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Translator's Preface

This is the first part of Martyr Murtada Mutahhari's book Society and History (Jami`e wa tarikhh), which is itself a part of his important work Introduction to the Islamic World Outlook (Muqaddameh'i bar jahan bini ye Islami) 1

In this section on society, the author discusses various viewpoints regarding the relationship between individual and society, and explains the Qur'anic viewpoint. Then he goes on to discuss such issues as social freedom and determinism, class division and social polarization, social pluralism and homogeneity, and the future of human societies.

The second part of the book about history and the philosophy of history from the viewpoint of the Qur'an will appear 'in sha' Allah in the future issues of Al-Tawhid.

1. Jahan bini ye tawhidi ("The World view of Tawhid") is another of Martyr Murtada Mutahhari's books which also, like the present work, is a part of Muqaddameh a bar jahan bini-ye Islami ("Introduction to the World Outlook of Islam"). (Tr.)

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