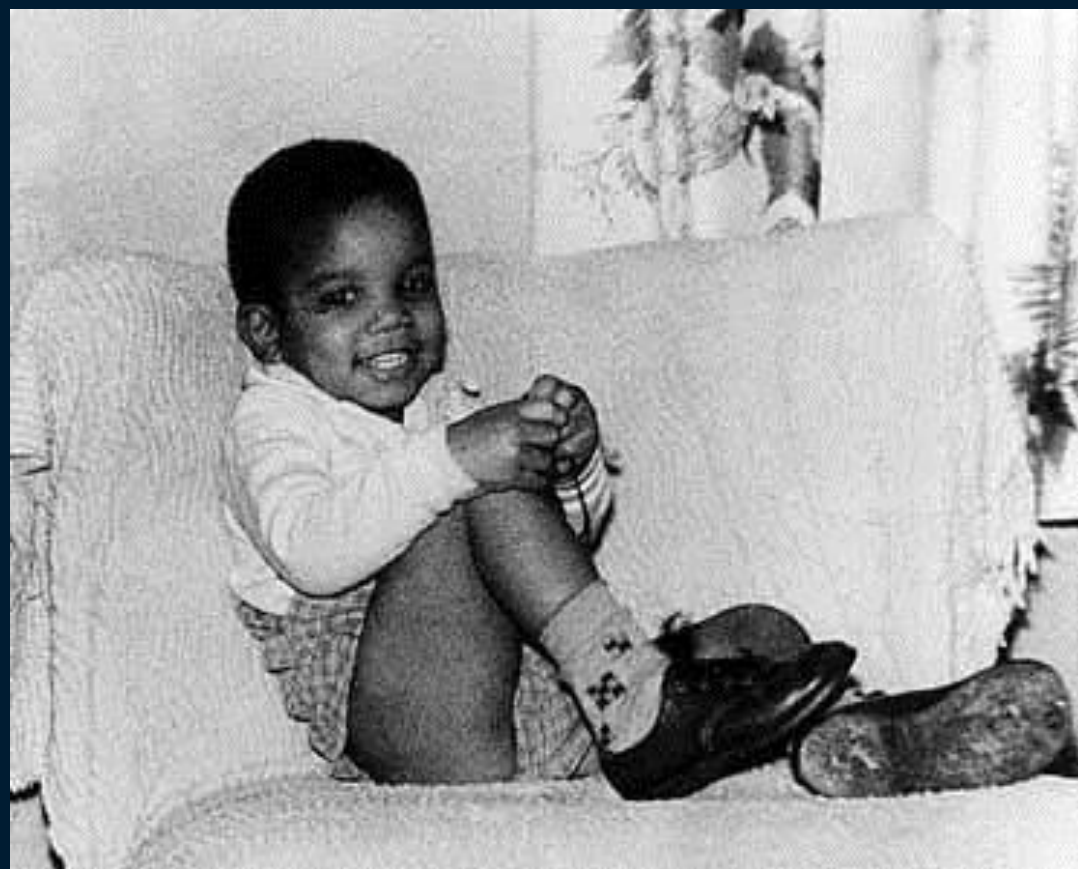


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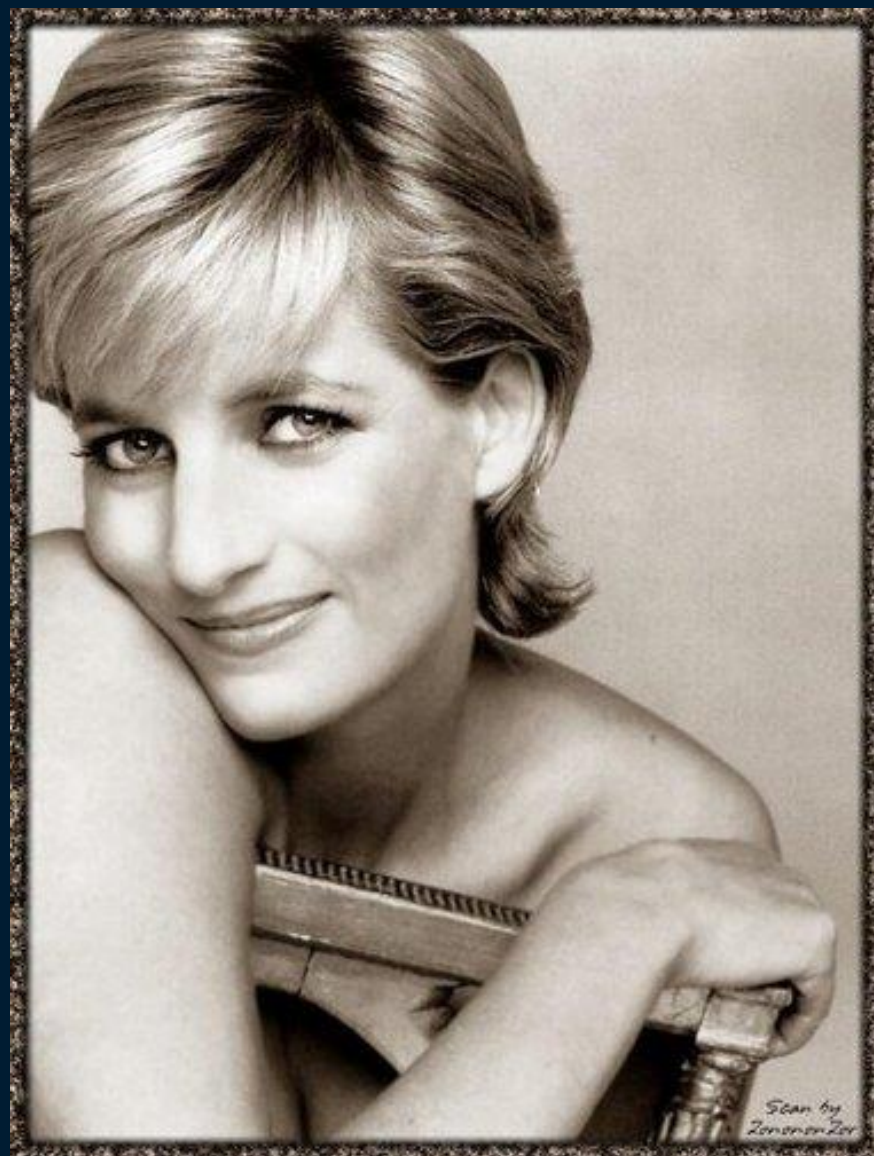


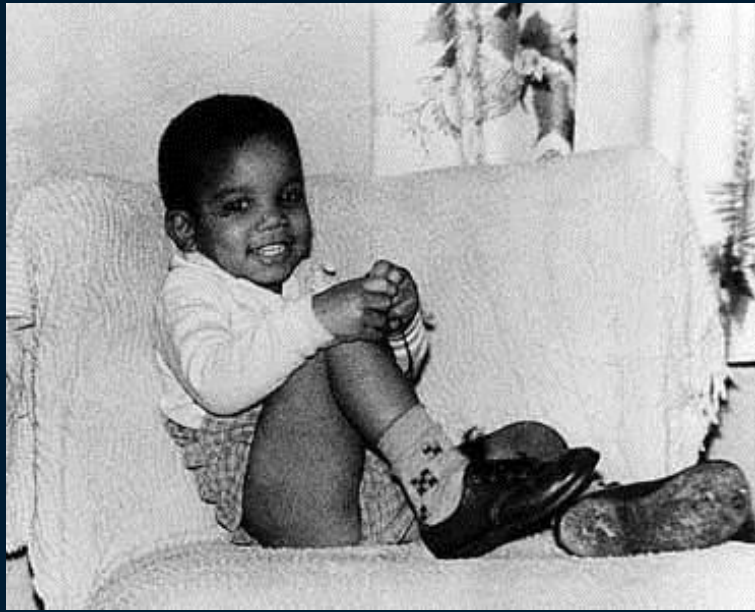
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6:1-8:1 – seven seals

8:2-11:19 – seven angels with trumpets

12:1-14:20 – seven signs and visions

15:1-16:21 – seven angels with bowls

17:1-19:21 – seven visions of judgement

20:1-22:5 – seven scenes of the end



The Day of Wrath

The wrath of the Lamb! Who ever heard of a lamb being angry? What a terrible thought – the gentlest of all God’s creatures angry. It is the wrath of love, the wrath of sacrificial love which, having done the absolute utmost for us and our salvation, tells us as nothing else could the certainty with which evil awaits its doom at the hand of God. The great men of this earth, the dictators, the decorated playthings of the devil, the mighty authorities of mankind may take counsel together against the Lord and against His anointed, saying: “Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh” (Ps. 2:3-4).

The Day of Wrath

No man survives the laughter of God, but more terrible than God's laughter is the wrath of God's Lamb, the consuming passion of His holy love that wills to destroy all that is unloving and untrue. That is the Lion of the Tribe of Judah that is also the Lamb of Calvary. Before His power all the arrogant evil of the world shall soon become as dust under the chariot wheels of time, and the Lord God omnipotent shall reign forever and ever. Thank God that when the day of His wrath comes upon us, it is the wrath of the Lamb, for even in wrath God remains love.

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Revelation 7

7:1-8 – the church as persecuted on earth

7:9-17 – the church as triumphant in heaven



When we give to any aspect of God's creation or to human works the worship that is due to God alone, we call up invisible forces that eventually dominate us. When what is meant to be a servant is treated as a master, it quickly becomes a tyrant.

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