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To my family, who taught me about passion

Remember, Paul, it is passion that makes the world go round. [...] In the absence of passion the world would still be void and without form. Think of Don Quixote. Don Quixote is not about a man sitting in a rocking chair bemoaning the dullness of La Mancha. It is about a man who claps a basin on his head and clambers onto the back of his faithful old plough-horse and sallies forth to do great deeds.

J.M. Coetzee, *Slow Man*

