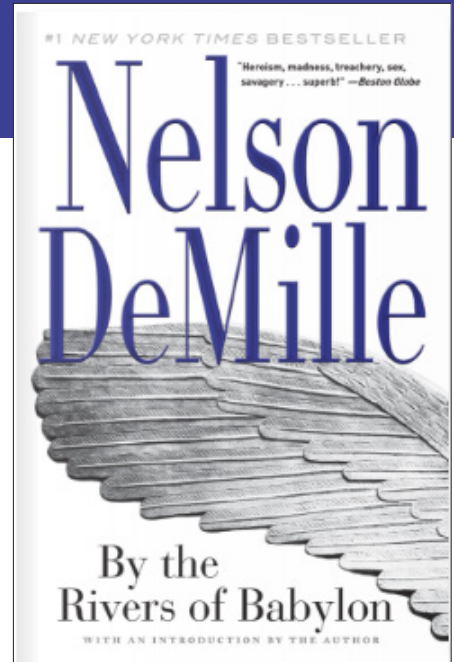


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BOOK CLUB GUIDE



About By the Rivers of Babylon

Lod Airport, Israel: Two Concorde jets take off for a U.N. conference that will finally bring peace to the Middle East. Covered by F-14 fighters, accompanied by security men, the planes carry warriors, pacifists, lovers, enemies, dignitaries - and a bomb planted by a terrorist mastermind. Suddenly they're forced to crash-land at an ancient desert site. Here, with only a handful of weapons, the men and women of the peace mission must make a desperate stand against an army of crack Palestinian commandos - while the Israeli authorities desperately attempt a rescue mission. In a land of blood and tears, in a windswept place called Babylon, it will be a battle of bullets and courage, and a war to the last death.

Book Club Questions for Discussion

1. How has the situation in the Mideast changed since the book was written in 1978. How has it stayed the same?
2. This book has been in continuous print since 1978. Do you think there is still a timely message in the book? Or a timeless message? Why do you think it continues to sell?
3. Do you think the author portrayed each side of the issue with fairness?
4. Hollywood, perhaps out of political correctness, rarely touches on the subject of Islamic terrorism. Do you think this book should be a movie? Or is it too inflammatory?

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