

A Drive To Remember

The sun was going down, and the Smith family decided to go on a road trip to visit Grandma. It was supposed to be a calming and relaxing family trip but things didn't turn out that way. David and Anna, the parents, had been arguing a lot lately for the past 3 days. Everyone was feeling tense around them.

They all got into the family car which was a shiny red SUV. In the back seat, Sarah and Noah exchanged worried glances between each other. The tension between their parents was still heated as they sat in the front seat, still shouting. "DAVID, YOU NEVER LISTEN TO ME! YOU'RE ALWAYS SO NEGATIVE!" Anna screamed, her grips on the steering wheel twitching. David snapback "YOU'RE OVERREACTING ANNA, IT'S NOT A BIG DEAL! I JUST HAD A BAD EXPERIENCE AT WORK THIS WEEK!"

The argument between the parents escalated and the kids in the backseat couldn't help but to feel anxious. The road was twisting but the parent's focus remained on their heated argument and they drifted dangerously close to the edge, nearly avoiding a tree. "ANNA, LOOK WHAT YOU'RE DOING!" David said in a panic tone. Anna gripped the steering wheel even harder. "YOU'RE THE ONE WHO IS ALWAYS PUSHING MY BUTTONS! I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE!"

In their anger, they failed to notice a sharp curve in the road up ahead. The car sped toured the sharp curve, the tires screaming for mercy while their argument drowned out the warning signs posted on the road. The vehicle crashed straight through the guardrail and tumbled down the hill. Metal fragments and broken glass filled the air. It soon came to a stop at the bottom of the hill.

Inside the beat up SUV, the family was battered and bruised. The kids screamed but the chaos of what just happened made the sound disappear. For a while, they were trapped, unable to move and were hours away from any help. It took hours before a passing vehicle spotted the Smith's mangled SUV and called for help. When the paramedics arrived, they had to extract the family from the SUV.

In the hospital as they were recovering from a life changing accident, the Smith realized the seriousness of their situation. The accident made them remember that they needed to prioritize their family and to communicate better. After the recovery, David and Anna vowed to work on their issues, understand one another and always put their family's safety first before their own feelings.