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>> All right, I'm here with Sergei Volkov, cosmonaut extraordinaire.

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He's the Commander of Expedition 17.

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Now you're on Expedition 28 and Expedition 29 and I have never flown in space without you.

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>> Yeah, we flew together always.

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>> And you've never flown in space without me.

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[inaudible] What, only five months?

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That's not that long.

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Okay so welcome to Cupola Corner.

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Here we are at the Cupola of the International Space Station.

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And Sergei, we've talked about this before and you know when we look at the Earth

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and we see the Earth from up here, you know it's a very special experience and you know,

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we've called it orbital perspective,
to look down at the Earth

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and see that you know we're just one planet
and everybody living together on this planet.

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And I wanted to ask you if you could explain,
to the people watching on Fragile Oasis here,

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what it means to you, this orbital perspective.

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>> First of all when you look
out of the window at Earth

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and you can see how thin the
atmosphere, how deep is the Earth.

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And you can, sometimes you can
barely see the [inaudible] and very,

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very small layer of atmosphere that
keeps our life under this safe world.

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That always reminds me how
fragile life on the Earth.

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And that I always keep in my mind and I've
been keep it in my mind since my first flight.

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Now I just through every Earth orbit, we can see this occur.

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>> So you've been on a spacewalks.

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You had a spacewalk on this expedition and you do a number of spacewalks in June

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on expedition 17 so when you're out there in the vacuum of space and you're looking

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down at the Earth, I mean what goes through your mind there?

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You know when you see this beautiful planet in front of you, what do you think about?

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>> I'm thinking about, let's say Earth is down and space is up and there under my feet is life.

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Life we are living and every creature and there above me nothing.

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Is no life there because honestly I've never seen UFO and I'm not believer.

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I think, this dark is really dark.

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There's nothing there.

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Life is only there on the Earth.

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>> You know we've talked about
how you know we're up here

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and we have this very privileged view of
the Earth, you know, this very special view

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of the Earth and it makes us feel that
you know we're all in this together.

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We're all sharing this planet.

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Do you think though that you have to be in space
to have that feeling and how can we as people

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who get, as astronauts and cosmonauts who get to
see this, how can we use this view that we see

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to inspire people to make
a difference on our planet?

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>> I think we need to do for this is talk
with people from a view now spaceflight,

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maybe more important, talk with them after
we return when our memory is still fresh,

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very fresh and you feel it when you talk it.

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And people feel from you how this is a reality.

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And I think when you tell
them about it, show pictures

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or video, this I think the best promote.

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>> Okay, all right, well Sergei, thank you.

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Well I'll take this opportunity because
I'm leaving in a week and a half

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so we've been together for
a couple months up here.

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We were together when you were on
Expedition 17 and I was on STS-124.

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00:04:07,510 --> 00:04:08,190
>> It's great.

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00:04:08,190 --> 00:04:10,990
>> It's been a great honor
and great fun flying with you.

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I just can't thank you enough for everything
that you've done while you're up here.

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It's really been wonderful
and I'm looking forward

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to seeing you back on our great planet Earth.

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>> Me too.

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>> All right.

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[laughter] Bless you.

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>> Bless you.