

# WHEENK! LA-HA-HA-AUGHS

A MOTHER WAS CONCERNED ABOUT HER KINDERGARTEN SON WALKING TO SCHOOL. YOUNG TIMMY DIDN'T WANT HIS MOTHER TO WALK WITH HIM. ....HE WANTED TO WALK WITH HIS FRIEND. HIS MOM WANTED TO GIVE HIM THE FEELING THAT HE HAD SOME INDEPENDENCE BUT YET KNOW THAT HE WAS SAFE. SO SHE HAD AN IDEA OF HOW TO HANDLE IT.

SHE ASKED A NEIGHBOR IF SHE WOULD PLEASE FOLLOW HIM TO SCHOOL IN THE MORNINGS, STAYING AT A DISTANCE, SO HE PROBABLY WOULDN'T NOTICE HER. THE NEIGHBOR SAID THAT SINCE SHE WAS UP EARLY WITH HER TODDLER ANYWAY, IT WOULD BE A GOOD WAY FOR THEM TO GET SOME EXERCISE AS WELL, SO SHE AGREED.

THE NEXT SCHOOL DAY, THE NEIGHBOR AND HER LITTLE GIRL SET OUT FOLLOWING BEHIND TIMMY AS HE WALKED TO SCHOOL WITH ANOTHER NEIGHBOR GIRL HE KNEW. SHE DID THIS FOR THE WHOLE WEEK.

AS THE TWO WALKED AND CHATTED, KICKING STONES AND TWIGS, TIMMY 'S LITTLE FRIEND NOTICED THE SAME LADY WAS FOLLOWING THEM AS SHE SEEMED TO DO EVERY DAY ALL WEEK. FINALLY SHE SAID TO TIMMY, "HAVE YOU NOTICED THAT LADY FOLLOWING US TO SCHOOL ALL WEEK? DO YOU KNOW HER?"

TIMMY NONCHALANTLY REPLIED, "YEAH, I KNOW WHO SHE IS."

THE LITTLE GIRL SAID, "WELL, WHO IS SHE?"

"THAT'S JUST SHIRLEY GOODNEST," TIMMY REPLIED, "AND HER DAUGHTER MARCY."

"SHIRLEY GOODNEST? WHO THE HECK IS SHE AND WHY IS SHE FOLLOWING US?"

"WELL," TIMMY EXPLAINED, "EVERY NIGHT MY MUM MAKES ME SAY THE 23RD PSALM WITH MY PRAYERS, 'CUZ SHE WORRIES ABOUT ME SO MUCH. AND IN THE PSALM, IT SAYS, 'SHIRLEY GOODNEST (SURELY GOODNESS) AND MARCY (MERCY) SHALL FOLLOW ME ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE', SO I GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO GET USED TO IT!"

MAY **SHIRLEY GOODNEST** AND **MARCY** BE WITH YOU TODAY AND ALWAYS

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