



Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall,
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.
Four-score men and four-score more,
Could not make Humpty Dumpty
Where he was before.

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Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall,
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.
All the king's horses
and all the king's men
Couldn't put Humpty together again.

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“Strength isn't measured by
how much a man can lift,
but where his faith in Jesus
stands amidst a seemingly
impossible situation.”

—Jarrod Wilson

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...being sorrowful most of all
because of the word he had
spoken, that they would not
see his face again. And they
accompanied him to the ship.

—Acts 20:38 ESV

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From a tearful goodbye to a courageous series
of stands, Paul stood strong in the Lord.

21:11-13	Standing before brothers who sought to dissuade him to go to Jerusalem
21:37-22:22	Standing before the angry mob in Jerusalem
22:30-23:10	Standing before the Sanhedrin
24:10-27	Standing before Felix
25:6-12	Standing before Festus
26:1-32	Standing before Agrippa

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“...that the Christ must suffer
and that, by being the first to
rise from the dead, He would
proclaim light both to our
people and to the Gentiles.”

—Acts 26:23 ESV

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¹So Agrippa said to Paul, “You have permission to speak for yourself.” Then Paul stretched out his hand and made his defense: ²“I consider myself fortunate that it is before you, King Agrippa, I am going to make my defense today against all the accusations of the Jews.”

—Acts 26:1-2 ESV

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The Setting of Caesarea

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The Stand in Caesarea

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⁴“My manner of life from my youth, spent from the beginning among my own nation and in Jerusalem, is known by all the Jews. ⁵They have known for a long time, if they are willing to testify, that according to the strictest party of our religion I have lived as a Pharisee.

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⁶And now I **stand** here on trial because of my hope in the promise made by God to our fathers.”

—Acts 26:4-6 ESV

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¹⁵And I said, “Who are you, Lord?”

And the Lord said, “I am Jesus whom you are persecuting. ¹⁶But rise and **stand** upon your feet, for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a servant and witness to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you,

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¹⁷delivering you from your people and from the Gentiles—to whom I am sending you ¹⁸to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.” —Acts 26:15-18 ESV

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The Stand at Caesarea

Standing With God's Promise

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“And now I **stand** here on trial because of my hope in the promise made by God to our fathers.” —Acts 26:6 ESV

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The following night the Lord stood by him and said, “Take courage, for as you have testified to the facts about Me in Jerusalem, so you must testify also in Rome.”

—Acts 23:11 ESV

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The Stand at Caesarea

Standing For God's Purpose

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“But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.”

—Acts 20:24 ESV

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And I sought for a man among them who should build up the wall and stand in the breach before Me for the land, that I should not destroy it, but I found none.

—Ezekiel 22:30 ESV

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The Stand at Caesarea

Standing in God's Power

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²²“To this day I have had the help that comes from God, and so I stand here testifying both to small and great, saying nothing but what the prophets and Moses said would come to pass:

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²³that the Christ must suffer and that, by being the first to rise from the dead, He would proclaim light both to our people and to the Gentiles.”

—Acts 26:22-23 ESV

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“It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly;

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who errs, who comes short
again and again, because there is
no effort without error and
shortcoming; but who does
actually strive to do the deeds;
who knows great enthusiasms,
the great devotions; who spends
himself in a worthy cause;

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who at the best knows in the end
the triumph of high achievement,
and who at the worst, if he fails,
at least fails while daring greatly,
so that his place shall never be
with those cold and timid souls
who neither know victory nor
defeat.” —Theodore Roosevelt

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