Stopping by woods on a snowy evening

Literature, Poem



I. Introduction

The poem "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening" is written by Robert Frost. The poem is set in the woods on a snowy evening in winter. We imagine the speaker has been travelling across the country side. But, he stops his step in the woods where there is no one passing. He unsures of the owner of these woods, yet the owner is in the village; so that he can enjoy watching the snow falling covered his woods peacefully. During his journey, the speaker is not alone. He has a little horse which always accompanies him. He imagines that his horse is thinking that things are weird right now. The horse confused with its master behavior, why we are stopping in such a place. A place does not have a farmhouse near, but in a place that is in between woods and frozen lake.

The woods are silent, cold, deep, dark and lifeless, on the others side, there are the dark trees and the ice covered the lake. The speaker was stopping in the woods during on the way home from market. He stopping in the woods for contemplating his life which many trouble and difficulties. He contemplete that he has to fulfill his responsibility before he dead. While the winter represents sadness. It implies the speaker is really sad because he has many troubles in his life. For remove his sad mood, the speaker tries to go travelling.

He is looking for quiet and solitude place. He stops his journey in the woods and keeps stay until dark while waiting for the snowfall. He continues watching the snow fill up the woods as the snowflake which covers the woods brings happiness to the speaker as well as makes him feel better. The

snowflakes can changes his mood. He can forget his troubles for a while. In other words, the setting of the poem "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening" influence the speaker's feeling.

II. Discussion

The poem "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening" set in the woods in winter. The setting in this poem influences the speaker's feeling. The woods and winter in this poem has strong correlation. The woods is a place for contempleting his life which offers quiet and solitude. While winter represent sadness. It implies the speaker's feeling when he was in his journey. He was on pensive mood when desires to stop in the woods.

The speaker wants to reflect his feelings by stopping in the woods. He tries to look for the happiness from nature because he has many troubles and difficulties in his life. By stopping there, he feels peaceful and appreciates with the beauty of the woods in winter. He realizes in nature he can find peace and beauty at his heart.

Time shows it is approaching night time. The light is dying, the snow is falling and the woods are getting dark, deep and more silent. A lot of people in his place would want to scurry home as fast as possible. But he keeps stays in the woods although it must be really cold in there. The snowflakes which cover the woods bring him happiness. The edge of frozen lake was snowy with dark trees to one side and a glossy give a beautiful impression in his heart. He amazes how pretty and pleasant they are. The beauty of nature let him forget everything about his problems for a while.

The speaker knows that his horse think it's strange to keep stay in that dark place between the woods and frozen lake. He hears the sound of the horse shaking his bell as a sign to ask him whether there is something wrong. The other sound the speaker hears is those of wind and downy flakes. The sweeping noises which come from the slight wind and the softly falling snow are very quiet. This creates calmness in the deep of his heart. Moreover, the deep and dark woods are awesome. The darkness contrasted with the white of the snow which is starling. The speaker admits to like the woods. He wants to stay longer in the woods. He is poisioned by the darkness and deepness of the woods, and he thinks they are very lovely.

III. Conclusion

The poem "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening" which writes by Robert frost set on snowy evening in winter in the deep dark woods. The woods and winter represent to contemplate his life and sadness. But the beauty of them can change his mood. The snowflakes which cover the woods bring him happiness. He realize that nature give him peace and happiness in his life. Therefore, the setting of the poem "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening" can influence the speaker's feeling.