



Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States

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We Love you, Egypt

Egyptian Youth, protect Egypt our Mother. The issue now is not who you are with or who you are against, the issue is Egypt.

Those who support are doing so for Egypt, and those who are opposing are doing so for Egypt; and the true freedom and democracy that you are calling for, is the ability to accept the other opinion with love and understanding.

If you are divided against each other and fought each other, then Egypt is the one who loses; and those who don't protect Egypt whether they are supporting or opposing, then they are traitors to Egypt.

The voice of the truth has reached the ears of the authorities, and serious steps towards changing have started; therefore we have to give them a chance to see if they deliver what they had promised.

Continuing to protest any longer is destruction for our beloved country Egypt. Now is the time to put our hands together to build Egypt.

You have achieved the impossible and you won. Now is the time for us to work together to keep what you have achieved in correcting the path, therefore I ask everyone:

1. Stop assaulting each other immediately, for all of us have one goal, and that is Egypt.
2. Disassemble the protests at once to keep our country's peace and its stability
3. Not listening to those who are stirring chaos and lawlessness whether they are individuals or from the media, because there are people who want to ruin your beautiful revolution to achieve personal interests and goals of their own.
4. Cooperation with each other to build our beloved country Egypt on the principles of Freedom, Security, Democracy, Justice, and Equality.
5. Giving the authorities a chance to achieve what they had promised, and closely follow their progress, asking those who don't deliver to give account for their shortcomings regardless of their position.

My beloved children, I write these words and my heart is bleeding for Egypt, let's all shout "We love you Egypt" and turn this love into an act of building.

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