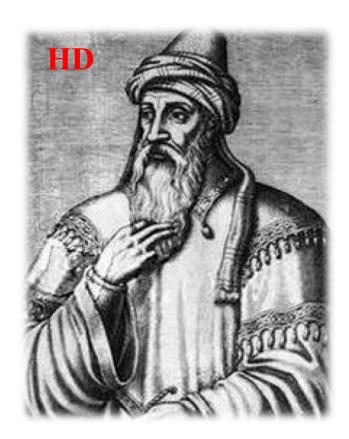


## **PORTRAIT**



## **Saladin,** The Sultan knight at the times of the Crusades



## **Directed by Jacques VICHET**

A documentary of 52'

French Version English Version

High Definition HD Cam & Digital Betacam 16/9

Saladin, or « He who received victory from God », was also the victorious adversary of the Francs during the last third of the 12th century, the age of the « Holy War ».

Much about him remains a mystery to this day. Opinions about him are divided: usurper or legendary sovereign..

However, Saladin is recognised by all for his great military prowess.

Famous for having fought for the recapture of Jerusalem, Saladin was leading a *djihad*.

Some feel that Saladin was only concerned with war and d*jihad*, to the neglect of other affairs of state.

He did however contribute to the construction of universities, as well as setting up a system of mutual aide within the population.

Several great thinkers and scientists emerged during his reign.

The administrative system was exceptional, and it was the widespread peace within his borders that enabled him to focus so much of his energies abroad.

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