CHAPTER 4

CONCLUSION

Lightning is a novel which the character as same as character in the real world. It proves that there is relation between psysiological and literary work. In other word, literature can be analyzed by psychological approaches. Therefore, I use hierarchy human needs of Abraham Maslow theory to find out how Alex Parker struggles to fulfil her needs based on Abraham Maslow's hierarchy of need theory.

The struggle showed by the character of Alex Parker in this story in five basic needs: those are physiological needs, the safety needs, the belongingness and love needs, self esteem and the self actualization. First, psysiological needs is proven when Alex suffers breast cancer. She and her husband want to get child again in order to her family become happier especially her husband. Because of her illeness she couldn't continue her pregnancy because it is very dangerous. She must through medicinal treatment with cemoterapy the second Alex needs support from her husband for past period of difficult cancer treatment that is very energy shapping chemotheraphy. But Alex's husband does not want to know the disease suffered by his wife. Although her husband have a certain passiveness, she try and must healthy from her illnes. The third, namely the belongingness and love. Alex greatly needs love and affection from her husband. She needs more attention to share her suffer in facing her illnes. Alex's husband does not love her anymore bacause she is not strong as she used to. She is now weak bacause of her illness the fact thay the taking one of Alex's breasts make her husband has affair

with another woment.lex with one breast. It makes her husband looses his passionate to his Alex, but she not feels sad because she has found a better man. The four is self esteem, strated when Alex recover from her illness. Alex's husband gets a case of money's embezzlement that is spead in many news papers he asks for Alex help. Then, Alex agrees out this is only because the job loyality and her daughter Annabelle. And the last self actualization Alex's struggle when she show to her husband can help his case, its makes her husband realized that Alex is the best woman and always be there when he is in any condition. Alex can recover from breast cancer without suport from her husband. It makes her husband fell in love again and regret mistakes. Even though everything has been requeted by her husband but he is too late. Brock, her new boyfriend, has become a part of Alex is life, And Alex also does not want to suffer again like she was with her husband.

From the result of analysis of this novel as it has been explained above, it can be seen that Alex Parker's character really depict a hard struggle as a woman who get cancer. Although Alex Parker gets cancer, she proves that she can fulfil her needs. She does not stop in the second level of hierarchy of needs which is safety and security, but she still wants to fulfil her other needs love and belongingness, self esteem and self actualization.