Godsmack – Good Times Bad Times Ten Years of (2007)



- 1. Good Times, Bad Times play
- 2. Whatever
- 3. Keep Away
- 4. Voodoo
- 5. Bad Religion
- 6. Awake
- 7. Greed
- 8. I Stand Alone
- 9. Straight Out Of Line
- 10. Serenity
- 11. Re-align
- 12. Running Blind
- 13. Touche
- 14. Speak
- 15. Shine Down
- 16. The Enemy play

Musicians:

Sully Erna (vocals, bongos, harmonica, guitar, drums), Tony Rombola (guitars), Robbie Merrill (bass).

With the exception of a lackluster remake of Led Zeppelin's "Good Times Bad Times," Godsmack's album of the same name is a solid compilation of their biggest songs. Considering that the face of music changed quite a bit since their debut in 1997, it's easy to forget what titans of alt rock radio they were in their heyday. Not counting the aforementioned cover song, every one of the tracks on Good Times, Bad Times cracked the Billboard Mainstream Record Charts, most notably the record-breaking, Alice in Chains influenced "Whatever," which lingered at number seven on Billboard for a stupefying 33 straight weeks. Also included are "Speak,"

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"Straight Out of Line," and "I Stand Alone" (all number ones) alongside "Running Blind" and "Touché," from their all-acoustic EP, The Other Side. If you crave Godsmack and you prefer the hits, this one's for you. The bonus DVD includes a 75-minute performance of the band playing an acoustic set at the Hard Rock Hotel in Las Vegas. ---Jason Lymangrover, AllMusic Review

The House Of Blues is an intimate setting. The show was beautifully captured and edited - and the frame rate is perfect (as some music videos move headache fast)... for the most part it's an acoustic set with the band sitting on stools and fairly reserved. Sully stops the show twice for a brief Q&A with the audience (a nice touch). The highlights of the DVD being "Running Blind", "Keep Away", "Serenity", a cover of the classic "Reefer Head Woman" with guest performers Lee Richards and John Kosco, and "Voodoo"... along with Merrill's short bass solo, and drummer Larkin's duel with Sully's bongos. Larkin proves to be an accomplished drummer and comes off like an octopus behind the kit - his long arms were all over the place... often times up and over his head while keeping a steady beat. THE NOT SO GOOD: Only two minor things really. I found a few songs missing on the music disc - the opening track to my favorite album of theirs ("self titled") "Moon Baby", "Time Bomb", and two of my favorites from "Awake" ("Sick Of Life" and "Bad Magick"). I was disappointed to see that only two studio tracks made this record from "Awake". The only other thing wrong here is you get the edited version of "Voodoo" (originally 9 minutes, you get the radio friendly 4.5 minute version here). Time is always a factor with putting a disc together, but I felt with approximately 15 minutes of unused space on this release... "Voodoo" could have been unedited and perhaps a few other songs included.---R. Gorham, amazon.com

Podsumowująca 10-letnią działalność zespołu kolekcja greatest hits. Zawiera16 utworów, będących w większości klasycznymi, znanymi kompozycjami zespołu, lecz nie zabraknie i perełek w stylu coveru Led Zeppelin "Good Times, Bad Times". Płyta zadebiutowała na 35. miejscu listy Billboard 200, sprzedając się w liczbie 40 000 kopii w pierwszym tygodniu od premiery.

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