Questions for God

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Why does the moon seem so intent to cry, and yet it is your tears that give us dew?
Why do the flags grasp silently at wind?
Why does the sun refuse to let me stare, and yet it is your hand upon my face that burns? Why does my mother die without remembering my name, while she still sings in church? Why does the IV bag float like my prayer does in this emptiness?
Where was it that I lost my way? Why do
I see the cross in window panes, in two downed branches broken in the road, in shirts hung out to dry? Why does the mystery of faith sustain us when we keep on asking such questions? Why must we ask such questions?