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Crying over split milk

Dear Penfabricans,

Jack Ma of Alibaba fame is a comical person. He looks more like a circus clown than an IT-savvy innovator, owner of the giant internet trading corporation, Alibaba. He told an audience about his own past when he unsuccessfully applied for jobs at various organisations including KFC, McDonald's and even the police force. In some cases, he was the only unsuccessful candidate!

Had Jack Ma been successful in getting employment at KFC, McDonald's or the police force, he would now be happily frying chicken, flipping burgers, or policing some streets somewhere in China. However, as Fate would have it, Jack Ma's failures got him a bigger and better role as a leading figure in steering the Chinese and the world economy.

Did Jack Ma cry over spilt milk and sulk over his many failures? Certainly not. If he had, he would have succumbed to his failures and not risen to his present status. We can say his early failures had spurred him to establish an internet powerhouse as his business. It goes to show his prowess in that he has foresight and the strength not to be overwhelmed by his failure.

Sometimes, we fail because our ideas are prematurely ahead of our

time. Thus, people may not appreciate our ideas and invention. Not getting what we desire may be a blessing in disguise. It may be a stroke of luck as better things await us. Let our minds and body be free: Free from influence of people and possessions. Continue on our path to find success. It is possible that opportunities may come if we persevere.

Dear Penfabricans, do not cry over spilt milk as it is futile and demoralizing. Take failures as our spurs for us to change our course and do better. Who knows we may end up alongside Jack Ma in roaring success in the new path?

Have a wonderful weekend rethinking whatever areas we have not been successful, and re-chart new courses of action to do better. Crying over spilt milk only invites ridicule from others while demoralizing ourselves.

Thank you

With kind regards,
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