

Footprints in the Sand

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"One night I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from my life. For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand. One belonged to me and other to the Lord. When the last scene of my life flashed before me, I looked back at the footprints in the sand. I noticed that many times along the path there was only one set of footprints. I also noticed that it happened at the lowest times in my life. This really bothered me and I questioned the Lord about it. 'Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you would walk with me all the way. But I notice that during the worst times in my life there was only one set of footprints. I don't understand why in times when I needed you most, you should leave me.' The Lord replied, 'My child, I love you and would never leave you during your times of trial and suffering. When you saw only one set of footprints... they were mine. *It was then that I carried you!*' "

Need reassurance? "The Lord, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not" (Dt 31:8). Need more reassurance? "For he hath said, I will never leave thee nor forsake thee. So that we may boldly say, the Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me" (Heb 13:5-6).

Today you're not alone—God is with you!

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