

**General Topics :: Gods Not Dead 2****Gods Not Dead 2, on: 2016/4/1 1:39**

Saints,

I just took the family to the early premiere tonight of Gods Not Dead 2. It was fantastic! It was based on facts from 24 real court cases concerning religious freedom to say the name of Jesus in the public education sphere, had a touch & mention concerning what happened recently in Houston concerning the pastors' sermons being subpoenaed, etc. Anyways, it was a very God glorifying film, had nothing "unclean" in it, had good acting, had some surprises, was faithful to the Gospel, etc. A solid 4.5-5 stars in my book. Just FYI.

God Bless,

Jeff

Re: Gods Not Dead 2 - posted by TMK (), on: 2016/4/1 7:28

How did it compare to the first one?

Re: , on: 2016/4/1 8:19

I believe the movie was filmed in Little Rock Arkansas where I live. Certainly intend to see it.

Blaine

Re: , on: 2016/4/1 9:00

I really liked the first one overall, but I personally thought it was better in some aspects.

Re: - posted by dolfan (), on: 2016/4/1 9:56

The song is reason enough to watch the movie! Love that song. And, I like Newsboys music anyway, esp. with Michael Tait. Also like the original version of that song by Daniel Bashta --- very different sound than Newsboys.

I hope Melissa Joan Hart comes to real faith in Jesus if she hasn't already. I liked her character on her old kids' TV show well enough (what little I saw of it). She seems like a nice lady, as much as a celebrity can be one (I'd hate that life and I would probably not be very nice).

I was moved by the first movie. I've re-watched it a couple of times. Cringe at the writing at times. Lesson for me: Never watch a so-called "faith based movie" more than twice. :)

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2016/4/1 10:56

I liked the first one too- very encouraging.

I thought the stereotypical atheist professor was tossing softballs for the Christian student to field, but obviously you can't go into deep theological discussions in a 90 minute movie.

I think the Kendrick movies and those like them despite shortcomings are very important. First it gets a bunch of Christians who don't know each other in a theater with a common purpose. When we went to see War a Room in a packed theater it seemed that revival was just a hair shy of breaking out. Second, they are encouraging on different levels. You don't need Oscar worthy acting or writing to be encouraged in your faith.

Re: Todd, on: 2016/4/1 12:01

I saw War Room a couple of times and thought it was good. Actually the movie had me in tears both times and on my knees.

But that is just sentimental me. But I thought War Room was a good movie. Hope to see God is Not Dead part 2 over the weekend.

Blaine

Re: - posted by Sree (), on: 2016/4/1 12:16

I am not big on Christian movies, loved Fireproof and watched it so many times, still brings tears to my eyes.

But Dolfan, the reason I am hesitant to watch the movie is for the newsboyz song 'God is not dead'. That song really annoys me. Especially a creepy voice that comes in towards end. Sounds very worldly to me. I am surprised that you liked it.

I am not against contemporary music but having creepy shady sounds in a song makes it sound more evil than good.

Re: , on: 2016/4/1 12:43

Thought I would go and take in the movie this afternoon. That is if I can get a ticket. Will post about the movie after watching it, Lord willing of course.

Did see God is not Fead Part 1. Would be interesting to compare both movies.

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2016/4/1 12:57

Hey Sree that's just a little voice modulation for emphasis. You noticed it so it worked!

Re: , on: 2016/4/1 17:36

Just saw the movie. God is Not Dead Part 2 is a very good movie. Excellent to see. Very family-friendly. Don't want to spoil it for those who have not seen it yet. But again well worth seeing.

The movie has loose connections to the first one. But not necessarily a continuation of the first one. And I think I see in this movie God is Not Dead Part 3 coming out. But I will leave that to the moviegoer to figure that out.

I can relate to the movie because I live in Little Rock. The courtroom scenes took place in the state capital building in Little Rock. This is a building I have worked in. So the scenery is quite familiar to me. But then I guess I'm a little biased.

One statement I will share that came out of the movie was the one made by the teacher. This will probably be one classic statement that we will all remember. She said I would rather stand with God and be judged by the world. Rather than stand with the world and be judged by God. Really resonated in my spirit.

So go see the movie and enjoy.

Brother Blaine

Re: , on: 2016/4/1 17:41

Did you stay in the theater until AFTER the credits finished rolling? If you left early (or if others do), you'll have missed something we wouldn't probably have caught if I didn't have a sleeping toddler on me & 5 other kids running around last night. Don't want to give it away, but it is what made me think a part 3 was possible in the thought process/works

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2016/4/2 17:14

One reviewer said this:

"If any movie treated Christians as badly as God's Not Dead 2 treated atheists, then Christians would be entirely justified in making another God's Not Dead movie about it."

Is there any truth to this statement?

Re: - posted by dolfan (), on: 2016/4/2 17:55

Sree, brother, I don't know what you are talking about a worldly sounding voice in the Newsboys' Like a Lion.

Just watched last 30 seconds of it again. Sorry. Don't see it.

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2016/4/2 19:15

Tim he is talking about the part toward the end when they do a voice effect saying "Gods not dead he's surely alive". Hard to exactly describe what the actual effect is- sort of electronic-y. Not otherworldly.

Re: Jeff, on: 2016/4/2 19:20

Brother I did not stay to see the whole credits roll. Actually it would have been hard for me to read them. But based on something I saw in the movie. And again don't want to spoil it. I do believe a God is Not Dead 3 coming out.

Brother Blaine

Re: , on: 2016/4/3 0:29

What do you expect the world to say? This film is based on the true events of 24 alliance defense fund court cases against the ACLU suing or attempting to get fired educators for daring to say the name of Jesus. The "reverse psychology or victim atheist portrayal is Unchristian" bit is a little bit of a tired & predictable reaction. But what do you expect the world to say really?

The ACLU or Freedom FROM religion foundations are the ACCUSORS/Plaintiffs in these cases, not the Christians just trying to defend their right to say the name Jesus, or have a Bible verse on a post-it on their computer, or have a Bible out on break reading it, etc.

Re: , on: 2016/4/3 0:31

I'll email you Blaine & fill you in on what you missed. ðŸ˜Š

Re: - posted by dolfan (), on: 2016/4/3 0:43

Oh, ok. Yeah, that is just part of the song. Not sure why that is scary. But hey I am always mishearing lyrics myself.