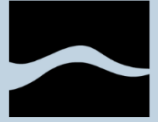


SERMON NOTES

A FAITHFUL GREETING

1 Timothy 1:1-2



BIG IDEA: The apostle Paul greets Timothy with a letter rooted in Christ's authority and hope and serves as God's blueprint for life in the church.

APPLICATION GUIDE

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DISCUSS

What are the most significant cultural changes affecting the church today?

What doctrinal errors are the greatest threat to our church or other Christians you know?

Timothy was Paul's true child in the faith. Read Acts 16:1-3, Philippians 2:22, and 2 Timothy 3:10. What made Timothy an excellent candidate to pastor the church in Ephesus?

APPLY

Are there doctrines in the Bible that are hard for you to understand or accept? Explain why.

Why should you accept the Bible's teaching as authoritative in your life? What might happen if you don't?

Put yourself in Timothy's shoes. How does Paul's greeting encourage you to remain faithful in the ministry God has called you to?

How can the concepts of grace, mercy, and peace guide how you approach others in the church, especially in a position of influence or leadership?

COMMIT

Read 1 Timothy in its entirety. Note the significant themes of the letter as well as any theological and practical questions that need to be answered. What is one verse that is particularly encouraging to you?