

# A Word to the Wise

## Skyclad

From far outside  
Earth's fragile atmosphere  
It's clearly apparent that the end is near  
The sleeper awakens and removes  
His golden casque  
Vital signs return to his quiescent craft.  
He is truth - a word to the wise  
Gods children are so young  
They cannot realise  
The difference between extinction  
And life is now only a matter of time.  
In the beginning was the knowledge  
He had carried far across  
The great unknown  
millennia have passed since he walked  
On the savannah where the seeds  
Of life were sown.  
Yet even deep in slumber he could hear  
His children blunder to destruction  
The caretaker of creation placed a fail-safe  
At the heart of his construction.  
Technologies intended  
As mans slaves mutated  
Now they are his masters  
The trust they place in progress  
Only serves to bring  
The last days nearer faster.  
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And life is now only a matter of time.  
I can see the oceans  
Stagnant and overflowing  
Filled with man made waste discharged  
From my cosmic auditorium  
I view this crematorium  
That is your world at large  
My ears hear the wailing of your children

In a future close at hand  
Just as it was before - so it may be again  
(If you don't try to understand)...  
The seas will rise before your very eyes  
Until they swallow up the land  
If your polar ice caps melt  
The cards are dealt  
And you have died by your own hands  
I will never help you while you still persist  
In acting like you're blameless  
I would rather let your species die forgotten  
So your folly remains nameless.  
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And life is now only a matter of time.  
"When to mischief mortals bend their will  
How quick they find the instruments of ill."

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