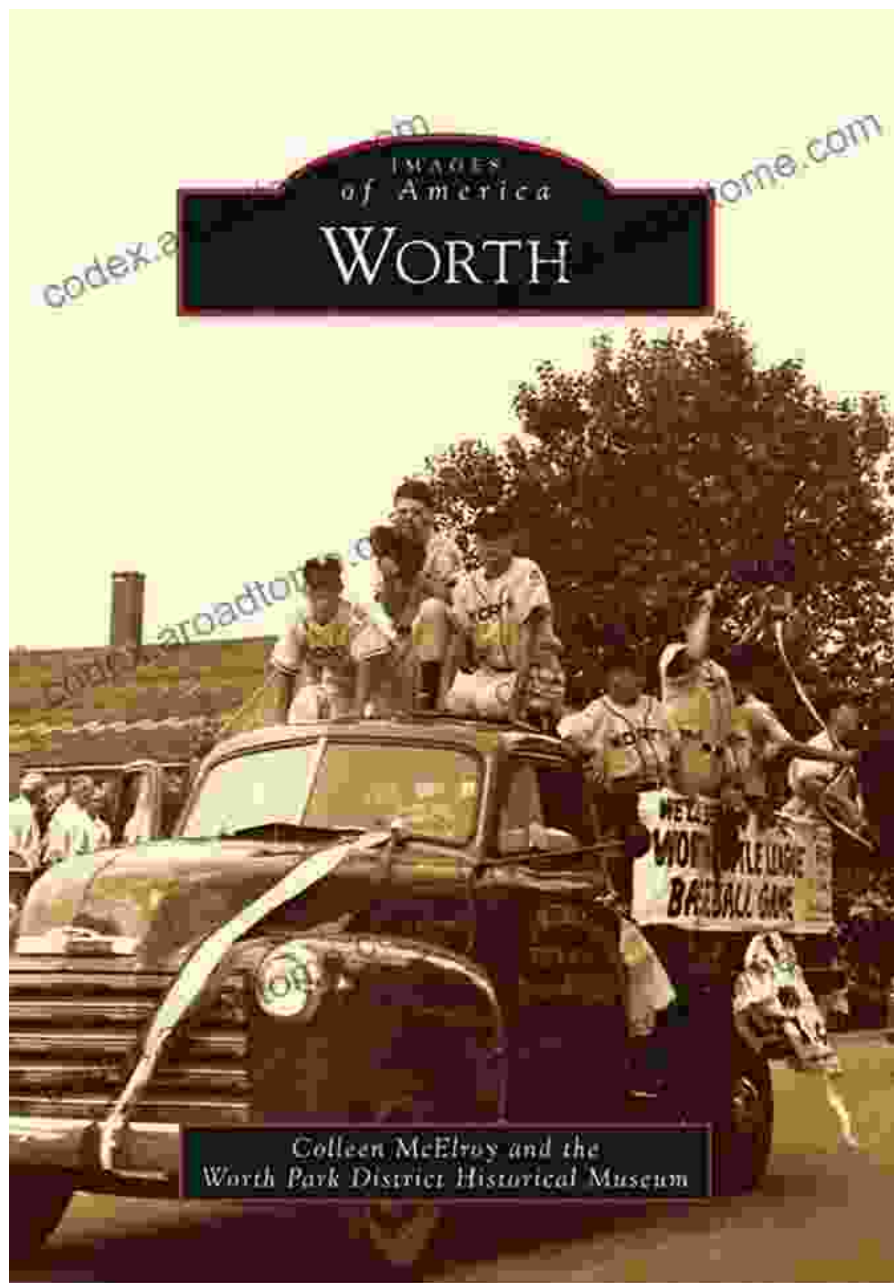


The House Of David: Images of America - Unveiling a Lost World

Journey back in time to the enigmatic world of The House Of David, a religious colony that captivated the hearts and minds of America in the early 20th century. Through the lens of captivating photographs, "The House Of David: Images of America" invites you to explore the fascinating history, vibrant culture, and stunning architecture of this extraordinary community.



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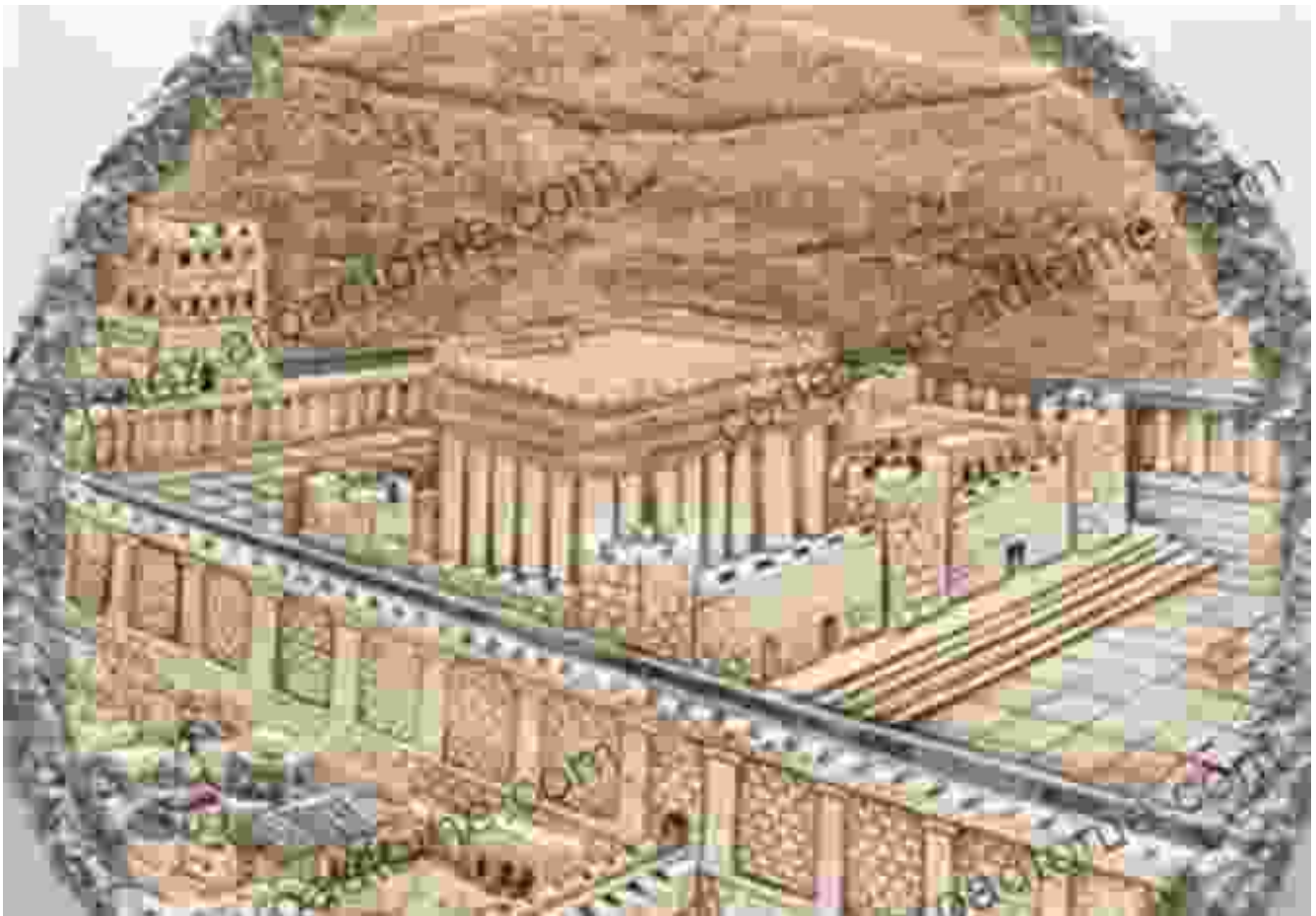
A Tapestry of History and Faith

Founded in 1903 by Benjamin Purnell, The House Of David was a religious colony that espoused a unique blend of Christianity and socialism. Its members lived a communal lifestyle, sharing their possessions and working together for the common good. The colony's focus on physical fitness and athleticism led to the creation of a renowned baseball team, the House Of David Mighty Midgets, which toured the country and gained widespread popularity.

As the colony grew, it established a thriving community in Benton Harbor, Michigan, complete with its own school, hospital, and theater. The House Of David's charismatic leader, "King" Benjamin Purnell, commanded a devoted following who believed in his teachings and the colony's mission.

Architecture as an Expression of Faith

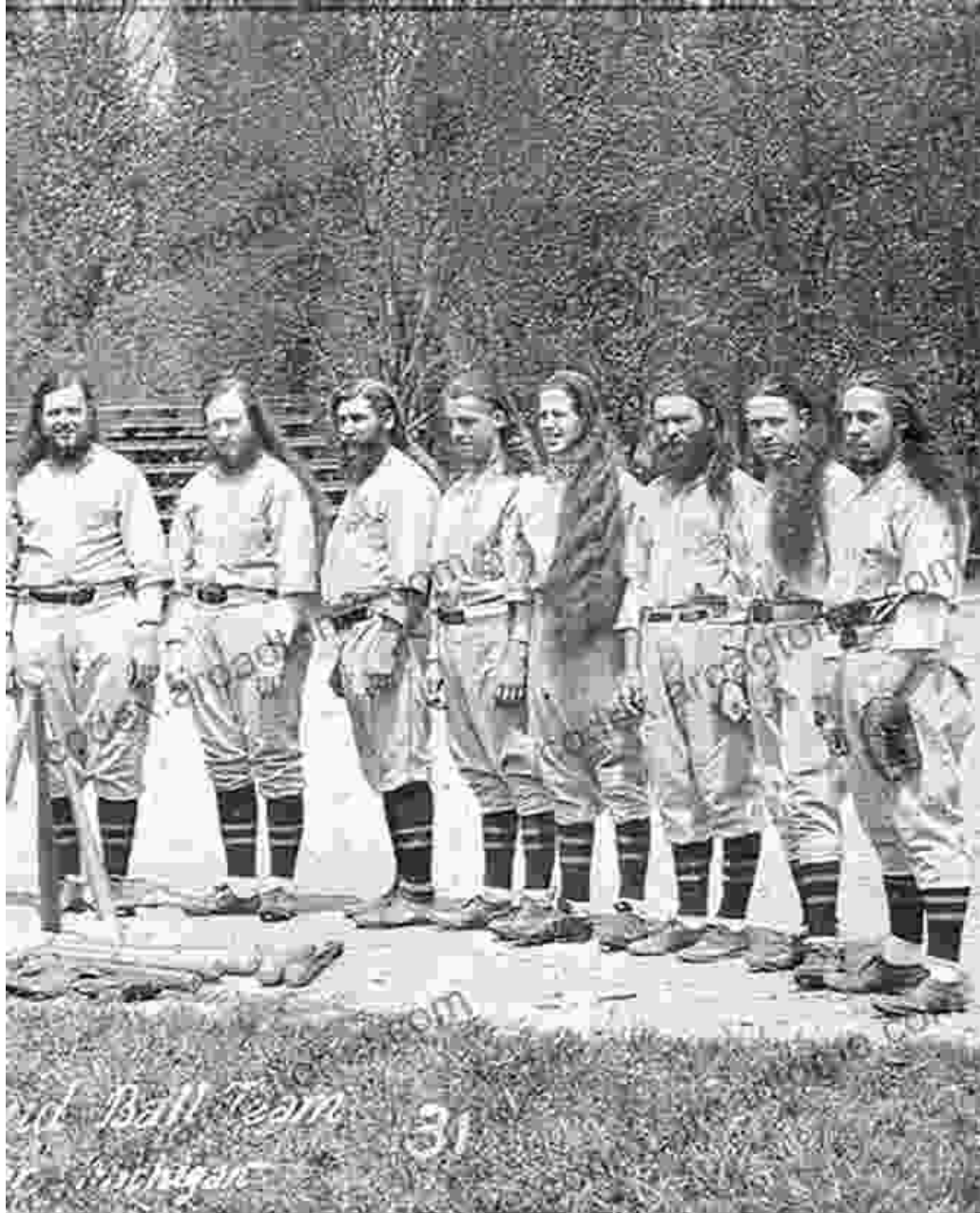
One of the most striking aspects of The House Of David was its stunning architecture. The colony's buildings, designed by architect John Alexander Dowie, showcased a unique blend of Byzantine, Moorish, and Art Deco styles. The centerpiece of the colony was the massive House Of David Tabernacle, a magnificent structure that could accommodate over 7,000 worshippers and featured intricate stained-glass windows and soaring ceilings.



Beyond the Tabernacle, the colony's grounds were adorned with a variety of other buildings, including a hospital, a school, and a dormitory for the House Of David Mighty Midgets. Each structure was meticulously designed to reflect the colony's ideals of beauty, harmony, and spirituality.

A Vanished Legacy Captured in Time

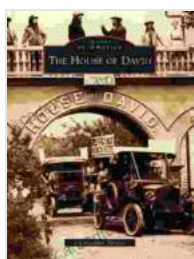
The House Of David's reign as a thriving religious colony came to an end in the mid-20th century, due to financial difficulties and internal conflicts. The colony's property was auctioned off, and many of its buildings were demolished. However, the legacy of The House Of David lives on in the memories of those who experienced it and in the captivating photographs that have preserved its essence for posterity.



"The House Of David: Images of America" is a treasure trove of these rare and evocative photographs, offering a glimpse into a world that has long since disappeared. Through these images, we can witness the daily life of the colony's members, admire its stunning architecture, and understand the unique spiritual and cultural beliefs that shaped its existence.

Whether you are a history buff, an architecture enthusiast, or simply someone fascinated by forgotten worlds, "The House Of David: Images of America" is a must-read. This captivating book invites you to step back in time and discover the enchanting allure of this extraordinary religious colony.

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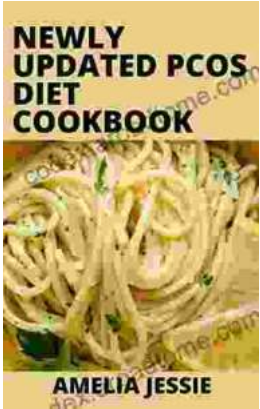
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