

**Sermon Notes**  
**Ecclesiastes**  
**June 16, 2024**

**Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 (NIV)**

<sup>1</sup> There is a time for everything,  
and a season for every activity under the heavens:  
<sup>2</sup> a time to be born and a time to die,  
a time to plant and a time to uproot,  
<sup>3</sup> a time to kill and a time to heal,  
a time to tear down and a time to build,  
<sup>4</sup> a time to weep and a time to laugh,  
a time to mourn and a time to dance,  
<sup>5</sup> a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,  
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,  
<sup>6</sup> a time to search and a time to give up,  
a time to keep and a time to throw away,  
<sup>7</sup> a time to tear and a time to mend,  
a time to be silent and a time to speak,  
<sup>8</sup> a time to love and a time to hate,  
a time for war and a time for peace.  
<sup>9</sup> What do workers gain from their toil? <sup>10</sup> I have seen the burden God has laid on the human race. <sup>11</sup> He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end.

**Romans 8:28 (NIV)**

We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose

“Mortals...say of some temporal suffering, ‘No future bliss can make up for it,’ not knowing that Heaven, once attained, will work backwards and turn even that agony into a glory... The good man’s past begins to change so that his forgiven sins and remembered sorrows take on the quality of Heaven...” **C. S. Lewis, The Great Divorce**

**Proverbs 19:21 (NIV)**

Many are the plans in a person’s heart, but it is the Lord’s purpose that prevails

**Galatians 4:4-5 (NIV)**

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship.