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A Quote That Leads Me

I haven't lived very many years on this world, but I am learning to teach myself just where and how I plan on fitting in. My father taught me a couple words that I feel really drive into the soul. A long time ago when I was in third grade, we had gymnastics day in gym class. I had to do a simple somersault, resulting in me ripping a huge hole in my jeans exposing the backside of my pants. I remember everyone laughing at me, and how dejected I felt. I went home that day crying, how I practically ruined my life by when my pants ripped to my mom and dad. My mom was the typical mother, if I tripped and fell into a bed filled with cotton and love, she'd still hug me and make the owie go away. My dad on the other hand, caught me off guard when he said, "If you can learn to laugh at yourself, life goes by much easier." I remember being so mad at him! How dare he not care that I was this embarrassed! Why does he lack the love that mom gives me?! Over time, I thought back to it, and it all makes much more sense.

As all of us as a civilization go through the mystery of life, we meet certain barriers and obstacles that we must make it over in order to live our life's how we want to. So of us must overcome death, sickness, busy schedules, crude co-workers, unfriendly people, and a list that never ends of problems. We have two choices when faced with these issues; we can take the situation to heart and make it painful to go through, or we can find the humor, and make a joke of it and move on. I don't believe you shouldn't take certain events seriously, but I do believe that you need to find a small bit of humor within every moment to get through

with the day. This isn't very easy at first, but I have successfully managed to incorporate that into my everyday life. I have learned to laugh when I am called a name, make mistakes, or endure a bad situation. I think we could all grow together as a community if we could just embrace this. For example, if someone were to fail a test or quiz, instead of getting all gloomy over it, embrace it, laugh at the fact you let it happen, then get organized and tackle that task again. I truly believe that through this, anyone can do whatever they want to.