

The New Apostolic Reformation



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“Adam and Eve were placed in the garden with a mission. God said, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it.” It was God’s intention that as they bore more children, who also lived under God’s rule, they would be extending the boundaries of His garden (His government) through the simplicity of their devotion to Him. The greater the number of people in right relationship to God, the greater the impact of their leadership. This process was to continue until the entire earth was covered with the glorious rule of God through man... But they were not puppets; they were free moral agents. What does this mean? This means they had a choice. God would not coerce them. On the one hand they could take dominion, but on the other hand they had the authority to give their dominion away.... The so-called “apple” became simply the visual symbol of Adam’s choice. Would he choose to obey God or would he go satan’s way? When satan convinced him to disobey God, history was suddenly changed. Adam’s authority to take dominion over God’s creation was passed over to satan. Worse yet, Adam put himself and the whole future human race under the authority of satan as well.”

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“Acts 3:21 talks of Jesus being in heaven “until the times of the restoration of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.” “Restoration” also means transformation, and this dates back to the beginning when Adam and Eve were in the Garden of Eden. Even though Jesus came and changed history, He is waiting for us to do our part in bringing restoration to pass in real life. Meanwhile, He is reigning through us until “He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power, for He must reign until He has put all enemies under His feet” (1 Cor. 15:24-25). It is our task to become spiritual and social activists until Satan’s dominion is ended.”

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"A part of power evangelism, not too well known as yet, deals with the territorial assignment given by the enemy to high ranking evil spirits in the demonic hierarchy. Certain 'powers of the air' (Eph. 6:12) may be in charge of certain geographic regions such as countries, provinces, towns, cities, sections of cities and so forth"

How does the idea of territorial spirits change the relationship between Christianity and political power?

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“Just saving individuals will not necessarily lead to social transformation... As well as praying for individuals to be saved, let's also pray for redeeming entire social institutions.”

How does this sentiment differ from mainstream evangelical protestant thought?

The Reformers Pledge

“I will discover which of the seven mountains of culture (religion, family, business, government, education, the media, and arts and entertainment) God has designed me to climb, and I will do my part to bring sustained social transformation to those areas to which I am called.”



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Why might a premillennialist and a postmillennialist have different attitudes to politics?