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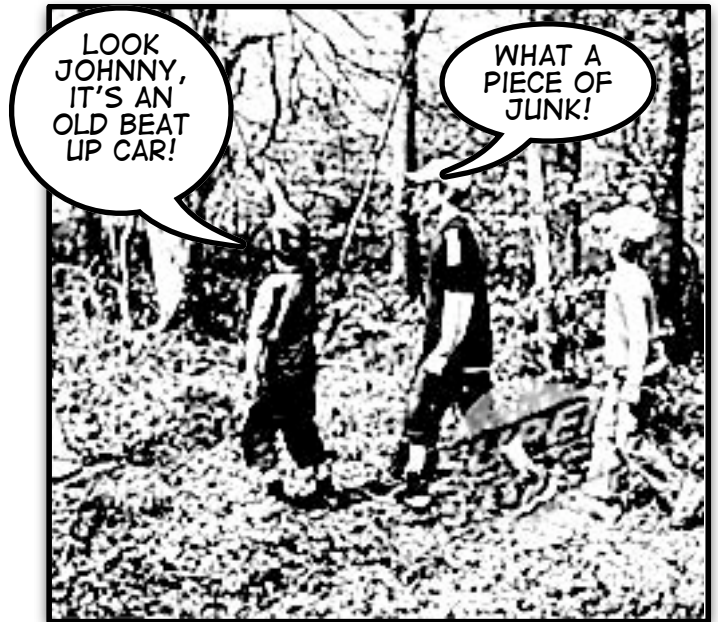
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ADVENTURES WITH AUSTIN

MOVING FROM THE PAST AND
INTO THE FUTURE

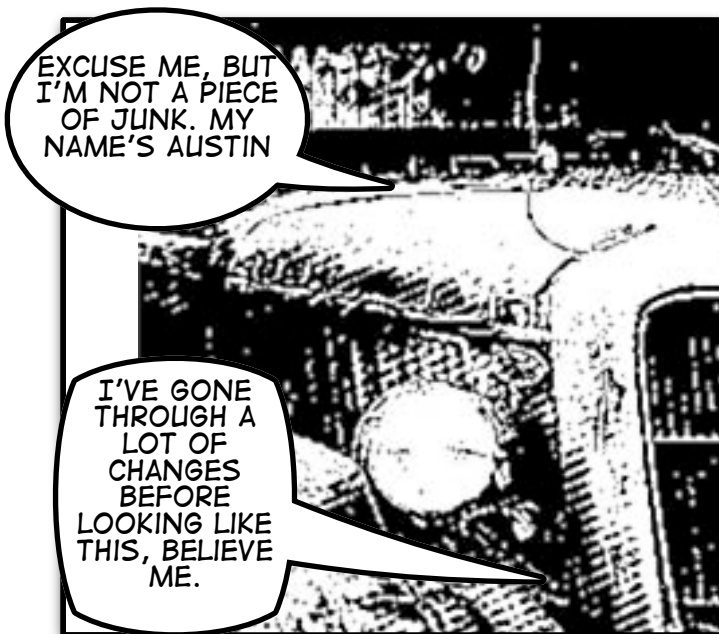


BY KATHARINE CUNNINGHAM



LOOK JOHNNY, IT'S AN OLD BEAT UP CAR!

WHAT A PIECE OF JUNK!



EXCUSE ME, BUT I'M NOT A PIECE OF JUNK. MY NAME'S AUSTIN

I'VE GONE THROUGH A LOT OF CHANGES BEFORE LOOKING LIKE THIS, BELIEVE ME.



...BACK IN THE DAY I WAS PRETTY SNAZZY



HOP ON IN,
I'LL TAKE
YOU FOR A
RIDE.

IT'LL BE AN
ADVENTURE.
I'LL TELL YA
MY STORY



I DON'T KNOW
IF THIS IS
SUCH A GOOD
IDEA...

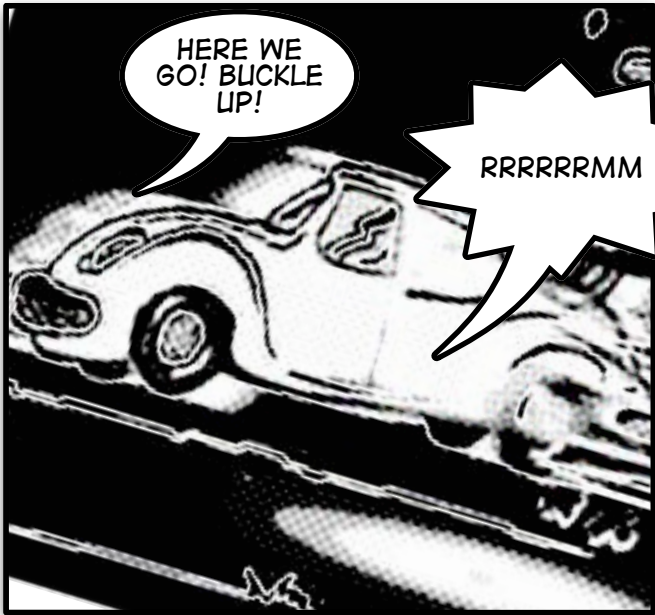


COME ON
JOHNNY
LET'S GO!

AN
ADVENTURE?
COOL!!!!!!!



AND OFF THEY WENT...

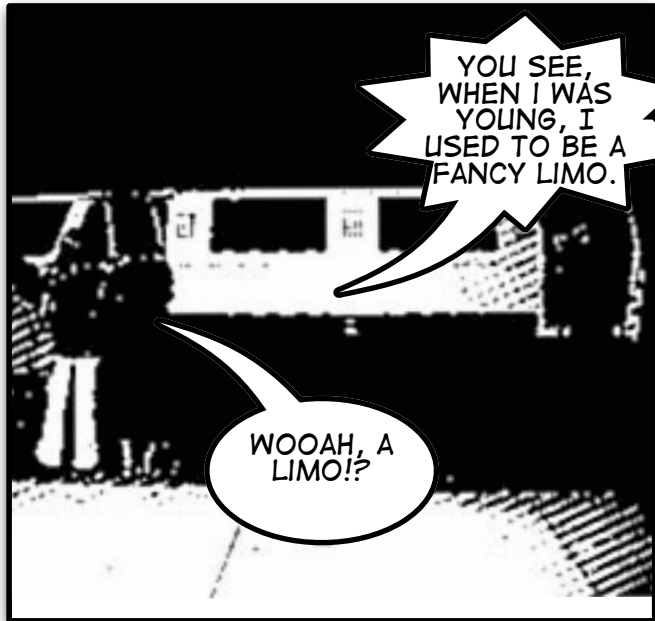


HERE WE GO! BUCKLE UP!

RRRRRRMM



THIS IS SOOO COOL!!!!



WOOAH, A LIMO!?

YOU SEE, WHEN I WAS YOUNG, I USED TO BE A FANCY LIMO.



IT'S SO COOL IN HERE!

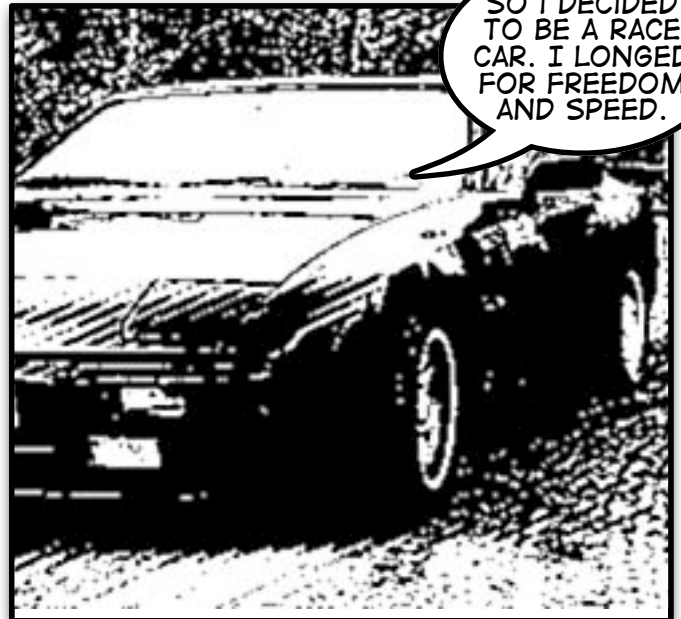
I KNOW!! I WISH I COULD BE A LIMO... THIS IS THE LIFE

WELL IF EVERYONE GOT TO BE A LIMO, IT WOULD BE FINE. BUT NOT EVERYONE GETS TO BE A LIMO, EVEN THE ONES WHO WORK REALLY HARD TO BECOME ONE. SOMETIMES THERE ARE TOO MANY OBSTACLES TO OVERCOME. THATS THE PROBLEM. I FELT IT WAS A BIT UNFAIR..

PLUS, ONLY SOME HAD THE *privelege* OF RIDING WITH ME.



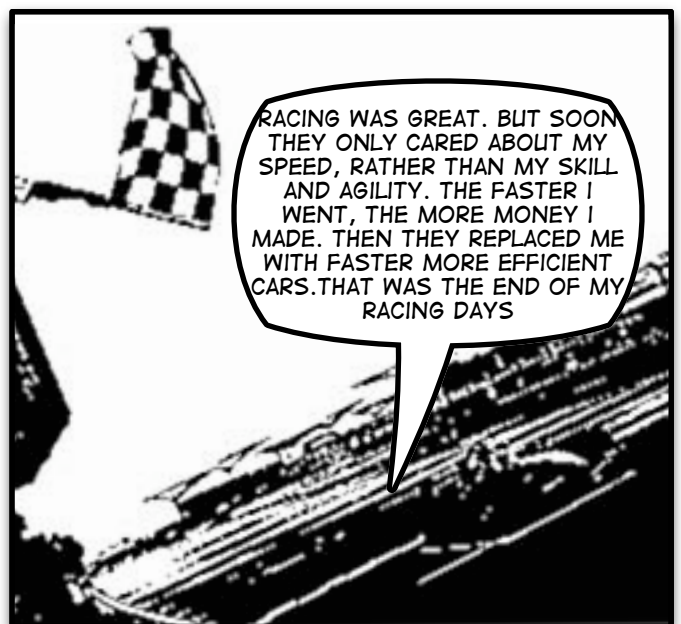
SO I DECIDED TO BE A RACE CAR. I LONGED FOR FREEDOM AND SPEED.



YOU SHOULD HAVE STAYED A RACE CAR, I LOVE GOING FAST!

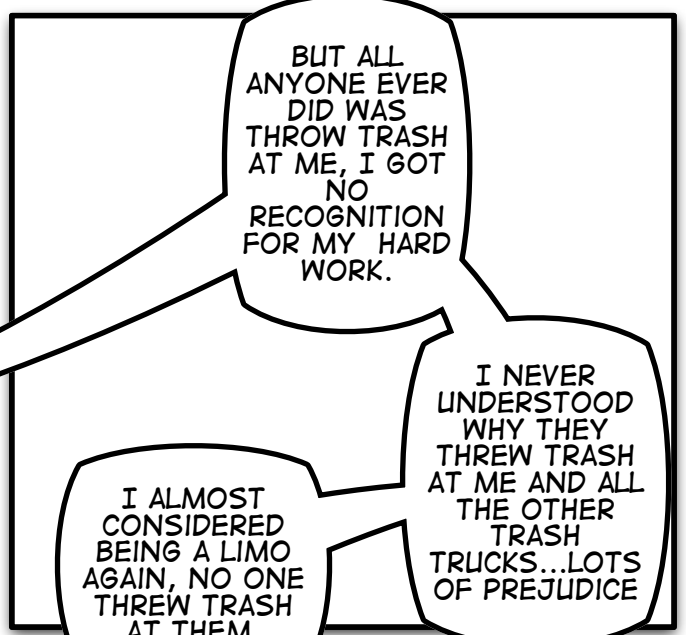


RACING WAS GREAT. BUT SOON THEY ONLY CARED ABOUT MY SPEED, RATHER THAN MY SKILL AND AGILITY. THE FASTER I WENT, THE MORE MONEY I MADE. THEN THEY REPLACED ME WITH FASTER MORE EFFICIENT CARS. THAT WAS THE END OF MY RACING DAYS





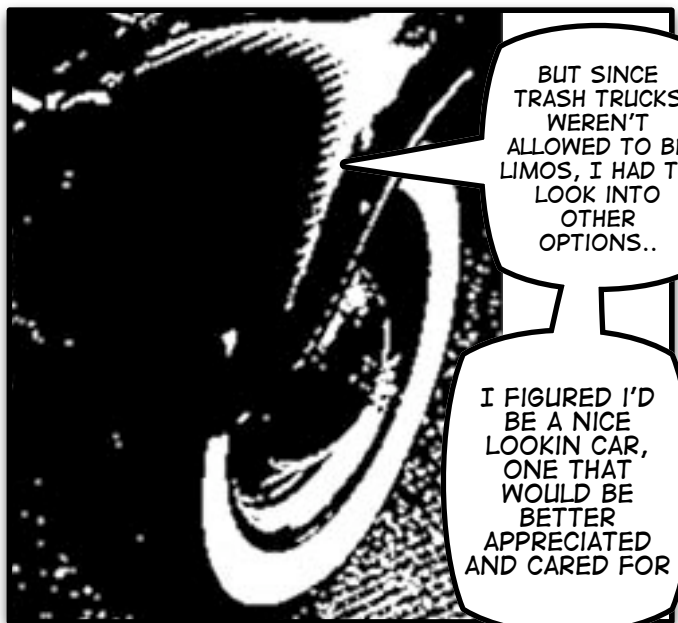
SO I DECIDED TO BECOME A TRASH TRUCK, THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE FUN, A CHANGE OF PACE. PLUS I COULD HELP BEAUTIFY NEIGHBORHOODS.



BUT ALL ANYONE EVER DID WAS THROW TRASH AT ME, I GOT NO RECOGNITION FOR MY HARD WORK.

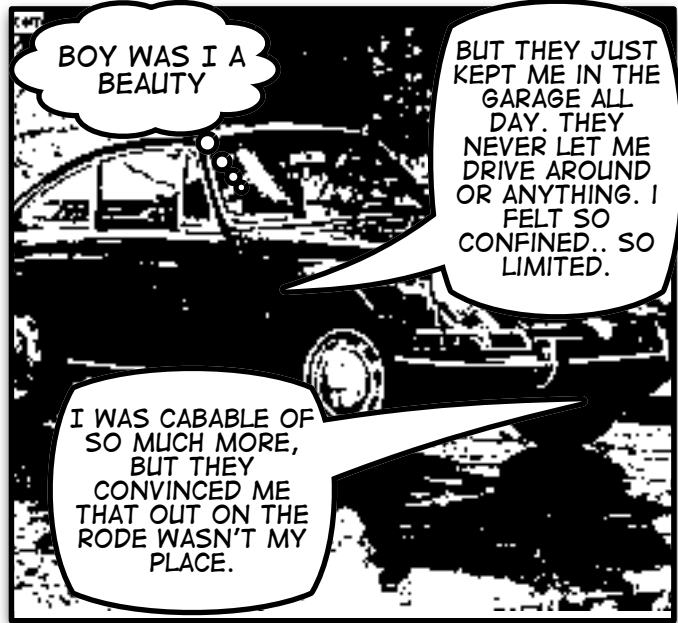
I NEVER UNDERSTOOD WHY THEY THREW TRASH AT ME AND ALL THE OTHER TRASH TRUCKS...LOTS OF PREJUDICE

I ALMOST CONSIDERED BEING A LIMO AGAIN, NO ONE THREW TRASH AT THEM.



BUT SINCE TRASH TRUCKS WEREN'T ALLOWED TO BE LIMOS, I HAD TO LOOK INTO OTHER OPTIONS..

I FIGURED I'D BE A NICE LOOKIN CAR, ONE THAT WOULD BE BETTER APPRECIATED AND CARED FOR



BOY WAS I A BEAUTY

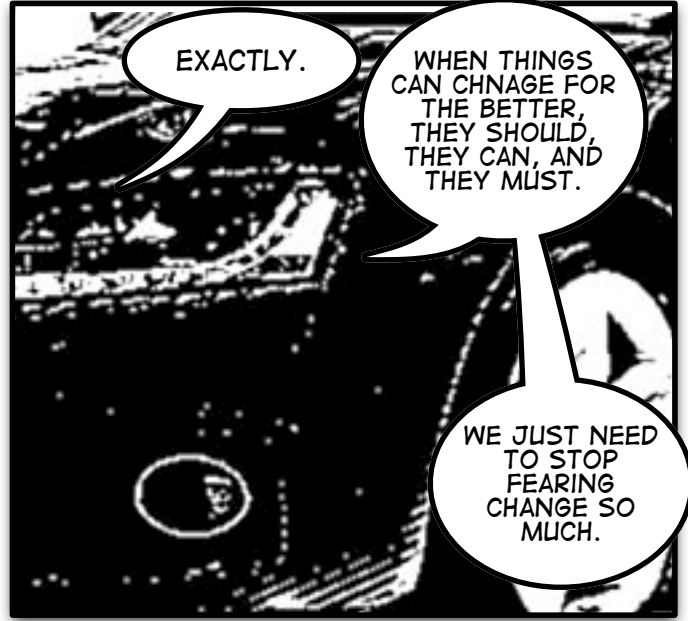
BUT THEY JUST KEPT ME IN THE GARAGE ALL DAY. THEY NEVER LET ME DRIVE AROUND OR ANYTHING. I FELT SO CONFINED.. SO LIMITED.

I WAS CABABLE OF SO MUCH MORE, BUT THEY CONVINCED ME THAT OUT ON THE RODE WASN'T MY PLACE.



YEAH, BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY YOU'RE ALWAYS TRYING TO CHANGE. YOU'RE NEVER CONTENT WITH THE WAY THINGS ARE.

MAN, HE'S BEEN SOME PRETTY COOL CARS



EXACTLY.

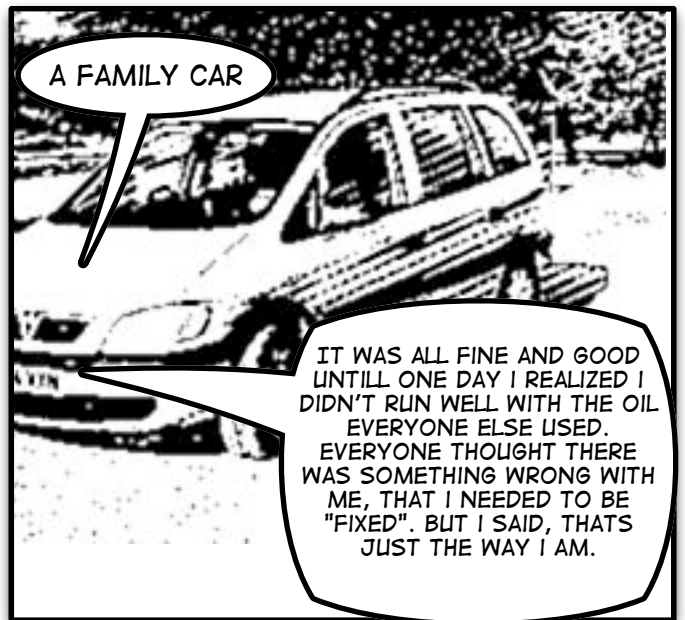
WHEN THINGS CAN CHNAGE FOR THE BETTER, THEY SHOULD, THEY CAN, AND THEY MUST.

WE JUST NEED TO STOP FEARING CHANGE SO MUCH.



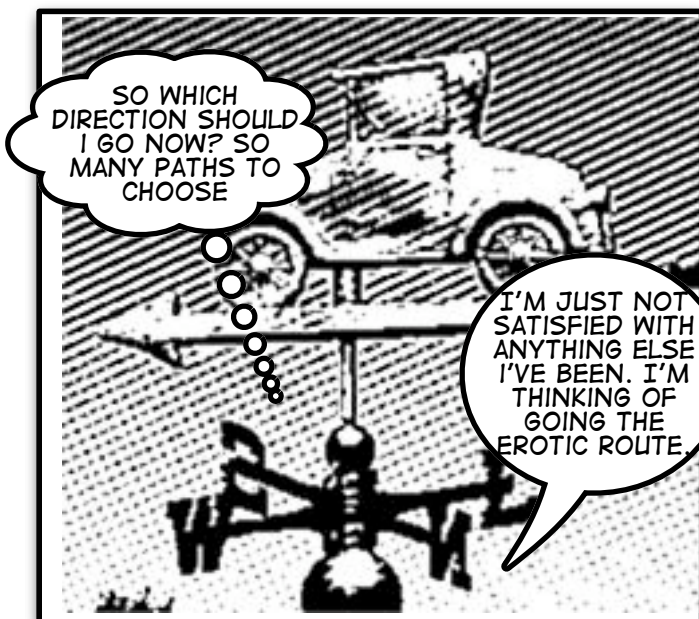
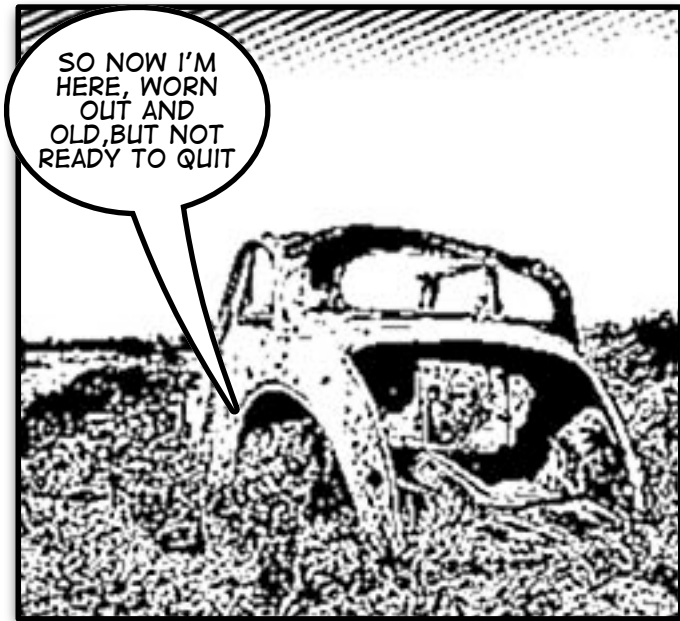
WELL, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS WHOLE CHANGE THING. ITS KIND OF SCARY.

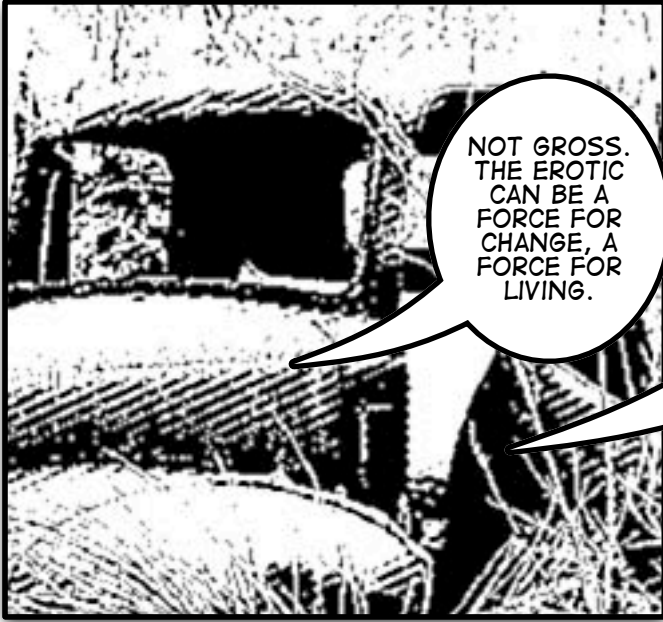
SO WHAT DID YOU BECOME NEXT?



A FAMILY CAR

IT WAS ALL FINE AND GOOD UNTILL ONE DAY I REALIZED I DIDN'T RUN WELL WITH THE OIL EVERYONE ELSE USED. EVERYONE THOUGHT THERE WAS SOMETHING WRONG WITH ME, THAT I NEEDED TO BE "FIXED". BUT I SAID, THATS JUST THE WAY I AM.





NOT GROSS.
THE EROTIC
CAN BE A
FORCE FOR
CHANGE, A
FORCE FOR
LIVING.



EVERYTHING I
HAVE BEEN IN
THE PAST HAS
SHOWN ME
THAT
FOLLOWING
CONVENTIONAL
NORMS AND
CONFORMING
TO LIMITING
EXPECTATIONS
THAT ARE SET
OUT FOR US IS
JUST NOT THE
WAY TO GO

SO WHAT
DO YOU
WANT TO
DO NEXT?



I'M THINKIN...ECO-FRIENDLY-
NON DISCRIMINATORY,
RADICAL-FOOD DELIVERING-
AMBULANCE-SCHOOL BUS-
FREE OF CHARGE-
UNCONSTRAINED-EROTIC-
MOBILE..?



THANKS FOR
COMING ON
THE
ADVENTURE
WITH ME!

I'VE BEEN
CHANGED ALOT,
BOTH FOR
BETTER AND
FOR WORSE, SO
MANY MORE
CHANGES TO
COME.

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