

Chapters LI – LIV

Chapters 51-54

Reading Notes

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Brutus and the **battle of Philippi** – (42 BC) – The Battle of Philippi was a battle that followed the assassination of Julius Caesar by Gaius Cassius and Marcus Brutus. Cassius and Brutus fled after the assassination and were pursued by Octavian and Mark Antony to Philippi in Macedonia. When Brutus was surrounded, he chose to commit suicide before being taken captive or killed by the enemy. The allusion mentioned in *The Count of Monte Cristo* is from Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar* when the ghost of Julius Caesar visits Brutus and promises to see him again at the Battle of Philippi.

1. Who visited the Count in chapter 51? What was the purpose for the visit?

2. Did Mercédès know about Fernand's part in Dantès' arrest?

3. What sacrifice was the Count willing to make for Mercédès?

4. What did the Count have Ali do prior to the duel?

5. How did Albert surprise the Count and the witnesses of the duel?

6. What did Albert and his mother determine to do after the duel?

7. What name did Mercédès tell Albert to take?

8. Who sent Albert a letter? What gift was left to Albert and his mother?

9. Who did the Count believe might be “another Mercédès” that he could love?

10. Why did Morcerf call on the Count?

11. How did Morcerf respond when the Count revealed who he truly was?

12. How did Morcerf respond when he watched his wife and son leaving him?
