

## **Transformative Potential**

**Transformational Potential** shows the power of a hexagram to effect global change when its message has been fully taken into awareness. It lets you seize the deep goal of the hexagram you are working with, and it particularly useful when there are no transforming lines indicated in a reading. It is found by changing all of the lines of a hexagram into their opposites and connecting the Nuclear Figures of the hexagram in question and the hexagram that indicates its transformative potential.

The idea for this Tool comes from the strange “extra” lines added to the top of the two Primal Figures, 1 Inspiring Force/Dragon/Heaven and 2 Field/Realizing/Dark Animal Goddess/Earth. They describe what happens when *all* the lines of a hexagram are changing or transforming.

In Figure 1 Inspiring Force/Dragon/Heaven this is called Availing of the Nines or the global power of yang as it transforms to yin. Here, it says, if we visualize the flock of Dragons or lines without using a head or leader the Way opens, for the power and virtue of Heaven does not permit trying to lead or direct things now.

In Figure 2 Field/Realizing/ Dark Animal Goddess/Earth this is called Availing of the Sixes or the global power of yin as it transforms to yang. Here we are told that there can be a perpetual Harvest if we use this to complete or bring out what is truly Great.

Here is an example of how this perspective can amplify and deepen a reading. I asked a question to Change about how we can best read the answers it gives us.

Question: What would you (Change) like to say to us about reading your answers to our questions?

Answer: 3, 9/1 > 8: Hexagram 3 Sprouting with a Transforming Line in the first position, producing the Relating Figure 8 Grouping.

This is the global change involved in truly embracing the new way of Change set out in the Guideways:

- **Transformational Potential:** 3 Sprouting fulfills its transformational potential through a global change to 50 Vessel. This gives you the ability to strip away past patterns (23) and decisively part from the past (43).

Here we see that the full potential of the new way of understanding Change and facing the difficulties involved in such a radical change of our perception is the creation of a new Sacred vessel (50 Vessel/Ding) that reconnects Heaven and Earth, a new spiritual paradigm. This great shift empowers our ability to strip away all our old patterns of thought and truly part from the pain and sorrow of the past.