

### News Story Summary

Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) recently deported Jorge Garcia, acting on an order originally issued in 2006. The case had been tied up in courts for several years. The goodbyes of the Garcia family went viral on the Internet. Jorge said, “I got to leave my family behind, knowing that they’re probably going to have a hard time adjusting... It’s just hard.” Jorge and his family are now working on his return.

(For more on this story, search the Internet using the phrase “Jorge Garcia.”)

### Focus Attention

To supplement the Focus Attention idea, read the news story summary. Ask: *What dynamics in relationships make saying goodbye difficult? What advice would you give your family if you were in Mr. Garcia’s position?* Point out that in today’s session, Paul is saying goodbye to fellow believers in Ephesus with a message that will impact their lives.

### Summarize and Challenge

To supplement the Summarize and Challenge, remind the group that Paul challenged the believers to continue sharing the gospel in his absence. Remind the group of the news story. Ask: *What words from Jorge could strengthen his family in his absence?* Challenge group members to be a source of encouragement to people dealing with difficult goodbyes, whether through work, military service, death, and even deportation. Remind them to always be ready in these events to share the gospel.

### Correction: Paul’s hometown (Session 10, Personal Study Guide page 92 and Leader Guide page 105)

We goofed! Obviously, Paul's hometown was Tarsus and not Troas. The sentence should have simply read that Paul returned to Troas. Several people read both resources and we all demonstrated our humanity at this point. We have discussed this oversight as a team and have placed additional checks in our process that we hope will prevent this in the future. Thanks for praying for us as we do this work.