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It was around Christmas.

There was a man one time, and he was a good man. He was not drinking really, but he had been out around Christmas to visit his neighbours and colleagues, just to have a little fellowship.

They were exchanging presents and everyone would say, “John, just have a little drink.” And so, a little sip here, a little sip there, from house to house – he got too much, and he had to go back home.

His little boy was following him, and on his road the man turned and noticed, that the little boy was just going from one side to the other, almost wallowing in the snow.

He said, “Why are you going from one side to the other? What makes you walk like that?”

The boy said, “Daddy, I am trying to walk in your footsteps!”

The man knelt down, picked the boy up in his arms and said, “O God – you forgive me. From this day on, I’ll never take another drink.” I want to walk straight, so my son after me will walk straight.

See, somebody’s going to follow your footsteps. Let’s walk that straight line from the cradle to Calvary. That’s the footsteps we want our children to walk in.

*A story told by Brother William Branham  
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