



## **Morphogenetic Fields - Unstoppable Change**

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We tend to think of growth and change as evolving over time. Change is, in fact, often sudden and dramatic. The tearing down of the Berlin Wall is a good example.

The physicist Rupert Sheldrake provides a scientific interpretation of this sudden-shift phenomenon in his book, "A New Science of Life". Sheldrake introduces the notion of "morphogenetic fields" as "a new type of causal factor, [previously] unknown to the physical sciences."

"New structures appear," he elaborates, "which cannot be explained in terms of [the]...unfolding...growth of what already exists." Sheldrake and increasing numbers of other highly respected scientists believe morphogenetic fields of energy build as new people join in new thought or new behavior. What this means is, each additional drop of new consciousness and added ability makes it that much easier for many more to follow suit, until all of a sudden what ever-so recently seemed downright impossible has become feasible and fact.

Take the record-breaking runner Roger Bannister. Though most scoffed at his belief that the 4-minute mile barrier could be broken, Banner persisted through many arduous years until he finally achieved his dream. He broke the barrier of belief about presumed limits to one's physical ability.

The telling point of this story is what happened next. In the very same year Bannister had his tremendous breakthrough, so did a dozen more runners. They also achieved what no one had ever before been able to do. Now the 4-minute mile is no longer considered an insurmountable challenge to any serious runner. Morphogenesis provides the explanation.

Since thought is energy and has the power to create tangible reality, the combined thought of many people focused on a single, united objective is magnified considerably by the morphogenetic energy field that holds the vision of a new possibility. More simply put ...the more people holding a

similar vision or intention, the greater the positive impact of each additional thoughtful input. As more people join in common cause, a point is reached when there is a sudden significant shift in the thinking and actions of enough people to bring desired change into being.

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This article is based on "A New Science of Life – The Hypothesis of Formative Causation" by Rupert Sheldrake. He was one of the first to introduce the idea of morphogenetic fields: [www.sheldrake.org/intro/](http://www.sheldrake.org/intro/)

See World Gram – “The 100<sup>th</sup> Monkey Phenomenon” for a story of morphogenetic fields in action.

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