If God is your answer

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If God is your answer to every question,
 eternal and absolute
 once-and-for-all kind of answer.
 without a doubt,
 no wondering, dithering or hypothesizing,
 no clever juggling,
 struggling, pondering or agonizing
 no raised eyebrow or pursed lips,
 no tilted head with faraway gaze—
 just straight out, eyes glazed,
 one syllable,
 constant and unequivocal,
 you smiling, smiling, always smiling
 sweetly to every question:
 God:
Then,
 all questions vanish,
 all questions perish,
 and you stand like a post
 from one of your fences,
 not even enough of you
 for the upright
 of a cross
 like one Jesus chose at the end,
 facing death, and desperately
 asking the ultimate question:
 God, where are you?
 and hearing nothing,
 resigned to silence,
 said, Nevertheless, I AM
 and died the Lamb
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still with his question. Now there's an answer, God.