## Let It Go (with tobyMac & Sonny (of P.O.D.))

## **Kirk Franklin**

My mama gave me up when I was four years old She didn't destroy my body but she killed my soul Now it's cold 'cause I'm sleeping in my back seat Understand the spirit's willing but my flesh is weak (let him speak) let me speak, I never had a chance to dream Ten years old finding love in dirty magazines Ms. December you remember I bought you twice Now I'm thirty plus and still paying the price Had a sister that I barely knew Kind of got separated by the age of two Same mama different daddy so we couldn't fake it I saw my sister's daddy beat her in the tub naked Take it serious the demons in the man's mind The same daddy with rape charges now he's doing time Crack followed and like daddy prison thirteen years Haven't her but she's traded tears for fears Shout. Shout Let it all out These are the things I can do without So come on I'm talking to you So come onSex was how I made it through Without someone to teach you love what else is there to do? So where I'm from they call you gay and say you ain't a man Show them you ain't no punk Get all the girls you canA simple plan that still haunts me even now today Back to seventeen and got a baby on the way NO G.E.D. all I see is failure in my eyes If you listening then remember I apologize I was raised falling in the church Made mistakes heard the Lord's calling in the church After service on the parking lot getting high Wanted to be accepted so bad I was willing to die Even tried to tell the pastor but he couldn't see Years of low self esteem and insecurities Church taught me how to shout and how to speak in tongues But preacher teach me how to live now when the tongue is done, help meSee I'm. See I'm Soul survivor. Soul survivor World survivor I just wanna let it go World survivor, soul survivor Just wanna let it goJesus please on my knees can't you hear my crying

You said to put it in your hands and lord I'm really trying You wasn't lying when you said you'd reap what you sow Like that night mama died Hard to let it go You adopted me Cared for me And changed my name But I cursed at you Lied to you Left your pain It's not strange I can still see it in my head To know for hours you were laying in that bed If you listening to this record, If it's day our night If my mama still living treat your mama right Don't be like me and let that moment slip away And be careful cause you can't take back what you say To my real mama if you listening I'm letting it go To my father I forgive you 'cause you didn't know The pain was preparation for my destiny And one more thing lord let my son be a better man than me

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