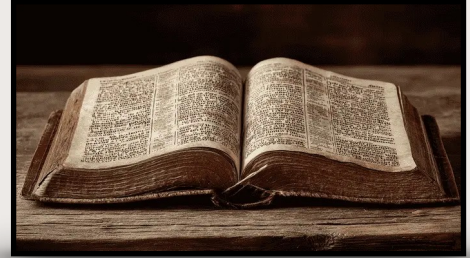
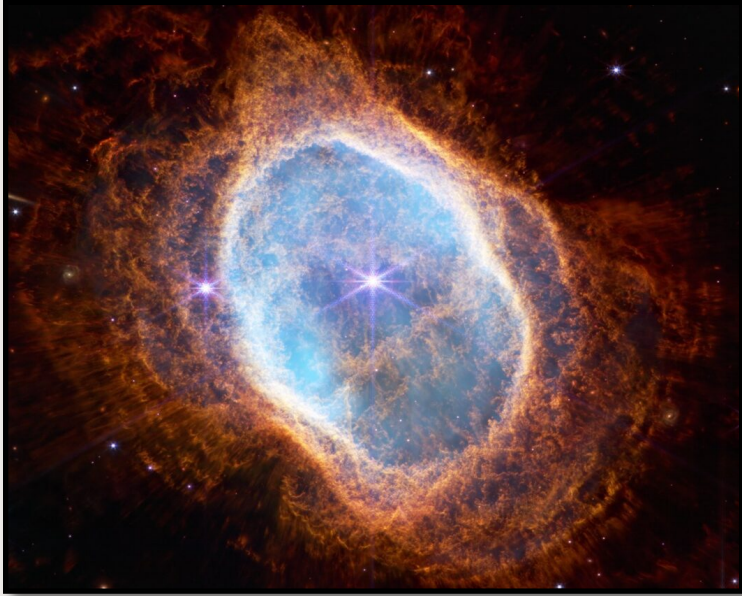


# Paine and the Bible

## What is the true "Word of God"?



"These books, beginning with Genesis and ending with Revelation, are, we are told, the Word of God. It is, therefore, proper for us to know who told us so ..."

"There is a Word of God; there is a revelation. The Word of God is the creation we behold, and it is in this word, which no human invention can counterfeit or alter, that God speaketh universally to humanity."

"The Creation speaks a universal language, independent of human speech or human language ... which every person can read."

"It does not depend upon [humans] to publish it ... it publishes itself...

It preaches to all nations and to all worlds; and this Word of God reveals to humanity all that is necessary for us to know of God."

**-The Age of Reason, Part One-**