

Thanksgiving

1 Chronicles 16:8-36

Phyllis Diller

My cooking is so bad
my kids thought
Thanksgiving was to
commemorate Pearl
Harbour.



Philippians 4:6

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with **thanksgiving**, present your requests to God.



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Three Psalms for the price of one

Sources of I Chronicles 16

- I Chronicles 16: 8-22
- I Chronicles 16: 23-33
- I Chronicles 16: 34
- I Chronicles 16: 35-36
- Psalm 105:1-15
- Psalm 96:1-13
- Psalm 106:1
- Psalm 106:47-48

Historical setting of Chronicles song

- Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem – God is dwelling in the capital city of his people
- Song not in II Samuel 6
- Reason in Chronicles is due to the historical setting of author

Historical setting of Chronicles

- Probably post-exile
- Small group of weak people amongst powerful nations
- Encourage Israel in their mission to live out and praise God among the nations

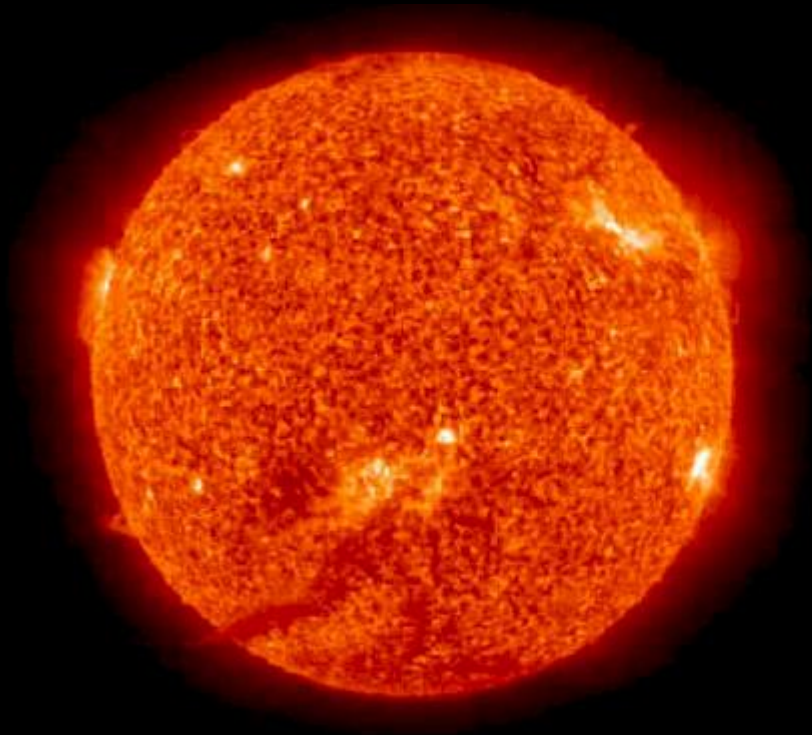
Thanksgiving

- Thanksgiving gives perspective



Earth

Earth compared...



Earth

Got some perspective now?

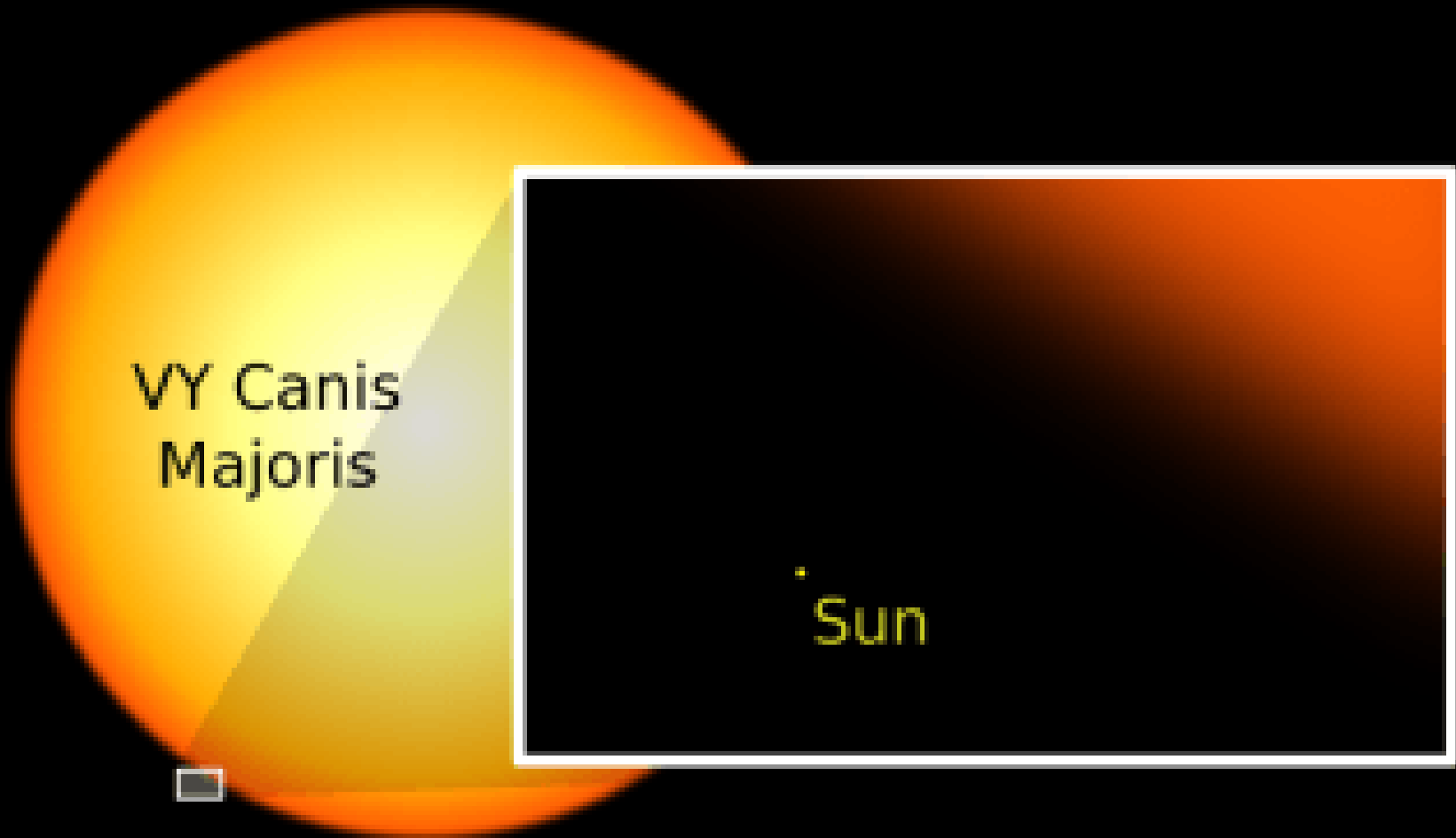
Red Giant



Sun



***To the LORD belong the heavens even
the highest heavens (Deut 10:14)***



Thanksgiving

- In front of the nations (vss. 8, 24, 28)
- Tell what he has done (9)
- Tell what he is like
 - Holy (10)
 - Strong (11, 28)
 - Faithful (15)
 - Great (25)
 - Splendid and Majestic (27)
 - Good and loving (34)

Thanksgiving

- Who he is
 - Judge (12, 14)
 - Protector (21-22, 35)
 - Saviour (23)
 - Creator (26)
 - King (31; cf. Luke 11:2)
- The creation rejoices (30-33)

What do we learn?

- Thanksgiving is a missionary act – carried out before the nations
- Thanksgiving brings perspective
- Thanksgiving declare who God is, what he has done and what he is like; therefore we need to know God to praise him