







Stryper, Greatest Hits: Live In Puerto Rico

The Christian hard rock band Stryper, which especially had success in the mid Eighties, is still indeed active. The proof: this DVD recorded in March 2004 in Puerto Rico. We can hear obviously their greatest hits (like the title says) recorded in front of a rather young crowd which probably discovered the group via their parents. What strikes from the very start, it's the great shape of the 4 guys whereas they don't have anything of the fat guys in lycra we can see in several other groups of the same era which are still active. On the contrary, they look better than in their good years whereas the big hair and make-up were the standard. We can realize it better in the bonus concert footage from 1989. These tracks complete perfectly the "greatest hits" aspect of the DVD because we can hear the other hits they had that are not included in the 2004 concert. The most important negative point of the main concert is that we discover quickly how most of their songs didn't grow very well. At the time, they seemed to have a corrosive side in spite of the recurring topic of the religion, but 20 years later, they only seem musically poor. There are about only the songs drawn from To Hell With The Devil, their best album, that still have an interesting life ("The Way", "Honestly", the title-song, and more). At the end, it's nevertheless a good show, a concert which will recall memories to many people who lived that period. Moreover, you have the choice between a stereo and a 5.1 surround sound.