

Neil Carswell - *Good Man's Journey* (East Winds Records– 2006)

Solo album from the frontman of Southern Rock band 'Copperhead' and draws you to his attention from the start with 'The Cain Preacher' and keeps you there throughout with his real life stories about livin' in the South. There's special guests on the album too – Barry Goudreau (Boston); Johnny Neel (The Allman Brothers); Stu Kimball (The Bob Dylan Band) & Chris Anderson (The Outlaws) that make it all that bit more special

The material appears more laid back and autobiographical than what I have heard on the Copperhead 'Live & Lost' CD – a good example being the beautiful 'Righteous Side of Life' that's got Gospel and country aspects running in the song and 'Never Been Born' about his childhood with his mum and dad when he lived on a farm.

Love the close to the bone 'Edge of the Green' – Daddy won't ya spare me a little change – what a song man, what a song !! – a real epic of a number as is 'Malibu days' with its crackin' bit of organ playing.

Check him out via www.neilcarswell.com

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