

CHAPTER IV

CONCLUSION

The Stepford Wives is a movie about what most men want from their wives by Claire's experiment. In this movie, the writer finds many important events related to Claire's ambition in creating perfect housewives.

The background of Claire's experiment can be seen since Claire found her husband having an affair with another woman. She feels disappointed because all the things which she has done with her career cannot make her husband get proud.

Claire's behavior shows her ambition. Her ambition really influences her psychological condition which reflected in her behavior. We can see the changes of her psychological condition before she performs the experiment and after she finishes her experiment.

Before her experiment, Claire is an active woman. She is a major person in business. She was the world's foremost brain surgeon and genetic engineer. She works with several major agencies. She has top secret contracts with the Pentagon, Apple and Mattel. After Claire kills Mike, she regrets what she has done to him. She thinks that when he cheating on her, it is not completely his fault but it is also her own fault. It is all because she never cares about Mike. All she cares about is only her works outside the house. Because of this, she prefers to become a total housewife than an active woman.



The influence of her ambition becomes more obvious when she sees many women who are too busy with their activities outside the house. She feels that she has to do something so they will not be left by their husbands.

After she finishes her experiment, Claire's psychological condition becomes worse and worse. She is obsessed by beautiful things. She is never satisfied toward what she has done. She wants everything to be perfect to the smallest details.

The writer can conclude from Claire's ambition in creating perfect housewives. The happiness does not come by itself, but it has to be struggled, such as what Claire has done. It is a must for us to have ambitions, but we always have to keep our conscience so our struggle does not turn to be disaster.

All the things that Claire done make all of the Stepford citizens realize that true love is not try to dominate or change the other person. It is about sacrificing for them. The solution for our modern gender war is for both sexes to lay aside their selfish ambitions and support one another at home and workplace.

Moreover, about the movie itself, it tells about men who have to love and respect their wives for whom they are, and stop comparing them to unrealistic standards of beauty and perfection. It points out that love given freely is most valuable.