

‘The Devil Got Ahold of That Circumstance,’ Denzel Washington Tells TD Jakes About Will Smith’s Oscar Debacle

Denzel Washington is speaking out about the widely publicized encounter where Will Smith slapped Chris Rock during the Oscars on March 27.

The 67-year-old actor and others like actor Tyler Perry were seen approaching Smith and providing comfort in the wake of the stunning act of violence that shocked Hollywood and viewers.

As CBN’s Faithwire reported, the unfortunate moment unfolded after Rock joked about Smith’s wife, Jada Pinkett Smith, who has a shaved head due to struggles with alopecia. “Jada, I love you,” Rock said on the stage. “GI Jane 2, can’t wait to see you.”

Following the altercation at the Oscars, Washington gave Smith a piece of spiritual advice: “At your highest moment, be careful. That’s when the devil comes for you,” he told Smith.

Washington spoke with Pastor T.D. Jakes Saturday during the International Leadership Summit in Charlotte, North Carolina, according to The Hollywood Reporter.

During the discussion, Jakes advised Washington that he “stepped in the middle of World War III.”

The actor responded that “There’s a saying: When the devil ignores you, then you know you’re doing something wrong. The

devil goes, 'Oh, no, leave him alone. He's my favorite.'"

He continued, "Conversely, when the devil comes at you, maybe it's because you're trying to do something right. And for whatever reason, the devil got ahold of that circumstance that night."

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