September 14, 2025 Sermon Notes: Tap Tap

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1	Introd	uction

- 1.1 Flannel weather opener and personal story
- 1.2 Welcome first-time guests and online attendees

2. Leadership and Problem-Solving

- 2.1 Leadership as influence and problem-solving
- 2.2 Everyday examples of being "tapped" to solve problems
- 2.3 God's design: leadership across all spheres, empowered by His Spirit

3. Discipleship as the Core Focus

- 3.1 Leadership flows into discipleship
- 3.2 Paul tapping Timothy to lead in Ephesus
- 3.3 False teaching as the central problem Timothy faced

4. Paul's Example of God's Grace (1 Tim 1:12–15)

- 4.1 Paul's past: blasphemer, persecutor, arrogant man
- 4.2 God's mercy, grace, faith, and love poured out
- 4.3 The simplicity of the gospel—Jesus saves sinners

5. Emotions and Conflict in Leadership

- 5.1 False teachers stirring emotional conflict
- 5.2 Paul's humility: identifying as "the worst of sinners"
- 5.3 God's extravagant grace reorients our hearts

6. Jesus' Mission and God's Patience (1 Tim 1:15–16)

- 6.1 Jesus' mission: came to save sinners
- 6.2 Paul as the prime example of God's patience
- 6.3 Praise as perspective in leadership challenges (1 Tim 1:17)

7. Paul's Charge to Timothy (1 Tim 1:18–20)

- 7.1 Fight the good fight with faith and a good conscience
- 7.2 Relationship between Paul and Timothy—leadership flows at the pace of love
- 7.3 Leadership anchored in calling and commissioning
- 7.4 The danger of rejecting faith and a good conscience—shipwrecked faith

7.5 Hymenaeus and Alexander: example of divine discipline

- 8. Application for Today's Leaders
 - 8.1 Leadership is hard but essential
 - 8.2 Leaders delegate, but don't abdicate
 - 8.3 Effective leadership is rooted in love, integrity, and discipleship
 - 8.4 Call to lean into God's Spirit and wisdom

9. Conclusion

- 9.1 Leadership aimed at love of God and people
- 9.2 Leadership centered on Jesus and discipling others
- 9.3 Closing prayer