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Marcus Aurelius 161-180 AD



Bronze sestertius, 31 mm, 24.03 gm.
Obv. Laureate head of Marcus Aurelius right.
Rev. Victory advancing left, holding wreath in extended right hand, palm frond cradled in left arm.

Rome mint,
Struck 168 AD.

The adopted son of Antoninus Pius, Marcus Aurelius served as co-emperor with his adopted brother Lucius Verus. His reign was marked by constant warfare, plague and insurrection. A devoted stoic, his 'Meditations' are still widely read. He was the last of a string of five wise and virtuous emperors. He died on his camp bed along the Danube.

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