

The Great Dying, Pt. 2

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Over 100 million years ago, a lot of living creatures kicked the bucket.

It was pretty sad.

But now — guess what? We've set the stage for a bigger — and better! — event.

Peak oil.

Unsustainable infrastructural debt — you like that concept? owed-from-before updates to institutions . . . think of it as a really, really full “IN” box.

Overpopulation. (Resource drain, and people walkin' round who “ain't raised right!”)

1/5 of the global economy is black-market; cartels all but *rule* Mexico, and that's *obvious!* (By now . . . other countries, hello? Russia? Malaysia? You wanna guess?)

Lockheed-Martin's a planet; there's other planets, sure, but most of us have a *micro-economy* to play with . . . “Have fun, kiddies! Use these Legos and building blocks.”

Focus on it.

“Great! Great. I got your message . . . yeah, it's a little long. It's 140 *words*, not characters . . . yeah, Tweet length, that's what we're paying you for . . . How 'bout, ‘SAVE THE PLANET, DICKHEADS’? ‘DON'T PARTY TOO HARD’? Nah, not at *these* rates — What? What's that you say? ‘KEEP COOL, BUT CARE’? Sounds good! *That's* the sort of original work we're paying you for . . . Say, you didn't get that from a *novel*, did you?”

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