

My Friend

You were a friend to me for years
We shared our dreams, our joys and tears.
A friend to me you were indeed,
A friend who helped me when in need.

My faith in you was strong and sure; We had such trust as should endure. No spats between us ever rose, Our friends were like -- and so, our foes.

What sadness then, my friend, to find That after all, you weren't so kind The day my life on earth did end I found you weren't a faithful friend.

For all those years we spent on earth; You never talked of second birth. You never spoke of my lost soul And of the Christ who'd make me whole!

I plead today from hell's fierce fire And tell you now my least desire --You cannot do a thing for me; No words today my bonds will free But, do not err, my friend, again --Do all you can for souls of men.

Plead with them now quite earnestly Lest they be cast in hell with me!

.... Unknown