

# Decimius Magnus Ausonius Quotes

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Long, Fear, Granted, Speak, Believe, Decay, Doe, Memorial, Character,  
Trouble*

It often happens, that misery will follow a marriage when the dowry is too large.

~Decimius Magnus Ausonius

Propaganda is the art of persuading others of what you don't believe yourself.

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Earth produces nothing worse than an ungrateful man.

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Let the blacksmith wear the chains he has himself made.

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If lucky be not proud; if unlucky, do not despond.

~Decimius Magnus Ausonius

Begin whatever you have to do: the beginning of a work stands for the whole.

~Decimius Magnus Ausonius

He who does not know how to be silent will not know how to speak.

~Decimius Magnus Ausonius

When about to commit a base deed, respect thyself, though there is no witness.

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If fortune favors you do not be elated; if she frowns do not despond.

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It is tormenting to fear what you cannot overcome.

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Be not arrogant when fortune smiles, or dejected when she frowns.

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If you are a terror to many, then beware of many.

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Bear good fortune modestly.

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Begin: To have commenced is half the deed. Half yet remains; Begin again on this and thou wilt finish all.

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If you are dreaded by many then beware of many.

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The best memorial for a mighty man is to gain honor ere death.

~Decimius Magnus Ausonius

A favor tardily bestowed is no favor; for a favor quickly granted is a more agreeable favor.

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If thou art terrible to many, then beware of many.

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Every stage of life has its troubles, and no man is content with his own age.

~Decimius Magnus Ausonius

Ausonius must be read to be believed! As poet, no subject is too trivial for him; as courtier, no flattery too excessive.

~Decimius Magnus Ausonius

Can we wonder that men perish and are forgotten when their noblest and most enduring works decay?

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No man will revel long in the indulgence of crime.

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