

Victim, Loss, and Injustice: An Analysis of Revenge in Joanne Greenberg's *The Far Side of Victory*

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Abstract:

The loss of victims, injustice makes a man take revenge, as well as the idea of feminist power is clearly defined in this paper. It is difficult to tolerate the grief that occurs when a person is disappointed. Then the thought of wanting revenge on them would appear. someone who is standing on the brink of despair, revenge may seem right in their view of facing that situation. So, the only purpose is to avenge the deceiver. In Joanne Greenberg's novel, *The Far Side of Victory*, Helen seeks revenge on those who harmed her because she did not get justice. Greenberg argues the woman is strong and has expressed the opinion that she will go to any lengths if she thinks. Here, it describes this idea using Sigmund Freud's Revenge theory.

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Aquino says that Retaliation is "an act of retaliation for harm or wrongdoing perceived by another party that is determined to cause harm, injury, inconvenience or punishment to the party responsible" (pp. 53).

Revenge is thought to have a biological, evolutionary and intuitive basis, the roots of which originate from the basic animal fighting instincts of people.

Many goals are achieved through revenge. Revenge is aimed at re-balancing the gains and losses caused by the attack. When the individual feels that he or she has been severely hurt by another person responsible for this harm to the individual's ego, the ego assesses the harm as morally wrong and unjust, thus creating motivation for revenge.

Overall, the literature states that the desire for revenge acts as a form of narcissistic repair after experiences of harm and transgression, while at the same time enforcing acceptance and redefining, promoting progress and strengthening ego stability. Nevertheless, the relationship between a person's history of traumatic events, feelings of injustice, and desire for revenge have never been explored. In addition, differences between feelings of injustice, desire for revenge, and the existence of revenge were explored as a function of the gender of the participants. Furthermore, an attempt was made to identify whether feelings of injustice function as an internal mechanism for expressing a desire for revenge.

It shows how horrible people are who destroy the lives of the main characters. Revenge is considered to be the best way to alleviate pain and the true form of seeking equal treatment that must be accepted by individuals. Equality is an absolute thing that belongs to everyone. The same treatments, rights and obligations received between one and the other will lead to a balanced life. Conversely, when there are differences in the treatments, rights and duties that individuals receive, especially if these things lead to oppression, betrayal and injustice such as pain or damage, there will be a desire for equality. Oppression, betrayal and injustice are forms of negative treatment that provoke a person to resist, a way of revenge.

Resistance against negative therapies is behaviour and action that is performed by individuals as a form of defence. Since revenge is an act and behaviour performed by a human being as an organism, all actions or human behaviours are affected by the personality of the individual. Sigmund Freud describes behaviour,

which is the result of conflicts and harmonization of three personality structures in the personality of individuals: ID, ego and superego.

In Greenberg's *The Far Side of Victory*, there is the main character, Helen. Helen is described as a mature woman, she is beautiful, intelligent, and able to deal with all the problems that come in her life by relying on herself. At the beginning of the story, Helen lives as the happiest woman in the world because she lives with a beautiful rich man named Charles with three children. Suddenly Helen had to face many conflicts and stresses in her life, starting with the sudden death of her husband and three children. She received one betrayal for another betrayal and one fraud for another. Tracy wanted to take revenge on those who had done negative things in her life, which is where Helen's personality structures reflect the ways and actions she chose to take revenge on as a smart and educated woman.

Greenberg wants to express how one's personality has three structures, and the writer wants to demonstrate that one's thoughts, feelings, ideas, behaviour and action are shaped by one's personality, not gender. Helen in this case and women who can be crueller than men, i.e. gender does not determine how good or bad men's behaviour and actions are. Personality affects one's action, but not gender, and both novels are more about equality.

Id is a human personality structure that functions as a complete ruler, must be respectful, spontaneous, and selfish, and must do immediately what it wants. Id is that human beings should always seek pleasure and reject pain and discomfort. In the novel *The Far Side of Victory*, there are several interpretations of Helen ID as the main character with a desire for revenge. Since Id is in the subconscious mind of man, it has nothing to do with reality, which means that nothing happens to the main character to ID's desire for revenge.

Emotion and anger automatically arise when individuals receive negative treatment from others, both for themselves and for the people they love. Emotion creates the desire to fight back to balance the suffering between them with the perpetrators. This desire will motivate individuals to act significantly by giving

resistance to show that they are not powerless but have the right to equity. This is what happened to Helen in the novel *The Far Side of Victory*.

Helen is the protagonist of the novel *The Far Side of Victory*. She is married and has three children. One day she was travelling with her family and she lost her husband and three children in an accident. The injured were rushed to the hospital by police. There she lost her children and husband without the benefit of treatment. She became lonely with the intention that there was nothing to compensate for this loss. Since it was an accident it was recorded at the police station and brought to court. Eric was questioned by everyone, including the court judge and the lawyer. Having a lawyer for him because his father was in a great position saved his son from this accident. "He showed that the accident had been beyond Eric's power to foresee or stop because of a drug given him without his knowledge or approval" (29). The woman, who came to the court in solitude saying that she would get justice without making any mistake, went back with injustice as justice was not available.

Greenberg puts it, clearly as the personality of the rich and the tears of the innocent. Injustice is rampant in the world today just because there is so much money. The world is changing into a society that does not know how to respect human beings. If justice is not done in the right way man will handle the idea of revenge. Helen did the same. What she did with so much austerity melted the mind of the reader of this novel. She was angry with him for leaving her without any support in this society. She lost all her laughter, tears, and joy and stood alone. Helen followed Eric and she plotted to take revenge on him. She remained silent to calm him down and made him fall in love with her. She started to do everything very patiently. "I can't keep here and keep on hating you. Yes, I can forgive you. I think I already have" (77). He was more and more attracted to her and hoping for her approval in need of sharing his thoughts with her. Helen's goal is to make him like her, loses her children and spouse. The two were married. Three children were born. Many years passed peacefully.

Helen has decided to give Eric's children the same age she lost her children. This is why she has been patient for so many years. Helen had the power and patience to make. She had to marry him, to build him, to give him a life worth destroying: a home, three children. The law could not give such justice. Only Helen knew what justice was required. She had to give her justice a meaning. Helen also took a car with his three children without telling anyone. Helen also died along with his three children. The focal point of all this was an injustice. "Can a person be faithful and a betrayer at the same time! He did not doubt that, vengeful or not, she had been physically faithful to him" (225). It is this injustice that does not allow a man to live as a human being. It shows the identity of Helen's personality and how she develops feelings of hatred and anger over all the negative treatments she has received from the criminals around her, feelings of hatred and feelings of energy. It includes the desire for revenge, to avoid discomfort and to seek happiness in making about the negative treatments.

In the end, there is nothing wrong with Helen's personality, this ID proves Sigmund Freud's theory of personality, that the type of work is related to the principle of pleasure, which always seeks pleasure and always avoids pain. As well as discomfort. If a signal provided by an ID to individuals is successfully implemented in finding ways to address a desire, emotion or need, then individuals will be satisfied. This means that the ID succeeds in getting what is desired, without tension or tension, due to the uncomfortable feelings caused by the ID not being successfully executed by the command. The following quote shows the pleasure Helen enjoys after fulfilling her desire to avenge those who destroyed her life, which is the answer to the fact that Helen's personality motivates her to do something about her desire for revenge. This made Tracy happy because she had found a way to deal with the pain and tension caused by the anger she felt through revenge.

In the novel *The Far Side of Victory*, there is no super superego Helen's revenge because the novel is about a woman's anger. . This very high energy of anger and hatred created in Helen's mind a strong determination and desire to seek revenge on him. Helen wants to realize what those who ruined her life did

to her. So in the end Helen has only one goal; Destroys the lives of those who ruined his life. It certainly obscures Helen's moral values regarding good and bad behaviour that can affect others. In personality systems, this is called the superego. How individuals behave with self-control in society because they have values and norms that apply to the community in which they live.

The superego on Helen's application for revenge is inferior to the wild ID, so Helen continues to try to find the right ways to the Id's wish immediately and relieve the tension caused by the anger, finally ending up doing the real thing. Ways of revenge and real actions. So, the superego in Helen's personality appears in the last use of her revenge, and after she realizes that she is angry and wants to avenge the culprits, she successfully does it in an attempt at revenge. However, the novel offers a lesson, as the anger that Helen feels over her mother's death is betrayed by another, making her feel the need to always do good in life as a form of revenge.

Finally, Greenberg advises readers to act wisely within the community. As can be seen in the analysis above, someone may have been badly affected. That's not to say that women can't do something or fight the negative treatments. Children, men and women are three different creatures with different roles. However, giving inequality action, harassing identity and betraying each other is not something we should hold on to. So, by valuing each other's roles and ethics, the world would improve it. Individuals within social groups and organizations, would not be retaliated against by humans. No one will be hurt if we respect each other and life will be peaceful. It is also important to control our personality because when we behave, we need to change our life values with our behaviour following the desire or emotion we have.

Readers should open their eyes and look at the various national literary works that represent the respective community. Therefore, the author of the novel helps people to see the potential problem in one's revenge due to the negative treatments he or she receives from the community.

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