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Thatcher's Cliff Notes on Freedom

Margaret Thatcher, part of England’s conservative Tory party, once described the perfect party. She said the “party would make no secret of its belief in individual freedom and individual prosperity, in the maintenance of law and order, in the wide distribution of private property, in rewards for energy, skill and thrift, in diversity of choice, in the preservation of local rights in local communities.”

She said, “Size is not all, any more than economic growth is all. Even efficiency is not enough.” She said, “People come first—their needs, their hopes, their choices, their values and ideals.” Who today in America is holding up these beliefs for all Americans to see?

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