

## Essay from the bold pastor #54 – Playing havoc with Ferrari -

While the biggest importer of Ferrari has been the U.S., Germany lost its second place to China recently. The average age of Ferrari owners in China is 35, which is 10 years younger than the average elsewhere. They are the children of entrepreneurs that became wealthy under the economic reform in 1980s. Most of them drive recklessly with no plate on their cars and even get away with traffic violation. If they get pulled over by the police, they refuse to roll down the window and call their parents, who then contact the authorities and using their financial power, threaten them to let their children go. They sure belong to the class that is free from law.

China is not the only place where such stupidity takes over streets. On December 4, 2011 in Japan, a terrible multiple vehicle collision occurred. 20 high-end cars were speeding at 160 km/h on rainy Chuo Expressway. Ferrari that was leading the group lost control and crashed into the guardrail causing another 8 Ferraris, 3 Mercedes, and a Lamborghini to pile-up. This incident was talked about as “the most expensive car accident in the world”.

Also, in the past September in Thailand, a guy whose family owns a powerful financial group known for Redbull was recklessly driving Ferrari through the city of Bangkok, intoxicated. Not only did he end up running over a police officer, leaving him dead, but also he tried to cover it up by sending someone else to confess his crime. How stupid can these rich people get?

***But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.***

**1 Timothy 6:6-9, NIV**

This passage in the Bible is surely well said. It does not mean that being rich or having Ferrari is bad. The problem lies inside the people who neglect to appreciate God and give in to their desire. We should face back to God now and search for true contentment.

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