8 **INT. MONASTERY AT CITEAUX - DAY**

MONKS CHANT. WATER DRIPS AS A COOL RAG IS RUNG OUT. A MONK COUGHS VIOLENTLY.

Side 1
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082 ABBOT STEPHEN
There now. Lie back. Rest, rest.

083 BROTHER NIVARD
Abbot Stephen, Brother Claude has...gone to his eternal rest.

084 ABBOT STEPHEN
Another of our monks has perished?

085 BROTHER NIVARD
I'll make the funeral arrangements.

086 ABBOT STEPHEN
Our white habits of Citeaux were to signify hope, yet we have so much death and sorrow.

087 BROTHER NIVARD
Our numbers are dwindling, Abbot.

088 ABBOT STEPHEN
Yes. This plague has been hard. The Lord is testing us as he tested Job, yet He will not break a bruised reed.

089 BROTHER NIVARD
But Abbot, new men are no longer seeking entrance here. If things continue as they are, there will be no monks left at Citeaux. Is our life perhaps too difficult?

090 ABBOT STEPHEN
Are you struggling with our fasts, Brother Nivard?

091 BROTHER NIVARD
No, all that we give up makes my heart freer to love God. But, many men continue to enter Cluny. Their life is not so rigid.

092 ABBOT STEPHEN
It is a shame that our two monasteries seem to be pitted against each other, instead of working together for God's glory.

093 BROTHER NIVARD
With all the criticism we have received, do you think that it is truly God's will that we deny ourselves so rigorously? Or is it our own will masked by pride?

094 ABBOT STEPHEN
Perhaps God is speaking through you and I must listen. We must entrust this to prayer. God will reveal if our way of life at Citeaux is truly His will. **<<< END**

TRANSITION WITH MUSIC.

9 EXT. SIEGE BATTLEFIELD - DAY

BATTLE IS FIERCE. HORSES SNORT. SWORDS CLASH.

095 GERARD
Duke, we need reinforcements!

096 DUKE OF BURGUNDY
Gerard, secure the right flank. I will sound the trumpet.

097 GERARD
Men, advance!

TRUMPET SOUNDS. THE BATTLE CONTINUES WITH SHOUTS OF MEN. GERARD GETS HIT WITH A LANCE.

098 GERARD (CONT'D)
Ah! My side, I'm hit.

099 ENEMY KNIGHT
Capture him!

100 GERARD
Lord, I repent. I'm sorry, Bernard!

101 ENEMY KNIGHT
Take him away!

102 GERARD
No, don't take me. No!

10 INT. PRISON CELL - DAY

CLANGING AGAINST THE BARS.