

# Is the 7 Mountain Strategy the Wrong Model?

It has been stated on the internet and said in personal conversations, that the 7 Mountain Strategy<sup>1</sup> (AKA – ‘7M’) is part of the Prosperity Gospel and is therefore an error. Those accusations have come from Bible-believing evangelicals who see the scriptures as their only source of godly direction.<sup>2</sup> Others have said it’s wrong because, “It’s come from the mind of men, not God”.

As we’ve been aligned with the 7M paradigm since 2014, it’s our responsibility to check it out again to see whether it’s the direction we still need to take. After all, we’ve been investigating<sup>3</sup> a great deal of what we believe in our Forerunners meetings<sup>4</sup>, so this is something we should also do.

In regards to it’s origin, the 7 Mountain Strategy was simultaneously given by our King to Loren Cunningham<sup>5</sup> and Bill Bright<sup>6</sup> in 1975. They were shown similar visions which included the message that “whoever takes the 7 kingdoms (or mind-molders) in each of the nations can have the harvest of the nations.” In their visions they actually saw 7 mind-molders, rather than 7 mountains<sup>7</sup>.

These 7 mountains are the 7 molders<sup>8</sup> of culture. They are: religion, family, education, government, media, arts & sports, and business & technology. These are arbitrary categories which are not ‘set in stone’. They are simply a way of looking at the main areas of a culture which mold our thinking.

Loren Cunningham described how the strategy came about from godly inspiration and was confirmed in a ‘God moment’:

*“It was August, 1975. My family and I were up in a little cabin in Colorado. And the Lord had given me that day a list of things I had never thought about before. He said “This is the way to reach America and nations for God.” And [He said], “You have to see them like classrooms or like places that were already there, and go into them with those who are already working in those areas.” And I call them ‘mind-molders’ or ‘spheres’...But it was a little later that day, the ranger came up, and he said, “There is a phone call for you back at the ranger’s station.”*

*So I went back down, about 7 miles, and took the call. It was a mutual friend who said, “Bill Bright and Vonnegut are in Colorado at the same time as you are. Would you and Darlene come over and meet with them? They would love to meet with you.” So we flew over to Boulder on a private plane of a friend of ours. And as we came in and greeted each other, (we were friends for quite a while), and I was reaching for my yellow paper that I had written on the day before. And he said, “Loren, I want to show you what God has shown me!” And it was virtually the same list that God had given me the day before. Three weeks later, my wife Darlene had seen Dr. Francis Shaffer on TV and he had the same list! And so I realized that this was for the body of Christ.*

*I gave it for the first time in Hamburg, Germany at the big cathedral there to a group of hundreds of young people that had gathered at that time. And I said, “These are the areas that you can go into as missionaries. Here they are: First, it’s the institution set up by God first, the family. After the family was church, or the people of God. The third was the area of school, or education. The fourth was media, public communication, in all forms, printed and electronic. The fifth was what I call ‘celebration’, the arts, entertainment, and sports, where you celebrate within a culture. The sixth would be the whole area of the economy, which starts with innovations in science and technology, productivity, sales, and service.*

1 – Also known as ‘7 Mountain Mandate’ (Lance Wallnau), ‘7 Mountain Prophecy’ (Johnny Enlow) and ‘7 Mountain Paradigm’

2 – e.g. “The 7 Spheres: exposing the NAR’s false commission” (5-3-2017)  
[churchwatchcentral.com/2017/03/05/the-7-spheres-exposing-the-nars-false-commission](http://churchwatchcentral.com/2017/03/05/the-7-spheres-exposing-the-nars-false-commission)

3 – [canberraforerunners.org/?page\\_id=6853](http://canberraforerunners.org/?page_id=6853)

4 – [canberraforerunners.org/?page\\_id=4687](http://canberraforerunners.org/?page_id=4687)

5 – The founder of YWAM

6 – The founder of Campus Crusade for Christ

7 – Also known as ‘the pillars of society’. The 7 mountains were what Lance Wallnau was shown and the expression has stuck since then.

8 – ‘Mould’ is a fungus.

*The whole area we often call it business but we leave out sometimes the scientific part, which actually raises the wealth of the world. Anything new, like making sand into chips for a microchip, that increases wealth in the world. And then of course prediction sales and service helps to spread the wealth. And so the last was the area of government. Now government, the Bible shows in Isaiah 33 verse 22 that there are three branches of government, so it's all of the three branches: judicial, legislative, and executive. And then there are subgroups under all of those seven groups.”<sup>9</sup>*

**NOTE:** Loren Cunningham has recounted the events around the 7M vision in a 3-minute video [HERE](#).<sup>10</sup>

So, there we have 3 significant Spirit-filled Christian leaders, all of whom were involved in reaching society, and all of whom were given the same strategy and the same list of culture molders by our King, all at the very same time. What can we say about that, then? Confirmation, confirmation. When the Spirit gives major directives that involve organisations or societies, he releases the same message to a number of ‘Spirit-listeners’ so the message isn’t regarded as someone’s ‘dreamings’.

What then has happened since 1975? Nothing much followed on because the church didn’t take it on-board. Instead, the inertia of stayed religion caused them to see 7M as ‘someone else’s idea’, not theirs. Many saw it as unbiblical. As a consequence, YWAM drifted away from it well before the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> century and nothing was really heard from Campus Crusaders about it. It wasn’t until 2000 that there was a re-emergence of the 7M message through Lance Wallnau.<sup>11</sup> In a vision, Lance was shown 7 mountains and was told by the Lord, “This is the language I wish you to use with your generation”. (For the background to Lance’s 7M revelation, check out his recent video [HERE](#).<sup>12</sup>) At that time, Johnny Enlow supported it with his books ‘7 Mountain Prophecy’<sup>13</sup> and ‘Seven Mountain Mantle’<sup>14</sup>.

**NOTE:** Lance Wallnau has updated the 7M situation in society in a video [HERE](#).<sup>15</sup>

A number of ‘Joseph generation’ downloads were received by Spirit-filled believers following Lance Wallnau and Johnny Enlow, as our King released more of the package he was wanting his people to move with. Joseph Company, Joseph International, Bob Fraser and Influent were a few of those. The Joseph message also included the transfer of wealth into the Kingdom from the world, but which was stewarded by Josephs who the King trusted to handle large quantities of money. These Josephs would be spiritually trained to be ready to take on their financial role for the Kingdom.

It was only in the 21<sup>st</sup> century that the 7 Mountain Strategy really came under attack by many in the established church system.<sup>16</sup> However, that attitude is strangely inconsistent when it’s considered that approval and validation was always given to Christians who had “a ministry to the poor” or “a ministry to the indigenous people” or “a ministry to the homeless”, etc. But, when a person declared they’ve been “called” to release others into society to impact it for good (for the Kingdom), it was pooh-poohed, mainly because it didn’t line up with the Bible.

We can now disregard those who say that 7M is not God-breathed or not Spirit-led, because it definitely came from a blueprint from Heaven, so it’s not an error. The point from here on in this article is to check if it’s the wrong model for this time in the Kingdom. Is it altogether wrong for today, or is it the wrong choice or the wrong direction/emphasis for us to take?

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9 – Loren Cunningham in “Transcript of Interview of Loren Cunningham on Original 7 Mountain Vision”

Interview: “7 Spheres” with Os Hillman and Kelle Hughes in Atlanta, November 19, 2007 (video no longer available)

Originally published here: [www.7culturalmountains.org/apps/articles/default.asp?articleid=40087](http://www.7culturalmountains.org/apps/articles/default.asp?articleid=40087) (website no longer available)

10 – “Loren Cunningham Original Vision of 7 Mountains Strategy” [www.youtube.com/watch?v=iOrLz\\_RdOjQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iOrLz_RdOjQ)

11 – [7mu.com](http://7mu.com)

12 – “7 Mountain Prophecy: What It Means For You Today” (Part 1) [www.youtube.com/watch?v=xT7F2\\_w-viA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xT7F2_w-viA)

PODCAST: [frankspeech.com/audio/7-mountain-prophecy-what-it-means-you-today](http://frankspeech.com/audio/7-mountain-prophecy-what-it-means-you-today)

13 – [www.amazon.com.au/Seven-Mountain-Prophecy-Unveiling-Revolution-ebook/dp/B001LF4126](http://www.amazon.com.au/Seven-Mountain-Prophecy-Unveiling-Revolution-ebook/dp/B001LF4126)

14 – [www.amazon.com.au/Seven-Mountain-Mantle-Receiving-Anointing-ebook/dp/B009C94NF8](http://www.amazon.com.au/Seven-Mountain-Mantle-Receiving-Anointing-ebook/dp/B009C94NF8)

15 – “7 Mountain Prophecy: What It Means For You Today | PART 2” [www.youtube.com/watch?v=cdXG2vHNHaHA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cdXG2vHNHaHA)

ALSO: [rumble.com/v1z825s-7-mountain-prophecy-what-it-means-for-you-today-part-2.html](https://www.rumble.com/v1z825s-7-mountain-prophecy-what-it-means-for-you-today-part-2.html)

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Fiorella Giordano<sup>17</sup> stated in her Facebook blog on 21/12/2022: “The 7 mountain paradigm is an old era model it won’t work in this new era.”<sup>18</sup>

Here’s some of what she covered in her blog. (I’ve displayed it here for those who don’t have a Facebook account, and in case the blogs are taken down):

*“I made a post last night that ruffled some feathers, now I am going to expound on my stance as to why I feel the 7 Mountain model is an Old Era model and why I feel it won’t work for this new era. This has many layers, so this is only **Part 1**.*

*The 7 Mountain model is a model for discipling nations by categorizing its channels of governance with a framework of 7 mountains.*

*In this New Era, the realm and responsibility of governing as sons of God has been upgraded and expanded. God doesn’t just want us to disciple nations, He wants us to govern ages which in essence is a governance of a generation.*

*Here lies the distinction – you cannot disciple an age with a 7 mountain model, you disciple an age with a new measure, with a new idea, with a new mind and with new language that creates new frontiers – this level of discipleship is not global (meaning it’s not nation-oriented) it’s a planetary governance that includes creation and the design of the Mountain of God, once this is established then nations are disciplined from that governance.*

*When you look at Babel and the governance given to the nations it was after the planetary gateway was closed down. I can’t go into this now, in this post so more on that coming.*

*Additionally, the governance of nations is changing because now there are other factors, such as technology that is framing another dimension of governance that is digital and extends to all human exchange of communication and finances and supersedes the 7 mountain landscape.*

*Additionally, there are ppl [people]<sup>19</sup> with exponential amounts of wealth that are wealthier than some nations and their influence extends beyond national capacities or boundaries into international markets and the consciousness of a generation.*

*The 7 mountain movement tries to revitalize systems that are under the reign of death. We carry the reign of grace that brings the power of indestructible life – the reign of Grace empowers a new creation model that frames an age first, empowers a generation and unlocks its inheritance and then disciplines nations by creating new systems and becoming the radiance that beckons nations to come to its light.*

*Part 2 coming as to what model I feel God is highlighting.*

*I don’t have all the answers, I am just sharing years of revelation that I feel now needs to be shared.”<sup>20</sup>*

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**“Part 2:**

*The new era model is an administration with the view of the fullness of time. It handles and stewards the governance of time and its fullness as it births the dream and will of God, it is an expression of the Reign of Grace that deals with the Reign of Death and its decay, meaning it governs the domain that decay moves through which is time, and it handles the economy of destiny, vitality, and wholeness, and the multiplication of infinity that creates fullnesses of times and distributes the substance of it, destiny in essence is spiritual capital from above.*

*An administration for the fullness of times doesn’t look or contend to dominate the influence in the peak of 7 earthly mountains, it creates opportunities and new spheres that are marked with something beyond what is present and that is where their leadership of the times is defined. It is not hierarchical*

17 – Fiorella Giordano [www.fiorellagiordano.io](http://www.fiorellagiordano.io)

18 – Fiorella Giordano (21/12/22) [www.facebook.com/fiorella.giordano.395?mibextid=ZbWKwL](https://www.facebook.com/fiorella.giordano.395?mibextid=ZbWKwL)

19 – ‘ppl’ is SMS shorthand for ‘people’. [Added by laurence]

20 – Fiorella Giordano (22/12/22) [www.facebook.com/fiorella.giordano.395?mibextid=ZbWKwL](https://www.facebook.com/fiorella.giordano.395?mibextid=ZbWKwL)

*into top down models of mountains of influence, it is expansive with vision for new frontiers, new domains of influence, it seeks to frame ages and to rebuild them and architect them – this administration is the vehicle for the redemption of time.*

*Those operating in this new administration open realms of opportunity and possibility, and what they access and maintain begins to bridge every breach in ancient foundations. They steward the Ontology of the Future, meaning the nature of the state of being and affairs of the ancient future, they steward the existence of divine possibility of the plan of God for the expression of the kinetic now, that builds a fruitful future.*

*This new administration stewards the planetary gateway whose foundations extend into Eden, it births a generation with a timeless identity, it mediates as a priesthood over consciousness and the realms of the imagination, as they move through realms they fill the gap in order to translate what no eye has seen or ear heard, this stance is what unifies the ancient ruins, the sum of the things in the heavens and the things in the Earth in Christ<sup>21</sup>. This new administration has a vision for not just nations or cities but for a Kingdom civilization that architects new systems and new cities on Earth.*

*This is the new that God is inviting us into.”<sup>22</sup>*

I’ll analyse what she’s blogged and see what I make of what she’s written.

Firstly, after outlining her idea of the right paradigm in her blog, she then cites the following scripture verse as support:

**Ephesians 1:10** (NASB1995) – *with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, that is, the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth.*

The interesting thing about that verse is that it was written around 60-62AD,<sup>23</sup> not in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. So, how can a statement of fact that is relevant to 1<sup>st</sup> century believers be the NEW model Father wants us to implement? It can’t.

Next, are 7M and the “new”, mutually exclusive? Or, are they a sequence or parallel functions?

Looking outside of those questions and considering sonship-living, the most current paradigm is ascending and inhabiting Heaven. Does that mean any other mode of operation is wrong – e.g. The current norm of being Spirit-led and carrying out our Kingdom assignments? No. The level a son operates at is all about their maturity and their desire to move forward into what Father has for them. More importantly, it’s about where Father is taking them individually. We can’t label something as wrong, unless Father has told us it’s wrong or that it’s not for us (i.e. wrong for us to get involved with).

Similarly, in regard to 7M, Father has more than one stream functioning in the Kingdom. They’re not mutually exclusive – as a legalistic mind might think – but they are parallel activities that he’s sanctioned and is using for his purposes. This is the case with 7M and the new paradigm that he’s unveiling at the present time. They are both functioning simultaneously, but different sons are involved in each of them.

However, ‘all said and done’, I actually concur with Fiorella Giordano, but only where she described the “new”. I agree up to there because I know that’s where Father is taking us. That’s the future we’re heading towards. Like all forerunners, we’re getting a taste of it as he slowly introduces it to us, bit by bit, so we can cope with its magnificence. He’s doing the same slow-release with The Restoration of All Things. That’s why it’s important to read in her blog that she refers to the “new” paradigm as something Father is “inviting us into”. He always invites us into the new things he’s doing and then draws us in, if we’re receptive. He doesn’t chop off a previous paradigm and instantly expect us to ‘drop everything’ and change.

21 – Actually, “in the Son” (i.e. King Jesus), not Messiah (Christ). [LDS]

22 – Fiorella Giordano (26/12/22) [www.facebook.com/fiorella.giordano.395?mibextid=ZbWKwL](https://www.facebook.com/fiorella.giordano.395?mibextid=ZbWKwL)

23 – [www.timesmojo.com/when-was-the-book-of-ephesians-written](http://www.timesmojo.com/when-was-the-book-of-ephesians-written)

If 7M doesn't (or didn't) gel with a believer, was it therefore wrong? No. It just means they were/are not sensitive to the new ideas our King is releasing to his people. In addition, they may not have the personal policy to have always asked him to explain or expand on what he's releasing. After all, **new paradigms require a paradigm shift in every son**. Therefore, it's up to each of us whether that required shift can take place or not.

From what I've covered, what can we say about the 'wrongness' of the 7M paradigm then? Nothing definitive, unless our King tells us. However, here's some possibilities, seeing that the strategy was released as a blueprint from Heaven:

1. It has run its course over the past 40 years and is no longer supported by the Kingdom
2. It's running in parallel with the new paradigm for those who are called to impact society that way

As I stated, unless the King (or Father) tells us his mind on 7M, we cannot make any judgement that it's "wrong" or not.

What I see is that the 7M movement was given to those in the church system to get them out of their 'box' and into society where they're meant to be the light of Kingdom transformation. That's where Loren Cunningham, Bill Bright, Lance Wallnau, Bob Fraser and Johnny Enlow were/are located. Those who are outside of the church system, who are growing and developing in their sonship, are open to things that are 'out of the box'. These are the ones who are desiring what's new from Heaven and are moving forward in everything that's released to them.

So, there are two groups of people, each with their own paradigm, and it's up to all of us to ensure we're operating in the right one, for who we are in the Kingdom. As one person commented recently about Fiorella Giordano's new paradigm, "It's too airy-fairy". They're not at a point where the "new" is what they understand or are ready for. For them, the 7M paradigm makes sense and it's where they are comfortable operating. They see the "new" as too far in the future to have any relevance for them or for impacting society. Another person commented that her blog was too hard to comprehend, and that it needed explanation, as well as how the 'new' paradigm will be implemented. I expect that will come.

Finally, we need to be careful that we don't criticize, negate and 'look down on' other paradigms that don't align with our thinking. That's the problem the religious leaders had with the paradigm shifts that Messiah (Jesus of Nazareth) brought to the people of his time. They were arrogant and missed what Father was doing. They lacked discernment because they were fixated on what they thought was the current paradigm. In that regard, those operating in the 'new' today, must not disparage the previous paradigm. Father is never negative towards us, so our responsibility must be to draw others into the 'new', just like he draws us into new things. By the same token, those in the 'old' need to see the new paradigm as an advance in the Kingdom because sons are slowly maturing on the Earth and can move into new ways.



Putting aside the analysis of this article, what Fiorella Giordano has described as the new paradigm is perfectly in line with The Restoration of All Things, as well as a lot more of what Father has released to us in recent times. The "new" that she outlines is actually more about sons functioning in their Creation role as planet-managers. That's where he's taking us, because the effects of The Fall have been overturned.<sup>24</sup>

I'm looking forward to operating as Fiorella Giordano describes it. It's how Adam would have operated, although we have no record of him doing it. If he didn't, he would have done so, if he'd stayed longer in The Presence in Paradise so that he was taught and he matured in his sonship.



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24 – SEE: CCOP MESSAGE – “What are you waiting for?” (19-12-2022)  
[canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/MESSAGE-What-are-you-waiting-for-19-12-2022.pdf](http://canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/MESSAGE-What-are-you-waiting-for-19-12-2022.pdf)

**ADDENDUM:** Around about 2010, Father pulled me out of Creation Science writing and lecturing when he spoke to my spirit saying, “It’s too late for the Creation/evolution debate”. Likewise, I’m completely certain he’ll tell me when the 7M paradigm is to cease being ‘in vogue’, because he always informs me of what’s going on.

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