



# INSTITUTE OF CATHOLIC CULTURE

## SAVING CIVILIZATION

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### FACT BASED QUESTIONS:

- HOW MANY SOURCES DO WE POSSESS ON THE LIFE OF ST. BENEDICT?
- WHAT HAPPENED IN A.D. 480?
- HOW WERE ST. BENEDICT'S IMPRESSIONS OF ROME?
- WHAT WAS ST. BENEDICT'S FIRST MIRACLE?
- DURING ST. BENEDICT'S TIME SPENT AS A HERMIT, HOW WAS HE FED?
- HOW DID THE MONKS AT SUBIACO REACT TO ST. BENEDICT?
- WHAT DID ST. BENEDICT LEARN DURING HIS TIME AS A HERMIT?
- WHAT PERSUADED ST. BENEDICT TO RESUME HIS LIFE AS A HERMIT?
- WHAT WAS THE ORIGINAL VENUE FOR ST. BENEDICT'S TEACHING OFFICE?
- WHEN DID ST. BENEDICT SEEK TO ESTABLISH A SECOND MONASTERY?
- WHAT DID THE FAMOUS RULE OF ST. BENEDICT PRESCRIBE?
- WHO CHRONICLED INCIDENTS FROM ST. BENEDICT'S LIFE IN THE "DIALOGUE"?
- WHAT ARTISTIC AND SPIRITUAL INITIATIVES HAVE BENEDICTINES UNDERTAKEN?
- WHEN IS ST. BENEDICT'S FEAST DAY?

### DISCUSSION BASED QUESTIONS:

- HOW DID THE WORLD RESPOND TO JOSEPH CARDINAL RATZINGER'S CHOICE OF THE NAME 'BENEDICT' FOR HIS PAPACY?
- WHY WOULD THE LOMBARDS HAVE SACKED THE BENEDICTINE MONASTERY OF MONTE CASSINO?
- HOW DID ST. BENEDICT'S EARLY LIFE INFLUENCE HIS LATER SPIRITUALITY?
- DOES THE DECADENCE OF FIFTH CENTURY ROME COMPARE TO CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY?
- WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM THE DECLINE OF ROMAN CIVILIZATION AND MORAL FIBER?
- SINCE THERE WERE ALREADY MONKS IN ITALY PRIOR TO ST. BENEDICT'S ESTABLISHMENT OF HIS ORDER, WHY IS HE KNOWN AS THE FATHER OF WESTERN MONASTIC LIFE?
- WHAT WAS THE SIGNIFICANCE AND RESULT OF ST. BENEDICT'S DECISION TO HAVE ALL OF THE MONKS EXIST UNDER A SINGLE ROOF?
- WHY DID ST. BENEDICT EMPHASIZE MANUAL LABOR AS AN INSTRUMENT OF PRAYER?