A Middle East Primer with Jeff Heim

Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in the Barn, October 11th, 18th, 25th & November 1st Each session will be roughly 75 minutes, depending on discussion.

Islam, Arab, Middle East, Sharia and Jihad are terms often heard, but infrequently understood. This four week survey will provide an historical background for today's Middle East. The first two weeks will concentrate on the rise of Islam [6th century A.D.] through Ottoman domination [18th century]. The final two weeks will examine the impact of the ensuing colonial and indigenous forces that created the current Middle East.