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MY HOPE IS BUILT ON... THE BIBLE



WHAT IS HOPE?



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According to the dictionary:

- “to look forward to with desire and reasonable confidence.”
- “to feel that something desired may happen:”
- We hope for an early spring.



WHAT IS HOPE?

Rom 8:24-25

“For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.”



WHAT ABOUT WHEN OUR
CIRCUMSTANCES ARE
AGAINST US?

“Hope against hope, to continue
to hope, although the outlook
does not warrant it.”

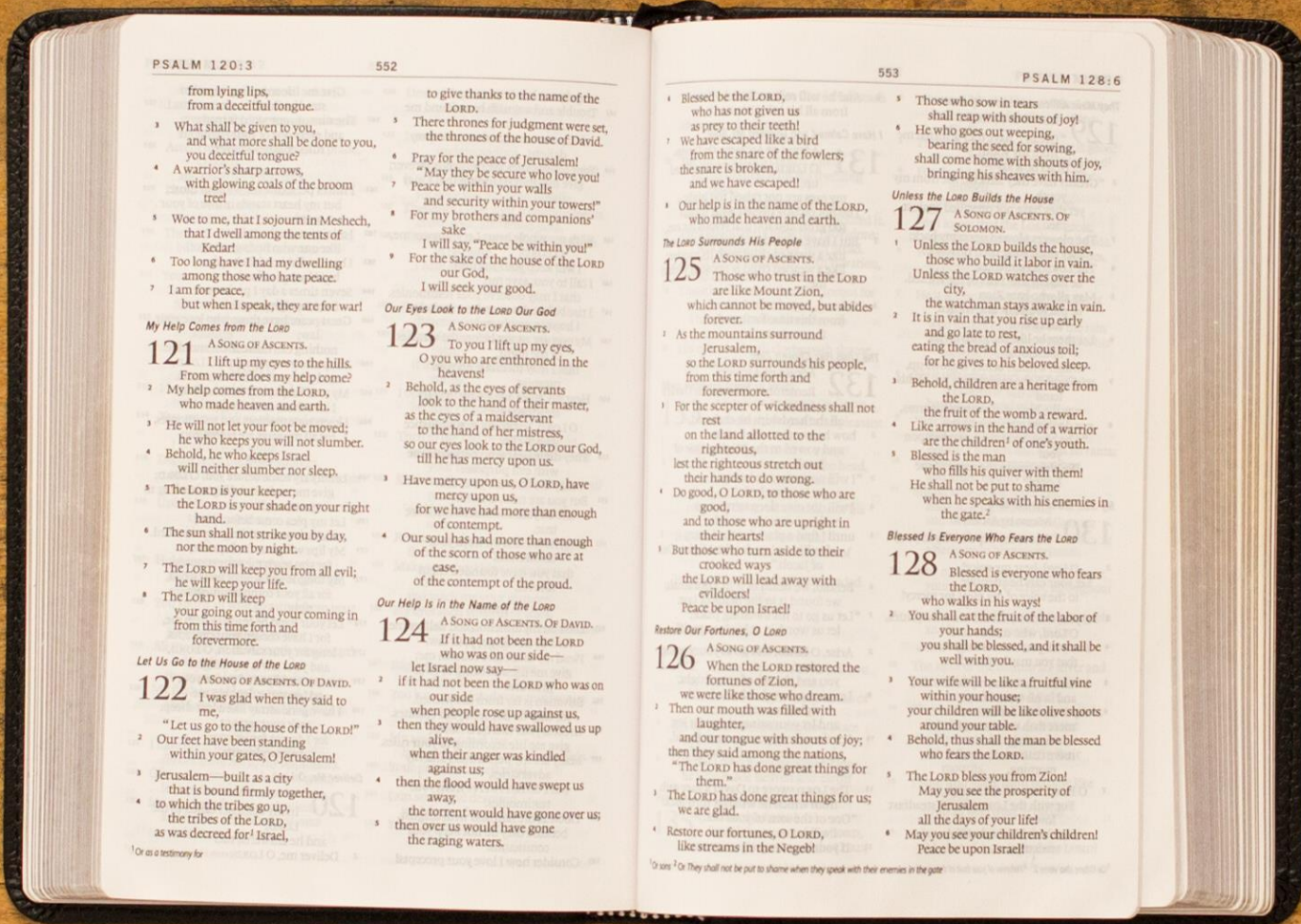


“In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.”

- ROMANS 4:18



WHAT IS THE BIBLE?



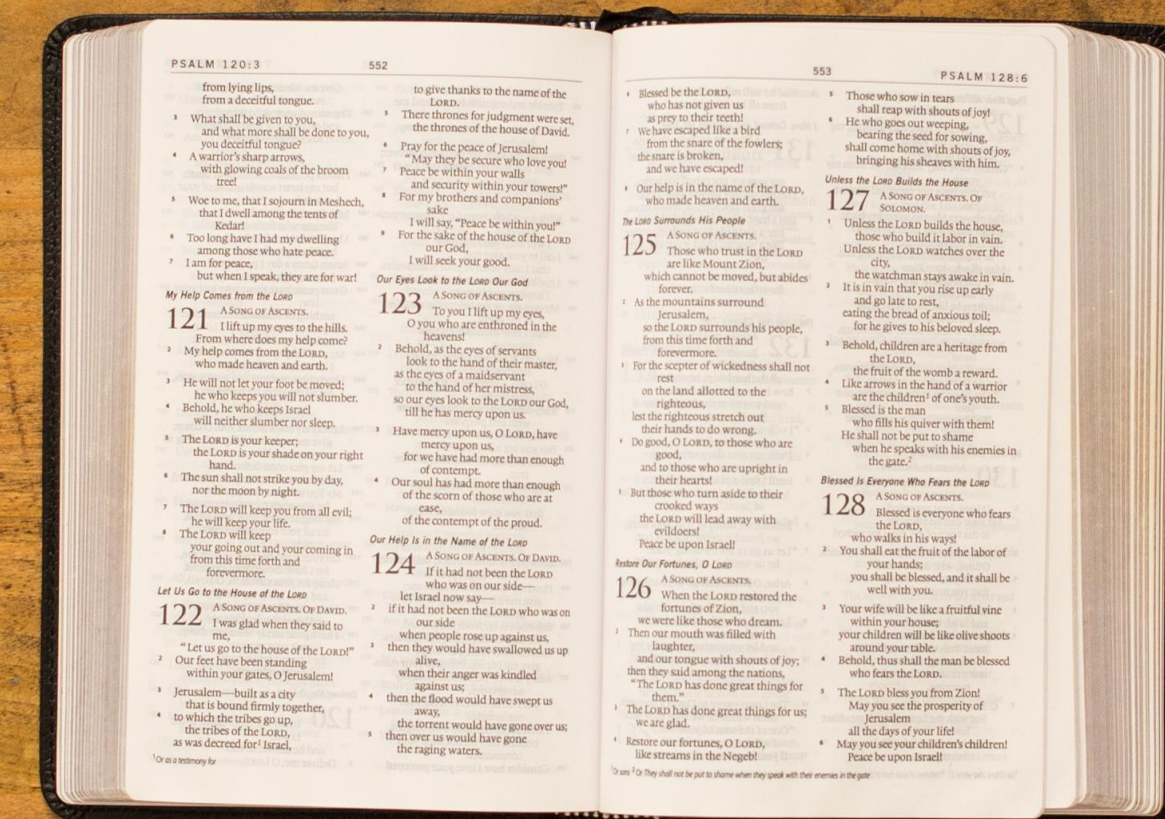
Name comes from a greek word called “biblos” meaning ‘book’

- Two parts, the Old Testament and the New Testament.

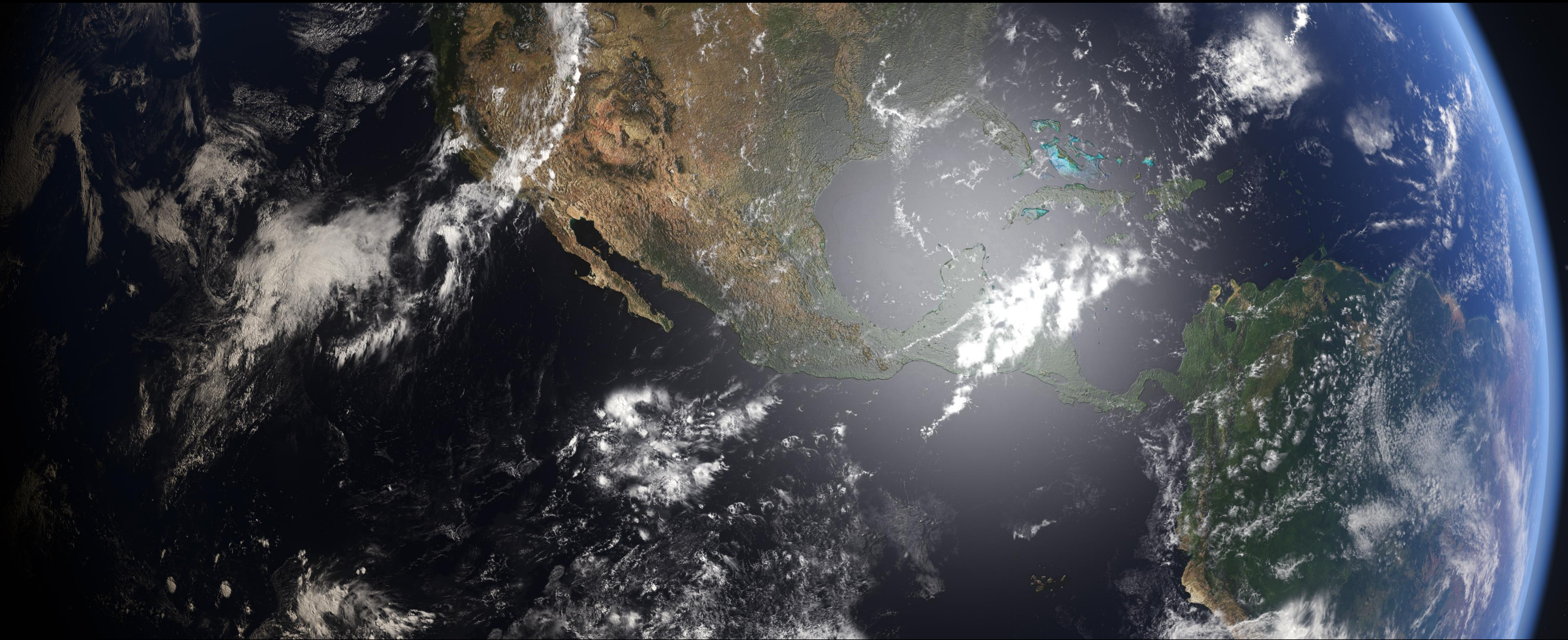
- 66 books

- Authored by 35-40 different people from the 3 continents - Asia, Africa and Europe.

- Over a period of 1500 years



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“This Book contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners and the happiness of believers.

Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions are immutable.

Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and
practice it to be holy.

It contains light to direct you, food to support
you, and comfort to cheer you.

It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the
pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the
Christian's character.

Here paradise is restored, Heaven opened, and
the gates of hell disclosed.

Christ is its grand object; our good is its design,
and the glory of God its end.

It should fill the memory, rule the heart, and
guide the feet. Read it slowly, frequently, and
prayerfully.

It is given you in life and will be opened in the judgment and will be remembered forever.

It involves the highest responsibility, will reward the greatest labor, and will condemn all who trifle with its sacred contents.”

- AUTHOR UNKNOWN

IT ANSWER FOUR MAIN QUESTIONS IN LIFE

1. Origin

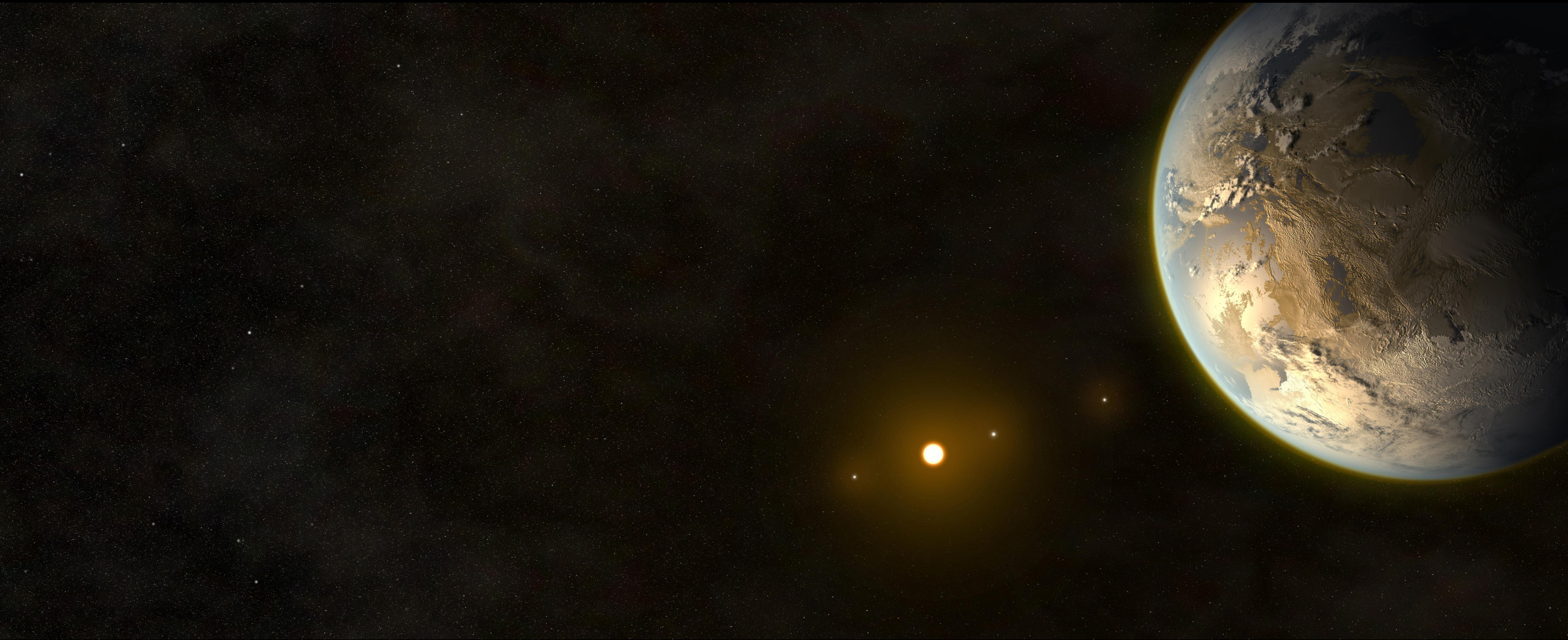
2. Meaning

3. Morality

4. Destiny



ORIGIN



Earth



Venus



Mars

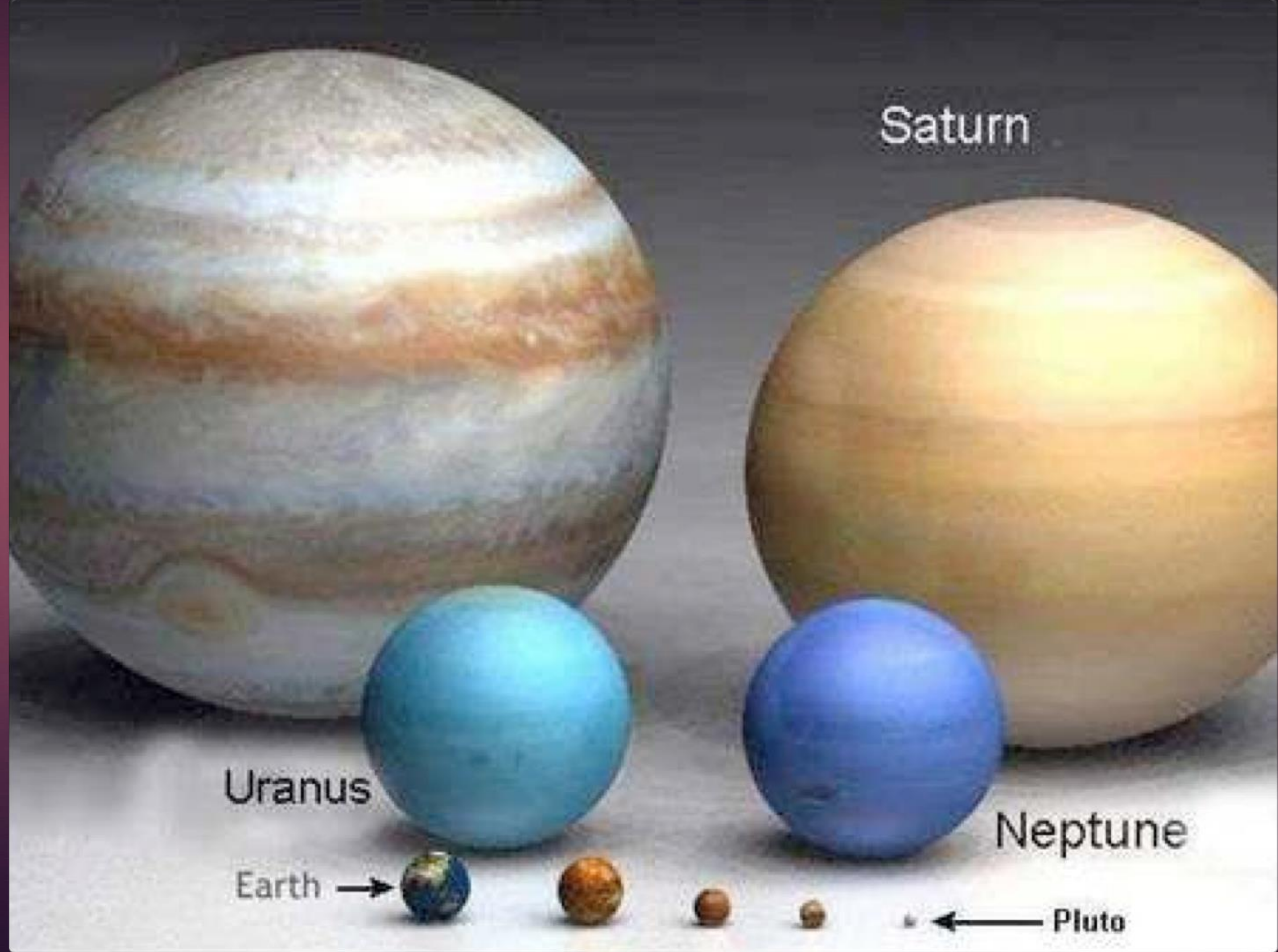


Mercury



Pluto





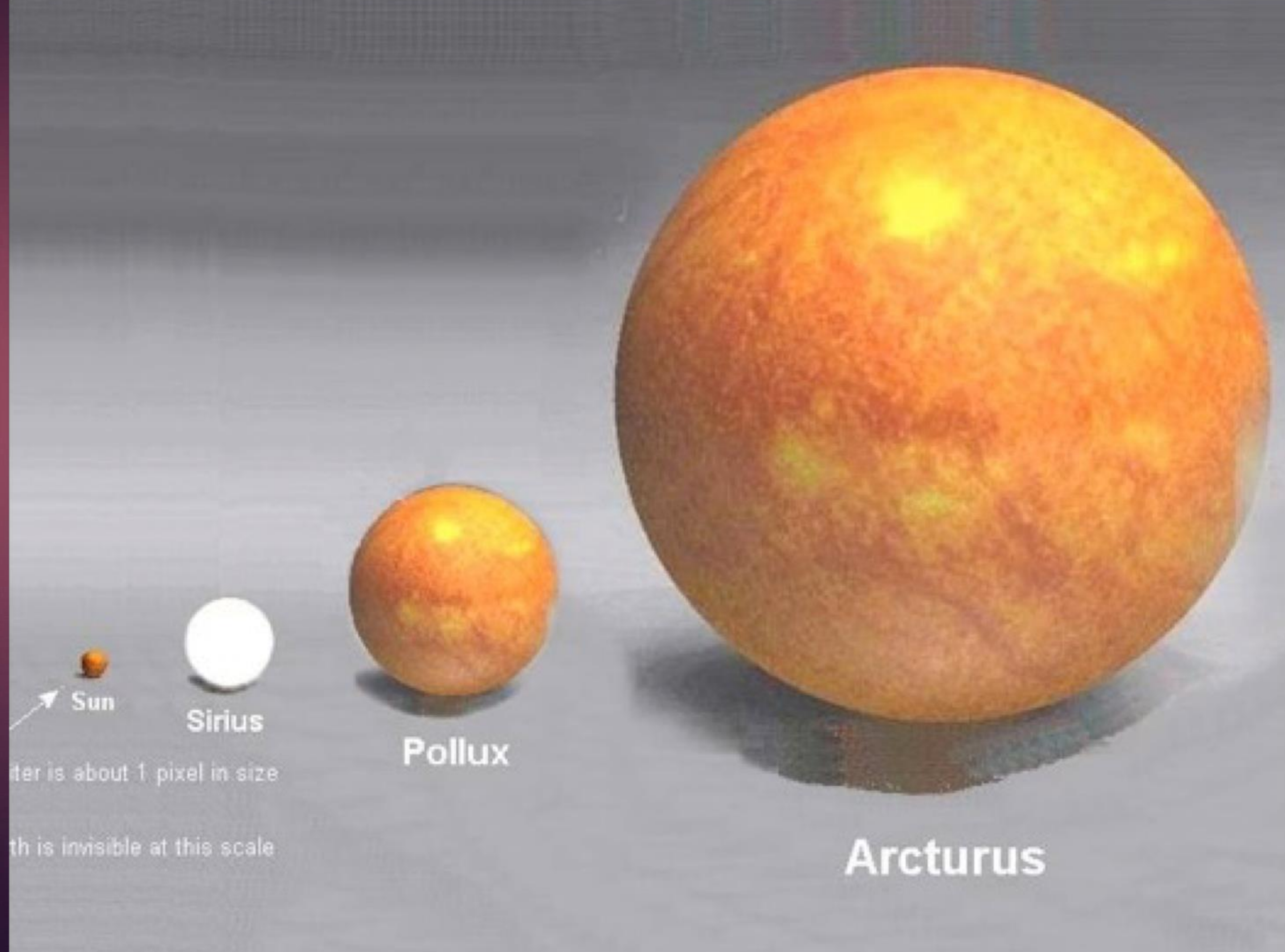
Sun

Jupiter

Earth

Pluto





“So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.”

- GENESIS 1:27



MEANING



“Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

- GENESIS 1:26



MORALITY



And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.
This is the great and first commandment.

And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

- MATTHEW 22:37-40

DESTINY



“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also
in me.

In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so,
would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and
will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.”

- JOHN 14:1-3



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WHY MY HOPE IS BUILT ON THE BIBLE



“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

-2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17



“For this reason we also thank God without ceasing, because when you received the word of God which you heard from us, you welcomed it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which also effectively works in you who believe.”

- 1 THESSALONIANS 2:13



Luke 8:11

Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

1Peter 1:23-25

since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for “All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever.” And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

-LUKE 8:11 & 1 PETER 1:23-25



“Every seed has in itself a germinating principle. In it the life of the plant is enfolded. So there is life in God's word...

...Christ says, "The words that I speak unto you, they are Spirit, and they are life." John 6:63. "He that heareth My word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life." John 5:24...

...In every command and in every promise of the word of God is the power, the very life of God, by which the command may be fulfilled and the promise realized.

He who by faith receives the word is receiving the very life and character of God.”

