



**NINE-TIME GRAMMY AWARD WINNER KIRK FRANKLIN
RELEASES NEW ALBUM AFTER FIVE YEARS
*LOSING MY RELIGION***

First Single “Wanna Be Happy?” #1 Digital Gospel Track
For Ten Weeks Straight

Dallas, TX (November 13, 2015) – Today, multi-GRAMMY® Award-winning artist, songwriter, producer and music icon, **Kirk Franklin**, released his eleventh studio album ***LOSING MY RELIGION*** (Fo Yo Soul Recordings / RCA Records). Franklin’s highly anticipated album, *LOSING MY RELIGION* boasts 13 soul-stirring tracks including the #1 lead single, “**Wanna Be Happy?**”. The single debuted at #1 on *Billboard* and broke the record previously set by Franklin with “I Smile (2011)” to become the best first-week digital single in gospel sales history.

The central message of *LOSING MY RELIGION*, which features guest artists, **Kim Burrell, Tasha Cobbs, Zacardi Cortez, Lalah Hathaway, Tamela Mann, Tasha Page-Lockhart** and **Sarah Reeves**, is for one to truly see and understand the most essential aspect of their faith, and that’s their relationship with God. When asked what he hopes that listeners take away from the album, Franklin says, “The most beautiful picture about the love of God is that my trying doesn’t replace my trusting...religion may point out what’s wrong, but it doesn’t give me the power to make it right. This album is the soundtrack to how love rescued me from the law”.

LOSING MY RELIGION offers the classic Kirk Franklin sound that has inspired so many people over the past 20+ years, but may be his most introspective work yet. The album is now available everywhere music is sold, including all major digital retailers.

***Losing My Religion* – Track Listing:**

1. Losing My Religion
2. Miracles
3. 123 Victory
4. Road Trip
5. Pray For Me

6. Wanna Be Happy?
7. It's Time (featuring Tasha Page-Lockhart and Zacardi Cortez)
8. True Story
9. Over
10. When (featuring Kim Burrell and Lalah Hathaway)
11. My World Needs You (featuring Sarah Reeves, Tasha Cobbs and Tamela Mann)
12. Intercession
13. No Sleep Tonight

LOSING MY RELIGION – Retail Links:

Amazon: <http://smarturl.it/LosingMyReligion-A>

Google Play: <http://smarturl.it/LosingMyReligion-G>

Itunes: <http://smarturl.it/LosingMyReligion-I>

Apple Music: <http://smarturl.it/LosingMyReligion-Ap>

Spotify: <http://smarturl.it/LosingMyReligion-S>

ABOUT FO YO SOUL RECORDINGS/RCA RECORDS

Fo Yo Soul Recordings is a joint venture between gospel music icon Kirk Franklin and RCA Records. The Dallas-based inspirational music label, which was established in 2013, showcases some of the genre's most talented emerging artists and established performers.

For more information and the latest news on Kirk Franklin, also visit:

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