The Sam & Jesse Radio Show

Week 30, Episode 3: Name Me a Great Man Who Ain’t Et Lately

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| 00:00 | Jesse | Name me a great man who ain’t et lately. |
| 00:03 |  | [music] |
| 00:11 | Narrator | [over music] It’s time now for another day in the life of Sam and Jesse. Gum Springs, Arkansas. |
| 00:29 |  | [music fades out, then repeats] |
| 00:37 | Jesse | [music overlap] So, you see, Leon, you ought to be workin’ right now to get the kind of job that-that takes you way on past just makin’ a livin’. A man ought to have satisfaction out of his job, and, and when he walks down the street, you now, he can hold his head up. |
| 00:49 | Leon | But ought-ought’n you make some money first, Mr. Jesse, before you get all that satisfaction. |
| 00:54 | Sam | Well, now Leon, “Man does not live by bread alone”. I-I seen that in a movie. |
| 0:59 | Leon | Sam, I don’t mean to be disrespectful, but we’s talkin’ ‘bout a job. |
| 01:03 | Jesse | That’s right, Leon. Now-now, people like, oh, well, great poets and politicians an-and well diggers, now they just think about a job well done. They don’t think about money. |
| 01:15 | Leon | Well, I show admire them folks, but, but I need some money. |
| 01:19 | Jesse | Now, y-you see, Leon, that’s an example of small thinkin’. |
| 01:23 | Leon | We’ve got to eat, Mr. Jesse. Uh- [overlap] |
| 01:25 | Jesse | [overlap] You see, I’m talk to you about a mountain of somethin’, havin’ a goal in life, and you can’t think about nothin’ but eatin’. |
| 01:32 | Sam | Jesse, now ou-our preacher said Sunday that it-it’s impossible to be a great poet or politician or a well digger unless you’ve had somethin’ to eat lately. |
| 01:41 | Jesse | Sam, I was talkin’- Y- Oh, what’s the use? I can’t get either one of you to be serious. I’m goin’ to the bank. [door slams] |
| 01:49 | Leon | He seemed to be real mad about somethin’, didn’t he, Sam? |
| 01:52 | Sam | Yeah, he did, Leon. |
| 01:54 | Leon | Wh-what do you reckon it was that he was mad about? |
| 01:56 | Sam | Well, I don’t know, Leon! He was tryin’ to help you, he claimed. And I was tryin’ to help him help you, and it didn’t seem like you wanted to be helped, and he didn’t appreciate my tryin’ to help him help you. And you know, Leon, he’s always accusin’ me of addin’ confusion. |
| 02:12 | Leon | Well, I sure don’t understand that. |
| 02:14 |  | [music] |
| 02:23 |  | [music fades out, then repeats] |
| 02:31 | Jesse | [music overlap] Sam, I was tryin’ to help Leon and-and-and whenever you get involved, well i-well, it’s just impossible to help both of you at once. |
| 02:39 | Sam | I don’t need no help |
| 02:40 | Jesse | Sam, I didn’t mean that. Well, you ought to-  |
| 02:42 | Sam | I-I was just tryin’ to help Leon, too. Like-like you was. [overlap] |
| 02:45 | Jesse | [overlap] Sam, you can’t help a man in two directions at once. |
| 02:48 | Sam | Well, I never understood that. Now I-I [overlap] |
| 02:50 | Jesse | [overlap] Sam, you’ve got to learn before you can teach. |
| 02:53 | Sam | When did that come about? |
| 02:54 | Jesse | Oh, me. |
| 02:55 |  | [music] |