

Christmas project

On analysing Marlowe's work and the famous quote from Ghandi's preachings it is becoming more and more obvious that people would go to any lengths in their pursuit of "excellence" at the expense of values and morals that have guided human life for centuries now. Discuss the following statement with reference to the 2 extracts using specific examples that demonstrate an element of "derailment" and disorientation of excellence amongst us.

In our days excellence is the key. Everyone tries very hard to achieve a level of excellence, but most times the way to the top is difficult and it makes you capable of everything. Usually, humans fight for what they think is good and fair but mostly for themselves. Rarely will they do sacrifices for people that they don't know, except if after that they will get something more in their lives. So, most people will affect other people's lives in a bad way to get something they want or become someone better, richer or more famous.

I think that on this point the seven deadly sins are based and in my point of view the main thing that leads a human is covetousness. In all times in history, someone who is inferior wants so badly what others may have and it is easy to do inhuman actions to get it. In the antiquity, people may have wanted food or shelter because they were in need of a decent life, so they used to steal or even worse kill someone. But we still see similar actions in modern society in different forms. Covetousness leads people to fight, but not for their living, but for getting more and coming one step closer to excellence. These fights are, now, political and instead of trying to become better, they try to make others seem worse, so that they can be the better and the stronger ones. This behavior is attached to our society and it turns decent men to "criminals" just because they want what someone else has achieved.

This thought is proved by all the inhuman actions that had been heard all these years. Many times, politicians or businessmen have gone out of control because their calculations had proved wrong. So, the result of this are even murders like the assassination of John Kennedy in 1963. These actions show low quality of the system and how easy it is for

someone to cause serious trouble. All these, the intrigue, the defamation and the fights that are part of political life in every country lead to the words of Gandhi: "Politics without principles". This becomes confirmed every single day, as the majority of politicians deal with all these, only for the goods that they can get. So, they try to reach excellence but in the middle of the way they lose what is really necessary for human: ethics.

I believe, now, that everyone has a desire to taste how it feels to be on the top, but none of them considers the sacrifices. As a result they get really close to the seven deadly sins without even knowing it and it is very difficult to change what they have already done.