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A. Crown indicates that the rider has authority and sovereignty.

IV. “And he went out conquering and to conquer.” - What did this horseman go out to conquer?

A. We know that it is not military conquest. That’s what the red horseman will do (***see Rev 3:3-4***).

B. There other kinds of warfare: information warfare?

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a. Meaning: these involves the planned use of propaganda and other psychological operations to influence the opinions, emotions, attitudes, and behavior of opposition groups.

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