

Special Speaker: Rev. Andre Mansoor

Message Summary: As we come to a close to the Harvest of Hope Series, we get to go back and learn from the people of Israel. Losing hope in life is something that has been happening so easily, and we have every opportunity to stop that from happening. As we look back at Israel and learn from their history, we can start identifying with the Giant they faced and the ones we currently face ourselves. Let's take a look at one of the most popular stories in the Bible found in 1 Samuel 17.

Taking Back Hope

A Story of God's People

1 Samuel 17

1. Facing the Champion of your enemy.

- a. **Israel's Enemy**

- b. **Recognizing the Champion You're facing**

- c. **Hope Lost**

2. Understanding the Battle

- a. **You're not David**

- b. **You're God's people**

3. Taking Back Hope

- a. **Without Faith in God all Hope is lost**

- b. **Obedience and Resilience – Keys to keeping HOPE**

- c. **Steps to keeping Hope**

LifeGroup QUESTIONS:

BEGIN IT – (5min) Time for one praise song & opening prayer.

OPEN IT- (10min) – What was your first memory of learning about David and Goliath?

EXPLORE IT- (60min) – Review Sunday's sermon outline and answer the following questions. Make sure to give time for individual comments and questions:

1. What stood out most to you from Israel's History shared during the sermon?
2. What stood out most to you from David's background shared during the sermon?
3. Which "champion of the enemy" do you feel you most battle with?
4. How do you feel, realizing that you are not David in your battle vs. the giant in your life?
5. Go over the steps to keeping Hope with your group, share your thoughts on the two different steps.

APPLY IT- (15min) – What is one thing that you would say you have the hardest time battling? Would you be willing to share that with another person in your group and have them pray over you? Please make sure to keep what the other person shares with you confidential. Remember to pray claiming that Jesus has already won the battle!