Why? (2000 Remaster)

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We rode into town the other day just me and my daddy

He said I'd finally reached that age

And I could ride next to him on a horse

That of course was not quite as wideWe heard a crowd of people shouting

And so we stopped to find out why

And there was that man that my dad said he loved

But today there was fear in his eyesSo I said, "Daddy why are they screaming?

Why are the faces of some of them beaming?

Why is he dressed in that bright purple robe?

I'll bet that crown hurts him more than he shows""Daddy please can't you do something?

He looks as if though he's gonna cry

You said He was stronger than all of those guys

Daddy please tell me why, why does everyone want him to die? Later that day the sky grew cloudy

And daddy said I should go inside

Somehow he knew things would get stormy, Lord, was he right?

But I could not keep from wonderingIf there was something he had to hide

So after he left I had to find out, I was not afraid of getting lost

So I followed the crowds to a hill where I knew men had been killed

And I heard a voice come from the crossAnd it said, "Father why are they screaming?

Why are the faces of some of them beaming?

Why are they casting their lives for my own?

This crown of thorns hurts me more than it shows""Father, please can't you do something?

I know that you must hear my cry

I thought I could handle a cross of this size

Father remind me why, why does everyone want me to die?

When will I understand why?"For my precious son, I hear them screaming

I'm watching the face of the enemy beaming

But soon I will clothe you in robes of my own

Jesus, this hurts me much more than you knowBut this dark hour I must do nothing

Though I've heard you unbearable cries

The power in your blood destroys all of the lies

Soon you'll see past their unmerciful eyesLook there below, see the child

Trembling by her father's side

Now I can tell you why

She is why you must die

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