



Parents have it tough. Apart from the initial fears of having to work out how to sustain their family and lives, they also have to contend with similar issues like the rest of us signed up for the rat race called life. Work, money, family, love – all those and more. There are those parents whom split hairs trying to make ends meet, and there are those whom seem to manage somehow to raise problematic kids and guide them into the right path of maturity.

I speak of Jackson, whom I awaited to see for a session after years had passed from the prior meet. He was a positive man with stringent values in life. “No hard work goes unrewarded”, and he was no slacker. He was a man who dedicated his life to working hard and earning his due rewards, and he expected those around him to live by the same morals. Unfortunately, his son, the other man in the family, seemed not to share his sense of mind when it came to working hard and business.

This time, as I looked at Jackson’s chart, I knew I could expect good news from him. His transit Jupiter had inspired the Natal Moon in his 9th House of progress, success and achievement. Jupiter, being a planet of power and bringer of great fortune, was motivating the Natal Moon’s control over business, children, property and travel overseas with good tidings, enhancing their joy to greater heights. Having Jackson illuminating the already bright room (it was, after all, daytime) with his dazzling positivism and sunny grin, I felt most inclined to be a bearer of good news. “You can expect to hear great news and development in the home. Perhaps a new family member?” With a hearty laugh, Jackson wiped a happy tear and told me there was no need to elaborate further.

“I came here today to continue off where we ended 35 years ago, the last time I met you.” Interestedly, I beseeched him to carry on.

As I had mentioned, Jackson was finding it hard to instill within his son the moral fibres that he clung to as a man himself. It happened one day when Jackson's son promptly came up to him years ago and requested that Jackson bought his son a car. "I need it to begin my life and set up my business." Feeling a sense of disgust listening to his son asking for this boon was just a joke, as his son had done nothing to warrant such a reward that others have struggled to the bone to obtain. Despite all this, Jackson decided against such negative thoughts and, a week later, bought his son a mini car. Although the car was economical, Jackson believed it to be enough to serve its purpose of ferrying his master back and forth in achieving his career objectives.

Instead of thanking his father, his son appealed to Jackson to provide for petrol so that the car could move for his needs.

"I looked at him, Roy, and I laughed. Not like just now, with joy, but with half a mind to slap him for being so presumptuous. After I finally calmed down, I stared him straight in the eye and I told him – you wanted the car, you got it. Now, prove to me that you have what it takes to get the car moving."

Those words got the son off his rocket. He howled about how cruel and mean his father was, giving him a piece of metal that served no one. Yet, as time went by, the words of his father racked his brain and he realized that he was served the greatest awakening of his life. He started to look at things in a positive manner, and accepted his sense of responsibilities. And he started by obtaining the means to make his car move. Humbling himself, he worked up the seed money to support himself, while increasing his ability and skill which assisted him in setting up his small business.

Leading his own life allowed him to appreciate the lesson that Jackson had taught him with the gift of the car. He dabbled in the property business and succeeded in growing from strength to strength, eventually expanding his wealth through such avenue.

"So now, he just recently bought a \$3 million home in the heart of town and invited me to live with the rest of his family. He called it the special family home, the perfect place to raise the baby his wife was expecting. To celebrate the happiness, he was even bringing the lot of us on a European holiday."

It can be difficult trying to teach our children life's hardest lessons, but if we played our cards right, we might live in joy like Jackson. Joy in seeing our own children grow to be responsible adults whom can manage their own lives and live using their own strengths instead of constantly relying on the support of others just to get by one day. And this, is what life is truly about. Living it to the fullest.

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