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Iuppiter et Serpens

Iuppiter nuptias celebrat. *Jupiter is celebrating a (his) wedding.*
Animalia cuncta ei dona offerunt, *All the animals are bringing gifts to him.*
quaeque pro viribus suis. *Each according to his own power.*
Serpens itaque rosam decerpit *And so the snake picks a rose,*
et rosam in ore suo fert, *and brings the rose in his (own) mouth,*
ad Iuppiter accedens. *Drawing near to Jupiter*
Iuppiter serpentem videt et dicit, *Jupiter sees the snake and he says,*
"Ceterorum omnium dona excipio, *I am receiving the gifts of all the rest,*
sed ab ore tuo nihil prorsus sumo." *But from your mouth I accept utterly nothing"*
Fabula docet: *The fable teaches:*
Improbis gratiae timendae sunt.

The friendship of the wicked must be feared.

(timendae sunt is a passive periphrastic studied in Volume III.)

Vocabulary

Iuppiter, - Jupiter
serpens - snake
nuptiae - wedding
celebro - celebrate, perform
cunctus - all
offero - bring to, offer
quisque - each
pro - before, for, according to
vis - power
rosa - rose
decerpo - pick
os - mouth
fero - carry, bear
ad - to, towards
accedo - approach, draw near

ceterus - rest, remaining, other
excipio - receive, take, take out
prorsus - entirely, utterly
sumo - accept, select, obtain
fabula - tale, story, fable
improbis - wicked, dishonest
gratia – friendship
timeo - fear