

A 15-DAY PILGRIMAGE THROUGH EGYPT AND ISRAEL"

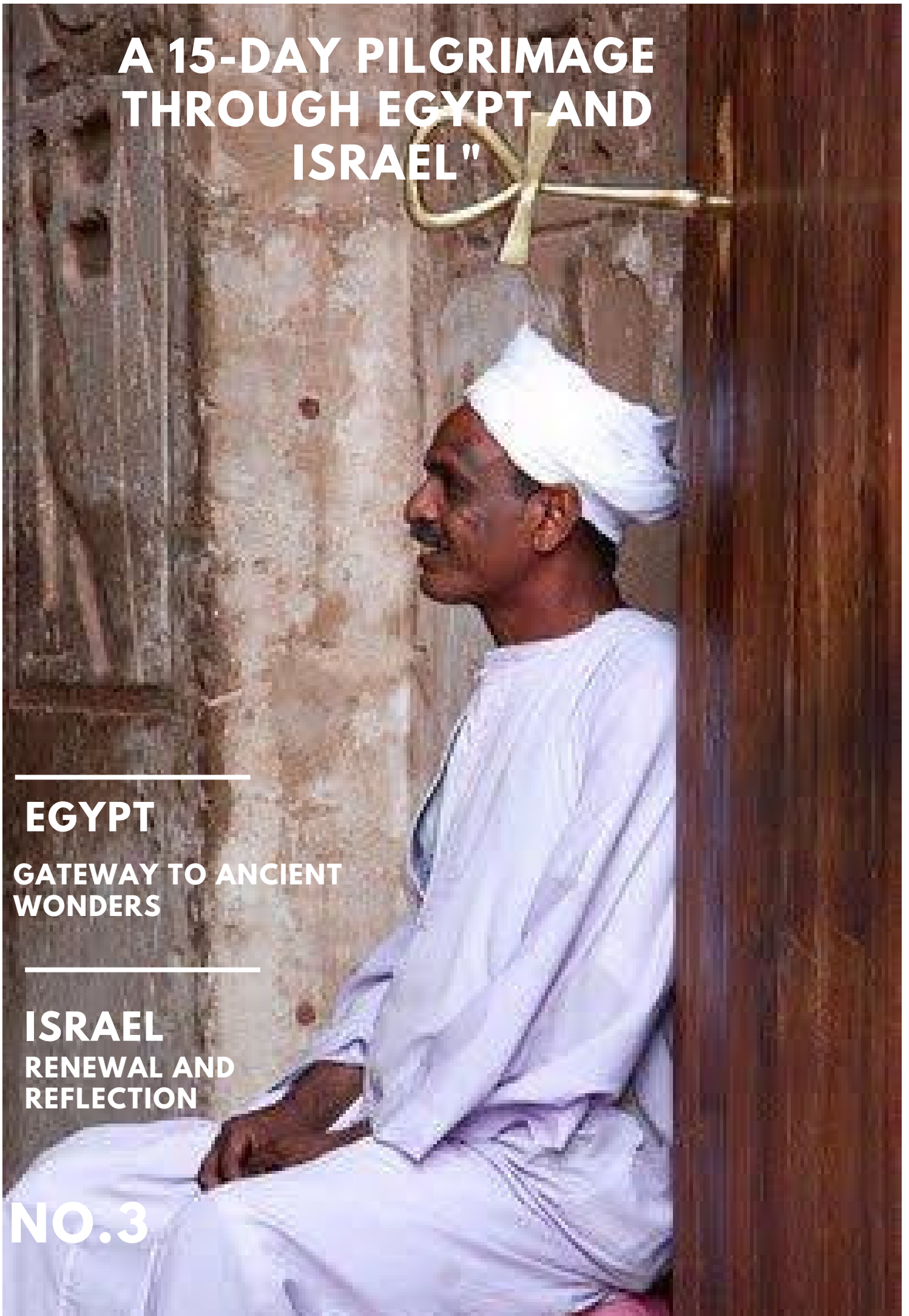
EGYPT

GATEWAY TO ANCIENT
WONDERS

ISRAEL

RENEWAL AND
REFLECTION

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CAIRO- ANCIENT WONDERS

Day 1: Arrival in Cairo, Egypt - Gateway to Ancient Wonders

- **Begin your pilgrimage in Cairo:**
 - Visit the Egyptian Museum, home to a vast collection of ancient artifacts, including treasures from Tutankhamun's tomb.
 - Explore the historic Islamic Cairo district, including the Citadel of Saladin and the Alabaster Mosque.

Day 2: Giza Plateau - Pyramids and Sphinx

- **Explore the Giza Plateau:**
 - Behold the majestic Great Pyramid of Giza, the last remaining wonder of the ancient world.
 - Marvel at the enigmatic Sphinx, a symbol of ancient Egyptian civilization.
 - **Optional:** Enter one of the pyramids to experience the intricate architecture and burial chambers.

Day 3: Mount Sinai and St. Catherine's Monastery - Sacred Mountain

- **Travel to Mount Sinai in the Sinai Peninsula:**
 - Ascend the mountain and witness a breathtaking sunrise from its summit.
 - Visit St. Catherine's Monastery, one of the oldest Christian monasteries in the world, and see the Burning Bush.



THEBES OF THE PHARAOHS

Day 4: Luxor - Thebes of the Pharaohs

- Fly to Luxor, known as Thebes in ancient times:
 - Explore the Valley of the Kings, where pharaohs were buried in elaborately decorated tombs.
 - Visit the Temple of Hatshepsut, dedicated to one of the few female pharaohs in ancient Egypt.
 - Discover the colossal statues of the Memnon Colossi.
 - Optional: Explore the magnificent temples of Karnak and Luxor on the East Bank of the Nile.

Day 5: Nile River Cruise - Spiritual Journey on Water

- Embark on a Nile River cruise and sail towards Aswan:
 - Enjoy the serene beauty of the Nile landscapes.
 - Engage in onboard spiritual activities and reflections.

Day 6: Aswan - Nubian Heritage and Philae Temple

- Explore Aswan, a city rich in Nubian culture and ancient wonders:
 - Visit the beautiful Philae Temple, dedicated to the goddess Isis.
 - Optional: Take a relaxing boat ride on the Nile and witness the natural beauty of the region.



TEL AVIV- MODERN ARRIVAL

Day 7: Abu Simbel and Fly to Tel Aviv, Israel - Ancient Marvels and Modern Arrival

- **Optional: Take an excursion to Abu Simbel, renowned for its magnificent temples:**
 - Marvel at the colossal statues of Ramses II and the intricately carved façade of the Great Temple of Abu Simbel.
- **Fly to Tel Aviv, Israel:**
 - Take some time to rest and prepare for the spiritual journey ahead.

Day 8: Tel Aviv and Jaffa - Modern City and Ancient Port

- **Explore the vibrant city of Tel Aviv:**
 - Visit the historic neighborhood of Jaffa, with its ancient port and charming alleys.
 - **Optional: Take a moment of reflection at the Church of St. Peter in Jaffa.**

Day 9: Caesarea and Haifa - Coastal Gems

- **Journey to Caesarea:**
 - Visit the archaeological site, including the Roman Theater and the Crusader Fortress.
- **Continue to Haifa:**
 - Explore the Baha'i Gardens, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
 - **Optional: Visit Stella Maris Monastery on Mount Carmel.**



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE,

Day 10: Nazareth and Galilee - Jesus' Life and Ministry

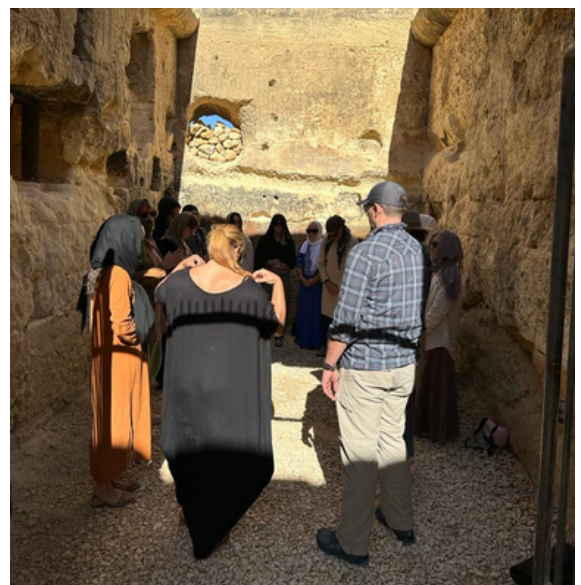
- Travel to Nazareth, the hometown of Jesus:
 - Visit the Basilica of the Annunciation, where the angel Gabriel appeared to Mary.
 - Reflect at the Church of St. Joseph, believed to stand on the site of Joseph's workshop.
- Proceed to the Galilee region:
 - Explore the holy sites, including the Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum, and the Sea of Galilee.

Day 11: Jordan River Baptismal Site and Dead Sea - Renewal and Reflection

- Cross the border into Jordan and visit the Jordan River Baptismal Site:
 - Experience a baptismal renewal or quiet reflection by the banks of the river.
- Proceed to the Dead Sea:
 - Float in its mineral-rich waters and embrace the rejuvenating properties of the lowest point on Earth.

Day 12: Jerusalem - City of Spiritual Significance

- Explore the ancient and holy city of Jerusalem:
 - Visit the Western Wall, the holiest site in Judaism.
 - Walk the Via Dolorosa, tracing the final footsteps of Jesus.
 - Reflect at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, revered as the site of Jesus' crucifixion, burial, and resurrection.



BETHLEHEM

BIRTHPLACE OF JESUS

Day 13: Bethlehem and Ein Karem - Birthplaces of Faith

- Travel to Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus:
 - Visit the Church of the Nativity, a significant pilgrimage site.
 - Explore the Shepherds' Field, where the birth of Jesus was announced.
- Proceed to Ein Karem, the birthplace of John the Baptist:
 - Visit the Church of the Visitation, where Mary and Elizabeth rejoiced.
 - Reflect at the Church of St. John the Baptist, commemorating his birth.

Day 14: Mount of Olives and Mount Zion - Sacred Reflection

- Ascend the Mount of Olives for a panoramic view of Jerusalem:
 - Reflect on its spiritual significance and enjoy a moment of contemplation.
- Visit Mount Zion:
 - Explore the Cenacle (Upper Room), traditionally associated with the Last Supper.
 - Reflect at the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu, believed to be the site of Peter's denial of Jesus.

Day 15: Departure from Tel Aviv

- Take a moment to reflect on the transformative journey through Egypt and Israel.
- Depart with cherished memories and a renewed spirit.

