

Morning Rundown: World War III Fears Rise as Iran Threatens Revenge 'Special Operations' on Israel

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It is difficult to see how a cataclysmic war in the Middle East can be avoided at this point. The region was already teetering on the brink of disaster, and now the head of Hamas has been assassinated. It would be difficult to overstate the anger that the Islamic world is experiencing right now, and the Iranians are particularly mad because it happened on their territory. As you will see below, the Iranians are vowing that they will take revenge on Israel. If the Iranian response is too large, there is a risk that it could set off a series of events in the Middle East that nobody is going to be able to control.

What we just witnessed within a 24 hour period is truly unprecedented.

First, a key Hezbollah commander named Fuad Shukr that had been orchestrating terror attacks since the 1980s was taken out.

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Olympians Who Are Praising God for Their Wins

While much controversy has surrounded around the opening ceremony of the Olympics, Christian athletes competing this

year are praising God for all that He's doing through them.

Olympic swimmer Hunter Armstrong, who just took gold in the men's 4 x 100-meter freestyle relay, told the Baptist Press that God will always be the greatest priority in his life.

"As we grow, we have to make sure we have our priorities in line. I keep God as a priority. I can't really live without him. I can live without swimming or being an Olympian or any of that stuff," he told the outlet.

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Christians Should Be Offended, but Maybe Not by Olympics Opening Ceremony

Millions of Christians watched the opening ceremony of the Paris Olympics, expecting to see an exciting display of art and entertainment that they could watch with their families. Instead, they witnessed an offensive display of hedonistic mockery under the guise of inclusion.

I was hesitant to write concerning this event because I know that writing about offense will cause some who read to be offended. However, it is not my intention to offend, to seem judgmental or to be accusatory. My intention is only to encourage those who may have been offended to continue to allow the light of clarity to shine brighter, and to shine not only on others, but also upon ourselves.

On the opening night, in what was called an attempt to display inclusion, the world was exposed to a blending of the celebration of the Roman festival of Bacchus, the Greco-Roman god of wine, freedom, intoxication and ecstasy, which was based on the Greek god, Dionysus. This display should not have surprised anyone considering the actual history of the Olympics having its roots within Greek culture. However, in

the name of inclusivity, the display blended and blurred the festival of Bacchus with a representation of "The Last Supper," painted by Leonardo da Vinci. This purposeful blending of inclusion offended those Christians watching the opening ceremony.

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