

Augustus of Prima Porta



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Denarius of 32-31 BC

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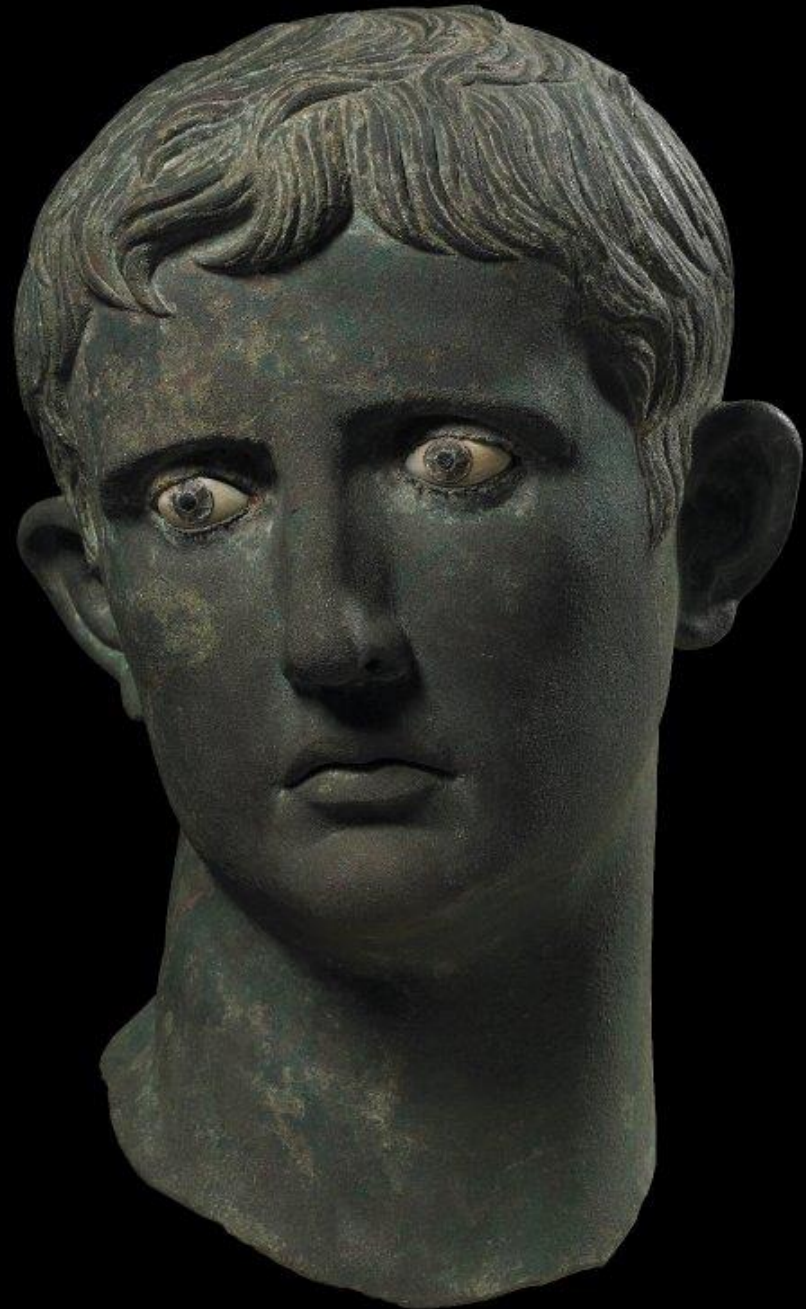


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Suetonius, *Augustus* 79

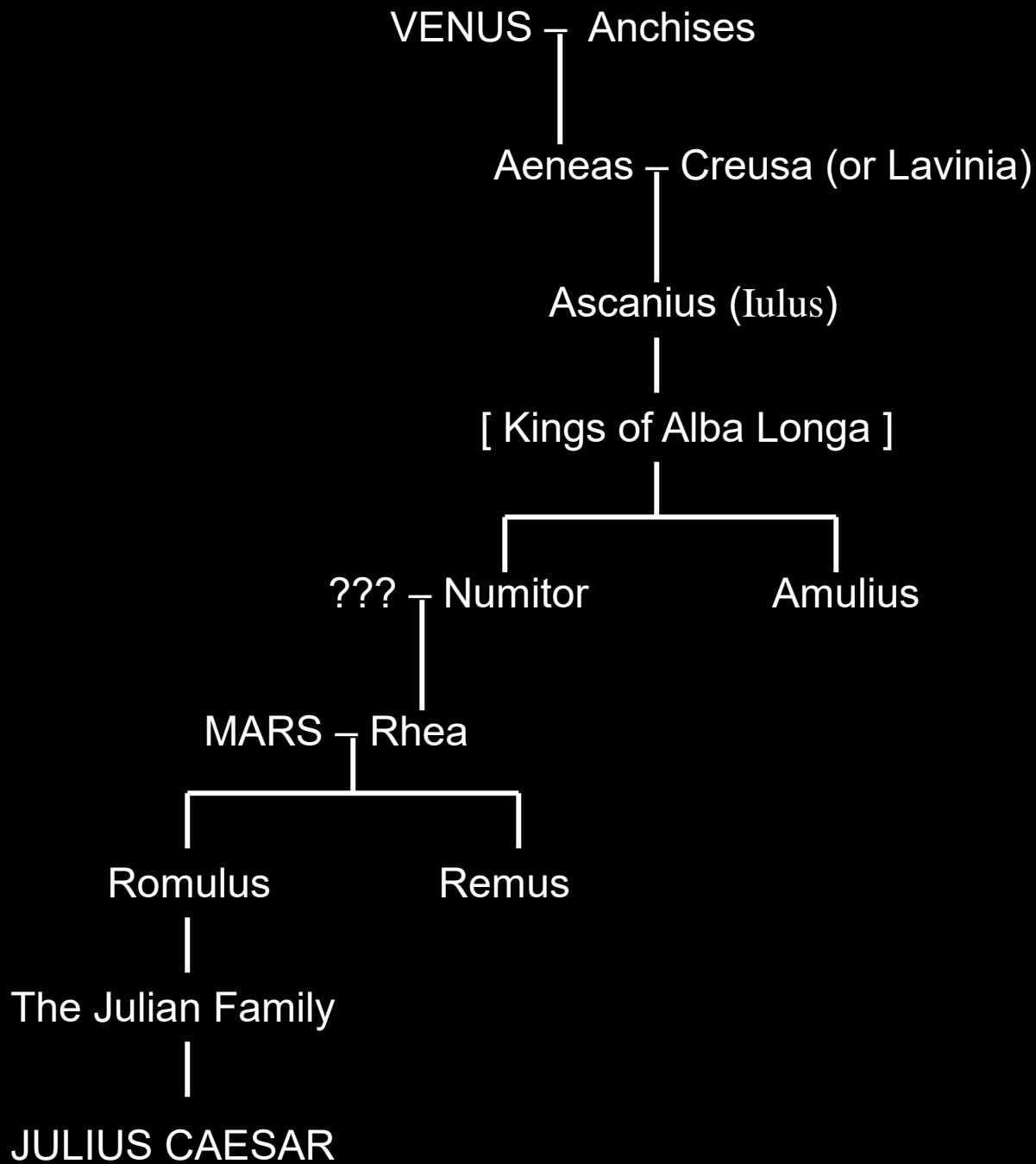
“The expression of his face, whether he was speaking or silent, was so calm and serene that one of the leading men of Gaul confessed to his fellows that he was so impressed and won over that he abandoned his plan to throw the emperor over the cliff, when he was admitted to his presence as he was crossing the Alps.

His eyes were clear and bright; he liked it to be thought that they revealed a godlike power and was pleased if someone who regarded him closely then lowered their gaze, as though from the sun’s force.”



Portrait of Augustus
From Meroë, Sudan
British Museum (1911, 0901.1)

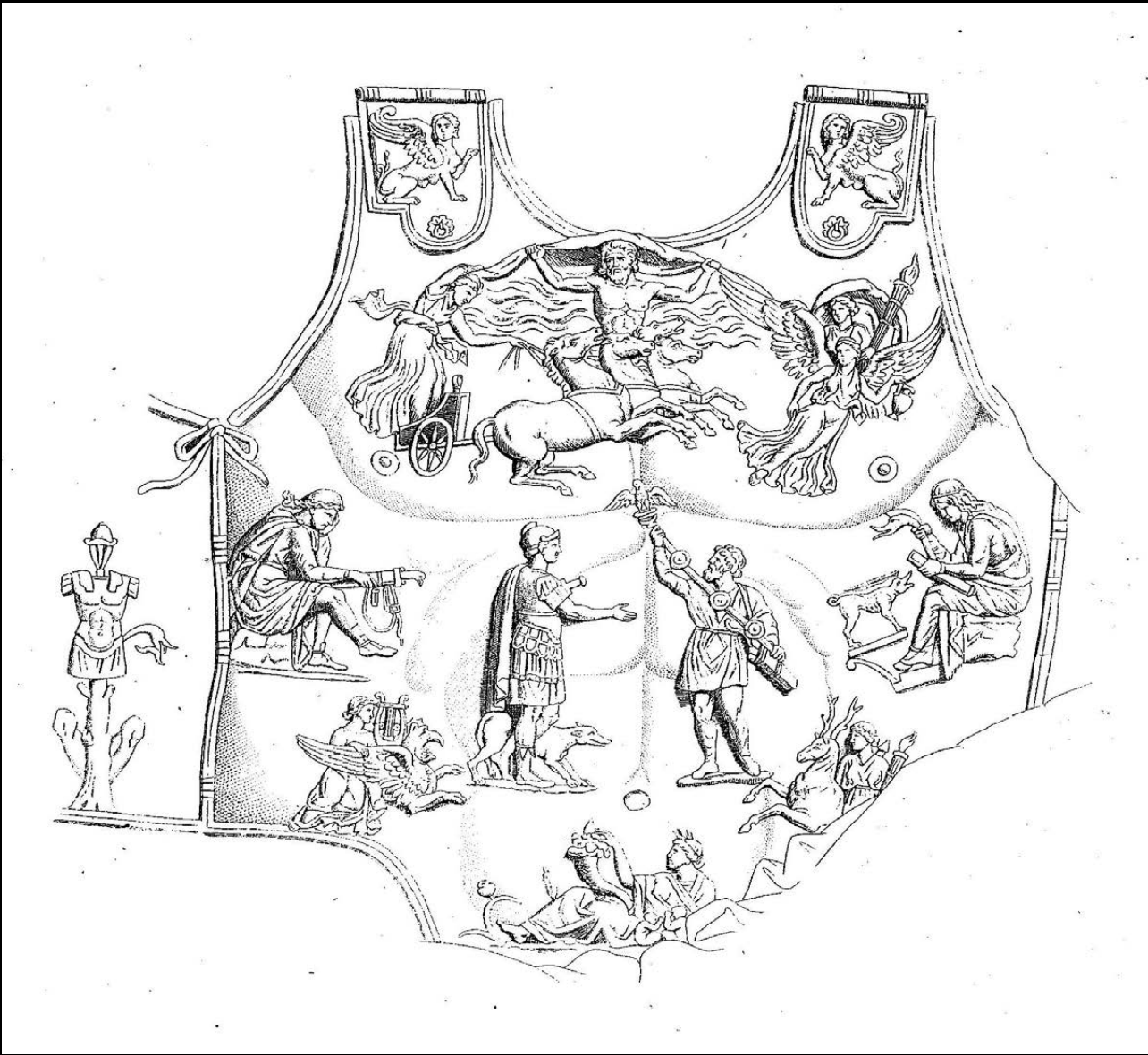






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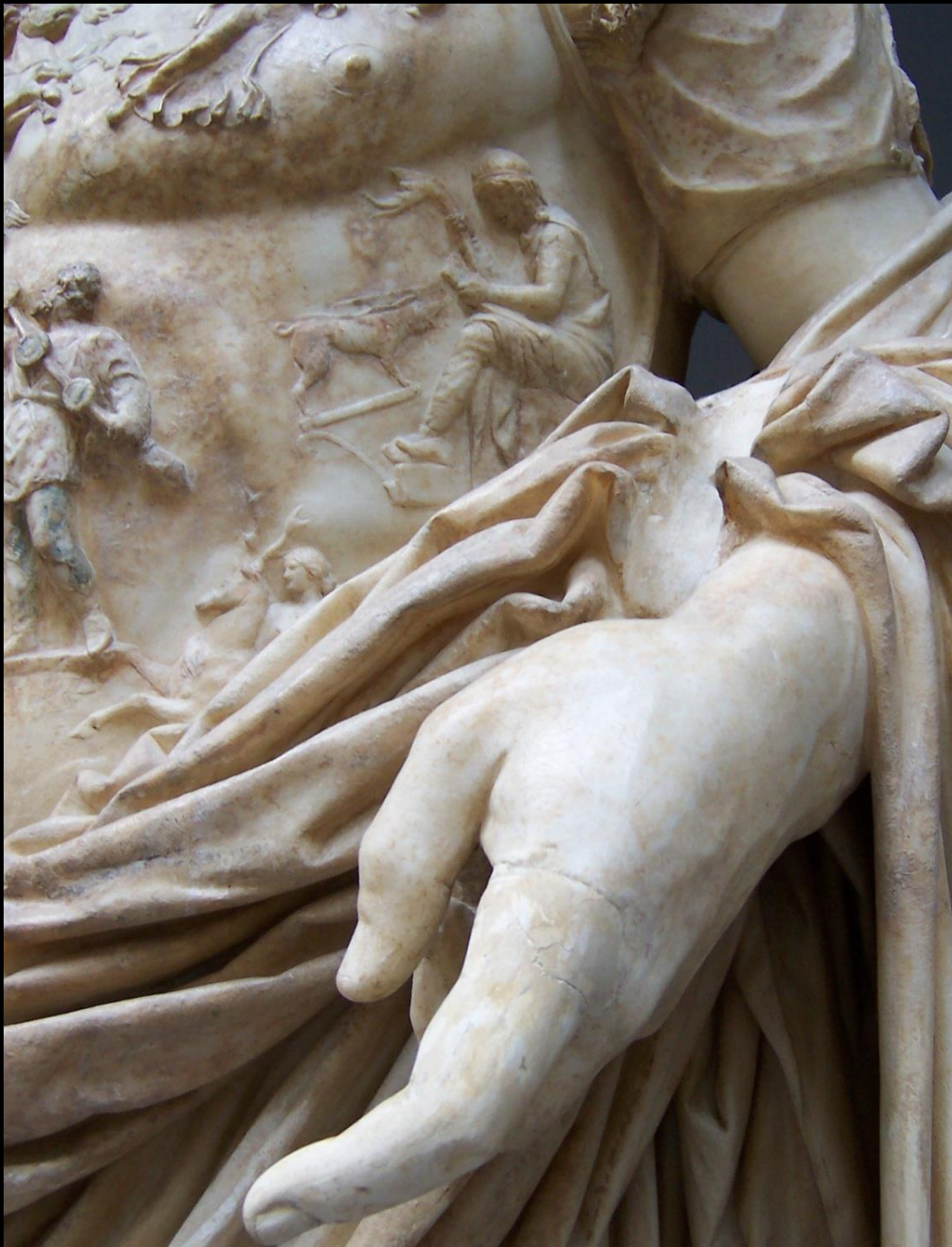




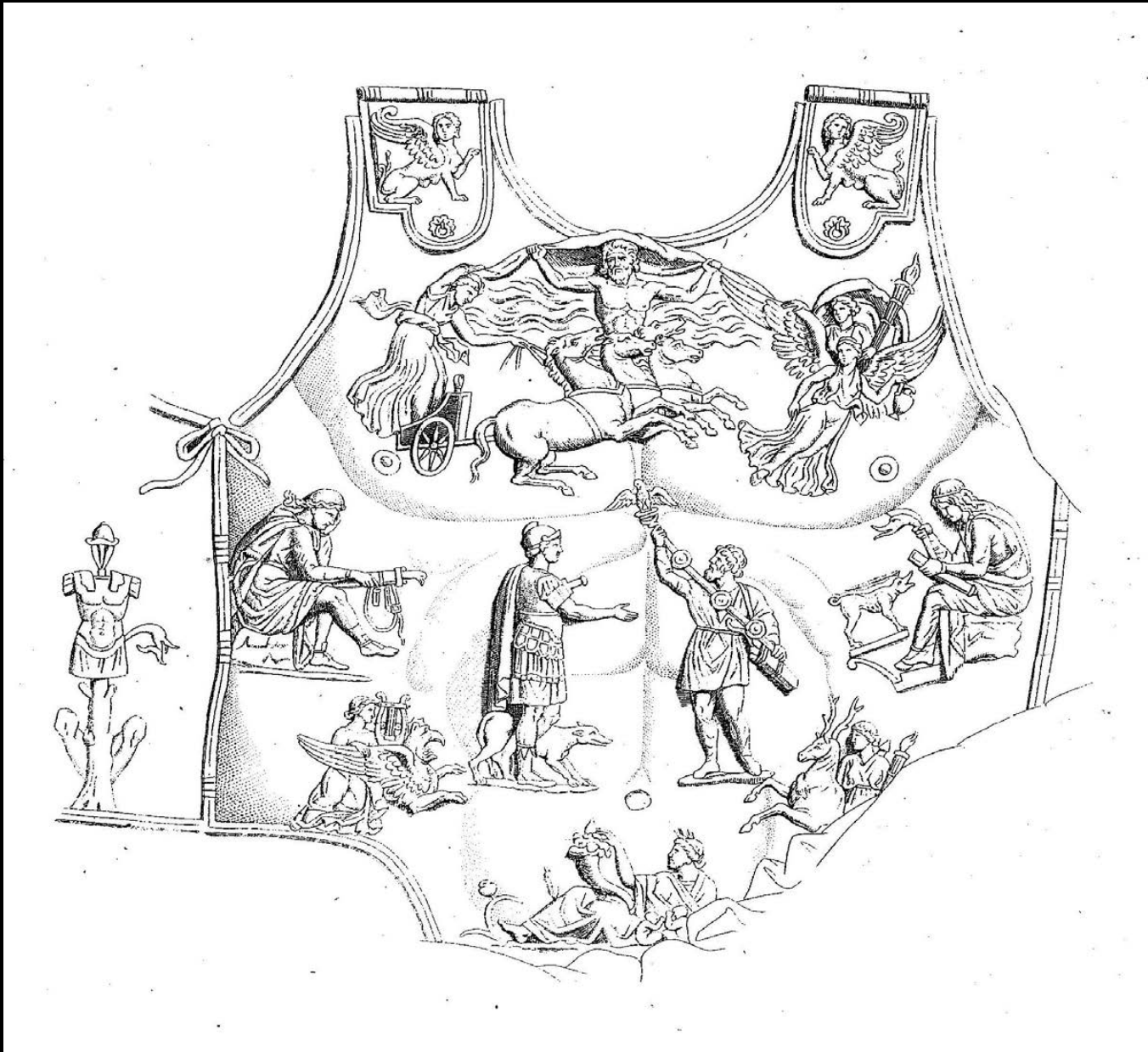


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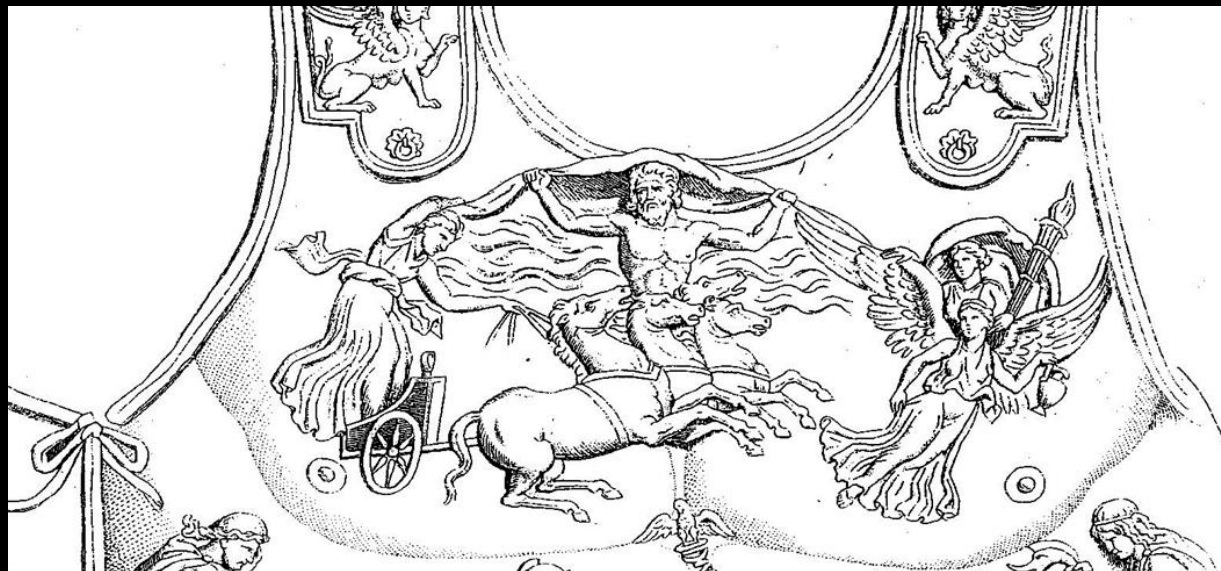


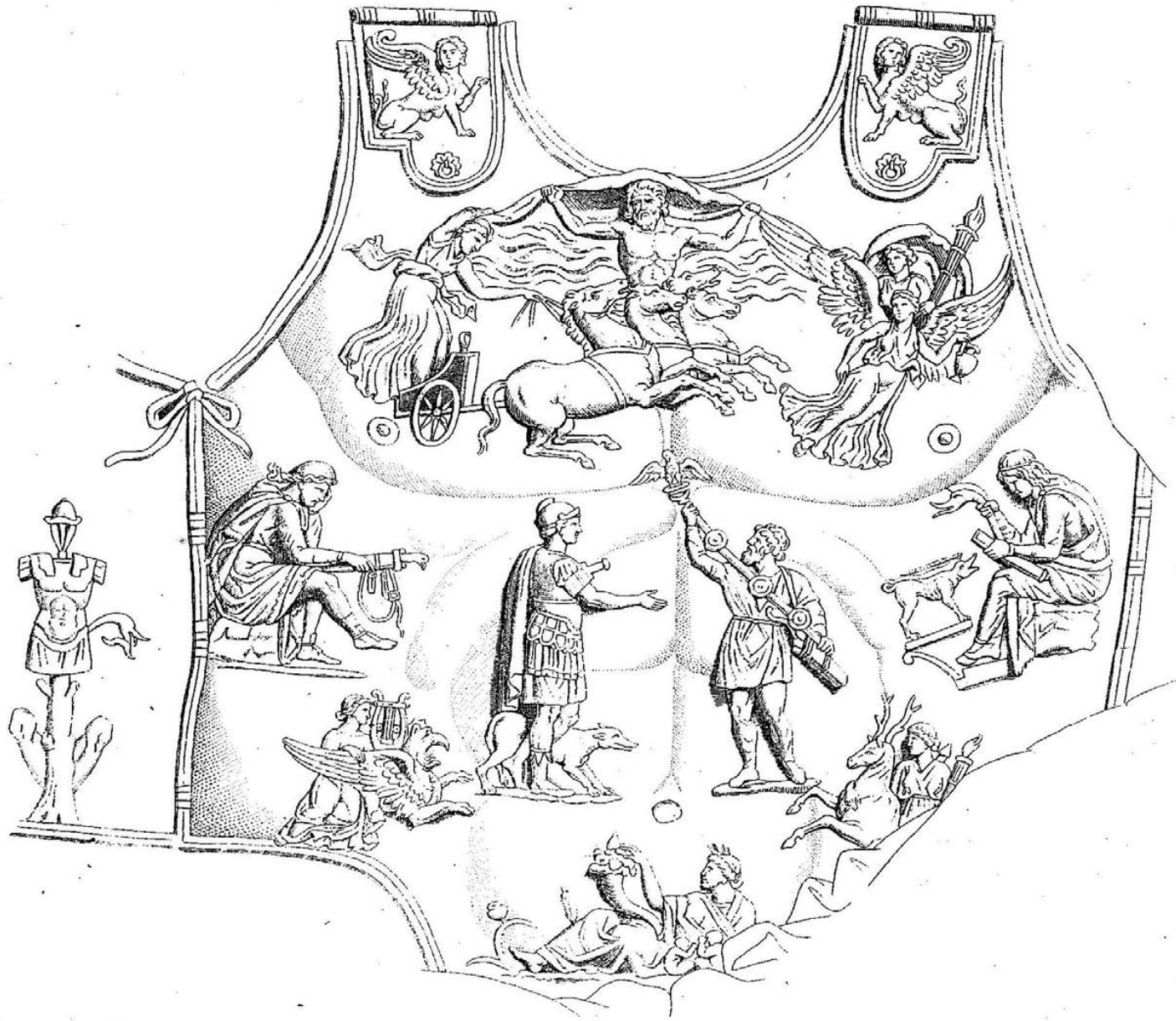
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Apollo riding a Griffin

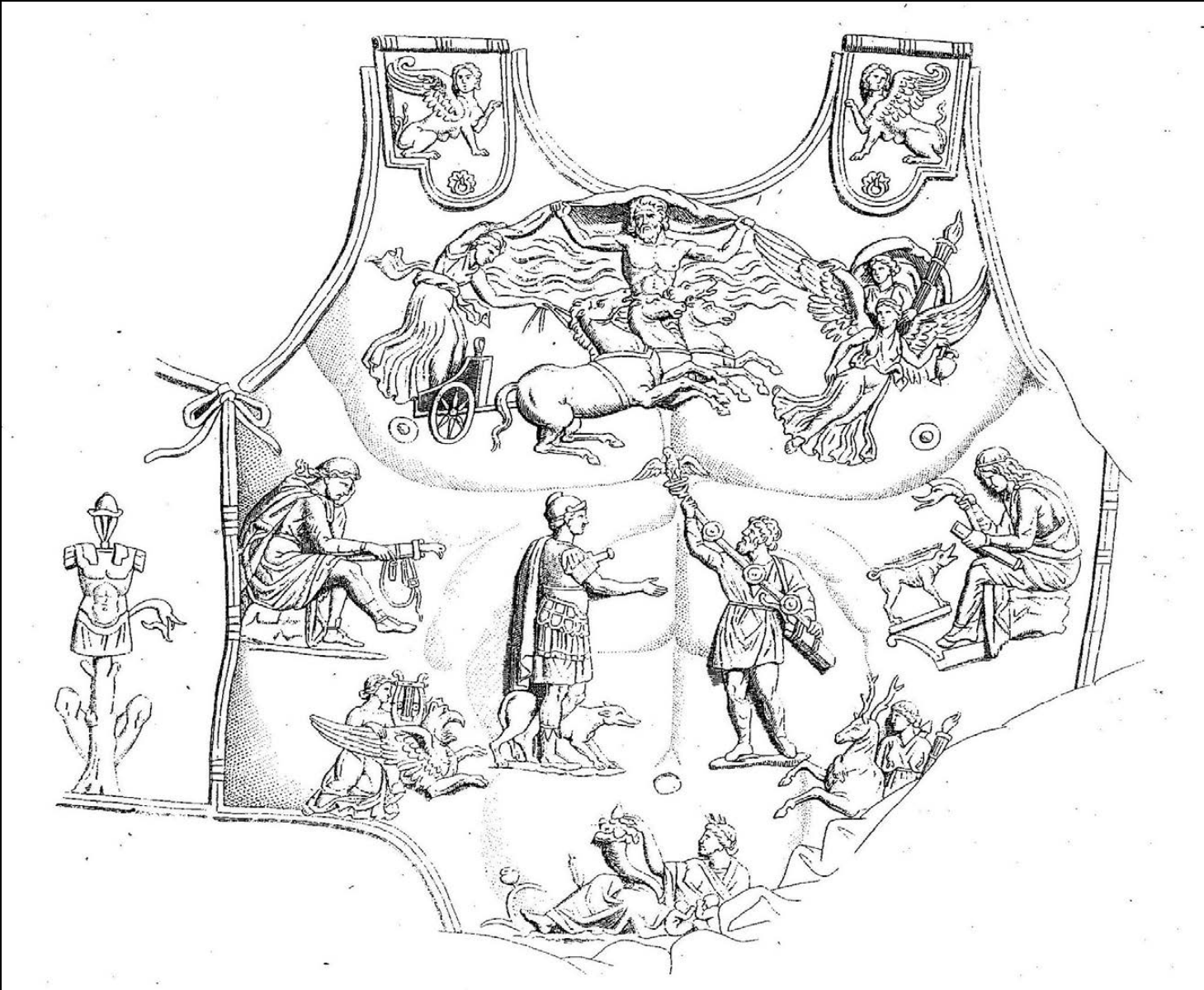
Athenian wine cup, 380 BC
Getty Museum (82.AE.43)



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