CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Background of the Study

Thesis deals with a novel, written by a famous English writer, Graham Greene. A novel can be defined as long work with a great deal of details on every single page. It presents all the complicating facts and events that need a sort of judgment. The effect of these details is that we come to recognize the complexity of the characters’ reality in the story. A novel creates an impression of just how complicated the human problems are when we take a look at them closely.

As it has been mentioned above, Graham Greene is a great English writer. He is regarded as a prolific writer since he wrote many novels, short-stories, essays, children stories, and travel stories. *The End of the Affair* is one of his best novels. The protagonist of the novel is a woman, Sarah. Like most of Greene’s novels, this novel tells about the love and religious problems of a household life. In this case, the problems of love are viewed from the Christian religion.

Sarah, the leading character of the novel, is a good wife and has good personality. She and her husband do not have same idea about running a good family. Each of them wants to find his or her own ways to run their household affair. Unlike Sarah, her husband has bad behavior. He likes to drink liquor, and
neglects her. Therefore, she feel lonely. A man, Bandrix, comes to the family’s life. He loves Sarah, and she loves him, too. However, by the end of the novel, she realizes that she has done a sinful deed, especially toward her husband. She then converts to a catholic and comes back to her husband.

It seems to me that this novels offers some problems of love which finally can be settled by religious values. Therefore, I am going to analyze the problems of love by relating it to the religious values, especially the Christian values.

1.2 The Problem of the Study

In this novel we find some evidences that the main character, Sarah has done a sinfull deed. But she finally confesses her sin and become a good woman. The problem that I can find in this novel are:

- The sinfull deeds can be settled by religion
- There are a close relationship between love religious

1.3 The Scope of the Study

As it has been seen in the title of the thesis, I only analyze some aspects of love in relation to the religious values which are found in the novel. Since my knowledge is very limited, it is very difficult, if not impossible, for me to criticize such a great work. Therefore, I am going to try to find out whether the topic of the study is suitable with the analysis itself. In order to support my analysis, I am going to include the author’s biography and the summary of the
novel by the end of the thesis. I am also going to give some definitions of love and Christianity in chapter two, so that the reader will get clear idea of my analysis.

1.4 The Objectives of the Study

The main purpose of the study is to analyze the love and religious values which are found in the novel. I am trying to prove that there are some problems of love in the family affair. The will cause the conflicts among the characters in the novel. I can see here that religion plays an important role in solving various problems in our lives.

1.5 The Significance of the Study

Graham Greene is a very well-known writer; therefore, reading and understanding his works is very important, especially for the students of English literature. The significance of the study on one of his works will be very helpful for the reader of this thesis. It means that by reading this thesis, the reader will understand Graham Greene’s idea which is conveyed through the novel.

1.6 The Method of the Study

In doing the analysis, I follow a certain method to serve a guide to appreciation. I use two approaches, the intrinsic approach and the extrinsic one.
The intrinsic approach consist of all materials, in formation and data from the text. Meanwhile, the extrinsic approach is cone sued with the data outside of the text which is being analyzed. They are, among others, some books or articles which are related to the subject matter of the analysis.

The different point of view, we can also say that there are two major approaches in doing the research methodology in social sience. They are descriptive approach involves an understanding of human behavior and the reasons that govern human behavior. Unlike quantitative research, qualitative approach relies on reasons behind various aspects of behavior. In Short, it investigates that why and how of decision making, as compared to what, where, and when of the quantitative research.

I use Graham Greene’s *The End of the Affair* as the main source of the data. The novel has been read time again in order to find out the important information. Then the information gathered will be organized into each category. The data which support the analysis will be quoted and used to support the study. Some other books which are related to the subject matter will be able to help me understand the problem.

Actually, there are so many kinds of analysis that can be used in doing the analysis. But in the study, I use some steps in order to complete the thesis orderly. First, I read the novel several times so that I can understand clearly the content of the novel. Secondly, I jot down several sentences which are closely related the subject matter of the study. They are used as quotation to support my
analysis. They are found in the Bibliography of this thesis. Then I write the draft of the thesis and begin to complete it by the end of the thesis, I make some conclusions and suggestions to the readers of this thesis.

1.7 Review of Related Literature

To support the analysis of the novel, I have consulted some books which have the subject matter of the study.

  
  This book gives valuable definitions of various aspects of literature. By reading this book, I am able to understand various literary terms which can be applied to the analysis of the novel.

- *Graham Greene* by John Spurling (1983)
  
  This book offers valuable sources for me to know more about Graham Greene, his biography, his ideas, and other people's ideas about him and his works.

- *Encyclopedia Britannica*
  
  I can find some definitions about love and Christianity in this encyclopedia, for my analysis is about love and Christian values which are found in Greene’s *The end of the affair*. 