"Professor Ozcelik put together a great group of panelists covering a wide range of backgrounds and I found their perspectives on the topic of wisdom very interesting. I believe that our focus on the concept of wisdom is very important and often overlooked in society today. Too often our teachings concentrate on the dissemination of knowledge rather than the morally right use of knowledge. Knowledge is more akin to a "tool" where wisdom relates to the proper and timely "use of the tool(s)".

T. S. Eliot asked, "Where is the wisdom we have lost in knowledge? Where is the knowledge we have lost in information?" His questions remain unanswered by most of us. Hopefully this important Wisdom Institute will work towards answering the questions raised by T.S. Eliot and others. I truly believe that the pursuit of wisdom is far more important than just the accumulation of knowledge. I can hire knowledge...I am responsible for how I use my knowledge. Hopefully I make wise decisions."

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