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ABANDON KANSAS

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→ Catchy melodies and energetic vocal delivery make Abandon Kansas one of the better Christian alt-rock bands. The album name, also the state motto of Kansas, means "to the stars through difficulties." Mark Lee Townsend (Relient K) produced the album, which has some Kings of Leon swagger and a slight Euro-rock feel. On "Take My Lead," the band channels The Killers with their staccato guitars and happyfingers synth. Themes focus on conquering fear and holding fast to convictions. *Will you fly on the wings of love tonight*, they sing on "Wings (Fear of Heights)." OK.