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Apology to MW #117 (For March 26, 1997)

Join me in Earth orbit, and take a moment from your day.
The Earth adrift in moonlight, the sun and comets holding sway.
The stars are bright in brilliant night, as keen and sharp as knives,
Below the =91man=92 completes small plans =96 culture=92s artifacts=
contrived. .

Out here the stars make bracelets of a woman=92s shadowed form.
They outline shapes in curvy norms unconfined and un-conformed.
These pictures don=92t transgress your happiness, they are the stuff of
you,
And in them lives a consciousness that your conscience knows is true.

You are your brother=92s keeper as you watch the whole earth spin.
Part of something wholesome, you must question where you=92ve been.
The Earth is living, breathing =96 you can see its respiration.
The clouds pump watching living water; there really is no question.

There are some futile fly specks that conspire on the surface.
They paint themselves as creation=92s lords as they fry us in their
furnace.
They pump their toxins endlessly in their programmed obsolescence.
They tell welcome lies to their consumers who are fawning acquiescence.

They mewl, and pule their centrist dogma, these whitebread men of note.
Entrenched in what=92s *convenient* they have their answers learned by
rote.
The Earth is being poisoned, say EVERY ONE of my professors,
But still we buy the boat, that car =96 or an air conditioned dresser.

Go back in time =96 3000 years, the period of Chuck=92s comet <g>.
Excuse time slop, it=92s not the point =96 (misdirection makes me vomit).
See the Earth without brown tinge. See it healthy, green and verdant?
See the belts of life=92s diversity, all biospheres concurrent?

See how life renews itself? It can spring back from an asteroid!
But lately we have made it ill, and made ourselves its hemorrhoid.
We four wheel down her soft sides, we butchered bison herds. . .
We *develop* needed marshlands, our demise now undeterred.=20

And the watching folks from *outside* are, in deep dismayed distress,
They continue observation. They record our sad excess.
They got it all, and we will find -- with it=92s contents shared
perchance,
How wrong we were, short sighted, mean =96 how we blew our every chance.

We=92ll know regret, not now if then, at missing opportunity.

At mixing up priority, and destroying continuity.
If you=92d do unto others what you=92d have done unto you
Then continue education; be smarter, straighter, true.

Because you=92re pissing Earth off with your single serving cola,
She struck back with AIDS, and she stabs with Ebola.=20
We=92re not needed to continue her plans;
She=92d toss us right out on our ample round cans!

Man, *big and strong*, thinks he knows, understands.
He thinks he can thwart, or ignore his own glands.
He thinks he has worked out designs of his Gods,
But is fooling himself -- is in fact a grand clod.=20

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"It=92s the age of information"! (Best be humble . . .).
"Man has found his place =96 Creation=92s crown"! (Oh please. . .).
"Man=92s mastered his environment"! (Feel a searing wince of shame. . .).
"Hail the glory of the Human"! (Then be shoved to humble knees!).

But that=92s down below in this Earth that we orbit.
A planet of water, alive and aware.
And what are we really but self aware water.
Water that hurts when not water that=92s shared.

Water that reaches to inky black skies;
Water that would move off of this rock.
Water that mixes its oils and then paints;
Water capable of taking sound stock!

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And we are but that water that can orbit the skies.
We can do then what=92s right -- be a watcher=92s surprise.
We can spend money used for pedicured feet.
To raise folks up in learning -- make them welcome on our streets!=20

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The entire globe would benefit if incandescent light bulbs, if not
outlawed altogether, were nailed with a heavy usage tax. . .Move over
completely to fluorescent. . . Power availability would increase (no
more brownouts), price would go down (the meter master freaks) =96 and
30,000 starving children might get a god-damned bowl of rice with a
textbook, instead of slipping miserably into their welcomed deaths every
day of our pampered lives.=20

Just heard this on CNN. Americans spend 6 BILLION dollars a year on
diets that DO NOT WORK.=20

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from
afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, shouted from the
fundamentalist's stake.

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