

Sermon Title: THE MAN FROM THE COUNTRY

Date: March 16, 2025 - Luke 23:13-26

Central Idea: God's ways and His timing are perfect! Do you trust God's timing?

Introduction:

In the second part of one of the longest chapters in his gospel, Luke not only gives his version of the trial of Jesus Christ, but continues his character studies of the men, Roman and Jewish, who condemned our Lord to die. In reality, we see how they were condemned by Him, through their own evil natures.

God's ways are mysterious and often completely unpredictable. It isn't only what God does that is so amazing; it is also when He does it.

I. The Wicked Romans

II. The Weak Jews

III. The Ways of God, v. 26

1. Simon's sons, Alexander and Rufus, Mark 15:21

2. Simon's wife, Romans 16:13

Conclusion:

Think of it: if Simon's sons and his wife became Christians, it seems that, in God's amazing providence, this man who was once forced to carry the cross of Jesus, later carried that cross willingly, as he became a disciple of the crucified Christ.