

Student Example

Utopian Societies According to the Bible

The dystopian novel *The Giver* by Lois Lowry takes place in a man-made utopian society. In this “Utopia”, everything is the same, and there is no freedom or choices. Everyone has the same birthday, the same schedule, and is assigned a spouse or children by their leaders. Despite the attempt in *The Giver*, a man-made utopia will always fail, according to the Bible.

To begin with, a man-made utopia will never work because everyone sins. According to the Bible, “There is no one righteous, not even one... there is no one who seeks God. All have turned away... there is no one who does good, not even one.”(NIV Bible, Romans 3:10-12) This shows that people simply aren’t perfect. That we sin, all the time, in many ways, and there is not even one person who doesn’t do any wrong. It also shows that if not even one person is perfect, it would be impossible for a whole society to be.

Furthermore, a utopia created by man is impossible because hardship plays an important role in our lives. The Bible says, “Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance, perseverance character, and character hope.”(NIV Bible, Romans 5:3-4) This explains that suffering is actually necessary, because it produces perseverance, character, and hope, which are very important things in our life. This shows that you couldn’t have a perfect life on earth because that would include no hardship, which is a necessary thing for human life.

To conclude, a utopia created by man will always fail. Our sin would keep a society from being completely perfect, while there is a purpose for suffering and hardship in our lives.

Ultimately, the only place we can truly have a perfect life is in heaven.