



Ridvan Aydemir

Ridvan Aydemir is a Turkish-German ex-Muslim activist and YouTuber known for his critiques of Islam under the pseudonym *Apostate Prophet*.^[1] He currently resides in the United States and announced his conversion to Eastern Orthodox Christianity in 2025.^{[2][3][4]}

Early life and education

Aydemir was born in Germany to Turkish Muslim parents and later moved to Turkey in 2006 during his teenage years. There, he completed high school and mandatory military service. Initially a devout Sunni Muslim, Aydemir became deeply engaged in Islamic theology, but eventually left Islam after critical examination of its teachings.^[1] His apostasy led to personal and social consequences, including strained relationships with his family and community.^[5] Additionally, Aydemir has faced lawsuits in Turkey for his criticism of Islam.^[6]

Career

After leaving Islam, Aydemir immigrated to the United States. In 2017, he launched his YouTube channel, *Apostate Prophet*, where he critiques Islamic doctrines and addresses issues related to apostasy and freedom of belief.^{[6][7]} He frequently collaborates with David Wood and has participated in public debates with Muslim apologists such as Mohammed Hijab and Daniel Haqiqatjou.^{[8][9][10]}

Initially identifying as an atheist and affiliating with Atheist Alliance International,^[1] Aydemir announced his conversion to Eastern Orthodox Christianity in 2025.^{[2][3][4]} In July 2025, he delivered a speech at Turning Point USA's Student Action Summit in Tampa, Florida, discussing the incompatibility of Islam with freedom of expression.^{[11][12]}

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