

## CHAPTER I

### INTRODUCTION

#### A. Background of the Study

Revival is a time when a human being was given the gift of God to live again. Not all humans are given gifts like revival. Many factors that make the people live again or called revival. It can come from other humans who support it. It can be in the form of love that use to contribute a revival. Love come from satisfaction and happiness in human life. People are worth to received satisfaction and happiness. Love also can give spirit to other people. From that, they would do anything to get their satisfaction, happiness, and spirit. Meanwhile, the satisfaction and happiness may comes from sources like as love, wealth, friendship and respect, social status, or position in such a community. About love, every humans certain will be satisfied and happy if they have love. Because love is something precious and important to human in life. Love also about giving, caring, help other people. Therefore people always do everything they want and need based on their love to contribute. Besides that, having love also can make someone peaceful, consequently, people will do everything to gain love. They will have a spirit because of love.

Love is one aspect of life. Meanwhile, love is important to humans for the role of their life to make interaction to get their happiness. A human being is a social creature who always needed someone else, interaction needed to each other make their life more valuable variety and more colorful. Meanwhile, many of human being is contributing love to give a spirit also a strength for people who they love. As quoted by warga (1983:336) Norman stated that love is the main source of personal happiness of everyone wants to love and be loved. Love is universal to describe because it can be interpreted to many different meanings. According to From (1983:314) love is considered as a set of creative

relationship that includes four elements. Understanding, care, respect, and responsibility. Love can play the emotions of the person. According to Stenberg as quoted by Santroct (2002: 452) love includes three components; passion, intimacy, and commitment. *Passion* is a drive that leads a feeling of physical attraction. *Intimacy* is the emotional feeling that encompasses warmth, closeness, connectedness, bondedness, and sharing in a relationship. *Commitment* is a decision that one loves another in the long term, and the commitment to maintain that love.

The feeling between people with each other is coming from their vice versa based on sympathy which will continue with the wish possess and share with each other. Then they involve in a special relationship, it can be love from family, friends, and also girlfriend or boyfriend can give the spirit to us. For example, to revival, revival has also come from God. Revival is the act or an instance of reviving or the stated of being revived. Beside that love from other people is the one aspect in revival. And in this research is revived from the coma. The research takes from *If I Stay* Novel by Gayle Forman.

*If I Stay* novel is a story about a girl who name Mia that has an accident with her family when they were on the way to her grandparents house's. Mia is a classical music lover, especially in Cello. Mia and Teddy are rushed to the hospital, where she undergoes surgery and placed in I.C.U. Her grandparents, her best friend Kim and her boyfriend Adam dropped in to visit her. Time passes, Mia walks back and forth looking at everything that is going on, while also reflecting on her life at that point. He remembers the time when her brother was born, the time when her father transformed from rocker to teacher. Her friendship with Kim, her love for playing the Cello and falling in love with Adam. At some point, Mia listens to the nurse saying that its her decision to live or die. Mia began reflecting how her life would be if she lives, but she also thinks of the pain her loved ones would suffer if she decides to die. Later,

Mia learns that her brother died which crushed her. However, before she decides to die, Adam put some headphones on Mia and played music from her favorite cellist, Yo Yo Mama. Listening to the music, she realized that she can't think about what she has lost, but on what is ahead of her life. despite being in a coma, her soul came out of his body and she realized she had to make a choice that would change her life.

The researcher wants to investigate *If I Stay* novel by Gayle Forman. This novel was published in 2009 and became the *International best seller* novel. Another that, Gayle Forman also win this novel as NAIBA Book of the Year Award (2009) and Indie Choice Honor Award Winner (2010). *If I Stay* novel have many good responses from the readers that on April 2011 Gayle Forman publish the next of that novel with the title *Where She Went*. On 22 August 2014, this novel was addapted to become a movie that in demand of watcher in the whole world so that the movie got inside *Box Office Movie*. The movie that produced by Warner Bross Picture be in demand \$78.9 million in the whole world from \$11 million cultivation budget of that movie and get a 6.8 rate on the web imbd2.

This research will discuss about contribution of love, where love is the feeling that a person's happiness is very important to us, and the way we show that feeling in our behaviour towards them. We must be grateful to God because we have been give people who love us and care about us, also always help us in every situation. For example, from this novel can see when the people around Mia made a revival in her coma. It is because the influence of love by people around Mia and the gift from God.

Based on that, we must be grateful because God always helps us, can see in that novel, God made Mia revival through the contribution of love by people arround Mia. And there is a lot of value of moral education in novel *If I Stay*. From that the researcher felt interested to conduct a

research under the title “Contribution of Love to Revival in Gayle Forman’s *If I Stay* Novel (2009) : A Sociological Perspective”.

### **B. Problem Statement**

1. What are the indicators of Love in *If I Stay* novel ?
2. How is Love depicted in *If I Stay* Novel ?
3. Why did the author address Love in *If I Stay* Novel ?

### **C. Limitation of the Study**

The writer focuses the research in analyzing the contribution of love to revival in *If I Stay* Novel.

### **D. Objective of the Study**

1. To describe the indicators of Love in *If I Stay* Novel.
2. To analyze love depicted in *If I Stay* Novel.
3. To identify and analyze the author address Love in *If I Stay* Novel.

### **E. Benefits of the Study**

The researcher expects this research to be useful for other by deciding the benefits of study into two, they are as follows:

#### **1. Theoretical Benefit**

The result of this study is expected to be able to give information and influence of knowledge to the academic reference. It can be also as a reference for other researchers who want to conduct further research and particularly the literary studies on this *If I Stay* novel.

#### **2. Practical Benefit**

The study is expected to enrich knowledge and experience for the researcher in literary studies and for other students of Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta.