

Divorcing Baal

Part 1: Divorce and Remarriage, Political Dominion Style

By Dr. Orrel Steinkamp

"I believe we're headed to an Elijah/Jezebel showdown on the Earth, not just in America but all over the globe, and the **main warriors will be the prophets of Baal versus the prophets of God**, and there will be no middle ground...."

"There's an Elijah generation that's going to be the forerunners for the coming of Jesus, a generation marked not by their niceness but by the intensity of their passion.... The kingdom of heaven suffers violence and the violent take it by force. Such force demands an equal response, and Jesus is going to make war on everything that hinders love, with his eyes blazing fire."

-Lou Engle, IHOP, March 2008[1]

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Four years ago this Wednesday, at **the Call** Nashville on 07-07-07, the Spirit-breathed focus on **divorcing Baal** and resetting covenant with Christ was introduced across the body of Christ. Dutch Sheets shared how the number seven biblically symbolizes covenant. And that the Lord wanted us to **divorce Baal** and return to covenant with Jesus Christ.

The Call became a catalyst for all that was to come as we all declared our intentions for divorce. Progressive revelation from the Lord showed that, though we stated our case before God's court, we also needed to actually receive His verdict for the divorce to be legally binding.

Eighteen months ago, almost to the day, leaders from all 50 states gathered at the Lincoln Memorial to begin the process of **divorcing Baal** in Washington DC and at lodges across the nation. Led by Apostle **John Benefiel**, we stood on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial and together received God's verdict of justice. Through the body and blood of Jesus Christ, the verdict of divorce was granted!

Resetting Covenant

So on July 4, we ended this phase of nationally facilitating the divorcement of Baal right where we began. **John Benefiel** led us in receiving a Throne Room verdict of divorce from our idolatry, including the issuance of a "Writ of Assistance" to enforce the Court's ruling. Apostle Negiel Bigpond led us in a Native American spiritual, first sung on the trail of tears, telling us to "always look forward, never look back."

Then leaders from our 11-11 Campaign teams then presented together the **Declaration of Covenant as a legal petition for God to marry our land again**, releasing awakening and union.[2]

Some of the leaders of Texas Governor Rick Perry's *The Response* prayer rally are busily involved in divorcing America from the ancient god Baal and writing a new covenant for our country.

How did things get to this point, where such preposterous Spiritual Warfare tactics have become associated with a potential presidential bid? As stated in the previous article posted at Herescope, "[Prayer Warfare Evangelism](#)," Spiritual Warfare techniques dreamed up by C. Peter Wagner and his clones are only Christian copies of shamanistic practices. The intended result is that the Gospel message of Jesus and the original apostles is not only compromised, sidelined, distorted, but finally neglected. Wagner's introduction of Spiritual Warfare turns out to have nothing to do with the preaching of the cross and individual salvation - but everything to do with promoting theocratic Dominionism.

But it is the Gospel of the cross that is effective in dealing with demons. It is only the message of the cross the demons recognize and fear. Gospel preaching is God's only weapon against demonic control. The preaching of the cross was itself the power (*dunamis*, Gk. dynamite) of God unto salvation. Active spiritual warfare in apostolic times was only an infrequent mopping of demon forces which had already been rendered powerless by the cross. Surely demons who know they are on borrowed time must gain some comfort and laugh at Christians trying to use their own powerless weapons like Wagner's "strategic-level spiritual warfare" weapons against them.

This [strategic prayer warfare](#) is connected to the [Dominion Mandate](#). Wagner has explained that "[p]rinciples of strategic-level spiritual warfare need to be employed to clear the way for God's kingdom."^[3] This lays the groundwork for taking control of territories: "Strategic-level spiritual warfare undertakes confronting the high-ranking principalities and powers that wield ungodly control over territories such as cities or nations or people groups or other social networks."^[4] This territory prayer claims the [7 mountains](#) for [Dominionism](#). As I have written previously,

Wagner, more than anyone else, is responsible for creating the idioms and symbols of modern military terminology and nomenclature for spiritual warfare evangelism.

In the continuum developed at Wagner's International Spiritual Warfare Network, spiritual warfare is distinguished according to the nature and rank of the demonic beings confronted. Ground level spiritual warfare refers to personal deliverance ministry. Occult level spiritual warfare is related to occult witchcraft and Satanism. Strategic Level Spiritual Warfare (SLSW) takes place in the heavenlies as the real significant action against the stronger principalities and powers. Wagner asserts:

God, I think, is in the process of choosing an expanding corps of spiritual green berets such as Eduardo Lorenzo, Cindy Jacobs, Larry Lee Carlos Anaconda, John Dawson, Edward Salvoso or Dick Bernal, who will engage in the crucial high level battles against the rulers of darkness and consequently see measurable increases in the numbers of lost people who turn from

darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God.

Spiritual warfare evangelism coupled with another Latter Rain theme of restored Apostles and Prophets is, in Wagner's view, reforming the global church for the new millennium.[5]

Wagner's Spiritual Warfare teaching has been around long enough that it has supplanted the clear teaching of the New Testament Apostles' Gospel of the cross of Jesus Christ to save sinners. Wagner's own teaching is reflected in a recent quote from Cindy Jacobs, one of his top deputies in the [New Apostolic Reformation](#), who wrote in *Charisma* magazine that the Japanese emperor caused the tsunami because he had sex with a sun goddess:

I personally have felt that one reason Japan was such a hard group for the gospel was the fact that they have had a direct link with the Imperial family and a direct link with the **sun goddess, Amaterasu....**

[I]n recent years this link with Amaterasu and sun worship was reinstated in a ceremony in which the new Emperor once again participated and "spent the night with the goddess" after eating the sacred rice.

I believe this is one major reason Japan has gone downhill economically in such a drastic way. The debt ratio to GDP is now 200 percent. With the **earthquake and subsequent tsunami**, the economy and banking systems and the insurance industry, and others, will certainly take a massive hit.[6]

[Cindy Jacobs is listed as an endorser](#) for Governor Perry's *The Response*. C. Peter Wagner, ex-endorser, agrees with her. You can watch him on [Rachel Maddow's](#) program posted on YouTube.[7] Even if this preposterous statement were actually true, how would they know? What does this have to do with the Gospel? This kind of wild spiritual speculating only takes people's focus off the preaching of the Gospel.

Over many years of strenuous imagination, the Dominionist mind has proven to be very creative and has brought us outlandish examples of Spiritual Warfare dominion magic. Steve Schultz of *The Elijah List*, a major newsletter for the NAR, marketed a land cleansing kit in the Oct 17, 2005 issue of *The Elijah List* which read "HOW to CLEANSE YOUR HOUSE and the LAND IT SITS ON" along with an advertisement for a book by Henry Malone called *Portals To Cleansing - Taking Back Your Land From The Hands Of The Enemy*. This included a *Property Dedication Kit* with "instructions, scriptures, oil and stakes to dedicate your property to the Lord." Trouble is Schultz had to repeat the procedure four times for it to work for his house.[8] It won't work no matter how many times you do it. Ted Haggard, an early apostle of the NAR (who was C. Peter Wagner's pastor), and his New Life Church did something similar in Colorado Springs.[9]

Renee Rodriguez spent a number of years in Haggard's New Life church and describes one of the ways the New Lifers have implemented the Apostolic vision. She describes how they filled 5-gallon spray cans with anointing oil

and attempted to spray the whole city.[10]

In Ted Haggard's book, *Primary Purpose*, published in 1995, it is said that the spiritual climate in your city can be changed to such an extent that it will be "hard for people to go to hell from your city ... It happened in Colorado Springs, and it can happen in your city too." [11]

These Spiritual Warfare tactics don't work because employing demonic type magic to fight demons is not God's way. Thus these techniques are powerless. Jesus' death on the cross and His resurrection alone defeated these demons. The Apostle Paul in Colossians 2:15 wrote: "*And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.*" This means that having disarmed principalities and powers Jesus made a public show (like a Roman parade) of them, triumphing over them - and in context of this Bible passage this means the cross. This word picture portrays the demonic rulers as dejected and defeated foes, similar to captives in a Roman general's triumphant march through the streets of Rome.

Spiritual Warfare magic is a return to crass Christian paganism and pre-Reformation superstition. It is an enemy both to preaching the Gospel to animistic peoples in shamanistic societies and to Roman magic. Pre-Reformation religious magic and superstition drained medieval Christianity of the Gospel message till Luther confronted it. And now we are to return to this superstition? And Wagner and his buddies call this a Second Reformation? [12]

Wagner even suggests we learn from pagan shamans about the spirit world. He wrote in his book *Confronting the Powers* that

...I suggest that it may be possible to receive selected, but valid, information from the world of darkness itself. I am careful to stress strongly that discernment is needed while attempting to do this because evil spirits are by nature deceivers and they must be treated as hostile witnesses. Nevertheless, certain people such as shamans, witch doctors, practitioners of Eastern religions, New Age gurus or professors of the occult on university faculties are examples of the kind of people who may have much more extensive knowledge of the spirit world than most Christians have. Some of the information they furnish is accurate. Many of them are not only intelligent, but they are also sincere people of integrity. Particularly former occult practitioners who have been converted to Jesus Christ and filled with the Holy Spirit can reveal valuable things about the spirit world that may not have been recorded by the biblical writers. [13]

Sandy Simpson of the [Deception in the Church](#) ministry has explained the damage that can be done by such false teachings and weird practices:

All these unbiblical occultic methods are simply making the problem of demonism worse. In Honolulu the Transformations people walked through the streets of Chinatown with a black cross and black casket, declaring the demons begone into the air. This was not only a bad witness for the Christian

community, I believe it is giving the demons a foothold to further deceive. Did they think they were burying the demons in the casket? The enemy was laughing at them that day, and true believers need to stay far away from this kind of "transformation". They rant and rave against principalities when the Bible clearly states:

Jude 8-10 In the very same way, these dreamers pollute their own bodies, reject authority and slander celestial beings. But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not dare to bring a slanderous accusation against him, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!" Yet these men speak abusively against whatever they do not understand; and what things they do understand by instinct, like unreasoning animals— these are the very things that destroy them.[14]

Conclusion

Mainstream evangelicals have been co-opted by the New Apostolic Reformation. The NAR elite are now acting as spokespersons for Christians in America. The current false Spiritual Warfare movement promoters and leadership includes people like John Dawson, Loren Cunningham, C. Peter Wagner, Cindy Jacobs, Ed Silvoso, Dutch Sheets, Chuck Pierce, organizations like IHOP, and the far reaching tentacles of the NAR. These are the very same type of people who are organizing and promoting Gov. Perry's huge national political and prayer meeting *The Response* in Houston in early August. As of this blog post publishing, the list of honorary co-chairs, [leaders](http://theresponseusa.com/honorary-co-chairs.php), and endorsers on <http://theresponseusa.com/honorary-co-chairs.php> still includes NAR apostolic generals such as Cindy Jacobs, Mike Bickle, Che Ahn, John Benefiel (who is busy divorcing Baal), and many other leaders with long-standing close ties to C. Peter Wagner and his minions.

They have plans for America. And Americans might be shocked to learn what they are up to next. . . .

To be continued.....

The Truth:

"They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy." (Jonah 2:8)

Endnotes:

1. This quote from Lou Engle in March 2008 is transcribed and posted at "Joel's Army and The Call," 8/28/08, <http://www.rightwingwatch.org/content/joels-army-and-call>. Emphasis added. The context of the quote is explained as: "This March, at a 'Passion for Jesus' conference in Kansas City sponsored by the International House of Prayer, or IHOP, a ministry for teenagers from the heavy metal, punk and goth scenes, Engle called on his audience for vengeance.... He was referring to the Baal of the Old Testament, a pagan idol whose followers were slaughtered under orders from the prophet Elijah."

2. Report by Jon & Jolene Hamill, "Declaration of Covenant--update!" [emphasis added] sent out by Jacquie Tyre on July 9, 2011, to the Kairos Transformation & Georgia Prayer Network, report currently posted at <http://www.facebook.com/notes/carolina-strategic-prayer-alliance/1111-campaign-declaration-of-covenant-update/10150319533668132?ref=nf>

3. C. Peter Wagner, *Confronting the Powers* (Regal, 1996), p. 30.
4. C. Peter Wagner, *The Queen's Domain: Advancing God's Kingdom in the 40/70 Window* (Wagner Publications, 2000), p. 12. This book chronicles several examples of spiritual expeditions to dismantle principalities, such as "Operation Ice Castle" in 1997, which has now been totally discredited by some excellent research by Mike Oppenheimer at <http://www.letusreason.org/DVDeverest.htm> and <http://herescope.blogspot.com/2010/12/spiritual-warfarers-battle-real.html> and "Operation Queen's Palace" which supposedly confronted the "Queen of Heaven" in Turkey in 1997-99.
5. Dr. Orrel Steinkamp, "The Technology Of Spiritual Warfare Evangelism," *The Plumline*, Vol. 7, No. 1, <http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/orrel9.html> quoting from C. Peter Wagner *Warfare Prayer*, (Regal Books, 1992), p. 58.
6. Cindy Jacobs, "A Perspective on the Japan Earthquake," *Charisma*, 5/24/22, <http://www.charismamag.com/index.php/prophetic-insight/30517-a-perspective-on-the-japan-earthquake->
7. Watch http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9WtJz_wj1JU "WACKOs @ Rick Perry "Day of Prayer" Aug. 6 - Rachel Maddow" at about the 7 minute mark. This whole analysis is very disturbing. Note how the message of the Gospel has been totally lost and the degradation of the Christian walk and testimony.
8. This whole episode, complete with graphic illustrations, is published online in an article by Sandy Simpson "Three Fallacies of Third Wave Spiritual Warfare," 10/19/05, at <http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/threefallacies.html>
9. Haggard, who was head of the National Association of Evangelicals before his fall into sin, began prayer journeys around Colorado Springs as part of his Christian Information Network. Spiritual Mapping data was provided by George Otis, Jr. who is recorded by C. Peter Wagner as saying, "We must find a way to lift the enchantment of the enemy over the hearts and minds of resident people groups. Accomplishing this task--which the Bible defines as binding the strongman...--requires both an accurate identification of our spiritual competition and the faith and commitment to persevere in prayer." C. Peter Wagner, *Churches that Pray* (Regal Books, 1993), p. 217. Haggard's book on the topic of prayer dominion is titled *Primary Purpose: Making it hard for people to go to hell from your city* (Creation House, 1995).
10. Reported on at "Three Fallacies of Third Wave Spiritual Warfare," 10/19/05, at <http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/threefallacies.html> citing <http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/haggardelected.html>
11. Ibid, citing Charisma Book Warehouse, <http://cbw.strang.com/c.cgi?ProdID=3810&Source=INTNET> [broken link]. Obviously it didn't work on Haggard, for the anointed water was powerless to impede his homosexual urges.
12. C. Peter Wagner refers extensively to Lyle Schaller in his book *Churchquake!* which launched his New Apostolic Reformation. Schaller held an August 1994 Leadership Network summit meeting on the topic of "The Future of Denominations" and wrote a book called *The New Reformation*, which was the paradigm upon which Wagner founded his postdenominationalism movement, which he later called The New Apostolic Reformation. The term "Second Reformation" was popularized by Robert Schuller and was adopted by Rick Warren. See C. Peter Wagner, *Churchquake! How the New Apostolic Reformation Is Shaking Up the Church As We Know It* (Regal Books, 1999). p. 28-29 and Sarah Leslie, "The Global Day of Prayer," *Discernment Newsletter*, May/June 2005, <http://www.discernment-ministries.org/Newsletters/NL2005MayJun.pdf> and "THE SECOND REFORMATION: The Global Day of Prayer: Part 2," *Discernment Newsletter*, July/August 2005, at <http://www.discernment-ministries.org/Newsletters/NL2005JulAug.pdf>
13. *Confronting the Powers*, pp. 147-8.
14. "Three Fallacies of Third Wave Spiritual Warfare," 10/19/05, <http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/threefallacies.html>

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Divorcing Baal for Dominion

Part 2: Divorcing Baal

By Dr. Orrel Steinkamp

In 1967, 100,000 young people, ages 15-25, flocked to San Francisco to experience the hippie movement.... This counterculture rebellion was fueled by music and art, and it rapidly shifted global culture.

A **great divorce from God** and His ways of kindness occurred in this turbulent time....

Renewing Our Vows to The Lord

On the 40th-year anniversary of the "Summer of Love" that occurred in 1967 (really a summer of divorce), we are calling multi-generations to Nashville, Tennessee. We are calling you on **07-07-07**--the number of covenant renewal, marriage, and the fullness of time--for a day of national repentance, fasting, and prayer for our 40-year generational rebellion. We are calling elders, pastors, mothers, fathers, college students, children, every race, every denomination, and every age **to come and divorce Baal, and remarry the Lord.**

-Lou Engle, [TheCall](#)[1]

John Benefiel, one of the key endorsers of Texas Governor Rick Perry's [The Response](#) prayer event scheduled for August 6, and a high-ranking apostle in C. Peter Wagner's [New Apostolic Reformation \(NAR\)](#), has been overseeing an amazing series of pseudo-legal documents in which the "The Highest Court of the Kingdom of God" issues America the nation a divorce decree from ancient god Baal. Included in this process are a set of "declarations" that represent the "Citizens of the Kingdom and Citizens of This Nation" as Plaintiffs and gives these plaintiffs the legal right to take Dominion over America **NOW**.

Benefiel's legal documents are posted here for downloading;
<http://www.hapn.us/divorcingbaal> and they appear as follows:

DIVORCING BAAL

The following documents will help you in the battle against the principality of Baal. Click on the links below to download them in pdf format.

Divorce Decree (written by Dr. Jerry L. Mash): [Corporate version](#) • [Personal version](#)
[Writ of Assistance](#) (written by Dr. Jerry L. Mash)
[Declaration of Revelation](#) [Declaration of Light](#)

Other Resources:

[Petition for Declaratory Judgement](#)

[Understanding the Petition](#)

[Baal \(Teaching from Dutch Sheets\)](#)

["Israel and the Strongman Over the Americas" by Derek Prince](#)

["Signs of Transformation" in Oklahoma City as a result of divorcing Baal.](#)

Certificate of Marriage to the Lord (written by Dr. Jerry L. Mash)
Prayer of Release from Freemasonry (provided by Selwyn Stevens, Jubilee Resources Intl. Inc.)

Dr. John Benefiel is no small potatoes. He heads up the Oklahoma Apostolic Prayer Network (OAPN) and the Heartland Apostolic Prayer Network (HAPN), both of which are directly connected to the NAR, complete with their own downline networks. The agenda of the HAPN is spelled out as working on building the 7 mountains for Dominionism.^[2] Benefiel is a leader in a number of exclusive national and international apostolic networks, including the Eagles Vision Apostolic Team (EVAT), which includes C. Peter Wagner, Lance Wallnau (of 7 mountains fame), Chuck Pierce, Cindy Jacobs, Bill Hamon, Dutch Sheets, Ed Silviso, Che' Ahn, and others, some of whom show up at key endorsers for *The Response* prayer rally.^[3]

According to a report posted at Georgia's Kairos Transformation Network website, "Reformation Day Strategic Prayer Initiative: Dismantling the Power Grid," God supposedly "exposed the spirit of Baal as one of the strongmen-- perhaps the strongman - over America" on January 4-7, 2007, at Chuck Pierce's 'Starting the Year off Right Conference'^[4] held in Denton, Texas.^[5] This "Divorcing Baal" agenda was said to be launched at a 07/07/07 meeting of Lou Engle's TheCall, (see quotation above and also heading the previous Herescope post). Since that time, the report says, "John Benefiel [and] Jay Swallow... are helping the states 'divorce Baal' state to state... and this is what Chuck Pierce said had to be done now." This activity has been going on state-by-state.

Lou Engle of TheCall and IHOP (whose leadership is also heavily involved in *The Response* prayer Rally) suggested that this Spiritual Warfare against Baal was necessary because the "Church and the nation are in a crisis!" He proposed his 07-07-07 TheCall rally in Nashville as the place to "respond in repentance" to release a "revival" that could "draw us back into marital faithfulness with our Bridegroom, God" in order to "overthrow Jezebel's death-march in this nation" before the elections of 2008. Engle tied his 07-07-07 rally to a 1993 prophecy by Bob Jones ("Kansas City Prophets") about a mobilization of Joel's Army and the New Breed.

In 1993, Bob Jones prophesied, "The Houston Oilers would move to Nashville, and Nashville would build God a stadium. And 100,000 people, particularly youth, would gather for a great mobilization of the army of God." With this prophecy in effect, I was praying about holding The Call in Titan Stadium in Nashville on 07-07-07.^[6]

These pseudo-legal documents contain a "DECREE OF DIVORCE" in which it is alleged that America ("The People of God," listed as the Plaintiff, which is a mixture of Church and State) were deceived by the "lies and deceit of the Defendant" ("Baal"), and claims that the "The Highest Court of the Kingdom of

God" finds that "all offspring of the marriage have been stillborn... destroyed... or... infected by sickness" so "that no life remained in them." This is an allusion to abortion. (Note that it also blames Baal for lying and deceiving, instead of acknowledging mankind's fallen nature, original sin, and the need for redemption by the blood of Jesus Christ shed on the cross.)

The "PLAINTIFF'S DECREE" claims that "we are rightful heirs to the Great Transfer of Wealth to the Church," which mixes in the false prosperity gospel with Dominionism -- a volatile combination. In other words, once the American Church/State (as exemplified by the NAR) divorces Baal, she will become rich. This alludes to the much-prophesied latter-day "great transference of wealth" that the NAR has hinged all of their hopes upon. How will the "Plaintiffs" become rich? By plundering and stealing in the name of Dominionism from any "extensions and manifestations of the Principality of Baal, however named or designated, known or hidden." The "WRIT OF ASSISTANCE" spells this out:

- "this Court finds the **wealth** accumulated by those following the Defendant's [Baal's] practices **lawfully belong to the Plaintiffs [America]....**"
- "the **Plaintiffs alone receive the "treasures of darkness and the hidden wealth of secret places."**
- "Giving The People of God this day **power to gain wealth** to confirm this Court's covenant to their fathers."
- **Ordering** that all those empowered by this Court to enforce its rulings and proclamations forthwith grant full assistance in the **transfer of all wealth, possessions, properties, and gifts belonging to the Plaintiffs [NAR America]** as The People of God, to employ the Power and Might of this Highest Court to perform this Word, calling into obedience **all enforcement authorities to continue in this transfer until it is fully completed....**"
- "to **authorize the carrying off of all property** in his possession or delegated under him to any part of his principality or in any way related to him, and to **plunder his house.**"[7]

This incredible piece of pseudo-legal inventiveness means that these "People of God" believe that they now have a legal right from heaven to begin to steal, kill and destroy anything they define as "Baal" here on earth, starting with America. This plundering could be enforced upon individuals, organizations, churches, ministries, political groups, advocacy groups, governmental structures, etc. These NAR leaders are reserving the power to define "Baal" wherever they think they spot it, including "the religious spirit" that "perverts worship into false practices and lifeless rituals" (meaning Christian orthodoxy).[8] "Baal" thus becomes a nebulous spiritual enemy that is recognizable only to NAR leaders -- a recipe for disaster.

In their "DECLARATION OF LIGHT" these NAR leaders have gone so far as to "declare illegal in the earth any action of any people, Nation or nations that undertake what is contradictory to the Word of God" and "judge that no religion, society or group" that doesn't follow their formula for equality "must

fall." Furthering the Dominionist agenda, this declaration also says that the Plaintiff must "restore and claim back for the Kingdom of God every high place, structure, or Nation that is redeemable." Of course, they don't define "redeemable."

The series of phoney legal documents culminates in a "[ORDER AND DECLARATION](#)" from the "Court" of heaven which orders them to begin Dominion:

- "That judgment be granted against the Defendants ["Baal"], and all acting in consort with them, from carrying out any ploy, scheme, or device however devised or employed that commits the wrongs cited by the Plaintiffs [NAR America]."
- "That all powers and authorities subject to enforcing the rulings of this Court be and hereby **are authorized to execute this Order, and all such orders necessary to fulfill the intended purpose of this ruling.**"

Dutch Sheets, in a corollary document explains the aberrant theological justification for going after Baal, says that "Chuck Pierce believes, and I agree, that this is the principality warring against the great transfer of wealth to the church. You must war against this spirit to see your inheritance released."

He further says that "Baal is the strongman behind sexual perversion" and that homosexuality "is one of his strongholds." He doesn't acknowledge man's sin nature since the Fall. He also blames "Baal" for abortion that is killing off the New Breed:

Baal always goes after the next generation, trying to cut off the extension of God's covenantal purposes. He is a violent spirit and even required human sacrifice. Abortion is under Baal, as is the "cutting" of today's young generation (see 1 Kings 18:28), the vampire and goth movement, and the death culture in general that has so invaded America. Baal is leading the fight to avert the great awakening planned for the young generation of Americans today.[9]

To prove that "divorcing Baal" produces wonderful outcomes, John Benefiel's Heartland Apostolic Prayer Network (HAPN) claims responsibility for every positive economic and political development in the state of Oklahoma since they performed this legal procedure. See "[Signs of Transformation](#)" in [Oklahoma City as a result of divorcing Baal](#)" for the wealthy details.

One must wonder what God thinks about these legal issuances that are supposedly coming from "The Supreme Judge" in "The Highest Court of the Kingdom of God."

To be continued. . . .

The Truth:

Christ has defeated Satan and his minions (by whatever name) at the Cross by His shed blood and resurrection. This shed blood covers our sins. And it is only the shed blood of Jesus that will redeem an individual person from a life of sin. And the only way to "redeem" individual citizens in America *the nation* is by individual believers in *the Church* freely sharing the Gospel message -- living the Gospel of Salvation and preaching the Gospel of Salvation -- not through the domination of Dominion, not by Spiritual Warfare magic, not by "divorcing Baal," not by filled stadiums, not through concocting phoney legal documents.

"Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage." (Hebrews 2:14-15)

"And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it." (Colossians 2: 13-15)

Endnotes:

Note: All emphases above are added.

1. Lou Engle, "GOD IS CALLING US TO FASTING AND PRAYER--AND TO ANSWER THE CALL ON 7-07-07 IN NASHVILLE AND WHERE YOU LIVE!" published March 19, 2007 on TheElijahList at http://www.elijahlist.com/words/display_word/5107 and also <http://revivalfire.info/?comments=qggtfagepovhl&paged=7> and <http://my.opera.com/revivalfire/blog/show.dml/838461>
 2. John Benefiel, "Turning America/Freeing SC 'Divorcing Baal' Conference," held on March 26, 2010 at the Faith Assembly of God in Summerville, SC.
 3. Ibid, bio for John Benefiel.
 4. "Dismantling the Power Grid" paper, posted at <http://65058.inspyred.com/images/ReformationDayOctober31-Occult.pdf>
 5. "Starting the Year Off Right," reported on at http://shalomkoc.org/shalom_info.php?ID=5 and also TheElijahList http://www.elijahlist.com/words/display_word/5050. This conference was billed as "Let the Swords of Heaven and Earth Clash! Let the NEXT MOVE of the Spirit COME FORTH! STARTING THE YEAR OFF RIGHT GATHERING!"
 6. Lou Engle, Ibid. Note: the Kansas City group has many Latter Rain prophecies about the significance of needing to fill stadiums in order for the glory of God to come down. See <http://www.discernment-ministries.org/Articles/FilledStadiums.pdf> The current prayer rally is just the latest in a long series of "filled stadium" corporate prayer events held around the country for the past several decades in an attempt to fulfill these false prophecies about a Joel's Army and New Breed being birthed.
 7. "Writ of Assistance," <http://www.hapn.us/Websites/oapn/Images/Resource%20docs/baal%20divorce/Writ%20of%20Assistance%20-%202-4-10%20-%20Jerry%20Mash.pdf>
 8. "Instructions for us of Declaration of Light," Jerry L. Mash, <http://www.hapn.us/Websites/oapn/Images/Resource%20docs/baal%20divorce/DECLARATION%20OF%20LIGHT.pdf>
 9. "Baal (Teaching from Dutch Sheets," document, posted at HAPN: <http://www.hapn.us/Websites/oapn/Images/Resource%20docs/baal%20divorce/Baal%20-%20from%20Dutch%20Sheet's%20teaching%20-%20Feb%202010.pdf>
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The Baal Covenant

Part 3: Divorcing Baal

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Second American Revolution

Boston historically is known as the Cradle of Liberty—of freedom. The American Revolution was birthed here. More than a decade ago the Holy Spirit spoke to me about how "Every **revolution** is fought to **establish new government**. And the Lord is bringing a **second American Revolution, a spiritual awakening** that will bring forth **mature apostolic government in the land**. God is now calling the eyes of his prophets to Boston and MA as a major **beach-head in this battle**."^[1]

Great Return: Divorcing Baal!

"The **Third Great Awakening** is a Great Return, where multitudes will disengage from Jezebel's table and return to the Table of the Lord!"

This great promise was originally given to us late in 2009. Throughout this past year, the combined efforts of the **Heartland Apostolic Prayer Network (HAPN)** and the **Reformation Prayer Network (RPN)** have worked together to **facilitate the divorcement of Baal** and **resetting of covenant** with Jesus Christ. This verdict has been released all across MD, as well as every region and **state in our nation!**

In this unprecedented initiative, leaders and intercessors have prayed at key sites of **idolatry** throughout **each state of the union**. Their responsibility was to "serve papers" articulating God's Throne Room judgment of this divorcement from our idolatry....^[2]

The official "spin machine" about [The Response](#) prayer rally has now cranked up. [Alice Patterson](#) of [Justice At The Gate](#), a New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) organization has issued a politically sophisticated denial that this event has anything to do with politics. This denial is especially interesting, since many of the [leaders](#) and [endorsers](#) of this event have been engaging in a bizarre exorcism to [divorce this nation](#) from the ancient pagan god Baal. Even though claiming there is no mixture of religion and politics at this upcoming prayer event, meanwhile these same leaders are attempting to institute a new religious [covenant for Dominion](#) in America. Excerpts from Patterson's spin, issued 8/1/11, titled "The Most Important Three Words for Gov. Rick Perry's Call to Prayer" (also issued by [John Benefiel's HAPN](#) on 8-2-11) follow:

Dear Friends,
Texas Gov. Rick Perry's historic national call to prayer and fasting, **The Response: for a nation in crisis**, is this Saturday, August 6, when Americans from across the nation will join together on our knees in Reliant Stadium in Houston to repent and pray in one

accord to God Almighty for our nation....

Is this political?

No. Gov. Perry approached a friend about filling a stadium with Americans praying and fasting in December. It took several months to find a location. First they tried Cowboy Stadium in Arlington but finally secured Reliant Stadium in Houston. I think the name is significant - Reliant - reliant upon God! Doug Stringer, founder of Somebody Cares International based in Houston (www.somebodycares.org), had prayed about a Joel 2 Solemn Assembly for two years. When he got a call about The Response, Doug knew the time was right.

Will Gov. Perry announce a run for President at The Response?

No - absolutely not! The Response will be prayer, repentance worship and scripture reading. Although Gov. Perry will have a few minutes on the program, his words will be about prayer, fasting and an appeal to the Lord, calling on our Father in the name of Jesus in unity with all gathered to forgive our sins. There will be at least two other Governors on the platform praying or reading scripture. There will be no political speeches....

While ostensibly about prayer, it cannot be denied that this event is interconnected with the spiritual agenda of the NAR, which is now becoming manifestly political. . .

Covenantalism and Patriotic Dominionism

Dominion magic has found yet another cause. The false apostles are pinning their hopes on this "[Divorcing Baal](#)" motif working for them in yet another [Dominion transformation](#) episode.[3] But, more importantly, it appears to be working well at enticing ordinary Christians into Dominion teaching. Dominion teaching at its base teaches that Christians are called to pursue political rule and power in America and the whole world.

A whole new category of Spiritual Warfare magic tricks are now being applied to the American Political Scene. [New Apostolic Reformation](#) (NAR) Dominionist leaders began by working to take Dominion via [Prayer Warfare](#) activities; and they convinced themselves that this was working. The NAR then expanded into real Dominionism activities.

This same formula is now being applied to the political crises of our nation. Many rank and file Christians might avoid the strange Spiritual Warfare techniques of the NAR mentioned in [Part 1 of this report](#), and many would find the whole idea of "[divorcing Baal](#)" to be extreme nonsense. But American patriotism is a rich mine for Dominion goals. In fact if one desires to [take control of nations](#), and this is surely one of their goals, it will have to come by way of some sort of politics or [revolution](#).

C. Peter Wagner, the [Dominion Czar](#), saw this early on. People who might not accept straight out Dominion teaching and calls for theocratic war would still

be open to American patriotism. The absolute bedrock of this political Dominion tactic is to sell the idea of America as a covenantal nation. Without this, political, Dominionism cannot break out into the political scene and gain a large audience. The Theonomists learned this tactic early on. Al Dager, observing the rise of this "covenant" mandate back in the early 1990s, in his book *Vengeance Is Ours: The Church in Dominion* (Sword, 1990) wrote:

There is an aspect of dominion theology that requires close attention due to its infringement upon the individual believer's relationship to the Father. It is the belief that the dominion mandate is part of God's covenantal requirements for Christians. In essence, this means that to fail to work for political and social reform to establish dominion over the world system is to break covenant with God.(p. 205)

Built on the foundation of Spiritual Warfare magic and its various forms of prophetic pseudo-evangelism, the NAR/IHOP brand of extreme "covenantalism" is being used to "rescue America" from its moral decline.

Jon & Jolene Hamill, associated with both Cindy Jacobs (NAR) and Mike Bickle (IHOP), have been describing the "divorcing Baal" activities of the NAR in detail. They worked with the Heartland Apostolic Prayer Network (HAPN) run by John Benefiel. Benefiel, as noted in the previous post, is a high-ranking apostle in C. Peter Wagner's empire, and a key leader of Texas Governor Rick Perry's *The Response* prayer rally. Referring to the original Mayflower Compact, the Hamill's explain how the NAR is facilitating America's divorce from Baal and asking the Lord for "his hand in marriage" in a new covenant relationship between God and America:

New Pilgrims... Cutting Covenant

The Pilgrims cut covenant with the Lord—on 11-11, 1620—for what would become the governmental expression of the United States. On July 4, 2011, this group of "new pilgrims" stood with the Lord to **reset our nation according to our apostolic foundations**. We affirmed that the land and government is committed by **covenant** for "the glory of God and the advancement of the Christian faith." We repented for breaches of **covenant**. And we again asked the Lord for His **hand in marriage....**

Resetting Covenant

So on July 4, we ended this phase of **nationally facilitating the divorcement of Baal** right where we began. **John Benefiel** led us in receiving a Throne Room verdict of divorce from our idolatry, including the issuance of a "Writ of Assistance" to enforce the [heavenly] Court's ruling.

...Campaign teams then presented together the **Declaration of Covenant as a legal petition for God to marry our land** again....

On this small hill that bore witness to the most bloodshed in Civil War history, **we divorced Baal....**

Abby suddenly realized that God had orchestrated how we divided into two

camps. When the Lord cut covenant with Abraham, He made Abraham divide the sacrifices... right down the middle. This expression of division is the Hebrew word "bether," which literally means to "cut down the middle." It was then that the Lord then appeared with a smoking firepot and burning lamp, walking between the pieces of the sacrifice to **ratify the covenant**.

As we together had "made covenant with God by sacrifice," seeking God for His full expression promised of awakening and union, He literally "bethered us" and then walked between us. Perhaps to let this confused group of weary pilgrims know His pleasure, He arranged for **heaven and earth to join together** in a stirring chorus that culminated at exactly 11:11am.[4]

Sounds so dramatic and real! To them it *is* real! But this whole event is based on an imaginary covenant of America with God.

In Scripture men do not decide on their own to have a covenant with God. To claim a covenant with God based on man's initiative alone is pure arrogance. Yet Dominionists of all stripes emphasize covenants as a way to establish their claimed mandate. As Al Dager puts it, there is a "very important legal technicality; by definition a covenant involves the *consent of all parties*.... If someone is not party to a covenant or agreement he cannot be held to its terms." (p. 214) But these NAR leaders are claiming to be making a covenant on behalf of the entire nation.

The Mythology of Divorcing Baal and Remarrying Jehovah

This is a sort of NAR and IHOP in-house ceremonial myth and legal fiction. First, how can this type of bizarre activity effect a moral recovery in America? By employing, almost in secret, magical ceremonial acts which supposedly affect the entire American nation in a spiritual manner, they can claim imaginary victory after victory. These NAR leaders declare that the atmosphere magically changes, but they are the only ones who know. Apparently America can be changed simply by going to American political sites, performing a few rituals, and magically change history by a prophetic myth rehearsal!

So in this case the idolatrous Baal -- the fertility god, master, and husband of the Old Testament Canaanites -- is mythically and prophetically transported across the ages to modern America where he somehow became lodged in a cohabitation relationship. America's Masonic Lodges and the institution of slavery are claimed to be the result of this American marriage to its husband Baal. Legally, NAR leaders say, we (America) married the Canaanite god Baal.

But all is not lost! NAR/IHOP leaders now claim that America can ceremonially and prophetically secure a legal divorce and a legal document from the court of Heaven! Once a legal divorce from Baal in the court of Heaven is promulgated, America (or various parts of America) are now free to remarry Jehovah. In this manner America's covenant with Jehovah can be "reset." (See

[previous post](#) for details.)

The way they suggest to effect all this is with more prophetic magic. Simply go to American historical sites and prophetically/ceremonially "reset" things. Go to Masonic Lodges and do prayer walks or drive stakes, etc.

But ALL of this is just more Dominion mumbo jumbo. All of this frenzied activity is supposed to "change the atmosphere" over America and people will just return to moral living with NO GOSPEL PREACHED, or now find themselves strangely, inexplicably ready to respond to the Gospel. All so easy and so PRAGMATIC.

Don't be deceived! God's only solution is the Gospel of salvation presented to save individual sinners, and the Gospel message is the means not spraying a city with anointed oil. And it can't be done by waving crucifixes, even those that depict the cross, or by hanging the cross up on government walls. Salvation is only accomplished by preaching the true apostolic "message of the cross." Dominion patriotism simply ignores God's only solution for sin.

False and imaginary prophetic oracles that reset a covenant that American never had? This is serious error both theologically and historically . It is creating something that never happened so that now the NAR can mythically re-enact and bring into being a "cultural mandate" or "worldview" change. This is just a fairytale. Creating out of new cloth (they call it "wineskins") the fable that America secretly married the Old Testament Baal, and that now we can legally divorce him and remarry Jehovah is a patriotic myth. And it is biblically inaccurate.

Jon Hamill expresses the goal of resetting of the American covenant in his description of Day 12 of the NAR's "Freedom Watch" journey:

"Every revolution is fought to establish new government. And the Lord is bringing a **second American Revolution, a spiritual awakening that will bring forth **mature apostolic government** in the land. God is now calling the eyes of his prophets to Boston and MA as a major **beach-head in this battle.**"**

Spiritual Paul Revers

Shortly after receiving this word, a group of prophets tackled me during my first trip to Kansas City. One person prophesied: "You are a spiritual Paul Revere. And I see you holding out a burning lamp. You are going from city to city. And in every place, instead of saying 'the British are coming, the British are coming,' you are saying 'The Lord is coming, the Lord is coming!'"....

This November, **Cindy Jacobs** prophesied over us that "It's time for Paul Revere to ride again!" She felt that Jolene and I had to be in Boston for the anniversary of Paul Revere's ride. What she didn't know is that the anniversary of Paul Revere's ride is also THE BEGINNING OF PASSOVER.[5]

Why God did not cut a covenant with America

The simple answer is God never initiated a biblical covenant with America. The Mayflower Covenant is assumed by the Dominionists to be the cutting of a covenant with God. But the Mayflower Covenant was not a covenant with God but a covenant between men, and they were still beholden to the King of England. In any case, other legal documents of our founding fathers supersede anything done in Plymouth, Massachusetts. In the Declaration of Independence there is no reference to a Christian God. The god of the Declaration of Independence is derived from the "Laws of Nature and of Nature's God," and furthermore this unnamed Creator has given to ALL men "unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." Note the next statement: "to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

The Declaration of Independence was not binding law. It was a statement of intent. For binding law we need to look to the Constitution. Apart from the date, which reads, "The seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven," there is no reference to God in the Constitution. Further, a goodly number of the Constitution signers were Masons, including Washington, Franklin and others. How could these men make covenants with both Baal and Jehovah at the same time?

Indeed! God ONLY made a covenant with one nation. He initiated it, and He ordered it, and it was with the nation of Israel. The form of this covenant was also unique. It was a suzerainty treaty with some obvious similarities with ancient Hittite treaties. When we read Genesis-Deuteronomy we are reading a suzerainty treaty between God and His nation Israel. The form of the treaty bound a weaker nation to a stronger suzerain. To consummate the Old Testament treaty/covenant, blood sacrifices were made.

The NAR Dominionists and their cohorts confuse ancient Israel with America in alarming ways. They misapply Old Testament covenant laws to modern American government. Al Dager explains:

The Dominionists equate Jesus' commandments with all the Old Testament laws. To them, rejection of the dominion mandate constitutes rejection of Jesus' commandments and, therefore, the whole of God's Law.(p. 211)
...[T]he crux of the dominionist mandate [is] that God's civil laws must be imposed upon all governments so that the whole earth will come under the lordship of Christ.(p. 212-213)

NAR Dominionists have transformed the "Great Commission" mandate (which is where Jesus told His church to spread the Gospel Word to the nations) into a

"covenantal structure." In this structure, the "earthly governments" under this "covenant" are to be conquered. Dager explains:

There is a reason for this madness. For this claim is in keeping with the dominionists' belief that the Old Covenant, as a means of implementing a theonomic or theocratic world rule, was not done away with entirely. Rather, the New Covenant merely established the Church as the new means by which God would implement his dominion over the earth.

It is believed by some that Israel failed under the Old Covenant to establish God's rule over the nations. But such reasoning implies that God's initial plan failed, necessitating Jesus' coming in order to establish the New Covenant. A further implication of this belief is that the Cross was an afterthought.(p. 213)

The New Covenant (testament) was established once and for all time with the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, which is why Jesus, foreshadowing his own death said, *"This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS"* (Matt. 26:28). Just as in God's previous covenant, God sealed this new covenant by a show of power: He raised Jesus from the grave.

Dager explains how the Dominionists pervert this by mixing in the Old Testament:

Now, the dominionist would say that the laws apply to everyone who lives in the land, not only to citizens; but only citizens; but only citizens have a right to govern or involve themselves in the legislative and juridical processes. And this is true. However, the presupposition of dominion theology -- that since the nations belong to God, only His people are citizens of the nations -- does not hold water in view of Scripture's recognition of the validity of other nations' existence apart from His covenants. In other words, the nations are not under covenant with God, and we are not citizens of the nations, we are citizens of heaven....

Those who do not enter into the New Covenant cannot be held accountable to it; they are already held accountable under the terms of the Adamic Covenant that condemns them both physically and spiritually. The power State nations have not accepted or agreed to abide by the terms of the New Covenant, so they remain cursed under the terms of the Adamic Covenant. This condition will persist at least until Jesus returns; it will not be alleviated beforehand. That is why Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world" (John 18:36).(p. 215)

In other words, nothing these NAR Dominionists can do will alleviate this situation. No amount of mumbo-jumbo, no pseudo-legal covenant documents, no Spiritual Warfare magic. The truth is that there is no special covenant with America:

America is many, many things. However, it is not God's covenant nation. It is not the new Israel. But it does not have to be: America does not have to be God's covenant nation to have a calling and to be a part of God's will. America

does not need to boast beyond its limits.

This does not mean that America is not a great nation and is not called to greatness, or even that America does not have a special place in God's heart. Far from it. It just means that we do not have to prove ourselves or live up to a special code or set of laws that no other country has in order to gain God's approval. America is greatest when it simply behaves as America—anything above and beyond that always leads to trouble. [5]

Furthermore, America is not a replacement Israel. And despite the stance of some NAR Dominionists, the truth is that

Scripture tells us that only one ethnic nation, Israel, has ever been chosen by God for special favor. It was through Israel that God's promise to Abraham to bring redemptive blessings to all the nations of the earth was to be accomplished (Gen. 18:18)... God's covenant is now with the church alone where there is "neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female," for all believers are now "one in Christ" (Gal. 3:28). In the New Testament age, no earthly nation—Israel, America or any other—has a covenantal claim to God's special favor.[7]

The Truth:

"Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?" (Hebrews 10:29)

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