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A Pillar of Iron Assignment 3

Answer in complete sentences each question as you read the book. Questions are given in the same order that you will come to them in the book. Page numbers (in parentheses) are those in my book which may not be the same as your book.

As you read this section, be aware of any similarities she draws between Rome and America. This will be the topic of your final essay to complete this assignment in May.

I. Vocabulary – Define these words. You can find most of them in an online dictionary. (I did some for you, and found that it doesn't take long.)

dolorous (72)

mendicant (72)

sympiosis (72)

chiton, *in ancient Greece and Rome, a loose woolen tunic*

recalcitrant (96)

fractious (98)

franchise (100) *the right to vote*

exigent (102)

patrician (102)

expediency (105)

impertinent (110)

penurious (116)

II. Questions for pages 69 -112. (43 pages)

1. What does Archais think is immortal? ¹Why? (69-70)
2. Which of Archais' advice do you find true in your own life?

¹ The Bible tells us "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

3. What was Grandfather's advice to young Marcus? (72)
4. What did he mean when he said, "You are only one, but you are one." (73)
5. "Republics decline into democracies, and democracies degenerate into despotisms." (76)
6. What was the different advice Helvia gave to Marcus? (78)
7. What was it about Livia that drew Marcus to her?
8. Are there truly evil persons in the world, such as Catalina, or are people basically good?
9. What reasons did Helvia give Marcus so that he would not pursue Livia for marriage? (98)
10. Compare the statement by Marcus Drusus (101) about those who bribe the masses to the socialism of today.
11. Explain that statement by Grandfather: "For what is not earned has no verity." (106)
12. What was Grandfather's fear for Rome? (113)
13. What caused Marcus to be so distracted? (114)
14. Which characters felt that Rome could be saved, and which felt that it was too late?