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## The Fight of the Century

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A famous boxing match at the heart of the fight for civil rights.

New York City, March 8, 1971: Joe Frazier faces Muhammad Ali in Madison Square Garden. Everything seems to be going against Cassius Clay, who was rebaptized as Muhammad Ali by Elijah Muhammad, the guru of the Nation of Islam, an African American nationalist organization. The meeting of the two men crystalizes all the nation's tensions and civil rights battles. Their match becomes known as the "Fight of the Century." Muhammad Ali will be remembered forever. But this biography seeks to clear the name of Frazier, the heavyweight champion with humanist values who might have been the real hero.

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