

ABSTRACT

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In writing this thesis, the researcher discussed the tradition of grave pilgrimage of Mbah and Nyai Condrodipo in Kembangan village Gresik. This tradition is held after a married procession finished. Most of Kembangan people practice this tradition because no one dared if they do not practice it. Kembangan people have the belief that if they do not practice the tradition, something bad will happen to the newly married couples.

The problems studied in this research are: 1) Why do the newlyweds practice grave pilgrimage to Mbah and Nyai Condrodipo in Gresik? 2) What are the sociological and psychological effects of the couples who practice and who do not practice grave pilgrimage? The main issue in this research is studied through natural paradigm which is derived from the phenomenology. This research applied field research with a phenomenological approach, whereas the method of analysis is descriptive qualitative. The data collection methods are observation, semi-structured interview and documentation. Data are analyzed through editing, classifying, verifying, analyzing and concluding steps.

The result shows that this tradition is held by most of people in Kembangan for several factors. One of important factors is to reject bala' in the wedding and the future life of the newlyweds couple. In addition, it is because of the encouragement or orders or village elders. The tradition is practiced in front of the grave of Mbah and Nyai Condrodipo by *tawassul* and sending prayers to the *pepunden*. There are sociological and psychological impacts the community got after practicing the tradition. Some people say that their domestic life is happy that they can solve their family problems well, and some others relate the tradition to their financial condition of which it is beneficial for the family although it is just a few amount of money. In the tradition, there are always the pros and cons sides. People who believe the tradition are practicing *tawassul* and sending prayers to the *pepunden* who had opened the area of Kembangan village and prayed to God to be blessed in their life. By contrast, people who disagree with the tradition, point out that the tradition is not affecting their family life and the things that happened was a suggestion of each person, therefore they do not practice the tradition.