

## In Daddy's Steps

*I watched him playing around my door -  
My neighbor's little boy of four.  
I wondered why a child would choose  
To wear his dad's old worn-out shoes.  
I saw him try with all his might  
To make the laces snug and tight.  
I smiled to see him walk and then  
He'd only step right out again.  
I heard him say, his voice so glad,  
"I want to be just like my dad."  
I hoped his dad his steps would choose.  
Safe for his son to wear his shoes.  
And then a shout and cry of joy,  
A "Hello, Dad!" and a "Hi-you, boy!"  
They walked along in measured stride.  
Each face aglow with love and pride.  
"What have you done today, my lad?"  
"I tried to wear your old shoes, Dad.  
They're big, but when I am a man,  
I'll wear your shoes; I know I can."  
They stopped and stood there hand in hand;  
He saw his son's tracks in the sand.  
His words – a prayer – came back to me,  
"Lord, let my steps lead him to Thee."*

Dr. Madison Sarratt taught mathematics at Vanderbilt University for many years. Before giving a test, the professor would admonish his class something like this: "Today I am giving two examinations – one in trigonometry and the other in honesty. I hope you will pass them both. If you must fail one, fail trigonometry. There are many good people in the world who can't pass trig, but there are not enough people who can pass the examination of honesty.

-George Sweeting

## TRICKY TRIVIA

### This Month's Question

*To what father was God referring when He said: "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they will keep the way of the Lord ..."?*

Answer to last month's question.

*In last month's "Tricky Trivia"*

*question we asked:*

*When Jesus was being arrested by the Roman soldiers, Peter swung a sword and cut off the ear of one of the soldiers. Was it his right ear or left ear?*

*Answer: Right ear  
Luke 22:50*

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## The Uncommon Man

*I do not choose to be a common man. It is my right to be uncommon – if I can. I seek opportunity – not security. I do not wish to be a kept citizen, humbled and dulled by having the state look after me. I want to take the calculated risk, to dream and to build, to fail and succeed.*

*I refuse to barter incentive for a dole. I prefer the challenges of life to the guaranteed existence; the thrill of fulfillment to the stale calm of utopia.*

*I will not trade freedom for a beneficence nor my dignity for a handout. I will never cower before any master nor bend to any threat. It is my heritage to stand erect, proud and unafraid; to think and act for myself, enjoy the benefit of my creations and to face the world boldly and say, This I have done.*

*All this is what it means to be an American.*

-Dean Alfange

## Sentence Sermons

•Any man can be a father, but it takes a special person to be a dad.

•Every father should remember that one day his son will follow his example instead of his advice.

•My father didn't tell me how to live; he lived, and let me watch him do it.

•A father is someone who carries pictures in his wallet where his money used to be.

•One of life's greatest mysteries is how the boy who wasn't good enough to marry your daughter can be the father of the smartest grandchild in the world.

•By the time a man realizes that maybe his father was right, he usually has a son who thinks he's wrong.

•A truly rich man is one whose children run into his arms when his hands are empty.

The well-known preacher, F.B. Meyer tells an experience from his boyhood years. One day he committed a serious offense; and when his strict but loving father heard about it, he said, "Son, no one can commit such an act and still sleep under my roof. You must spend the night in the barn."

He knew better than to argue with his father. So, that night he prepared a bed for himself in the hayloft. But he couldn't sleep. He tossed and turned. Waves of guilt swept over his heart as he thought of the wrong he had committed and the way he had grieved his godly father.

Finally, in the stillness of the midnight hour, he heard the sound of someone coming up the ladder to the hayloft. He peered through the shadows and there was the dark outline of his father's body.

"Are you sleeping?" asked the father quietly. "No, Dad," the boy replied.

"Well, I can't sleep either," confessed the father. "Now, don't think I'm changing my mind about your punishment. As I said, anyone who does such a vile thing can't sleep under my roof. But I didn't say that I couldn't sleep with you. So, move over, Son. Put your head on my arm and let's have some sleep."



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