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The Great Gatsby

Passage Analysis No 3

This passage is describing Gatsby's second glimpse at wealth. As he meets Daisy for the second time, he sees that wealth brings security, youth, and an image of sophistication. Daisy also has a cold, her voice being described as 'husky', as opposed to its usual lightheartedness. This is related to the 'hot struggles of the poor'; Daisy is usually 'poor', but when she has a cold, she seems wealthier, which Gatsby is attracted to.

It was thought that Gatsby has been after Daisy the whole time. But he is after wealth, money. Nick describes Gatsby as planning to "take what he could and go—but now he found that he had committed himself to the extraordinary following of a grail"(149) and cannot leave the promises of wealth as exemplified by Daisy. Even Tom realizes that Gatsby doesn't really love Daisy, just her wealth. This situation is flipped, now Gatsby being rich, and Daisy going after Tom for his money. The bottom line is, everything revolves around money, be it relationships, or mortality itself.

Shoutouts:

Shoutout to Dragon Ball for some reason, you are awesome.

To Tom for being the real good guy of the story, even though you are a total ass