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“If someone has cut my hands off, I cannot play the zither, and if someone has cut my legs off, I cannot dance; and if I lie crippled on the shore, then I cannot throw myself into the sea to save another man’s life; and if I myself lie with a broken arm or leg, then I cannot rush into the flames to save another’s life: but I can be compassionate everywhere.”

Kierkegaard

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ACHR	American Convention on Human Rights
ACHPR	African Convention on Human and People's Rights
ACommHPR	African Commission on Human and People's Rights
CP rights	Civil and political rights.
ECHR	European Convention on Human Rights
ECtHR	European Court of Human Rights
ESC rights	Economic, social and cultural rights.
IACtHR	Inter American Court of Human Rights
ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.
ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.
OP-ICESCR	Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.
VCLT	Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties (1969)

