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This compelling book tells the inspirational stories of men and women who fought for peace, freedom, equality, and human rights throughout the twentieth century. Often at great personal risk, they did what they

could to alleviate the suffering caused by Hitler, Stalin, and Mao; by racists in America and South Africa; and those who would oppress women everywhere. Tracing the lives of the unsung and the famous, Cohen retraces the lives of such figures as Gandhi, Nelson Mandela, Martin Luther King Jr., Pope John XXIII, Aung San Suu Kyi, Margaret Sanger, and Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt. Togethe