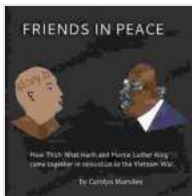


How Thich Nhat Hahn and Martin Luther King Came Together in Opposition to the Vietnam War

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Thich Nhat Hahn: A Buddhist Monk and Peace Activist

Thich Nhat Hahn was born in Vietnam in 1926. He became a Buddhist monk at the age of 16, and he quickly rose through the ranks of the Buddhist hierarchy. In 1961, he founded the School of Youth for Social Service, which provided medical and social services to the poor and disadvantaged in Vietnam. He also began to speak out against the Vietnam War, which he saw as a violation of Buddhist principles of non-violence and compassion.

In 1966, Thich Nhat Hahn traveled to the United States to give a series of lectures on peace. He met with Martin Luther King Jr., and the two men quickly formed a friendship. They shared a common commitment to non-violence and social justice, and they agreed to work together to end the war in Vietnam.

Martin Luther King Jr.: A Civil Rights Leader and Peace Activist

Martin Luther King Jr. was born in Atlanta, Georgia, in 1929. He became a Baptist minister at the age of 19, and he quickly emerged as a leader of the civil rights movement. In 1963, he led the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, and he delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964 for his work to end racial discrimination and segregation.

In the late 1960s, Martin Luther King Jr. became increasingly outspoken in his opposition to the Vietnam War. He saw the war as a violation of the principles of non-violence and human rights, and he called for an end to the war. He also spoke out against the poverty and racism that he saw as the root causes of the war.

Thich Nhat Hahn and Martin Luther King Jr.: Working Together for Peace

Thich Nhat Hahn and Martin Luther King Jr. worked together to build a broad coalition of Americans who opposed the Vietnam War. They spoke at rallies and marches, and they organized demonstrations and protests. They also met with government officials and world leaders, and they urged them to take action to end the war.

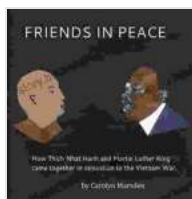
In 1967, Thich Nhat Hahn and Martin Luther King Jr. co-founded the Committee of Concerned Asian Scholars. The committee was dedicated to promoting peace in Vietnam and to supporting the Vietnamese people. The committee also provided a platform for Thich Nhat Hahn and Martin Luther King Jr. to share their ideas with a wider audience.

Thich Nhat Hahn and Martin Luther King Jr. were both assassinated in 1968. Their deaths were a great loss to the peace movement, but their legacy continues to inspire activists around the world. Their friendship and collaboration showed that it is possible to overcome differences of race, religion, and culture to work together for a common goal.

The Legacy of Thich Nhat Hahn and Martin Luther King Jr.

Thich Nhat Hahn and Martin Luther King Jr. were two of the most important peace activists of the 20th century. Their work helped to end the Vietnam War, and their legacy continues to inspire activists around the world. They showed that it is possible to overcome differences of race, religion, and culture to work together for a common goal. They also showed that non-violence is a powerful tool for social change.

Thich Nhat Hahn and Martin Luther King Jr. were both great men who made a lasting impact on the world. Their friendship and collaboration is a testament to the power of peace and love.



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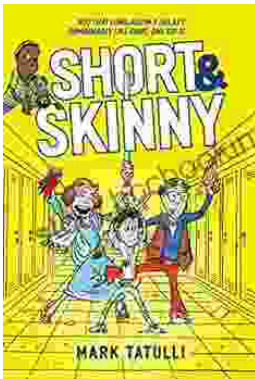
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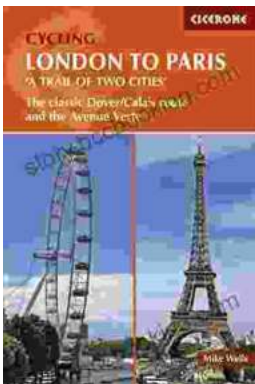
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