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What did George mean by human rights? It was a pretty straightforward common sense meaning of the word: the right not to be imprisoned; the right to have freedom of speech; women's rights; the rights for women to have a full and comfortable life comparable to that of their male partners. Those were my understanding from him. I don't remember him drawing many distinctions and talking about economic and social rights with some of the nuances at least during some period of time, less now than in the past, those were quite important distinctions. I don't think that mattered as much to him as simply establishing that basic human rights were something that were worth giving a life to and he gave his life to that.