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“Why are you feeling down, Emily?” asked Mom.

“Because I’m scared!” said Emily.

“What’s got you scared?”

“I’m scared I won’t be able to handle things.”

“What things, sweetie?”

“Growing up. Being an adult,” Emily explained.

“I’m afraid I won’t be as capable as you. You’re always there to rescue me from spiders, scoop them up, and take them outside. You can drive, cook, do laundry, and you’re so smart – you’ve read tons of books...”

Mom smiled warmly and said, “Let me share a little story with you...”





“It’s not bedtime,” Little Teresa would insist at bedtime most nights, never wanting to sleep. Just like you, Emily.

One time, Little Teresa got lost. While her mom was paying for her coffee, Teresa ran outside to pet a dog. When she turned around, her mom was nowhere to be seen! Panic gripped Little Teresa. She wanted to cry.



Then she remembered what her mom often told her: "If you ever get lost, just stay where you are. Don't try and find me – I'll come and find you." And sure enough, Mom was soon there.



Soon, Little Teresa's dreams came true. She became a sister! Her little brother was a sweet, beautiful baby. She couldn't have been happier.



“And through those same small steps, you’ll learn too, Little Emily,” said Emily’s mother.
“So... Little Teresa?” Emily asked with a smile.
“That was you?”
“It was,” her mother smiled back. “Although I’m not so little anymore.”



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Discover a heartwarming picture book that helps bring children closer to their parents. Every Mom Was Little Once lovingly shows how all moms were once little girls who sometimes misbehaved, got dirty, or had a messy room. This charming story acknowledges the pressures parents can place on children and reminds us that we were all once just as perfectly imperfect as they are.

This book helps children understand that imperfection is natural and making mistakes is part of growing up. For parents, it's a nostalgic reminder of their own childhood and the times they felt far from perfect.

Join Teresa and her daughter Emily on a journey through memories with this touching story that celebrates the beauty of imperfection and the bond between parent and child.



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