

ACT 4

「Scene 1」

Enter Antony, Octavius, and Lepidus.

ANTONY

FTLN 1805 These many, then, shall die; their names are
FTLN 1806 pricked.

OCTAVIUS

FTLN 1807 Your brother too must die. Consent you, Lepidus?

LEPIDUS

FTLN 1808 I do consent.

FTLN 1809 OCTAVIUS Prick him down, Antony.

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LEPIDUS

FTLN 1810 Upon condition Publius shall not live,
FTLN 1811 Who is your sister's son, Mark Antony.

ANTONY

FTLN 1812 He shall not live; look, with a spot I damn him.

FTLN 1813 But, Lepidus, go you to Caesar's house;

FTLN 1814 Fetch the will hither, and we shall determine

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FTLN 1815 How to cut off some charge in legacies.

FTLN 1816 LEPIDUS What, shall I find you here?

FTLN 1817 OCTAVIUS Or here, or at the Capitol. *Lepidus exits.*

ANTONY

FTLN 1818 This is a slight, unmeritable man,

FTLN 1819 Meet to be sent on errands. Is it fit,

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FTLN 1820 The threefold world divided, he should stand

FTLN 1821 One of the three to share it?

FTLN 1822	OCTAVIUS	So you thought him	
FTLN 1823		And took his voice who should be pricked to die	
FTLN 1824		In our black sentence and proscription.	20
	ANTONY		
FTLN 1825		Octavius, I have seen more days than you,	
FTLN 1826		And, though we lay these honors on this man	
FTLN 1827		To ease ourselves of diverse sland'rous loads,	
FTLN 1828		He shall but bear them as the ass bears gold,	
FTLN 1829		To groan and sweat under the business,	25
FTLN 1830		Either led or driven, as we point the way;	
FTLN 1831		And having brought our treasure where we will,	
FTLN 1832		Then take we down his load and turn him off	
FTLN 1833		(Like to the empty ass) to shake his ears	
FTLN 1834		And graze in commons.	30
FTLN 1835	OCTAVIUS	You may do your will,	
FTLN 1836		But he's a tried and valiant soldier.	
	ANTONY		
FTLN 1837		So is my horse, Octavius, and for that	
FTLN 1838		I do appoint him store of provender.	
FTLN 1839		It is a creature that I teach to fight,	35
FTLN 1840		To wind, to stop, to run directly on,	
FTLN 1841		His corporal motion governed by my spirit;	
FTLN 1842		And, in some taste, is Lepidus but so.	
FTLN 1843		He must be taught and trained and bid go forth—	
FTLN 1844		A barren-spirited fellow, one that feeds	40
FTLN 1845		On objects, arts, and imitations	
FTLN 1846		Which, out of use and staled by other men,	
FTLN 1847		Begin his fashion. Do not talk of him	
FTLN 1848		But as a property. And now, Octavius,	
FTLN 1849		Listen great things. Brutus and Cassius	45
FTLN 1850		Are levying powers. We must straight make head.	
FTLN 1851		Therefore let our alliance be combined,	
FTLN 1852		Our best friends made, our means stretched;	
FTLN 1853		And let us presently go sit in council	
FTLN 1854		How covert matters may be best disclosed	50
FTLN 1855		And open perils surest answerèd.	

OCTAVIUS

Let us do so, for we are at the stake
And bayed about with many enemies,
And some that smile have in their hearts, I fear,
Millions of mischiefs.

They exit.

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