Du muß herrschen und gewinnen,
Oder dienen und verlieren;
Leiden oder triumphieren,
Amboß oder Hammer sein.

Goethe, Der Groß-Cophta (1791), Act 2.

(You must be masterful and win,
Or serve and lose;
Grieve or triumph,
Be the anvil or the hammer.)

Ambition is the growth of every clime.

William Blake, King Edward the Third

Ambition, in a private man a vice,
Is in a prince a virtue.

Philip Massinger, The Bashful Lover

Authority is never without hate.

Euripides, Ion

Welch Schauspiel! Aber ach, ein Schauspiel nur!
(What a show! But alas, only a show!)

Goethe, Faust, part 1, Nacht

They change the sky and not their soul who run across the sea.

Jamie O’Neill, At Swim, Two Boys
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