

“Would Jesus have driven a SAAB?”

Devotion for June 2017

Hymn: VU 357 Tell Me the stories of Jesus

Scripture: John 4:27 & Like 20. 1

Reflection:

Pretty difficult to find any reference in the bible but during a family (a minister being one) discussion on the weekend I pronounced that if Jesus were alive he would drive a SAAB. Maybe even a 1988 900 turbo convertible like Sam & I have. After all they are very safe, go against the grain of the main stream auto community, were destined to die for their different beliefs and one has to admit, a better ride than a donkey even over palm branches. Well, I hope you don't think I am comparing Jesus or his destiny to a car, but when family's get together, unlike strangers or even friends, one should be able to talk about politics or religion, don't you think? After all of their believes were learned or picked up from the parents by osmosis. Better to talk about Jesus and cars than no communication at all, don't you think?

Discussion:

This might be a stretch to tie the above to a discussion, however one mark of a troubled family is they never talk, they never address the hard questions like Jesus did. He was constantly confronted by those trying to trip him up with loaded question, but always had answers and was never afraid to discuss the issues. I think often, that even in the UC we sidestep the issues and don't really want to talk about certain issues, like divesting of certain gold stock. Do you agree, or prefer silence?

Hymn VU 343 I love to Tell The Story

Prayer:

Lord, we don't always want to talk, to discuss troubling issues with our families, but we know we can always talk to you. We thank you God for being there always, open, accepting and forgiving. Amen