

# Explanation of the Principles of the Safe City Emergence from the Viewpoint of Islam

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**ABSTRACT:** The idea of drawing secure cities from the view point of Islam is a new and fundamental research into realizing the elimination of the insecurity-producing factors and creating the grounds for emergence of security in cities. Development of science and technology, with all positive changes it has induced, has not helped security of cities. The reports by reliable world organizations demonstrate that ever-increasing growth of threats of natural calamities, violence, crime, juvenile delinquency, marginal dwelling, and expansion of poverty are all against safety and security of cities. Need to security, among other things, is of higher importance. In the planning and urban development system, proofing against natural disasters and struggling against human-induced insecurity have not led to security in cities. Continuation of this process, too, will not result in improvement of security in cities. Holy Qur'an considers the bad deed of people as the cause of insecurity and natural disasters and sees the good deed a ground for realization of secure cities. From this viewpoint, change in behavior and social norms on the basis of Qur'anic teachings will lead to elimination of insecurity and realization of security in cities. The direct relationship between natural calamities and human acts and deed is a new idea and perspective in the arena of urban management.

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## INTRODUCTION

Man kind in the way of living since the beginning till now relying on the sense of gradual perfection way going toward development and progression. Ups and down of this way in the history way always as part of researchers for achieving a good and ideal life. This research in the some way and for drawing a sociologically engineering plan in order to visualize a safe city in the future word. But first some questions should be asked: What is a safe city? For explanation of the ways to visualize safe city how should be thought? How true safety and comfort in all of it's dimensions could be achieved? How could live without disturbance and worry? Programming should be how so mankind from all pointy of view either mental' spiritual or physically and materialistic in comfort and peace of mind and reach desired and worry less life? What is the main key to safe and peace full mind life? Is reaching to heaven's safe city by the way of a city dirty' narrow' dark ' crowded 'unsafe 'poor' polluted with disturbing in and visual surrounding pollutions in the world is possible or the way to go for heaven's safe city be a city flourishing with glorious buildings ' green' and beautiful

gardens calm and safe ' fresh and clean. For long time years a supstititally and deviative mentality with color and Enamel of Islam by some people a few spitefull or misinformed way explaining mankind's defeat in the name of the Islam's religion. This mentality without paying attention to base's of glorious religion of islam by relying on special number of other worldly try to weaken planning for using the god's bounties in the world. This subject dosent need proving in the Quran man has been ordered: «Eat and drink, yet do not overdo things» (Quran-7, 31) This thought means partaking from joy's and bountie's not only allowed but is pleasing. Quran's forbidness In worldly pleasures has been stated in true religion of Islam. Now it could be said that none of god the Merciful beauties in this world have not been for bidden but also for reaching them should make on effort as needed. Worldly bountie's are from God's grace and it's a picture of a drop of the eternal and limitless sea of heaven. World is a suburb and a mirror of deeds in this world related to ever lasting world to come. If one of the heaven's specialties' is going to be truth 'sincerity

'purity keeping away from idle talking and love' natural from this world the background of those bounties should be shaped and then there they turn to reality. If there are clean fruits and food' exists here too. If there are going to be beautiful and rich clothes for heaven's people in this world has been ordered to wear beautiful and clean clothes. This world is foot stand and preface to true futurity world. Someone in this world who has established all of his life on lies betraying 'ugliness deceit cant wait for a heaven full of truth and beauty. In a verse of book of Quran ' living clean has been explained and considers it result of good deeds of mankind in the material world. We shall let anyone who acts honorably, whether it is a man or a woman, provided he is a believer, live a happy life and reward them with their earnings for the finest deeds they have been doing(Quran-13, 97) Relying on Quran 's verses the way to enter safe city of heaven , the evidence of it should manifest in this world. Islam's religion before flourishing the world to come, flourishes this world, world is the foot stand and sideburns of heaven. Should accept that the world of poverty, darkness, ignorance, cruelty (mismanagement) mismanagement, abjectness and unsafety can't be the introduction of salvation, richness and honour and safety and prosperity.

### Mankind's need for securities

In all of the needs for mankind, need for security is one of the most important and essential needs for life and has placed itself on top of the needs of mankind and base for social living and assembly of the first small societies makes their vulnerability more. Because of advancing and expansion and civilization security , has achieved a wider , range of importance and it extend's all the physical dimension sociological economic and spiritual life of mankind. Reforming and scientific advancements in order to make a strong communicational garment and ability to interchange cities have been contradicted with insecurity. insecurity like natural disaster , terrorism murder , riots, informal over population plus traffic plus air pollution , decreasing forests and vegetation increasing poverty crime and organized crimes in all of their extents , different kinds of deceases riot and so on has been treathening city life and decreased security for a desired life. Of course it doesn't mean that building's haven't been reinforced the base foundation of city life haven't been strengthened. The hardware and software for cities security are not done. Mankind hasn't achieved the most complicated calculations all of these and hundred of times more are created by mind and handy work of mankind but the truth is that all of these efforts and advancements that no one can ignore , hasn't expanded the dimensions of security for cities citizens and citizenly still haven't achieved needed peace of mind. Data's show decreasing security and increasing insecurity, according to international pole, incidents and calamities in year 2008 comparing to year 2007 has shown 50% increase. << international society reigns for men in the year 2007's report the was published by the office of human society setting united nations all over the world , many of

effort taking threats , safety an security of cities' inhabittance all over the world is being studied. Ban Ki-moon the president of United Nations points this way that in the past decade world experienced over growing threats against security and security of cities big or small. Some of them have been catastrophic events some because of poverty ' inequality or because of rapid and disordered growth of cities. It has been mentioned in this report that during past 5 years, 6% of inhabitants of cities in the developed countries have been victims of crimes in this record has been mentioned that since year 1980 (9) tin 2000 the rate of crime Has been increased by 30%, so that from 2300 to more than 3000cases of crime for every 100000 people. Studying public opinion in developed and under development countries shows that half of the city inhabittance, all the times, or most of the times are worried for crime and wrong do in their cities in addition natural disasters has grown 4 times more since 1975 and 98% of people who experienced natural disasters since 1991to year 2000 were in the under developed countries. This report mentions man made disasters (war, refugee and similar) in the year 1997 to 2006 has been increased 10 times more that most of them were happened in Asia and Africa. Since year 1997 to 2006, 1493 country of natural disasters have been recorded in Asia that way about 2 times of natural disasters, happened in Europe, America, ocean land and also equal to the pole of the rest of the world which means 1639 in the same extent of time.(bemanian, 1387, 15) These dates show additional growth of natural and social disasters in most of the counties specially the third world countries and continuing this situation warns of undesirable events in the future accompanied with all kind's of calamity and unsafe. If the planners in order to establish security don't start with a new frontier of life, world should wait everyday for calamities, crisis and all kinds of insecurity. This research's question is this:

- Does Islam "essentially" have a prescription for safe city emergence?
- What are social changes affects on insecurities in view point of Islam?
- Which points and secularities for "safe city" are in the view point of Islam?
- What is the way of safe city's emergence?

Our theory in this research is:

- Between insecurity (natural or unnatural) and social behavior of mankind is a relation ship.
- Emergency and appearing of safe city is possible by changes in bad deeds and behavior to good deeds and behavior.

### Degrees and forms of various safeties

Need for security, as an essential need has different forms. Man kind needs personal, family, socially, economically, cultural, political and spiritual safety. Disturbance in all of these safeties will effect the way of mankind's going forward. All the dimensions of safety, like the links in a chain are, related to each other to decrease the altitude of safety for any of these forms will effect the rest of the forms. If personal safety gets

altered other safeties will be altered too and so this way for social safety and political safety, same way that by altering family safety or a phenomenon like divorce, social problems of an individual it will be disrupted.

Today many factors threaten mankind's life safety in the environment of city life that counting them explaining importance of the subject. Natural disasters, environmental health crisis in physical, spiritual and environmental in the environment of cities, loneliness, depression and social breakage in cities suburbs are of most important causes of unsafety of cities. Degree of safety in every district contains comfort and peace of citizen is explainable. From the other point of view every cause or cause's which prevents unsafety of men in different for my is considered the degrees of safety. In order to explain forms and degrees of safety there is a need to sort them in different districts. But generally dimensions of cities safety is as follows:

- Social Security
- Convictional Security
- Psychological Security
- Economic Security
- Physical Security

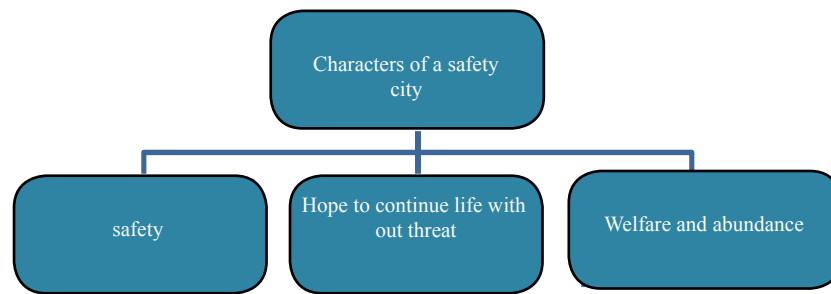
### Roots and forms of insecurities

Perception of geographic and social problems of the country with an aimed and shared concept for finding the reason's of unsafe and threats to man kind in the environment of city life is an introduction to establish a safety structure for the city. Roots and causes of all dangers calamities and crisis of the essential normal way is divided in three causes:

- 1- Nature
- 2- Mankind
- 3- Technology

Today in all the cities of world there are warning threats from natural disasters in different forms. This worry especially when catastrophe happens, in other word has turned to one of important worries of citizens, offices and societies managers. Natural disasters are many kinds. Earthquake, flood, storm, tsunami, hale, avalanche, lightening and thunder harsh changes of temperature, drought, volcano are examples of natural disasters. Of course many of nature but indirectly they are caused because of mankind's deeds. For example disasters caused by air pollution and temperature increase of the worlds climate and also flood caused by destruction of forests by hands of man. All the natural disasters in all the countries are not the same and in many continents and countries they are very different. Pole of natural disaster for people in Asia continent is more than other continents. Also among countries in Asia, country of Iran is affected more than the other countries of this planet. The second cause of cities unsafely is mankind or in the other word bad deeds of men. Mankind because of his internal personality is not the cause of safety but bad behavior and deeds will cause unsafely. Not paying attention to laws, and rules and manners in many sleet of unnatural unsafe in the sects of

economical, sociological and political by centralizing mankind could be explained. A bad manner of man's behavior is the cause of every way problems in appearing various unsafeties in societies. Unsafe ties like murder, deceit riot, robbery, cruelty, injustice, jealousy idle talking, lie, betraying, talking bad about the others, bribing, accusation, back biting, stingy nest, hatred, prostitution corruption, extreme tiresome , depression aggression, hopelessness for future are most important cause's of unsafe by centralizing mankind. Roots of centralized man's unsafeties: is the cause of inequalities in society and lack of existence of inner and social orders. This kind of unsafeties in public and private environment of cities is much more disabling from the unsafe caused by natural causes. Unfortunately this sect of unsafeties in addition to destructive effects of in life will be the source and cause of disasters too, but in programming and studying cities is less considered. The third cause of cities unsafe is technology. Increasing complicities of societies and expansion of communications with positive effect it brought man kind, in some ways because of bad way of partaking and in distain degraded cause of some of these improvements has made many of this advancement's an introduction agreeable for quantities and qualities growth of unsafeties. Destruction of ozone layer, air pollution, environmental, biological pollution water pollution, sound, light, food pollution radiation pollution, thermal pollution and nuclear power plants pollution are some of threatening causes for the cities. Mankind and nature are in the threat of advancement of technology. This reality has forced the societies to think and study for confronting and dealing with this threat. In some European lands like Holland 2 years later a tax will be charged for movement of vehicles for each km. (some money as tax) Reforms in point of city management for decreasing fossil fuel are in this way. Truly what happened to mankind that it's advancement and improvements has caused him problem? Divine religions including Islam, Christianity, and Judaism are introduced according to human nature and then all of them have a common view about a safe life. From Islam view point, the aim of human creation is reaching divine perfection and appearing human higher values. This aim shall be reached when human perfection is appeared in individual behaviors and in his attitudes and social reactions. From Islam view point individual and social values and also values mentioned as goal in different levels of society are totally related to each other and shall not be separated actually. Change and dynamism, show human role as a motive power of his natural environment history and with this observation, accepting continues unsafe life is different from his higher goals and considering his dynamism, he always moves toward a "safe city". Islam wants humans live comfortably, easily and safely. God says in Quran: "God wants things to be easy for you and dose not want any hardship for you". (Quran - 2, 185) And says in another surah: **"God invites us to the home of secure" (Quran -10, 25)**. The world creator creates the world and afterlife as a safe and comfort place for human. Any insecurity is resulted from human action. 2 Paradise in afterlife world is a safe and graceful place for



human. Human should firstly sense paradise life in this world and then in the afterlife world. God wants human live in a “safe city”. A safe city moves toward providing and increasing justice in planning system and to weaken corrupting and destructing injustice. It is clear that these properties and characters reflect in city face, structure, urban hierarchy, accesses and networks and relations, organization, and management, establishments, functions,...and could form differently in accordance with other environmental factors including natural, economical, political, cultural, temporal, and social factors. Nowadays, all the world countries, according to their planning systems for governing cities and their life, take action to compile their urban planning patterns on the basis of scientific thoughts with short and long term plans and in connection with this aim, subjects like as sustainability are studied through 2 last decays repeatedly and in different societies and are planed to be gotten. But discussion about “safe city” goes farther up sustainability. Subject of “safe city” has a new view to safety of city and is one of the most important issues in societies. Word of “sustainability” used in cities and development studies, is only a beautiful but useless word because sustainability indicates human weakness to be dynamic, whereas he should move toward dynamic cities and plans.

### Definition of Islamic cities

Islam attitude about city is on the basis of discipline, perfection, stability, beauty, cleanliness, safety, mutual rights, endowment, abstain of wasting, elegance, one-fifth, tithes, observing animals' rights, trees, water and such issues in human and his environment counteraction. From this view point, definition of city, is different from other definitions. Islamic city is defined many differently, some of which are mentioned here. Our Lord would never destroy any cities for doing wrong while their people were trying to reform. (Quran -11, 117) Related verses and narratives are mentioned as enclosed. “Islamic city is included of a specific social form and structure, in which Islamic communicational forms and decorative elements, on the basis of Islamic ideals, are involved. But another principle, i.e. governing Muslims society, farther upon social concept, is Islamic nation, which is not time restricted and has no special geography.” (Bemat, 1990:11). “City of Islamic era, beyond of any other thing, is a belief and from politics and

Law view point is an adherent of religion and then religious role of city has priority over army and economical aims of its governments.” (Habibi, 1996:40).

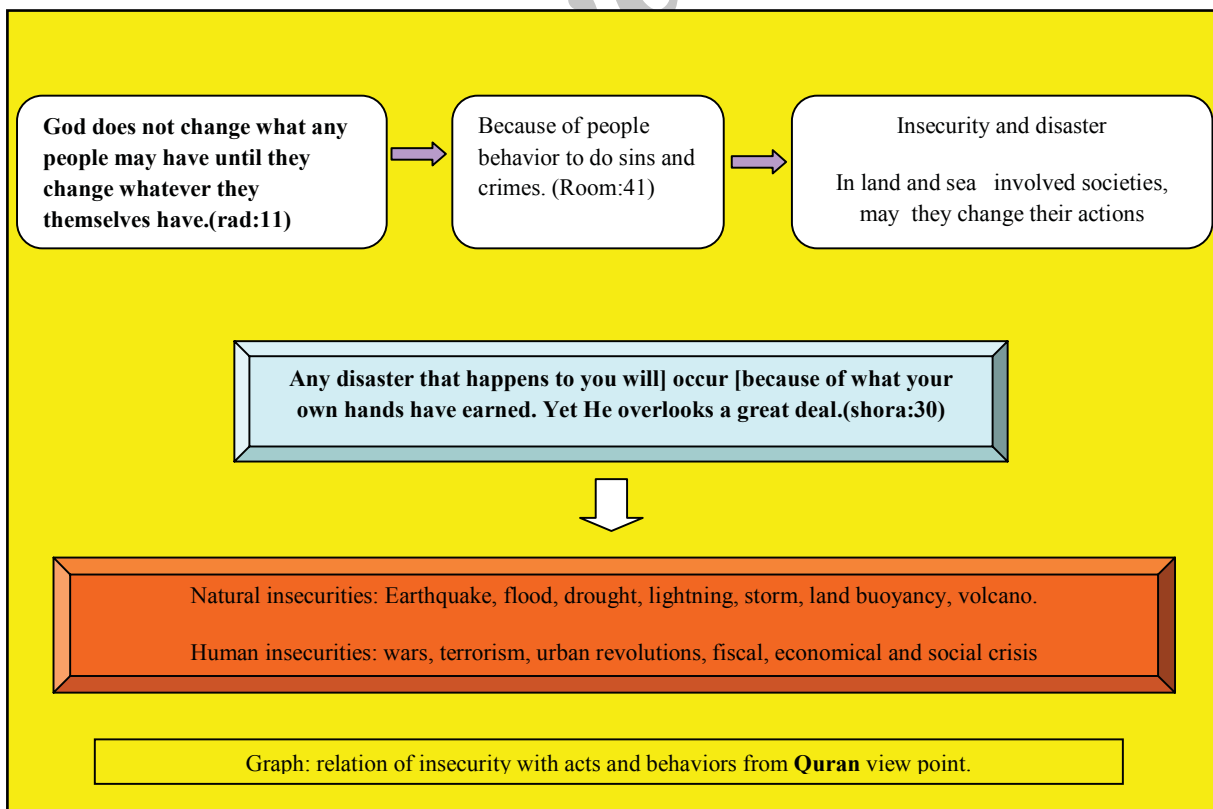
**Definition of Islamic city:** “any bio-complex with an assemblage of human beings (little or many) who live on the basis of justice, knowledge, balance, safety, welfare, abundance, dynamism, and social relations, resulted from divine essentials and multilateral benefits of people are considered in which, is called a city.” Principles and characters of a safe city from Islam view point: God says in Quran: “God has made up a parable about a city which has been safe, tranquil; its livelihood was brought to it comfortably from every quarter. Yet it disbelieved in God’s favors, and God let it experience a pall of hunger and fear because of what they had been producing.” (Quran - 16:112). In the above verse, God defines characters of a “safe, fruitful, lucky and blessed city” on the basis of safety, hope to continue life in which, and total and full welfare and abundance. Natural hierarchy, as mentioned in the verse, has a cause and effect chain links, because lack of safety results to discontinuing life in the place and nobody wants to produce and organize economical status if there is none of these two factors. By virtue of this verse, perspective of a safe city is dependant on 3 factors. Urban planners should consider these 3 factors in their plans for a safe city. At first they should consider “safety”, then make people feel hopeful and afterward cause to economic growth.

### Social changes prepare the way for natural changes

Disorders of societies, especially third world societies, result from lack of “cultural engineering” to make culture in the society. These societies suffer from lack of a comprehensive plan to establish balanced behaviors in social transactions and relations. Increase of social disorders, by virtue of Quran, results to increase of disasters and un-safety in society and in case of non-controlling these disorders, result to the society destruction. God, in holy Quran, relates safety and un-safety factors clearly with type of action and behavior of human beings. Pertaining events to sky, earth, historical procedure, race and other factors, reflects lack of knowledge about nature discipline. Belief on nature discipline is not different from

actions effects on disasters. God says in holy Quran: “each person has divine guards in front and behind to guard him and Lord doesn’t change no nation status, unless they change and when Lord wants bad destiny for a nation, nobody could return it and they have no supervisor unless Lord.” (Quran -13, 11). By virtue of this verse, actions and behaviors of human could change nature like as earth, wind, water, sea and sky. Also insecurity of cities results from spreading sins, rebellions, law breaking, corruption, and disobey God. Studying insecurity of cities gives a new landscape to recognize factors of insecurity of cities. Earthquake, flood, lightning, tsunami, and other disasters which threat cities, are related directly with actions of the citizens of the same cities. All of these disasters and crisis apparently have natural and human origins but in fact all of them are resulted from violations of human beings which cause to change nature discipline and to these disasters. Great prophet says in this regard: when any evil appears on the earth, Lord sends its hardship to human beings.” (A T N, 421, part 9, narration, 1354). On the basis of the theory that social changes shall cause insecurity of cities, then it is necessary to recognize factors of insecurity by a new method in order to change planning systems from prevent and confront with crisis to education of changing social behavior and in order to establish a safe city instead of unsafe cities. Plan of holy Quran is as follows: insecurity, difficulties, disasters and all dangers

which threat human and cities, are resulted from their sins. Even though God forgives many sins and don’t punish them for their all sins. Disasters and insecurity resulted from human’s bad acts and behaviors: As mentioned above, God relates any individual and social disaster, crisis and insecurity of societies to human and society’s bad acts and works. “Any disaster that happens to you will occur because of what your own hands have earned. Yet He overlooks a great deal. “(Quran -42, 30). This verse clearly relates any social or individual disaster and insecurity to human acts and behaviors. Considering the extent of the verse, any social and natural insecurity as individual and social, are included in the verse. On the other hand, this verse says that: human difficulties are a kind of divine punishment and notice. (Even though there are some exceptions). It might be insecurity factors are not related to other natural and social factor apparently but this verse shows that painful events and life problems are related to bad and terrible manners of society. Some people with today’s culture think that technology development recognizes all these events and disasters and finds their prevention ways little by little and can prevent insecurity. God informs in the next verse about certainty of disaster and crisis effects on bad behaviors: “You all will not frustrate anything on earth nor do you have any patron nor supporter besides God” (Quran - 42, 31). Strengthening cities are not different from religious orders, but God knows changing from bad to good temper as a prevention



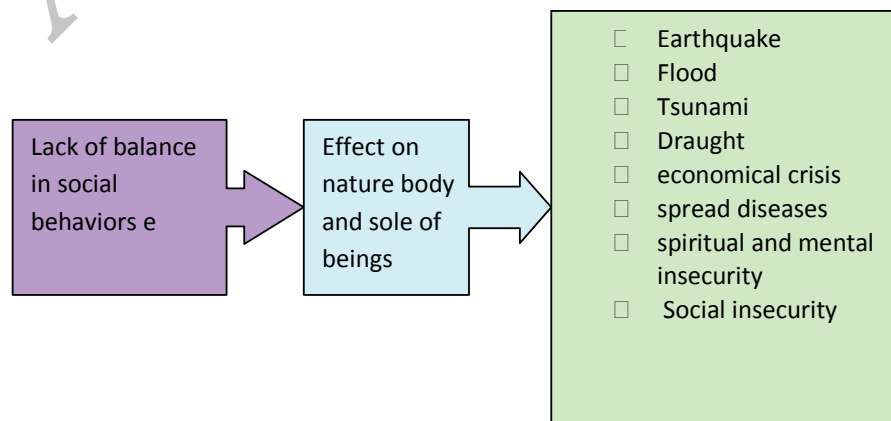


way. Imam Ali says in his lectures in NahjolBalagheh sermon:178: "I swear that God catches no nation's life comfort and grace unless they miss them themselves. Because the glorious God doesn't do injustice to his servants. If people in difficulties times appeal their God sincerely, God will return them any things that they loss and correct any corruption that they suffer from." (NahjolBalagheh, Jafari, 1999, 201).

### Confronting with cause of insecurity not with quality

One of weak points of planning of many societies against disasters and insecurities is targeting the way of confronting with disasters. Accepting disasters and confronting with them is a great defect of planning system and great deviation of getting to a "security city". Relating disaster and insecurity to nature violence or God's anger, ignoring human manners and behaviors, is an invalid observation. God who resist against the angles opposition to create human being, and then order to all angles to bow down in front of him, and call himself as the best of creators and call human as his successor on land, never impose disaster and insecurity on him. On the other hand, earth, water, wind, earthquake, flood,... are not such powerful that could make life unsafe for people, without God's permission. From religion's view point, knowing causes of disasters is a way to confront with them. Planning system should find origins of cities insecurity and then start to compile and execute necessary instructions in order to remove insecurity factors of society and then assessing their effects on city, try to spread this thought and culture in society until planning system changes from finding quality of disasters to finding their causes. In the case, planning system shall change impressively and shall prevent from costs of confronting and renovating. Divine verses consider this subject and relate thoughts manifestation and growth of science and technology to changing human behavior from bad to good. 4 planning for quality of disasters cause to deviate from correct way. Studying causes of disasters and then confronting with them shall be a correct way.

Holy Quran introduces preventing causes of insecurity as a confronting way against them. 5 Factors of cities insecurity Studying different verses and narrations has sowed that illegal manners and violations of human being is an important origin of cities insecurity. This issue is the basis of this research to compile a new framework about causes of insecurity, disasters and natural and unnatural crisis because of human manners and acts in societies. In Quran and narrations some examples of cities destruction are mentioned, some of which are related to a special city and some of them are mentioned generally. For example, God in holy Quran about causes of insecurity says that there was a full safe city that changes to an unsafe city, because of ungratefulness. "God has made up a parable about a town which had been safe, tranquil; its livelihood was brought to it comfortably from every quarter. Yet it disbelieved in God's favor, and God let it experience a pall of hunger and fear because of what they had been producing." (Quran -16, 112) and says in other verse: "We are sending a blight down from Heaven upon the people of this town because they have been acting so depraved." (Quran -29, 34). These verses introduce sins and ungratefulness as causes of insecurity and relate the events directly to human manners. Another verse says about relation of corruption and insecurity with people acts and manners: "Pollution has appeared on land and at sea because of what man's hands have accomplished, so He let them taste something of what they have earned, in order that they turn back in repentance." (Quran -30, 41). As mentioned previously, God relates causes of all individual and social disasters such as economical crisis, epidemic and non-epidemic diseases, terrorism, war and blooding, draught, earthquake, tsunami ...to the human's acts. "Any disaster that happens to you will occur because of what your own hands have earned. Yet He overlooks a great deal." (Quran -42, 30). These different types of disasters and disasters are imposed on human on the divine necessities basis. "We sent word to nations before you and seized them with suffering and hardship so that they might act submissively." (Quran -6: 42). Even in verses of holy Quran, human sins are



mentioned as causes of drying streams. "Have they not seen how many generations we wiped out whom we had established on earth before them in a way we did not establish you? We sent water down from the sky upon them in torrents and let rivers flow beneath them; and yet We wiped them out because of their offences and raised up other generations to succeed them." (Quran -6:6). So recognizing insecurity factors and removing them shall provide situation to establish a safe city.

### The most important factors of insecurity from Islam view point

- 1- planning for ominous and false goals
- 2- disorder of public discipline and wickedness
- 3- opposition with right
- 4- difference and dispersion
- 5- cruelty and injustice
- 6- avoiding spirituality
- 7- governing by oppressor and ignoble people
- 8- poverty
- 9- law breaking
- 10- falling down from humanity
- 11- debauchery and libertinism
- 12- social injustice and discrimination
- 13- lavishing
- 14- over sighting education

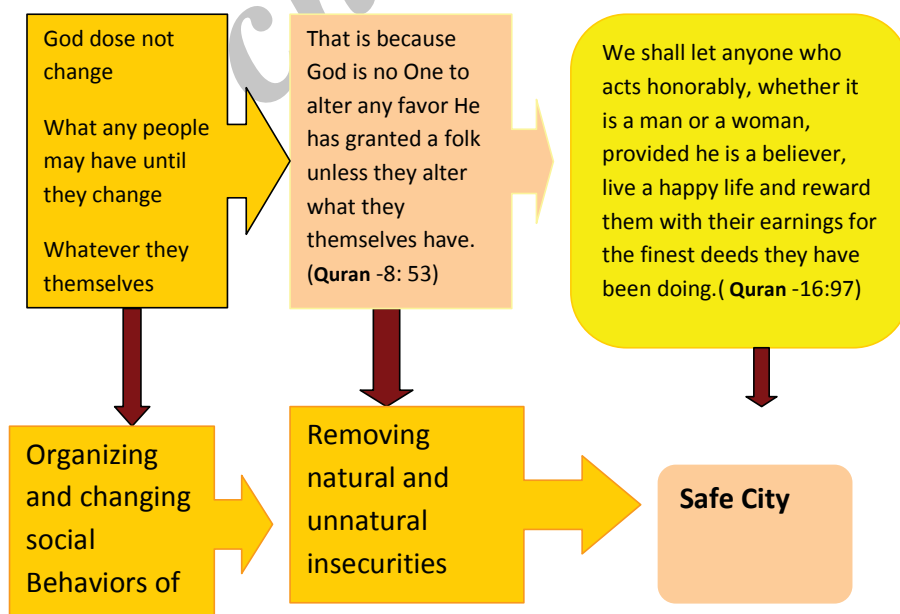
Verses and narrations related to all the above mentioned items are enclosed. Guidelines of establishing a safe city from Quran view point: Islam clearly mention observing regulations and rules of society, relying on divine law and holy Islam, as the

way of getting safety, abundance, and welfare and from Islam view point, any insecurity, disaster and difficulty results from non observing social rules. So urban planner instead of thinking about strengthening urban structures more and more, should think more about causes of natural disasters and solutions of preventing them. Cities are apparently made by architectures, but actually they never were constructors of cities. Because if they are constructors of cities, why there is so many difference between cities? Cities form by their citizens. Even though finding effect and relations between city and citizen is very difficult. Drawing indicatives of appearance of "safe city" on the social system basis, in order to effect on all urban planning dimensions, is a modern school originated from religious sociology in order to change cities and get a safe city. May this observation be unacceptable for many people but all facts shall be revealed gradually and development of "real science" shall show that science and thoughts growth and their effects on social behaviors organization, decrease of disasters and earthquake and flood dangers and increase of safety, all of them are possible by decreasing sins. These points are ignored in planning system.

### Guidelines of establishing a safe city from

#### Quran view point are as follows

- 1- fair-thinking and beatifying
- 2- target full education
- 3- having dynamism
- 4- observing justice to govern city
- 5- providing desirable house



6- having discipline and plan to design  
7- being kind, and good temper  
8- strengthening urban infrastructures and constructions  
9- governing city together with scientists  
10- fighting with poverty  
11- preventing and protecting citizens against any insecurity  
12- reinforcing social activities  
13- deepening relation of society with God

Relation of research findings with hypothesis and relation of disasters with actions and also explaining guidelines of establishing a safe city

Changing social behaviors and then combining thought and structure is the base of establishing a "safe city" and ideal city of all the world thinkers shall be appeared. Because God empowered human beings to use all favors of sky and earth. Research shows that technology developments couldn't prevent insecurity. In spite of science and technology growth and developing more accurate engineering in calculations of construction and cities, physical and fiscal casualties are increasing. One disease is treated, another new disease is spread. Social insecurities are increasing along with scientific developments. This resistance against insecurity is not resulted to decrease it. Research by virtue of Quran verses and narrations shows that any disaster, crisis and individual and social insecurity in cities, are originated from bad and ugly acts and manners of humans and societies and has no relation with natural violence. From Quran view point, human manners and nature system, has a direct relation with each other and these verses mention decrease of safety and abundance on land as the result of good acts and society's destruction as the result of bad tempers. This statement that cities insecurity is resulted from deviating from right and truth and divine religion is the only way to get safety is an unchangeable divine principle and disasters and insecurity spread in society until human behaviors and manners change. Of course this is true about individuals and any body shall be involved in physical and finance difficulties because of her/his sins. Belief in human acts effects on public events doesn't mean to deny cause and affect system in natural world. Nature is created by God and God is governor of natural rules. But any disaster which destroys organized system of the world, whether people have control on it or not, is resulted from people actions. Natural factors are only agents to execute God's order and no body or factor can hold God's will back to prevent disasters. Considering power of natural disasters and weakness of human science and knowledge, relying on human science and knowledge to resist against insecurity and disasters shall not be wisely. Natural and unnatural disasters in the world shall not be recognized and anticipated. So any times, may a disaster be imposed on human, family or a city and life's natural system shall be confused. So, there is a direct relation between people manners and disasters and insecurity. High level of crimes and sins is one of important causes of occurring natural and man caused disaster. Countries, compiling and executing rules and developing, have less physical and finance losses of natural and

man caused disaster compared with less developed countries. Drawing landscape of a safe city, with a stereotyping process in urban planning system, shall not be wisely. As according to verses of Quran, all insecurities and natural and unnatural disasters are occurred because of human actions, manners and goals. By virtue of above mentioned cases and high level of crimes and disasters, we can state that there is a direct relation between disasters and insecurity with high level of crimes. Landscapes of a safe city are drawn in verses and narrations. Human control on all beings and creatures of the world shows human situation in creation and there is possibility of establishing a safe city by human beings. From Islam view point, safety and flourishing of cities is dependant on good manners. "We shall let anyone who acts honorably, whether it is a man or a woman, provided he is a believer, live a happy life and reward them with their earnings for the finest deeds they have been doing." (Quran -16, 97). Beautification, target full education, dynamism, observing justice to govern city, desirable house, having discipline and plan to design, kindness and good temper, strengthening urban infrastructures and constructions, strengthening urban infrastructures and constructions, using scientists observations to govern cities, removing poverty, reinforcing social activities and deepening relation of society with God are some examples of proper acts and factors of establishing a safe city.

Splendid buildings, big gardens with different kinds of fruits, limpid water streams, calm weather without coldness and warmness, and a life without pain and tiredness, are some properties of a safe city. On the other hand, the world is part of paradise and afterlife. Getting main safe city shall not be possible through a dirty, dark, crowded, insecure, poor and sonic, optical and environmental polluted city. World of poverty, darkness, ignorance, hardship, lie, faithlessness, and insecurity could not be an introduction to a safe and glorified afterlife. Establishment of a safe city shall be possible only through a city with splendid buildings, green and beautiful gardens, a calm and safe, clean and fresh, light and lovely, sincere, glorified and brave city. Explaining guidelines of establishing a safe city with a sociological process, in all dimensions of urban planning, is a new thought to change structure, face and social behaviors of city. On the basis of this thought, social changes are originated from natural changes. If social changes are based on divine rules and human nature, natural changes shall be toward safety, welfare, abundance, development and evolution too. Social changes has direct relation with the world events and systems. By virtue of divine verses, providing safety for cities could not be possible through strengthening, changing construction technology, changing materials, and strengthening structures and some times has reversed results. Even though Islam doesn't deny strengthening in urban planning but believes that it has no effect on preventing disasters. From Islam view point, safety originates from people belief. Changing human behavior on the basis of Islam, increases human physical health in addition to prevent disasters and safety of cities and many incurable



diseases shall be treated and needs less experimental treatment. Some diseases has genetic origin but the same social behaviors, inherited from parents, result to special diseases. May in future some of these sciences be revealed in the world.

4 basic principles to establish a safe city are as follows:

1- Compiling engineering system of social behaviors through a divine process with attitude of applying world favors in order to develop human values and reaching divine favor, is the first step toward establishing a safe city.

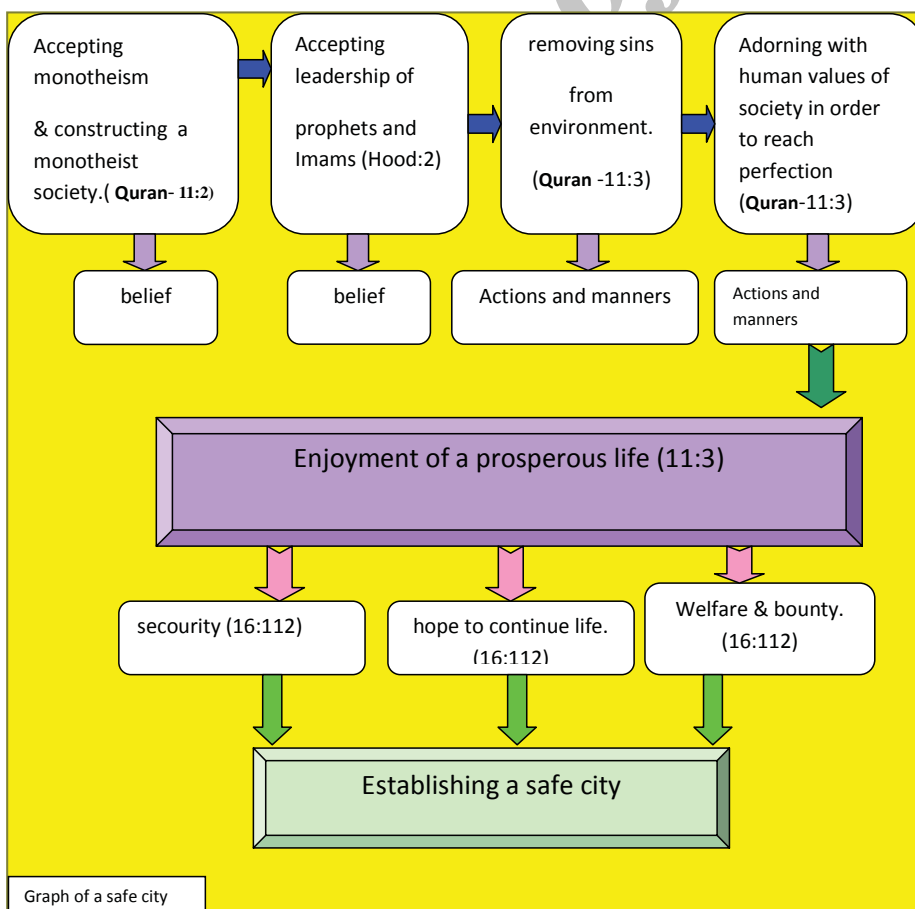
2- Combining social norms resulted from human virtues with urban space structure; in order to improve citizens' thoughts is the 2nd step to establish a safe city.

3- Designing and constructing urban spaces on the human transcendence basis, in order to provide welfare, comfort and rest for citizens to reside, pray and work and leisure times is 3rd step toward establishing a safe city.

4- Embodying relation and transaction of citizens behaviors with inanimate structure of city in Islamic architecture like as mosques and regional and educational places, splendid buildings, bazaar and residential places, leisure times spaces including gardens and big parks, for citizens' taking rest, is 4th step toward establishing a safe city.

The above mentioned principles are observations of the author

from the research on safe city. But the most beautiful part of this research is verses 2 and 3 of Houd Surah which state 4 principles of establishing a safe city clearly as follows: So that you will serve only God alone: "I am a warner, a herald from Him to you. And so you will seek forgiveness from your Lord. Then turn toward Him in repentance. He will let you enjoy a handsome allotment for a specific period, and grant His bounty to everyone possessing bounty. If you should turn away, then I fear torment of a great day for you (Quran-11, 2&3). Interpreters of Quran mentioned to this verse as 4 principles of Quran to establish a safe city. 2 1st principles related to belief and 2 last principles are related to actions and behaviors of human beings. From Islamic urban planning view point, safety is prior to other economical, social and cultural dimensions, because any development shall be possible in a safe environment. So planning to provide safety is a necessity to cities. Disasters originate from social changes and natural and man caused insecurities originate from social manners and actions. Insecurity of urban societies as natural and man caused disasters is resulted from spread of sins, violation, lawbreaking, corruption, and disobeying God. Earthquake, flood, lightening, tsunami, and other disasters, threatening cities, directly relate with the citizens behaviors. Disasters



and insecurities with natural and mankind origin are resulted from undesirable behaviors and acts of humans. Humans' manners have direct effect on nature and disturb natural discipline and cause to occurrence of these disasters.

### Note 1: The most important factors of insecurity from Islam view point

#### 1. planning for ominous and false goals

Do those who plot evil deeds feel safe that God will not have the earth swallow them up, or torment come upon them from where they do not notice it? Or lest He should overtake them as they bustle around and they cannot prevent it, or catch them so they waste away? Yet your Lord is Gentle, Merciful. (Quran -16, 45- 47)

#### 2. disorder of public discipline and wickedness

How many towns have We wiped out while they were doing wrong? Their rafters have fallen in, their wells have been abandoned, and many an [impressive palace as well. (Quran -22, 45)

#### 3. opposition with right

As for those who disbelieve, I will punish them severely in this world and the Hereafter. They will have no supporters (Quran -3, 56)

#### 4. difference and dispersion

Do not be like those who split up and disagreed after explanations had come to them; those will have awful torment (Quran -3, 105)

#### 5. cruelty and injustice

We have destroyed generations before you when they did wrong and their messengers had brought them explanations, and they would still not believe. Thus We reward criminal folk. (Quran -10, 13)

As for Tham d, they were wiped out by the Thunderbolt (Quran -hageh:5) Such cities or rural have We destroyed whenever they did wrong, and We fixed the time for their destruction (Quran -18, 59)

#### 6. avoiding spirituality

(How many towns have acted insolently towards both their Lord's and His messengers' command, so We summoned them to a stern accounting and punished them with unheard-of torment (Quran -65, 8)

#### 7. governing by oppressor and ignoble people

Do not lean on those who do wrong lest the Fire should touch you. You have no patrons besides God; otherwise you will not be supported (Quran -11, 113)

#### 8. law breaking

Those who do not judge by what God has sent down are wrongdoers! (Quran -5, 45)

#### 9. falling down from humanity

When they forgot what they had been reminded of, We rescued those who had forbidden evil while We seized those who were doing wrong with dreadful torment because they had been acting so immorally.

When they became insolent about what had been forbidden them, We told them: "Become apes who will be chased away (Quran -7, 156, 166)

#### 11. debauchery and libertinism

Pollution has appeared on land and at sea because of what man's hands have accomplished, so He may let them taste something of what they have earned, in order that they will turn back] in repentance. (Quran -30, 41)

#### 12. social injustice and discrimination

We have destroyed generations before you when they did wrong and their messengers had brought them explanations, and they would still not believe. Thus We reward criminal folk. (Quran -10, 13)

#### 13. lavishing

He it is Who has produced gardens, both trellised and untrellised, and datepalms and field crops whose food] tastes [different, as well as olives and pomegranates which are so alike and yet so unlike! Eat some of their fruit as they ripen, and give away whatever they ought to on their harvest day. Yet do not overdo things for He does not love extravagant people. (Quran -6, 141)

Then We confirmed the Promise for them, and saved them as well as anyone We wished to, and wiped out those who were dissipated. (anbia, 9)

#### 14. over sighting education

We never wipe out any town unless it has had its warners (Quran -42, 208)

Your Lord has never been the destroyer of any towns unless He had despatched a messenger to their capital city who recited Our signs to them. Nor did We ever destroy any towns unless their people became wrongdoers. (Quran -28, 59)

### Note 2: Guidelines of establishing a safe city from Quran view point are as follows:

#### 1. fair-thinking and beatifying

SAY: "Who has forbidden God's amenities which He has produced for His servants, and the wholesome things from] His [provision?" SAY: "On Resurrection Day they will be] reserved [exclusively for those who have believed during worldly life." Thus do We set forth signs for folk who know (7:32)

#### 2. providing desirable house

God commands justice, kindness and giving] their due [to near relatives, while He forbids sexual misconduct, debauchery and insolence. He so instructs you) all (so that you may draw attention to it. (Quran -16:90)

#### 3. having discipline and plan to design

We have created everything in due proportion. (Quran -54:49)

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