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THE ROCK

THE LORD IS MY ROCK.
- PSALM 18:2



Reflection on (Romans 8:18)

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

This verse I find is very comforting and reassuring, especially during these challenging times we are experiencing. God is not





only reminding us of the wonderful hope and gift of eternal life that awaits us, but also of the glory and comfort that He grants us after and even in the midst of each and every suffering or tribulation that we face.. because **“He bruises, but He binds up; He wounds, but His hands make whole” (Job 5:18)**. Each one of us may feel such healing differently, but the glory that God revealed to us and which we can collectively experience now is His reopening of the gates of His Church once again. He is definitely attentive to our prayers, and not once has He ever failed us, forgotten our suffering, or turned His eyes away from us. On the contrary, He is there through all the hardships, healing our pains and promising heavenly rewards.

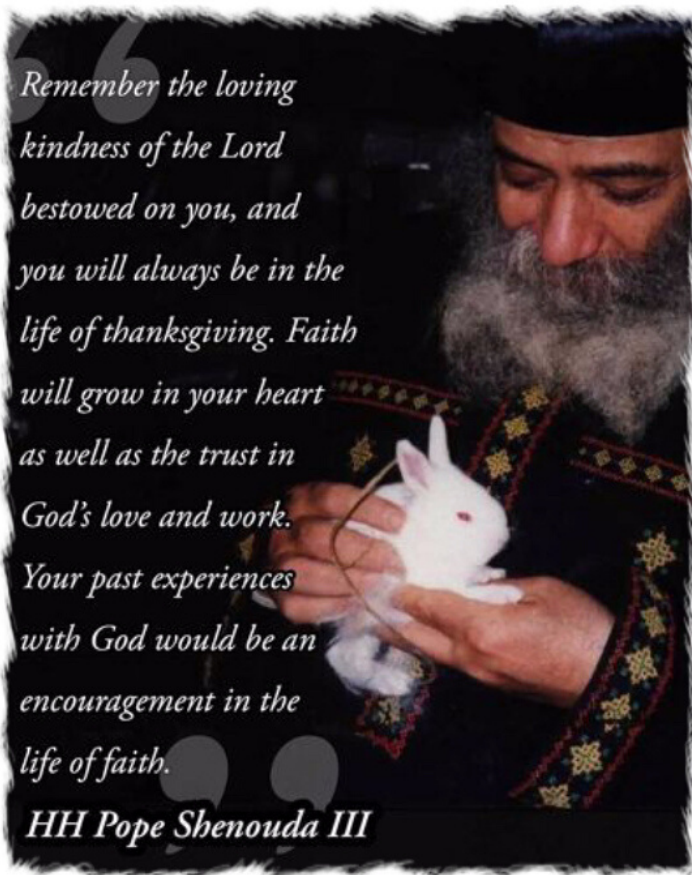
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As we enter into His Church again, let us not forget the amazing wonders and consolations that our Lord Jesus Christ has granted





us in our times of tribulation, and in every time He has allowed suffering but His healing hands were reaching out to us, giving us comfort and victory at the same time. As Pope Shenouda once beautifully said, “Remember the loving kindness of the Lord bestowed on you, and you will always be in the life of thanksgiving. Faith will grow in your heart as well as the trust in God's love and work. Your past experiences with God would be an encouragement in the life of faith.”



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