

NBA Western Conference Semifinals: Warriors vs Grizzlies

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San Francisco, California, USA

Memphis Grizzlies

Desmond Bane

Game 3: Postgame

Warriors 142, Grizzlies 112

Q. Des, throughout this series for the most part you haven't looked like you were 100 percent. You got some time off; how are you feeling now in terms of your back and everything?

DESMOND BANE: I'm definitely feeling better. You know, I don't think I'm quite 100 percent yet, but I'm working to get there. We've done hours of treatment. Credit the medical staff for how far we've come in a short amount of time. But yeah, I'm progressing and getting better.

Q. When does the back injury kind of impact you? When do you notice it impacts part of your game?

DESMOND BANE: You hurt your back before?

Q. Yeah.

DESMOND BANE: So you know pretty much everything you do, your back is involved in it. Like I said, they've done a great job to help loosen me up and have me on the floor.

Q. Des, did you get a chance to see the play on Ja where it looks like he hurt his knee? And your opinion of how he'll respond and what you thought of the play itself.

DESMOND BANE: You know, I haven't really got a chance to talk to Ja yet. You know, but it's unfortunate. Ja is obviously having a great series. You know, for something like that to happen, something that is somewhat controllable... Jordan Poole reached out and grabbed his knee and kind of put him in an awkward position. It's unfortunate.

Q. Desmond, I'm curious what your assessment of the defense was tonight. Obviously they got to the paint a



lot, and I'm just wondering what you guys think you can do better perimeter-wise just keeping them out?

DESMOND BANE: Yeah, first and foremost we're going to have to keep guys in front. I think that we've got to do a better job of guarding our man, whoever that is. Give them credit; they got a good system and a good offense. But we've got to do a better job of keeping people in front of us and limit rotations.

Q. (Inaudible.)

DESMOND BANE: Yeah, you've got to continue to scramble against this team. You need a lot of extra efforts, and we weren't good enough tonight.

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