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***Part I – Who Is Ultimately Responsible for the Universal Loss of Faith?
A study of John Paul II, pp. 540-558***

A. It is John Paul II who “saved” Vatican II, i.e. by being neither too radical (à la Paul VI) or too conservative (à la Cardinal Siri of Genoa)

1. He did for the Vatican II church what Napoleon did for the Freemasonic French Revolution, i.e. was not as radical as the Revolution itself, but spread its ideas throughout Europe in a modified way.
2. The irony is that those who are so dismayed with Bergoglio think that John Paul II and Benedict XVI were wonderful Popes!
3. The difference is only one of *degree*: John Paul II and Benedict XVI were “softer” Modernists; “Pope” Francis is a radical Modernist. And if the former at times *were* actually radical, they concealed it under a veneer of respectability

B. John Paul II before becoming a bishop in 1958 (review of last class)

1. A person of definite charm and intellect. No wonder he was called “superstar” and was like a “rock star.”
2. No one had ever travelled the world like he did, lapping up the adulation that accompanied him everywhere. In rough numbers, he would travel the equivalent of over 32 times around the circumference of the globe (774,200 / 24,000 miles). The description of the 2002 World Youth Day said it was like “Woodstock, the Olympics, and an old-fashioned revival meeting” all in one.
3. He could alternate quite easily between a conservative and a radical stance. Remember, he had been an actor.
4. His early life (p. 534)
5. The World War II era (pp. 534-535)
6. Ordained priest on Nov. 1, 1946, studied thereafter in Rome for less than a year. In Communist Poland, he had quite the freedom to move about and do activities denied to other clergy (pp. 536-537)
7. Ascending the ladder (pp. 538-539)

C. Bishop Wojtyla at Vatican II

1. His Modernist stance
2. His modernist affiliates
3. Promoted to Archbishop of Krakow in 1964, to Cardinal in 1967
4. Building an utterly modernistic church in Nowa Huta, dedicated in 1977



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D. John Paul II at the 2 Conclaves in 1978

E. John Paul II the Socialist

F. John Paul II the Ecumenist

G. The Scandalous Meetings of World Religions at Assisi

H. Approving of invalid sacramental forms

I. Saint-making Factory

J. His “Pontificate” a disaster, terrible choices of bishops, explosion of sexual abuse cases during his “reign”