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Depeche Mode: The Dark Progression Unauthorized

This feature-length documentary examines the long journey of Depeche Mode, one of the most popular rock ensembles of the last 30 years, through various personnel changes and thematic transformations. It does so without the official participation of the band itself, but through archived interviews with musicians and the observations of such friends and colleagues as Gary Numan, Thomas Dolby and band biographer Jonathan Miller. Also included are video clips, location shots and news reports. Among the songs sampled are "Just Can't Get Enough," "People Are People," "Stripped," "Never Let Me Down Again," "Strangelove," "Personal Jesus" and "Enjoy the Silence."

- Gary Dretzka