Good Dog

The Incredible String Band

This dog is no puppy dog She's strange as the trees She's brown as the mountain And white as the breeze

She walks on the water Without any boots Her eyes arc as fine As the music of flutes

But she will not sweep chimneys Nor will she pluck corn But she is the best little dog That ever was born

I have lain in the womb Of the rocks, cold and chill While she speaks in my heart With the voice of the hill

And when I am risen And ready to run She will laugh without laughter To welcome the sun

But she will not learn language Nor will she bear scorn But she is the best little dog That ever was born

The water God offered me The ring of his rings To buy the dog from me To teach the poor kings

The ring's on my finger The dog runs behind Since watery palaces Would never suit her mind

But as yet she can't fly well Nor play on the horn Still she is the best little dog That ever was born