

Sermon Starter – God’s Covenant with Creation

Covenant between God and Noah and all living creatures

Genesis 9:8-17

Covenant is an important theme, and is the Old Testament focus for several weeks of Lent, but it is not a word we use every day. Explore the concept of covenant. What images or language can be used to aid our understanding? (Contract, marriage covenant, promise, etc.) Who is included in God’s covenant making?

What implications are there when God includes all the creatures in the covenant with Noah? What does this tell us about our relationship with animals, with creation, creation care, and environmentalism? How does this inform our involvement in environmental conversations?

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