

News Story Summary

When now 74-year-old Robin King was 13 years old, he discovered he was adopted. However, his adopted parents never spoke of it, so Robin lived his whole life not knowing anything about his biological parents. In his 50's, Robin searched the London Metropolitan Archive. Papers revealed he had been left in a box outside a department store in 1943. The archive revealed nothing else about this mysterious baby in a box. So Robin's daughter Lorraine continued the search. After more than 20 years, DNA testing finally led to answers. Lorraine discovered the names of Robin's biological mother and father and other siblings. Most of the mystery of the baby in the box was solved.

(For more on this story, search the Internet using the phrase “mystery of the baby in the box.”)

Focus Attention

To supplement the Focus Attention idea, read the news story summary. Ask: *Why do you think it was important for Robin to know the complete story of his adoption? How do you think Robin's life changed when he learned more about his biological family?* Focus on the difference having a full picture of one's identity could make on the life of a person. Emphasize that today's session helps us understand the difference Apollos' discovery of the complete truth about the gospel of Christ makes.

Summarize and Challenge

To supplement the Summarize and Challenge, remind the group of how the mystery of the baby in the box was solved. Ask: *What difference do you think it would have made if Robin's daughter, Lorraine, had not been able to find her father's biological family?* Remind the group that Aquila and Priscilla helped Apollos to discover the complete truth of the gospel of Christ. Ask: *What difference could it have made if Apollos had never learned the complete truth?* Encourage group members to be ready to help others understand the complete gospel and to also be open to learn from others when our own understanding about the gospel is lacking.