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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your letter and question concerning the rapture sent to Pastor Paul Chappell. He has asked to contact you regarding this matter.

Your question as to why there could be a revival in the last days leading up to the rapture is a good question. Let me say that God was willing in the Old Testament when Israel had fallen into apostasy and had turned away from God, that God still sent revival. The prophets had already been proclaiming the coming judgment upon Israel when Josiah became king over Israel, (2 Chronicles 34). I believe God is willing to send a revival any time God's people will get thoroughly right with God and wait on the Lord for it. As you see in the life of Josiah, when he repented and got right with the Lord, revival broke out and God sent a message to him that God would delay his judgment until Josiah was dead. It did not stop coming judgment, but it certainly delayed it.

Another reason that God would send a revival right before the rapture would be to give this world one more opportunity to come to Christ and salvation before it is too late for them, (2 Peter 3:8-10). God is not willing that any should perish but that all would come to repentance. God is patient and willing to give man every opportunity before He brings His final wrath upon this world.

Thirdly, I could see one more Great Awakening here in America. America does not seem to appear in the end times prophecies and one explanation could be that so many people will be saved just before the rapture that hardly anyone is left in America and it is swallowed up into another nation or world leader.

I trust that this may give you an answer concerning your question.

Have a wonderful day.

Sincerely,



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