



Seven attitudes have
been referred to as the
Prime Requisites:



*purity of motive,
radiance of spirit,
detachment from all else save God,
attraction to His Divine Fragrances,
humility and lowliness amongst His loved ones,
patience and long-suffering in difficulties and
servitude to His exalted Threshold.*





**What behaviors
are associated
with each of these
qualities?**



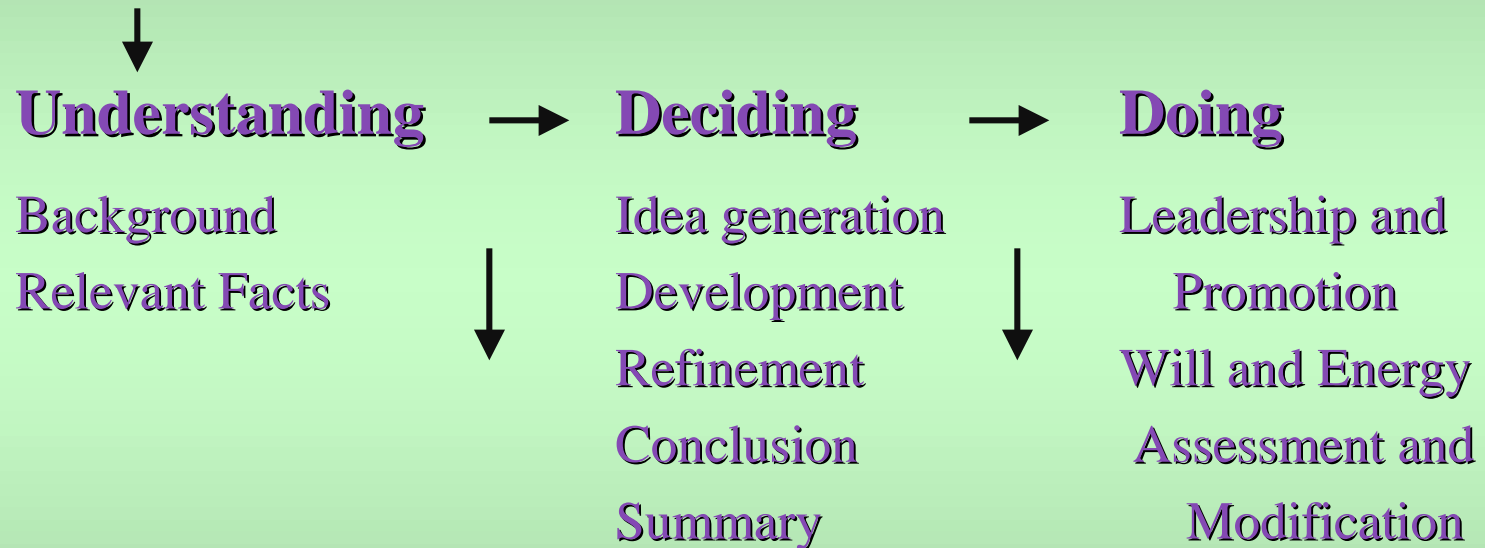
Conditions of Discussion:

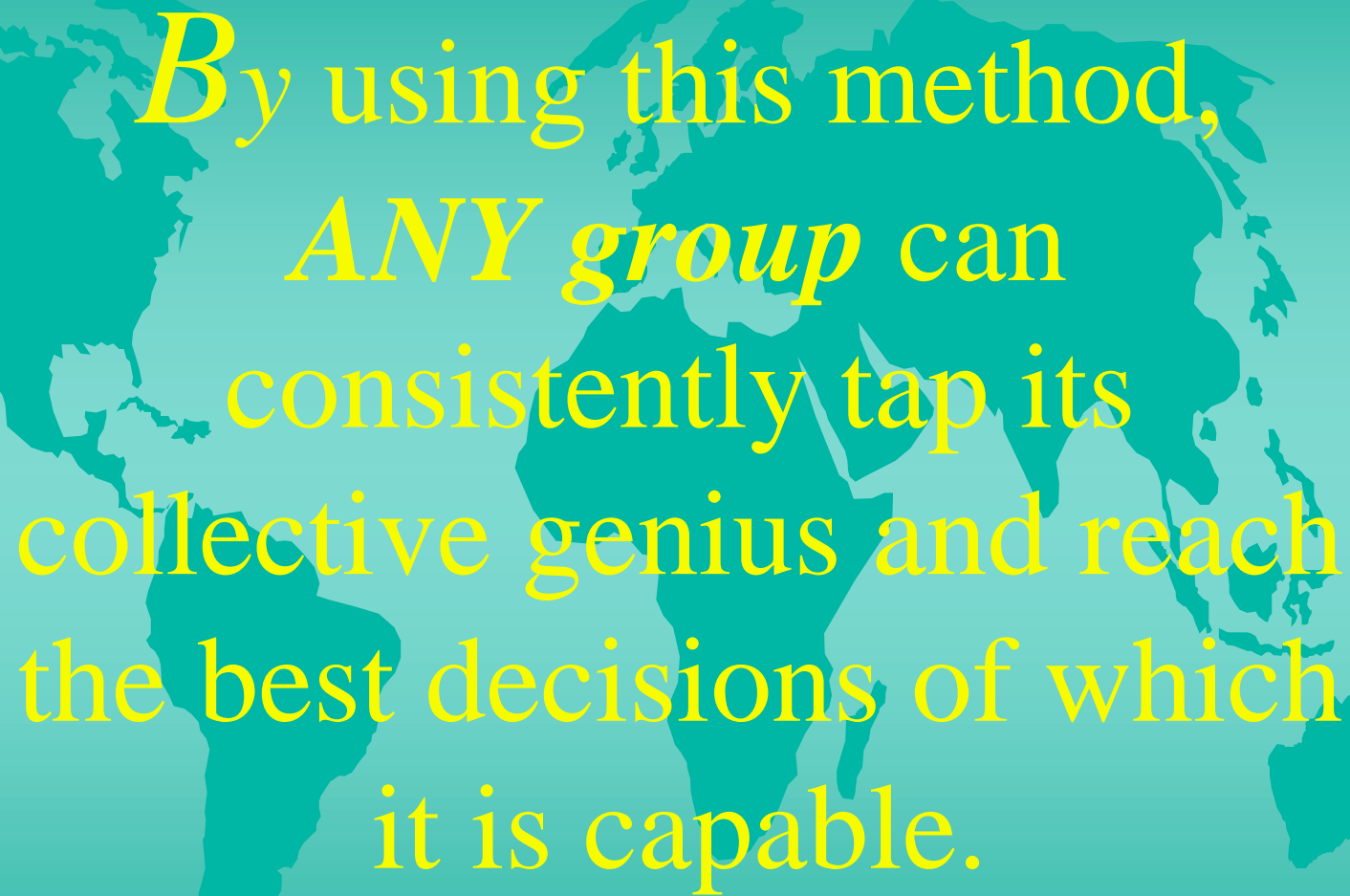
- Amity, Harmony, Trust,
- Agreed upon method of discussion,
- Common purpose and focus.



Consultative Process

Problem -- Question -- Request -- Random Thought





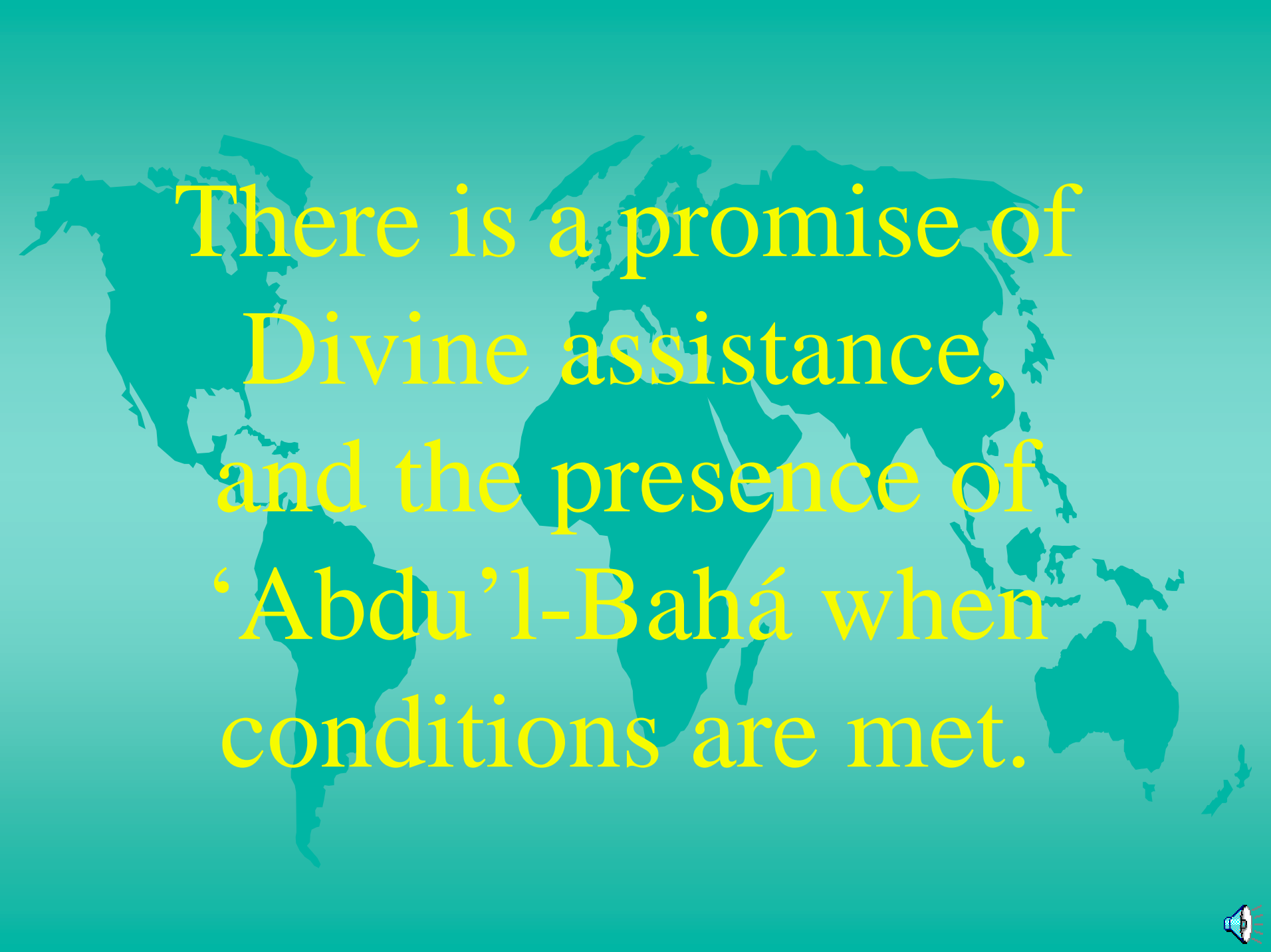
By using this method,
ANY group can
consistently tap its
collective genius and reach
the best decisions of which
it is capable.






**Spiritual
consultation
involves more.**





There is a promise of
Divine assistance,
and the presence of
'Abdu'l-Bahá when
conditions are met.





The first condition is
absolute love and
harmony amongst the
members of the
assembly.



The second condition is that the members of the assembly should unitedly elect a chairman and lay down guide-lines and by-laws for their meetings and discussions.

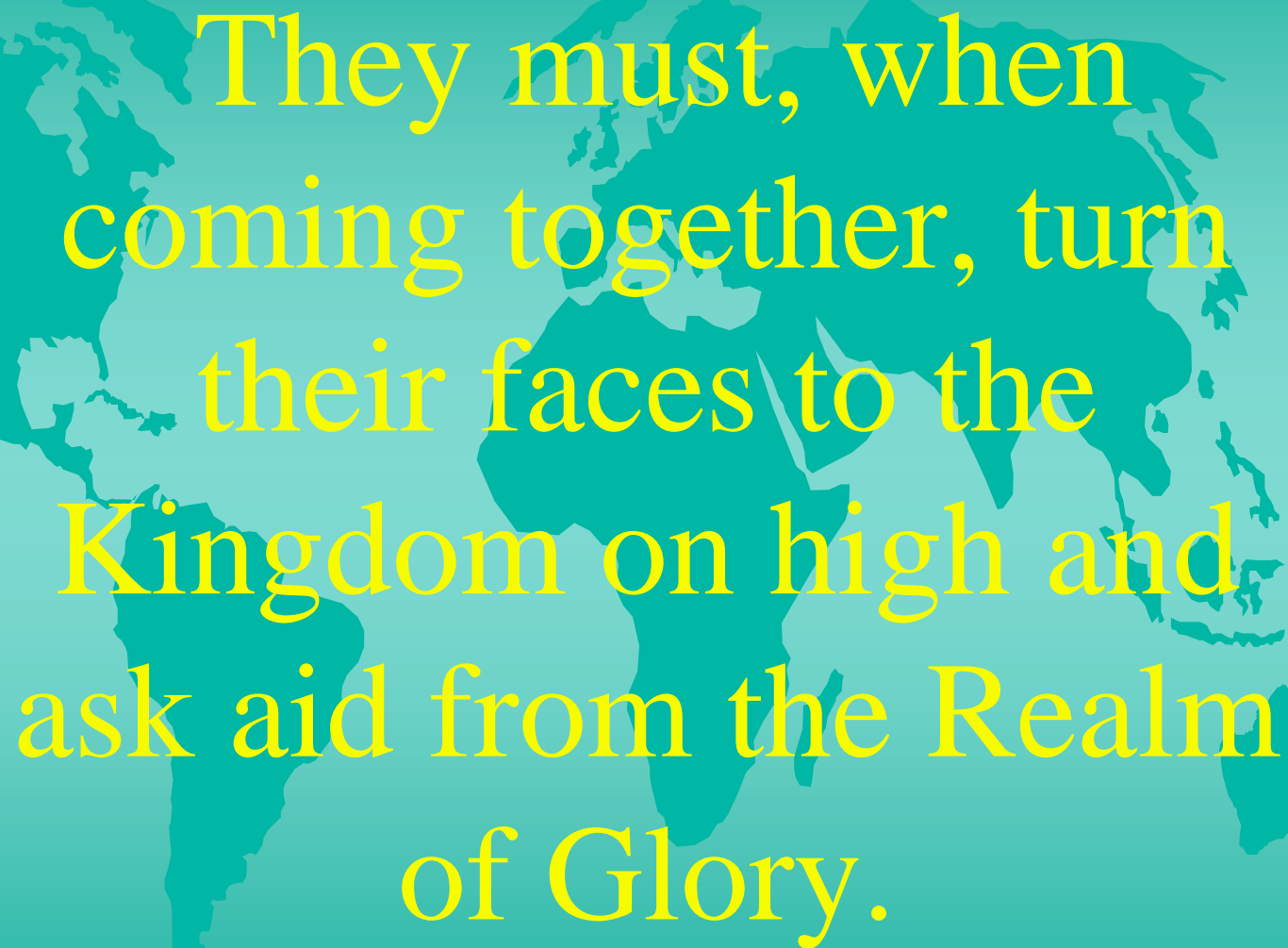


The chairman should
have charge of such
rules and regulations
and protect and
enforce them;



the other members
should be submissive,
and refrain from
conversing on
superfluous and
extraneous matters.





They must, when
coming together, turn
their faces to the
Kingdom on high and
ask aid from the Realm
of Glory.





For Bahá'ís,
consultation is
more than making
good decisions.



Purpose for Bahá'í Decisions:

- Promote unity and concord,
- Embody compassion,
- Reflect the spirit of the Writings,
- Promote the process of Entry by Troops,
- Make good decisions.



Bahá'í Summary Reminders:

- **Promote unity and concord,**
- Best Ideas come from the group,
- Follow procedures,
- Remain detached,
- Maintain courtesy and moderation,
- Listen attentively, without interrupting,
- Each one express frankly and clearly his or her own views,
- Avoid discord,
- Suspend judgment until discussion is complete.



As a result,
Bahá'ís will build
communities noted
for love, unity and
good decision-
making.



*Thank you for
contributing to the
maturation of the
wonderful gift of
Consultation.*

