

MANAGER'S DESK FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2021

WELCOME TO THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.

SOME YEARS AGO, WE SENT TO EVERYONE WHO WROTE TO US DURING A LETTER MONTH A BOOKMARK WITH THE FAMOUS POEM, "FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND." I RECENTLY CAME ACROSS ONE OF THESE BOOKMARKS. IT HAD BEEN A WHILE SINCE I HAD EVEN THOUGHT ABOUT THIS POEM. I'D LIKE TO SHARE IT WITH YOU TODAY AS A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT IN YOUR WALK WITH THE LORD.

FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND.

One night I dreamed a dream.  
As I was walking along the beach with my Lord.  
Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life.  
For each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand,  
One belonging to me and one to my Lord.

After the last scene of my life flashed before me,  
I looked back at the footprints in the sand.  
I noticed that at many times along the path of my life,  
especially at the very lowest and saddest times,  
there was only one set of footprints.

This really troubled me, so I asked the Lord about it.  
"Lord, you said once I decided to follow you,  
You'd walk with me all the way.  
But I noticed that during the saddest and most troublesome 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  
Never, ever, during your trials and testings.  
When you saw only one set of footprints,  
It was then that I carried you."

I'M REMINDED OF WHAT THE WRITER OF THE BOOK HEBREWS SAID IN CHAPTER 13,  
VERSES 5 & 6;

God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."<sup>6</sup> So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?"

AS WE BEGIN THIS NEW WEEK, LET'S KEEP OUR FOCUS ON JESUS.

I PRAY THAT ALL OF OUR PROGRAMMING TODAY, AND EVERYDAY, WILL BE AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO YOU IN YOUR WALK WITH CHRIST. I THANK YOU FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT YOU ARE TO US AS YOU PRAY FOR US AND SUPPORT US FINANCIALLY.

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