

# I Washed My Hands in Muddy Water      Stonewall Jackson

[G]I was born in Macon [D7]Georgia  
They kept my dad in the Macon [G]jail  
Dad said son [G7]if you keep your [C]hands clean  
[G]You won't hear them [D7]bloodhounds on your [G]trail

But I fell in with bad [D7]companions  
We robbed a man in [G]Tennessee  
The sheriff caught me [G7]way up in [C]Nashville  
They [G]locked me up and [D7]threw away the [G]key

*I washed my hands in muddy [D7]water  
I washed my hands but they didn't come [G]clean  
I tried to do [G7]like daddy told [C]me  
But I [G]must have washed my [D7]hands in a muddy [G]stream*

I asked the jailor when's my [D7]time up  
He said son we won't [G]forget  
And if you try [G7]to keep your [C]hands clean  
[G]We may make a [D7]good man of you [G]yet

I couldn't wait to do my [D7]sentence  
I broke out of the Nashville [G]jail  
I just crossed [G7]the line of [C]Georgia  
And I[G] can hear them [D7]bloodhounds on my [G]trail

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*Repeat chorus*