

→ Desiree's Baby

The southern gothic story 'Desiree's Baby' by Kate Chopin was written brilliantly to explore love, race and prejudice.

The story starts with Madame Valmonde talking about her daughter, Desiree's past. How Desiree was abandoned by her real parents and how Madame Valmonde had found her and brought her home. When Desiree was 18, Armand saw her and immediately fell in love. After getting married they had a boy at three months later when Armand found out that the child was mixed race he coldly told Desiree to take her child and leave. After while, when Armand was burning all Desiree's belongings, he discovered a letter from his father revealing the truth that the negroid blood was rather carried by Armand himself and not Desiree. This just shows how well Chopin displayed the story. Truly amazing.

This revealed the harsh truth of society. Indeed a great story.