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## Excerpt

### Medea

I burst into tears at the thought of what I must do  
I will kill my own children  
there is no one who will take them away from me  
and after completely destroying Jason's house,  
I will leave this land (...)  
Indeed, it is unbearable to be mocked by enemies, friends (...)  
But why are you looking at me with those eyes, my children?  
Why are you smiling at me with the last of all smiles? (...)  
No, I could never do it. Farewell to my earlier intentions.



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I will take my children away from this land. They are mine.

Why should I bring twice the pain upon myself  
just to afflict their father with this sorrow? (...)

But what is happening to me? Do I want to expose myself to ridicule by leaving my  
enemies unpunished? (...)

Let no one think me an ordinary, weak woman,  
nor meek, but (...)

violent towards my enemies and benevolent towards my friends;  
for the lives of such people are full of glory.

For the avenging underworld of Hades,  
this will never happen, that I leave

my children to my enemies to mistreat them.

It is necessary that they die: and since it must happen

I will kill them myself, I who gave birth to them.



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