



I am constant as the northern star

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Caesar:

"I am constant as the northern star,
Of whose true-fix'd and resting quality
There is no fellow in the firmament."

Julius Caesar (III, i, 60 – 62)

With this speech, Caesar seals his fate. After arrogantly defying three separate warnings that his life would be in danger were he to go to the Senate this day (the ides of March), Caesar sits amid the noblemen (and would-be conspirators) and denies their request to repeal the banishment of Publius Cimber. He will not change his mind. He goes on to compare himself to the brightest star of all. His ego and self-importance grows stronger by the word. Finally he compares himself to an Olympian god, and that is when the attack begins. He is stabbed to death by men who, until that point, were on their knees asking that he repeal Cimber's banishment.

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