

# The Advice of Marcus The Golden

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The best clues will be on his coinage, as the inscription in the Piazza Colonna is not original.

<https://coinweek.com/ancient-coins/...arcus-aurelius/>

It seems he was given the name upon his adoption by Antoninus Pius, well before he became emperor. Perhaps with the meaning of something like Hadrian's "Golden Boy"?

My interest in Roman history is mostly confined to the period of the Late Republic; I don't think I've ever read a biography of him.