

The Smashed Red Cars

One day, while driving around town to do some errands for my office, within half an hour, I came across two red cars in two different locations which were badly damaged as a result of accidents; the front of both of these cars were all smashed up. One car was a sports car and the other one was a 4WD. I could see that both of these cars looked new because of the shiny red paint on both of them.

At that time, I was driving around in a small, 4 cylinder work car which was also red.

I quickly asked God what all this meant. The revelation that I received was this:

- - The two red cars that were involved in accidents represented ministries that have become successful and popular but not as a result of being guided by the Spirit.
 - Their leaders are those who are driven by fear, self-centeredness, selfishness, greed or pride. They rely on their own strengths, gifts, ability, charisma and intellect, and not the Holy Spirit to build their ministries. They have also enjoyed building their own empires, as well as the perks that came with their ministry successes.
 - God was not given a rightful place in these ministries.
- - The car that I drove represented ministries that are governed and guided by a heavenly authority. Just like the car that I drove did not belong to me and could only be used for work purposes, these ministries are also owned by God and can only be operated under His name for His glory.
 - Just like the work cars which can only be driven by employees who have applied for a special permit to use them, only those appointed by God can claim a legitimate use of a ministry.
 - The Sons of God, who have developed a relationship with God have been appointed by Him to operate His ministries. Their passion to do His will is the reason why these ministries survive the shaking – they don't just last, but also bear fruit.
 - This small car didn't have the speed and agility as the other two cars. However, the smashed cars were now out of action – the same with those sleek ministries.
 - Just as employees must care for their work vehicles, the Sons of God must act responsibly with their ministries as they are only caretakers of what God has given them.
- - Ministries that ignore the guidance of the Holy Spirit are not going to last in this season – they will be brought to a standstill. Only when God wants to redeem these ministries will they be resurrected. God is a redeeming God, and He always wants to redeem His people and give them another chance.
 - Ministries that have been faithful, by allowing God to lead, will continue; they will also continue to operate by those who are appointed by Him.

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