

Simple, everyday observations

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Kiddo

Why do you have to be so cute?
With you sneaker lights blinking,
Innocent curiosity,
Eager energy, adorable face,
Blonde hair and big sweet eyes,
Ruddy cheeks...
Mom seems happy
And content
Carrying you around
Admired by all.
Dad looks tired but
Fulfilled to have you by his side.

Storehouse of genes
Passed through the ages
Striking features from mom and dad
Perpetuating the human race.
Warms my heart to see you;
Is it enough to watch at a distance -
Removed from deeper contact
And love,
And the ultimate aim
Of biological drive?

Exponential reproduction -
Does anyone care?
Population crisis -
What about those adorable faces?
What to do with them,
But love them so much,
Knowing there is not enough
Capacity to sustain all of us?
Biological desires evolve to fit
Ecological needs
In the face of such great travesty
For Mother Earth and all universal
Life.

Can I continue to conjure
great love for all living things?
In the face of flatline reproduction

Maybe it's nature's way of saying, 'Hey.
I've had enough!
Who can help me find a way,
Or come to terms with
Your cute face,
Appreciating it from afar
As a stranger in passing -
Giving a smile,
A willing heart, and
Love all humanity like
My own child?