



Julius Caesar

Act II, Metellus- Caesar is Afraid?

Her dream is all amiss interpreted;

It was a vision fair and fortunate:

Your statue spouting blood in many pipes, in which so many smiling Romans bathed,
Signifies that from you great Rome shall suck reviving blood,

and that great men shall press for tinctures, stains, relics and cognizance.
This by Calpurnia's dream is signified.

Now here is what I can say, and know it now: the senate have concluded
To give this day a crown to mighty Caesar. If you shall send them word you will not come,

BOTH: their minds may change.

Besides, it were a mock apt to be render'd, for some one to say,

'Break up the senate till another time, when Caesar's wife shall meet with better dreams.'

If Caesar hide himself, shall they not whisper 'Lo, Caesar is afraid'?

Pardon me, Caesar; for my dear dear love
To our proceeding bids me tell you this;

BOTH: And reason to my love is liable.