

AN ANALYSIS OF BETRAYAL IN PEARL S. BUCK' THE GOOD EARTH

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ABSTRACT

This study discusses the novel pearl s. Bucks the good earth. This study tells about a betrayal, a poor farmer named Wang Lung who married a slave who was willing to sacrifice and accompany wang lung to become a farmer until finally at the peak of success where wang lung became a rich man and began to betray O-Lan by having an affair with Lotus is a beautiful woman who awaits the tea shop. The research will focus on the betrayal and infidelity experienced by O-Lan in the novel. Wang Lung's character in this novel is very influential in the storyline, O-Lan who has been holding back his patience for a long time finally rebelled. and many things that happen in the novel that are closely related to the two, Therefore this research will focus on the betrayal that occurred. The purpose of this study is to discuss the betrayal with infidelity committed by the character Wang-Lung on his wife O-Lan based on observations of novel stories, in order to obtain accurate and more complete data. This research will also be supported by several theories from experts so that the data obtained becomes more focused and the researcher also reads more than once so that all the data obtained becomes more complete. The results of this study indicate the factors that cause betrayal and infidelity. This study can conclude that Wang lung's character has a big influence on the storyline. Loyalty selfishness can have an effect on domestic relationships.

Keywords: Betrayal

INTRODUCTION

Literature is composition that tells the story, dramatizes a situation, expresses emotions, analyzes and advocates idea's (Robert and Jacob, 2006). Literature is referred to as the enterity of written expression, with ritriction that not every written document can be catagorized as literature in the more exsac sense of the word (Klarer, 2004). The conclusion that can be drawn from some of the writers' opinions above is that literature is a work of art that tells elements of the story by displaying expressions, emotions and

language that are directly related to human life. According to (Wellek, Warren, 1977), the causes and consequences are not commensurate: the concrete results of this extrinsic cause, artwork is always unpredictable. Wellek, Warren (1963) define literary terms seem best if we limit them to literary art, namely imaginative literature. Literature is also created by the author's fictions. Literature is not only fact papers or a collection in pure events. It also make some products from unlimited imagination. Literature is the whole

written expression in imagination, which explains definition of life and nature.

The research process from reading of novel (*The Good Earth*). There are many statements for someone who works all day to get something which can make their life to be better than before. Why people work hard is caused by the family factor, economic factor, and others that influence people to do something. I choose this novel because there is a power of human being. A different culture of the country, different region environment, and different social class are the reason why the novel entitled *The Good Earth* is chosen. Another reason is a writer whose name Pearl Sydenstricker Buck, the novel has a feeling of the writer also meaning power. Buck become one of greatest writer that won Pulitzer Prize in 1932. This article is not also far away from the statement of the problem and purpose of the problem. This study only focuses on how wang lung breaked on the wife O-Lan. Women during traditional Chinese society, such as the role of the O-Lan character as a wife in the family. Here the author will explain further about how the main character O-Lan is described as a woman in a traditional Chinese family? What is the influence of this character on Wang Lung's life, the purpose of writing this non-scientific paper is to describe and explain how the main character O-Lan carries out her duties and obligations as a woman in her husband's family and its influence in the life of her husband, Wang Lung.

RESEARCH METHOD

Research method is a strategy in collecting and analyzing data to solve the problems that stated in the chapter 1. This study use the qualitative research. Therefore the data in the form of words than numbers. This chapter was explained with research design, literary approach, research instrumen, data source, data collection procedure, data analysis procedure.

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FINDING AND DISCUSION

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Betrayal Seen In The Good Earth Novel
In chapter 18 beginning betrayal seen in the good earth novel when Wang Lung got rich, and started looking at his wife O-Lan.

Then it was that looked at O-Lan, his wife, as a man looks at the women whose body he knows throughly and satiation and who has lived beside him so closely that there is nothing he dose not know of her and nothing new whichhe may expect or hope from her. **And seemed to Wang Lung theat the looked at O-Lan for the first time in his life and he saw for the first time that she was a woman, woman no man could call other than she was, a dull and common creature**, who plodded in silence withouth thought of how she appeared to others. (*The Good Earth*, p.167).

“Now anyone looking at you would say you were the wife of a coomonfellow and never of one who has land which he

hires man plow!" it was first time he had ever spoken of how she seemed to him and she answered with a slow painful gaze. (*The Good Earth*, p.168).

In chapter 19

All during that hot summer Wang Lung loved thus this girl..(*The Good Earth*, p.182).

Every day Wang Lung went to the tea shop; every evening he waited until she would receive him, and every night he went into her. Each night he went in and each night again he was the country fellow who knew nothing.

In chapter 20 is the beginning of the betrayal starting when Wang Lung wants to have a woman named Lotus, by asking for help from his uncle's wife to persuade Lotus to want to stay in his palace house. And to prepare for Lotus arrival Wang Lung renovates the house, buys expensive food and tells O-Lan to clean the house, so it scares her.

Now Wang Lung could not bear to sleep anymore with O-Lan and he said to himself that with two women in the house there must be more rooms and another court and there must be a place where he could go with his love and be separate. (*The Good Earth*, p.193).

So much is his love for Lotus that Wang Lung wants to be with Lotus every night, every day, that Wang Lung thinks he doesn't want to sleep with his wife again, the O-Lan.

DISCUSSION

1. Confidentiality

Confidentiality is something that is intentionally hidden so that no one else knows it. An affair is basically interpreted as something that leads to certain behavior and become part of the

element of dishonesty. In the marriage life it is important for spouses having an openness thinking and attitude to avoid occurring an affair. Confidentiality was not be hidden because it was revealed. How the carcass was closed tight it was small too.

2. Emotional Involvement

A lot of people thinking the emotional is negative side in human. Emotional not only about angry but also sad, scare, happiness that is in someone. In this research, the researcher uses the types affair based on emotional involvement there is romantic love affair that had been a deep emotional connection.

3. Sexual Attraction

Sexual attraction is something that cannot be controlled intentionally. Someone cannot force it to arise or disappear. (Decker, 2015) explained that sexual is a sex orientation in which a person will only have sexual attraction with another person. A lot of people after had been create emotional involvement at first layer, that is towards the physical of other people both they had a deeper personalities before.

CONCLUSION

Based on research findings and discussion in the previous chapter, the researcher concluded that Wang-Lung betrayal happened involved at last one life following three elements they are confidentiality, emotional involvement, and sexual attraction.

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