

# Prayer of the 11th hour



I start this song with words peacefully About the pride and brightness of humanity I place my cares permanently Upon Virgin Mary who helps quickly I reveal and speak my mind openly How can I speak and what can I say About the mystery of her virginity Mary's pregnancy baffles minds mysteriously It is impossible to explain and say

Even the scholars could not find a way

Ezekiel the prophet spoke about her He greeted her with peace and said about her Jesus the King will come to her He is her Lord and the Creator He loved her before He had made her All the arts and all the wonders Even the sayings of the scholars Her virginity we should not ponder Our Almighty Lord is the real wonder

Who dwelt in her womb as a Child to her

By His will He suffered and was crucified
He rose from the dead after He died
The Son of Man raised men who died
From the depths of Hades to the Paradise
He returned man to the Paradise of light

The salvation of the creation appeared from
The pure and chosen Virgin Mount Zion
Her pregnancy is a mysterious one
To my heart and to my conscience
But nothing is impossible to my Lord, the
One

Moses the prophet spoke a great saying,
With an old prophecy that was amazing
He said that God will truly bring
A great prophet with no equal being
Who created the end and the beginning

He saw you in a burning bush with flames
He became amazed and marveled
Many prophesied what would happen
This is a known symbol of Mary
John the Evangelist spoke and preached

All my life I glorify with melodies
I could not refrain, I must reveal
The mysteries of the Mother of Christ
I was entrusted to evangelize
Regardless of any circumstances

Solomon spoke of you in the Song of Songs Welcome, my sister, for you I long The aroma of your clothes is sweet Truly, John the Evangelist spoke About Virgin Mary in many words

He testified saying "I saw a lady
Clothed in garments full of light
Clothed with the sun, the moon under her feet
And around her head twelve stars shining
Being with a child, she cried out in labor"

There is no doubt that this is true
The moon is no one but John the Baptist
The twelve stars are the twelve apostles
And surely the Sun in the Child Jesus
This is a simple act of the Mighty God

My heart and mind are attached to you
I have never seen anyone like you
I always confess and do not deny
You are my fortress and my refuge
A harbor to those who are in distress

We asked and were given
We reached the shore of enlightenment
For we believed with all understanding
And became righteous and carried the yoke
Of Jesus the Mighty One to His people

#### Hanna's Prayer

"My heart rejoices in the LORD; My horn is exalted in the LORD. I smile at my enemies, Because I rejoice in Your salvation. "No one is holy like the LORD, For there is none besides You, Nor is there any rock like our God. "Talk no more so very proudly; Let no arrogance come from your mouth, For the LORD is the God of knowledge; And by Him actions are weighed. "The bows of the mighty men are broken, And those who stumbled are girded with strength.

#### Hanna's Prayer

Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, And the hungry have ceased to hunger. Even the barren has borne seven, And she who has many children has become feeble. "The LORD kills and makes alive; He brings down to the grave and brings up. The LORD makes poor and makes rich; He brings low and lifts up. He raises the poor from the dust And lifts the beggar from the ash heap, To set them among princes And make them inherit the throne of glory.

#### Hanna's Prayer

For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, And He has set the world upon them. He will guard the feet of His saints, But the wicked shall be silent in darkness. "For by strength no man shall prevail. The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken in pieces; From heaven He will thunder against them. The LORD will judge the ends of the earth. "He will give strength to His king, And exalt the horn of His anointed."

Today you became rejoiced, O believers, for the birth of, Jesus Christ. Everyone was returned, to Paradise, for the birth of, the Son of God.

- + The books of our fathers, greatly witnessed, to Christ our Lord, our Savior Jesus.
  - + David the king spoke, about the King of glory,

saying "You are My Son, and today I begot You."

Forgive us our trespasses, for the sake of our lady Mary,

O Christ our Master, and the good One. The seven angels, praise Christ the King, saying "Holy Holy, Holy O Lord."

+ Gabriel the angel, announced to,
the shepherds, about the Savior of the world.
+ To You glory and blessing, unto the end
days,

O Christ the King, the Eternal Word.

Jesus is our hope, Jesus is our confirmation, Jesus is the only-begotten of the Father, before all ages.

The Lord who sits, above the Cherubim, shone and blossomed, from Mary.

+ Rejoice O Mary, for out of you shone unto us,
Him who is of power, Jesus the Son of God.
+ Let us praise Him, with the angels,
and bless Him, with the powers and the
thrones.

The Magi offered Him, three offerings, as a sign for Him as, the King of the ages. You are blessed in truth, O Christ our King, with Your good Father, and the Holy Spirit.

- + A Light shone upon us, from Bethlehem,
  O Lord have mercy upon us, for the sake of Your
  Mother Mary.
  - + The Word being, in the bosom of His Father, was born from Mary, the blessed lady.

Rejoice and be glad, O human races, for Christ Emmanuel, saved us from our sins. Praise the Lord our God, with a joyful psalm, for glory and praise, is to due to our God.

+ We glorify Him as God, and sing to Him praises,

for He is the Lamb of God, the Son of Mary.
+ Wherefore the prophets rejoice, and also
the righteous,

for Christ the Master, saved them as a good One.

To You is due majesty, and glorification, disperse the enemies, of the Church. Hail to you O Mary, the Mother of Jesus Christ, hail to Bethlehem, the city of Christ.

+ The souls of our fathers, grant them repose,
with Abraham the great, and Isaac and Jacob.
+ O You who is was born, from the Virgin,
and crucified in the flesh, save us from temptations.

### Prayer by Pope Shenouda (For the new year)

Lord, make this year a blessed year. A pure year to please You. A year in which Your Spirit prevails and joins in working with us. Hold our hands and guide our thoughts from the beginning of the year till its end.

Let this year be Yours, to please You. It is a New Year, spotless; let us not tarnish it with our sins or impurities. Lord, be with us in every work we intend to do this year; silent we will be, and You will do everything. Let us rejoice in all Your deeds, and say with John the Evangelist: "All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made." (John 1:3)

### Prayer by Pope Shenouda (For the new year)

Let this year, O Lord, be a joyful year; put a smile on each face and gladden every heart. Let Your grace emerge in our trials and help those who are tempted. Grant us peace and quietness of mind. Give those who are in need, cure the sick, and comfort the grieved. We do not ask You, God, only for ourselves but we ask for all, because we are all Yours. You created us to rejoice in You, make us then joyful with You. We ask You for the Church, for Your mission, that Your word may reach every heart. We ask you for our country, for the world's peace, and that Your Kingdom may come everywhere

### Prayer by Pope Shenouda (For the new year)

Let it be a fruitful year, full of goodness, everyday and every hour has its own work. Do not allow a futile moment. Fill our life with activity, work, and production. Grant us the blessing of a productive and holy toil. Let the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us in all our deeds, O Lord. We thank you, our God, for you have kept us till this hour and granted us this year, that we may bless You. Amen.