

## **“Folles of the Tetrarchy”**

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1. The Tetrarchy: Who were the members of the first tetrarchy? Date?

Why did Diocletian divide the Roman Empire into two regions for governing?

How did rulers of the east and western portions of the empire cement their authority by marriage?

2. Coin Reform: What reforms did Diocletian make in the coinage of the Roman empire (list three). Include in your answer a description of the follis. What coin did it replace as the standard of the Roman Empire? What happened to the minting of Greek coins within the empire?

3. How did Diocletian address the problem of inflation in the empire?

4. What relationship did Diocletian have with the Christians?

5. How did Diocletian’s rule come to an end? Who were the members of the second tetrarchy?

6. What led to the rise of Constantine I to power?