



# Catholics, Media Mobs and the Culture of Contempt

Bishop Robert Barron

You are invited to create community online as we gather to share and grow faith.

### How to Prepare and Run a Session:

Read *Saturday Sessions 'How To' Guide* for information how to host a Saturday Session. This is available at <a href="https://thewell.org.au/video/saturday-sessions-how-to-guide/">https://thewell.org.au/video/saturday-sessions-how-to-guide/</a>

#### **Presentation:**

Catholics, Media Mobs and the Culture of Contempt Bishop Robert Barron <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tdl29f1qN6Q">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tdl29f1qN6Q</a> Approx. 30 minutes (2021)

#### **About the Presenter:**

Bishop Robert Barron is the founder of Word on Fire Catholic Ministries and Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He is also the host of CATHOLICISM, a groundbreaking, award-winning documentary about the Catholic Faith, which aired on PBS.

Bishop Barron is a #1 Amazon bestselling author and has published numerous books, essays, and articles on theology and the spiritual life. He is a religion correspondent for NBC and has also appeared on FOX News, CNN, and EWTN.

Bishop Barron's website, WordOnFire.org, reaches millions of people each year, and he is one of the world's most followed Catholics on social media. His regular YouTube videos have been viewed over 50 million times and he has over 3 million followers on Facebook.

He has shared dialogue with Dr. Jordan Peterson, Dave Rubin, Ben Shapiro, and William Lane Craig, among other influencers and thought leaders.

Bishop Barron's recent film series, CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players, has been syndicated for national television and nominated for an Emmy award.

His most recent project is the Word on Fire Institute, a new hub for spiritual and intellectual formation, training members of the Word on Fire movement to proclaim Christ in the culture.

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#### **Questions to Ponder:**

These questions are only a sample of the many questions that could be generated from the presentation. Use these questions or create your own questions for your small group.

- 1. How have you been affected by the toxicity of social media?
- 2. When you post, comment or like something on social media, do you consider your faith?
- 3. Have you taken advantage of the impersonal nature of social media in your own life?
- 4. Are the things you say and do on social media, the same as face-to-face interactions?
- 5. How has the Catholic Church and community been positively influenced by social media?
- 6. How has the Catholic Church and community been negatively influenced by social media?
- 7. What actions/steps can you undertake to ensure what you put out on social media aligns with your faith?
- 8. How can you engage in meaningful arguing instead of hateful guarrelling?

#### **Further Support:**

If you would like further support to bring to life a Saturday Session, please contact Lisa at the Pastoral Planning Office at lisa.bright@parracatholic.org

For information about Zoom please contact the Pastoral Planning Office or you can watch a Zoom tutorial at <a href="https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362033-Getting-Started-on-Windows-and-Mac">https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362033-Getting-Started-on-Windows-and-Mac</a>

The Pastoral Planning Office thanks you for your enduring faith, hope, love and commitment as we venture into the deep. We pray that you experience the peace and grace that our God offers and can be an ambassador of Christ's hope and peace to those you encounter and accompany.

Please contact the Pastoral Planning Office for support in all areas of pastoral ministry.

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