Human Reality and Flexibility in a Totally Integrated System 2023

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Science has now revealed that reality is both materially and energetically totally connected, integrated and unified to the point of being one entity with all "parts" sharing in that identity of unification. Such completely integrated systems can be more or less fixed/rigid, or more or less flexible. In general, the larger and more open the system, the greater is its capacity for flexibility. In addition, systems that incorporate extensive "thin" components [air] provide denser and mobile components [humans] within it with the seeming option to "act" as if flexibility is virtually unlimited. Accordingly, our vast [cosmic], open [expanding universe], and overall very thin [space] reality exhibits substantial flexibility.

Humans exist in a reality – mostly defined by the flexibility limits of subsystem Earth – that is totally integrated, but that is still enormous and that allows for considerable flexibility. It is the flexibility of this reality that invites humans and all other more mobile organic phenomena to be successful acting as if they are independent entities with free will. The extraordinarily limited perception of humans as well as the nature of their languages further support this free will perspective [see essays: "The Fundamental Human Problem: Perceptual Limitation;" "Language and Reality – The Challenge"]. While this perspective is an illusion, it seems to be accurate at the relatively limited, small scale of individual, community, nation or even species activities on Earth. Still there are limits, and the threat of climate change is the current example. The ecology system of Earth is now responding in a manner that has become noticeable – to the detriment of the human species.

Humans live in a totally integrated, vast reality whose flexibility has allowed them – and all other mobile organic species on Earth – to <u>evolve</u> and live the illusion of separation and free will. But pursing that competitively oriented illusion [man has dominion over or controls nature] to its extreme has resulted in its false, basic assumption being exposed in both science and the Earth's ecology.

So, we humans should now be aware that we are living an illusion of reality that promotes our aggressive behavior among ourselves and within our supporting ecology. What do we do since it is impossible to escape this illusion that underlies our very evolution as a species? We must seek balance!! We must re-invigorate input from our intuitive faculty that connects us to our unified REAL reality, and we must support cooperation, respect, and restraint among ourselves and all species to remain easily within Earth's system flexibility limits.