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Children Of A Darker Dawn (2012/aka Railway Children/MVD Visual DVD)

Picture: C Sound: C Extras: C Main Program: C+

An unknown epidemic has killed off all the adults in the world and only the children remain on Jake Figgis' **Children Of A Darker Dawn** (2012). Two sisters, Evie and Fran run into two other girls beating up another girl, Alice and take her into their care. Alice then lead them to a larger group of children in a building at the edge of the city. However with more mouths to feed, newcomers often aren't welcomed and with dwindling food supplies it turns into a vicious battle for survival. What will one do for food?



In a child-only world, two sisters move from place to place searching for food and a place to belong. Every place they find other kids with the same story as theirs, parents that gone mad and died, but when their food gets stolen by some other girls, they find a whole building full of kids. Their only comfort is each other, but in a world without rules and survival of the strongest, their society is a fragile existence. There are those who steal and enjoy tormenting others... but only hiding their own past and pain. The real terrible secret there is a group of girls have become cannibals and they see all these kids not as peers or rivals, ...but food.

As the case's quote states, this Irish production really was like a modern **Lord of the Flies**, which asks the question 'Are kids evil by nature?' Take society and it's rules away and what happens? Do humans revert back to animal instinct? More often it splits into two groups, those who try to maintain society and those who just want to take from it, both want to survive, but question is how. All the survivor children have come from some traumatic experience and some given into the heart of darkness. The reason why society fails is very simple, not enough resources and those who want them.

Too bad the anamorphically enhanced 1.78 X 1 HD-shot image and lossy Dolby Digital sound are on the weak side. Extra includes music video and trailer.

- Ricky Chiang

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