SENSING GOD'S ABSENCE

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I'm currently reading It's OK not to be OK by Rico Villanueva. I'll review the whole book soon and I hope to have an interview with the author up on the blog in a week or three. In the meantime, I loved this short quote.

> *As the Spanish scholar Alonso SchÃ¶kel tells us, one way of knowing we have experienced Godâ€™s presence is how we sense His absence: Â "The manner of Godâ€™s presence is awareness of his absence. Absence which is not noticed nor deeply felt is a simple absence which causes no grief. But absence which is felt is a means of being present in the consciousness, bringing anxiety and grief . . . God communicates most intensely by creating an awareness of his absence."*