



An Indifference of Birds

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The story of human history —from a bird's eye view

History isn't so much about the passage of time as the study of change—how did we get from then to now, from there to here? To write the history of birds and people, you can look at how they've changed us, or you can look at how we've changed them. This book seeks to do the second thing; this is a book about our place in *their* history.

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