



# 2018 Southern Conference Basketball Tournament



## No. 5 Samford vs. No. 4 Furman

March 1, 2018

### Samford

*Head Coach Mike Morris*

*Opening Statement:*

"I'm definitely pleased with our team. I thought we started the game really well, but they (Furman) are a well-coached team. When they took the lead, we didn't fold. Olivia had a huge offensive rebound and an even bigger three down the stretch. It was a typical game against Furman. It was a gritty win."

*On the team's grit in the win:*

"It took all we had. As a team we've been reading this book called *Grit* all year and I think we have shown a lot of grit and toughness."

*On getting to the semifinals*

"We're playing a very good team in Mercer. They may be one of the best team's that the Southern Conference has had. They are undefeated and have probably the best player. They are very well coached. We're excited to play. Now you get to the semifinals, you're just one game away from the finals, which we all know what that can lead to."

*Forward Olivier Crozier*

*On what it took to win the game*

"We've built our grit through the season. We got down during the game but we didn't lose our composure."

*On playing with foul trouble:*

"I heard the coach say 'she has three (fouls)' so I knew they were coming after me, so I had to do my best to not get another foul."

*On the win and moving forward in the tournament*

"Like coach said, afterwards we'll enjoy this for maybe an hour, but ever since we played at Mercer, we wanted Mercer again and now we got it."