

## Are you afraid of dying alone, or worry in case a loved one might die alone?

*We hope that at that moment when we die someone we love will be there with us to hold our hand and tell us how much they love us. Sadly, at the moment that may not be possible, and many of us have very real fear of dying alone. Many Christians believe that God is with us all the time and at that moment of death He will guide us. If dying alone worries you, we hope that these words will help.*



Do not be afraid - I will save you. I have called you by name - you are mine. When you pass through deep waters, I will be with you; your troubles will not overwhelm you. Do not be afraid - I am with you.  
*Isaiah 43:1-2 and 5*

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Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me and your rod and staff, they comfort me.  
*Psalms 23:4*

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One night I had a dream. I dreamed I was walking along the beach with God, and 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 the other to God.

When the last scene of my life flashed before me I looked back at the footprints in the sand. I noticed that at 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 of my life. This really bothered me and I questioned God about it. 'God, you said that once I decided to follow you, you would walk with me all the way, but I 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.'

God replied, 'My precious, precious child. I love you and I would never, never leave you during your times of trials and suffering. When you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you.'

*Footprints*