

# *THE BLINK OF AN EYE*

by Jack Warshaw © 2021

Jack sings this at [youtu.be/SeGBMCS0QA4](https://youtu.be/SeGBMCS0QA4)

Our ancient race, born from dust, is outrunning its prime  
Roaming the earth, increasing in number and time  
Chief among beings and things, beasts and birds on the wing  
How could we know how soon we would grow, as time starts to fly  
Bound for extinction, not thinkin' of slippin' away  
[In the blink of an eye](#)

A million years passed, we crawled, stood up, and fought  
For Masters of the Universe, or so we once gave a thought  
Hunters, gatherers, planters and reapers  
Sharing rewards in the fruits of earth, sea and sky  
Bound for extinction, not thinkin' of slippin' away  
[In the blink of an eye](#)

Millenia passes, while progress is gathering pace  
The haves must put down the have-nots in a murderous race  
The plunder of fire from deep in the earth has blackened the sky  
The seas are a-rising, the planet is dying, lawmakers denying,  
refusing to understand why  
Bound for extinction, not thinkin' of slippin' away  
[In the blink of an eye](#)

It soon comes to pass, Mother Earth can no longer revive  
If nothing is done to change how we live out our lives  
If eagle and dove would really choose love, we'd still have a chance  
Wake up from the trance, take a new stance, reach out for the prize  
Bound for extinction, not thinkin' of slippin' away  
[In the blink of an eye](#)

They talked and they talked, hundreds and hundreds years more  
And someone remembered the order they once thought they swore  
“Let the rich man live and the poor man bust  
Let them choke in the air or drown in the chemical tide.”  
Bound for extinction, not thinkin' of slippin' away  
[In the blink of an eye](#)

But the rich men too went bust as the earth quickly dried and turned to a crust  
And they couldn't stop the oceans to boil and the sky to catch fire  
And the sun fades to black for the very last time  
The end of the game or the end of the line it's the same when there's no use to cry  
Lost to extinction, not thinkin' of slippin' away  
[In the blink of an eye](#)