

CHAPTER IV

CONCLUSION

After reading and discussing The Crucible, especially the major character of Jon Proctor, it can be concluded that loyalty, responsibility, reputation, and self esteem are very closely related to a man. A man can not absolutely free to do what he wants to do. But he has to be responsible to other people for his deed.

In general, a man is born with each own pride and he will be very ashamed if his name and his reputation are destroyed in community. This person will struggle to rebuild up his status and his reputation again. But it is not easy to do that. In achieving his purpose, he some time has to give what he loves, moreover, his life, he some time sacrifices himself for the sake of his purpose. John Proctor, after he reveals his adultery in the court, his name and reputation are destroyed. Moreover he has no respect to himself at all. But he realizes that he can not live or die without his name. So he must try to get his name and reputation again. Because of this attempt, he should have some disorder in his deeper heart and dying in his struggle.

The discussion above can be realized that there are only few people who prefer to die than to be a betrayer of his principles or his loyalty to his country or his

friends because those things have become part of his existence. Without them, a person feels that his life has no meaning at all. Since those things are very related to his self esteem or his honor. However, some people can still live. All of those that happen in the The Crucible may give us a picture of life, a picture of a people with their own character and principles that make us realizing that life sometimes can be very complicated, like John Proctor. Proctor tries to reveal the truth and defend his principles in order to struggle his self esteem. Because he realizes that he can not live any longer without his honor. From him we learn that we have to stick to our principles that is based on the truth. We have to show our loyalty not only to ourselves and to others, but also to the truth itself, to deeper inner in our heart.

The Miller's story about John Proctor is a life which tells about the development of personality. It presents a portrait of a character who grows from sensitive to strong and self sufficient age. He is reference of darkness and lightness. Through his life, it is clear that a John Proctor has been a bringer of darkness at first. He has been unfaithful to his wife and his religion, and also moral fashion at the time. by committing a adultery. He has broken the social code. But then he changes to be a bringer of lightness. In his dying moment, he has been honest. He

feels that he has betrayed himself. This good development is because of his conscience which appears from his guilty. It is clear that he develops from a betrayer to be a hero in the last of his life. He is an example of the power and the strength of the human spirit to overcome disappointment, sorrow, and obstacles (darkness).

Surely the reader will agree that his life does not end in the darkness, but it ends in his lightness. He dies as a hero who should get his death in the gallows for his own principles. From the discussion we learn that John Proctor has been weighed in the balance. He is strong, noble, and determined people.

From the discussion of the play The Crucible, related to self esteem, the writer learns that human has his own shortcoming. No one is completely good and perfect. He should think twice to do anything if this has good or bad effects on himself next day, especially the effects on his self esteem. IN this play, by studying John Proctor experiences. the writer finds out that it is important for an individual to understand about his potency and his will because the understanding of his real position will help him to keep his balance in life.

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