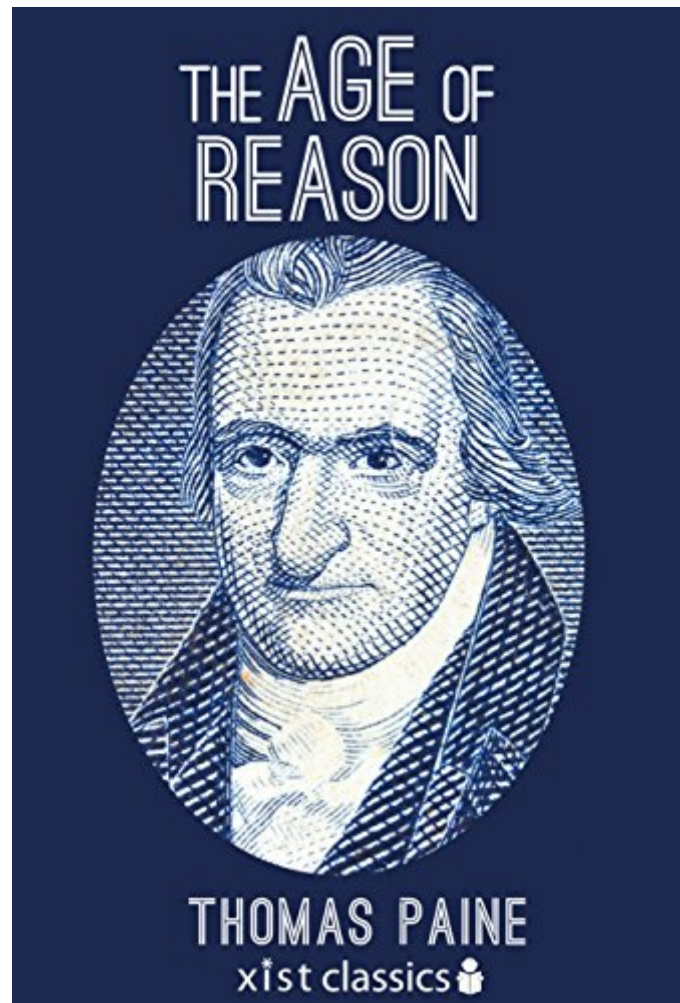




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## Customer Reviews

I have long been uncomfortable with the Bible, a discomfort that only increased after reading it entirely through and attending a Christian seminary. Paine expresses and explains my feelings with humor and intelligence.

Amazing! Awesome! To hear the passionate words of a Rationalist, a Humanist, an Enlightened person who was risking a risk in his Age to spread the revolution to the hearts of Mankind - his words did light a Nation's robust birth. That Nation would do well to remember the words that fueled its birth.

One of the most powerful books for recovering humanity from the clutches of dogma. This book ought to be taught in grade school and required reading before entering into seminaries.

I shared most of these conclusions and many observations before reading. He does a great job of cataloging and explaining the inconsistencies found throughout the bible, the factual ones are irrefutable and prove that at a minimum portions of the bible can not be factually correct and all the consequences that come with that. Although, i do think he focuses too much on language structure for an admittedly translated work. He description of the violence and tyranny found should be shown to those christians who so righteously denounce the koran and islam as based in violence, for is their foundation any better? Overall kind of slow and ponderous at times and kind of reads like a Facebook post, but still a must have for anyone who is caught in a debate or just trying to put words to or affirm thoughts that have caused them to doubt the bible and the organized religions who use it as their base.

Even if you don't like/agree with his conclusions or the methods by which he arrives by them, he does make some good points about the way the Christian God and religion is presented. I did find myself literally laughing out loud in agreement with some points. Other parts were a bit drawn out. Do get the free version "Writings of Thomas Paine - Volume 4 (1794-1796): the Age of Reason which is broken up into chapters and has informative footnotes; silly me forgot I already had it .

tremendous book. to have such clarity in 1780 is amazing. debunking the bible is always a good read but Thomas Paine is an eloquent and succinct writer. the book is timeless.

Really enjoyed this book, should be mandatory reading for all, especially the Christian right.

A nice little reprint of the original work. I purchased it with Hitchens' biography of "The Rights of Man" and "Common Sense" as I did not have copies of my own. If ever there is a time when a monumental collision of belief and reason was due to occur, it is now. How we can accommodate the differing viewpoints will say much about the future of our species.

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