



Process & Pilgrimage

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The One that is many

The territory of paradox

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A new vessel for holding experience

Process and pilgrimage inquiry into scientific foundation

Process and Pilgrimage is a forum exploring science and experience through their mutual illumination. It began talking to Basil Hiley about Bohm's notion of process, and Satish about pilgrimage and realising that the mathematics and the experience of journey both were saying the same thing about creating something dynamic out of a static past!

It is the particular perspective of Process and Pilgrimage that journey in some form is both an ingredient of meaningful experience, but also gives a richer organising notion to science, than the idea of a static solution of universal laws. What is exciting about Holistic Science, that it tells you both how to have a better vision of the world, but does so giving one appreciation of the zest of life!

The notion of paradox derives from the balance of living with both the scientific past and the experiential future. Henri Bortoft says in the article on the website, the challenge of paradox is not to fall down on one side of the other, of boring orthodoxy, or unintelligible imagination.

In Basil Hiley's work on process, a more ambiguous description of phenomena allows a plasticity which carries an inbuilt creativity. The question Basil is facing is how to allow a dynamic in time that lets a system organise imaginatively out of the causal certainty of historical precedent. How does something 'happen' in the acausal world that makes it different from the causal world; how does one get life that is more than a physics of objects? This seems to require a different vessel, or a different mode of experience, in which past and future can centre on something new that contains both. Rupert Sheldrake's morphogenetic field is hinting at this vessel, where this coherence can be caught and exercise an influence globally. In the Territory of Paradox, we are looking how to address this different vessel for collating experience!

What is this new vessel for experience in your field, be it social transformation, experiential inquiry, psychological insight?



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