The Sam & Jesse Radio Show

Week 28, Episode 3: That Comes From Aesop’s Fables

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| 00:00 | Jesse | That comes from Aesop’s Fables. |
| 00:02 |  | [music] |
| 00:09 | Narrator | [over music] It’s time now for another day in the life of Sam and Jesse. Gum Springs, Arkansas. |
| 00:23 |  | [music fades out, then repeats] |
| 00:33 | Sam | Y-you know, Jesse, it just seems like Leon can’t get a real break in life. Now, he ain’t found no steady job and he ain’t gettin’ to preach hardly none. |
| 00:41 | Jesse | Well, the Lord helps them that helps themselves. |
| 00:44 | Sam | You know, I always thought that. In fact, that’s always been one of my favorite scriptures along with “spare the rod and spoil the child.” [overlap] |
| 00:50 | Jesse | [overlap] Sam, Sam, that ain’t scripture. That-that spare the rod sayin’. That comes from Poor Richard’s Almanack. A-and the first one there, tha was Aesop. From his fables, don’t you see? |
| 01:00 | Sam | Is that from Old Testament? I-I ain’t studied that. |
| 01:03 | Jesse | No, Sam, it ain’t from either one. It’s just a sayin’ that a feller made up. [overlap] |
| 01:07 | Sam | [overlap] D-does this mean Leon’s gonna’ stay unemployed? |
| 01:10 | Jesse | Sam, that don’t have nothin’ to do with Leon. That’s just one of them fables. Aesop’s fables. |
| 01:16 | Sam | A-a-a- who’s what? |
| 01:17 | Jesse | Aesop’s fables, Sam. All them things is just myths, you know. [door slams] |
| 01:22 | Sam | Myths? |
| 01:22 | Leon | Miss who, Sam? |
| 01:24 | Sam | H-Hello, Leon. We was just talkin’ about you. |
| 01:27 | Leon | How come? |
| 01:28 | Jesse | Uh-uh Sam, uh Leon, I was just explainin’ that God helps them that helps themselves wasn’t scriptural. |
| 01:34 | Leon | Y-you mean Lord favors lazy folks? I don’t - I don’t know, Mr. Jesse. [overlap] |
| 01:38 | Jesse | [overlap] Oh, Leon, I didn’t mean that. |
| 01:40 | Leon | W-well, where’d you get an id’ like that, Mr. Jesse? |
| 01:42 | Sam | Yeah, Jesse, where’s you get an id’ like that? |
| 01:44 | Jesse | Sam, I was just- |
| 01:46 | Leon | Next thing you know, he’ll be tellin’ us sp-spare the switch spoil your kids ain’t scripture. |
| 01:51 | Sam | Leon, that’s spare the rod a-and that comes from Poor Richard’s Almanack. N-now, he was- [overlap] |
| 01:55 | Leon | [overlap] Havin’ an almanac don’t pay much, huh? |
| 01:57 | Sam | Well, really, Leon, I don’t think he owned it hisself [sic]. H-He was just- [overlap] |
| 02:00 | Jesse | [overlap] Oh, me. I-I-I wonder if people will be talkin’ about poor Jesse’s gas station out there in the future. |
| 02:08 | Leon | Just how poor was he, Sam? |
| 02:10 |  | [music] |
| 02:19 |  | [music fades out, then repeats] |
| 02:28 | Jesse | You see, Leon, I-I been tellin’ you over and over that you’ve got to study the scripture if you’re going to be a preacher, now. [overlap] |
| 02:34 | Sam | [overlap] Well, it seems like to me he knows too much scripture, Jesse. |
| 02:36 | Jesse | Well, he thinks he does. He-he’s quoting scripture that ain’t found in the Bible and he don’t even know it. |
| 02:41 | Sam | Well, now, that’s right, Leon. I-I bet you can’t tell me where the scripture is, ”A-a friend in need is a friend indeed.” |
| 02:48 | Leon | Well, I-I don’t know exactly where it’s at, bu-but if you give me a little while- |
| 02:52 | Jesse | I don’t think there’s any hurry, Leon. |
| 02:55 |  | [music] |