

Survivor Series Count-Up – 2004 (Original): Dang It Orton



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We have entered into what I guess you would call a new era in the company. Orton has split from Evolution as it is starting to crumble. Batista is on the rise as he would win the 2005 Rumble to set up his first title reign. Over on Smackdown, JBL is the reigning champion in the middle of that one title reign that he never stopped talking about. It's hard to put a finger on it but you can just simply feel that things have begun to change into what we would consider the modern era of WWE.

Cena and Batista would take their spots as the kings of the company in about five or six months. Your main event tonight is HHH's team vs. Orton's team, where the winners get control of Raw for the next month. Yet again, this just seems like a preview for next month. Over on Smackdown we have JBL

defending against Booker in the random non-feud of the month. This looks weak on paper, but let's try it out.

We get a video about the history of the Survivor Series. This is painfully weak. If it tells you anything, Snitsky and Maven are in the main event tonight. How scary is that?

Cruiserweight Title: Rey Mysterio vs. Spike Dudley vs. Billy Kidman vs. Chavo Guerrero

Wow Kidman had a job at this point? This is one fall by the way. Kidman's music makes me want to die quickly. Billy hurt Chavo with the shooting star, which is one of the main reasons it was banned for as long as it was. Kidman and Spike are your heels here, in case for some reason you care. If that's the case, I'd recommend a doctor. I know I say that Spike should be only fighting small guys, but he really shouldn't be wrestling at all. He's just annoying.

Cole runs through the rules as I think they might have finally picked the perfect opener. More or less no one is going to care about this match but it'll be full of high spots so if nothing else people will get hyped up over it, or at least they're supposed to. Tazz recommends that someone hide in a corner, which really isn't all that bad of an idea. This is the location of the first two Survivor Series as well as the 1992 show so this is the New York of Survivor Series I guess.

Using his expert analytical skills, Tazz points out that the move we just saw was indeed a knee of the ribs. They're going with the formula here of having two guys go at it and two guys down, which gives the match a bit of a Mexican flare to it. I think I like that. Spike was in his Boss phase here where somehow he was in charge of Bubba and D-Von, because that just makes perfect sense. Now we're getting into what this should be: a massive spotfest.

Spike crashes when he tries his and that is just great for some reason. We go to Billy vs. Chavo which is the hot feud I

guess. In case you didn't notice the first 20 times they said it, there's a slim chance that Spike will hold the title as they more or less give away the ending. Why does Tazz keep using the term pin cover? I don't think anyone else uses that and I'm not sure if I like it. I hate cruiserweight matches where they try to be slow and technical.

Cole continues saying stupid things by saying all four of these men want to become champion of the world. One of them already is you dolt. Somehow they tried to make the Shooting Star Press into a heel move. Seriously? Why would you try to do something like that? It's one of the most impressive looking moves there is and it will never not get a solid pop.

What's the smart thing to do of course? Try to make it evil of course, because the only thing that matters are heels, especially tiny ones that are SO intimidating. Spike goes for the Dudley Dog which fails because...because...well because he tried it on Rey Mysterio that's why.

Chavo hits the Gory Bomb, which of course according to Cole connects. Listen to a Cole match and see how many times he uses that word. It blows Vintage away. In a rather anti-climactic ending, Spike steals the pin after Kidman drops a springboard leg on Chavo. That just wasn't that interesting of an ending.

Rating: C+. This was probably the best choice for an opener, but I'm not sure if it worked that well. The high spots were fine but Spike was just sucking the life out of this thing. I get that he's a heel, but there's not supposed to be depth to matches like these. They're about big spots and getting the crowd into the show, so why have someone there that's just slowing things down? I don't get that. The match was ok but it just didn't feel right so take that for what you will.

Heyman and Heidenrich are in the back as Paul tries to fire him up. Snitsky shows up and they have an odd exchange. Their

mouths are far too close during this. Snitsky likes what his poetry and Heidenrich likes what Snitsky does to babies. They would start a very short tag team feud against Kane and Taker soon. For the record, Snitsky had caused Lita to have a miscarriage if that explains anything. Their noses were touching. That's just odd.

Here's the pointless theme song that no one will remember in two weeks.

Intercontinental Title: Shelton Benjamin vs. Christian

Benjamin won the title in a relative shocker at Taboo Tuesday, beating Jericho for it as well as winning the rematch. Christian is getting the shot because he just wanted one I guess. He would be leaving for TNA in about a year at this point. This is more or less the wet dream of any IWC fan and clearly should main event Wrestlemania because...well just because.

I love the Waterproof Blonde version of Christian's music. This is right before Shelton became the hottest thing in the world and about six months before the classic he had with Shawn at Raw that was the high point of his career. Ross says that Shelton may be a better athlete than Lebron James. Wow indeed. Christian slaps him and gets punched for his troubles.

Shelton gets a sweet springboard clothesline to take out Christian for two. Tomko is at ringside with Christian as he continues to be completely worthless. They chop it out as Christian shouts that he IS Captain Charisma. Benjamin is just scary with how athletic he is out there. Tomko gets involved and it allows Christian to shove Shelton to the floor to take over.

Ross and Lawler get into an argument as to whether you're cheating if you choke to four. That's a very good question actually. Christian hammers on Shelton for a good while but here comes Shelton. Solid stuff here so far. Shelton gets a

counter into a slingshot reverse suplex for two. Nice. Stinger Splash misses and Christian gets an Edgecution for a long two.

Christian brings the Title in and it gets kicked back in his face. Tomko kicks Shelton's head off for a two and a solid pop on the kickout. Shelton hits the Dragon Whip on Tomko and there's the T-Bone on Christian to retain. Sweet match and Shelton looked great here.

Rating: B. THIS should have opened the show. This is what both guys should be doing: wrestling in the midcard and having the best stuff on the show. That's where Christian and Shelton both fail for me: the company and fans on WZ think that they're ready to take over the reins of the company and they're just simply not there yet.

Now maybe they will be someday, but at the moment they're just not prepared yet. Also, not everyone is going to be able to be a main event guy. Look at Kofi for example. Anyway, this was very solid and it was this time period where Shelton got the reputation that he has now, which is what the IC belt is supposed to be about.

Edge and Angle cross paths in the back with Angle talking about how Edge has never won the title. This is psycho Angle that was some of the fun stuff. This was a pretty intense segment with two guys that have a solid background. I'd like to see Edge come back like this where he's a heel but not by much. Angle tries to go to the ring but runs into Eugene and suddenly I wish I had a gun or a hatchet. Eugene sings Kurt's song and the hatchet might not be fast enough.

Hey! Here's a Wrestlemania moment that has absolutely nothing to do with this show! It's Austin winning his first title in case you were wondering.

Tazz and Cole plug Mania 21.

Team Angle vs. Team Guerrero

Angle, Carlito, Luther Reigns, Mark Jindrak
Guerrero, Big Show, John Cena, RVD

Angle was hanging out with Reigns and Jindrak at the time and they were feuding with both Big Show and Guerrero separately so there's that. Cena and Carlito had been having a feud over the US Title which Carlito won from him in his debut match. Since then, Cena was stabbed in a club and had to take time off. The theory was that it was Carlito but there was actually a rumor going around the internet that they were going to bring in New Jack of all people to have been the attacker.

Cena comes out last and immediately chases Carlito off. Cena fights both he and his bodyguard Jesus into the back with absolute ease. The bell hasn't rung at this point and I have no idea what the wrestlers are in the ring doing during all of this stuff. Jesus and the anti-swallower get away in a car that they steal to add auto theft to their list of crimes. Those are just great things to show on television there Vince. Cena heads back to the arena as I guess they were brawling in the meantime?

The bell finally rings and we have Show vs. Jindrak. Cena's back so it's already 4-3. Oh and Angle, Jindrak and Reigns had recently shot Show with a tranquilizer and shaved his head to explain why he's so ticked off. Everyone beats on Mark because he just completely sucks. That's a pretty good face team. Who's the least accomplished on there? RVD I guess? Tazz fails by trying to compare one of these matches to a baseball game.

Eddie pulls off some amazing looking stuff as this was likely some of the best stuff he ever had during this time of his career. That made no sense but a translation would be he was doing very well at this point in time. A little interference from Angle turns the tide though. I've never quite gotten that expression. I get what it means but it just sounds odd to me and always has.

Reigns and Jindrak both could have been good but for some reason they both just completely failed. Tazz gets their names wrong. That tells me either one of two things. Number one, they're so generic that they're identical, or that everything is fine with Tazz. Barring a few seconds at the beginning, this has been all Eddie which I guess could work but at the same time it's kind of stupid. I do kind of like the slow pace they're working here if it builds up to a hot finish.

Now it's just getting boring as we're getting a lot of headlocks and chinlocks which just suck the life out of the match. Ironically they were talking about the You Suck chant as I typed that. At the time Jindrak was a combination of Buff Bagwell and Rick Rude but with somehow less talent than Bagwell. He does the hip swivel and it looks awful. The announcers talk about how he's stepped up huge. That's just a scary thought.

Van Dam comes in and for reasons that I don't want to know, Cole calls him supple. He sets for the Five Star on Angle but Mark pulls him out of the way. Is that what he's there for? Just to be a jerk/show off, Van Dam jumps over Angle and hits Jindrak who is about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way across the ring. RVD is one of the few people that I've ever been in awe of. He hurts his ribs on the splash (naturally) and Angle rolls him up and grabs the ropes for the heel pin.

In a funny yet stupid moment, Eddie slips in the back while Angle is arguing with the referee to roll up Jindrak and use the ropes the same way Angle just did to make it 3-2. Ok, so two reasons why this was stupid. Number one, Jindrak wasn't legal. Two, the announcers LOVE Eddie's cheating yet booed the heck out of Angle. I know they're faces and heels but at least pretend to not be biased guys.

After some stalling we have Big Show vs. Angle which lasts for all of a stare down and now we have Reigns in there instead. Oh yeah Show has a messed up ankle. They did such a great job

of covering it that I was blown away enough to not mention it. Despite the pain, Show shows up and hits the chokeslam to make it three on one. Show immediately sets for a chokeslam on Angle but Kurt counters into an ankle lock.

Angle tries to run but RVD is waiting for him. For some reason, Angle picks to fight the three. In a funny spot he backs up still facing RVD and backs into Show. He stops and looks nervous and reaches up towards Show's head where he realizes there's no hair. He shakes his head and slowly turns around. It's a lot better than it sounds mainly due to Kurt's facial expressions.

Show sends him in to Cena (in for the first time in the match) but apparently he's not legal as Eddie hits a Frog Splash to allow Show to pin him. Cena was never legal so I'm guessing injured still. Now that I think about it I think he really was hurt at this time. Actually never mind. He was making the Marine.

Rating: D. This just wasn't that good. It started off decently enough but then in the end it was like they were told to hurry up and then everyone went out at a ridiculous pace. Cena wasn't hurt so I have no clue why he wasn't in there at all. The faces winning was more or less a given once you look at the lineups, so this just wasn't entertaining at all really. It could have been good, but it just fell flat, but to be fair they were only going to be able to do so much with it.

Buy the history of the AWA which most of the people that were watching this PPV have never heard of!

This must be the strangest PPV of all time as Maven is getting interview time. If nothing else he's heavily muscled. He's bad on the mic but gets cut off by Snitsky. After a rather bad beating and by bad I mean pathetic looking, Maven is carried away.

We get a video about the crazy Heidenrich vs. Undertaker, who

really wasn't that impressive at all. He rammed his car into a hearse Taker was in after costing him the world title at No Mercy.

Undertaker vs. Heidenreich

Apparently I've been spelling his name wrong. However it's likely that I'll be flipping between the two spellings. He comes out in a straightjacket because he's CRAZY! He's also about as stock of a villain as you can possibly imagine. I mean he's just there and there's nothing at all to suggest that he's a tough guy at all. The story here is that Taker can't use his mental games on Heidenrich. Oh come on now.

For years now everyone Taker feuded with has been "immune" to his games or whatever. They just don't try with Taker so often and it sucks. Oh and Heidenreich allegedly raped Cole. You had to see it and the comedy alone is worth checking on. Naturally since Taker can't win against this guy, he opens the match completely dominant. Heyman's interference prevents Old School to give Jon (Heidenreich's first name and way easier to type) the advantage.

Taker gets crotched on the post. That's just creepy for some reason. Are his balls dead too? They hit the floor for awhile with Jonny (no not the admin) in control. Even Taker looks bored out there. That can't be a good sign. Cole talks down about Heidenreich as he desperately tries to validate his employment. I know he's improved to an extent, but dang he used to be horrible. He's beginning to put emphasis on vintage here too, so it's officially begun.

Old School hits to a bunch of flashbulbs going off. In a cool thing, they point out how many things Taker has done at Survivor Series. How cool is it that a guy has dominated two major pay per views like this? Taker hits a downward spiral which I don't think I remember him ever using other than this. Apparently Heidenreich has taken everything Taker has to

offer. Other than the chokeslam, tombstone or Last Ride of course, but those have never been worth anything anyway.

Cole points out that Jon is talking to himself with every move he makes. Given his limited skill, it's likely him reminding himself to breathe in and out, and as I type that Heyman is screaming don't let him breathe! Paul, that's called murder and that's a bad thing. Also, Heyman in a beige suit doesn't work. He screams at Heidenrich that he's Heidenrich. Is he afraid the dog catcher is going to think he's a stray or something?

This is just taking forever and it's painfully generic. They go to a punch out and naturally Taker wins this. He goes to the top and hits a cool looking diving clothesline which gets the crowd breathing. There's two problems with this match. First of all, Heidenreich sucks and he sucks badly. Second, this is going FAR too long. We're at about ten minutes already and it should have ended at least three ago.

The crowd is dead with even a big move from Heidenreich and a long two getting next to no reaction. There's far too many punches to from Jon and it's boring. Just to step it up a bit, he goes to the middle rope and punches. In what should have put us out of our misery, he grabs the bottom rope to break up the pin. This isn't fair. Oh come on Jonny. A sleeper now? Oh good Taker reversed it.

There's your boring chant which should have come about 10 minutes ago. Taker sits up to a mild reaction. One of the most famous spots of all time barely got anything from the crowd. That just isn't a good sign at all. A generic chokeslam leads to a generic tombstone to a generic pin to perfectly cap off this boring match.

Tazz tries to say this is the furthest Taker has ever been pushed. That's just flat out hysterical. Actually no it isn't. It's freaking sad that a man has to lie like that on national

television.

Rating: D. This was just boring. There are times when the wrestling is ok, but it's just that this formula has been done so many times that I've run out of numbers for it. How many times have you seen Taker against some big man that you know he's going to beat and then have a gimmick match against? Naturally there was a casket match at the Rumble because things just wouldn't be complete without that to continue this.

Thankfully Jon was gone relatively soon after this, at least from major matches. Amazingly he would stay in the company for an entire year after this, even winning a tag title as a member of the new Legion of Doom. Just thinking of that makes my head hurt. Anyway, this was horrible, mainly due to Heidenreich but Taker isn't innocent either.

Bischoff says that Maven might not be able to compete and there won't be a replacement.

We get the recap of Trish vs. Lita which begs the question of why these two need a storyline. Lita, the face, lost her baby due to Snitsky and Trish found it amusing. The recap is complete with a pic of Kane in a white tux so it wins based on that alone. Lita really can't act.

Women's Title: Trish Stratus vs. Lita

As I said, Lita is the face and challenger here. For once, Trish looks better than Lita here. I think it's the evil thing. Lita has some weird suspenders thing on. She beats the living heck out of Trish and we're on the floor already. Make your own joke for that line. The redhead grabs a chair and swings at Trish twice with both times completely missing.

I mean the camera shows that they don't hit at all, and even though Trish's face was away from the chair, meaning they would have hit her in the back or back of the head, she's

busted open. Knowing Trish, she was hurt to explain why this wasn't an actual match. Upon further review, she had a broken hand so at least this makes sense.

Lita uses what's called a rear naked choke on Trish which is really more like her just choking her and shaking on the floor. We get more stuff of Lita trying to injure Trish's face which led to her wearing a nose protector for a few weeks. This would lead to the first ever women's match main eventing Raw for the Women's Title in early December which was a very cool moment.

Rating: N/A. It's a minute and a half and an angle instead of a match so no grade.

Team Guerrero is happy to have won. Teddy comes in and Big Show takes his towel off which is passed over. Cena, clad in boxers, is told that he's getting a US Title shot. He would get it on Smackdown and destroy him to get the belt back. I really don't like this gimmick of Cena's.

Recap of Booker vs. JBL, which more or less was this: Booker want a shot, he beats Orlando Jordan, he gets a shot, JBL talks down to him, match. That was the issue with JBL's title reign: it was ridiculously repetitive with the other flaw being that no one bought him as a credible champion yet, but who cared about that?

Smackdown World Title: JBL vs. Booker T

This just sounds bad on paper. I mean think about it. Can you picture these two having a good match together? I certainly can't. Amazingly enough, the match itself is as boring as I imagined it. The announcers are trying to make this seem like a great match or something but it just isn't. JBL comes out in the big white limo of his which was his signature as you likely know. Booker just looks like he knows he has no chance at all out there tonight.

There's just not a lot to say about this match. Nothing stands out at all. It's just two older guys going through the motions which is never a good thing. I really don't think JBL had the character down in any sense of the word here and you can tell that based on just how plain his offense is. The announcers are no help at all here as they offer no reason as to why we should buy Booker having a shot.

With the HHH feud the previous year, Booker had pinned HHH on Raw which showed us that it was possible. Here he had only been beating on Orlando Jordan which meant nothing at all. Oh look it's a sleeper! Oh wait, it's a cobra clutch! Ok wait a second. Not only did JBL completely rip off Ted DiBiase's gimmick but now he's trying to steal his finishing hold. My head hurts from this match.

Orlando tries to do a run in but gets beaten up. He's been out there for most of the match cheating here and there but now he's stepped it up a bit. I very rarely skip large portions of the match in these, but I've gone about five minutes of video and haven't typed anything for the simple reason of there's nothing to talk about.

It's just not an interesting match in the slightest and I have no interest in it. JBL gets knocked into the referee and naturally Booker finally gets the kick but we have no referee. After some Jordan interference a belt shot ends this. Really, that's the ending they chose? It's perfect I guess, as it's as generic and uncreative as I can think of.

Rating: F. This was just awful all around. There was no build up, there was no drama, there was no good wrestling, and there was no reason to watch this. It was boring and the ending was even worse, so what else could I grade this as? I can't believe I'm saying this but bring on HHH vs. Orton as it has to be better than what I just saw.

Promo for Tribute to the Troops, which is just flat out cool.

Batista is in the back and HHH comes up to him. They more or less say that once they win the partnership with Edge and Snitsky is over. Like I said earlier the winning team gets to run Raw for a month. After HHH leaves, Batista implies to Flair that he would give himself a title match. This was right about when they started pushing Batista as the super beast that he became known as being, leading to his face turn around February.

He was getting huge reactions for months before that but was still heel. You could see it coming, but it was quite well done. He would eventually turn after winning the Rumble where he was considering whether to face HHH or JBL at Mania. He overheard HHH and Flair saying they were leading him around by the nose and he was a face by the end of the night, setting up the inevitable showdown with HHH that everyone knew was coming eventually.

The recap is painfully simple with clips of Evolution running Raw for one night and the face team standing up to them, leading to Bischoff making this match. Of course it's set to the theme song, which is a decent enough song, but it has no connection to the match at all.

That's what sucked about the songs: they completely didn't fit and when they did, they were used for all of one segment on the show and other than that were always playing in the background. Unless you just really liked the song you were so sick of it by the end of the show that you didn't care about it anymore.

Team Orton vs. Team HHH

HHH, Batista, Snitsky, Edge

Orton, Chris Benoit, Chris Jericho, Maven

Wow those entrances too way too long. Remember there's no Maven due to the earlier attack. My guess would be this is Vince coming to his senses about putting Maven in the main

event of a major PPV. We start with Edge and Benoit which works just fine for me. Edge in purple tights just looks a bit odd. We move over to Snitsky who is apparently goofier than a pet coon. Who has a pet raccoon? Seeing Orton as a young face is just strange to see.

He stops to pose for a second which gets a solid pop. He really could be a good face if he had more hair. The face team is tagging a lot as Jericho is in now. HHH comes in and the noise noticeably drops. The people were just fed up with him at this point which I think is why Orton got such a great reaction: he was something new. Apparently there's a stipulation that says that Orton can't challenge for the belt as long as HHH is world champion.

We get some Batista and Orton since they're the future and all and somehow still are to this day, five years later. The tags are really fast here which is an issue because it keeps there from being a flow to the match, which is the worst thing that can happen to it, at least in my eyes. The crowd is SILENT. I mean there's nothing at all and it sounds like there's no one there. I know it's a small crowd but they could make more noise than this my goodness.

Benoit wakes them up a bit at least, and I mean that in the most literal of sense. The rolling Germans really do get the people going for a bit and they're at least popping for big spots so we don't need 7,500 coffins. While everyone else is brawling, Benoit gets the Sharpshooter on HHH but Edge breaks it up. In some hot Canadian on Canadian action we have Edge in a crossface. Batista breaks it up, leading to one of the worst pedigrees of all time on Benoit.

Edge covers him and takes the win to make it unofficially 4-2. Nice job guys. You have gotten rid of the only person that's actually getting anything out of the crowd tonight. It's Edge against Jericho now but as I say that HHH and Snitsky argue over who tagged Edge which includes at least one F bomb.

Batista and Snitsky argue as well which gets us a second. Flair gets thrown out for messing with Jericho.

That gets people going as I guess they were just bored at the beginning when nothing was really going to happen, so I guess that makes sense. Since he's awesome, Batista takes both Orton and Jericho down at the same time. He hits a heck of a spinebuster on Jericho but gets caught with an awful belt shot from Orton and a running enziguri which Jericho was using as a second finisher until he realized it sucked to make it 3-2 or really 3-3 gives how you look at it.

Snitsky uses the best offensive move that he has by choking Jericho. Orton has a really weird style of punching. He's changed it since but it just looks really weird. After the faces get their collective faces kicked in, their knight with shining eyebrows comes out in the form of Maven.

Now let me get this straight. I understand that Maven was attacked. I understand that Maven was injured and might not be healthy enough to compete. I understand that he might be acting against doctor's orders. I even can kind of understand how he should be in the main event as he's a young guy fighting against the establishment. But why in the world after two hours has he not washed the blood off his face?

He looks completely lost out there too. I mean you can tell that he just isn't ready for this, which isn't his fault. Granted he never really got much better, but he just wasn't ready for this yet. He plays to the crowd decently enough but that's about all he does right. He's trying as hard as he OH MY GOODNESS what a chair shot! Snitsky just cracked the living tar out of Maven with a SICK chair shot. He's gone of course but he hits Jericho and Orton with it first.

HHH covers the unconscious Maven to make it Orton and Jericho against HHH and Edge. Maven really was kind of a sacrificial lamb because he was never in there for the most part and was

able to cancel out Snitsky. In other words Snitsky was worth as much as a guy that wasn't in the match for the most part. These jokes write themselves most of the time but never like that. If you can't tell who the final two are going to be, you're a freaking idiot.

Edge starts freaking out because he can't pin Jericho. Why does that sound like the story of his life? Never mind he gets him after a spear to make it Orton against two tall guys, which isn't a great way to describe them because they're all about 6'4. We get a pretty boring back and forth segment with Edge vs. Orton a longer version with HHH playing the part of the egotistical jerk in a joke that I don't even need to make.

They go for the double team and shockingly enough the spear misses and HHH is down. You know what, that was so predictable that it wasn't even funny to me. It's such a cliché anymore than it's absurd. Edge turns around and takes an RKO to get us down to one on one. Orton needs to start doing it like that again. He does it in a more fluid motion at the moment and I'm not a fan of it at all.

This is more Orton is just right there waiting and partially on his way down already when Edge turns around. The impact is a lot better and the move looks better this way. Also he does it with one arm which I like more as well.

Anyway after about two minutes he counters the Pedigree into the RKO for the clean pin, which moves the storyline along because Orton has shown he can beat HHH but isn't allowed to challenge him, thus strengthening his heel character. Only HHH could come up with a way to get stronger by losing clean.

Rating: B-. This was...ok. That's the only think I can think of to describe it and it has to have the ellipse which is a two dollar word currently on sale for 89 cents and it means the three dots. The wrestling is pretty good but Maven and Snitsky in the main event? Really? Also Edge was about at the level of

John Morrison at the moment (the day before Hell in a Cell in case he's done something really big in the last month and a half) so he wasn't exactly a lock to be in here.

Jericho just looked out of place and they had already stopped Benoit's push as he goes from world champion to first guy out. The match is ok, but it's really nothing great. Orton won though which was the absolute right ending.

Overall Rating: C-. If I had one word to describe this show, it would be lackluster. I mean look at it. What on the card would make you want to watch this show for free, let alone for 40 dollars? This would have been ok for something like Judgment Day maybe, but not Survivor Series. This is just nothing special at all, plain and simple.

Shelton and Christian or the main event gets match of the night more or less by default which is never a good sign at all. This is definitely not recommended as it just isn't an interesting show. The wrestling is passable, but there's just nothing here to make me want to see this at all, which has given me a thread idea so there we go.

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