TRON

Themes to Explore:

* Father/Son… Ghost (in the Machine)?
* Creator v. Creation, God v. Satan, create v. destroy
* New World => Future => Destiny
* Beginnings, Endings and New Beginnings: Creation *ex nihilio* and “reabsorption”

Background:

Kevin Flynn is a programmer who creates a world he calls “The Grid.” He then enters into this virtual world and becomes part of the creation, even as he continues to create. He creates an alter-ego, CLU, who continues the work while Flynn is back in the real world. In pursuit of perfection, CLU revolts against his creator when spontaneous life appears and is uncontrollable, for in order to have perfection one needs to control chaos. “Tron” comes from the “anti-virus” or protection software that is a savior/hero figure in the original movie but is largely side-lined in this sequel.

Clip 1: Opening

I kept dreaming of a world I thought I’d never see.

The world was more beautiful that I had dreamt. And also more dangerous than I dreamt.  
Brave hero Tron who built every  
Clu kept free and open while he was away.  
Then something happened. Extraordinary. A miracle.  
I want to go with you dad.  
One day you will. I promise.  
Can we be on the same team?  
We’re always on the same team.  
  
"A digital frontier to reshape our human condition.”  
“In there is a new world. In there is our future. In there is our destiny.”

Clip 2: Gift to the World

For centuries we dreamed of intelligence… then out of this digital dust…  
Naive, yet profoundly wise.  
Everything I hoped to find in the system: Control, order, perfection – none of it meant a thing.  
Bio digital jazz. My gift to the world.

“Am I still to create the perfect system?”  
“You’ve been corrupted.”

So why didn’t you fight?  
Clue fed on my resistance. The more I fought the more powerful he became. It was impressive, really. And my miracle? Clu saw them as an imperfection. He killed them.

Clip 3: Closing

148:50  
Falls in water and converts.  
  
149:30 Trinity shot  
  
150 final  
I did everything, everything you asked.  
You broke your promise.  
You're right. I did.  
Perfection is unknowable. It's impossible.  
You wouldn't know that. Because I didn't know when I created you. I'm sorry.  
You knew I'd best you.  
Why?  
He's my son.  
  
Sam it's time.  
I'm not leaving you.  
Take her.  
  
154:30 Takes it all into himself.