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Resurrection

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Come breathe life
Into words

Words are stones
When in exile

Those not owned by poets
Remain lifeless and limp
in isolation,
Not able to change sides
They are fossilized

Not so, the dogs ...
Uprooted from the street
With their instinct to survive
They teeter and totter
And yet again, acquire
territorial rights
They grow roots and
Reconnect with hearts of gold

Harnessed and steered
by the throb of memory
of their past, they ride
vibrant waves of the present

Like them
Come, get on the saddle
Reach out to those
Still words, rocks of silence
That lie in wait

Awaken them
Into dreams of a universe

Of one creation, one life,
Of poems with

Humans, animals and plants
All connected
None in exile.