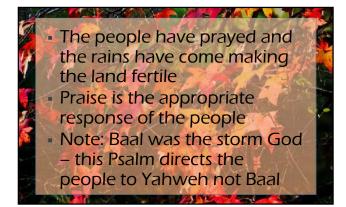




## Psalm 65

- What we have in Psalm 65 is a communal song of thanks to God
- Original context may have been a time of famine – totally dependent on rainfall

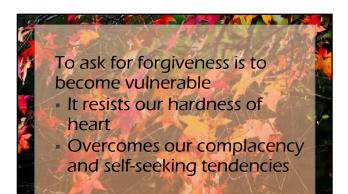


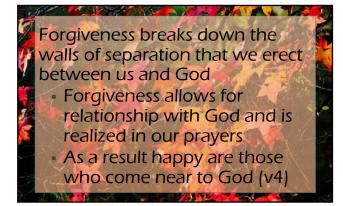


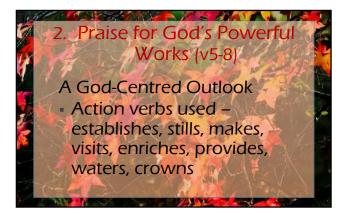


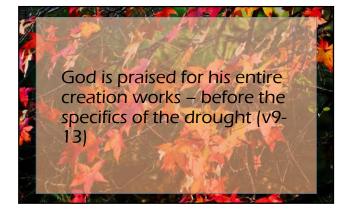
## Specifically we praise God for his grace & forgiveness (v3-4) • When we are overwhelmed by

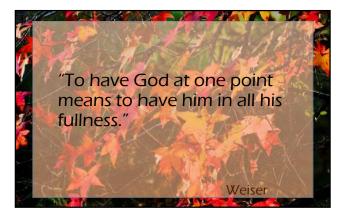
- our sin (v3)
- · Even then you forgive us
- Forgiveness not simply in a judicial sense but a covering over our iniquity

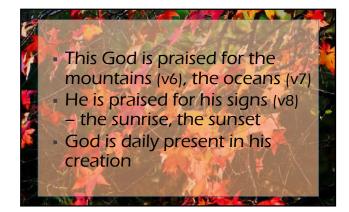




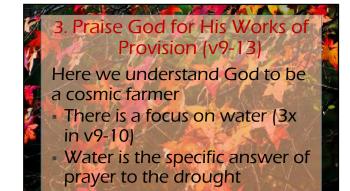


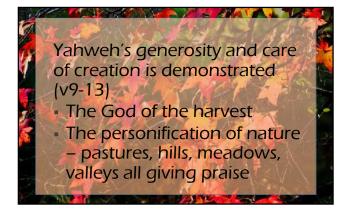


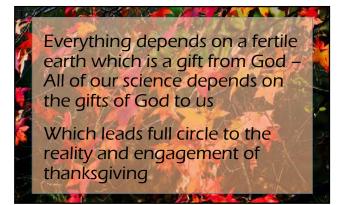




This point speaks to the loss of wonder which leads to profanation of life
The inability to be amazed and to sing songs of praise
The universe is amazing – let us give God praise for his works











3. Thanksgiving is a theological work which becomes an antidote to our spirit of self-satisfaction

Thanksgiving looks to God as subject; this helps us to set our priorities in the right direction – God first, not ourselves