



NAR – The New Apostolic Reformation

Matthew 24:11-13

And many false prophets shall rise and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

Matthew 24:24

For false messiahs and false prophets will appear and perform great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.

2 Timothy 4:1-4

I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom; Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

2 Peter 2:1-3

But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingered not, and their damnation slumbered not.

Boom & Bust Cycles of Cults:

Ecclesiastes 1:9 The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: ***and there is no new thing under the sun.***

1948 Latter Rain movement & “revival” broke out in Saskatchewan, Canada

[What is the Latter Rain Movement? | GotQuestions.org](#)

1950/60’s William Branham - Manifest Sons of God of an advanced elite state of perfection, holiness, & revelation. Shepherding. [The Manifestation of the Sons of God - Christian Research Institute](#)

1980/90’s NAR movement was founded by and is heavily associated with C. Peter Wagner. Other names: Independent Network Charismatic or Apostolic-Prophetic Movement.

Notice the emphasis on prophetic signs & wonders, elite status. (Mt 16:4 sign & times)

Major Proponents:

- Bill Johnson & Bethel Church in Redding Calif,
- Bethel Music “bypasses all intellectual barriers”, Jesus Culture,
- International House of Prayer Kansas City (they deny assoc. but hold to core teaching)
- Micheal L. Brown, Randy Clash, Cindy Jacobs,
- 2011 Passion Bible (Brent Simons)
- 1993 Message Bible [What is The Message \(MSG\)? | GotQuestions.org](#)

Question:

- **Why should I believe you have the authority of an apostle or a prophet?**
- *NAR/Bill Johnson states Jesus emptied Himself so that we can do the same as Jesus.*
- **Mark 2:3-10** – lowering one sick of the palsy – shows Jesus can forgive sins while on earth as a man, “But that you may know that the Son of man has power on earth to forgive sins”.
- **Phil 2:5-8** Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation (emptied Himself), and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross
- **1 Thess 5:3** But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 2For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 3For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. 4But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.
- **Revelation 19:11** Their belief is to rise up God’s army here and bring God’s kingdom on earth...

New Apostolic Reformation - Wikipedia

- "The Kingdom of God is advanced on earth through the church gaining dominion"
- "Apostles, aided by prophets, constitute the church's strategic spiritual leadership"
- "The Kingdom of God will come through spiritual transformation of culture and society"
- "The end-times church will be the complete manifestation of Jesus on earth"
- "A strong focus on prophetic insight and supernatural manifestations"
- "New revelation and casual use of the Bible"
- “NAR holds that most such prophecies have been fulfilled in the early church, with prophecies from the movement's prophets gaining importance in its understanding of the end times. It believes that the end times will be an "optimistic" period of the [Kingdom of God](#) being established on earth through the actions of obedient Christians, leading to the [Second Coming](#).”

Seven Mountain Mandate - Wikipedia

A January 2024 [Denison University](#) poll found 41% of American Christians believe in 7 Mt Mandate

The movement is believed by its followers to have begun in 1975 with a purported message from God delivered to evangelicals [Loren Cunningham](#), [Bill Bright](#), and [Francis Schaeffer](#) ordering them to invade the "seven spheres" of society identified as family, religion, education, media, entertainment, business, and government. The idea was not seriously considered until 2000 during a meeting between Cunningham and [Lance Wallnau](#). The movement came to prominence after the 2013 publication of Wallnau's and [Bill Johnson](#)'s *Invading Babylon: The 7 Mountain Mandate*.^{[7][8]}

Seven Mountain Apostolic Mandate:

- The return of Christ brings peace on earth via restoring apostle & prophets.
- Spiritual Israel linkage, Celebrity culture.
- Progressive Christianity – mystics, social justice

Sources on YouTube:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PwlfBFbh3rk> - Alisa Childers & Dawain Atkinson ex-apostle.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tXDq59eqtwg> - EP 109 | The Truth About the NAR
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0_nK_VT7644 - Holly Pivec & R. Douglas Geivett