



Autumn 2 – Prophecy and Promise – Year 5



01 Background information

As you begin this new topic, remember that God chose unexpected leaders, like David, just as He made promises to Moses. You've learned that true leadership means serving others, and that Jesus fulfils these promises as the greatest leader. Remember how prayer and virtues, like faith and love, help us grow closer to God, and that Advent is a time to prepare for Jesus' coming. All of this will help you understand how David's story and Jesus' teachings guide us to be people who serve others with love.

02 What should I already know?

In our last topic, you learned about Moses and the special promises, called covenants, that God made with His people. You heard how God spoke to Moses at the Burning Bush and gave him the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai to help guide you in living good and happy lives. You discovered that a covenant is a strong promise between God and us, and that Jesus teaches you to love God and others above all else. You also talked about virtues, which are the good habits that help you make the right choices, like faith, hope, and love. You learned that even the smallest acts of love you do can make a big difference in your life and in the lives of those around you.

03 A Prayer to Saint David

Dear Lord,
As we reflect on the life of King David,
We remember his courage in facing Goliath,
His devotion in singing psalms,
And his heart that sought after You.
Help us, like David, to be brave in the face of our challenges,
To worship You with all our hearts,
And to lead others with love and compassion.
May we learn from David's mistakes,
And seek Your forgiveness with humility.
Guide us to follow Your will,
And serve our communities with a spirit of generosity.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

04 Key Vocabulary



- **Advent:** The period of preparation and waiting for the birth of Jesus, beginning four Sundays before Christmas.
- **Covenant:** A sacred agreement or promise between God and His people, where both sides commit to certain actions.
- **David:** A shepherd who became the second king of Israel, known for his courage, leadership, and his role as a model of prayer in the Bible.
- **Psalms:** A sacred song or hymn, particularly those found in the Book of Psalms in the Bible, often attributed to King David.
- **Rosary:** A traditional Catholic prayer involving a set of prayers while reflecting on important events in the life of Jesus, through the perspective of His mother, Mary.
- **Servant Leadership:** A type of leadership where the leader puts the needs of others first, inspired by the example of Jesus and King David as shepherds caring for their people.

05 Scripture



1 SAMUEL 16:1-13



PSALM 23



2 SAMUEL 7:8-15



2 SAMUEL 5:1-5

The BIG Question

"HOW DOES THE LIFE AND KINGSHIP OF DAVID, AS WELL AS JESUS' FULFILMENT OF GOD'S PROMISE, TEACH US ABOUT TRUE LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE TO OTHERS?"



06 By the end of the topic:

By the end of this topic, you will know all about King David, his incredible journey from a shepherd to a great king, and how he shows us what it means to be a faithful leader. You will learn important stories from the Bible, like how David defeated Goliath and became king, as well as the special promises God made to him. You'll also discover how David's life connects to Jesus and the teachings of the Church, and how we can follow his example in our own lives today. Lastly, you will explore how prayer, especially through the Psalms, can help us grow closer to God and inspire us to serve others in love.