

CHAPTER III

METHOD OF THE STUDY

In this chapter, the researcher will explain about the method that will be used to analyze slavery in the script of “12 Years a Slave” by John Ridley. There are five points in this chapter. The first is research design. The second is the source of the data. The third is the data. The fourth is the selection of the data. And the last is the step of data analysis.

3.1 The Nature of Research

In this study, the researcher used “descriptive qualitative”. It means that this study analyze slavery in “12 Years A Slave” by explaining the data in details. And then this study’s form is not in the form of number but in words, phrases or sentences’ form.

According Michael Quinn Patton said that:

Qualitative research is characterized by its aims, which relate to understanding some aspect of social life, and its methods which (in general) generate words, rather than numbers, as data for analysis. (2002:1)

Based on the explanation above, qualitative research is a research focuses on description and interpretation and might lead to development of new concept or theory or to an evaluation of an organizational process. This means that qualitative method focused on data which cannot be adequately expressed numerically and usually no manipulation of variables.

According to Beverley Hancock said that:

Qualitative research is concerned with developing explanations of social phenomena. It aims to help us to understand the social world in which we live and why things are the way they are. (2009:7)

Based on the statement above, it explains that the qualitative research employs flexible because it concerned with the social in the world. And the qualitative research aims to seek the question involved the sensitive topics where flexibility is needed to avoid causing distress.

Another opinion from Merriam states that “Qualitative inquiry, which focuses on meaning in context, requires a data collection instrument that is sensitive to underlying meaning when gathering and interpreting data” (2009:2). It means that the researcher analyzes or interprets the data; the researcher will not use number or statistical formula.

Finally, based on the explanation above, the researcher used descriptive qualitative method. The researcher will analyze the data using description or explanation of plot and conflict and slavery in “12 Years a Slave”. Data analysis according to the theory can help to get main point of the study.

3.2 The Source of the Data

In this study, the data taken from a film entitled “12 Years A Slave” directed by Steve Mc Queen. “12 Years A Slave” inspired by Solomon Northup’s biography. It released on at August, 30 2013. The story of this film was written by John Ridley. It distributed by Fox Searchlight Pictures. After that, the main data of this study will be in script’s form.

3.3 The Data

In this study, the data took from the utterances of dialogue that consisting slavery in “12 Years a Slave” script. Moreover, the researcher also uses the data from library resource and internet source to make complete the analysis.

3.4 The Selection of the Data

The researcher uses library research in collecting data. Semi as cited in Faizah (1993:8) explains that library research is a method which is done by researcher in the library, to get information about the object of research through some books. By using this method, the researcher will get the data and information about the data from some books, internet and other resources.

In this section contains the ways of choosing the data. The researcher carries out some steps to select the data. The steps of data collection in qualitative research are presented as follow:

3.4.1 Transcribing the script of “12 Years A Slave”.

3.4.2 Reading the script of “12 Years A Slave”.

3.4.3 Collecting some books about racism and slavery.

3.4.4 Reading the biography of Solomon Northup.

3.4.5 Collecting the relation of two subjects.

3.4.6 The last, comprehending the data.

3.5 The Steps of Data Analysis

To analyze the data, the researcher gets some points that there are some steps in order to able to analyze the data and the result of this study. There are as follows:

3.5.1 Reading and comprehending the character of the story in “12 Years a Slave”

film for several times, not only the film but also the whole script of this film.

3.5.2 Identifying, connecting and then analyzing the theory of slavery and the script of “12 Years a Slave”.

3.5.3 Taking notes the utterances of dialogue in that script of “12 Years a Slave”

which show or describe the problem that faced by the main character. Not only that, the researcher also applying the theory and analyzes the issue of slavery as depicted in Solomon Northup as main character.

3.5.4 And then making conclusion about this research based on the data analysis.