

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

5.1 Conclusion

Racism has long been a major issue and can be found throughout the world, for example in the United States. Racism in the United States occurs because of white people feels superior to black people. It is well-known that the United States has historically been associated with this problem because of slavery that began in the 17th century. Even though slavery was abolished, the racism between the whites and black is still exist until now but in more subtle way. Those never-ending unequal treatments from white people have encouraged black people to stand up and fight against racism. Logic, an American rapper, is one of singer and songwriter who use song lyrics as a weapon to fight against racism that is still happening in our society.

There are three of Logic's song lyrics that contain racism issues entitled Black Spiderman, Take It Back and Everybody. The racism issues that are portrayed in those song lyrics are divided into three types, and those are Stereotype, Prejudice and Discrimination. There are 19 forms of Discrimination, 13 forms of Prejudice, 10 forms of Stereotype that can be found in Black Spiderman, Take It Back and Everybody.

The form of Discrimination is mostly found in Logic's song lyrics. He often gets discrimination from people around him. It can be seen in Take It Back where he talks about his experience dealing with racism since he was little. For example, in the line 15-17 which says *"Everybody wanna tell me what I am, what I am not. You ain't black, you a mothafuckin white boy. Shut ya mouth, do it right boy, aight boy?"* Those lines are proves of the discrimination that people put toward him. It can be seen that everybody wants to tell him who he is and who he is

not whereas they do not know him personally. Since he has white skin, people won't accept the fact that he has African American in his blood. Those people don't want Logic identifies himself as a black man. So, because of that they discriminate him by telling him to shut up.

The next form that can be found in Logic's song lyrics is Prejudice. Mostly, the form of Prejudice appears in Black Spiderman. For example, in the line 53 which says "*Fuck everybody hatin' on me right now, I'm black and proud*". This line is considered as Prejudice since people hate him because of his race before they even know him personally.

Next, the form of stereotype also appears a lot in Black Spiderman. For example, it can be seen in the line 60 which says "*Spiderman should be black.*" Couple years ago, there was arguments when people say the Spider-man would be played by Black people, but in this song Logic is breaking the stereotype of Spider-Man, who is played by a White man, because that is how Stan Lee created him. He is saying that it should have not been a problem if Spider-Man is played by a Black man.

These racism issues that appears in his song are related to his social background. As a biracial, Logic often experiences racism from both sides as a white and black man. He wrote about those kinds of experience in his lyrics. It can be seen in the first song called *Black Spiderman*, Logic tells people not to put label such as black, white, Christian or Muslim, etc. on other people. He wants everyone to know that race, religion, color, creed and sexual orientation should not be able to separate us because we are all human. In the second song called *Take It Back*, Logic discusses about the time when racism appears for the first time. He also speaks about his life experiences dealing with racism since he was little, and how it made him become the person he is today. In the third song called *Everybody*, Logic also promotes racial equality

while telling his personal experiences when dealing with racism. Those racism issues that people put toward him are the factors that has influenced his writing. He wants everyone to know what he has been going through while trying to encourage people to fight for unity. That is why his life motto is to spread the message of love, positivity and equality.

5.2 Suggestion

The moral lesson that can be taken from Logic's song lyrics is that spread the love, peace and equality to each other. As human being, it is better to not judging people based on their race, religion or gender. Living in a word without racism is more peaceful than treat others unequally. As we are the people who have the same rights and our status as God's creation, it is better to respect each other.

