

Dallas Jenkins' Warning About 'Evil' Rhetoric in Wake of Charlie Kirk's Death

"The Chosen" creator Dallas Jenkins is among those mourning the killing of conservative commentator Charlie Kirk – and he's offering a warning about the dangers of out-of-control and unfettered rhetoric.

"It's obvious he was killed for his beliefs," Jenkins said of Kirk, lamenting this tragic reality. Jenkins commended Kirk for his attempts to dialogue with people who ideologically opposed him.

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"The Chosen" director said he, himself, is used to being around people who disagree with him – even on the set of his hit TV show. Because of that reality, Jenkins said he's often around discussions and debates.

"I'm on set, surrounded by probably more than 50% of my cast and crew, people who disagree with me politically and even spiritually," Jenkins said. "Most people know by now that a good chunk of our cast and crew are not traditional believers or evangelicals. Some have become so by doing the show, but others haven't."

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But while many people are willing and able to have these debates, he said that negative changes in culture are leading to some truly tragic conclusions.

“We are in a time where people demonize the opposition – the political or spiritual opposition, so much that their death is a logical conclusion,” Jenkins said. “If you tell enough people that someone or a group of people are Nazis, are a threat to your literal freedom and democracy, and in fact, your very life, I mean, why wouldn’t you think that they should die, or at least be stopped in some dramatic way?”

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Jenkins’ point is that the near-constant rhetoric portraying President Donald Trump, Charlie Kirk, and others as primary dangers is having a negative impact and inciting people who are already unstable to take radical and dangerous actions.

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