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A cry in the night, engulfed by moon's shadow,
Secrets untold glide through on night's arrow
As a starry blanket drapes the sky,
Awake and alive are the animals of the twilight.

Fear not the restless echoes of the jungle,
The snake's silent belly followed by the mongoose's muffled shadow.
The still steps of a mother quietly on the prowl,
The lost souls, stolen by the night's owl.
It speaks and says, "Fear not the life of the twilight.
The coal eyes of the jungle only live within."

Listen as it speaks.
Its pulse grows weaker and thin
It yearns to tell the story of a secret life
It pleads for you to hear the sound of its dying soul within,
The legend it speaks grows short and slim.

As the silver screen of the day creeps,
And its golden brazen rays scratch upon its darkened skin
Listen as the youth of the light is born as the cry of twilight disappears.
Into a solemn domain the creatures of the night wait,
Wait for their ebony blanket of glittering lights to warm them once again.
Forever will the two chase each other,
One step ahead yet infinitely behind.
It waits,
As the sun sets on a world that never ceases.