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ISRAEL'S STORY

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**OVER 3,000 YEARS AGO
AN INDIGENOUS PEOPLE
DEVELOPED A THRIVING
CIVILISATION AND
CULTURE IN THEIR
HOMELAND.**



*Herod's Temple
(the Second Jewish Temple)*

OVER TIME, THEY WERE CONQUERED BY A SERIES OF AGGRESSIVE FOREIGN EMPIRES.

Assyrian Siege



*Destruction of
Solomon's Temple*



**WHILE SOME OF THE
PEOPLE STAYED IN THEIR
CITIES AND COMMUNITIES,
MOST OF THEM GRADUALLY
SCATTERED ACROSS THE
MIDDLE EAST, EUROPE,
AND BEYOND.**



Jerusalem



Safed



Tiberias



Hebron

**ALTHOUGH THEY FLOURISHED
AT TIMES, FOR 1,900 YEARS,
THEY LIVED AS AN OPPRESSED
MINORITY, SUFFERING
PERSECUTION, EXPULSIONS,
AND ULTIMATELY GENOCIDE.**



*Jewish refugees from
Arab countries*

*World War II:
Nazi persecution
and murder of
European Jews*

Jews arriving in Turkey from Spain

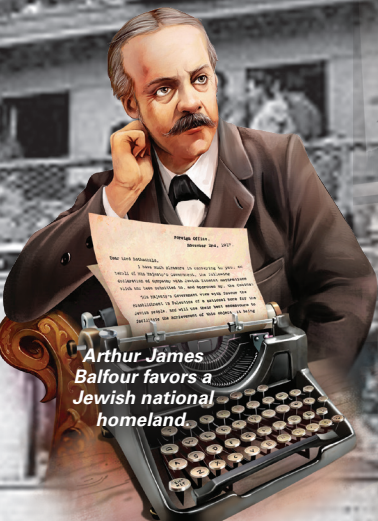
**THEY BARELY SURVIVED
BUT NEVER LOST HOPE.**

THEY OVERCAME.



**THEY STARTED A
LIBERATION MOVEMENT
AND WENT BACK HOME
TO JOIN THOSE WHO
WERE ALREADY THERE.**

**AGANAH Ship
EXODUS 1947**



**Arthur James
Balfour favors a
Jewish national
homeland.**



**Theodor Herzl
addresses the First
Zionist Congress.**

THEY BUILT ONE OF THE MOST VIBRANT, DIVERSE, INSPIRING NATIONS THE WORLD HAS EVER SEEN.



Liberation of Jerusalem, 1967

Celebrating Israeli statehood on May 14, 1948, in Tel Aviv

THAT NATION IS ISRAEL.

*The Azrieli Centre,
Tel Aviv*



*ReWalk allows
paraplegics to
walk again.*



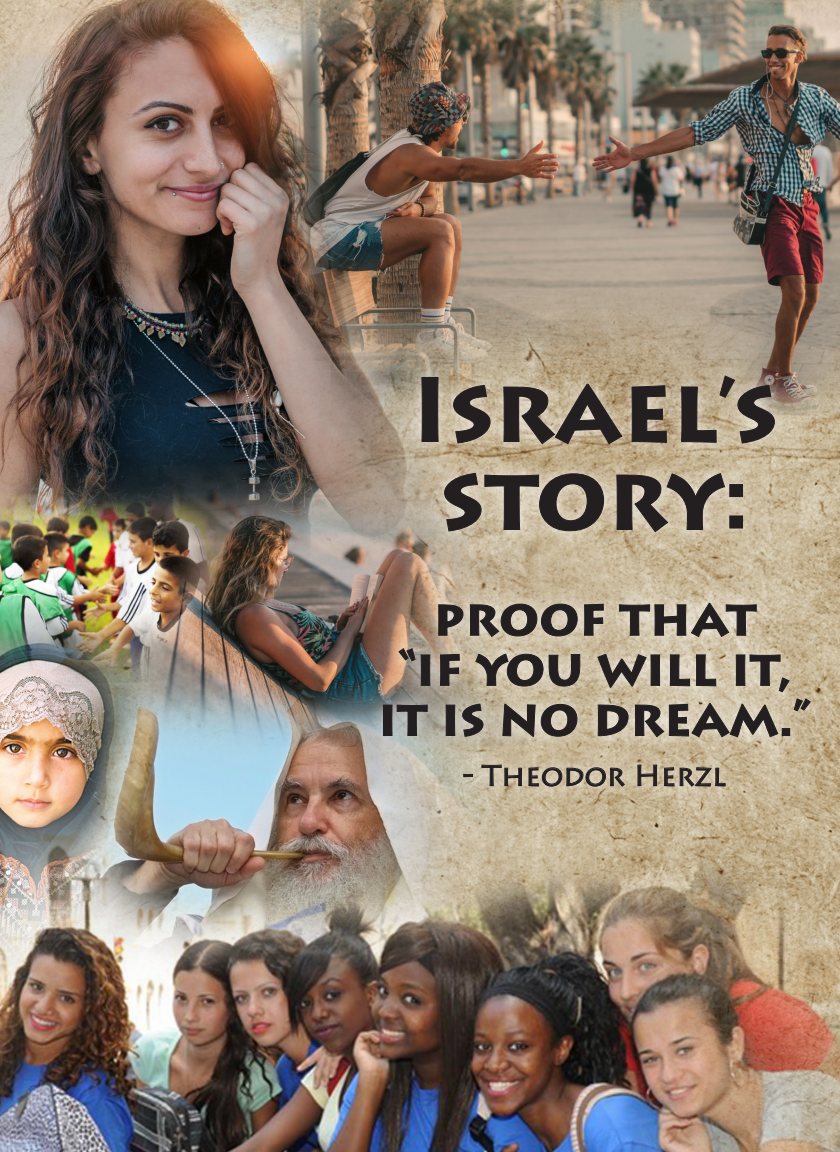
*Ingestible
pill-shaped
camera*



Col. Ilan Ramon



*Israeli aid worker
with child
in Haiti*



ISRAEL'S STORY:

**PROOF THAT
"IF YOU WILL IT,
IT IS NO DREAM."**

- THEODOR HERZL

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