Growing Cold in the Valley

(Caution Against the Degeneration of Spiritual Life)

Text: Genesis 33

<u>Main Idea</u>: The Blessed of God must live their mountain top experiences in the valley of real life!

- 1. First Test: Will we ______ God or _____ man? (v. 1-4, Prov 29:25)
 - To conquer our fear we must remember that God is ______ us & promises to ______ us! (Matt 28:20, Heb 13:5)
 - To conquer our fear we must ______ & ask God to guard our hearts & minds. (Phil 4:6)
- 2. Second Test: Will we give ______ to God's faithfulness or plead with the world? (v. 8-11)
- 3. Third Test: Will we ______ truth & do what we say or ______ our promises & bring reproach upon the Lord? (v. 12-17a)
- 4. Fourth Test: Will we keep our selves free from ______ & love of this world or embrace it & allow it to ______ us? (v. 17b-20)
 - As pilgrims we must not allow the world to _____ us in.
 - Know that when we seek fellowship with the world, it will always
 ______us.
 - _____ is not as important to God as obedience. (1 Sam 15:22)