

# Morning Rundown: Rick Warren Under Fire for Controversial Take on Jesus' Crucifixion

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Rick Warren, the well-known founder of Saddleback Church and author of "The Purpose Driven Life," recently found himself at the center of a theological firestorm after suggesting that Jesus Christ would be a political centrist today. Warren's post on X quoted John 19:18:

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**Prophetic Update: Why the Red Heifer Ceremony Could Happen Soon**

Pastor Greg Locke is on the ground in Israel at the Western Wall in Jerusalem, reporting firsthand to Charisma Media about the upcoming red heifer ceremony—a significant prophetic event believed to be a step toward the construction of the Third Temple.

Despite differing opinions on its significance, the ceremony is moving forward, carrying deep implications for biblical prophecy.

“With Trump being in office he’s accentuating what’s happening in a good way because prophetically, he’s coming in, taking over Gaza, the relocation of the Gazans, and now God’s calling more of the Jewish people back from around the world,” Locke says.

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## **Faith on Fire: University of Kentucky Experiences Powerful Revival**

Last night’s (Feb. 12) Unite US movement, which is championed by Jennie Allen, Tonya Prewett and Jonathan Pokluda, saw a swarm of college students at the University of Kentucky come to worship the Lord, with thousands giving their lives over to Jesus, proving the Holy Spirit is moving more each day in this season.

Unite US shared the news on Instagram about this powerful time of worship, salvation and baptism.

*No better way to kick off the semester than nearly 8,000 students gathered in Rupp Arena to lift the name of Jesus.*

*We’ve been praying for this night for months, and God met us here again. Over 2,000 students flooded the altar to surrender their lives to Jesus, and we know it’s just the*

*beginning of all He has in store.*

*We ended the night celebrating life change with the coldest water baptisms we've ever experienced.*

*We will never forget Unite Kentucky!*

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