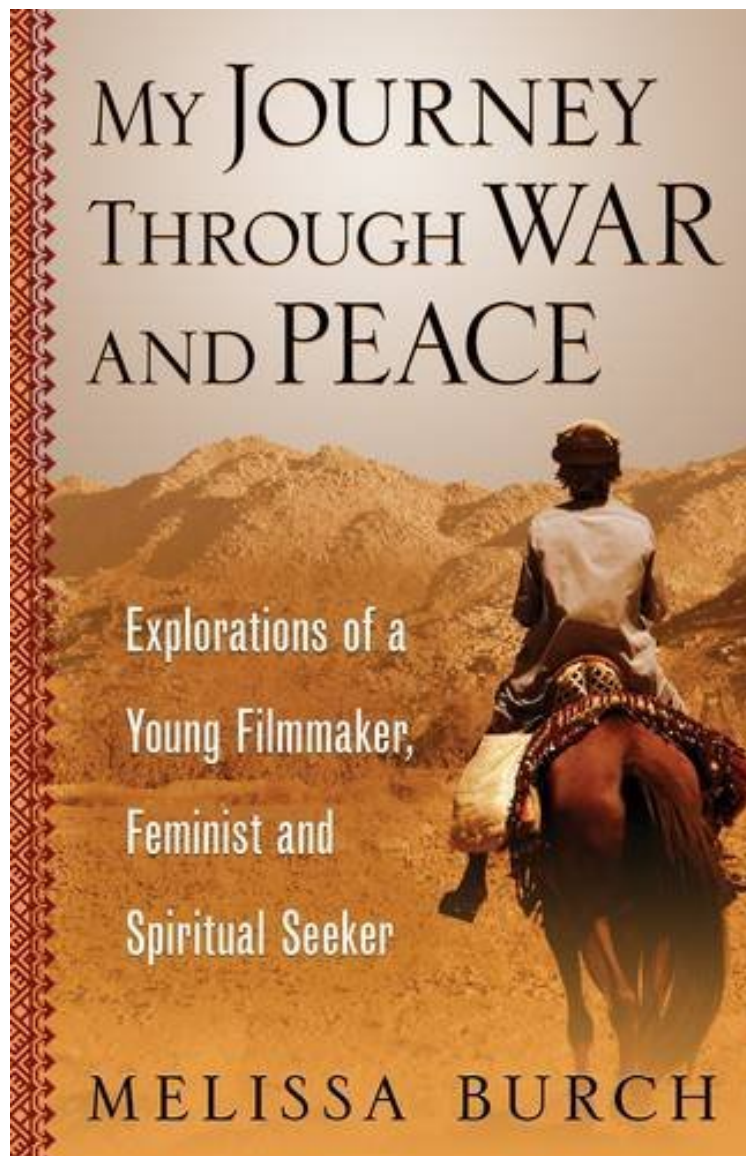


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. "You cannot be but in the right place at the right time."By John D. LawryHaving just finished reading Wayne Dyers last book, I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW, before reading Ms. Burchs book, I couldnt help but notice a strong connection. Both are life reviews of sorts and stories of spiritual quest and transformation told with incredible honesty and transparency. Both tell how events that were once perceived as insignificant, casual, or even horrible were in fact necessary (mis)steps towards personal growth and fulfillment. They reminded me of a quote from A Course in Miracles: The Journey through space and time is not at random.. You cannot be but in the right place at the right time. Melissa was definitely in the right place at the right time, even though it was sometimes painful to read about it as when an Afghan village was bombed because they had hosted journalists during the war with the Soviet Union. (Or when she treated her boyfriend and now husband, George, awfully at times.) So thank you, Melissa, for sharing your story and inspiring us to be courageous, nevergive up, and keep a record so we know where we have been in order to know where we are going.2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Very interestingBy LeanneInspirational and vivid accounting of the changing and growing of life. I am very impressed and found it a interesting story.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This is courage and honesty raw and truthfulBy Huda AlnielThis is a book I couldn't put down, I read it in 24 hours it is such an honest courage so experince of a young lady who has her will and courage, I recommend it to every young lady to get inspired to be her true self, Salute Melissa, you are a true brave sister of light, blessings, can't wait to read your new coming book.

"My Journey Through War and Peace: Explorations of a Young Filmmaker, Feminist and Spiritual Seeker" is based on Melissa Burch's experiences as a war journalist for BBC, CBS, and other networks. Her team was one of the first documentary crews allowed in the Soviet Union at the height of the Cold War, and she was featured in a New York Times story about her time in Afghanistan. She was just in her twenties when she traveled with the mujahideen, filmed an attack on a Soviet convoy, slept with an Afghan commander, and climbed 14,000-foot mountains in the Hindu Kush. "My Journey Through War and Peace" examines how, through outward action and inward exploration, life can unfold in mysterious ways, far beyond cultural and family expectations. In looking back at this momentous decade, Burch shares why she pursued such dangerous and difficult circumstances at such a young age and continued to live on the edge. She now understands that she was seeking self-discovery, a connection to something greater, and ultimately inner peace. This exciting adventurous spiritual memoir will resonate with fans of "Eat Pray Love", "Wild", and other popular memoirs that describe extraordinary inner and outer journeys.

"Burch's memoir recounts her remarkable experiences over eight years as a photographer covering the war in Soviet-occupied Afghanistan in the 1980s and as a filmmaker, and also her own personal and spiritual journey as a young woman....Her accounts provide revealing glimpses into the conflict, Afghan culture, and the dangers of war reporting, particularly for a woman." --Publishers Weekly"Personal growth, international events, the power of images and of individual experience ... Burch's Journey ... [shows] how strange connections can shape the future of both individuals and nations. A great read, highly recommended." -- Davide Mana, Karavansara Blog