



July 3, 2023 – Sermon Discussion Questions

ICEBREAKER

1. Do highs and lows of the past week
2. Why do we love underdog stories? What are some of your favorites?

MESSAGE QUESTIONS

1. Review the message –
 - a. David, a small Israelite boy, defeats Goliath, a giant trained soldier.
 - b. When reading the story of David it's easy to see ourselves as the hero. It's easy to think that God is always going to give us victory and that failure is never an option.
 - c. Failure is an option, but it's never final, because Jesus is our hero and all we are called to do is trust him.
2. Read 1 Samuel 17:1-24 out loud
 - a. David was chosen for a task that he was underqualified for... Has there ever been anything in life that you've done that you felt underqualified for? Did you succeed or did you fail? How did you process either/or after the fact?
 - b. When you face situations in life that you don't feel qualified for what is your typical way of handling that? To power through and take the challenge head on? Or to shrink back from the challenge? Why do you think that is?
 - c. What are some things coming up in life or that you're currently facing that you feel underequipped for?
3. Read 1 Samuel 17:26-58 out loud
 - a. Read verses 34-36 again. Can you summarize in your own words how David responds to the challenge facing him?
 - b. David knew who he needed. He knew that the only way the task before would be accomplished is if he depended on Jesus. If we're being honest there are lots of other things we depend on instead of Jesus. What things do you depend on when you face trials?
4. Read Hebrews 12:1-2 out loud
 - a. We are not the hero of scripture. Jesus is... Why do we naturally see ourselves as the hero?
 - b. What does it look like for you to turn to Jesus as our hero when you feel underqualified for the task ahead of you?

CLOSING

1. Have each group member summarize areas of their life where they are struggling to depend on Jesus and pray for those things specifically.