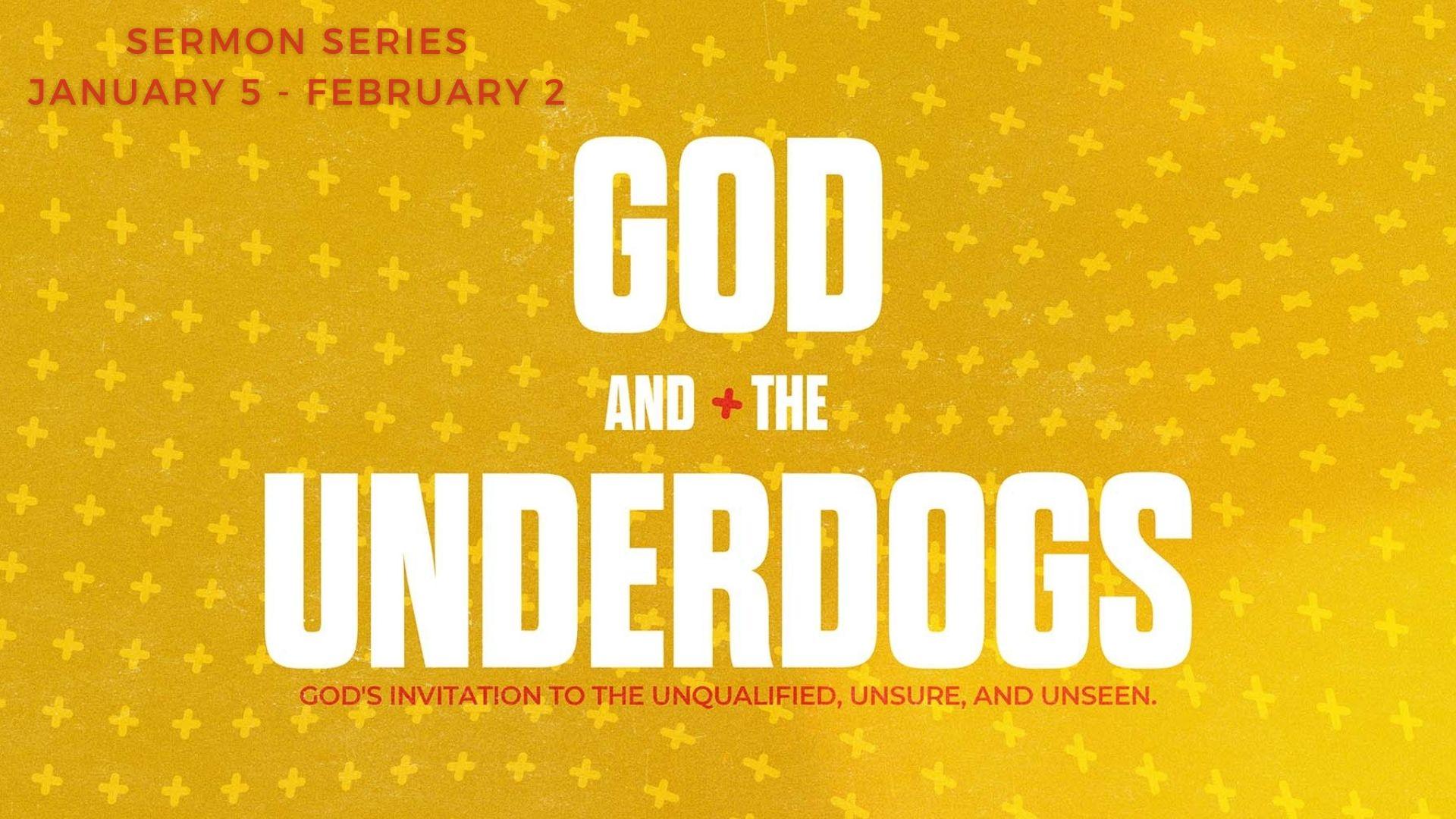
**Hope Presbyterian Church**

**Sermon-Based Bible Study Group**

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**January 5, 2025**

**Moses: God and the Underdogs** - God's Invitation to the Unqualified, Unsure, and Unseen

**Text Referenced (NIV)**: Exodus 3:7-14; Exodus 4:10-15; Luke 4:18-19

1. What stood out to you about the message?
2. An underdog is a person or team expected to lose a contest or competition.
   * What characteristics do you associate with an underdog?
   * Why are we attracted to the stories of underdogs? Do you have a favorite?

3. **Read Exodus 3: 7-14.**

God tells Moses why he wants him to lead the Israelites out of Egypt. However, he responds by asking why he should be the one to do what God is asking.

* + In what ways would Moses have been considered an underdog in this situation?
  + Have you ever felt God was asking you to do something for which you felt unsure and unqualified?
  + How did you respond, and what did you learn from the experience?

4. **Read Exodus 4: 10-15.**

Moses continues negotiating with God, hoping to convince Him to find someone else to lead the Israelites out of Egypt.

* + What excuses do we often give for not answering God’s call?
  + How do you respond to the idea that *God's capability matters more than our qualifications*?

5. **Read Luke 4: 18–19.**

Jesus reads this passage from the prophet Isaiah to those around him to illustrate his own purpose and calling from God.

* + What can you take from these verses to encourage your understanding of how to respond when God calls you for a specific purpose for which you feel you’re not qualified?

6.How can we pray for you?