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I am the farthest thing in the world from being a fundy Xtian. Let's get that said from the beginning. HOWEVER, I will not lie, nor will I contain my excitement at hearing about the new LIVE IN INDONESIA concert DVD from none other than STRYPER. My reasons for cheer are admittedly largely nostalgic, and doubly so. There was a time in my younger days when I was a fundamentalist (sorry about that, everybody) and Stryper was my first foray into Christian metal, not so long after my first foray into metal, period. (That was Motley Crue, followed in short order by Iron Maiden and Metallica. Some of the Crue songs I fast forwarded through because – AT THE TIME – they offended my silly Xtian sensibilities.) Then there's the whole hair metal thing generally. The lyrics were not typically deep in hair metal, which was essentially guitar rock gone heavy, so it's not that difficult to blow off the Bible-thumping cheese of Stryper's more hamfisted lyrics and enjoy those that aren't, while jumping into the feast of old school hard rock. [It's as good a place as any to mention that Stryper's best album was "Against The Law", one for which they received bullshit "sellout" criticism from the religious community - those that weren't already offended by the idea of Jesus metal, anyway.] This is the band now – the performance was filmed in 2010 – cranking out some of their classic tunage and some other goodies as well. Devil horn fingers for Jesus metal, man. At least this time. You understand, right?

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