



Exciter's comeback in classic line-up was without any doubts one of the most important metal news in recent years. Now we'll have another occasion to see Canada's best with Dan Beehler. John Ricci and Alan Johnson on board !

But that's a "fresh" one, now let's come back 10 years, when "New Testament" was released. Exciter with totally new line-up (the only remaining classic member was John) re-recorded all classic songs and put them to new album. First and foremost- why? I just never get an idea of re-recording old stuff. Even if you want to earn money- it's a bad idea. For me it's kinda band's way of showing "give us your money" or "we're out of ideas" attitude. Or both. Even if you do this in a really good way- this tracks were already recorded years ago, and nothing ever beats original.

And here we've got second part of review- every song is done really good, but in the same moment- every earlier version was better. I cannot say that I dislike this album- every single note here is awesome, I had a smile on my face for all 66 minutes of material. But still- I almost never listen to that album- I always prefer to play Exciter classic CDs.

So here we've got the main point- really great re-recording of old material- but why? Pointless, and not that good as original, even if the album is really nice to listen.

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Exciter- New Testament [Osmose Productions, 2004]

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