

## Alain Boublil

# "Upon These Stones"

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(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.)

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