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# **SERMON OUTLINE -- AUGUST 28, 2022**

# God Loves an Underdog

(Luke 14:1-14)

INTRODUCTION: The definition of "an underdog"...

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CONCLUSION: "Little Beverly's favourite doll..."

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Miss Michal Elenzano, Mrs. Krista Carter

Organists: Mrs. Marlene Wallis, Mr. Bob McFadden, Mr. Braydan Pastucha, Mr. Nicholas Zhang

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