

## All Life Ends

### At the Gates

My life fades, my visions dim  
all that remains are memories  
I remember a time of chaos  
time of war  
as men began to feed on man  
only the scavengers survived  
gone now, swept away  
for reasons long forgotten  
touched of a blase  
which engulfed them all  
a firestorm of fear  
the answer is written in their bones  
all life ends  
I remember an old man  
gripping my wrist, he was dying  
"imagine", he said  
"looking into the eyes of a nova,  
the bursting flames, the roar of it's energy  
frintly echoing down the corridors of time,  
whispering: all life ends  
"death, he said "is like a bolt of lightning,  
Light cast upon every secret,  
just for a moment, till the last spark of life fades  
and all is dark..."  
then he breathed out his last breath into my ear  
his gaze already way out among the stars...  
among the ruins of the past  
I shelter from the storm  
my mind is numb from the loneliness  
and the rain that never stops  
this wasteland, once a beautiful place  
where trees and flowers grew  
where deer, and squirrels had their home  
now rotting are their bones  
Where raging waters grind the earth  
I go to end my days  
the sea that witnessed mankinds birth  
shall watch us die again  
black and deep,  
empty of life  
as in the heaven so below  
the sun has now forever set  
and bids our time to go  
I am tired  
and I fear not  
the cold that now descends  
as light grows dim, I bid farewell  
all life ends  
I am leaving now, my body stiff  
just watching for a while  
that rigid shell, so small and weak  
a corpse on a broken cliff  
the stars are calling me now  
with distant, speechless voices  
and caught by a wind I drift away  
and nothing calls me to stay...  
I am ridint the wind that has no name,

the fire that burns without a flame  
caught by the spell on which all depends,  
all life ends  
the answer is written in my bones,  
all life ends