CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTIONS

This chapter consists of two parts. The first part is the conclusion which is intended to conclude the analysis of the preceding chapter. And the second part is the suggestions which are dedicated to the students of Universitas Katolik Widya Mandala.

5.1 Conclusion

Having discussed the problems in the preceding chapters, the writer comes to a conclusion concerning the first and second question on the statements of the problem. Hence, concerning the first question on the statements of the problem that is what internal conflict is the protagonist in "Jude The Obscure" caused by, it is concluded that Jude's inner conflict is caused by women and by his ambition. As human beings, no one can avoid the conflicts, like the main character in this story, Jude. Jude has many problems which he should solve, especially the problems with himself. He should think about it over and over so that he can make the best decision. To make the best decision is not easy to do since he is torn between his principle of life and his moral. But at the end, Jude can decide without doubt and regret what kind of life he has and he is happy that he has done it. Then, in relation with the second question on the statements of the problem that is what external conflict is the protagonist in "Jude The Obscure" confronted with, it is concluded
that Jude is confronted with Arabella, Sue and Society. Jude has conflicts with Arabella because she traps him to marry her and he has conflict with Sue because they have the differences in beliefs. Jude also cannot avoid the conflict with his society, especially the conventional society who cannot accept Jude's way of thinking to live with Sue outside the bounds of the conventional marriage sacrament. Those are that trigger the conflict in “Jude The Obscure”.

Aside from that, the writer finds that through the study of conflict, Hardy wants to tell us about life, social classes and marriage. In life, People must have a strong will or courage to struggle for their life. Through the struggle, men will get the experiences that they have, they can gain some lessons which are useful for their life. They can be strong to face their life. They will become mature in solving their problems in facing their life. Besides that, they will realize that life is very complicated and full of risks, not simple as they have thought.

In this novel, Hardy also shows us that there is a distinction in classes. People discriminate someone's position or status to get education. They think that the lower class people like Jude does not have the right to study in college. Since college is just for the rich and the intellectuals. Thus, the intellectuals often feel more powerful than others and become selfish. They are not aware that all people have the right to participate in life whether they are artists, clerks, or labourers. Not only do the intellectuals have good meals, pleasure times, and education but the low classes can also have the right to get all of those things.

In marriage, Hardy shows us that we should believe marriage as a holy union of a husband and a wife. This means that people must respect the institutions of marriage and get married legally at church. Besides that, love is the only rational
basis for a marriage. Sexual Passion is "the temporary feeling" which cannot ensure happiness in marriage. People need love because they have to maintain their harmonious family. Without love, they will not be able to build a happy marriage.

5.2 Suggestions

After studying the conflicts in "Jude The Obscure", the writer perceives that life is governed by old ideas and institutions, so what we do should also be related with these obsolete forms. If we are in clash with them, we will have a problem with the society as Jude has experienced it. Not only that, in this life, we also wondered whether we have done the right things or not. That is why we should think twice before we do something. It is not easy too, to solve the problems we face. We need our principle to make the best decision.

In this case, the writer suggests that everybody should have a basic principle of life because it is very important to defend our life. It does not mean that we defend our principle to fight with other people. We use it as a consideration when we want to make decisions, so that we will not be easily influenced by other people's wrong views.

Another suggestion is that we must have a religion in this life. Do not lose your faith in God and live freely without being concerned with religious belief. You must believe that God is the only one who can help us to solve our problems and give the solution. Running away from Him will come to nothing as you fail and suffer. On the other hand, we will be successful if we have faith in God.
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