

Jerusalem Copts and their impact in the urban and cultural life at holy

Jerusalem

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Introduction;

This research is about an important sect that lived in Jerusalem for many centuries, it's presence left a print like the other Christians sects that lived there and were proof of the Islamic, Christian co-existence, where Copts made sure to support people of Jerusalem and the Coptic existence in it. Many books were written about Copts but only few talked about the Coptic existence in Palestine, so I tried to make a simple vision about that issue and describe the relation between Egypt and Palestine and show the unity of the 2 nations that were not separated by conspiracies despite some differences among Copts and Muslims along many years but eventually they belong together.

This research will include introduction to costumes and habits of people and their relation with Palestine, settlement of some of them in Jerusalem, then explain the various aspects of urban and cultural life of Jerusalem Copts and approximate number of Copts in Palestine. Then we will talk about the gathering of the Palestinian and Coptic pain due to the occupation and sharing the same fate in Jerusalem. Also (Al-Soltan) monastery that became a major turning point in the Coptic relation with the other sects, that subject was heavily mentioned in the Ottoman manuscripts in Jerusalem .

The research plan is;

First; a whole look over the Coptic Palestinian relations.

- 1- Copts settling in Palestine.
- 2- Coptic Palestinian relations.

Second; Coptic architecture in Jerusalem.

- 1- Coptic architecture and it's sights in Jerusalem.
- 2- Coptic art and it's impact on cultural life at holy Jerusalem.

Third; results and recommendations.

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