SEGNI DEL GIUBILEO

Giubileo della famiglia carismatica orionina

PEGRIN

Pellegrinaggio - Pilgrimage

The jubilee asks us to set out and overcome certain boundaries. When we move, in fact, we do not just change a place, but we transform ourselves. Therefore, it is important to prepare oneself, plan the route, and know the destination. In this sense, the pilgrimage that characterizes this year begins before the journey itself; its starting point is the decision to make one. The route is built progressively: there are various itineraries to choose from, places to discover; situations, catechesis, rites, and liturgies; traveling companions allow one to be enriched with contents and new perspectives. Contemplation of creation is also part of all this and is an aid to learning that caring for it 'is an essential expression of faith in God and obedience to his will.' (Papa Francesco).

'Man moves! The great steam engine that makes him boil the blood is the heart! On fine evenings, in the blue of the firmament I turn to the stars, O Lords, to the stars that shine and dance in the harmony of the heavens and run after each other. And where do you run to, I say, where are you going? And seems to answer me: in a law Harmonious and eternal, we go seeking God!

Man, man also, O Lords, as he goes away from God, he lights up and goes! He runs; he flies seeking God! The social classes are stirred up; or, like a wave pressed on by the waves, the hearts of peoples, go seeking God. 'You have created us for You, and our heart is restless, until it rests in You'. Hearts seek happiness, and happiness is in God! Beautiful is this race to perfect oneself in the perfection that is God!' (don Orione)

This jubilee year reminds us that our whole life is a pilgrimage towards the final destination, heaven. Help us, Lord, to understand the importance of preparing ourselves for this journey and to know clearly the destination. Give us the determination and courage to set out, a journey that does not mean simply changing location, but going out of ourselves to meet others. Teach us to overcome diversity and obstacles, to seek unity and peace.

With your help, convert us and transform us. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, made man to reveal your love to us. Amen.