

- 1.** Before the modern state of Israel there was the British mandate, not a Palestinian state.
- 2.** Before the British mandate there was the Ottoman Empire, not a Palestinian state.
- 3.** Before the Ottoman Empire there was the Islamic Mamluk Sultanate of Egypt, not a Palestinian state.
- 4.** Before the Islamic Mamluk Sultanate of Egypt there was the Ayyubid Dynasty, not a Palestinian state. Godfrey of Bouillon conquered it in 1099.
- 5.** Before the Ayyubid Dynasty there was the Christian kingdom of Jerusalem, not a Palestinian state.
- 6.** Before the Christian kingdom of Jerusalem there was the Fatimid Caliphate, not a Palestinian state.
- 7.** Before the Fatimid Caliphate there was the Byzantine Empire, not a Palestinian state.
- 8.** Before the Byzantine Empire there was the Roman Empire, not a Palestinian state.
- 9.** Before the Roman Empire there was the Hasmoneans Dynasty, not a Palestinian state.
- 10.** Before the Hasmonaean Dynasty there was the Seleucid Empire, not a Palestinian state.
- 11.** Before the Seleucid Empire there was the Empire of Alexander the 3rd of Macedon, not a Palestinian state.
- 12.** Before the Empire of Alexander, the 3rd of Macedon, there was the Persian empire, not a Palestinian state.
- 13.** Before the Persian Empire there was the Babylonian empire, not a Palestinian state.
- 14.** Before the Babylonian Empire there was the Kingdoms of Israel and Judea, not a Palestinian state.
- 15.** Before the kingdoms of Israel and Judea there was the kingdom of Israel, not a Palestinian state.
- 16.** Before the Kingdoms of Israel and Judea there was the theocracy of the 12 Tribes of Israel, not a Palestinian state.
- 17.** Before the theocracy of the 12 Tribes of Israel there was the individual state of Canaan, not a Palestinian state.
- 18.** Before the Kingdom of Israel, there was the Theocracy of the Twelve Tribes of Israel, not a Palestinian state.
- 19.** Before the Theocracy of the Twelve Tribes of Israel, there was an agglomeration of independent Canaanite city-kingdoms, not a Palestinian state.

In fact, in this corner of the earth there was everything but a Palestinian state!

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