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Perception

In our daily life every person worries about how people see them. This was especially the case in 1920's long island. People worried about their perception for marital status, honor, and even to just seem like one fits in.

Love and what one should love is the constant battle in this book. For Daisy it is Jay Gatsby that she loves, with his brokenness and all, but when he goes to fight the pressure of the world tells her to love Tom Buchanan. Daisy loves Gatsby even on her wedding day for Tom, she told Jordan "Tell 'em all Daisy's change' her mine" as she continued to cry on the day of her wedding. She knows what she truly wants but her need to please society is greater than her love for Gatsby. What would have happened to Daisy is what did happen to Gatsby. When people see Gatsby the fun going but single man everyone has their own rumors about him because there must be something extremely wrong with a man of high standings that is not married.

What people fail to see is that Gatsby is not doing all of this to just get any girl of high standings but to get Daisy the one he loves. He is also doing this to break his family cycle economic depression. He, has is father but it "Jimmy was bound to get ahead. He always had some resolves like this or something. Do you notice what he's got about improving his mind?" being meant for more than. Sadly at the time of his death Mr. Gatz, Gatsby's Father, did not truly know Gatsby; he saw him as a rich honest man, but perception is deceiving, as is Gatsby.

Gatsby the party hosting millionaire with the mysterious job continues to always maintain appearances but as Tom Buchanan insults he is a "bootlegger" meaning he is not meant for the title he has. For Tom the picture of perfect in this era he looks down on Gatsby the thief but also enves how much money he has. So Gatsby even after trying to get out of his brokenness to impress Daisy is cheating weath is still not enough.

Sometimes now matter how much we try to change how people preserve us or try to change our fate in the world people will always see us for something or someone feeling unable to change. People need to realize everyone has a label but it is truely how you think of yourself or someone else that matters