



RELEASE INFO

CATALOG #: RVL018

FILE UNDER: Hardcore/Punk "F"

FORMAT: CD / LP**

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TARGET MARKETS:

Washington D.C., Boston, MA, New York City, NY, Philadelphia, PA, Richmond, VA, San Francisco, CA, Los Angeles, CA, Seattle, WA

SELLING POINTS:

- For fans of CHAMPION, YOUTH OF TODAY, INSTED, CARRY ON, and UNIFORM CHOICE.

- Produced by Walter Schreifels (Gorilla Biscuits, Youth Of Today, Quicksand, Rival Schools, Walking Concert)

- THE FIRST STEP has shared the stage with the likes of GORILLA BISCUITS, MADBALL, BANE, AMERICAN NIGHTMARE, CHAMPION, VERSE, and BETRAYED.

- Artwork and layout design by Scott Magrath (Past work includes: Terror, Champion, Desperate Measures, Guns Up, Allegiance, Go It Alone)

- Prior to the CD's release, TFS has completed a three week European Tour with Damage Control, a co-headlining west coast tour with GO IT ALONE, as well as several five to ten day tours in the U.S.A., including one in support of CHAMPION.

"What We Know" CD / LP

The urgency and intensity of YOUTH OF TODAY, the positive delivery of INSTED, and a strongly rooted foundation in old D.C. and Orange County hardcore - THE FIRST STEP's first official full length release, "WHAT WE KNOW", picks up where they left off on the "Open Hearts and Clear Minds" EP, meanwhile adding some new flavor to their sound along the way. Produced by Walter Schreifels (Gorilla Biscuits, Youth Of Today, Quicksand, Rival Schools), the album explodes with speed and a blistering vocal delivery, delivering much of what we've come to expect from TFS: honest, thought-provoking hardcore. Though this time around, there's something new in the mix. Whether it's a Dischord-esque guitar riff reminiscent of MINOR THREAT, a bouncing rhythm ala BAD BRAINS, or a driving beat and harmonizing vocals like those of UNIFORM CHOICE, this album has undeniably fused the old TFS with a new power, creating something very, very special. To put it simply, this album grabs you, it speaks to you, it demands your attention. Many may say it, but few actually deliver - this record is destined to take its place among the most classic of hardcore records. The music, the message: it has returned.

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TRACK LISTING

1. Time To Understand
2. Get Wise
3. Peace
4. No Way To Live
5. Learning
6. What We Know
7. Pursuit Of Happiness
8. As It Is
9. Face The Pain
10. Take Control
11. No Good Reason
12. A New Reality



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