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### **"Five Friends"**

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Got this chain letter in the mail,  
A get-rich scheme that couldn't fail.  
I knew it was legal, you see;  
It was signed by an attorney,  
And this is what he said to me:

If you can find five friends  
Who can find five friends  
Who can find five friends  
Who can find five friends -  
Think of all the money  
You'll be able to spend.

Got myself some preferred seating  
At this opportunity meeting.  
They said they weren't selling soap;  
They thought of it as selling hope.  
I was drowning - they threw me this rope:

If you can find five friends  
Who can find five friends  
Who can find five friends  
Who can find five friends -  
Think of all the money  
You'll be able to spend.

Got this Nigerian e-mail,  
Another scheme that couldn't fail.  
Didn't question the legality

Or the man's nationality.  
At least he didn't say to me:

If you can find five friends  
Who can find five friends  
Who can find five friends  
Who can find five friends -  
Think of all the money  
You'll be able to spend.

Now, I'm not the kind of guy  
To let my problems multiply,

So .....

I joined this folkie twelve-step program  
To save me from the next new scam  
My new-found hope was fast-fleeting  
When at the very first meeting  
They all hit me with this greeting:

If you can find five friends  
Who can find five friends  
Who can find five friends  
Who can find five friends -  
Think of all the money  
You'll be able to spend.

If something doesn't work soon,  
It looks like I'll have to.

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