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## Worship with us in the Word:

Series: Want to move forward? Then just stop!

Today's Message: Stop Transferring Blame – Accept responsibility

Exodus 32

The Problem – Blaming people or circumstances for why I respond the way I do

The Pattern in Scripture Illustrated:

Adam and Eve's response – Genesis 3 Cain's response – Gen 4 Sarah's response – Gen 16 Esau's response – Genesis 27 Saul's response – 1 Sam. 13, 15 Pilate's response – Matthew 27 Priests' response – Hosea 4-5

- Exodus 32 Aaron at Mount Sinai
  - o Aaron's involvement vv. 1-6
  - o Aaron's blame shifting vv. 21-23
  - o Aaron's denial v. 24
  - o God's perspective Aaron is responsible vv. 28, 30

## The Pattern in Our Lives

- Identify who we blame our circles of associations
- Identify what we are trying to escape our responsibility for sin

## Stop TOB (Transfer-of-Blame) - Accept Responsibility

- Embrace God's truth I am responsible for my thoughts and actions
- Confess that "I'm the problem." James 1:14
  - ... for my sinful responses (spoken or acted)
  - ... for my poor choices
  - ... for my negative attitudes
  - ... for my failures
- Appeal to God for help in changing your blame shifting pattern in one specific area.