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# Dominion Theology

**Take Over the World -- For Our God**

## **Dominion Theology**

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There is a modern day movement that actually has it's origins from the second century Christian Church even though a couple of men are given credit for this teaching of "dominion" from the 1960s and 70s. That alone should alert the Bible student with any interest in bible prophecy about the possibility of something shady – why would something someone else has already tried and failed at be resurrected anew, re-clothed and presented as *newly revealed* knowledge for modern man? Is *history* trying to repeat itself under a different cloth, or is it the same old cloth? Dominion Theology seeks conquest of the Earth for the Kingdom of God -- by force, if necessary -- sound familiar?



### **General Definition – Wikipedia:**

Dominion Theology is a category used by journalists, scholars, and religious activists to classify [theological](#) systems with the common belief that society should be governed exclusively by the [law of God](#), as codified in the [Bible](#). The two main movements most typically labeled as Dominion Theology are [Christian Reconstructionist](#) and [Kingdom Now Theology](#). Though these two movements differ greatly in their general theological orientation (the first is strongly [Reformed](#) and [Neo-Calvinistic](#), the second is [Charismatic](#)), they share a [postmillennial](#) vision in which the [Kingdom of God](#) will be established on Earth through political and (in some cases) military means.

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### **Dominion Theology and the Kingdom of God**

Reading the brief definition above we see two approaches to this making the world into the Kingdom of God. One is more of a mainline Protestant origins and the other is a Charismatic type, the speaking in tongues and all of that. If something were to happen and one or the other were to gain control of the world and force the world to live by the Law of God (however they define that) then what would happen to the other. Would the one be gobbled up by the other? Now wait a minute, did you see that? Did you recognize the emphasis of this theological approach? Sound familiar? Sounds like the Islamic religion to me.

The Dominion preachers want you, the believer, to become politically active and to eventually take over the world, establishing the Kingdom of God on Earth. No, the Christ does not have to be here, maybe in spirit, but not actually here – according to them. This, of course, is nice for those not really wanting to deal with our Savior face to face. For me, and others, our great

anticipation is getting to meet Him face to face, but apparently the Dominion brothers and sisters had prefer He stay away while *they* enforce the Law of God. Gosh, I just cannot get the Muslim/Islamic thing out of my head, how is that going to work. The Muslims see the Law of God differently from these Christians, unless, of course, the Dominions are talking about restoring the Old Covenant Law, the Law of Moses which parallels much of the Muslim Law -- sort of -- same intent -- sort of -- like forced labor, whips and all -- even death.

The basic idea of Dominion is said to have originated from a few verses found in Genesis –

*(Gen 1:28) And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.*

Well, that is a command from the Creator, right? But anyone just a little familiar with the Bible know what happened to those people that did just that – the pre-flood people did dominate the earth but without God, even though YaHWeH was among them, they became violent and terrible. They had dominion and YaHWeH had to take it all away from them because they were doing it without Him, doing it their way. Modern Dominionist ignore this all important fact and are comfortable having their God stay away, they will do it their way.

This is nothing new, not at all. Our Savior told us the Kingdom would be fought over and some would try to take it by force, but all would come to nothing. YaHshua will establish the Kingdom Himself. The Dominionist, like the Islamist seek to do it for Him as though He is not strong enough to do it Himself. They, in effect, are saying their god is a weak god and has to have man's help. So, we can save ourselves? Really? Not so, and this is not why our Savior came to us the Keys to the Kingdom, because the Keys belong to Him, it is He that opens and no man can shut, not us.

*(Rev 3:7) And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that has the key of David, he that opens, and no man shuts; and shuts, and no man opens;*

*(Rev 3:8) I know thy works: behold, I have set before you an open door, and no man can shut it: for you have a little strength, and have kept my word, and **have not denied my name.***

I think pretty much everyone that is anyone in Bible Prophecy recognizes, or teaches that we are living in this era, the Philadelphia era, and this being the case just where does it say He gives the Keys to the believers? Where does it say this era, just before the last deluded and deceived era is giving anything? No Dominion here, in fact the Church of Philadelphia is said to have little strength and it is the era after this, the Laodecean era that has deceived themselves into thinking they are rich and powerful -- Rev 3:13-22.

It does not have to be complicated and it does not take a master mind to see what is going on with this kind of *dominion* teaching. The rulers within this kind of religious movement, seeking political power and authority need people to believe this message of dominion, taken out of context and worked into a theology that actually denies the coming of our Savior to save us and

the world so they can become the masters of all -- to follow them is to follow these self-appointed leaders and political appointments and their government, their rule -- not unlike what Satan wants.

The following explanations will take us to the root of this Dominion Theology and then you will hear from me and my opinion, which I believe to be a common sense view, once again removing the religious fog. One step at a time, and we will see that this is all about “power” and “authority”, not for the God of the Bible but for men – you’ll see.

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**Wikipedia:** Most of the contemporary movements labeled Dominion Theology arose in the 1970s in religious movements reasserting aspects of Christian [nationalism](#). Ideas for how to accomplish this vary. Very doctrinaire versions of Dominion Theology are sometimes called "Hard Dominionism" or "Theocratic Dominionism," because they seek relatively authoritarian [theocratic](#) or [theonomic](#) forms of government.

The Assemblies of God rejected this type of teaching in 1949. George Wood, warned Assemblies of God churches about this in a church wide letter sent out in 1981 Today, George Wood serves as the General Superintendent of the World Wide Assemblies of God which is based in Springfield, MO.

**Servant's Comment:** The 1970s is not really the origin of this type of Theology -- this doctrine of *world dominion*, began way back in the Garden of Eden, but for the Christians it began, historically, closer to home. The origin of historical Christianity, as we know it today, actually began as early as 325 AD when the Roman Church came to power under Emperor Constantine, around 325 AD when he called the First Council of Nicaea, effectively creating the Roman Catholic Church, and from this too, giving birth to the Eastern Orthodox Church -- some see this as the two legs of the Roman Empire, neither of which had any real resemblance to the First Century Church founded by the Apostles of YaHshua. Constantine passed an edict that granted religious freedom throughout the Empire effectively stopping most of the religious persecutions. By calling together the various religious factions and demanding they settle their differences and create a unified religion for the State, for the Empire. This did work for a time, but soon the East and the West had a falling out. After some conflict, through the next 100 years, the Roman Church took the reins of power, taking “dominion” over the world by the authority of the New Covenant, or so they postured. The fact is they used the Christian faith to continue with the Pagan Rome, inherited from the Babylonian religions. The leadership from Rome renamed pagan fixtures, statues of idols, and even temples, blessing these symbols of paganism in the name of their Christ Jesus even going so far as to adopt pagan festivals and introducing these once offensive customs and festivals of gaiety and debauchery into the Christian faith of all Europe. The aim of the Roman Church was then and is now to take “dominion” over the whole earth, to establish the Kingdom of their god over all. The Roman Catholic Church clothed in fine linens of red and purple, calling priests “fathers” and their leader, Pope, or Papa, the Italian for “father”, all contrary to the words of our Savior YaHshua (Mat 23:9). They have changed the Name, or are

responsible for the changing of His Name to a Latin name, IeSuS (Jesus), that just happens to be pronounced as “the Zeus”, or “Hey-Zeus” throughout the Roman Empire. Later the English changed this bogus name to *Jesus*, pronounced as Geez-Us, moving our Savior’s true identity further into the shadows.

Once we see this history we can understand that the modern view concerning this Dominion Theology is not new at all, but found its footing, again, among non-Catholic leadership, such as the Reformed, and Christmatic movements. But why? That is the question, and I hope to answer it, but first let’s go to the next step in uncovering what is really beneath this idea of “dominion theology”.

**Wikipedia:** An example of Dominionism in reformed theology is [Christian Reconstructionism](#), which originated with the teachings of [R. J. Rushdoony](#) in the 1960s and 1970s. Rushdoony's theology focuses on [theonomy](#) (the rule of the Law of God), a belief that all of society should be ordered according to the laws that governed the [Israelites](#) in the [Old Testament](#). His system is strongly [Calvinistic](#), emphasizing the sovereignty of God over human freedom and action, and denying the operation of [charismatic gifts](#) in the present day ([cessationism](#)); both of these aspects are in direct opposition to Kingdom Now Theology.

While acknowledging the small number of actual adherents, authors such as Sara Diamond and Frederick Clarkson have argued that postmillennial Christian Reconstructionism played a major role in pushing the primarily premillennial Christian Right to adopt a more aggressive dominionist stance.<sup>[2][3]</sup> According to Diamond, "Reconstructionism is the most intellectually grounded, though esoteric, brand of dominion theology."

Kingdom Now Theology is a branch of Dominion Theology which has had a following within [Pentecostalism](#). It attracted attention in the late 1980s.

**Servant’s Comment:** Now we are getting to the real reason for such a teaching. This guarantees the rule of men over the Church under the guise of God’s Law. This varies in degree to what is being taught. Some say all the Law others say only certain portions of the Law and because this is so confusing for new believers they turn their spiritual lives over to these man made leaders and they assume authority over the group, or groups declaring it is their right as orderly “dominion” demands. There are many variations on this theme but all have in common this law of leadership dominion over the body of believers willing to give them that authority. I say willing because it is not a commandment of our Lord to turn your spiritual life over to any man save one, and that is our Lord YaHshua. Leaders are to be the “servants”, a concept our Lord taught. If a “servant” then they are there for the benefit of the body and are to cater to the needs of the body, not the other way around. As an extreme example just look at the Catholic Church, how the big and the little fawn over the Pope. This same kind of adoration is sought and taken by other self-appointed leaders, claiming dominion over you, and telling you that this is how God meant for it to be and that with your support you can take over the world – you can become the Kingdom of God on Earth. And this takes us to the next portion of this common sense approach to a complicated issue which is not complicated at all.

Wikipedia: Kingdom Now Theology states that although [Satan](#) has been in control of the world since the [Fall](#), God is looking for people who will help him take back dominion. Those who yield themselves to the authority of God's apostles and prophets will take control of the kingdoms of this world, being defined as all social institutions, the "kingdom" of education, the "kingdom" of science, the "kingdom" of the arts, etc.<sup>[6]</sup>

Kingdom Now Theology is influenced by the [Latter Rain](#) movement,<sup>[7]</sup> and critics have connected it to the [New Apostolic Reformation](#),<sup>[8]</sup> "[Spiritual Warfare Christianity](#)",<sup>[7]</sup> and [Fivefold ministry](#) thinking.<sup>[9]</sup>

Kingdom Now theology should not be confused with [Kingdom theology](#), which is related to [inaugurated eschatology](#).

**Servant's Comments:** There is the defining statement – *“Those who yield themselves to the authority of God’ apostles and prophets will take control...”* This is what the Dominion Teachers want you to do – if you will yield to their authority, to those they have placed in position of authority, claiming Old Testament Law and a few verse from the New Testament to solidify their leadership role of having *dominion* over you. It is not really the God of the Bible they want you to follow, no, it is them, those claiming these titles of authority for themselves.

This is a much more complicated issue, to be sure, but only in the minds of men and in the minds of those wishing to defend this misplaced assumption of “authority” within the body of believers. Of course they have to have a following willing to give up their rights under the Christ of the New Covenant and become little robots following the dictates of their prophets and apostles as they all march off the cliff to their own destruction. So, who is at fault? Why you are, of course, if this is your part in a religion that is very similar to what Satan himself would design. Take over the world, establish a no holds barred enforcement of the Old Testament Laws, as the apostles of his church would demand, bringing everyone into force obedience on this Earth, without the physical presence of our true Lord and Savior, YaHshua. How happy would Satan and his minions be if this could be accomplished?

### **More to Come:**

I am studying a book that is defending this position of “dominion” and will do a follow-up of this subject. This current presentation skirts around many of the issues the defenders and the critics raise. However, I really do not see the need to go much further with this as common sense and simple truth presented here cuts right to the real purpose of what this all means. But, I will endeavor to do a follow-up allowing for the defenders to be heard. Still, in the brief look, so far, into this book and subject the “authority” claim or the abduction of authority under the cloud of following God’s Law, is very visible -- at least to me and it should be to you too.

Looking forward to a Part 2 – for now I hope this has been of some benefit to someone. Peace, your servant, Dan

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