

"This will become a classic."—ANNE RICE, author of *Christ the Lord: Out of Egypt*

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Why Christianity Makes Sense

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# Immanuel Kant

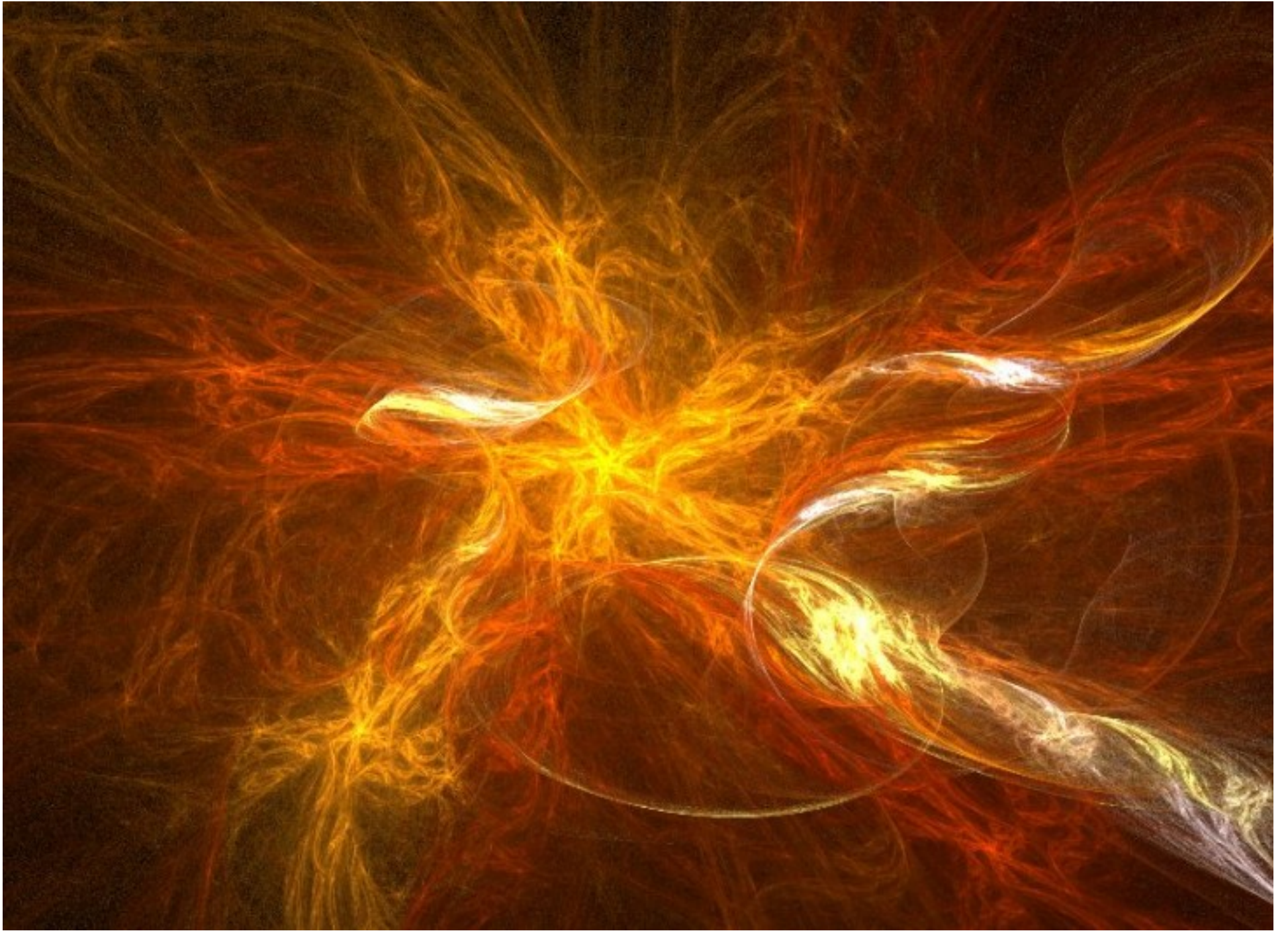
- Immanuel Kant concluded his *Critique of Practical Reason*, “Two things fill me with ever new and increasing admiration and awe: the starry sky above and the moral law within. I do not seek or conjecture either of them as if they were veiled obscurities or extravagances beyond the horizon of my vision; I see them before me and connect them immediately with the consciousness of my existence.”
- <http://www.patheos.com/blogs/jesuscreed/2012/10/29/does-beauty-point-to-god/#comment-405915>

# Holy Spirit Images

- Images of God—1,930,000,000
- Images of Jesus—1,390,000,000
- Images of “Holy Spirit”—17,800,000 hits in Google images (about 1 % of the other members of the Trinity)







i've HAD IT WITH ALWAYS BEING IN  
THE BACKGROUND. I WANT TO  
PURSUE A SOLO  
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HOLY  SPIRIT



IS THAT LIKE MAGIC WHISKEY?



# Next week

- Read
  - Chapter 11 (14 pages)
  - Chapter 12 (13 pages)
  - I'll post some notes I took while reading the book on the BLOG ([simplychristian.eklund.io](http://simplychristian.eklund.io))
- I will also post the material from today on the BLOG.

# Saint Simeon Stylites

He lived on a platform 12-50 feet off the ground on a platform about 1 yard square. He spent many years on the platform, getting food and drink brought up to him.

“In this last and lofty station, the Syrian Anachoret resisted the heat of **thirty** summers, and the cold of as many winters. Habit and exercise instructed him to maintain his dangerous situation without fear or giddiness, and successively to assume the different postures of devotion. He sometimes prayed in an erect attitude, with his outstretched arms in the figure of a cross, but his most familiar practice was that of bending his meager skeleton from the forehead to the feet; and a curious spectator, after numbering twelve hundred and forty-four repetitions, at length desisted from the endless account. The progress of an ulcer in his thigh might shorten, but it could not disturb, this celestial life; and the patient Hermit expired, without descending from his column.” Edward Gibbon

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Simeon\\_Stylites](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Simeon_Stylites)