

# Covenantal Theology and Politics

## A. The Covenantal Structure of Political Theology

### 1. The Adamic Covenant (Gn. 1:26-27)

- a. “image of God”
- b. “let them have dominion”

### 2. The Noahic Covenant

#### a. Three characteristics

- 1. Universal
- 2. Preservative
- 3. Temporal

#### b. The Implications of the Noahic Covenant (Gn. 8:20-9:17)

- 1. “be fruitful and multiply”
- 2. “the fear of you and the dread of you shall be on every beast”
- 3. “whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed”

#### c. The Institutions of the Noahic Covenant

- 1. Individuals and families
- 2. Assemblies of families
- 3. Judicial structures

## B. The Contours of Covenant Political Theology

- 1. Legitimate
- 2. Provisional
- 3. Common
- 4. Accountable