## Journey Church Hawaii "The Baptism of the Holy Spirit" Acts 1:1-8 Pastor John Honold April 3, 2016

- I. What is the Kingdom of God? [40 Days of God's Kingdom by Rick Stinton]
  - God's Active, Dynamic Rule [Revelation 4:11]
  - It is the Primary Theme of the Bible
  - God Reclaims His Righteous, Loving Rule over a Rebellious World through His Anointed King Jesus, who
  - Triumphs over Satan's evil on the Cross
  - Rescues, in Supreme Love, people under the curse of sin and death
  - Fashions a magnificent New Creation under His Reign, to the Praise of His Glorious Grace!
  - The Kingdom of God summarizes Jesus' entire ministry, calling people to receive God's Rule by turning to Him in faith
- II. Misconceptions of the Kingdom
  - Wholeness [2 Corinthians 5:17; Philippians 3:16]
  - Strongholds [2 Corinthians 10:3-5]
  - God is greater than our hearts [1 John 3:20]
  - Transformation by the renewal of our minds [Romans 12:1-2]
  - Fullness [Philippians 3:10-11]
- III. The Promise of the Father: the Baptism of the Holy Spirit [Joel 2:28-29; Matthew 3:11]
  - Witness: Provision of power for ministry that transcends the limits of human ability
  - We face demonic opposition [Ephesians 6:12] that uses confusion [Genesis 3:1] and lies [John 8:44] to convince mankind to exchange the truth of God for a lie, serving and worshiping all things created [Romans 1:25], with the expressed purpose to steal, kill and destroy man [John 10:10a; Revelation 12:9]
  - The Baptism of the Holy Spirit gives us the ability to be relentless [Revelation 12:11; 1 Peter 2:11-12; 2 Corinthians 10:3-5]
  - "Church on a Monday" [Luke 10:3-8]
  - Peace of God
  - Fellowship
  - Meet Needs
  - Declare/Share the Kingdom of God
  - Keep Being Filled! [Ephesians 5:18]