

Even to the discerning believer, truth laced with false teaching is as tough to detect as a few drops of arsenic in a tall glass of water.

NAR (New Apostolic Reformation)

Quotes from “*The Religious Right Uniting with Religious Renegades*” by Marsha West

- Leaders in the New Apostolic Reformation, a heretical movement that sprang from the Pentecostal and Charismatic movements, claim that they hear directly from God, Jesus and angels. They even encourage their followers to contact angels despite the fact that Scripture expressly forbids contacting the spirit world because Satan and his demons can appear as an ‘angel of light’ to deceive people (2 Cor. 11:14). Like the apostles who established the early church, these ‘restored apostles and prophets’ believe they are called by God to lay the foundation and government for the new earthly Kingdom. Moreover, they believe that soon they will take dominion over government and dominate the world politically and spiritually.
- Self-professed NAR prophet Cindy Jacobs and General’s International held the May Day 2010: A Cry to God for a Nation in Distress at the foot of the Lincoln Memorial where “local representatives shared about their state’s Christian heritage and lifted up prayers for their state and the United States. In attendance were such notables as James Dobson, David Barton, Alan Keyes, others, including NAR leaders C. Peter Wagner.
- In April 2010, conservative Liberty University in Lynchburg, VA hosted The Awakening 2010 conference sponsored by the Freedom Federation. Influential leaders at the event included Newt Gingrich, Gary Bauer, Tony Perkins ... and NAR Apostles Cindy Jacobs.... Jacobs is the NAR’s “lead U.S. National Apostle.” Cindy is supposedly a modern day prophet. But I beg to differ. This woman has uttered more false prophecies than Walgreen’s has pills, proving beyond a reasonable doubt that she is no more a prophet of God than Lady Gaga! The truth is, Cindy Jacobs is a *false* prophet.
- The NAR a.k.a. Latter Rain/Kingdom Now/Dominionist/Joel’s Army/Manifest Sons of God—no doubt I’ve left some names out—has been on the rise for over six decades. As you can see the name has been changed umpteen times so that unsuspecting Christians will swallow the hype that there’s a “New Wave” or a “Paradigm Shift” taking place in Christendom. They claim they’re receiving *new* revelation from God and are ushering in “a reformation greater in scale than the reformation of the 1500s.” They also claim that a new group of believers will rise up and be given the power to perform miraculous signs and wonders, even greater than the miracles of Jesus and the Apostles—and they believe they have the power to cast out demons, heal the sick, raise the dead and bring multitudes into the Kingdom of God.
- The founder of this sect is C. Peter Wagner from Fuller Theological Seminary. Wagner is one of the leading authorities on the Church Growth movement and has been studying the field of church growth for close to 40 years. (Rick Warren wrote his doctoral dissertation at Fuller Seminary on Wagner’s church growth ideas and was mentored by Wagner.) C. Peter Wagner is the “presiding apostle” in the International Coalition of Apostles.

Latter Rain Revival Movement

Restorationists simply believe that God is restoring first-century or apostolic Christianity through their particular movement or group. Their central New Testament passage most often cited is Acts 3:21, “whom heaven must receive until the period of restoration of all things . . .” This is why Restorationist teachers like Dick Iverson and Earl Paulk teach that Christ cannot return at any-moment via the rapture. They teach that Christ is held in the heavens until the church has been restored and perfected, only then will He be free to return. Many Restorationists believe that these events will be facilitated by an outpouring of the Holy Spirit often called the “latter rain” revival.

The phrase “latter rain” is taken from Joel 2:23 & 28 and sometimes James 5:7 as a label describing an end-time revival and evangelistic harvest expected by many charismatics and some Pentecostals. Some time in the future, they believe the Holy Spirit will be poured out like never before. The latter rain teaching is developed from the agricultural model that a farmer needs rain at two crucial points in the growing cycle in order to produce a bountiful harvest. First, right after the seed is planted the “early rain” is needed to cause the seed to germinate in order to produce a healthy crop. Second, the crop needs rain right before the harvest, called the “latter rain,” so the grain will produce a high yield at harvest time, which shortly follows. Latter rain advocates teach that the Acts 2 outpouring of the Holy Spirit was the “early rain” but the “latter rain” outpouring of the Holy Spirit will occur at the end-times.

Jackie Deer of the Vineyard churches, who believes this, says, “Often this great event is described in terms of Old Testament imagery of the army in Joel 2. When this army comes,” he says, “it is large and it is mighty. It is so mighty that there has never been anything like it before.” ... “Twelve is the number of the apostles. Twelve is apostolic government. And when you take an important number in the Bible and multiply it, that means you intensify it. So 12,000 times 12,000 equals 144,000. That is the ultimate in apostolic government. Revelation talks about that. Well, here Joel is talking about it now in different words. A powerful and mighty army with many Pauls, and many Moses, many Davids.”

To Latter Rain teachers it seemed obvious that if there was to be a repeated apostolic Pentecost, then apostles and prophets must be restored as well. These teachers then devised a historical scheme of restoration. Church history was understood as a succession of recoveries of lost or neglected truths. Luther recovered justification by faith, Baptists believers’ baptism, Wesley holiness, A.B. Simpson healing and the early Pentecostal pioneers the gifts of the Spirit. The recovery process was now extended further. The end time body of Christ must go on to maturity and restore the apostles and prophets and these restored ministries must lead the church to a new and final dimension of power and authority not only bringing in the final harvest but establishing the Kingdom of God upon the earth.

Nowhere in Scripture does it teach that we can expect ‘new revelation’ from God. Those who teach this are in error. Moreover, our feelings and experiences are not to be trusted.

IHOP (International House of Prayer)

IHOP began in 2000 in Kansas City, MO by Mike Bickle. There are about 500 people on staff now. They just built a world headquarters including a 5000 seat conference center. In 2009, they purchased 80 homes converted to intern dormitories.

The IHOP goal is to establish IHOP 24/7 prayer rooms and ministries in every major American city and most campuses. They boast at least 200 of these both in the USA and around the world. A continuous flow of free live web streaming flows daily from the KC prayer room and made available around the world to their satellite prayer rooms. Internees are encouraged to become part of establishing these prayer rooms and their 24/7 scheduling. Young people in many places become designated “apostles” and “prophets,” and they are told they are an elite group with special “deep truth” and “special anointings” or spiritual gifts that elevate them above those who aren’t as “spiritually mature.” This is often how they recruit new members, by promising them heightened spiritual power, not unlike the occult.

Mike Bickle presents a variant of Dominion end-times teaching that crossbreeds elements of

Dispensational eschatology with Dominion Post-Millennial views. This at first glance seems similar to Dispensational teaching which has occupied for decades the most popular view of the end times. But Dispensational Pre-Millennial eschatology in its pure form is directly in opposition to the Dominion teaching.

Most Dominionists portray Dispensationalists as passive in a derogatory way, depicting them as believers who simply wait for the day and hour for the Rapture which snatches them away before the Great Tribulation can begin. But in Mike Bickle's treatment of the Bible's book of Revelation there is no passive waiting for the Rapture. Rather the church has the mandate to bring forward the return of the Lord, even as it must fight against the Antichrist, and go through the horrors of the Tribulation period. Bickle, who espouses "restored" Dominion Apostles and Prophets of the [Latter Rain restoration scheme](#), nevertheless promotes a view he calls Pre-Millennial Dominionism. Previously, most Dominionists rejected the Dispensational teachings of the church going through the Tribulation and the coming of the Antichrist.

And now, thanks to Mike Bickle, many Dispensational end-time teachers have very quietly made the transition to the elements of the Dominionist view which Mike Bickle calls Pre-Millennial (or Forerunner) Dominionism. Now people with a Dispensational view can advance the Dominionist prophetic clock.

Although Bickle admits that Christians can't predict the exact "day or hour" of Jesus' second coming, he firmly claims that we can know the specific "season" of His return and boldly tells his followers that he believes the end of the world will unfold in this generation.

In light of Bickle's conviction that we are living in the generation of Jesus' second coming, he preaches that, as God raised up John the Baptist to be a forerunner preparing his generation for Jesus' first coming, God is now raising up an elite end-time forerunner movement within the church. This movement will prepare this generation for the soon-coming Great Tribulation and Jesus' return.

Bickle believes God has anointed him to call forth and train these end-time Christian forerunners. He is praying for thousands of last-days "forerunner Christians" to be raised up within this generation as special prophetic voices that will emerge in the spirit and power of Elijah and defeat the Antichrist's soon-coming one-world government and religion by praying the "battle plan" of the Book of Revelation.

Bickle teaches that Jesus' second coming can be delayed or sped up according to the degree of the church's spiritual maturity and readiness. He declares that most Christians are waiting passively for Jesus to return, when in actuality, Jesus is waiting for the church to prepare itself as the pure Bride of Christ and to ready itself to launch the last-day divine war to drive evil from the earth and cleanse it so that it can be filled with God's love and glory.

In Bickle's morphing of elements of Dispensational and Dominion views, believers must fight the Antichrist and the evil forces during the Tribulation instead of watching from the grandstands of heaven. In fact, we may be in the great Tribulation even now -- according to Bickle the endtime church is far from passive but victorious in the Tribulation against the Antichrist. Furthermore, the overcoming church can speed up the return of Christ and actually defeat the Antichrist and execute judgment on the Antichrist and the ungodly.

Bickle does not simply preach that the church will go through the Great Tribulation sealed by God's

sovereign power, but that the end-time church will actually cause God's judgments to be released on the earth through prophetic prayer. In other words, the end-time praying church will not simply be helpless martyrs during the Great Tribulation; it will victoriously **establish justice on the earth by releasing the devastating Great Tribulation judgments** on the Antichrist's global evil empire [emphasis added].

Bickle declared in 2008 that "it was time for the prayer movement to realize that it will be the primary agent to transition human history to the age to come through "prayers of faithful not only to heal, but also kill," releasing the heavenly arsenals through intercession that will strike the Antichrist's political, military, and economic power bases across the earth."

This sounds like preparing for literal warfare!

Furthermore, the end-times church will bring back a killing and blood-spilling "Jesus," whom Bickle sees covered in real blood as he does physical combat against the Antichrist's army. From Bickle's tape, "Armageddon and the Second Coming," this returning Jesus will go on a 30-day violent campaign from Egypt to Jerusalem with his resurrected saints, a Jesus killing spree with his own sword and splashing blood on his robe in fashion as David in the OT. [But note the biblical facts: David was kept from building the temple because he "*shed much blood*" (1 Chron. 22:7,8). Furthermore, 2 Thess. 2:8 pictures the Lord destroying with the breath of his mouth, and destroying the Anti-Christ with the brightness of His coming.]

Bickle envisions that the end-time forerunner church will be an advanced 'apostolic' movement. They will experience 'greater things' than the original [New Testament biblical] Apostles themselves. They will function as the last day Moses (more allegorizing) who through prayer releases God's plagues, etc. on the Antichrist, the end-time Pharaoh.

Joel's Army

The opportunity of joining the "new breed," an elite group of believers endowed with supernatural power that would enable them to be part of the army of "dread warriors" that God was said to be raising up in our generation. According to John Wimber [Vineyard Churches] this is a type of "Joel's Army" who will overcome all opposition to the gospel and eventually subdue the nations. This teaching is part of what is known as "dominion theology" which teaches that an elite army of "overcomers" will either destroy or subdue all the enemies of Christ until they eventually gain power and authority throughout the world. The government of the nations will be upon their shoulders and when all the secular authorities, governments, princes and kings have finally submitted to them, Christ will return and they will present the kingdom to him. ("Prophecy Today," Vol. 7, No. 1, England)

"The Response"

August 6, 2011, Governor Perry hosted a day of prayer in Houston, Texas called "The Response." Participating in that event were NAR, IHOP, Latter Rain people as well as Evangelicals, such as Joel Rosenberg.

"Perry has jumped on the 'Joel's Army' bandwagon [Joel's Army believers are hard-core Christian dominionists, meaning they believe that America, along with the rest of the world, should be governed by conservative Christians and a conservative Christian interpretation of biblical law], claiming in his promotional message for his The Response prayer and fasting event in Houston in August...."

“The ‘response’ Perry is talking about is the one Joel 2 calls for when God’s people are confronted by an Apocalyptic crisis. In part a call for fasting and prayer, it is also a description of a powerful army of God.

“One group which has for many years taught a theology based on Joel 2’s crisis or ‘shock doctrine’, is the Kansas City prayer organization IHOP (International House of Prayer), headed by Mike Bickle, part of what was known in the 1990s as the Kansas City Prophets, a neo-charismatic movement of Christian ‘dominionists’, who seek to transform the USA into a Christian theocracy.

“Perry lists several figures associated with IHOP and with The Call movement, started by IHOP associate Lou Engle, as part of the leadership team for the governor’s August 6...”

“These self-proclaimed prophets often employ the militaristic rhetoric of Joel 2, which describes a great and destructive Army of God, thus Joel’s Army. To fill the ranks of this army, the leaders of the movement target young people and children, and shape their message with raucous (often violent) themes and music, intended to appeal to young people’s raw emotions.” --Glenn Wright, “Rick Perry bases call for national salvation on ‘Joel’s Army’ cult movement,” *The Examiner*, 6/9/11

Brannon Howse: “I do not believe those participating in *The Response*, and other such projects, are guilty by association but guilty by participation. I believe they are guilty of giving credibility to false teachers by choosing to unite with false teachers. Ephesians 5:11 says, “And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them.” 2 Timothy 3:5 says “and from such people turn away.” ... “Nationalism or ecumenical patriotism, mysticism, and a lack of biblical discernment which leads to tolerance of false teaching are growing in America.” ... “One of the people listed on The Response website as an endorser is “Cindy Jacobs.” Others listed on the website of *The Response* include members of the International House of Prayer (IHOP).

“The Power of a Whisper”

Many Christians, especially Charismatic Christians, are open to receiving a “prophetic word from the Lord” through a so-called prophet. Some have even bought into the notion that they actually hear God speaking to them in a sort of whisper, such as Bill Hybels’ new book “The Power of a Whisper: Hearing God. Having the Guts to Respond” (Zondervan, 2010). “Hybels incites passion in Christ-followers’ hearts for being wide open to the power of a whisper from God, offers practical filters for discerning whether the whisper you heard is from heaven and issues the challenge to get gutsier about actually *doing* what God is prompting you to do” [book flap].

Apologist Greg Koukl offers this warning:

“This teaching that God will whisper in your ear all kind of particulars that pertain to you and His will for your life is very appealing to Christians. Even though when you look at the Scriptures, the specialized directions are rare. They are unusual. They are usually unsought. And they are always crystal clear. None of this “I think the Lord is telling me” business. People are still gravitating to the suggestion that we can develop a sixth sense that can tie us into a hotline to God so that we can have certitude about the things of life and the decisions we ought to make. Why is this appealing? Because it’s easy.”

Christians must be careful of such things as voices, visions, dreams, revelations, strong impressions, angel visitations and drawing on their *experiences*. None of these things should be given equal or greater authority than what is contained in Scripture. The Bible is the believer's final authority. Everything we need to know has already been written. "If we do not base our understanding of Christ on the Word of God," says Justin Edwards, "then all we are left with are opinions based on the figment of our imagination, the consequences of which are fatally hazardous to the soul."

Glenn Beck

On August 26-27, 2011, Glenn Beck held a rally called "Restoring Courage" in Caesarea and Jerusalem, Israel. In his speech, he said that in Israel there are three faiths and three paths [I assume he meant Christianity, Jews, and Islam], but all to the same God.

Glenn Beck/ Mitt Romney/ Every Mormon Priesthood holder's belief is that the Constitution is as sacred as scripture and that the USA is the place where the Garden of Eden was, where Christ visited after his resurrection and where He will return.

This return of Christ will take place after the Constitution and government "hangs by a thread" and is saved by the elders of the Mormon Church. Then, the country will become a theocracy and after His temple is built in Missouri, Christ will return to reign for a thousand years. However, He will let the LDS Prophet and Brethren officiate over his earthly Kingdom of God.

Glenn Beck not only became a new Mormon when he was water baptized and had hands laid on his head for the "Gift of the Holy (Mormon) Ghost." His 'gentile' blood was supernaturally and wholly changed during that process to pure and unadulterated Jewish blood.

That's right. In an actual, holy, metaphysical miracle, without a single IV present, his blood and lineage was forever changed. He would later find out, during a prophetic blessing, that he was a Jew of the house of Ephriam.

In one of the most hidden, bizarre and rarely discussed Mormon doctrines, Mormons believe that they are the true Israel, not the Jews in Israel; that their blood is changed from gentile to Jewish blood at baptismal immersion. Beck was just visiting what he considers his 'birthright.' The Jews are interlopers as far as he and the LDS Church believes. In Utah, called Zion by the faithful in word and in hymns of the church, non-Mormons are openly called "Gentiles."

Now, understanding the Hand of the Mormon god upon his true Chosen people, the Mormons, the real Jews, you can see the profound importance of Beck's trip to Israel, to set in place the spiritual foundation for the Mormons to take possession of their prophesied, self-ordained birthright, the Holy land of God.

Using his LDS Priesthood powers of authority, with Christ's own Melchizedek priesthood and the "Powers and Principalities" sealed on him the Mormon Temple Ritual, he was there to pray in the demons of Mormonism to begin to pry open the spiritual doors for the Mormon take-over.

The saddest part of this fool's errand was that supposedly godly Christian leaders like Dr. Mike Evans and John Hagee stood at his side, not having a clue that they were praying to a demonic spirit. God have mercy in them. *The blind leading the blind into a ditch.*

Beck wasn't there by accident. He was there to begin the spiritual preparation for the return of Christ

to, first, the LDS Temple prepared for His coming, in Missouri and then to the LDS Temple, *actually the Jewish 3rd temple*, in Jerusalem.

Wikipedia notes that:

Latter Day Saints believe that the Jews will build the Third Temple and after the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, the Jews will accept Jesus as the Messiah and most Jews will convert to Mormonism.

Then, it is believed, the Third Temple will become an LDS Temple and will be one of the two most important LDS Temples along with the New Jerusalem Temple that it is believed will be constructed on the Temple Lot in Independence, Missouri, United States.

The late LDS Apostle and doctrinal teacher, Bruce R. McConkie explained:

But if someone whose blood was wholly of Gentile lineage were converted, he would be adopted into the lineage of Abraham and Jacob and become the house of Israel. (Abraham 2:9-11.) That this action involves a literal change in the convert's blood was plainly taught by the Prophet [Joseph Smith] . . . "while the effect of the Holy Ghost upon a Gentile, is to purge out the old blood, and make him actually of the seed of Abraham. . . ." (Teachings of the prophet Joseph Smith, 149-150) (Mormon Doctrine, 390), (Journal of Discourses, 2:268).

"[A]s the Holy Ghost falls upon one of the literal seed of Abraham, it is calm and serene. . . while the effect of the Holy Ghost upon a Gentile, is to purge out the old blood, and make him actually of the seed of Abraham. That man that has none of the blood of Abraham (naturally) must have a new creation by the Holy Ghost. In such a case, there may be more of a powerful effect upon the body, and visible to the eye, than upon an Israelite." - Prophet Joseph Smith, Jr., History of the Church, v. 3, p. 380 "[Joseph taught] that the Gentile blood was actually cleansed out of their veins, and the blood of Jacob made to circulate in them; and the revolution and change in the system were so great that it caused the beholder to think they were going into fits." - Prophet Brigham Young, Journal of Discourses, v. 2, p. 269.

"This first Comforter. . . has no other effect than pure intelligence. It is more powerful in expanding the mind. . . of a man who is of the literal seed of Abraham, than one that is a Gentile. . . as the Holy Ghost falls upon one of the literal seed of Abraham, it is calm and serene. . . while the effect of the Holy Ghost upon a Gentile, is to purge out the old blood. . ." Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pg. 149-50.

[“Glenn Beck, the Jewish Mormon Out to Change the World With His Mormon Centered Truths,” by Ed Decker, saintsalive.com, September 2011]