



BRAVE

GOD-SIZED CONFIDENCE IN A
POST-CHRISTIAN WORLD

TAKE NOTE-MOVE #7: TAKE HEART, GOD WINS

DISCUSS

1. Do you lean more towards being an optimist or a pessimist? Are people you know more optimistic or pessimistic about what is ahead for our world?
2. Read and give short titles to the 7 scenes of Daniel's vision in chapter 7: 1-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-18, 19-25, 26-27.
3. What aspects of God's character are suggested in scene 2 (vs 9-10)? How does this picture bring us hope, stability, strength and encouragement when we are in turmoil?
4. Western culture often discourages Christians from evangelizing those from other faith backgrounds, suggesting it is unloving and intolerant. How does scene 5 (vs 15-18) give us confidence to overcome this negative position?
5. Daniel is told that the saints of the Most High will share in the kingdom with the "one who is like a son of man." What do you find most appealing about Daniel's description of the God's kingdom in scenes 4 & 6 (vs 13-14, 26-27)?
6. Why should a sincere love for others compel us to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world?
7. When you become a follower of Jesus, you are drawn into this vision, the story of God bringing his kingdom to this world. How does seeing yourself as a part of this big story encourage or challenge you? How does it affect the way you think about the fact that this world is not your home and you don't need to live for its approval?
8. How does Jesus' reign over all kingdoms of this world motivate you to live bravely for God's glory in your current life situation?

WORSHIP MOMENT

Discuss your thoughts from your SOAP Journal Exercise from last week, then read these verses from this hymn aloud and talk about what they mean to you. Spend time in prayer focusing on the truths in these verses and asking God to help you make the right moves.

Come, Thou almighty King, Help us Thy name to sing, Help us to praise. Father, all glorious, O'er all victorious, Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days. "Come Thou Almighty King"

SOAP JOURNAL EXERCISE WEEK 7

Read: Psalm 118

S – Scripture – Choose one verse from the scripture above and hand write it below.

O – Observation – Describe in your own words what you think the verse is saying. Explore words and phrases and try to put down what you “see” in this verse. You can even re-write the verse in your own words.

A – Application – Write down what you should do because of what this verse says. It may be something you need to keep doing, stop doing, or start new. Make it as detailed and specific as possible.

P – Prayer – Write a prayer thanking God for speaking to you, and ask him to help you focus on what he has said and what you should do.