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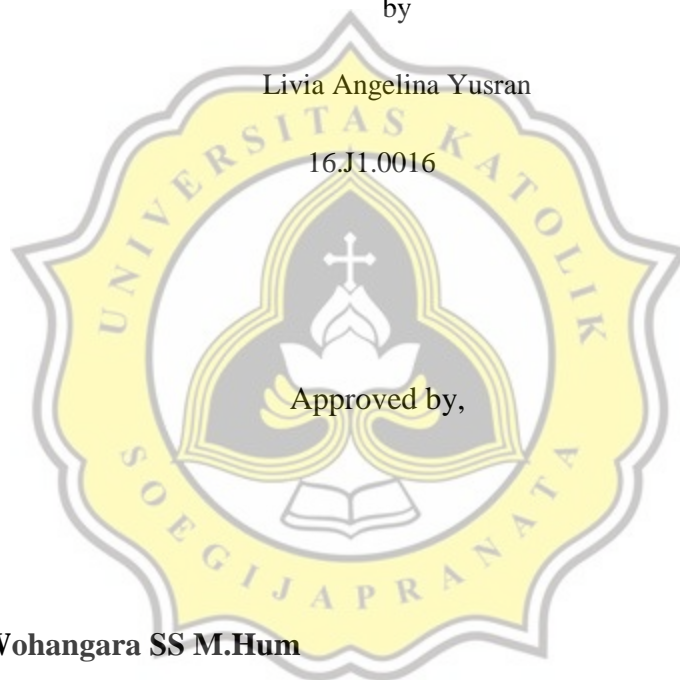
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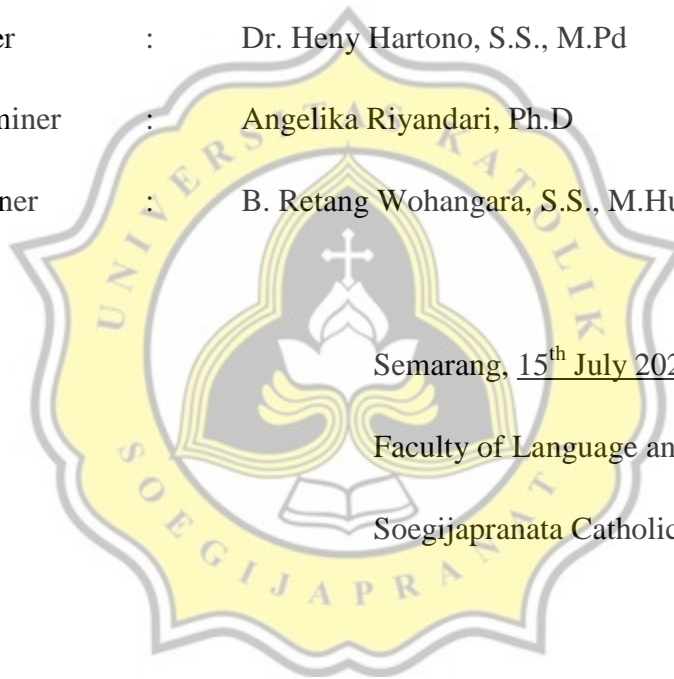
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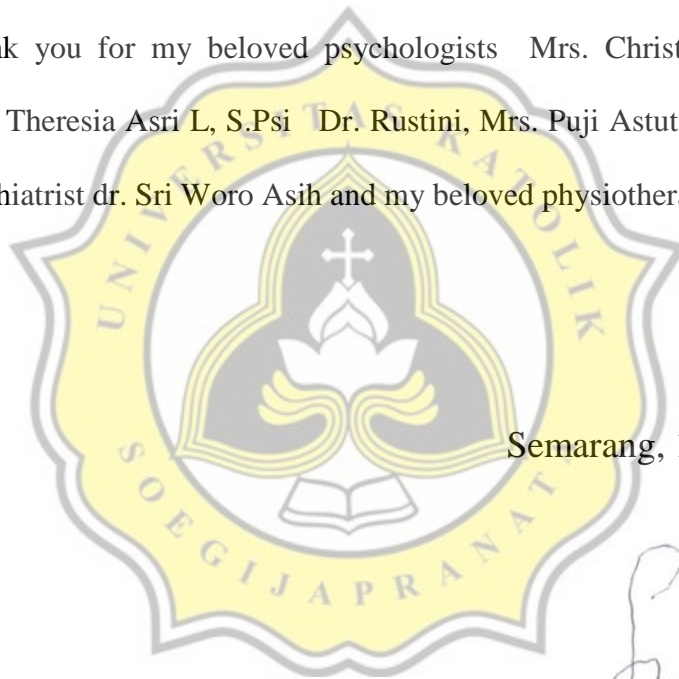
God is the greatest creator. Every time He creates something on the first day until on the fifth day He said. “It was good” After God created humans on the sixth day, He said “it was very good.” It means God created humans according to His image. In real life, we find out that not all babies are born perfectly. In developing countries, disability prevalence is higher, one-fifth of the estimated global total, or between 110 million and 190 million people experience significant disabilities (Chan, 2011)

Hello everyone I'm Livia Angelina, 23 years of age. I have suffered from Cerebral Palsy since I was a baby. I love everything that I do in my life; I believe that I'm not perfect but I am a limited-edition girl who loves writing, reading and everything that I do. I love them because they help me refresh my mind. The activities make me happy because I can inspire people around the world. Furthermore, writing, for example, makes me know everything in life. Here, I am going to write a special message or show my gratitude for these people; those who have helped me in the thesis writing process, and who have supported me to make me who I am today.

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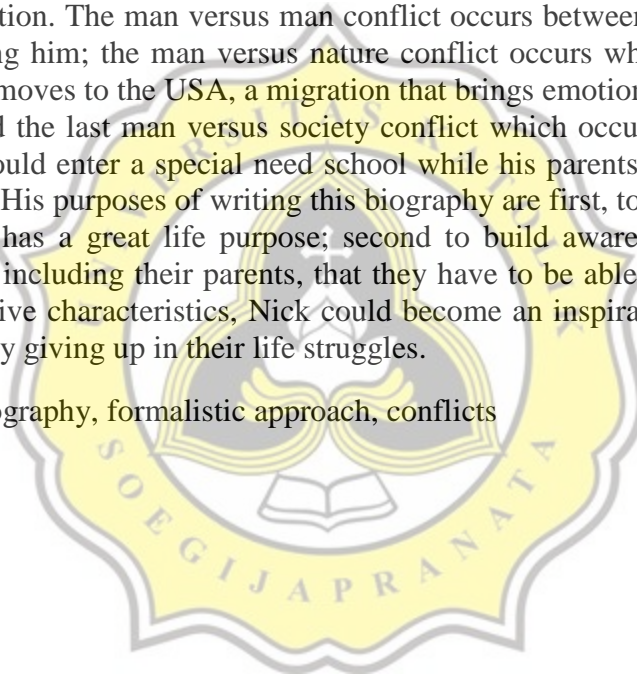
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ABSTRACT

This thesis, titled *The Life Conflicts of Nick Vujicic in his Biography Life Without Limits and the Purposes of Writing It*, takes the biography of Nick Vujicic as the object of analysis. It aims to find out the various conflicts faced by Nick, an individual with special needs, and how he deals with them, and then to describe his purposes of writing the book. Applying a formalistic approach and therefore relying on a close reading on the object of analysis and by focusing on the literary intrinsic elements, namely conflict, this thesis finds out that the character, Nick, faces various conflicts. Inner conflicts occur first, when Nick feels rejection, a circumstance that makes him feel guilty and worthless, and second, when Nick questions God about his imperfect creation. The man versus man conflict occurs between Nick and his school friends bullying him; the man versus nature conflict occurs when Nick has to leave Australia and moves to the USA, a migration that brings emotional and cultural issues in his life; and the last man versus society conflict which occurs when Nick, by the regulation, should enter a special need school while his parents want him to enter public school. His purposes of writing this biography are first, to convince people that each of them has a great life purpose; second to build awareness of those having special needs, including their parents, that they have to be able to face reality, third, that with his five characteristics, Nick could become an inspiration for many people about not easily giving up in their life struggles.

Keywords: biography, formalistic approach, conflicts



ABSTRAK

Skripsi yang berjudul “The Life Conflicts of Nick Vujicic in his Biography Life Without Limits and the Purposes of Writing It,” menggunakan biografi Nick Vujicic sebagai bahan analisisnya. Tujuan penelitian ini adalah pertama untuk menjelaskan berbagai macam konflik yang dihadapi Nick yang merupakan seseorang dengan kebutuhan khusus dan bagaimana dia menghadapi konflik-konflik tersebut. Bagian kedua berkaitan dengan penjelasan tentang tujuan penulisan buku tersebut. Dengan pendekatan formalistik, yang berarti menggunakan pembacaan yang teliti pada unsur-unsur intrinsik dalam biografi tersebut, khususnya unsur konflik, skripsi ini menemukan bahwa Nick berhadapan dengan berbagai konflik seperti konflik dalam dirinya yang terjadi ketika dia merasakan penolakan, keadaan yang membuat dirinya merasa bersalah dan tidak berguna; konflik dalam dirinya juga terjadi ketika dia mempertanyakan Tuhan tentang penciptaannya yang “tidak sempurna.” Konflik antara manusia lawan manusia terjadi ketika Nick menghadapi perisakan dari teman-teman sekolahnya. Konflik manusia melawan alam terjadi saat Nick harus meninggalkan Australia dan menuju Amerika Serikat, perpindahan yang menyebabkan dia mengalami masalah emosional dan budaya. Konflik manusia melawan masyarakat terjadi ketika Nick dan orang tuanya harus berjuang agar Nick dapat bersekolah di sekolah umum (yang merupakan peraturan) saja dan bukannya di sekolah bagi mereka dengan kebutuhan khusus, Buku ini ditulis untuk pertama, meyakinkan pembaca bahwa setiap orang terlahir karena tujuan hidup tertentu, bahwa mereka yang memiliki kebutuhan khusus termasuk orang tua mereka harus mampu menghadapi kenyataan. Dengan lima karakter yang dimilikinya, Nick pantas menjadi inspirasi bagi pembaca untuk tidak gampang menyerah dalam perjuangan hidupnya.

Kata kunci: biografi, pendekatan formalistik, konflik.