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Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith... Heb 12:2

KEEP THE MAIN THING, THE MAIN THING

Every story has a storyline. There are events that take place which add to the story and then others which do not. When crafting a great story, it's important to pay attention to the events that revolve around the plot. No matter how great the events or additional details may be, if they do not add to the plot, they are detracting from the main story.



**EVERY
SENTENCE
SHOULD
ADVANCE THE
STORY.**



SCRIPTURE

Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves; **2** and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light. **3** And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him. **4** Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.”

5 While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!” **6** And when the disciples heard *it*, they fell on their faces and were greatly afraid. **7** But Jesus came and touched them and said, “Arise, and do not be afraid.” **8** When they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

9 Now as they came down from the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, “Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man is risen from the dead.” Matthew 17: 1-9

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 Plot Your Story

 Advance His Story

SCRIPTURE

What's the plot of your story? Are you telling the right story? Is your story competing with God's Story? What are you doing to advance the Story?

21 From that time Jesus began to show to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day.

22 Then Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, "Far be it from You, Lord; this shall not happen to You!"

23 But He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind Me, Satan! You are an offense to Me, for you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men."

24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. **25** For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. **26** For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? **27** For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works. **28** "Assuredly, I say to you, there are some standing here who shall not taste death till they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom." Matthew 16:21-28

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WRITE OUT THE GOSPEL BELOW

God is sharing His Story as we craft our own unique stories. Because of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our stories can have a plot twist and God can use us to reach others with His Story. But in order to share His Story, we must know His Story.

The Story of God takes us through creation, separation, salvation, and restoration. In another word, GOSPEL. The "Gospel" literally means "good news". The Good News is that no matter how bad your story is, God has a better story for you.

Our stories have the potential to be used by God in glorious ways, if we will keep Him at the center of the plot. Would you let God tell His GOSPEL through you? Have you ever allowed God to enter your story and give your plot a unique twist?

THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THERE IS A PLOT TWIST IN YOUR STORY!

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