

News Story Summary

On April 27, the leaders of North and South Korea announced an agreement to remove all nuclear weapons from the Korean Peninsula and to pursue talks towards peace. Relations between the two countries for that past six decades following the Korean War. In the recent Winter Olympics, the two countries competed as one team which some have pointed to as the beginning of this mended relationship. However, the agreement was short on details, not including target dates or clear actions.

(For more on this story, search the Internet using the term “North and South Korea”.)

Focus Attention

To supplement the discuss activity under Focus Attention, after asking if any broken relationship can be fixed, share the story of the recent agreement between North and South Korea. Ask: *What challenges would you anticipate as these two countries try to mend their broken relationship? Is it easier or harder to mend a broken relationship personally or corporately?* Explain. Complete the step as written.

Challenge

To begin the Summarize and Challenge suggestion, remind the group of the news story about North and South Korea. Lead the group to determine how truths from this lesson might impact the peace being sought between the two countries. Emphasize that true peace and change begins through a relationship with Christ. Complete the step as written, reviewing the statements printed under Apply the Text.