



Julius Caesar

Ensemble Mark Antony Soliloquy

**Lines 1, 14, 20, 25 and 32 are yelled out by everyone*

1. ALL: *Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your ears;*

2. I come to bury Caesar, not to praise him.

3. The evil that men do lives after them;

4. The good is oft interred with their bones;
So let it be with Caesar.

5. The noble Brutus hath told you Caesar was ambitious:

6. If it were so, it was a grievous fault,

7. And grievously hath Caesar answer'd it.

8. Here, under leave of Brutus and the rest—

9. For Brutus is an honourable man;

10. So are they all, all honourable men—

11. Come I to speak in Caesar's funeral.

12. He was my friend, faithful and just to me:

13. But Brutus says he was ambitious

14. ALL: *And Brutus is an honourable man.*

15. He hath brought many captives home to Rome
Whose ransoms did the general coffers fill:

16. Did this in Caesar seem ambitious?

17. When that the poor have cried, Caesar hath wept:

18. Ambition should be made of sterner stuff:

19. Yet Brutus says he was ambitious;

20. ALL: *And Brutus is an honourable man.*

21. You all did see that on the Lupercal

22. I thrice presented him a kingly crown,

23. Which he did thrice refuse...was this ambition?

24. Yet Brutus says he was ambitious;

25. ALL: *And Brutus is an honourable man.*

26. I speak not to disprove what Brutus spoke,

27. But here I am to speak what I do know.

28. You all did love him once, not without cause:

29. What cause withholds you then, to mourn for him?

30. O judgment! thou art fled to brutish beasts,
And men have lost their reason.

31. Bear with me; my heart is in the coffin there with Caesar,

32. ALL: *And I must pause till it come back to me.*