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question with an emphatic no. The ""rights revolution,"" says Walker, is

the embodiment of the American ideals of morality and community. He argues that the critics of personal right