The Rule of Three #3: Will to Survive

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Book Review

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**Review**

The exciting conclusion to The Rule of Three series finds the neighborhood of Eden Mills in a predicament. One of their own has gone rogue and he knows all about their fortifications, schedules, and vulnerabilities. Demands have come from the Division, ‘provide us with food or we will deliver children to your gate after we kill their parents before their eyes’. The people in the neighborhood are forced to think like their enemies to find a way to thwart this vicious scheme. Meanwhile, Adam and his airplane are key in efforts to form alliances with other communities to trade resources, services, and even protection.

Award winning author Eric Walters concludes this series with a plot full of twists and turns. Main protagonists and supporting characters are developed into realistic people with strengths as well as weaknesses. Good and evil contrast as the community of Eden Mills tries to hold their society to the highest of ethics and morality while lawlessness tries to take over. This book is about hope in the face of great trial and opposition. It champions human ingenuity and the basic goodness of ordinary people as they try to help themselves and others.

*Contains war violence.*