

May 16, 2021- Ascension

What do we make of the Ascension? For most it is difficult to understand how our Lord rose bodily and disappeared into the beyond. Bishop Robert Barron helps us understand the Ascension in this little video I am going to show you. He suggests the Ascension is about the uniting of earth and heaven. Jesus' journey from earth to heaven is not a vacating of earth. It is about the joining of earth and heaven.

But who is Robert Barron you wonder: Well... he is an American Roman Catholic bishop, auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He has published numerous books, essays, and articles on theology and spirituality. He is a religion correspondent for NBC and has also appeared on Fox News, CNN, and EWTN. As one of the world's most followed Roman Catholics on social media, he has been informally called the "bishop of social media" and the "bishop of the Internet".[8][9]Barron's website, [WordOnFire.org](http://WordOnFire.org), is viewed by millions of people each year. He has over 3 million

followers on Facebook, and hundreds of thousands on Instagram, and Twitter.[10][11] In addition, he has spoken about religion at the headquarters of Amazon, Facebook, and Google. This gives you an idea of his popularity and his gifts in communication. Let's watch the video. What he says ties in with our sermon on heaven last week.

[https://youtu.be/PxDTY\\_9w6ws](https://youtu.be/PxDTY_9w6ws)

Take aways? What do you take away? You can watch again.

Remember - Praying hands

Prays for the coming together of earth and heaven.

Interlacing hands

Ascension not space trip to sky...translation of earthly reality into heavenly dimension. the Ascension is about the uniting of earth and heaven. Jesus' journey from earth to heaven is not a vacating of earth – after all, ten days later he will send his own Spirit. It is about the joining of earth and heaven. Our commission is

to carry on this work of joining heaven and earth in whichever way we can. Amen.