

# A CHILD'S BOOK OF WHYS

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Why does the sun hide out of sight  
And leave us in the dark at night?  
It shines around the world so wide  
For people on the other side.

Why does the rain fall all the day  
So that I can't go out to play?  
The reason, darling, I would think,  
Is that the thirsty world might drink.

Why does the rainbow span the sky  
When all the raindrops have passed by?  
God put it there long, long ago  
To tell us that He loves us so.

Why do the rivers flow and flow,  
And where does all the water go?  
The rivers flow that they might be  
With other waters in the sea.

Why does the wind just blow and blow  
And make the clouds and leaves to go?  
The wind's God's broom to sweep things clean  
And make the world look neat and green.

What is the reason for the snow  
Which hides the grass and flowers below?  
The snow's a blanket, white and deep  
To warm the woodchucks while they sleep.

I like the stars that shine at night.  
Why aren't they there when day is bright?  
"Cause Mr. Sun shines hard all day,  
And makes the stars just fade away.

Why does our big, round world not fall,  
With nothing holding it at all?  
God holds it up, though we can't see  
His hands -- and He holds you and me.

Why do the birdies in the tree  
Sing in the morning cheerily?  
They're thanking God for the new day,  
And for the tree in which to stay.

Why are the flowers pink and blue,  
And red, and white, and yellow, too?  
God made them lovely, don't you see  
To share their colors with you and me.

Why does my puppy lick my nose,  
And kitty frolics with my toes?  
Because God made them just that way  
That they with you and me might play.

Why are some doggies big and tall  
While others are just thin and small?  
God made them different, don't you see --  
Big folk call it va-ri-e-ty.

Why do the grapes taste like they do,  
And apples, nuts, and oatmeal, too?  
Our loving God made them that way  
To make us happy every day.

Why do we pray to God on high?  
Does He live in the starry sky?  
He lives far, far beyond the sun,  
Yet He is close to everyone.