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If G is a solvable group, we take  $\Delta(G)$  to be the character degree graph for G with primes as vertices. We prove that if  $\Delta(G)$  is a square, then G must be a direct product. (Received October 31, 2011)