

## Elementary Children's Church

### Lesson 23

#### The Holy Spirit Part 1 – The Holy Spirit Working in Us Through the Love of God

1. The Holy Spirit fills and sheds the love of God all over our hearts, **Romans 5:5** And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is **shed abroad** in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

There are three main reasons we need the overflowing love of God in our lives. First, receiving and believing in the love of God activates faith in our lives. **Galatians 5:6** "For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but **faith** which **worketh** by **love**." **Romans 10:17**, "So then **faith** [cometh] by **hearing**, and **hearing** by the word of God." Love is how faith becomes alive in us. Faith works in us when we believe that Jesus loves us. We naturally have faith in our parents because we believe that they love us. That they only want the best for us, and that love is why we believe them when they tell us things. Same way with God. He so loved that He gave his only begotten Son to die and become for sin for us (**John 3:16** & **2 Corinthians 5:21**). That is the greatest statement of love there could ever be. The Lamb of God given to us to die for our sin. We can believe everything that the father tells us, because of his great love wherewith we are loved.