Deuteronomy 4:5,6

Introduction:

- A call to hear and obey the laws God had given them!
- Successful conquest ... full enjoyment of life promised!
- Conditional to submission ...
- Parallel to our own time

- Israel's obedience would provide a testimony to the world ...
 #1 God was near to His people!
 #2 His laws were righteous!
- What is it that we would like to be known for ... at our funeral ... at the end of our life?
- Let's consider the following ...

- Number One: There is nothing wiser that we can do than to observe God's law carefully!
- Note Deut. 4:5 ...
- "Wisdom" ... pertains to character more than human intelligence!
- Note 1 Peter 2:1-12; Eccl.12:13,14
- "This is our wisdom ..."

Number Two: There is no greater wisdom available to us!

- Note Deut. 4:5,8
- Tragedy to dismiss God's wisdom as "foolishness" (1 Cor.1:18-25)!
- Prudence leads us to value the thoughts of Proverbs 9:10; 1:7 ...
- "This is our wisdom ..."

- Number Three: There is no greater reputation than serving others ... in ways consistent with God's wisdom!
- Note Deuteronomy 4:6 ...
- Paul's summation of David in Acts 13:36!
- Note Philippians 2:15,16 ... showing good character in a dark culture!
- "This is our wisdom ..."

Conclusion:

- So ... what issues and concerns do we want others to think of when thinking of us?
- What happens to us in the hereafter depends on ... what we're here ... after!
- Note Matthew 6:33,34
- Yes ... "This is our wisdom ..."
- May we have the ears to hear ... and the hearts to obey!!!