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There's A Superhero In All Of Us

The maxim I have chosen to write about is from Christopher Robin to Pooh in Winnie the Pooh, by A.A. Milne when Pooh is told, "Promise me you'll always remember -You're braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think." I like this one because telling someone this makes you into a superhero of sorts. I think of being able to tell someone that at the right time, right when they are feeling down. For example, if I have a friend who has just told me that someone called them dumb, I would use this maxim. I would also add to it by telling my friend all of the nice things I know about them. I think sometimes you have to remind people of their good qualities. It would be easy for me to remind my friend that they are smart if they are called dumb and that they have talents that the other person does not. People need to hear positive things as much as they can so when they hear bad things they can shrug it off.

There are also times people are afraid and should know that they are probably braver than they think. I'm sure there are plenty of things some people would do that others wouldn't. I have friends that say they have been wall climbing. That takes bravery to me, because I know I'm scared of heights, but those friends who do that, I believe are very brave. Some of the same friends that wall climb can't swim but I can, and that makes me brave to them. So some people have qualities that the maxim is saying and don't realize it. Again, that's why it's important to remind people the way Christopher Robin reminded Pooh about being smart and being brave. I really believe that he gave Pooh good advice, and that he was a real friend. To Pooh he was probably a superhero.

I remember when my mommy was sick last year and I walked by her room and her my step dad tell her that she was stronger than she thought and that she could fight through her sickness. Even though that was awhile ago I still remember it, and that's another reason why this maxim is so important to me. I saw my step dad become a hero. When my mommy was sick, he took us all to school, dressed us, fed us, helped us with our homework and said prayers with us. I have two brothers and a little sister. We all go to different schools, but he made sure that before he went to work he got us all where we needed to be. I saw him crying one time but he didn't know it and then he stopped crying fast like something came over him that made him stronger and braver. I already know that he is smart, but whatever he did that day when he was so upset he got over it. There are no real superheroes like on T.I. with capes and superpowers, but that day I saw a hero in my step dad. He showed us how brave he was, how smart he was and especially how strong he was.

Even though I am young, I know when someone is showing these things. I don't ever want my mommy to be sick again, but when she was, I learned real bravery, strength and how to be smart, because she was. There were things I had to do for myself, and I was brave enough to do them. I wouldn't cook though because I was afraid I would burn our house down. My step dad did that. Some days, though, I felt alone and I really thought I needed a superhero to come down out of the sky and take me away, but I realized my parents are superheroes already. I am very lucky. Since I know this feeling, I think I can tell someone else how to be brave, whether it's for swimming, climbing a wall, or watching your parent not feel good every day. This maxim will always be very important to me and I promise I will tell it to as many people as I can when I see them down.