Movie Review: End of The Spear

I went into the movie expecting it to be a movie where missionaries travel into a secluded tribe of people who solve all their problems by killing.

The movie was about how people solved problems with killing however it showed the people in the tribe wanted something more out of life and the people were scared. They were judge by the great boa (Their god that required them to spear so many so they could take the snake on in the after life)

The ending where the Native who speared the boys father was in the states describing how it was. They are moving without even moving their feet (no wonder they are so fat) they have a huge wear house of food that is free you give them a card but they give it back.
Response to "The End of the Spear"
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Watching this movie really made me want to watch the documentary. This is a very compelling story, with a lesson that sadly humanity will never fully learn. We cannot understand how to let things go completely. We will always want an eye for an eye. I'm reminded of a scripture, that I will try to remember to look up tonight. I almost wish they included the scripture somewhere in the fore script or something.

MATTHEW (5:38-44) ESPECIALLY VERSE 44

Having said that; I was amazed with how well done the movie was, until we cut forward in time to when the son was all grown up. I didn't like how they used the same actor for the adult son, as they used for his father. I also think that the scene where he was given the chance to revenge his father's death was well written, but poorly acted out. All and all though, I am highly recomending this movie to my friends and family. Thank you for giving us this assignment.

you're welcome
Grace Kim

Movie Response

I was raised in a Presbyterian church. Like most kids that are raised in a family that are ‘obsessive’ Christians, I went through a phase, something like ‘religious puberty’, when I questioned everything taught by my church and the Bible. I strongly believed that religion was for people who were too weak to believe in themselves. I wasted many years of my life, underestimating the Word.

A few months before I turned sixteen, a tragedy hit my family. My father had lived a double life that no one knew about, had grown an addiction to gambling with his mistress, had become too high of a roller for his financial abilities, and put our whole family into an unbelievable amount of debt. More horrible events followed which I’d rather not go into detail. But the result of these events put me in a courtroom as a witness against my father and incarcerated him to a life sentence with no parole.

I was convinced God didn’t exist. If God existed, he wouldn’t have let such horrible things happen to His child. When I got desperate and had nowhere to turn, I turned to God. I started praying and amazingly enough, things started working out one by one. I still believe that God listened to my prayers and was there for me, walking by my side, while I got through the most painful period of my life.

This is when I realized that God works in mysterious and often miracle-like ways. The movie End of the Spear definitely portrays His work in action. I don’t doubt for a second that it was God’s work. No matter what kind of a past people carry, no matter what
kind of life they had been leading, no matter where in the world they are from. He will always save the lost.

Even though I strongly believe God truly saved me, I have to admit that I haven't been keeping up with my faith. I haven't prayed in a while, I haven't attended church in even longer. Watching this movie, reminded me of how powerful God is and how weak I am compared to what He is capable of. Watching this movie, reminded me how at peace I was, when I gave myself to Him.

In all honesty, I went into the theatre thinking that I was only watching this movie because of the extra points that I desperately need for this class. However, I'm so thankful that I watched this movie. Not just for school, but for me. I needed the reminder, the push, to bring me back to church and to Him. This movie did just that.
Responds

I can't imagine how much love people can have for one another. I am a Christian so I believe in missionaries and knowing that Jesus helped us so we must help other people, but I wouldn't imagine helping the people who killed my parents or my grand parents as well as meeting with them face to face with a smile on. These people show the kind of love that a lot of people would dream of having. Also I feel bad for the people in those countries that have lost someone through murder in a horrifying way. But the good thing is that they don't let that hold them down. They go through life with their struggles on their back but show other people love. They just have a lot of hope and courage knowing that they will be ok. As well with the help of the missionaries they realize that theirs more to life then just the killing or living that way like when the grand kid took the man that killed his grand father to America and showed him the American life. He was very interested in that. It is good for different cultures to learn from each other. That is what life is basically all about, learning from one another and showing love, without that there no meaning to it. I just wish if I had the strength I would be a missionary later in my life and show as much love as they do.