

GEORGE HERBERT'S POETIC EXPRESSIONS OF SUFFERINGS AND DEATH OF CHRIST IN HIS POEM THE SACRIFICE

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MOTTO

- ❖ Suffering becomes beautiful when anyone bears great calamities with cheerfulness, not through insensibility but through greatness of mind

 (Aristotle)
- ❖ Good men must die, but death cannot kill their names

 (Proverb)

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SUMMARY

George Herbert's Poetic Expressions of Sufferings and Death of Christ in His Poem *The Sacrifice*; Anis Setyowati Dwi Saputri, 010110101008; 2007: 40 pages; English Department, Faculty of Letters, Jember University.

This thesis discusses about the theme of George Herbert's religious poem *The Sacrifice* and the discussion deals with some poetic devices in the poem which represent and support the theme sufferings and death of the character in George Herbert's poem. Those poetic devices are metaphor and simile, imagery, symbol, and repetition. Each of those elements will be analyzed to prove whether the theme is right or not.

This analysis is done by collecting the data, reading, and interpreting the literary work. The data in this thesis will be described in verbal report, since the type of data is qualitative data. Formalistic approach and historical-biographical approach are applied to analyze the poem because the analysis will be conducted through analyzing some poetic devices in the poem. The method that is used to analyze this thesis is inductive method which draws the conclusion from the specific to a general one. Meanwhile, the data are collected through library research.

The result of the analysis shows that the theme of the poem *The Sacrifice* is the sufferings and death of Christ. Christ suffers for many reasons and Herbert uses some poetic devices to express and to describe the sufferings vividly and those poetic devices are very helpful in finding and proving the theme of the poem.

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