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Band: Latitude Egress (D)

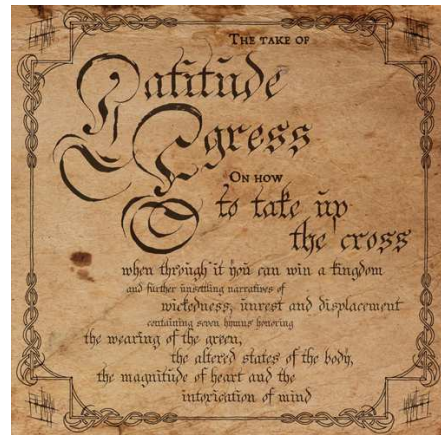
Genre: Funeral Doom

Label: Art Of Propaganda

Albumtitle: To Take Up The Cross

Duration: 48:03

Releasedate: 27.10.2014



The first thing that attracted my attention by listening to this one-man-project was the voice of Niklas (aka Nerrath). He is shouting, crying and growling but also singing with a clear, expressive voice, and is varying his singing within one song to give them additional atmosphere. Regarding the lyrics these songs are concerning existential human feelings like loss, love, desire and fear.

The speed is not as tenacious as one could expect from a typical Funeral Doom band, but located in the midtempo area. The way in which the guitars play the melodies are partially stemming from Black Metal (just slower) and partially from classical Doom. The slow, earthy, stoically repeated riffing is yet again joined by nice picking or even bevelled, atmospheric guitar solos. The drumming get along without too much fills and breaks; like it is behaved in Doom Metal, it is pretty straight and comes along with a lot of punch.

Concerning the mood and the production which is not too clean, the whole thing reminds a bit of Bathory at their "Hammerheart" era as well as of the early Primordial ("The Gathering Wilderness"). So those who like it noble, serious and dramatic are serviced perfectly with this album.

Conclusion:

"To Take Up The Cross" is an album that increases itself with every run-through. The music grows and thrives pass by pass. Those who get into this and spend some time with this music will be endowed perfectly.

Rating 8/10

Recommendation: To Take Up The Cross When Through It You Can Win A Kingdom

Weblink: <https://www.facebook.com/LatitudeEgress>

Lineup:

Nerrath - Vocals, all instruments

Tracklist:

01. To Take Up The Cross When Through It You Can Win A Kingdom
02. To Cast A Spot Upon The Death Of Your Death
03. To Walk At The Hands Of A Dial
04. To Reap The Flame With Fingers And A Tongue
05. To Treat On Loose Boardwalks
06. To Restore The Pride To Petravore
07. To March Along The Desolate Peripheries Of Mind

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