

Footprints in the Sand



One night I had a dream.
I was walking along the beach with my Lord.
Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life, and for each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand, one belonging to me and one to my 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 my life's pathway,
especially at the lowest and saddest moments,
there was only one set of footprints.

This troubled me, and I asked the Lord about it.
"Lord, you said if I followed you in life,
You'd walk with me all the way.
But I noticed that during the most difficult
times of my life, there was only one set of footprints.
I don't understand why, when I needed
You the most, You would leave me."

He whispered, "My precious child,
I love you and will never leave you.
During your times of trial and suffering,
When you saw only one set of footprints,
It was then that I carried you."