The Sam & Jesse Radio Show

Week 26, Episode 5: You Got to Be Against Somethin’

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| 00:00 |  | You got to be against somethin’. |
| 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 | That’s right, now, Leon. Every preacher or educator or politician that’s really famous has – he’s got one thing that he’s against. All right, if you’re gonna be get famous you gotta specialize in somethin’. [overlap] |
| 00:44 | Jesse | [overlap] Sam, I don’t think that’s right. |
| 00:45 | Leon | Can’t ya’ just begin Sam, Mr. Jesse? I-I-Is Sam tellin’ me right? |
| 00:50 | Jesse | Leon, Sam ain’t got the [inaudible] [overlap] |
| 00:51 | Sam | Then what was George Washington against, Leon? Answer me that. |
| 00:54 | Leon | Who? |
| 00:55 | Jesse | Sam, does George Washington fit anywhere in this conversation? |
| 00:59 | Sam | And Robert E. Lee. Now, what was he against? |
| 01:00 | Jesse | Robert E. Lee? |
| 01:02 | Leon | Who? |
| 01:02 | Sam | A-and you can’t count out Durward Kirby. |
| 01:05 | Jesse | [laughs] Oh, oh, certain not. You can’t count out Durward Kirby. |
| 01:08 | Leon | What was Durward again, Sam? |
| 01:10 | Sam | And what about Evelyn Blanton? |
| 01:12 | Jesse | Who? |
| 01:13 | Leon | Evelyn Blanton, Mr. Jesse. Uh, she-she was aga- what was she against, Sam? |
| 01:17 | Sam | Well, she wasn’t against nothing, Leon. She-she was my cousin from Gurdon. She-she uh- |
| 01:21 | Jesse | Will you two make some sense?! Sam, I believe it’d be better advice to be tellin’ a preacher to be for somethin’ than against everything. |
| 01:30 | Sam | Well, now that’s the silliest thing I ever heard of. A preacher not bein’ against things. |
| 01:34 | Leon | Yeah, Mr. Jesse. That-that- |
| 01:35 | Jesse | I-I didn’t say you had to be for everything. You can be against some things, but you got to be for some things. |
| 01:43 | Sam | Like what? |
| 01:43 | Jesse | Well, Sam, I ain’t got no list here. I don’t know like what. |
| 01:47 | Sam | Well, Jesse, I think you’re gonna have to make up your mind. Now, are you for things or are you against things? |
| 01:52 | Leon | Yeah, Mr. Jesse. You gonna have to make up your mind. A-are you for things or against ‘em? [music overlap] |
| 01:56 |  | [music] |
| 02:05 |  | [music fades out, then repeats] |
| 02:15 | Leon | Yes, friends. W-w-we got to fight sin and corruption! |
| 02:18 | Sam | Yeah! Sin and corruption. |
| 02:20 | Leon | W-we got to fight that ole whisky drankin’. |
| 02:22 | Sam | Whisky drankin’! Yes, sir! |
| 02:23 | Leon | We got to fight television! |
| 02:25 | Sam | Yeah, we got to fight television. |
| 02:26 | Leon | W-we got to fight dancin’ a-and wearin’ short shorts. [overlap] |
| 02:29 | Sam | And we got to fight dancin’ a-and wear-wearin’- [overlap] |
| 02:31 | Leon | [overlap] [inaudible] |
| 02:33 | Jesse | [Sam and Leon echoing in background, overlap] Well, I don’t think they gone be famous, but they ain’t spill no gas, and they ain’t set nothin’ on fire. |
| 02:37 |  | [music] |