

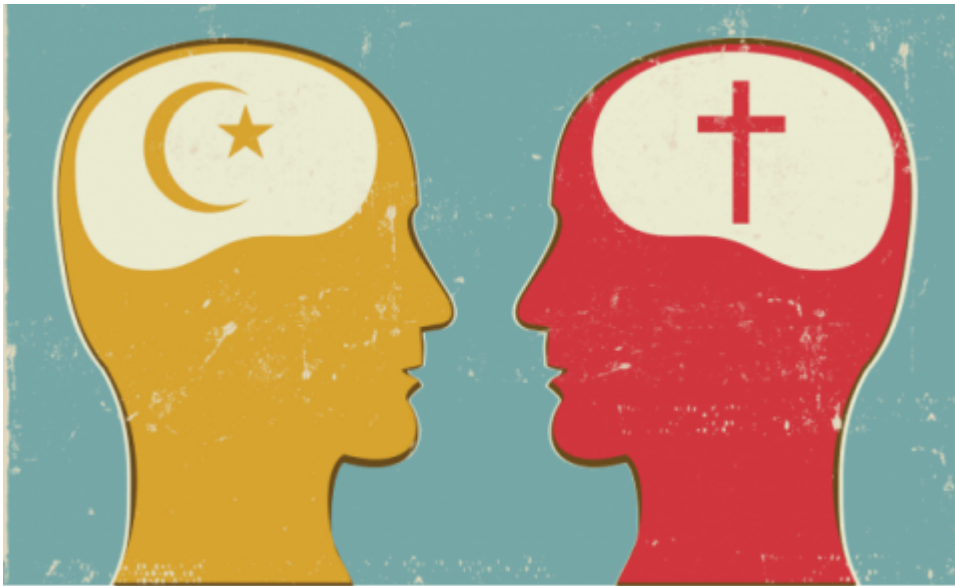


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Summary:

In Egypt's majority Muslim conservative society, atheism is a longstanding taboo, and "minority Christians face [unprecedented levels of persecution](#) [10]," according to The Guardian. Those who dare express their lack of faith in public risk prosecution and arrest under Egypt's [blasphemy law](#) [11], in place since 1982. The law stipulates that a person can be imprisoned for up to five years if he or she defames or disrespects one of the three monotheistic religions; harms national unity; or uses religion to promote extremist ideas with the intention of sowing discord in society.

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