## 10,000 B.C. — When Movies Cost \$3

Oh wait, that was tonight. Seriously. We saw 10,000 B.C. (a new release, no less!) for \$3 for 2 people! It was a 5:00 movie at matinee price, plus bring a guest for free night = \$3! Add in our popcorn and pop, and we spent less than \$10 for a new movie at the theater, with popcorn and a drink! Can't beat that! If we didn't live around the corner from the theater, we would have spent more on the gas to get there — more about gas prices in my next post, ugh.

We had heard that 10,000 B.C. was not a very good movie, but the other choices were **Spiderwick Chronicles** (which we really liked but have already seen) or Fool's Gold, which I have no desire to see for some reason. 10,000 B.C. was exactly what the previews showed — an adventure movie set way way back into I don't know how accurate it is, but the computer animation depicting early humans (though you forgot this fact given that many of them spoke perfect English) hunting wooly mammoths was pretty good, actually. In the movie, they also used the mammoths as "work horses" to haul blocks to build pyramids, which I didn't know, if this is indeed fact... interesting theory. Though they aren't clear if these are the Great Pyramids of Egypt, which I think were actually started more likely around 3,000 B.C. or after... but I'm no expert, this movie did get me thinking and wanted to research a bunch It was neat to see everything interacting together, the early humans and the dwellings they built, the animals, the environment — a great way to envision the past, but it did have me wondering how much is based on scientific fact, like I I won't go into the plot, mostly because I sheepishly admit that I couldn't follow it. I didn't get my nap today, and I fell asleep during what were apparently a few pivotal scenes in the movie. But, for \$3, who cares? And don't think

that the movie is boring either. I have 3 kids and I'm pregnant, I get very tired and could probably fall asleep anywhere without that daily nap I've been so lucky to have most days. And I did get to see The Dark Knight preview, which was pretty cool. I'm not a big fan of the Batman movies — I've only seen 1 and 3, but this one looks really dark and creepy. I think the whole Heath Ledger (R.I.P.) incident will sell tickets, but the previews might do a little ticket-selling themselves... I can see why they say that role affected him in such a negative way — he looked really scary.

So, if you like lots of fighting; epic battle movies set in the past, or are just an admirer of CGI animation, check out 10,000 B.C. — especially if you can find it for \$1.50 / person!