



**1 EXT. GALSTON VILLAGE**

A bright morning in June. Bells summon the congregation to church. Only a handful of people are seen entering.

**2 INT. GALSTON CHURCH**

The last members of a small congregation take their places and notice the large number of empty seats.

**3 EXT. GALSTON VILLAGE**

Out of sight of the church, other villagers can be seen leaving their houses. They hurry towards John Nisbet who is armed and on horseback at the edge of the village.

JEANNIE

Is it to happen today John?

NISBET

Aye. At Loudoun Hill, as we agreed.

MAGGIE

Who's to be preaching?

NISBET

Tam Douglas.

RAB

You expect trouble John?

NISBET

We must be on our guard Rab. They say Clavers rides out of Hamilton today.

Rab goes to fetch a pitchfork as the villagers head off into the countryside.

#### **4 EXT. OPEN COUNTRYSIDE SOUTH OF HAMILTON**

Claverhouse and his mounted dragoons are on the march.

#### **5 EXT. LOUDOUN HILL**

A huge conventicle is forming in the shadow of the hill. The reverend Thomas Douglas can be heard leading the congregation in a psalm. Hundreds of people, many of whom are armed, are gathering from all directions. In the distance, a mounted figure watches from a vantage point, then gallops away.

#### **6 INT. WHITEHALL PALACE**

King Charles II and his entourage of courtiers and scientists are making observations through a microscope. Monmouth enters.

LORD CHAMBERLAIN

The Duke of Monmouth, Sire.

CHARLES

My Lord Monmouth.

Do you come here to tell me these obstinate Scots have finally been brought to heel?

MONMOUTH

There remain but a few covenanting rebels Sire.

CHARLES

But a few my Lord Monmouth?

MONMOUTH

They shall be crushed Sire. Lord Claverhouse shall see to it.

#### **7 EXT. OPEN COUNTRYSIDE WEST OF STRATHAVEN**

Claverhouse and his dragoons are approached by the mounted figure we saw at Loudoun Hill. The troops are called to a halt.

CLAVERHOUSE

What news Master Gilmour?

GILMOUR

Loudoun Hill my Lord. A conventicle is gathering.

CLAVERHOUSE

What number?

GILMOUR

Five hundred my Lord. Maybe more. Thomas Douglas leads them in prayer.

CLAVERHOUSE

'Tis right they should pray Gilmour. They must ready themselves for final judgement.  
What say you Campbell? Shall we lead these traitors to the Promised Land?

CAPTAIN CAMPBELL

Aye my Lord!

Campbell orders the buglers to sound the advance. The dragoons spur their horses towards a distant ridge.

### **8 EXT. LOUDOUN HILL**

Thomas Douglas is preaching. The congregation has swelled to over a thousand. Many of them are armed. A lookout signals from high up the hill. A courier runs through the assembly towards William Cleland and his mounted militia at the rear.

CLELAND

Is Clavers upon us Alec?

COURIER

A mile from Drumclog Captain. With two columns of dragoons.

CLELAND

Ready your men John. We'll make this murderous tyrant pay for his crimes.

NISBET

Our horses are outnumbered three to one Captain.

CLELAND

Take up position behind that bank, while we lure him towards the marshy ground.  
Once his horses become bogged down, unleash Hell upon them.

NISBET

Aye Captain.

CLELAND

Give them no quarter John. We do God's work this day.

The congregation rapidly disperse and organise themselves for the oncoming battle.