FOOTPRINTS

One night I had a dream—
I dreamed I was walking along the beach
with the Lord and
Across the sky flashed scenes of my life.
For each scene I noticed two sets of
footprints in the sand.
One belonged to me and the 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 of life,
There was only one set of footprints.
I also noticed that it happened at the
very lowest and saddest 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 have noticed that during the most troublesome
times in my life,
There is only one set of footprints.
I don’t understand why in times when I
needed you most, you would leave me.”
The Lord replied, “My precious, precious child,
I love you and I would never, never leave you during
the times of trial and suffering.
When you saw only one set of footprints,
It was then that I carried you.”

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