

The relation between *The Lady of Shalott* and the current situation in the world

Isolation and detachment are the major themes of the poem *The Lady of Shalott*. The Lady of Shalott is both physically and emotionally confined. Her desire to be a part of the world, to interact, to love and be loved, is the main theme of this poem. She is restricted, unable to pursue something that she wants. The Lady of Shalott exists as unthreatening and proper, and therefore unable to harm herself or disrupt the world, as long as she remains within her tower.

The Lady's confinement and the limitations of her life may be compared with the restricted routines imposed on people nowadays. People are in the same situation as Lady Shallot was. They preserve their safety by staying within the confines of their houses and not participating in any sort of active pursuit.

To sum up, this poem resonates perfectly with the current situation in the world. Whether it is the Victorian woman seeking desperate remedies of deliverance or people, who experience the state of social distancing and isolation, the purpose is the same to gain freedom and return to a normal life.