

## Henry VI Part 3 abbreviated

Act 3, Scene 3

### Revenge

**Situation:** The earl of Oxford has led an English delegation to France on behalf of Edward IV, a delegation that includes Queen Margaret, her son Prince Edward and Warwick. Warwick was there to propose a marriage between Edward Plantagenet and the Lady Bonne, the French king's sister-in-law. However, the take-charge Warwick becomes infuriated when he learns through a letter while the delegation is there in France that Edward has married the Lady Grey.

**KING LOUIS:** What! Has your king married the Lady Grey? Is this th' alliance that he seeks with France? Dare he presume to scorn us in this manner?

#### Warwick to King Louis

**King Louis, Edward's lust will lead to war.  
I came from Edward as ambassador,  
But return his mortal foe. The matter  
Of marriage was the charge he gave to me;  
My return with dreadful war will answer  
His demand; turn his jest to sorrow, he  
Making a dupe of me; I who raised him  
To king. I'll bring him down, when on a whim  
He marries, insulting me. York's to blame  
For my father's untimely death. Honor  
Is my desert. For this reward of shame  
For aiding him, I here renounce him, for  
I not so pity Henry's misery,  
but seek revenge for Edward's mockery.**

**WARWICK:** My noble queen, let former grudges pass. I will revenge his wrong to Lady Bonne and replant Henry in his former state.

**QUEEN MARGARET:** Warwick, these words have turned my hate to love, and I forgive and quite forget old faults.

**WARWICK:** If King Louis vouchsafe to furnish us with some few bands of chosen soldiers, I'll undertake to land them on our coast and force the tyrant from his seat by war.

**LADY BONNE TO KING LOUIS:** My quarrel and this English queen's are one.

**KING LOUIS:** You shall have aid.