

Peace cannot be attained simply by declaring that one will not attack others or by praying that others will not attack first. The establishment of peace requires unity which recognizes and understands diversity. Thus the unity of humanity must be taught through dialogue that is based on trust and understanding. In order to achieve this, an effective method for such dialogue needs to be developed.

## Bushido and Traditional Japanese Moral Education

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Nitobe Inazo wrote *Bushido* in 1900 in response to questions often asked by his colleagues and Western wife. In this work he eloquently explains the very heart of traditional Japanese moral education inculcated in samurai (and their families), referring to major “virtues” of the Japanese. Incidentally, the late Hand of the Cause of God Ruhiyih Khanum lavished her praise on the Japanese, listing the many wonderful qualities and virtues she observed on her visit to Japan in the 1970’s. This study will explore the Japanese virtues explained by Nitobe in contrast to and comparison with the Baha’i perspective on moral education.