I. Literature and the arts are filled with “swan songs.” Deuteronomy is Moses’ swan song.

A. Consider the value of a Biblical Swan Song

II. Deuteronomy: Deutero + nomos

A. Deutero (second) nomos (law)

III. Eight Speeches/Orations/Three Sermons

IV. “Thanks for the Memories:” Chapters 1-3

A. A Recap of the Wanderings: 1:2 – Eleven Days turns into Forty Years

B. Playing to the Audience – Note who is listening

1. 1:6 -- “The Lord said” – Note the verb tense

2. The Need to Study History

a. Biblical Principle of the Backside of God

(1) Finally in Jesus we see God in this sphere

(2) Seeing Ourselves Revealed in History: Answer for the “Blame Game”

V. The Heart of the Matter: Chapter 4

A. Deuteronomy 4:1 – “Hear NOW, O Israel = “Therefore,” “So then”

B. Deuteronomy 4:2 – Basic Biblical Arithmetic

C. Deuteronomy 4:3 – No Blind Faith

D. Deuteronomy 4:7 – Compare and Contrast

E. Deuteronomy 4:9 – Spiritual Amnesia

F. Deuteronomy 4:32 – ASK. God welcomes our questions

G. Deuteronomy 4:39 – If you don’t **ASK** you won’t **KNOW**

H. Deuteronomy 4:40 – If a person’s mind does not **KNOW**, his heart won’t **GO**

1. “The heart cannot rejoice in what the mind rejects.”

**To God Be the Glory**

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| **1.** To God be the glory, great things He hath done!  So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,  And opened the lifegate that all may go in.  **(Refrain)**  Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  Let the earth hear His voice!  Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  Let the people rejoice!  O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,  And give Him the glory, great things He hath done! | **2.** O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  To every believer the promise of God;  The vilest offender who truly believes,  That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.  (Refrain)  **3.** Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,  And great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;  But purer, and higher, and greater will be  Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.  (Refrain) |