044 GERARD
Yes. With her failing breath, she uttered each response with peace and determination.

045 BERNARD
Life is so short, Brother. It flees in the twinkling of an eye. I desire eternity.

046 ROBERT
Do you want to become a monk, Uncle Bernard?

047 GERARD
No, Uncle Bernard will not become a monk. We've talked about this, Brother.

048 BERNARD
But now that mother is gone- These past few days my mind has been racing. Questions, thoughts. Who am I? Why am I here? What is the point of my existence?

049 GERARD
Joining a monastery and running away from your pain is not going to answer these questions for you, Bernard.

050 BERNARD
But Gerard, aren't you curious? Do you not have these same questions?

051 GERARD
I am satisfied with my military career and the opportunity to serve just as Father has. Do not squander your own opportunity to establish an honorable career for yourself.

052 ROBERT
Here comes Uncle Gaudry!

7 **INT. BERNARD'S HOME, CASTLE IN FONTAINES - CONTINUOUS**

UNCLE GAUDRY APPROACHES.

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053 UNCLE GAUDRY
Boys, tomorrow I'm heading back to our military camp with the Duke of Burgundy. Gerard, Bernard, join me.

054 GERARD
Absolutely, Uncle. It would be an honor.

055 ROBERT
And what about me, Uncle?

056 UNCLE GAUDRY
In due time, Robert. We'll see what the future has in store for you.

057 BERNARD
Uncle, I am not sure that I...I mean, I know my duty as a noble--

058 GERARD
Bernard, this is an opportunity.

059 UNCLE GAUDRY
I know this is very soon after your mother's death. But it might be good for you to join us. Give your mind other things to think about.

060 BERNARD
Give my mind other things to think about. It might be good to do that.

061 GERARD
Of course it would! Bernard will definitely join us.

062 UNCLE GAUDRY
Excellent then. I do hope to see you both at the camp tomorrow.

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TRANSITION WITH MUSIC.

8 **INT. CEMETERY FAMILY MAUSOLEUM - DAY**

IRON GATE OPENS. FOOTSTEPS ON STONE FLOOR.

063 BERNARD
Mother, I brought you a fresh rose from the garden. I'm leaving to join Uncle Gaudry and Gerard.
(Begins to cry)
Oh Jesus, you bravely bore the cross upon your sacred shoulder, a crushing burden that caused exceeding pain. Yet here I am, barely able to stagger under this cross you have given me.
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