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“One of the principal challenges of the remaining years of this century is to explore, generate and validate alternative modes of community, work, education and individual growth. In the generation of alternatives we must encounter face to face many of humanity’s deepest and oldest core beliefs – beliefs that in shaping our ideas of ourselves and the world have also intervened in our destiny. The periodic examination of core beliefs is an essential part of man’s search to discover his role in the cosmos, a search that began before the first tool was fashioned or the first poem was uttered. In our search we must identify and protect that which nurtures humanity, identify and restructure that which can be adapted to the service of humanity, and identify and dismantle that which threatens or oppresses humanity. Although this search has led to plateaus of partial attainment where mankind properly paused for reintegration, there may never be a final summit. If not, dedication to an unending search is not the entrance to a Sisyphean hell, but rather the discovery of that blend of confidence and humility that tunes our own pulse to the pulse of the universe. Ultimately, in the process of searching for his cosmic role, man will have created one – the role of the searcher. This role is certainly dignified enough and challenging enough for man until his true role be found. The role of searcher is indeed dignified enough and challenging enough for all time, if no other role is ever found .”

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