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Odyssey Mini Essay

The story here today starts back in Ancient Greek. The understanding of this story was based off of Homer's The Odyssey. The book is trying to tell what the Ancient Greeks liked in their heroes. Many that have read The Odyssey will debate over if Odysseus is a hero or if he is not. Many say he is a hero because he is a war veteran or because he was a wise soldier on the war field. Many say he is not a hero because he has been unfaithful or because he lost all of his ships.

Many might say they find their heroes in different ways like many consider Odysseus a hero. They feel that way because he kept his word about the pact that was to many that he was loyal and to many others he is unfaithful because he was on Calypso's Island for 6 years and had done some unmentionable things with Calypso. Many say Greeks wanted their heroes to be tough like Odysseus like when Odysseus took down the Cyclopes he said "My Name is No man" but Odysseus couldn't let that happen because the credit of stabbing the Cyclopes would go to No man so he said "My Name is Odysseus". Greeks also wanted their heroes to have emotions like when Odysseus first appears in The Odyssey he was sitting on Calypso's Island and he was just crying.

The Greeks have also liked their heroes to get themselves out of many situations. When Odysseus had went to the cave and had fought the cyclopes and when they (The other cyclops's) ask who is beating you up and He (The Cyclopes) said "No man is killing me by fraud or by force". (Homer 98) .

I would say over all the Greeks would like expect many things from their heroes and would have anything like to be most like their Greek heroes and would like to pass on the stories and share the traditions.