Rupert Sheldrake Quotes

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The universe is not in a steady state; there's an ongoing creative principle in nature, which is driving things onwards.

~Rupert Sheldrake

The science delusion is the belief that science already understands the nature of reality in principle, leaving only the details to be filled in.

~Rupert Sheldrake

The idea is that there is a kind of memory in nature. Each kind of thing has a collective memory. So, take a squirrel living in New York now. That squirrel is being influenced by all past squirrels.

~Rupert Sheldrake

Basically, morphic fields are fields of habit, and they've been set up through habits of thought, through habits of activity, and through habits of speech. Most of our culture is habitual.

~Rupert Sheldrake

Contemporary science is based on the philosophy of materialism, which claims that all reality is material or physical.

~Rupert Sheldrake

I went through the standard scientific atheist phase when I was about 14. I bought into that package deal of science equals atheism.

~Rupert Sheldrake

Science at its best is an open-minded method of inquiry, not a belief system.

~Rupert Sheldrake

I think that creativity depends on having sufficient indeterminacy around for a new pattern to arise up within it.

~Rupert Sheldrake

There's a certain kind of scepticism that can't bear uncertainty.

~Rupert Sheldrake

Matter is merely mind deadened by the development of habit to the point where the breaking up of these habits is very difficult.

~Rupert Sheldrake

At the moment of insight, a potential pattern of organized behavior comes into being.

~Rupert Sheldrake

I'm talking about science on the leading edge, where it's not clear which way things are going be cause we don't know, and I'm dealing with areas which we don't know about.

~Rupert Sheldrake

The fact that you can forge a twenty dollar bill doesn't prove that all twenty dollar bills are forgeries.

~Rupert Sheldrake

Most of nature is inherently chaotic. It's not rigidly determined in the old sense. It's not rigidly predictable.

~Rupert Sheldrake

Of the seven experiments, the ones that have been most investigated so far have been the pets. The dogs who know when their masters for coming home, and the sense of being stared at.

~Rupert Sheldrake

Unfortunately, at present, practically no one under thirty goes to workshops. It's a system of education entirely for the middle aged.

~Rupert Sheldrake

To describe the overwhelming life of a tropical forest just in terms of

inert biochemistry and DNA didn't seem to give a very full picture of the world.

~Rupert Sheldrake

I still say the Lord's Prayer every day. It covers a lot of ground in our relation to the world.

~Rupert Sheldrake

Because a truly skeptical position would be a very uncertain one.

~Rupert Sheldrake

Machines are designed not to be random. When you call up a word processing program on your computer, you don't want it to be different every time you call it up. You want it to stay the same.

~Rupert Sheldrake

Right now, any opinion anyone has about whether dogs can or cannot really tell when their owner is coming home by some unknown means... nobody knows. The weight of evi dence suggests they can.

~Rupert Sheldrake

If there is no randomness in the universe, then what do we mean by chaos?

~Rupert Sheldrake

I think that the 'laws of nature' are also prone to evolve; I think they are more like habits than laws.

~Rupert Sheldrake

In both religion and science, some people are dishonest, exploitative, incompetent and exhibit other human failings.

~Rupert Sheldrake

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