

A GLOSSARY OF NEW APOSTOLIC REFORMATION TERMINOLOGY

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The New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) is one of the fastest growing and insidious movements in the visible church. One of the ways to identify leaders and their followers (NARites) in this movement, is by paying attention to the terminology or buzzwords they use. Some of the words in this list are biblical, but the meaning and application are far removed from what scripture actually teaches (biblical terminology to gives credence to their aberrant doctrines) Certain words used in the NAR appear to be sci-fi or computer buzzwords, and their applications originate in the minds of the false apostles and prophets that drive this movement. The words listed are not exclusive to the NAR, but occur in some Charismatic, Word of Faith and other movements.

1. Accelerate – some sort of divine acceleration process, which like everything else in this list is going to benefit you in a pleasant manner. For example, scripture teaches us that suffering is beneficial, but the NAR god will never accelerate your trials, tribulations and suffering, just your comfort and powers. It may be an acceleration of a gift, favourable circumstances, increased anointing or a financial increase..

2. Access – access to special knowledge, superpowers, or God’s presence is a big deal in the NAR. This access usually involves paying for their latest course, or attending one of their meetings. This could also mean that God has given the NARite access to the heavenly courtroom, and they have the privilege of obtaining new information that would benefit the church. Access to mysteries, secrets, and ways to experience encounters with God are a cash cow for NAR teachers. Believers should avoid these schemes as God has already given us the access we need – Heb 4:16; 2 Peter 1:3; Eph 2:6.

3. Activate your faith – God needs you (an oxymoron) to generate enough faith so that you can achieve some desired result. It might mean a miracle of sorts, or possibly another means to attain some kind of earthly gain.

4. Activation – this is usually in reference to some sort of gift or anointing, and the only way to be “activated” is to attend a meeting, supernatural school, or purchase an online course where “activation” is promised. Naturally the leaders don’t have the power to “activate” anything, though some actually believe they do. Practically speaking it means that you will have to step out in faith, take a risk, and begin practicing a particular gift such as a word of knowledge for someone. For example, ask your friend if they had a rubber duck named Bob when they were a child. Wrong? – try again.

5. Alignment – an example of this would be to position yourself to understand what God is doing on earth, and be a part of it. You can get into alignment through various means – by changing the attitude of your heart, speaking the right words, and of course unconditional acceptance of what the NAR prophet has instructed you to do. Another application is to come into alignment with God’s promises, which in the NAR means the conflation of the old and new covenants, for example expecting financial blessing because you tithe. One form of alignment means an association with another ministry. Name dropping due to associations/alignments has benefits for up and coming NAR apostles and prophets. The alignments between NAR apostles and prophets do not mean they hold each other accountable to what scripture teaches – but rather “you scratch my back and I’ll scratch yours.”

6. Angels – angels obey God’s commands and are described as “*ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation*” Hebrews 1:14. In the NAR, certain leaders teach that believers can command angels, and even wake up sleeping angels. One of their arguments is that if Jesus taught that believers could bind demons (he didn’t – see binding & loosing) then surely we can loose angels. We supposedly loose them by our words as we declare scripture (out of

context) You may hear the phrase “releasing angels” in NAR circles. This “release” or “activation” allows angels to complete a particular assignment. NAR leaders also claim to have met certain angels or name certain angels that don’t exist – such as the angel of: finance, government, transition, breakthrough, revival etc. One of the bizarre claims is that when angels have been present, they very often leave feathers behind. Naturally none of these feathers have been tested, and if they were the DNA would connected them to the donor – some kind of bird. Believers have no authority over angels, but make their supplications known to God.

7. Anointing – yet another blessing or condition you will have to chase after in the NAR. The connotation is that the anointing will enable you to perform great works, preach great messages, and generally live a cut above the average believer who has settled for less. In the NAR, only fools neglect to seek after a greater anointing, after all, a greater anointing will enable you to walk just like the ultimate anointed one – Jesus. Furthermore, if you are an anointed NAR apostle or prophet, you can manipulate your followers and skeptics by claiming that they “dare not touch the Lord’s anointed.” This ensures that the “anointed” apostle or prophet avoids scrutiny, so their teachings, visions, and prophetic words are accepted as truth. The truth is that all believers are anointed: *“Children, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. Therefore we know that it is the last hour. They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it might become plain that they all are not of us. But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge.”* 1 John 2:18-20.

8. Apostle & Prophet or Apostolic & Prophetic – the titles of apostle and prophet will give your ministry the necessary clout and admiration to climb the NAR food chain. God apparently forgot to activate apostles and prophets for centuries, and only recently decided to restore the five fold ministry by reintroducing apostles and prophets. These are the men and women on the cutting edge of manifesting God’s kingdom on earth. Without them, the church cannot function or reach maturity. These self-appointed generals of the faith equip their minions to conquer the seven spheres of society, take dominion, bringing heaven to earth, and walk in signs and wonders. Unfortunately for them, the foundation has already been laid by true apostles and prophets (Ephesians 2:20) and the office of apostle and prophet is closed. (see point 30)

9. Assignment – God has given everyone a particular assignment, the problem with this word in NAR circles is that it could mean anything, as it’s totally subjective. It’s dependent upon hearing from God, a prophetic word from an NAR guru, or even

an omen. What this leads to, is a departure from simple obedience to scripture, trust in God who is able to make all things work to the good for those who love him, and being content with where God has placed us in this world. The result of this departure from trust in God and the teaching of scripture, is confusion and even guilt because you have not heard from God what your individual assignment is.

10. Atmosphere – another word that has emerged in recent years. The atmosphere in a meeting plays a pivotal role by creating expectation and awakening the senses in order for those who are ministering to manipulate their followers. You may have heard comments such as “I sense the presence of God in this place”...which begs the question – where was he beforehand? Apart from physical stimulants in the form of lights, music, creative dancers, and live painting that create an atmosphere, NAR proponents go a step further by attempting to change the spiritual atmosphere wherever they go. In fact, you can take a course on “shifting atmospheres.” This course will help you discern the unseen, and release the kingdom of God into the environment...none of it biblical of course.

11. Attract – the law of attraction masquerades as biblical teaching in the visible church. Supposedly, believers in whom God already dwells, need to take further measures to “attract his presence.” In fact, if you play your cards right you can attract wealth, angels and all kinds of good things or spiritual experiences. Lets be clear, there is nothing attractive about us, and there is nothing we can do to attract any divine favors. This false teaching is the product of a works based philosophy and new age principles.

12. Awakening – similar to Revival (60). If you need your passion reignited and want to discover your unique calling, then some kind of awakening meeting or movement is the answer. This is likely to feature the usual NAR celebrities with the usual hype and promises that a great awakening is taking place, which will transform you and the nation the meeting is being held in. A familiar name from the Great Awakening in the 1700s was Jonathan Edwards. His sermon “Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God” would be frowned upon by many NAR leaders who are repulsed by the fact that people are inherently sinful. If there was a sermon that defined the false claims of awakening or revival by NAR charlatans, it should read “Awesome People in the Hands of a Grateful Papa.”

13. Billion Soul Harvest – while scripture describes the last days as being a time of great deception, apostasy, and a rejection of sound doctrine (2 Thessalonians 2; 1 Timothy 4:1-5) the NAR believe the opposite. A billion soul harvest will supposedly be the result of a great end time revival. How do they know this – a prophecy of course!

14. Binding and Loosing – NARites attempt to bind anything – poverty, diseases, territorial spirits, approaching storms but the most popular teaching is that we can bind Satan and demons. This is part of the NAR spiritual warfare methodology. It's based on the words of Jesus found in three texts:

Matthew 16:18-19: *“And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”*

Context – Jesus is addressing Peter, and later includes all the apostles. He is giving them the authority to bind and loose something. The words “bind” and “loose” in NAR and some Charismatic circles are thought to be some kind of authority available to all believers, to bind spiritual forces. But Jesus gave this specific authority to the twelve, and the terms “bind” and “loose” should be understood as forbidding something, or allowing something. You will not find a single example of an apostle “binding” Satan or a demon. So what did the apostles bind (forbid) and loose (allow) During this foundational phase of the church, the apostles had the authority to make decisions that were binding or loosing. Certain people were claiming that circumcision was necessary for salvation, but Peter loosed the Gentiles from obeying the law of Moses regarding circumcision:

“Now, therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.” Acts 15:10-11

Then the words of James, who bound the Gentiles to obey certain practices: *“Therefore my judgment is that we should not trouble those of the Gentiles who turn to God, but should write to them to abstain from the things polluted by idols, and from sexual immorality, and from what has been strangled, and from blood.”* Acts 15:19-21

This text has nothing to do our struggle with Satan or demons.

Matthew 18:18: “Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth

shall be loosed in heaven.”

Context – This passage describes the process of church discipline, and deals with the private offense of a believer sinning against a fellow believer – *“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault..”* (vs 15) The repentant believer is free to continue fellowship, if he continues in his unrepentant sin he is bound from fellowship. In other words, if this process of discipline is obeyed on earth, it is sanctioned from Heaven. It’s worth mentioning that verse 19 has also been taken out of context: *“Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”* This verse is referring to the subject at hand – church discipline, but has been twisted to imply that if two believers agree on anything in prayer, it will be done. A second erroneous belief based on this verse is that Jesus arrives if there are at least two or three in a prayer meeting.

Matthew 12:28-29: *“But if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. Or how can someone enter a strong man’s house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? Then indeed he may plunder his house.”*

Context – Jesus heals a blind, mute and demon possessed man. The Pharisees believe he is using the Satanic power to perform the miracle. Jesus uses a metaphor to show them how ridiculous their theory is, as well as blasphemous. Jesus is stronger than the “strong man” – Satan, and Jesus has defeated the strong man, and plundered his kingdom: *“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins”* Colossians 1:13-14. This was a metaphor that pointed to Christ’s power, it was not a method for believers to deal with the Devil..

15. Birthing – something new in the spirit is about to take place. This may involve spiritual warfare or intercession, in order for God to bring about his vision and purpose.

People may be “pregnant” with new revelations, mantles, and increased anointings.

The NAR thrive on activity, and there has to be something new happening to keep followers in a permanent state of expectation – to help them forget that the previous expectation failed to materialize. All that is really “birthing” in the NAR are the latest vain imaginations of false prophets and apostles.

16. Breakthrough – this particular word is used ad nauseam in NAR circles. Still struggling with sin, finances, health, lack of spiritual experiences? Well, the NAR solution is not repentance, discipline, studying God’s word, contentment in bad circumstances or enduring suffering in a fallen world. The solution lies in the fact that God has decided it’s a year or season of breakthrough. Why he allowed certain misfortunes or limited his presence and power for a time is unknown. Perhaps he changed his mood and is feeling benevolent. True believers don’t have to wait for the “prophets” to declare a breakthrough because *“His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness.”* 2 Peter 1:3

17. Cultural architect – these are people who shape culture by the power of the Holy Spirit. They restore the cities, influence nations, and transform society. These cultural architects supposedly inspire collective reasoning that contributes to the creation of healthy and prosperous communities. Jesus called us to preach the gospel and make disciples, not create cultural architects who will create a Christian utopia on earth.

18. Culture – the great commission is to make disciples, but the NAR believes that influencing and redeeming culture is top priority. By creating a kingdom culture, or revival culture, the NAR hope to invade society which will lead to the transformation of the world. While the gospel is salt and light to a dying world, and will have positive effects on a community when embraced, there is no biblical mandate to transform culture. Another phrase you may hear is “culture of honour.” This is nothing less than the establishment of a hierarchy (apostles & prophets at the top) and a means to manipulate followers into blind submission. In other words, it creates untouchables who get away with false prophecies and false teachings. The anointing is filtered down through these super apostles, and to dare question them or expose their heresies means that you will be cut off from God himself. It’s a “culture” that has been cultured in the pit of hell, and enabled charlatans and deceivers to play god. It’s the very opposite of what is taught in scripture – mutual submission and accountability, testing all things, and not lording it over others.

19. Decree & Declare – this is a fruit of word of faith (WOF) theology, the idea being that our words carry some form of inherent power, and are causative. So instead of obeying scripture – *“in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God”* (Phil 4:6) NARites believe they need to exercise their faith, speak to their mountain, and enforce their dominion in a given situation. They attempt to “speak life” into the dead, dispel hurricanes, quench fires, and restore finances with their decrees and declarations. This “little god” behaviour fails every time, because only God can decree or declare. Another form of this is called “speaking into a situation.”

20. Destiny – every believer has a destiny – *“to be conformed to the image of his Son”* Romans 8:29. Biblically speaking, this destiny has nothing to do with the comforts of this world or superpowers. In the NAR world, your “destiny” usually comes with some form of greatness and great works – a man centered theology (NAR teachings) glorifies man. Some leaders in the NAR have the audacity to think that they have the power to release followers into their destiny. This destiny will naturally be an ear tickling future, full of excitement and adventures with papa God...nothing like to prospect of being crucified upside down or suffering the loss of all things.

21. Discipling the nations – Jesus instructed his disciples to *“go and make disciples of all nations”* – Matthew 28:19. Previously, when Jesus sent his disciples out (Matthew 10:5) he instructed them to avoid the Gentiles. In the great commission (Matthew 28) Jesus made it clear that the gospel is for all nations (Jews and Gentiles), and that people from all nations would be saved: *“After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands”* Revelation 7:9. The NAR use the verse in Matthew to suit their narrative and claim that literal nations will be saved. They have progressed from “take your city for God” to make your nation a Christian nation. (see point 64)

22. Dominion – Dominion or Kingdom Now theology is the belief that earth is going to look like heaven, as the church takes dominion over the seven spheres/mountains of society. This is a teaching that has its roots in the Latter Rain, or Manifest Sons of God movement. A new breed of overcomers will supposedly ensure that Jesus returns to a unified and spotless church that has established his kingdom on earth. A product of this teaching is the belief that believers should regain the dominion that Adam lost during the fall. This includes dominion over the earth, in the sense that believers are able to exercise their authority over the elements. This is why you will see “prophets” who cannot even change the flight path of a mosquito with their utterances, attempt to change the direction of a hurricane by speaking to it. One only has to look at the state of the world to realize that this new breed have failed miserably.

23. Double Portion – the miracle obsessed NAR want to be like Elisha, who asked Elijah for a double portion of his spirit (2 Kings 2:9) The result was that during Elisha’s time in the prophetic office, scripture records twice as many miracles than during Elijah’s ministry. The NAR leave out the part that despite a double anointing, Elisha died from an illness. So, should

believers seek after a double potion? The answer is no, every believer receives a gift from God, and spiritual gifts for believers are apportioned according to the will of the Holy Spirit. (1 Cor12:11)

24. Downloads – another word for a revelation, or some sort of spiritual download. It's really a fancy way of saying you received something from God, and will add weight to your story when you tell others about whatever you received. Every believer has the indwelling Spirit of God and the infallible scriptures, but that is not enough for those who entertain the lies of the NAR. These kinds of words are used because they imply that something has been received from God – something you have not received. Downloads are assets, and assets can be sold.

25. Drunk in the spirit – based on the assumption that the disciples were behaving like drunkards of the day of Pentecost. Acts 2:15 is the text used to justify this: *“For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day”* The text does not say that the disciples were drunk in the spirit, but that they were accused by some mockers as being drunk. What had “bewildered” the multitudes? The answer is in the text, the disciples were speaking in different languages (tongues) and those present heard their own “native language” being spoken. The text does not say the disciples were staggering, incoherent, slurring their words, incapacitated, laughing or shrieking uncontrollably. This gift of speaking in foreign languages was a miracle, and having no explanation some accused them of being drunk. One of the effects of the Spirit's outpouring was boldness (not drunkenness) to preach the Gospel. Peter had previously denied Christ on three occasions, but now he is able to face a crowd, and boldly proclaim truth. How could he have delivered his first sermon in a state of drunkenness? Self control is a fruit of the Spirit, drunkenness is not. Being filled with the Spirit does not look like drunkenness: *“And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit”* Ephesians 5:18

26. Encounter – this is a must on your spiritual CV if you want any sort of recognition or acceptance in NAR circles. What it means is that you have had some sort of experience in this experience driven movement. It could mean you have a mind image, heat sensation, vision, angelic visitation, or simply goosebumps. In other words, anyone can claim to have had an encounter. Encounters have also become a necessary ingredient as far as NAR evangelistic endeavours are concerned. Because experiences are revered above the written word, believers supposedly owe the world an encounter with God. Paul was not ashamed of the gospel, but NAR leaders believe the gospel without some sort of encounter gives unbelievers the right to disbelieve. (see point 67)

27. Expectation – similar to the law of attraction. NARites are taught to raise their level of expectation – as this will increase the chances of whatever they are expecting to actually happen. They are taught to live with an expectant faith, which sounds good, except that the majority of what they are believing God for is based on a false interpretation of scripture or some sort of revelation. At the core of the NAR version of expectation, lies the idea that God will do what we want him to do as long as we have reached the right level of expectation.

28. Favour – true believers have already received God's ultimate favour in spite of themselves (Romans 5:8) This favour is based on God's mercy and grace, not our works. The NAR version of receiving God's favour may include a variety of conditions. It goes without saying that one of them will be sowing into the kingdom, which really means – give your money to your ear tickling prophet or apostle. Others may include – praying or fasting for a certain amount of time, taking risks (acting outside of scripture) unquestionable submission to your leaders or simply receive favour by faith. NAR favour looks like this – greater anointing, business opportunities, everybody will like you, increase on all fronts, greater influence, and possibly a trip to heaven.

29. Fire – fire is highly symbolic in scripture, it can represent God's presence and glory, but primarily symbolic of judgement. (Numbers 16:35; 2 Peter 3:10) The emphasis in the NAR is on some form of manifestation – “fire tunnels” allow people walking through a human “tunnel” to receive an impartation of some kind, including the fire of God. The physical sensation of heat in the body is thought to be the Holy Spirit manifesting, but this is a sign of a Kundalini, or Chakra awakening, and yet another unbiblical manifestation in this movement. The disciples did on one occasion ask for fire from heaven, but that was to destroy the Samaritans who rejected Jesus (Luke 16:51-56)

There is no biblical mandate to seek or call down fire on believers. There is not even the suggestion in scripture that sensations of heat are due to operation of the Holy Spirit at work in a believer.

30. Fivefold ministry – this term is used to describe the five types of leaders God gifted his church: *“And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ”* Ephesians 4:11-12. Apostles and prophets faded from the scene during the first century, and the NAR believe that God has restored the office of apostle and prophet – the restoration of the five fold ministry. Apostles and prophets according to the NAR are the most essential highest ranking leaders in the church. They govern the church, give

direction, receive revelations, impart spiritual gifts, and need to be submitted to (come under their covering or else...) If it were true that God has only recently restored these offices and left the church without vital offices/leaders for 1900 years, it means that Jesus has failed his church. Naturally this is not the case – qualified elders and deacons lead the local churches. The apostles and prophets were the foundation of the church, Christ being the cornerstone: *“So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone”* Ephesians 2:19-20. That foundation is complete, and the words of the apostles and prophets still speak to us today through the scriptures, the office is closed!

31. Glory – NARites want to experience God’s glory, which they believe appears at times in various forms – glitter, smoke, gold dust etc. This artificial manifestation of glory results in inappropriate responses – watching particles float around and filming the “glory cloud” with your smartphone. If God’s glory really manifested in a meeting, people would be on their faces in repentance and trembling. Not content with viewing God’s glory, NARites believe they can morph into “glory carriers.” They think that the visible manifestation of the Spirit upon them enables them glow at times, and that deposits of gold dust on their bodies are a work of God. Carrying the glory has the added bonus of performing miracles, including supernatural weight loss and hair regrowth. These absurd manifestations and claims drive NAR adherents further into mysticism and self deception.

32. Heaven to Earth or Heaven Invading Earth – Jesus’ example of prayer included these words: *“Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”* (Matthew 6:10) Sometimes the occult phrase The phrase “As above, so below” is used – that’s how the Message “bible” translates the verse: *“Do what’s best— as above, so below.”*

The NAR use this verse to justify their quest to make earth look like heaven. The reasoning is as follows – there is no sickness in heaven, so there should be no sickness on earth etc. This ties in with the mandate of dominion theology – redeem the earth by taking back what was stolen in the garden of Eden. The logical conclusion of this faulty theology means that believers will achieve sinless perfection, and live forever. Furthermore, it ignores the very things that Jesus promised believers – sufferings, tribulations, persecution etc. When Jesus returns, it will be a time of judgement and wrath for the nations of this world and unbelievers (Revelation 19) Included in this judgement, will be a false church that has rejected the truth, and entertained false signs and wonders. (2 Thessalonians 2:8-12) Scripture does not paint a picture of a Christian Utopia on earth during the last days: *“But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, heartless,*

unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God.” 2 Timothy 3:1-4

33. Hosting the presence – apparently while God dwells in all believers, he does not rest upon all of them. The picture given is that of a dove resting on your shoulder – walk in a way that the dove does not fly away. Now while it’s true that we can quench the Holy Spirit (1 Thess 5:19) it’s not true that God only rests on certain people. It’s believed that by successfully hosting the presence, you will generate atmospheric shifts wherever you go, and receive more breakthroughs. This mystical and subjective theory with it’s accompanying benefits were conceived in the mind of a false apostle, not scripture.

34. Impartation – the idea that NAR apostles and prophets have the ability to impart some kind of spiritual power or gift to those who pitch up at their meetings. The NAR apostle or prophet may lay their hands on you, blow on you or in your general direction causing you fall backwards as a sign that God is really at work. NARites will cite Romans 1:11 to justify this act: *“For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you.”* This was not a type of anointing to perform miracles, as the next verse indicates: *“that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other’s faith, both yours and mine.”*

A second verse used to justify an impartation, is 1 Timothy 4:14: *“Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophecy when the council of elders laid their hands on you.”* Timothy’s gift was given to him by the Holy Spirit, not the elders, they merely confirmed what God has given and the laying on of hands was symbolic, not a ritual that included the ability to impart gifts. Timothy’s gift is alluded to in the previous verse: *“Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching.”* – vs 13. The gifts the NAR pursue are usually related to the miraculous.

35. Increase – what a lovely word, I mean decrease is never a good thing right? John the Baptist knew that his purpose was to point people to Christ. When Christ came, John said *“He must increase, but I must decrease.”* John the Baptist pointed to Christ as someone greater. The NAR point to Christ as a model, almost an equal in some regards, and as far as signs and wonders are concerned Christ is lesser. So the new breed on NARites must desire increase as far as anointing and miracles are concerned. That’s not the only increase NARites desire. The prosperity gospel is part and parcel of NAR theology, so an increase in finances is expected. Paul knew that knowing Christ was not a means of increase in anything worldly : *“I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of*

all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ.”

Philippians 3:8.

36. Influence – at the very core of NAR theology lies the fanciful notion that the church needs to influence and take control of the seven mountains or spheres of society. This is one of the reasons why NARites take great delight when they have the opportunity to prophesy over or advise world leaders. When people of influence in one of the spheres such as sports, politics, or entertainment claim to be saved, it is viewed as gaining territory in one of the areas the NAR hope to dominate. Believers are called to preach the gospel, not “influence” a world under the sway of the wicked one.

37. Intimacy with God – a broad subject often abused by romanticising our relationship with God, and promoting forms of mysticism. The criteria used to determine our level of intimacy with God becomes subjective. Do we feel close to him? Do we have goosebumps during our quiet times with him? Has he whispered in our ear lately?.. etc. One particularly absurd teaching is that God only shares his secrets with friends – those who are intimate with him. This teaching means that scripture is insufficient, and that only those who “press in” or have achieved a certain level of friendship with God will get to hear the good stuff.

38. Kairos – there are two words for time in Greek – Chronos (χρόνος) and Kairos (καιρός) Chronos refers to the length/duration of time, while Kairos refers to an opportune or appointed time to take action – *“Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.”* 2 Cor 6:2. It’s a word and concept taught in scripture, but the NAR use it to push their agenda and make it sound as if what they are presenting is significant and should be acted upon...without question of course. Some NAR leaders speak of Kairos moments, these are times when God is doing something important, and if you are not aware of the season or “Kairos moment” you are going to miss out. NAR Kairos moments come with clues – strange occurrences, acceleration of things, and other supernatural activities. If you are aware of these Kairos moments and act on them, you become a Kairos Conductor.

39. Kingdom – a word found approximately 160 times in the new testament. Many of the Jews thought that Christ had come to seize political power and ease their burden under Roman rule, but Christ’s kingdom is not political, neither is it of this world. Jesus made this clear to Pilate: *“My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have*

been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.” John 18:36. The error of NAR teachings is the belief that the church should take dominion of the kingdoms of this world before Christ can return. This is what motivates the seven mountain mandate idea, and the attempt to “influence culture.” It’s a quest to get the earth to look like Eden again, and the teaching itself is known as Kingdom Now or Dominion theology. The prophetic words concerning the apostasy and tribulation during the end times are deemed to have been fulfilled. One way of understanding it is that Kingdom Now theology attempts to create what God has described as a future kingdom under his rule on a new earth, in this present dispensation. This has led to the false teaching that there are two gospels – gospel of salvation and the gospel of the kingdom.

40. Legacy – a legacy is your story, your example. NAR leaders encourage their followers to live in such a way that they leave an amazing legacy. In the NAR you will supposedly perform greater miracles than Jesus, so your legacy will be just as important as his, after all, you are just as glorious as he is. NARites boast of their exploits and miracles, Paul boasted in his weaknesses. If Paul left a legacy, it was that he counted all things rubbish that he might gain Christ. The NAR use Christ to gain all things, and believe their legacy will be determined by how they influenced culture, and modeled the miracles of Jesus. Sadly, many of them will hear these words:

“On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’” Matthew 7:22-23.

41. Level – similar to upgrade (81). Believers should mature in their faith, but that is a far cry from the endless levels on offer in the NAR. Typically, a false apostle or prophet will claim that “God is taking us to the next level.” It may be a corporate or individual new level. It’s another attractive reward system or promise of something fresh in NAR land.

42. Manifestation – anything goes in this regard, they are signs that make you wonder, and you wonder because they are not biblical. These “supernatural manifestations” are supposedly a sign that God or angels are present. They could be objects such as feathers, gemstones or gold dust that are found, and it could be a physical response such as involuntary spasms, hysterical shrieking etc. Connected to this word, is the “manifest presence of God.” A biblical example of this is Moses and the burning bush, and the day of Pentecost – something spiritual taking place was observable. We know that the Holy Spirit

indwells all believers (1 Cor 6:19) and there may be times when He is at work in us, prompting us, giving us a greater awareness of his presence etc, but the true working of the Holy Spirit will never result in the bizarre kind of manifestations witnessed in the NAR.

43. Mantle – Unless your name is Elisha and you lived in 800 BC you are wasting your time with this one. Mantle is another word for cloak, a covering some prophets in the old testament wore as a sign of their office. When the NAR speak of receiving someone's mantle, they are using the same text as they do for a "double portion" as justification – 2 Kings 2. After Elijah was caught up into heaven, Elisha picked up Elijah's mantle/cloak, that had fallen to the ground, and began his ministry as God's appointed successor. Now that the Holy Spirit dwells in believers, there is no need to ask God for the anointing or authority of people whose ministry we admired. But the NAR is a movement that elevates men and women, so it's not surprising that they ask God for the mantle or anointing of the dead whose ministry they covet. It's also not surprising they they covet the mantles of deceased false teachers who "operated in the supernatural."

44. Miracle – NARites chase after miracles in an effort to do greater things based on a faulty interpretation of John 14:12. The greater things Jesus referred to was not individual miraculous works – who can raise a stinking corpse, walk on water, or change water into wine? Rather, it is referring to the preaching of the gospel throughout the world. God is the only being who can perform a miracle, and perform it according to his sovereign will and timing. For that reason, when you see a meeting advertised in advance with the claim that "miracles" will take place, you can be assured you are dealing with someone or a ministry that should be avoided. Claims of "miracles" in NAR circles are as common as flies around a dung heap. Hundreds have supposedly been raised from the dead – without a single death certificate made public.

45. More – there's always more to experience in the NAR, perhaps you have heard this phrase uttered by the speaker on stage or when someone is being prayed for: "*more Lord, more, give them more*" Typically the subject is receiving an impartation of sorts, and the person ministering is asking God to deposit more of whatever he is giving. If the subject falls over, jerks, or wails it's considered that God has done his job. This contributes to the hype and expectation in the meeting. Claims of "more" coming your way, is a way for a teacher to keep his followers expectant and glued to his congregation.

46. New move – this happens every few weeks in NAR circles. While Jesus is building his church, the NAR are building their own little kingdom, and part of that process involves creating hype and expectation. Few take the little time available between new moves and the stadium events that ignite them, time to consider the claims and results of the previous move. This is a characteristic of the NAR – nothing is tested, and as a result nothing is found wanting. Each move seems to bring an increase of bizarre practices and outlandish stories, leading followers further into a deception that very few are saved from.

47. Open Heaven – based on Mark 1:10: *“And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him.”* Another text used to justify an open heaven is Isaiah 64:1: *“Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down..”* An “open heaven” is a “sense of presence” or supposedly a geographical location where heaven is near to earth. Instead of reacting to the spirits, or evil in the area, believers who are aware of the open heaven and the presence of the Holy Spirit within, can actually alter the environment (change the atmosphere)

48. Portal – a kind of gateway into the heavenly realm, some NAR teachers will use the story of Jacob’s dream (Genesis 28) of angels ascending and descending a stairway between heaven and earth as an example of a portal. These portals supposedly allow people to access the heavenlies, and give the heavenly realm greater influence in the earthly region below. Believers don’t need portals to access God: “And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit. And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom..” Matthew 27:50-51. The veil that separated us from the presence of God has been torn, and as a result every single believer has this privilege: *“Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water”* Hebrews 10:19-22

Every believer has Christ dwelling within them, so why search for your nearest (non existent) portal?

49. Position yourself – similar to alignment (5) There are teachings on how to position yourself to: hear from God (which has nothing to do with reading scripture), receive a blessing, walk in the supernatural etc. The popular teaching of course is how to position yourself for financial increase, because this involves strict tithing which means the apostle or prophet is in the position to make more money.

50. Poverty spirit – both the rich and poor can apparently have a “poverty spirit” according to NAR teachings. But dig deep enough, and you’ll find that the ideal and desired state implies financial prosperity.

Some teachers focus exclusively on the material aspect, they teach that the spirit of poverty is one that prevents you from growing wealthy. This horrible spirit will crush your dreams, ambitions, and ability to make wealth – because Jesus dies to make you rich. They reassure their followers that there’s no guilt in accumulating wealth because: *“The blessing of the Lord makes rich, and he adds no sorrow with it”* Proverbs 10:22. These teachers will never quote 1 Timothy 6:8-9: *“But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.”*

The other aspect could be described as a poverty mindset – thoughts that you don’t deserve something, you will never succeed, you are too negative etc. Believers certainly can neglect their great salvation, and walk in ignorance concerning certain truths revealed in scripture to their own detriment. But the poverty spirit teaching espoused by the NAR promotes a man centered theology that instills confidence in the flesh, and misappropriates the promises of God.

51. Presence – the NAR place a great emphasis on the presence of God, because it’s one way to manipulate a crowd. By claiming that they sense God’s presence during their meetings, the crowd is persuaded that something special is taking place. When “God shows up” encounters and miracles can take place. If God is “present” then followers are more likely to be caught up in their feelings, as well as unconditionally accept the teaching that follows. If you don’t sense or feel the proclaimed presence, then you must still be lacking in something. It’s this kind of subjective approach that can lead many into condemnation and disappointment because they are not feeling or experiencing the presence of God. In terms of personal guidance, Moses’ reply to God in Exodus 33:15: *“If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here”* has been used to justify a subjective means by which to make decisions.

God is omnipresent, and believers have the indwelling Spirit of God, whether believers feel or sense the presence of God does not alter the fact.

52. Promotion – this can refer to a secular promotion or some kind of spiritual promotion to the next level. The convenient aspect of false teaching, is that you can take a word like promotion, and concoct a thousand messages. Promotion for instance, could depend on: your hunger for God, your level of expectancy or intimacy with God, your ability to hear God, your unwavering dedication to your apostle or prophet etc.

53. Prophetic word – generally this means that a prophet, or someone with a prophetic gift has given an individual, a fellowship, or even the whole body of Christ a word from God. NARites thrive on prophetic words – because they are always about how awesome they are, and how great they will be (leave a legacy etc) NAR authors like to claim that they have a prophetic word for the body, this makes it sound like essential reading for every Christian – more book sales. Believers already have a prophetic word, it's 100% accurate, and lengthy – 66 books long.

54. Prosper/Prosperity – John's standard greeting of the day to Gaius – *"Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul"* (3 John 2) is the go to text (wrestled out of context) to justify material prosperity. Spiritually speaking, Jesus promised us an abundant life, he also promised suffering, trials and tribulations and never promised wealth. Paul's secret was not seven steps to prosperity, but that of contentment in all circumstances: *"I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me"* Phil 4:12-13

55. Realm – Paul's epistle to the of Ephesians uses the phrase "heavenly places" (some translations use the word "realms") five times. That's five times it's mentioned in scripture, compared to over one hundred and ninety times it's mentioned in the NAR perversion of scripture – The Passion translation, which is a complete abomination penned by false teacher Brian Simmons. It's clearly a big deal to the NAR that thrive on subjective experiences and revel in various forms of mysticism. While Paul taught that God has *"blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ"* (Eph 1:3) the NAR offer courses on how to access the heavenly realms. Many of the teachers in the NAR claim to have taken trips to heaven where they received some sort of revelation. Furthermore, they offer seer courses – enabling you to see into the spiritual realm, and courses in shifting atmospheres – where the spiritual realm invades the physical realm. Don't fret about all the "realms" mentioned in NAR circles, they are simply a mystical distraction.

56. Receive – receive is usually employed by the person ministering, encouraging the recipient of the prayer to receive more of whatever impartation they are experiencing. Nobody really knows how to receive more during "ministry time," perhaps it means stop resisting the hand that's trying to push you over.

57. Release – a word used in similar context to decree and declare – the assumption is that we have the power to do what

only God can do. Typically, the false teacher will release something over the crowd, it may be an anointing, specific healing or gift. There are literally no boundaries as to what NAR mini gods believe they can release – angels, finances, miracles, glory, your future spouse etc.

58. Religious spirit – in NAR circles this term is often used to describe those who question their false teachings and obsession with signs and wonders. NAR followers are taught to take risks – which really means operating outside of the confines of scripture in order to get a result of sorts, or experience some kind of encounter with God. Dare to question their methodologies or strange manifestations in their midst, and you will be accused of having a “religious spirit.” They may accuse you of *“having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power”* (2 Tim 3:5) but they ignore the rest of the chapter which exposes their hypocrisy: *“while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”* (2 Tim 3:13-17) It is also used by NARites to describe the more traditional type of churches – the “dead” ones that conduct their meetings decently and in order (as prescribed in 1 Cor 14:40)

59. Reset – with all the turmoil in the world today, some NAR prophets claim it’s a time for reset – a type of realignment. The only reset the visible church needs – is one that returns to the teachings of scripture. That’s not going to happen in the NAR, so any reset they speak of will simply be the regurgitation of their false teachings. You may hear NAR prophets speak of God pushing a reset button which will bring things back into alignment. The release of divine blueprints to give the church strategies to move forward in the new season will be available – courtesy of these prophets who claim to be infallible mouthpieces for God.

60. Revelation – the idea that God is giving new messages to the church...conveniently through selected mouthpieces. A teacher’s job is to exposit the scriptures and point to Christ. But false teachers love the acclaim (and money) they receive, and new “revelations” place the focus on themselves. They are the ones intimate with God and worthy of receiving messages from God. Now it’s true that God does open our eyes, or enlighten us to the truth that is in scripture. However, false teachers

will claim that God gave them a new revelation for the whole body of Christ. This new revelation makes scripture incomplete, but false teachers would make less money if they did not come up with some new teaching. When they include the word “revelation”, or “God told me” in their teaching or book, they are luring the gullible who don’t want to miss out on what God is saying to the church.

61. Revival – one of the most overused words in the NAR, similar to awakening. I would argue that any revival, or awakening is characterized by at least two things – the preaching of God’s word and repentance. Neither of these are found in the NAR meetings. Revival, or some form of act of God as on the day of Pentecost, is exactly that – a sovereign act of God. What the NAR claim is a revival is simply a massive gathering led by self proclaimed apostles and prophets, twisting the word of God and manipulating the hordes of false converts and biblically ignorant followers in their audience.

62. Revivalist – linked to the above – an individual trained how to model the ministry of Jesus, operates in their sphere of influence (seven spheres of society) and brings revival.

63. School of Supernatural Ministry – in reality, it should be called the school of Simony because students pay to be trained in the supernatural. Impartations and activations deceive students into believing they have supernatural gifts. Students are “taught” how to heal the sick, prophesy, operate in words of knowledge, and are encouraged to take risks. In an attempt to model the ministry of Jesus, they attempt to raise the dead, walk through walls, and walk on water. These are the schools that churn out young revivalists steeped in mysticism and false doctrines.

64. Seer – NAR prophets believe this is the ability to see in the spirit. In the old testament a seer was a prophet who received visions. The NAR teach that people with a prophetic, or seer anointing, are able to discern things in the spirit and heavenly realms. This is a coveted “gift” in the NAR because if you can have visions and explain what is happening in the spiritual atmosphere, no one is going to question you.

65. Seven Mountain Mandate – this mandate stems from Kingdom Now or Dominion theology. It’s the erroneous belief that the church is called to transform the seven mountains or spheres of society: arts & culture, government, media, education, religion, family, and business. Apostles and Prophets will lead the church which will eventually transform society and establish

God's kingdom on the earth so that Christ can return to an earth that looks like heaven. This heresy is what fuels NARites to influence culture with the goal of dominating each sphere. The opposite will in fact happen according to scripture. The world will not "be saved" (2 Tim 3) but will continue its slide into wickedness, and at the same time hate true believers – not celebrate their position of dominance and influence in society: *"Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived."* 2 Timothy 3:12-13

66. Shift – another popular word that is thrown around ad nauseam. It could mean that there's a shift in culture because God is using his new breed to influence the world, or it could refer to a spiritual shift that has taken place. NARites depend on their apostles and prophets to inform them when the imaginary shift is taking place. The only "shift" believers should understand is the shift that took place on the cross – the shift from the law, to the gospel.

67. Signs & Wonders – one of the major attractions of the NAR is their claim that they operate in signs and wonders.

Miracles are supposedly normative, and one of the favourite tricks of NAR faith healers is to grow the legs of gullible people. The "signs and wonders" that occur in this movement are usually unverifiable, manufactured, or demonic. What they don't tell you -you could read the entire bible within a week. You would read many accounts of miracles, signs and wonders, and might think that they are normative. Anyone coming to that conclusion has failed to realize that:

The scriptures span a period of approximately 4000 years.

There were centuries that went by during this time, without any miracles.

The number of people who performed miracles could fit in a small church building.

The major reason for signs and wonders in the New Testament has been fulfilled – to authenticate the message and ministry of the apostles (2 Cor 12:12) and the ministry and identity of the messiah (John 10:36-39)

The "encounter gospel" of the NAR assumes that without signs and wonders, the gospel is reduced to words and will be ineffective. If that were the case, Paul preached a "reduced" gospel: *"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes"* Romans 1:16

"For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles." 1 Cor 1:22-23

The story of the rich man and Lazarus makes it clear that miracles don't generate repentance. The rich man asked Abraham to send Lazarus back to earth to warn his family, Abraham's response: *"But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the*

Prophets; let them hear them.’ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’” Luke 16:29-31

68. Slain in the spirit – supposedly a sign that the power of God has come upon an individual who has fallen over. This usually occurs during “ministry time” when the preacher “minsters” by touching people on the forehead, pushing them, or blowing on them. Once on the ground, some may begin to have various manifestations, some of which resemble seizures. There are a few reasons why people are “slain in the spirit” and none are biblical. Some fall over because they are simply too embarrassed to remain standing when the previous 30 in the queue went down. The power of suggestion and hype has affected the emotions of those desperate to encounter some form of God’s touch, and so they fall over. And we cannot discount the demonic as being one of the reasons for this manifestation.

69. Soaking – this form of contemplative spirituality leads to all forms of deception. Soaking prayer, or soaking in God’s presence is supposedly a time of intimacy with God, where “soakers” hear from God, encounter God, or where their spirit may interact with the 3rd heaven realm. Another form of “soaking” is grave soaking (also known as grave sucking) An individual will lie on the grave of a deceased person whom they believe had a great anointing and performed miracles. They believe it’s possible for a transference of the deceased’s anointing by means of soaking it up. This dangerous practice will lead adherents into further deception.

70. Sound – the NAR are heavily influenced by pagan and new age beliefs. For this reason, some NAR teachers believe that frequencies, vibrations, and sounds can bring healing or create a shift in the heavenlies. The blowing of a Shofar for example, can therefore not only be a prophetic act, but release something into the atmosphere.

71. Sow – It is biblical to give, or “sow” into the kingdom of God: *“whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully..”* 2 Cor 9:6. It’s not biblical to teach the law of tithing, or to teach that if you give, God guarantees money back. It’s also not biblical to teach that if you don’t tithe, the rest of your income is cursed, and other areas of your life will be affected negatively. Another form of manipulation is to get followers to give during a certain month, or at a time that coincides with an old testament feast. A ploy to get the poor to give their last dime to a mammon

loving preacher, is the teaching of “sowing during famine.” Unfortunate victims of this teaching give away money they should be using to feed their families, to the shameless charlatan who uses it support his lavish lifestyle.

72. Sozo –.sozo (σώζω) is the Greek word which is translated in scripture as save, heal or deliver. But there is nothing scriptural about the Sozo course – it’s an extremely dangerous form of inner healing that utilizes visualization and various unbiblical methodologies. Sozo is an insult to the work of Christ on the cross, the indwelling Spirit of God, and renders scripture insufficient. It’s simply another path into mysticism and doctrines of demons.

73. Spirit of _____ – fill in the blank with whatever your problem is. If you are poor, then rebuke the spirit of poverty, if you have a problem with your temper, rebuke the spirit of anger etc. This false teaching assumes that the cause of every ailment or problem is a demon that can be bound, and cast out. It ignores this struggle: *“For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do.”* Galatians 5:17

74. Spiritual Warfare – one of the areas riddled with error in the NAR. While our struggle against spiritual forces is real and not against flesh and blood (Eph 6:10-16) the solution offered by the NAR is far from biblical. Scripture lists the armour of God, and it does not include the methodology taught by the NAR. Unbiblical concepts such as spiritual mapping, binding Satan (see point 14) breaking generational curses, casting spirits out of believers, repenting on behalf of your nation or family line, engaging in prophetic acts, destroying Satan’s legal rights over a territory etc, are accepted as truth and practiced in the NAR. Believer’s don’t need to engage in these unbiblical methodologies, which could actually be referred to as doctrines of demons – see the irony? Instead, believers rely on the finished work of the cross, resist the devil, and stand on the truth of God’s word in their struggle against spiritual forces.

75. Suddenly – similar to accelerate, but faster results. This has been a popular word in the NAR in the past few years. A season of “suddenlies” is one of pleasant surprises, never impending persecution or hardships. It can mean anything – from sudden material gain to some form of supernatural intervention. The word occurs 87 times in scripture, and the NAR concept of “suddenlies” occurring could be based on any number of texts. One example – *“And suddenly there came from heaven a*

sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.” Acts 2:2

Yet again, NARites depend on their prophets to inform them of the current season they are in.

76. Testimony – due to the fact the scripture plays a secondary role in the NAR, testimonies are vitally important.

“Testimonies” in the NAR are often outlandish and not scriptural – such as taking trips to heaven, receiving new revelations, and raising the dead. Furthermore, some believe that when an individual gives a testimony of what God has done, power is released to repeat the miracle in the life of the hearers. The power of a testimony in the NAR is evidenced by the fact that people will say ‘I have to go to that place because I’ve heard what God is doing there.’ This is why folk will cross continents to experience something based on “testimonies” of what is taking place.

77. Transfer of wealth – linked to financial increase and the prosperity gospel, the idea being that in these last days there will be a transference of wealth into the kingdom of God to finance an end time harvest. Those who teach this usually live in sprawling mansions or ranches – the fruits of peddling God’s word for shameful gain. Examples are given of Israel’s prosperity under the old covenant (see Isaiah 60), and very often the second half of Proverbs 13:22 is quoted: *“A good man leaves an inheritance to his children’s children, but the sinner’s wealth is laid up for the righteous”* The nice part about this teaching is that your business will have to be successful in order for you to sow back into the kingdom. You will be blessed, in order to be a blessing. It’s incorrect to assume that only the wealthy can contribute to the kingdom of God: *“We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part.”* 2 Cor 8:1-2

Obviously, this great transfer of wealth is a sham, unless there are portions of scripture missing from the new testament.

78. transference of anointing – similar to impartation (34). The belief that the anointing can be transferred through not only the laying on of hands, but through proximity as well. In other words NARites are encouraged to “hang around” those who have a powerful anointing in the hopes that some of it may rub off on them. This is the same principle that motivates grave soaking – the anointing can be transferred through proximity by lying on the grave of the deceased. The consequence of this belief is that NARites pursue “anointed” apostles and prophets, who have become nothing less than mediums to their gullible followers.

79. Transformation – linked to the seven mountain mandate (65). Jesus did not come to transform the world, but save individuals and conform them into his image. It's not the world that should be transformed, but the minds of believers – *“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.”* Romans 12:2

Jesus is not returning to a transformed planet eagerly anticipating his return, but to a world as in the days of Noah. A world that has rejected his warnings, and does not expect an impending judgement. If the NAR existed in the days of Noah, they would have accused Noah of being a doom and gloom prophet who was failing to take the opportunity to transform society.

80. Unity – while the NAR has grown significantly, the “unity” they are experiencing as different streams/movements have merged, has been at the expense of truth. Biblical unity means that the body of Christ will not fall for various doctrines that are contrary to scripture: *“until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.”* Ephesians 4: 13-14
The superficial unity in the NAR is unity based on false doctrines, and is a sign of a great falling away, not revival.

81. Unlock – similar to access (2) While believers have received all they need pertaining to life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3) in the NAR there is a continual search for the next mystery to be revealed, or next level of power to be attained. Scripture and the indwelling Spirit of God are insufficient for NARites who have to attend various events and take numerous courses in order to unlock what doesn't exist.

82. Upgrade – because ‘downgrades’ sound bad, besides, no one wants to be disciplined or demoted in the NAR food chain. An upgrade in NAR circles means that you have attained a higher level in some area. You may have received a double portion of something, or now have access to new mysteries. Most “upgrades” come and go without anyone noticing or receiving anything, because....they don't exist.

83. Vision – relatively easy to have one of these in the NAR world, let me show you how. I'm going to write a word, read it and see if an image comes into your mind, the word is pizza. If you were part of the NAR you could now claim that you have had a vision. Having visions is another experience that NARites can use to their advantage. Visions carry just as much weight

as scripture, and are used to verify teachings, or just show how spiritual you are and that the supernatural is active in your life. In a secondary sense, word vision can also refer to the the goals a leader may have for his church.

84. Visitation – used to describe a supernatural encounter with God, or an angel. Visitations from God and angels are common in the NAR. In fact, there are probably more claims of visitations in NAR movement in one month, than are recorded in scripture. A visitation is the ultimate “testimony” to gather attention and propel a NARite into the limelight.

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