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Throughout the world's history men have become known for specific things they have done in their lives, whether they intended that to happen or not. Babe Ruth is still known as the greatest home run hitter. John F. Kennedy is best known for being the president who was assassinated. Even Abraham Lincoln, who was also assassinated, is more likely to be known as the president who abolished slavery. Many people throughout history have been remembered for a specific thing they have accomplished or had happen to them.

In the video I did for my Church History project I interviewed Pastor John Braun. He probably falls into the category of people who are remembered best for only a small part of their life. Many probably recognize him as the last president of Northwestern College. While it is true that he held that position, he has also done and is doing so much more in his ministry. The intent of this interview therefore is to show that he was and is much more than the last president of Northwestern College. I would like for those who are interested to be able to see that this faithful servant of the Lord did indeed have a very diverse ministry.

The video begins by looking at some of the biographical information about Pastor Braun. He then goes on to talk about his years as a student at Northwestern College and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. Next, he briefly takes us through the many years he spent in the public ministry as the pastor of three different congregations. Then he talks about his life and duties in the public ministry as a professor and later as the president of Northwestern College. At the close of the interview he speaks about his current position at Northwestern Publishing House and his love for writing. Lastly, he leaves some words of encouragement for young pastors and those who are studying for the ministry.

Although this video doesn't detail in full the life of this faithful servant, it does provide a glimpse into the life of a man who has served the Lord faithfully in many different positions. It provides history with at least some personal comments from the

man who was the last president of Northwestern College and so much more throughout his life. May this serve to give insight into his life. Praise be to God for the many faithful servants he has provided his church.