

Les Miserables, Upon These Stones - Building Th

(Enjolras is addressing the revolutionaries.)

Enjolras
Here upon these stones
We will build our barricade
In the heart of the city
We claim as our own!
Each man to his duty
And don't be afraid.
Wait! I will need a report
On the strength of the foe.

Javert (disguised as a rebel)
I can find out the truth
I know their ways
Fought their wars
Served my time
In the days
Of my youth!

Various Students
Now the people will fight
And so they might
Dogs will back
Fleas will bite.
They will do what is right

(Marius spots Eponine, who is dressed as a boy.)

Marius
Hey little boy, what's this I see?
God Eponine, the things you do!

Eponine
I know this is no place for me
Still I would rather be with you.

Marius
Get out before the trouble starts
Get out, 'Ponine, you might get shot

Eponine
I got you worried, now I have
That shows you like me quite a lot

Marius
There is a way that you can help
You are the answer to a prayer
Please take this letter to Cosette

And pray to God that she's still there!

(She walks to the Rue Plumet...)

Eponine
Little you know...
Little you care!

(...where she meets Valjean.)

I have a letter M'sieur
It's addressed to your daughter Cosette
It's from a boy at the barricade, Sir

In the Rue de Villette.

Valjean
Give me that letter here, my boy

Eponine
He said to give it to Cosette

Valjean
You have my word that my daughter will know
What this letter contains.

(He gives her a coin.)

Tell the young man she will read it tomorrow
And here's for your pains
Go careful now, stay out of sight
There's danger in the streets tonight.

(He opens the letter... and reads it.)

"Dearest Cosette, you have entered my soul
And soon you will be gone.
Can it be only a day since we met
And the world was reborn?
If I should fall in the battle to come
Let this be my goodbye
Now that I know you love me as well
It is harder to die...
I pray that god will bring me home
To be with you.
Pray for your Marius, he prays for you!"

(Valjean goes in, leaving Eponine alone.)