

You Won't Believe How Today's Society Lines Up with End-Times Prophecy

Retired Maj. Gen. Kurt Fuller isn't one to mince words. In a recent interview with Tyler Feller, Fuller raised alarm bells that many Christians have been ringing for years: Could we actually be watching the groundwork for the mark of the beast being laid before our very eyes?

"What is this mark of the beast thing," Fuller said, "and how could it ever come about where every person, if you don't have it, you can't work, you can't hold a job, you can't, you know, buy or sell?"

His question echoes the warning in Revelation 13, but Fuller didn't just toss out apocalyptic rhetoric. He backed it up with real-world examples, starting with the global response to COVID-19.

Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!

"COVID's a good example – how every country on the planet responded exactly the same way and the wrong way simultaneously," he said. "It had to be organized. It's not just happenstance that everybody chooses, 'this is the way we're going to deal with this crisis,' and they pick the wrong answer in every case."

According to Fuller, this kind of coordinated mismanagement doesn't just happen. It's deception on a scale that Jesus warned about. "Knowledge will increase but deception is going to increase right alongside of it," Fuller said. "This level of deception is just incredible."

And with the rise of artificial intelligence, he said, that deception is becoming nearly impossible to detect.

“Now with AI, AI connected to a quantum computer, we can’t even imagine how much deception can get generated that looks absolutely authentic and true,” he warned. “I think it’s going to be almost indistinguishable.”

Fuller emphasized the urgent need for verification tools in digital media. “I have some solutions in my mind that I think should be done at least on video content and photo content to verify that it is a real photo,” he said. “It has to be marked as verified real ... as opposed to generated.”

The general described a side-by-side comparison of a real \$500,000 movie trailer and its AI-generated clone. “It looked not identical, but 95% of the same,” he said. “You could use it in a movie trailer.”

Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!

His takeaway? “They’re just going to counterfeit the truth, dress it up and make it look true, make it really believable, and they’re getting good at it.”

These are not fringe concerns. Fuller spent decades at the highest levels of military leadership, including service within NATO. His insight into how global systems can be manipulated isn’t based on theory, it’s from firsthand experience.

As believers, we must stay alert. We were told the deception would be strong in the last days. But hearing it from a general, not a pulpit, is a reminder that the signs of the times are not just theological, they’re geopolitical and technological, too.

And they're already here.

Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!

James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.

What Does America's Change of Direction Mean In View of Biblical Prophecy?

As the vast corruption of the previous U.S. President and his administration becomes all the more apparent, we wonder how the nation survived during the past four years. President Donald Trump has brought a much-needed change of direction to our nation.

The renewed support for Israel, the uncovering of the vast wasteful and criminal spending of the past several years, and Trump's strong appeal for peace might suggest to some that the Rapture might not be as close as they thought.

It's tempting to think that way. I have found myself wondering if perhaps there's been a pause in the parade of events leading to Jesus' soon appearing. However, two thoughts bring me back to reality.

First, I remember Jesus' assertion that the fulfillment of Bible prophecy will happen at the time sovereignly set by the Father (Matthew 24:36; Acts 1:7). God knows the precise time when He will send His Son to get His Bride and bring her to glory. He already took into consideration all that we see happening today when He long ago set the time of our departure

from this world.

Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!

Second, I'm aware that a strong undercurrent in world affairs remains, which after the Rapture will directly lead to antichrist's covenant with Israel, which will mark the beginning of the seven-year Tribulation for the world. The lawlessness of those who seek to destroy our nation remains on full display.

So, does that mean that world events are accelerating toward Jesus' appearing? I prefer to put it this way: the stage-setting for the future one-world government has not ceased or slowed down in any way.

After the Rapture, the demonic undercurrent of lawlessness, already at work, will become even more evident. It's then that the following earth-shaking events will occur.

Israel Will Become Vulnerable to an Invasion

At the moment, Israel doesn't need the protection of the Antichrist. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu often refers to President Trump as the best friend that his nation has ever had in the White House. Along with hastening the delivery of more than 1,800 two-ton bombs, which Biden had delayed, another enormous shipment of bombs and bulldozers will soon be on its way to Israel from the U.S., if not already there.

It's doubtful that the Gog/Magog invasion of Ezekiel 38-39 would take place in the near term with a strong America ready to supply more weapons to Israel and defend itself against attack. The Rapture, however, will decimate the U.S. as a world power and provide the perfect opportunity for the

Antichrist to step in as the protector of the Jewish people.

I suspect that the Gog/Magog attack will occur between the Rapture and the Antichrist's seven-year peace accord with Israel. Somehow, that will provide the perfect opportunity for him to offer the nation they cannot refuse, likely sweetened by allowing the Jewish people to build their temple.



Order James Lasher's New Book "The Revelation of Jesus" on !

The Most Deadly Wars in History Will Occur

Friday, February 28, we saw how quickly things can change on the world scene. The White House was prepared to announce a cease-fire between Ukraine and Russia. Apparently, Vladimir Putin had agreed to it, and everyone expected Zelenskyy, the Ukrainian President, to go along with the cessation of hostilities. But that did not happen.

Zelenskyy turned the Oval Office meeting into an argument to keep the war going rather than settle for a cessation of hostilities.

President Trump warned the Ukrainian President that his actions could lead to WWII, and that's exactly what we have seen in the days since the Ukrainian leader's foolish decision. Many European leaders are rallying to Zelenskyy's cause with promises of weapons and soldiers on the ground.

The chess pieces are rapidly moving into place for the start of deadly wars and fulfillment of Revelation 6:3-4, 7-8.

Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!

The Restrainer Will No Longer Restrict the Man of Lawlessness

Perhaps the biggest change that will occur at the Rapture is the removal of the Restrainer, the Holy Spirit, who is now holding back the unveiling of the Antichrist and the full measure of lawlessness that's to come. Notice Paul's words in 2 Thessalonians 2:6-8: "And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming."

Amid the chaos following Jesus' appearing, conditions will rapidly deteriorate across the planet. Lawlessness, already at levels I never expected to see in my lifetime, will accelerate preparing the way for the Antichrist and his solutions to the resulting turmoil and strife.

While it might be tempting to think there's been a pause in the mad rush of events leading up to the start of the Tribulation period, the elite powerbrokers of our world remain busy. They are working behind the scenes to quickly set the stage for when they can openly enslave the world under their domain.

I'm also reminded that the Lord said His "coming" would be "at an hour you do not expect," (Matt. 24:44). This cannot refer to the Second Coming because, by the end of Tribulation, those who believe will fully expect to see Jesus riding across the sky to claim the nations as His own.

This article originally appeared on Harbinger's Daily, and is reposted with permission.

Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy

Spirit is doing around the world!

Respect or Relatability? What Should a Pastor's Clothes Really Say?

How much does what a pastor wears matter?

That's the question Sam Rainer, president and senior consultant of Church Answers, recently tackled in a thoughtful column that stirred up an age-old debate: Should pastors dress up to show respect and authority, or blend in with their congregation to be more relatable?

The History Behind Clergy Attire

To start, Rainer gives a quick history lesson. "Between the 4th and 6th centuries, early Christian ministers adopted distinctive attire, setting them apart from the people they shepherded," he writes. While the rest of the Roman and Greek world ditched their robe-like garments, the church kept them for clergy—and that legacy evolved into the vestments still worn today in many denominations.

But for modern evangelical churches, especially those without a liturgical tradition, the rules aren't so clear.

Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!

Style Still Sends a Message

“How a pastor dresses is ultimately much less important than teaching sound doctrine and caring for the congregation,” Rainer admits. “But people do notice what you wear.”

And he’s not above enjoying fashion himself. “I’m personally into watches and dress shoes. These two hobbies affect my fashion decisions; my church obviously sees these choices when I preach.”

That weekly prep includes polishing shoes and picking a watch strap to match—a routine that stands out in Southwest Florida, where flip-flops are a typical Sunday choice.

Dress Up or Blend In?

Rainer poses two key questions: “Should pastors dress up on Sunday since they are leaders? Or should they try to blend in with the congregation and be more relatable?”

Dressing up, he argues, “signals discipline, preparedness, and respect.” On the other hand, dressing casually “signals relatability and approachability.” According to Rainer, neither is inherently wrong, but you can’t really do both at the same time.

Personality and Age Play a Role

Much of it comes down to personality and background. “You should feel free to dress in a way that fits who you are,” he writes. Rainer admits his taste leans toward the refined—mentioning Omega watches, Edward Green shoes, and even

luxury Bible editions as ways people communicate personal values through style.

Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!

But he also offers a warning: “There is a cringe factor when watching a pastor ‘try too hard’ with fashion.” He encourages pastors to let their style evolve with age—and not to be ashamed of it. “It’s OK to graduate from one style to the next as you get older.”

When Casual Becomes High-End

Interestingly, casual doesn’t always mean low-status. “Some sneakers are status symbols, much more so than bespoke oxfords,” he notes. “Forms of casual dress can be a sartorial flex.”

And in the end, Rainer takes a balanced approach: “Be wise about how you dress, but don’t be overly consumed with fashion.”

So, how should a pastor dress? It’s a question worth thinking about.

Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!

James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.

Retired Army General Says Demons Are Real, He Fought One in Afghanistan

In a time when many churches are softening their message to keep seats filled and ears comfortable, Pastor Mark Driscoll is swinging the pendulum hard in the other direction—and he's not apologizing for it.

In a recent sermon, Driscoll pulls no punches, warning that “on the other side of this life is a judge and He will determine who goes to heaven and who goes to hell.”

He makes it clear that his conviction has only intensified after three decades behind the pulpit: “Hard words produce soft people, and soft words produce hard people.”

Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!

That message, in all its stark contrast, is the heart of his sermon based on Hebrews 4. The passage, which references God's wrath and the concept of divine rest, framed what Driscoll called the ultimate spiritual dividing line: “Eternally, there are two groups of people: wrath and rest.”

According to Driscoll, the stakes couldn't be higher. He doesn't mince words: “You don't know [when] your last day might be—it might be today... You should prepare every day for that last day.”

And prepare how? Driscoll emphasizes repentance, not tolerance. “Tolerance of sin does not lead to salvation. Only repentance of sin leads to eternal life. Amen.”

The fire didn't cool from there. He challenges what he sees as the empty shell of cultural Christianity: "What happens to people who play church but don't practice faith?... They're everywhere."

Driscoll then lays out the imagery of judgment day with clarity and urgency: "We will stand before Judge Jesus. He will open the Word of God and we will be judged according to the Word of God. And heaven and hell hang in the balance."

But for all the talk of wrath, Driscoll isn't without offering hope. For those who trust in Christ, his prescription for that final moment is a simple but powerful prayer: "Thank You for living without sin. Thank You for dying for my sin. Thank You for rising as my Savior... Jesus, I'm here because of You and I love and bless and worship You."

Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!

Then came the visual that stuck—the cup of wrath.

Driscoll explains: "Each of us has a cup, and on that cup is written our name... That cup contains the wrath of God against you and me." He explains this in two parts: passive wrath, which allows sin to go unpunished for a time as we "store up wrath," and active wrath, when God demands the debt be paid.

To many, it's a jarring image—but for Driscoll, that's the point. In his words, "To see evil and not oppose it is to be evil... For God to be holy, He must hate evil and He must end it."

The sermon doesn't end with comfort. It ends with a call to honesty, repentance and preparation for the only court that truly matters. And maybe that's exactly what makes his message worth wrestling with.

Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!

James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.

Is Trump the Antichrist? Dispensationalism, Israel and the Real Meaning Behind Trump's Gaza Plan

These are big claims, no doubt. They challenge both mainstream science and much of the comfortable theology we've settled into. But we live in a world increasingly shaped by technology, and as ancient questions resurface through modern discoveries, it's worth considering: what if the stories were true—not just in metaphor, but in history?

Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!

James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.

One Word Changed Everything

for Peter, and It Can for You, Too

Have you ever felt stuck in a “not yet” season of life? You’re praying, you’re hoping, you’re waiting—but nothing seems to change. If that’s you, Christian content creator Dayne Kamela has a message that might just reframe how you see this time.

In a recent livestream titled “How to Stay Faithful in the Waiting Season,” Kamela spoke openly about his own long road of obedience and spiritual development.

“Some of God’s best work is done in seasons just like this,” he says. “Because He is your reward. Jesus is your reward.”

Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!

Kamela, who has been sharing his faith online for more than five years, encourages believers not to waste the quiet seasons. “He wants your time. He wants your attention. He wants your devotion to Him,” Kamela says. “And I believe one of the ways that we move from a waiting season... into a season where God starts to move in powerful ways is in direct proportion to how much time you’re willing to spend with Him.”

Rather than chase answers or compare your timeline to others, Kamela offers this simple reminder: “If you make Him your delight, if you make Him the most important thing, He will do such a good work in you.”

He knows what it’s like to wait. Kamela recalled his early

days creating YouTube videos, when his channel was just getting 10 to 20 views. "It wasn't about any of that during that time. God wanted to work on me," he said. "This season isn't going to be a year, it's not going to be five years. It's going to be a decade of Me developing you."

That decade, he says, laid the foundation for what he's doing now.

Throughout the livestream, Kamela shared several Scriptures to encourage listeners in their waiting:

- **Isaiah 40:31:** "But those who trust in the Lord will find new strength... they will walk and not faint."
- **Psalms 27:14:** "Wait patiently for the Lord. Be brave and courageous."
- **Psalms 130:5:** "I am counting on the Lord... I have put my hope in His word."
- **Ephesians 3:20:** "Now all glory to God who is able... to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think."

But Kamela's message isn't just about spiritual development. It was about identity.

"You've got access to the most important thing," he says, referring to the presence of the Holy Spirit. "Don't let the world convince you that you are missing something... Your identity is in Christ. You are a son or daughter of the Most High God."

He also emphasizes the importance of a personal, private relationship with God, citing Matthew 6:6, "When you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father in private... then your Father, who sees everything, will reward you," he reads.

Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings,

Charisma videos & more!

At the heart of Kamela's message is a challenge—and an invitation.

“Do you trust God's timing more than your own?” he asks. “This is what it means to be a follower of Christ. We spend time with Him every day. We get to know how He lived His life and go and be an ambassador for that.”

Whether you're waiting on a breakthrough, a relationship or a sense of purpose, Kamela offers a message of encouragement: “Some of God's best work is done in seasons just like this... You are not alone. Jesus is your reward.”

Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!

James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.