

**I AM...**

Prince of Peace Author  
Ancient of Days  
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**Names of God - Week 3 - Jason Link**

**God the Author - Hebrews 12:1-2**

1. **The Author uses Conflict in His Story**
  - a. Conflict Reveals Character
  - b. Conflict Changes Character
  - c. The Story has Conflict because there is a Villain
2. **Our response to God the Author**
  - a. Play your part in the Story
  - b. Have Faith that there is a happy ending to the Story
  - c. In the midst of conflict, we must look on Jesus

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Is there a particular fiction story (a novel or movie for example) that shows to you the face of God? Is there any story that represents God's workings and relationship with humankind? Explain your answers.

2. Why do you think the Bible is so full of stories?

3. **In story, conflict reveals character:** How has conflict revealed your character? Do you like what you see when conflict reveals who you are? Why or why not?

4. **In story, conflict changes character:** How has conflict changed your character?

5. **There is conflict because the story has a villain:**

- In the context of God's story of the universe, to what degree does Satan have power?
- Are there matters (specifically "irredeemable" conflicts) over which Satan has total control?
- How does God deal with/redeem Satan's villainy?

6. **Our response to God the Author:** How does knowing that God has a happy ending in store change the way a person lives? What would life be like without that knowledge?