



**Introduction:**

- The Book of Daniel gives us Scenes of Sovereignty, highlighting how God is in control and how we should respond when things seem to be spinning out of control.
- We need to acknowledge the stark reality that we've all felt at one time or another: that things are not right, that this world is broken.

**God is in Control:**

1. **God is in control even when everything around us seems \_\_\_\_\_ . (Daniel 1)**
  
2. **God is in control of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ affairs. (Daniel 2)**
  
3. **God is in control even when it's \_\_\_\_\_ for what's right. (Daniel 3)**

**Since God is in control, we should:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ for our leaders. (1 Timothy 2:1-2)
  
2. Live \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Timothy 2:1-2)
  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to our authorities. (Romans 13:1-5; Titus 3:1-2; 1 Peter 2:13-17)

**Conclusion: (Daniel 9:12; 10:27; 11:58)**

- God was in control in Daniel's day, and God is still in control!
- While we can't control the people or circumstances around us, we can control our attitudes and actions.
- *Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor (1 Peter 2:13-17).*