

Preface	p. xi
List of Figures, Maps, and Tables	p. xiii
Notes on Abbreviations	p. xv
Notes on Contributors	p. xvi
Introduction	
Thinking about Military Defeat in Ancient Mediterranean Society	p. 3
The Ancient Near East	
Ideology, Politics, and the Assyrian Understanding of Defeat	p. 25
The Assassination of Tissaphernes: Royal Responses to Military Defeat in the Achaemenid Empire	p. 51
Achaemenid Soldiers, Alexander's Conquest, and the Experience of Defeat	p. 74
Classical Greece and the Hellenistic World	
Military Defeat in Fifth-Century Athens: Thucydides and His Audience	p. 99
Demosthenes, Chaeronea, and the Rhetoric of Defeat	p. 123
Spartan Responses to Defeat: From a Mythical Hysiae to a Very Real Sellasia	p. 144
"No Strength To Stand": Defeat at Panium, the Macedonian Class, and Ptolemaic Decline	p. 162
The Roman World	
Defeat and the Roman Republic: Stories from Spain	p. 191
The Ones Who Paid the Butcher's Bill: Soldiers and War Captives in Roman Comedy	p. 213
Defeated by the Forest, the Pass, the Wind: Nature as an Enemy of Rome	p. 240
Imperial Reactions to Military Failures in the Julio-Claudian Era	p. 262
"By Any Other Name": Disgrace, Defeat, and the Loss of Legionary History	p. 284
Recycling the Classical Past: Rhetorical Responses from the Roman Period to a Military Loss in Classical Greece	p. 309
The Roman Emperor as Persian Prisoner of War: Remembering Shapur's Capture of Valerian	p. 335
Epilogue	
Looking Ahead	p. 361
Index	p. 373
Table of Contents provided by Blackwell's Book Services and R.R. Bowker. Used with permission.	