## "Winning the Battle Over Temptation, Pt 2 James 1:13-15 March 9, 2014

Two Major Enemies of the Christian Life

- 1. The Devil (I Peter 5:8)
- 2. The Old Nature (Galatians 5:17)

Where does the battle take place? Inside you. (James 4:1)

Barriers to help you win the battle over temptation:

- 1. Consequences
- 2. Accountability

What does accountability mean? It means to be answerable and responsible to God and to others.

The word "encourage" means to come alongside and place courage in someone.

"Iron sharpens iron. So one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17 (NASB)

Three kinds of accountability relationships:

- 1. <u>A Paul relationship</u> We all need an older person who is willing to invest in our life
- 2. <u>A Barnabas relationship</u> We all need that person in our life who loves us and encourages us to be Christlike.
- 3. <u>A Timothy relationship</u> We all need that young disciple that we can pour our life into.