

Lesson 2

READ THIS STORY #1, Advanced

Indifference

Walter switched channels. He was weary of watching pictures of starving children in far off lands. He was acutely conscious of the tragedy that was transpiring in that part of the world. But this was no transient crisis.

The United Nations had made meritorious attempts to help the country become self-sufficient. Huge quantities of supplies had been donated by religious groups.

Yet there was no expedient way to distribute these gifts to the people who needed them most. Insidious corruption was present at every level of government. Supplies disappeared before they could be given to those in need.

The countryside was shattered by years of continuous civil war. The situation seemed impervious to any solution. Walter did care, but he didn't think he could do anything that would make a difference in that part of the world.