

THE COIN OF TITUS

Titus, the 10th emperor of Rome (A.D. 79 – 81), had a symbol of a dolphin wound around an anchor inscribed on coins minted in his reign. The meaning:

- The dolphin was regarded as the swiftest and most mercurial of fish.
- The anchor represented delay and unchanging conviction.



Together, they symbolized the failure that comes from rushing into something and the failure that is the result of hesitation or undue caution.

Through the years, the dolphin and anchor have been used as a family crest with the explanatory motto, *Festina lente* – “hasten slowly.”

It expresses moderation between two opposing ideas. It means the middle way between acting too quickly and waiting too long.

Good leaders learn to find the balance.

– Beecher Hunter