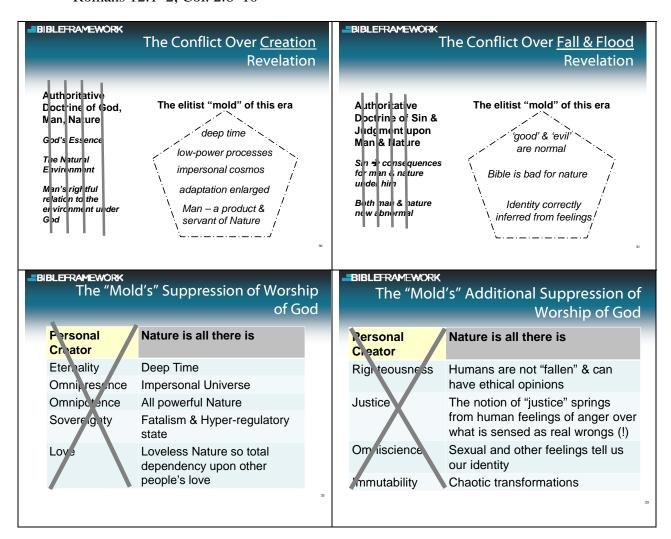
# Session #4 Noahic Covenant & Babel vs. Secular Theories of Civil Government & Political Progressivism

1. Review & Introduction
Romans 12:1–2; Col. 2:8–10



### 2. Noahic (Ecological) Covenant

Genesis 8:21–22 Geophysical stability of the earth requires stability throughout the rest of the universe (opposing fears of a geophysical apocalypse)

9:1–6 Genetic research shows human DNA tracks back to 3 nodes and back of those nodes to one node; command to "multiply" implies that under man's technological capabilities there exist enough resources to sustain a growing human population until Jesus Christ returns (opposing Mathusian notions of very limited sustainability); switch to an omnivore with due attention to value of animal life to provide ubiquitous testimony to vicarious sacrifice ultimately of Jesus Christ (John 6:55–56) (opposing extremist views of animal "rights"); authority to execute capital punishment given to man as the core of

civil government authority to punish certain evil overt behaviors to protect the value of human life (opposing notion that capital punishment demeans human life)

11:1–2 Language is a vital tool to create social identity

11:3–4 Defiant declaration that man, not God, will define human identity and defiance of God's sovereign design for history on the Noahic civilization in a distributed continental system of varying natural resources

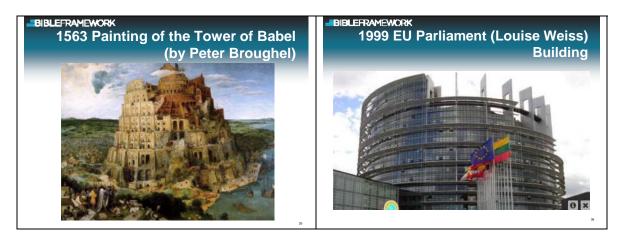
11:5–7 another divine judgment—this one on adding linguistic reinforcement of tribal differences

#### 3. Theories of Civil Government

- a. Rejection of God's design revealed as to function and purpose of civil government by considering civil authority as a mere "social construct," not a divine institution (repeating the error of Babel). Various false theories: "divine right of kings" to do whatever they want, the divine state of Pharaohic Egypt, Marxist dictatorship of the proletariat, fascism's 3rd Reich, etc.
- b. Common element of perversion: Civil Government is perverted from a <u>preservative limited</u> institution to a <u>redemptive unlimited</u> institution. To bring in the Kingdom of Man as a substitute for the Kingdom of God that requires incorruptible resurrected leadership. Example: 1 Samuel 8:1–8 (neglects the spiritual cause & chooses pagan model); 8:11–17 (power of sword in hands of concentrated power = disaster)

## 4. Political Progressivism

Babel re-visited by globalists today



Idea of "progress" came only from the Bible because paganism was cyclic, not progressive.

#### 5. Conclusion

The "mold" of this age tries to conform us according to the basic principles of this world, not according to the basic principles of God's Word culminating in Jesus Christ—the source of ALL wisdom.