

Iranian Missile Nearly Hits Temple Mount and the World Barely Notices

An Iranian missile warhead fell less than a kilometer from Jerusalem's most sacred ground over the weekend, landing just meters outside the Old City in what authorities described as a narrowly avoided catastrophe. Police confirmed the discovery of the warhead and additional explosive materials at a site dangerously close to the Western Wall and the Temple Mount.

The incident unfolded early Saturday morning, as reported by The Times of Israel, when "an explosion was heard and smoke was seen rising from a site just west of the Old City," shortly after the latest armed conflict with Iran began. The apparent impact site was the Sultan's Pool outdoor events venue, located just dozens of meters from the Old City walls and under a kilometer from the Temple Mount.

Police and sappers searched the area and located the warhead from what they described as an Iranian ballistic missile, along with "incendiary and explosive materials" scattered nearby. The warhead was later neutralized by sappers from the police's Jerusalem District.

Video footage released by police suggested the missile may not have struck the site directly, but could have first been intercepted by Israel's missile defense systems, with fragments falling to the ground. Authorities did not elaborate further on the nature of the impact.

The proximity to Jerusalem's most revered holy sites heightened the gravity of the event. The Old City is home to the Western Wall and the Temple Mount, the holiest sites in Judaism, as well as the al Aqsa Mosque and the Church of the Holy Sepulcher.

Jerusalem District Police Commander Dvir Tamir underscored the danger in a statement. "Yesterday, we received further proof that from the enemy's perspective, all targets are legitimate, and if that warhead had deviated by a few hundred meters, it is very possible that a very serious hit would have occurred, especially if one of the holy places had been hit while it was full of worshipers and visitors," he said.

A direct strike on the Temple Mount would set the world on fire. The Mount stands at the center of biblical prophecy and functions as the centerpiece of God's prophetic time clock. Any significant damage to that site would not remain a local conflict. It would reverberate across nations, religions and governments.

Such a strike could fundamentally alter the status quo surrounding the Mount. In the aftermath of devastation, calls to assert greater control over the site or to advance preparations for Temple restoration would intensify. The Mount has long stood at the crossroads of faith, politics and prophecy. A missile impact there would accelerate already volatile dynamics and could trigger global unrest.

Scripture warns repeatedly about deception and about the schemes of the devil in the last days. When events unfold around Jerusalem with such precision and proximity to its holiest ground, discernment is essential. This is not a moment for spiritual complacency.

The warhead that fell near the Old City serves as a stark reminder of how close the region stands to a flashpoint that could transform history overnight. Whether intercepted or deflected, its fragments landed within sight of the stones that have carried the prayers of generations.

This is a season that demands watchfulness. The times require

clarity, conviction and a firm understanding of what Scripture says about the days in which we live.

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