“And I told about equality and it's true

Either you're wrong or you're right

But, if you're thinkin' about my baby
It don't matter if you're black or white”- Black or White by Michael Jackson

This song analysis I have chosen has a lot of meaning and strong wording to it about how someone’s skin shouldn’t stop them from being who they want to be. Michael Jackson wrote this song talking about his skin colour change.

The imagery of this poem is filled with alliteration like “I am tired of this devil; I am tired of this stuff. I am tired of this business”, metaphor- “Protection for gangs, clubs, and nations. Causing grief in human relations. It's a turf war on a global scale. I'd rather hear both sides of the tale See, it's not about races”. And vivid language- “It don't matter if you're black or white”. I think that Michael chooses these words in his song to catch peoples attentions about all races, colors, and creeds. This is what the whole poem is talking about. To help with the respects of race and colours.

The style of this song is a balled poem/song. There’s absence of punctuation used for the lyrics of this song. There’s verse forms like Stanza, quatrain, rhyme scheme like “For gangs, clubs, and nations. Causing grief in human relations. It's a turf war on a global scale. I'd rather hear both sides of the tale. See, it's not about races. Just places. Faces”. I feel that the words chosen in this song is very meaning full at sometimes. The tone and attitude of this poem is about peoples colours and how proud they should be for what they are and not to think about it too much. Since Michael Jackson suffered from a skin disease where he couldn’t control the colour of his skin, people thought he got plastic surgery to go from black to white, because they thought he doesn’t like the colour of his skin. But they are wrong. “But, if you're thinkin' about my baby It don't matter if you're black or white” –Michael Jackson The message the artist is trying to say is that the colour of your skin should not reflect on your freedom. Meaning that colour shouldn’t matter in the world, because lots of people at any age are judged by their colours. And that should change. Michael Jackson chose this song because he suffered from a skin disorder called [Vitiligo](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vitiligo). It’s a long term skin condition characterized by patches of the skin losing their pigment. Michael Jackson never chose to go from black to white. It just happened. Michael wrote this song to tell people that skin colour shouldn’t matter as much as other important things in your life. This is a way of him telling that it didn’t matter for him if he was black or white.

I really like this song a lot because it has lots of meaning to it and has a lot of power that only Michael Jackson can do best at. If only he was still here in the present to talk and write more songs about race, skin and religion. Many people would be listening and that would help our world a lot, to open up.