104 ROBERT

Thank you, Helen. May God repay what we cannot.

105 HELEN

And may He be your guide and guard, until His mercy brings you home.

MUSIC SWELLS AND CARRIES US INTO THE NEXT SCENE.

11 EXT. FRENCH COUNTRYSIDE - A FEW DAYS LATER

THE SOUND OF FOOTSTEPS DROLLING ALONG.

106 MARK

I can't believe we've already walked 500 miles.

107 **PAUL**

START >>> And 500 more to go. This is impossible.

108 ROBERT

Paul, you asked God to show you He was calling you, and He did! How can you still doubt?

109 PAUL

I-I just...I believe God showed us the way. But, why us?

110 ROBERT

Why not us?

111 PAUL

Is this God's will, or is it your own vision of what it means for us to serve him?

ROBERT STOPS. THE OTHERS STOP A FEW PACES LATER.

112 ROBERT

Why would you say that?

113 **PAUL**

Who are we to be called by God?

114 ROBERT

Do you not want to be a priest?

115 PAUL

Of course I do, but-

116 ROBERT

But what?

117 **PAUL**

That can't be it? I can't just want to become a priest? And honestly, it's not all I want...

118 MARK

What do you mean, Paul?

119 **PAUL**

I want to fight. I am embarrassed to admit it, but I am so... angry.

120 ROBERT

Angry?

121 PAUL

Yes! A heretic sits on the throne. She tortures and hangs our brothers and sisters for being practicing Catholics. I want vengeance. And that makes fear I am not worthy to be a priest.

A beat.

122 MARK

I fear that I am not worthy either.

123 ROBERT

Why?

124 MARK

I am afraid. What if my faith is just a shadow of yours? My parents sent me to Douai for fear of me staying in England, and honestly, I was grateful to leave. I'm a coward. Maybe I am not cut out to be a Jesuit.

125 **PAUL**

Maybe I am not either...

<<< **END**

SOMBER MUSIC FILLS THE SCENE. A BEAT.

126 ROBERT

(quietly)

If you think I have no fear, no anger, no doubt...You are mistaken.

A pause.