

## The Crucible

The Crucible scene takes place in Salem when witch trial was a concern and still are. The Crucible focuses on Salem witch trials and the extreme behavior that result in people getting hanged. In the Puritan setting of the play, "The Crucible," the powerful are against the powerless, and overtime, the effects of this power struggle are shown through land lust, the powers of the church, and the fight for justice.

First of all, my first reason is land lust. Land lust is where someone accuses someone just for land. Land Lust was one of the reasons why people were powerful and powerless. This leads to my first quote, "That tract is in my bounds, it's in my bounds, Mr, Proctor."(pg 9 act 1). This is an example of land lust because they could have done that to get his land. This leads to my second TE because if basically involves the same idea. My second quote is, "If Jacobs hangs for a witch he forfeit up his property-that's law."(pg 30 act 3). This is an example of land lust because they could have made a false confession in order to get their land. These are my two quotes on land lust. Land lust leads to my second body paragraph by since people who are the highest in the church could make someone lose their property so they can buy it. And it also leads to my second paragraph because people who are in the church can hate someone and ruin their name.

Second of all, my second reason is the power of the church. During the play, the church had a lot of power. This leads to my first quote, "If Jacobs hangs for a witch he forfeit up his property-that's law."(pg 30 act 3). This means that if Jacob was to hang, all his land would be gone. Instead, they could have left that land to his family but did not want to. This leads to the second quote because since the church was able to ruin people lives it also connects to this quote. My second quote is, "My name is good in the village! I will not have it said my name is soiled!"(pg 4 act 1). This means that his name could have

gone from ok to worse because if the church sees something wrong, they have the power to make his name worse. These are my two quotes on powers of the church. This leads to my next reason because the people who names were going to be ruined fought for justice.

Last of all, my third reason is fighting for justice. During the play, people fought for justice that people accused them of. This leads to my first quote, "more weight." (pg 41 act 4). This is when Giles Corey would not confess and it is on pg 41, act 4. This means that Giles Corey was told to just confess and he would not die but refused to put another life in danger. This leads to my second quote because when he said he does not want to put another life in danger, he was talking about his wife. My second quote is, "He would not answer aye or nay to his Indictment." (page 41 act 4). This means that he would rather say aye or nay to prevent another life. These are my two quotes on fighting for justice. This leads to my conclusion because I am going to sum it all up.

In conclusion, the Puritan setting of the play, "The Crucible," the powerful are against the powerless shown through land lust, powers of the church, and fight for justice. This matters because everyday people are fighting for justice and in some religions, they believe in it so much that they will do whatever they are told to do.

Work cited page:

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