

Did He Do Right Or Wrong?

My opinion after reading Oedipus Rex by Sophocles, from the beginning to the end, Oedipus's decision making process has changed greatly. Oedipus believed that while trying to make the right decision one must gather all the information or else bad decisions will be made.

When Oedipus was doing more right things than wrong, seemed to be mainly in the beginning of the play. He was loyal to his people, wants to find the truth about Laius's killer, and he is nice to the people he doesn't really know. I believe that Oedipus was a very loyal leader, and a quote that would show this is in lines 71-75 "I have sent Creon, the son of Menoecus, brother of the Queen, to Delphi, Apollo's place of revelation, to learn if he can, what act or pledge of mine may save that city." This shows that he is a good king that tries to help his people as much as possible. Also that he is loyal to his people, and that he cares about them. He goes he wants to find Laius's killer and tells them what he plans to do to the killer once he finds him, in lines 232-235 "As for the criminal, I pray to God- whether it be a lurking thief, or one of a number- I pray that that man's life be consumed in evil and wretchedness." He wants to catch the person that has killed him, and wants to protect his people from him. Lines 223-227 "I solemnly forbid the people of this country,