



## **SESSION 4: ABRAHAM, TERAH'S REBEL SON**

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### **GOAL AND OBJECTIVES**

The goal of this session is to give an understanding of the priority faith holds in all three Abrahamic faiths.

To achieve this goal, the session will focus on the following objectives:

1. Participants learn what Abraham did that makes the patriarch of all three faiths.
2. Participants learn about Abraham as the model of faith in one God.
3. Participants learn role of Abraham's sons in genealogy of Islam & Judeo-Christian faiths.

### **ACTIVITIES**

#### **Discussion**

- ❖ Review and discuss the NOS chapter, "The Patriarch."
- ❖ Discuss the Abraham story in the Qur'an and the parallel between him and Mohammad.
- ❖ If time allows, review NOS Ch. 4, "Towering Ambition," pp.38-44.
  - Discuss the story as a parable about modern times and ambition.

#### **MATERIALS**

- ❖ Handout from Wikipedia article on Hagar and the background of the Hajj.

### **READINGS AND ACTIVITIES FOR NEXT SESSION**

For next session, participant should read the following:

1. NOS: Ch. 6, "The Matriarch," pp.78-85
  - a. Optional: NOS Ch. 7, "The Archer's Jihad," pp.86-93
2. Qur'an: Surah 2:136, the Abrahamic formula
3. Hadith: Sahih Bukhari (Volume 4, Book 55, No. 578.)
4. Bible:
  - a. Genesis 16:1:16, Hagar Runs Away with Ishmael



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- b. Genesis 21:9-21, Hagar and Ishmael in the Wilderness