## **Accountability Lesson**

- Connect cussing to accountability (have friends keep you accountable for the things you say at school, to other classmates and to teachers)
- Show Spiritual Linebacker
- Tell Blob story (falling on dock)
- Read Proverbs 27:5-6
  - verse 5: it is better to call a friend out on something that they are doing that is wrong, then to love them in secret. If you really cared about a friend, you would let them know when their actions don't match up with God's Word. If you care about a friend, action needs to happen to prove that you really care about them.

-Verse 6: in the King James version, this verse reads: "Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful." When a friend pulls you aside and confronts you on sin, (which is keeping you accountable), it usually hurts, because you are being told that you are doing something wrong. This "wound" can be trusted because it comes from someone that you trust, and from someone that you know has your best interests in mind. When people flatter you, and tell you that your awesome, and doing great, etc, then that is deceitful. It leads you into thinking that your relationship with God is perfect, and has no need for improvement.

- There are many ways to keep each other accountable. A few different ways are :
- -asking each other about how your doing in the areas your struggling
- -random text messages
- -accountability software on computers

You still may be wondering why would anybody want to be held accountable? That I can do this on my own, I don't need to open up to anybody else, but God's word tells us that confessing sin to each other brings healing

Proverbs 28:13 James 5:16