CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background

Films are predetermined by literary works (Klarer, 2004). Movies have had a major influence on the fine art. Film is one of the media that is used as a means of communication that directs the story by using audio, visual, and character. Film is a communication medium that uses important roles from the artistic, sociocultural, and scientific worlds. According to Effendy (1986), communication medium convey messages to a person or group of people using audio visuals. Films are used as a learning medium that is widely used by the community because they can convey messages in a unique way. Films are made based on the actualization of the development of society, the more modern the film's development is the more advanced it is from technology or themes. Movies are also divided into sections, there are movies for adults, romance, mystery, culture, family etc. In the film entitled "Pray for Bobby 2009" this is a family film that carries the theme "homosexuality".

Homosexual is a term for someone who is attracted to the type of person both physically and emotionally. Male interests towards men are gay, and women who are attracted to women are called lesbians (Nietzel et al, 1998, p. 489). Homosexuals are also interested in being attracted to the same sex as partners in having sex, as well as loving the same sex to become an escaped partner (Soekanto, 1990, p. 381).

According to this film "Prayers for Bobby: A Mother's Coming to Terms with Suicide of Her Gay Son by Sigourney Weaver (2009)" I want to adapt the problem of accepting homosexuality. As we know in a society where many societies do not accept intermediaries. Some people experiment unfairly like bullying and don't even want to do it. They consider it to be a bad thing, violate destiny and deviate from religious teachings. Not accepted in the community made the revolution become insecure against it. Being

repaired unfairly and poorly adds to the burden of thought so that he closes himself off from society and is hopeless. because Feeling someone who is an adviser is a great sinner who does not deserve to live. Every person who participates has a different background.

The synopsis of film Prayers for Bobby 2009 is tells about the Boy who name is Bobby that become a gay amd committed suicide. Bobby Grifith grew up in a harmonious and loving family. Bobby's family is very religious and upholds God and the Bible. However, immediately Bobby felt something strange about him who was attracted to a man. Bobby was depressed because his family was a religious family and Bobby felt he had committed a grave sin. Bobby's concern continued to the point of wanting to take a lot of aspirin pills but he failed and the incident was mastered by his brother. Bobby told his brother Ed that he was gay. Ed promised that he would not tell anyone about Bobby's condition. But Ed's concern made Ed tell Marry Bobby's mother.

At that moment, Bobby's world fell apart. Marry began trying Bobby's treatment from a psychiatrist to writing Bible verses on almost all sides of the room where a homosexual was a big sinner and God would love his servant who repented. Bobby's condition spread by word of mouth so that Bobby became depressed. Bobby tries to get out of the corner environment and treat him badly. He chose to vacation in Portland where his cousin named Janneth. Janneth is an open minded woman who receives Bobby well. In Portland Bobby feels comfortable because he is treated well by those around him. Even Bobby has a lover who makes him feel better his lover named David. One time, Bobby came home to visit his parents. Bobby tries to introduce David to his parents then until finally Mary disagrees and chooses not to recognize Bobby as a child because Bobby is a Gay.

Bobby decided to return to Portland because according to him Portland was the place that could make Bobby most comfortable. Bobby also works as a part time hospital. At that time felt happy to have David and was introduced to his parents and made him jealous. However, Mary's words made

Bobby imagine his sin. Until in the end Bobby got betrayal from David. David had an affair with another man and that made Bobby very frustrated. Mothers who don't want to recognize him as a child are treated unfavorably by their environment, and are cheated on by their lovers. Bobby chose to commit suicide by dropping himself from the bridge. News of Bobby's death reached the ears of his parents. Ed felt guilty because the mastermind of all the problems was when Ed told Bobby's condition to Marry. Marry goes around the church and meets the pastor asking forgiveness from God for his bigotry towards religion to make Bobby like this. Marry who reads Bobby's diary is also sorry for blaming Bobby for treating him badly. Marry follows homosexual activities and realizes that Bobby is not wrong. Marry and her husband is wrong because they do not know much about homosexuality and are too fanatical about religion.

After watching thi film I can open my eyes wider it's the reason why I choose this film to be my paper. This film knocked me a lot more hearts. Where I once thought homosexuals were a big mistake that they deliberately did not turn out like that. The lessons to be learned are not only about respecting differences but also understanding everything that is happening with significant significance. Where judging someone for having a bad event by ostracizing them is a form of mistreatment. The treatment not only affected his social life but made him despair so he could choose to end his life. From some of the moral values of this film I began to be interested in analyzing and hoping that readers could also be more open minded about homosexuals.

B. Problem Statement

- 1. What is the factor that causes Bobby's family reject Bobby's condition?
- 2. How was Bobby's psychological conditions after his family doesn't accept his condition?
- 3. Why did Bobby finally commit suicide?

C. Objectives of the Study

The objectives of this study Based on the problem statements above is:

- 1. To identify factors that causes Bobby's family reject Bobby's condition.
- 2. To describe Bobby's psychological conditions after his family doesn't accept his condition?
- 3. To reveal the reason why Bobby finally commit suicide.

D. Benefits of the Study

The researcher expects that this study can give benefits:

- 1. The results of this study can be used as a reference for those who want to do literature research on films.
- 2. The results of this study can be used as a reference for research on homosexuality.
- 3. The results of this study can be used as a reference for those who want to do research on tolerance
- 4. The results of this study can be used as a reference for analyzing films by psychological literature theory.