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Immolation Dawn of Possession Metal Mind www.metalmind.com.pl

Metal Mind Productions is offering up a slew of too long forgotten gems as they break into the U.S. market. Among them is Immolation's classic Dawn of Possession, originally released on Roadrunner records in 1991. Metal Mind has done a superb job repackaging this classic in a digipack format.

Extreme metal fans should rejoice at the second coming of this album as, in my opinion, Immolation has failed to make an album that holds a candle to this one since. Sure the production's gotten better and the talent has expanded built as far as raw and extreme go Dawn of Possession set the bar. This IS the sound of death metal, pure and simple. It's powerful, aggressive, and maniacal without ever being cheesy or so demented you have to be a freak to understand it.

The highlights here include pretty much every song but the title track, "No Forgiveness (Without Bloodshed)," and "Despondent Souls" certainly rank among my favorite songs on this album, Immolation's catalog, or even the death metal genre as a whole. Every song here delivers a knockout blow, pulling you back up after each one simply for the sake of doing it again. Don't miss out on this album if you are a fan of Vader, Obituary, Cannibal Corpse, and the like (unless you already own it).

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