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### **A BEACH OPEN TO ALL**

Frank Picozzi, mayor of Warwick, Rhode Island, was speaking with an elderly resident who was confined to a wheelchair and really missing the ability to enjoy the local beaches. "It just kind of struck a chord with me," Picozzi says, and he set about researching how to make Oakland Beach more accessible for the elderly and people with disabilities. He learned about beach-friendly wheelchairs that can go on sand and into the water. But these chairs are expensive and often require a lifeguard or attendant to operate safely. The city partnered with the Joey Andrade Foundation, which purchased and donated two of the chairs. Those wheelchairs became available for public use last month, and now the beach is accessible to more people.

### **SALVATION OPEN TO ALL**

Today's text from Paul's letter to Titus discusses the hope of eternal life that God planned before time began and that was finally revealed through grace in Jesus. God's design from the beginning was to make salvation open to all, and this teaches us to deny temptation as we wait for the glory of Jesus to be revealed for the world to see.

1. What's an accommodation you'd like to see made for people with disabilities?
2. How could it affect our evangelism to consider that salvation has always been intended for all?
3. In what ways does God's grace teach us to deny ungodliness?

### **Additional Resources**

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[Whitney Wollard's "Titus: A Counter-Cultural Gospel for Cretans"](#)

[Edward Pillar's "Commentary on Titus 2:11-14"](#)

[Amy L.B. Peeler's "Commentary on Titus 2:11-14"](#)