THE RELUCTANT FUNDAMENTALIST CHAPTRE 8

In this chapter Changez reveals us the decline of his relationship with Erica. After have being together, Erica returns home in a worst psychological position. She passes the whole days staying at home doing nothing. Her mother’s voice shows us that the situation is critical and suggests Changez to stop seeing her.

The word Nostalia has an important role in the whole chapter:

* Erica is nostalgic because she misses Chris .Changez understands that Erica is still thinking about Chris and that she will never fall in love with the young Pakistani. That year the two stopped seeing each other.
* America is nostalgic because continues to remind the old years . *“I had always thought of America as a nation that looked forward; for the first time I was struck by its determination to look back. Living in New York was suddenly like living in a film about the Second World War”.*  America hasn’t forgotten the attack and seems to want a revenge .

Meanwhile he tries to forget all the worries with the work. All the company pursuits the fundamentals of business – maximum productivity- and Changez’ popularity seems growing up .

Then, once more, in a car park, Changez is insulted by an American. The situation starts to be critical, he is constantly persecuted by menaces and insults. Changez is starting to lose patience and control, he constantly thinks about his situation and the situation in Pakistan. His family suggests him to stay in New York because probably there was going to be a war with India. But he doesn’t listen to the advices and takes the first plane for Lahore.