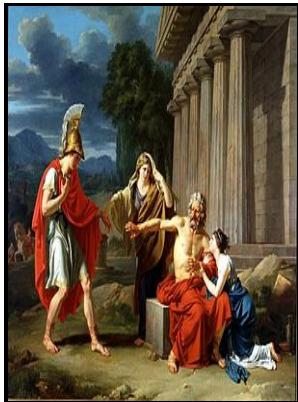


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Today the hot-branded youth, the younger born, Is keeping Polyneices from the throne, His elder, and has thrust him from the land.
Parthenopaeus, is also standing ready. OEDIPUS Out on the twain! I whom ye dislodged First from my seat of rock and now would drive Forth from your land, dreading my name alone; For me you surely dread not, nor my deeds, Deeds of a man more sinned against than sinning, As I might well convince you, were it meet To tell my mother's story and my sire's, The cause of this your fear.

Oedipus at Colonus by Sophocles

THESEUS Say on, I wait full knowledge ere I judge. THESEUS Think if there be not any of thy kin At Argos who might claim this boon of thee.
CREON Listen, O men of Athens, mark ye this? Chorus The distance might be great but the travellers spread the news quickly.

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THESEUS Enough of words; the captors speed amain, While we the victims stand debating here. Help me seat down, then and... take care of me.

Sophocles, Oedipus at Colonus, line 681

Leave that seat and get out of our country. You can understand what we mean.

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CREON Zeus may haply know, not thou. Of that I am certain.

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