

## Five Seconds Left to Live

five seconds to live  
asleep, the usual dreams  
not a care, all's well

four seconds to live  
I'm falling! ... is this a dream?  
panic jolts slumber

three seconds to live  
deafening roar, chaos whelms  
what is happening?

two seconds to live  
no! this can't be real! stop! help!  
is this how I die?

one second to live  
final breath crushed from my chest  
death's abyss ... the end



Photo credit: CNN

Condo collapse, Surfside, Florida, 24 July 2021, 1:30 a.m.

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