

Descendancy

I fathered one child,
she has birthed two more new lives,
when will my line end?

if my clan extends,
descendants may witness our
planet's final days

my heirs will suffer
Earth's certain calamities
through millennia

untold extinctions
will spawn subspecies of us
—life will find a way

countless known unknowns
await the hapless creatures
I caused to exist



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