CD Review of ""Everyone"" Band
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"EVERYONE" STRIKES THE SOUL

From the first notes of "Everyone," the opening track on the debut album from the remarkable young band of the same name, ethereal guitars, and non-invasive vocals strikes the soul with the message of God. In tasteful alterations of a relaxing worship and driving, celebratory choruses, there is nothing overpowering in the "Everyone" sound, just clean, tasteful acoustic stylings, solid straight forward drum-and-bass backing, and first rate vocals with lyrics that speak to the hear of who Jesus is. "Everyone" speaks with real conviction of the relationship they have with their Savior, as well as inviting the listener to share in that relationship, particularly on such standout tracks as "Jesus Savior" and "Love That You Give."

At the same time, "Everyone" summons a solid and steady drive on "Crazy" and the title track without calling undue attention to their performance or distracting from the lyrics. Equally impressive is their ability to balance both the tranquil and the forceful, especially in "Only For You." The album is, in fact, arranged to provide an enjoyable variety of pacing, from toe tapping to leg slapping to pull down your worship cap and shut out the world's rapping. There are many well-calibrated degrees of worship here, facilitating praise, meditation and intense spiritual concentration.

But the greatest impact lies just below the surface, in the group's ability to carry the listener into worship without being aware of the process until we have arrived at our destination. It's a sound that ushers us into the presence of God without distracting us from that journey, allows us to celebrate who Jesus is and what He means, both personally and in unity with the group. Simply put, everyone needs to hear "Everyone".