

Iran Launches 'Heaviest Operation' Yet as Israel Strikes Tehran

Tensions across the Middle East are rapidly escalating as new attacks at sea, drone incidents and widening military strikes continue to unfold across the region.

One of the most significant flashpoints emerged in the Strait of Hormuz, a narrow waterway that serves as a vital artery for global oil and commercial shipping.

According to CNN, the United Kingdom's maritime agency reported that three vessels were struck by what were described as "unknown projectiles" near the strategic passage. The strikes damaged the ships and left multiple sailors missing.

According to the New York Post, the U.S. military said it had eliminated 16 Iranian mine-laying vessels in the area after President Donald Trump warned Iran not to place any mines in the crucial shipping lane.

Sources also told CNN that Tehran had begun laying mines in the waterway before the U.S. operation took place.

Beyond the maritime conflict, Iran appears to be expanding its military campaign across the region. Iranian state media claimed the country launched its "most intense and heaviest operation" since the start of the war, CNN reported. Missile interceptions were reported across several Gulf states as well as Israel as the attacks unfolded.

The outlet also noted that Russia is now advising Iran on drone warfare tactics, adding another geopolitical layer to the growing crisis.

Israel has responded with additional military operations targeting Iranian positions. CNN reported that Israel announced it had launched an “additional wave” of strikes on targets in Tehran.

For many Christians watching events unfold in the Middle East, the growing turmoil carries deeper spiritual significance. Scripture repeatedly points to the region as central to the unfolding of end-times events. Jesus Himself warned in Matthew 24 that the last days would be marked by “wars and rumors of wars,” urging believers not to be troubled but to remain watchful.

The prophet Ezekiel also foretold a future alignment of nations surrounding Israel, describing in Ezekiel 38 a coalition of powers rising in the region in the latter days. As tensions increase across Iran, Israel and neighboring nations, many believers see reminders of the biblical reality that history is ultimately moving toward God’s prophetic purposes.

As events continue to unfold across the Middle East, the words of Scripture serve as both a warning and a hope—that even amid conflict and instability, God remains sovereign over the nations and His plan for the world will ultimately prevail.

Abby Trivett is a writer and editor for Charisma Media and has a passion for sharing the gospel through the written word. She holds two degrees from Regent University, a B.A. in Communication with a concentration in Journalism and a Master of Arts in Journalism. She is the author of the upcoming book, *The Power of Suddenly: Discover How God Can Change Everything in a Moment*. For interviews and media inquiries, please contact media@.