205 Live - December 25, 2020: They Have A Guy

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We're almost done with the year and that means one more 205 Live to wrap things up. Last week's show focused on a rather energetic tag match and Mansoor, making me wonder what we are going to be seeing this week. Odds are we are going to be seeing a bit more of the same though, because Santa Claus doesn't come to 205 Live. Let's get to it.

Here are last week's results if you need a recap.

Opening sequence.

<u>Samir Singh vs. Chase Parker</u>

Nigel: "Tis the season to be Bolly!" Sunil Singh and Matt Martel are here too. Samir knocks him to the apron to start and chokes with the boot. A kick to the face puts Parker on the floor, where Ever-Rise takes Sunil out. That earns Parker a suplex on the floor, followed by one on the mat back inside for two.

Samir hits a top rope elbow to the face and a backbreaker keeps Parker down. A sleeper goes on until Parker sends him chest first into the buckle for the break. Samir is knocked outside so Sunil, who doesn't look like him and is in different gear, tries to switch places with him. The referee, not being a numskull, doesn't allow it, leaving Parker to hit Sweet Taste for the pin at 6:11.

Rating: C-. It's hard to believe that Ever-Rise is starting to

get some momentum but what matters here is the fact that they are getting some wins. No this isn't going to mean anything beyond 205 Live, but they are getting a little credibility, which is going to mean more when someone beats them again. That's fundamental wrestling, even if the Boyz had to look like morons for their failed switch attempt.

Curt Stallion talks about earning the Cruiserweight Title shot and Santos Escobar is running from him. Escobar is stealing time from him right now, but Stallion always collects his debts. He'll see Escobar soon. Very basic stuff here, but Stallion sold it and it wasn't the usual cliches.

Mansoor vs. Raul Mendoza

No seconds for Mendoza for a change. Mansoor takes him down by the leg to start and then does it again to prove his point. Back up and Mendoza takes him down as well, meaning it's time for the pose. Some armdrags send Mendoza to the floor though and Nigel is rather pleased. Mendoza manages to send him back first into the apron though and there's a slingshot hilo to stay on said back.

The chinlock with a knee in the back doesn't do much good but Mendoza pulls him off the apron for a big crash. Mendoza stomps away in the corner and a dropkick is good for two. A second dropkick sets up the chinlock but Mansoor fights up and avoids a charge into the post (with Mendoza flying out to the floor). An atomic drop into a spinebuster puts Mendoza down and Mansoor adds a suicide dive to the floor.

Back in and the Sands of Time is countered into a rollup to give Mendoza two. Mansoor flips over him though and grabs a Texas Cloverleaf/Scorpion Deathlock hybrid, with Mendoza going straight to the ropes. A swinging suplex drops Mansoor again but Mendoza has to bail out of a phoenix splash. The landing bangs up his knee and Mansoor's slingshot neckbreaker is good for the pin at 12:30.

Rating: C+. The Mansoor pretty goodness continues as he is one of the more entertaining wrestlers going on this show today. I'm still not sure why he isn't working more regularly but it wouldn't shock me to see him winning the Cruiserweight Title at the next Saudi Arabia show. For now though, he's almost a special attraction around here and that's a rather nice surprise.

Overall Rating: C. They basically had a run of the mill show here, because there was no reason to do anything out of the ordinary. Yeah it's Christmas, but how many people watch 205 Live in the first place? Mansoor is becoming one of the better things about the show so it's pretty nice to see him around here. It has been awhile since this show has had someone like that so if it keeps up, good for him and them.

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