CHILDREN AND THE BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

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Introduction:

The Simplicity of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit- Five Fingers

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Acts 1:4 Do not leave Jerusalem until the Father sends you the gift he promised, as I told you before.

Acts 1:5 In just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.

John 14:17b But you know Him (the Holy Spirit) because He lives with you now and later will be in you.

Acts 2:38-39 Repent... then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise is to you, to your children, and to those far away—all who have been called by the Lord our God.

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John 16:7 It is best for you that I go away, because if I don't the Advocate won't come. If I do go away, then I will send him to you. And when He comes he will convict the world of its sin and of God's righteousness. COUNSELOR – CONVICTOR

Acts 1:8 You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. POWER GIVER

Luke 24:49 And now I will send the Holy Spirit, just as my Father promised. But stay in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven.

John 14:26 But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—He will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you. TEACHER

John 16:13 When the Spirit of Truth comes, He will guide you into all truth. GUIDE Romans 8:26-27 The Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness, For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groans that cannot be expressed in words. And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God's own will. PRAYER WARRIOR

Ask and seek for the gift.

Luke 11:9-10 And so I tell you, keep on asking and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking and you will find. Keep on knocking and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks, finds. And everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

Luke 11:13 ...how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him.

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Acts 2:4 Everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages as the Holy Spirit gave them ability.

Acts 2:11 And we all hear these people speaking in our own languages and the wonderful things God has done.

Acts 10: 45 For they heard them (the Gentiles) speaking in other tongues and praising God.

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I Cor. 12:1 Now dear brothers and sisters, regarding your question about the special abilities the Spirit gives us.

I Cor. 12:7 A spiritual gift is given to each of us so that we can help each other.

I Cor. 12:8-10 To one person the Spirit gives the ability to give wise advice; to another the same Spirit gives a message of special knowledge. The same Spirit gives great faith to another and to someone else the one Spirit gives the gift of healing. He gives one person the power to perform miracles, and to another the ability to prophesy. He gist someone else the ability to discern whether a message is from the Spirit of God or from another spirit. Still another person is given the ability to speak in unknown languages while another is given the ability to interpret what is being said.

I Cor. 14:1 Let love be your highest goal! But you should also desire the special abilities the Spirit gives.