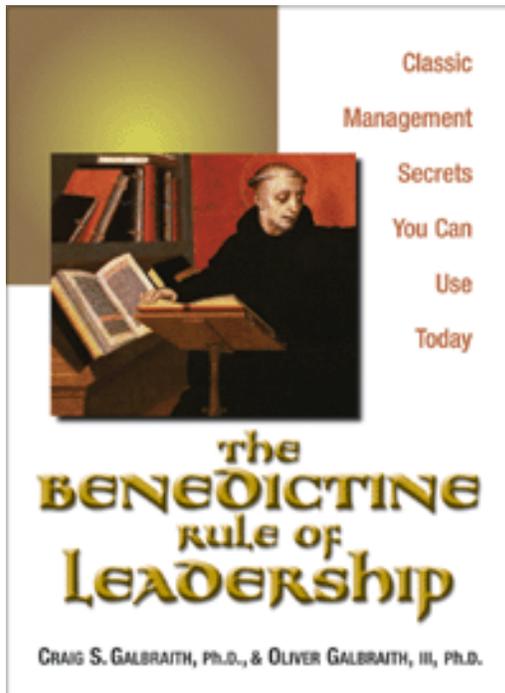


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# The Benedictine Rule of Leadership

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It seems that both the best and worse of humankind emerge whenever civilization is at a crossroads. Rome in the 5<sup>th</sup> century was at one of these great historical crossroads. Crumbling and only a shadow of its former self, the great Empire was rotting from internal corruption. Civilization was rapidly falling into the dark ages.

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