



# THE LOVE WHICH **MOVES** THE SUN AND THE OTHER STARS

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## “The love which moves the sun and the other stars”

Insights on the Theme

**There is a force that sets the entire universe in motion**, from subatomic particles to galaxies. It is not a force that crushes or dominates, but one that attracts and harmonizes, that moves forward without violence, that guides without coercion. It is love as the dynamic principle of the cosmos, the energy that holds everything together and drives it toward fulfillment.

This intuition addresses us with particular urgency today, as we live fragmented within digital bubbles that isolate rather than connect us. In a world where algorithms decide what we see and whom we meet, **rediscovering love as a force that moves** and transforms becomes a radical challenge.

It means recognizing **that reality is not static chaos, but carries within itself a direction**, a dynamism that pushes us beyond ourselves.

**The great questions of our time thus take on a different perspective.** The conflicts tearing the world apart are not unchangeable destinies: they betray that propulsive force which could instead generate reconciliation, setting peoples trapped in hatred back on the move. Artificial intelligence, while simulating our behaviors, forces us to ask what truly sets us in motion as human beings: the capacity to love without self-interest, to let ourselves be moved by gratuitousness. Politics and economics, inspired by this dynamic, can once again serve the common good: not only as ideal principles, but as concrete expressions in people’s lives.

For 46 years, **the Meeting has embodied this continuous movement.** It is an intense journey where people meet, pass through experiences, build together, allow themselves to be challenged and transformed. It is not an escape from everyday life, but its first fulfillment: in a few days, that restless search for truth and beauty is condensed, and then continues throughout the year, setting entire lives back in motion. Each edition becomes both a secular pilgrimage and a shared workshop, where encountering the other shifts us, moves us forward toward that fullness which all of us, consciously or not, desire.

Where does this force that moves reveal itself today? In the most unexpected places: in the perseverance of those who continue to educate when everything seems to be collapsing; in the creativity of those who generate beauty where decay reigns; in tenderness toward the least, which challenges our priorities; in the audacity to believe that an enemy can become a friend again, that blocked relationships can be unlocked. **Not sentimentalism, but testimonies of life and concrete experiences** where love reveals itself as the energy that sets in motion what seemed dead.

Meeting 2026 seeks **to verify whether this driving force truly is the key** to reading reality and living it fully. A love that does not flatten differences but makes them dance together, that does not paralyze but draws toward movement, that pushes us beyond ourselves so that we may find ourselves enlarged. A force that can move us and, through our actions, set a world that seems to have come to a halt back on its journey.

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