



## BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S **DAVID THE KING**

David is the paradigmatic king in the Old Testament. His kingship recalls that of Adam in the Garden of Eden, and yet it points toward the King par excellence, Jesus Christ. In *David the King*, Bishop Barron helps us to understand this pivotal figure in light of the first king and the King of kings.

Adam was the first king and steward of the rightly ordered Garden of Eden. He was called to govern the garden according to God's mind and purpose, but by allowing negative influences to wreak havoc on Eden, he did not fulfill his kingly responsibility. Long after Adam, David emerged as the definitive king who would restore order in the Garden and bring the world under the lordship of God. But like Adam, David fell, and his reign ushered in a succession of compromised kings and rejected prophets.

The New Testament, however, foretold a son of David who would realize the fullness of Israelite kingship...but whose actual reign defied expectation.

King David causes us to look back toward Adam's kingship and forward toward Christ the King, seeing Christ as the fulfillment of the Davidic line and the realization of the Kingdom of God on earth.

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Cost: \$25 per person for study guide.

Monday morning class begins late January-facilitator will advise date.

Tuesday morning class will begin January 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:45AM room 5.