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| **Opening image**-wheat field, hand, wedding ring, gold, light-Maximus’ face, contemplative, cold, gray-sees bird, smiles, follows its path, then gets the “kick some A” game face (suggestion of personality)**Roman army and Maximus**-Maximus walks through the line, looks at his men with smile, men kneel and greet him (genuine respect)-several shots of Maximus’ dog (why?)-pep speech with cavalry, soldiers laugh, get ready for war-instills such devotion even the dog can’t wait to kick “A” for Maximus**Roman army vs. barbarian army**-Romans=thousands; prepping (professional, disciplined); uniform; weapons out the butt (catapults, arrows, flaming oils, etc.), swords, shields, formations, etc. -undisciplined, crusty, decapitation baby, much fewer, no siege weapons, prepared to die | -close up, follow shot-close up Maximus-twin close ups of Maximus face and bird-tracking shots of Maximus, mixing point-of-view shots seeing perspective of Maximus and troops-close-up of dog-long to medium shots of Maximus, troops around him, gearing up-close-up of dog-extreme long shots, long shots, tracking shots to show the strength and multitude of this army-long to medium shots of seemingly much “fewer” barbarians |