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Jean Pual Sartre

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Why philosophy is such an important subject? This question might have brought up into many minds. They were opinions that could response to the question. Some might say that philosophy is so close to people life that even basic logic and mathematics were originate from natural philosophy.¹ Or it is because studying of logics make us to be more reasonable.² By all means, The main notion of philosophy is to understand human thought and their behavior in order for ones to have a significant existence.³ Many philosophy figures have given us the answer of lives meaning based on morals and happiness. By introducing an intellectual idea, it has no doubt why philosopher have such a great impact to the society.

Jean Pual Sartre is one of the notable philosopher, novelist, playwright and political activist. Sartre had been involve in major historical events. He had a strong beliefs in extentialist-marxism theory which the idea was intervene in many of his late works. Sartre believe that people are condemn to be free and responsible for their own actions. Thus, he believe that individuals morals come from ones life experience. So what is making Sartre work so influence? Most of his work idea was a crystallization from his particular moment experience. Sartre had put his philosophy

¹ James Gray, "Why philosophy is Important." Ethical Realism. 22 march 2011<<http://ethicalrealism.wordpress.com/the-philosophy-campaign/why-philosophy-is-important/>>

² James Gray, "Why philosophy is Important." Ethical Realism. 22 march 2011<<http://ethicalrealism.wordpress.com/the-philosophy-campaign/why-philosophy-is-important/>>

³ Thaddeus Metz. "Meaning of life." Standford encuclopedia of Philosophy. 15 May 2007 <<http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/life-meaing/>>

ethics and present feelings into his work. Like “Bariana, ils du Tonnerre”, in translation “Bariana, the son of thunder”, Sartre’s very first theatrical workpiece concerning of christmas, was create during his confinement in World War 2, the times were most people recall of christmas celebration.⁴ Sometimes, Sartre also forging his perspective into the character. Taking Mathieu, the chief protagonist in The Age of Reason, for examples. He creates Mathieu as entirely functioning on reason and finally become loyalty only to himself character.⁵ By putting some self experiences into the work, he had put in some literary taste in it. It’s become a reason of why his work is valuable and persuasive.

Analyzing Sartre’s work, “Nausea” is one of the most considerable choice. Nausea is Sartre’s first novel. The story proceeding in a form of journal entries of Atoine Roquetin, a history researcher who just return from his long journey. After breaking up with the love of his life, Roquetin to fall deeply in his suspicious thought concerning of the transformation of all sensation, he called it a “sense of nausea”. He realize that nausea is the existence and is disgust to observed.⁶ At the end of the story, Roquetin finally start to accept himself and his existence. Sartre had convey a strong massage of his extentialist idea and represented it trough Roquetin’s view. He emphasized how obnoxious to live with the existence of human. He also express that at the time, human must accept their existence in order to have a happiness life.

The other noteworthy work of Sartre is the trilogy of “The road to freedom”.

⁴ wikipedia contributors, “Jean Pual Sartre.” Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia. 11 sep 2011 <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Pual_Sartre>

⁵ wikipedia contributors, “Jean Pual Sartre.” Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia. 11 sep 2011 <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Pual_Sartre>

⁶ Thomas Sheehan, “Sartre,Nuasea.” Stanford University. no specify < <http://www.stanford.edu/class/ihum40/sartre.pdf>>

The series of the road to freedom including The age of reason, The reprieve and Troubled sleep. The story is about Mathieu, a philosophy teacher who seeking money for his mistress's abortion. The scene was take place during the world war period. On the proceeding of the story, Sartre tries to illustrate existentialist idea through individuals character. The existentialist idea reflect when each character needs to do a significant decision. Mathieu for instance, is a very reasonably functioned character. When he do the decision, he respected to no one but himself. As the matter of fact, Sartre is actually represented himself as Mathieu. Therefore, Mathieu's notion to surrounded situation is from Sartre's perspective. Sartre had creates thought ,feeling and incident which portray the meaning of defeat.⁷ This novel is a reprise of Sartre main theme to his major philosophical study, "Being and Nothingness".⁸ The novel series was also adapted into 13 parts television serial on the BBC.⁹ By doing this, it helps people to illustrated and understanding more about the concept of existentialism and the concept can be compared to the realistic world.

Mentioned about Sartre, The first workpiece that would have pop out in most people mind would be "Being and Nothingness" which is also called as "An Essay on Phenomenological Ontology". Being an Nothingness can be claimed as Sartre's greatest work. It has also regarded as a text book of existentialism itself. The book has confirmed that individual existence comes before individual essence. Based on nature phenomena examination, Sartre has describe two types of "Being". First, being-in-itself, things that can approximate by human, and last, being-for-itself, is a being of

⁷ Jean Pual Sartre. The Reprieve. 1980. back page

⁸ Wikipedia contributors, "Age of Reason (Sartre)." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia. 17 June 2012 <[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Age_of_reason_\(Sartre\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Age_of_reason_(Sartre))>

⁹ Wikipedia contributors, "The Roads to Freedom." Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia. 30 May 2012 <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_road_to_freedom>

consciousness. Sartre has describe those state of being as the nothingness and identify the nothingness as freedom.¹⁰ Thus, the existence of substance and sensation were create by humans consciousness. “Being and Nothingness” has become the main resource for philosophy studies. Sartre idea of existentialism has spread out worldwide from the publishing of this book.

Philosophy had a great effect on human’s mind. It is the origin of people thought and morals which leads them to do specific action. Because human are living with individual belief, philosopher take the main roles on persuading human thought. From those three examples that have been mentioned above, It can be imply that “Jean Pual Sartre” has convey a strong concept of existentialism implicitly and directly. Sartre has described that the “being” of all stuff’s appearance are considered by our consciousness. Sometime, it is pleasant and sometime it is loathing. But the fact that human need to accept the existence of all substance in order to have a peaceful life.

¹⁰ Mark Rowland. “Untimely review of Sartre’s Being and Nothingness.” Academia.edu share research. unspecify <http://miami.academia.edu/MarkRowlands/Papers/538063/Untimely_Review_of_Sartres_Being_and_Nothingness>