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Consultation **“must have for its object the investigation of truth.”**

**“The light of truth shineth from the faces of those who engage in consultation.”**

When we engage in consultation, **“that which is agreeable will of course be investigated and unveiled”** to our eyes and **“the truth will be disclosed.”**

Through consultation, we endeavor **“to arrive at unity and truth.”**

Consultation is **“the method prescribed by Bahá’u’lláh for the maintenance of unity.”**

Consultation provides us with a way to **“clarify a certain matter and bring about unity of vision.”**

Consultation allows us **“to draw out thoughts and information towards the enrichment of common understanding.”**

Consultation **“is the lamp of guidance which leadeth the way, and is the bestower of understanding.”**

Through consultation, **“the maturity of the gift of understanding is made manifest.”**

Consultation gives us **“insight into things”** and enables us **“to delve into questions which are unknown.”**

**“Consultation bestoweth greater awareness and transmuteth conjecture into certitude.”**

Consultation is **“a shining light which, in a dark world, leadeth the way and guideth.”**

Consultation **“causeth the living waters to flow in the meadows of man’s reality, the rays of ancient glory to shine upon him, and the tree of his being to be adorned with wondrous fruit.”**

Consultation **“is and will always be a cause of awareness and awakening and a source of good and well-being.”**

Through consultation, we can become **“cognizant of what is good.”**

**“The right solution will certainly be revealed”** through a consultative process.

Consultation leads us **“to the depths of each problem’** and enables us **“to find the right solution.”**

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**“With proper consultation some method is sure to be found.”**

Through consultation, **“views are exchanged and cooperation becomes possible.”**

**“Consultation paves the path of individual and collective endeavor.”**

Consultation **“attracteth the aid and bestowal of God.”**

Consultation is **“the cause of great victories.”**

Through the practice of consultation, **“the growth, progress, and enduring unity of the community are ensured.”**

The purpose of consultation **“is to show that the views of several individuals are assuredly preferable to one man, even as the power of a number of men is of course greater than the power of one man.”**

**“The process of Bahá’í consultation is designed to ensure that every believer’s voice can be heard, and his or her views considered.”**

Through consultative processes in diverse spaces, **“the community can develop as a model of the dynamic and unified social organism which humanity is seeking in this age of disorder and division.”**

Consultation plays an essential role **“in raising the community’s level of maturity and in enhancing effectiveness.”**

It is through consultation and submission to the results thereof **“that things may be properly ordered and well arranged.”**

Consultation is **“indispensable for the ordering of human affairs.”**

Consultation is **“one of the most potent instruments conducive to the tranquility and felicity of the people.”**

Without consultation, **“no welfare and no well-being can be attained.”**