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Penance: A Film By Jake Kennedy (IMD)

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Ah, man. This movie left a real bad taste in my mouth. The plot is...well...it's...you have a single mom who's in need of money...so...she becomes a stripper in order to make some fast cash. She reluctantly takes a high priced job after her stripper friend is beat up and can't do it herself due to the bruises. Well, it turns out this job is a way for this religious nut job, who used to be a doctor, to kidnap impure women...strippers...and make them pure again...which he does by keeping them locked up and torture and...well...you know the drill. He's into taking their vagina's out, which they only show once...but...you get the point. Since he has sin as well...he decides to cut his dick off...and they show that. It's a pretty disturbing scene. They were pretty graphic about it. Seeing as the movie was kind of about strippers...there's a few scenes where you get to see boobs. They're pretty nice. What was interesting to me was...even though I had a bad taste in my mouth when I was done watching this movie...the behind the scenes footage kind of...made it go away. When they were talkin' about the movie...it made me appreciate it a little more...and I have no idea why. I don't think this film will appeal to the every day horror movie fan...but...I do think it will find a small...yet loyal...audience. I'll probably watch it a few more times to see if it grows on me. I mean...I doubt I'll ever be totally thrilled about this film...but...I may end up liking it a little more than I do now. I will say this...it's at least worth a single view. Anything more than that...well...once you see it...you'll have to decide if you like it enough to watch it again.