

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter discusses about background of the study, statement of the research question, objectives of the study, significance of the study, and limitation of the study.

1.1 Background of the Study

Self-Transformation is a change in self that concerned with personality. Self-change tends to be influenced by factors that are following the development of one's own life. Someone who transforms himself into his environment. Rob White (2012: 3) said: "Self-transformation is a process of creating ourselves anew – where we examine our daily thoughts and activity to see how we are slumbering upon ourselves, where we notice how we are behaving in fearfully reactive ways, where we become conscious of self-defeating behavior, and recognize it as self-defeating". Self-Transformation involves changing personality when responding to something that happens. One that causes change is the mental state and social conditions that occur. That is usually called psychosocial.

Personality changes are influenced by psychosocial development. Both are things that always get a relation. There are several stages in psychosocial which are the stages of a person at every age who experience changes according to the conditions experienced. Everyone will experience things according to the stages. According to Erik Erikson, He formulated his personality theory of psychosocial development out of Freud's theory of the personality structure. Eric Erikson

developed a psychosocial theory as the development of the psychoanalytic theory of Freud. In psychosocial theory, it is stated that the stages of individual development during their life cycle are formed by social influences that interact with individuals who become mature physically and psychologically (Erikson, 1978: 53).

Several conditions affect a person's mentality. Like an example of sexual harassment. Someone who has experienced sexual harassment will experience a personality disorder. Especially it happen by children under the age. Sexual harassment can be one of the factors that influence psychosocial development, sexual harassment is an act related to unwanted sex, a request to have sex, and other behaviors that physically refer to sex. Sexual harassment can occur anywhere either in public places such as buses, markets, schools, offices, or in private places such as home, although in general women often get the spotlight as victims of sexual harassment, sexual harassment can occur to whom only. Victims of sexual harassment may be male or female. The victim may be the opposite sex or the same sex. About 70 percent of the perpetrators of sexual abuse against minors are committed by the closest or most known person when a person experiences sexual violence or sexual or physical abuse, and then the incident can cause profound trauma to a person, especially to children and teenagers. Traumatic events can cause mental disorders. Traumatically cause symptoms that result in personality problems.

To begin with, *Love is the answer, God is the cure* by Aimee Cabo Nikolov is seen to be interesting to be part of the analysis. In the novel, the characters are told in a complex manner. The characters in the novel are portrayed

as well as humans in real life who have various personalities, views, and feelings. The writer intends to reveal the phenomena of a mindset and behavior. It depicted in the main character namely Aimee. Portrayal based on thought turmoil. It requires disgust towards the harassment of sections from the environment. This behavior is included in the psychoanalysis through a branch of psychology that discusses intraindividual changes. It called developmental psychology. General factors influence the developmental processes that occur in different personalities. Psychosocial development is more interested in differences that arise at every age in developing people.

love Is The Answer God Is The Cure is a picture of life which is a stage of psychosocial development. From this novel, we can find out that in our journey there is doubt in conditions. Therefore I choose this novel as data for analysis. In this novel, the main character shows a phenomenon that can be said to lay in life. That is one of a phenomenon that popular in the era. In the novel *Love is Answer, God is the Cure*, the writer research the psychosocial development of the author as the main character and how the relation between personality and psychosocial development. The personality change of the main character is seen from three aspects, namely in the initial plot, in the middle plot, and the final plot. The initial plot consists of exposition and conflict. The plot is in the form of a crisis and climax. While in fragments, the final plot is in the form of divorce and a solution.

Love is Answer God is the Cure novel by Aimee Nicolov Caboo many get inspired award. '*Love is the Answer, God is the Cure*' received several book awards - 2019 Gold/1st place for Memoir and Gold/1st Place for Inspirational

book from Feathered Quill, 2018 New York City Big Book Award Distinguished Favorites and 2018 Fall Pinnacle Book Achievement Award. Aimee is a trained nurse and the president and owner of IMIC, Inc., a medical research company in Palmetto Bay, Florida. Many lessons in the phenomenon described in the story. They are faith, patience, and faith in God's destiny. No one who brave in telling her bad. Moreover, the story of the novel is very inspiring in living life as a woman. The current era is about women become material from issues that later become other environmental phenomena. This novel tells the story of human relations with humans, and humans with god (belief). It contains phenomena that always occur in life, namely the development of psychology. Description of phenomena in the novel is a reason why the author chose this novel from Aimee Nicolov Caboo which that the place of the Memoir novel.

The novel tells the life process of the main character. A story is an important phenomenon in life. That is the reason the author makes the novel as a source of data for analysis. The process of Aimee in passing through a part of life is a process experienced by all humans. Even though it's with a difference in overcoming problems. The author uses the theory of psychosocial development by Erik Erikson because the theory can be applied in analyzing human development in the process of growth.

1.2 Statement of Research Question

Based on the background of the study, the statement of the research question is formulated as follow:

1. How does the self-transformation of Aimee described in the novel?

2. How does the relation between personality and psychosocial development?

1.3 Objectives of the Study

Based on the statement of the research question, this study has objectives.

They are:

1. To analyze the processing transformation in the novel
2. To analyze the relation between personality and psychosocial development

1.4 Scope and Limitation

The writer substantiates the scope of the study using psychosocial development theory by Erik Erikson which is pointed out for:

1. Self-transformation of the author
2. The Developments of analysis of literary work through psychoanalysis.

This study is limited to analyze data. It is a transformation process in the novel and attaching the theory of psychosocial development in analyzing a problem of characters from literary works. The source of data in this study is *Love is the Answer, God is the Cure I* by Aimee Caboo Nikolov and the data is from the word of characters utterances' and the narration of the narrator in the novel *Love is the Answer, God is the Cure* by Aimee Caboo Nikolov.

1.5 Significance of the Study

a. Theoretically

The study give a contribution to the study of literary work about psychosocial development in psychoanalysis. The study expected to increase the quality of study, especially about analyze in any literary work.

b. Practically

This study use the previous study of the next literary work about psychosocial development.