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conscious, informed, inspired parenting

Your Greatest Legacy

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If you want your children to succeed,
show them how to fail.

If you want them to be happy,
show them how to be sad.

If you want them to be healthy,
show them how to be sick.

If you want them to have much,
show them how to enjoy little.

Parents who hide failure, deny loss,
and berate themselves for weakness,
have nothing to teach their children.

But parents who reveal themselves,
in all of their humanness,
become heroes.

For children look to these parents
and learn to love themselves.