



## Chapter-5=Lesson-1

### **Hazrat Ismail (As.)**

#### Birth and Tribe

Hazrat Ismail (As.) was Allah's prophet. He is the eldest son of prophet Ibrahim (As). His mother's name is Hajira (As.). He was born in 1910 BC. Ibrahim (As) was 86 years old during Ismail's birth. He is the forefather of the tribes of Quraish in Makkah and 'Adnan' in North Arab.

- 1) Write the father's and mother's name of Hazrat Ismail (As.).
- 2) When was Hazrat Ismail (As.) born and died?
- 3) Hazrat Ismail (As.) was the forefather of which two tribes?

#### Migration and Creation of Zamzam

When Ismail was only a few months old, Allah ordered Ibrahim (As) to go to Makkah and leave Hajar and Ismail at that barren land. He left Hajira and Ismail (As) with a bag of dates and a bottle full of water. Hazrat Ibrahim (As) prayed to Allah:

"O our Lord! I have made some of my offspring to dwell in an uncultivable valley by Your Sacred House (the Kaba at Makkah) in order, O our Lord, that they may perform *As-Salat*. So, fill some hearts among men with love towards them, and (O Allah) provide them with its so that they may give thanks." (Sura Ibrahim, Verse: 37)

Within few days foods were finished. Baby Ismail felt thirsty and was groaning. Due to his cry mother became anxious. She rushed to the nearby hill later on known as **Safa and Marwa** seven times praying to Allah for help. She did not find any water. Then returned and looked at her son and saw an ankle pointing at his feet. at a joy! There she saw a fountain gushing out of the ground! There was water. She ran. She drank herself and feed her child that water. She gave thanks to Allah. Beside this Zamzam an Arab tribe called Jurhum began to live. Hazrat Ismail (As.) married in this be. Quraish is one of the branches of this tribe.

- 4) Between which two mountains did Bibi Hajira rush ?
- 5) What is the name of the well which was made from the fountain near the baby Ismail (As)?
- 6) Which tribe began to live near Zamzam well?
- 7) Quraish is one of the branches of----tribe.

#### Sacrifice

Allah tested Ibrahim. (As.) in different ways. The order to sacrifice Ismail (As.) was also one of the tests. One day Hazrat Ibrahim (As.) went in Makkah to visit his wife Hajar and son Ismail. At that time Ibrahim dream that he was ordered by Allah to sacrifice his beloved son Ismail. Ismail was 13 years young at that time.

He told his dream to Ismail:

"O my son! I have seen in a dream that I am slaughtering you (offering you in sacrifice to Allah). So, look what you think!" He said: " O my father! Do that which you are commanded, InshaAllah (if Allah wills), you shall find me of As-Sabirun (the patient)." (Sura As-Saffat, Verse: 102)

Ibrahim (As.) started towards Mina in order to sacrifice his son Ismail (As.). On the way Iblis came to Ismail and tried to deceive him time and again. Without being influenced by Iblis Ismail reached at Mina.

Then when Ibrahim (As.) was about to sacrifice, Allah said: "O Ibrahim, you have fulfilled the dream!" Verily thus do We reward the Muhsinun (good-doers). (Sura As-Saffat, Verse: 105) Ibrahim (As.), who had shut his eyes, opened them and saw a big ram. The ram was sacrificed instead of Ismail and he was standing beside that ram. That is why Muslims sacrifice some animals on the day after Hajj at Mina. Sacrificing is Wajib (duty or obligatory).

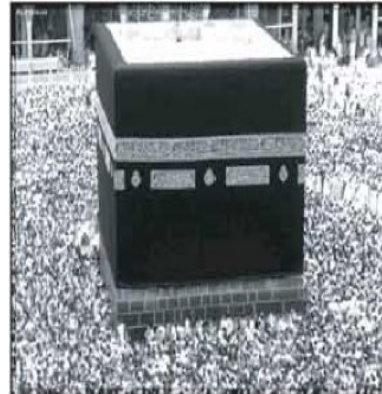
## 8) What is the meaning of Muhsinun and Wajib?

### The Building of Kaba

As per order of Allah and the place shown by Him, Ibrahim (As.) the father of Ismail (As.) built *the* Kaba.

Allah said in the Quran:

"And remember when Ibrahim (As.) and his son Ismail were raising the foundations of the House (*the Kaba at Makkah*), saying, 'Our Lord Accept this service from us.



Verily! You are the All-Hearer, the All-Knower." (Sura Al-Baqara, Verse: 127)

While building the walls Ibrahim (As.) had to stand on a piece of rock which Ismail had brought for him. Father and son combinedly completed building the Kaba in a period of long time.

## 9) Who built Kaba?

### Achievement of title

Hazrat Ismail (As.) was patient and loyal to his father. Allah honoured him with the title 'sadequl wadh' i.e. promise keeper. It is narrated that once he made a promise with someone that he would wait for him at a certain place. Though the person did not go to that place as per the appointment, Ismail (Sm.) had been waiting for hire until he met that person on the third day. (Iba Kathir)

Ismail (As) took the pains of waiting for three days in order to keep his promise. So, Allah gave him the title 'sadequl wadh', promise keeper.

The last and greatest of the Prophet Hazrat Muhammad (Sm.) was born in the lineage of Hazrat Ismail (As.). Ismail (As.) died in Makkah at the age of **130**.

## 10) What is the meaning of the word 'sadequl wadh'?

## 11) What is the title of Hazrat Ismail (As.)

## 12) How did Hazrat Ismail (As.) got the title of 'sadequl wadh'?

### Teachings:

- Hazrat Ismail's (As.) submission to Allah,
- his loyalty to his father,
- sacrifice, dedication
- keeping of promises
- how much we can sacrifice ourselves to gain the blessings/satisfaction of Allah
- we should be ready to sacrifice ourselves to satisfy Allah/ to fulfil the order of Allah

## 13) What teachings can you get from the life story of Hazrat Ismail (As.)? Explain.