

The Process

Kirk Franklin

Let it Go

My mama gave me up when I was four years old
She didn't destroy my body but she killed my soul
Now it cold cause Im slipping in my back seat
I understand the spirits willing but my flesh is weak (let me speak)
Never had a chance to dream 10 years old and finding love in dirty magazines
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Ms December remember I bought you twice
Now I'm 30 plus and I'm still paying the price

Had a sister that I barely knew
Kind of got separated by the age of two
Same mama different daddy

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Saw my sisters daddy beat her naked
Taking serious the Demonds in a mans mind
The same man with rape charges now he's doing timeÂ
Crack followed and like daddy prison 13 years
Haven't seen her cause she's traded tears for fears

Shout shout let it all outÂ
these are the things I can do without
So come on (come on)Â
Now I'm talking to you so come on

Sex was how I made i throughÂ
I wasn't the one to teach with love but said this one ought to do
See where I'm from the call you gay say you ain't a man
Show em you aint no punk get all the girls you can
This simple plan even hunts me even now todayÂ
Back to 17 and got a baby on the wayÂ
Well dear God all I see is failure in my eyesÂ
If your listening and remember I apologizeÂ

I was raise all in a churchÂ
Made mistakes and heard the Lords Â cold ...
after service on the parking lot getting highÂ
wanting to be accepted so bad i was willing to die
Even thrived to tell the pastor but he couldn't see
Years of low self-esteem and InsecurityÂ
Church taught me how to stop and speak in tongues
Preacher teach me how to live when the tongue is doneÂ

CHORUS + (repeat soul survivor, soul survivor until next verse)

Jesus please I'm on my knees can't you hear my crying
You said to put it in your hands and lord I'm really tryingÂ
You wasn't lying when you said you reap what you sowÂ
Like that night mama died It's hard to let it go
You adopted me cared for me changed my name
But I cursed at you lied you and left you painÂ
It's now strange I can still see it in my head
To know how it was lying dead in that bedÂ
If your listening to this record day or night
If you mama is still living treat your mama rightÂ
Don't be like me and let that moment slip awayÂ

And be careful because you can't take back what you say
To my real mama if your listening I'm letting it go
To my father I forgive you cause you didn't know
That the pain was preparation for my destiny
And one more thing though let my son be a better man than me

CHORUS

(while Kirk Franklin speaks in the background)