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## Abstract:

It is worth mentioning that the Christian religion since its emergence, specifically in the first century AD, as a result of many circumstances, whether political, economic or social, and the constant pressures, especially the Roman state, which controls many societies in the world, and this helped in its spread in many places, including Egypt, to which its people were attached and was known in the middle of the first century Christian Egypt became known, then differences and schisms began and the emergence of those Christian sects, which are like all religions, in testing the body of their men in the way of choosing fashion, which differed between the different sects for concepts and philosophy specific to each sect, in which the Orthodox Church is located. Due to many influences, including social, economic, cultural and political, up to what it has reached at the present time.

The problem of the research lies in analyzing priesthood costumes in the Coptic and Syriac Orthodox Church, finding relationships between these costumes and comparing the different ranks and even complementing the costumes, decorations and colors of those costumes. The research aims to determine the costumes of the clergy in the Orthodox Coptic and Syriac Church and to know the differences between them. The importance of the research came in knowing the forms, parts and details of the priestly costumes in the Coptic and Syriac Orthodox Church, and clarifying the link between the parts of those costumes for each rank and degree of the clergy. The research follows the historical method and the analytical method, and the priesthood costumes in the Coptic Church and the Syriac Church (the study sample) were identified through reviewing previous studies, and through personal interviews of some different ranks in the Egyptian churches, and also through visits to museums and access to scientific encyclopedias.

One of the most important results of the research that he reached after the analytical study and comparison between the different ranks and degrees to find the differences and similarities between the costumes of the Christian clergy in the Coptic Church and the Syriac Church is identifying the pieces of costumes for the clergy in the Coptic Orthodox Church, and knowing and identifying also the pieces of costumes for the clergy In the Syriac Orthodox Church.

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