rather is worried that someone shall kill him to become king if that's what he is doing. He sees it as even handed justice however.

The first crack in Macbeth's relationship with Lady Macbeth is shown in this scene, when he lies to her. He doesn't admit the real reason as to why he does not want to kill Duncan. However, Lady Macbeth knows the real reason and will not stand for it.

She purposely calls him a coward, so that he becomes irrational. She describes him as being similar to a cat that wants a golfish, in the way he wants it but does not want to get his paws wet.

She calls him "all bark, no bite" and that is it easy to be brave before the chance is open. She is trying to irritate him in order to get him to do it. She tells him about how they shall blame the guards so there will be no consequences for them.

"I am settled" shows that as Macbeth now thinks that there shall be no blame placed on him, he will go ahead with the killing of Duncan. He repeats the serpent image before the scene finishes.

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