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New York Giants Dexter Lawrence

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Q. Dexter, talk about the defense and pitching a shutout there in the second half against a high-powered Green Bay offense.

DEXTER LAWRENCE: Yeah, right. You know, it just shows how much that we just locked in in the second half. The guys came in the locker room saying, you know, they was giving us their best shot. It was a good football team, and you know we wasn't playing up to how we know we can play. You know, we just said in the locker room, we just said, okay, time to turn it on and we kind of turned it on.

Q. What does the start to this season, 4-1, mean to this football team right now?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: It's big, seeing where we came from, since I've been here really and even before, it's just big. It gives a lot of people confidence. You know, it shows just the gratitude -- we happy to be here honestly. You know, we just got to keep fighting. We got to keep showing and proving each week who we are and who we want to be.

Q. There was a decent number of people who discredited what you accomplished the first four weeks because who you were playing against but there's no discrediting this one, the Packers in contention every year. Do you think this validates that you guys are a legitimate force in this league?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: I think every win does. You know, say we lose the three games before this that we lost. You didn't say, okay, the Giants can't win, you know what I mean. I think every game is important and every game has its own importance to it, and this is a good football team that we beat. You know, we happy, we going to celebrate and we going to move on, the next day.

Q. You have an ability to keep losing players and still fighting and winning games. Does it indicate that there might be something special happening



here?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: Yeah, it's crazy, right. Yeah, it's just, you know, guys are ready to go, and it's a good job to the coaches keeping both the guys ready to go and play.

And like you said, I think we are building something really special, a family, something we need and people want to go out there and play for each other and play well for each other. That's what happens. That's how you get a great football team.

Q. Showing in the second half --

DEXTER LAWRENCE: I think it's more the players. We didn't like how we were playing in the first half. They was hitting us here and there, little things like that. We just had to tighten up and understand how he was trying to break down the defense. Honestly, we just came in and said, it's not over. Let's keep fighting. Let's keep playing for each other, and the outcome will show itself.

Q. What's it say about this team, just seems like there's another injury every week and you keep bouncing back from it. What's it say about this team?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: It just shows the heart and how much we want to play for each other, how much we want to be there for each other and the coaches getting over guy ready in their room. It kind of sucks to have your key guy go down or guys that you count on. But at the same time, we all-pro, so we all got to be ready when our number is called.

Q. Were bummed when you got here today and you found out Leonard wasn't going to play?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: I kind of expected it a little bit. My mom was already -- I had to keep showing up, holding it down till he gets back. That's how it's been.

Q. A team that's struggled the last few years, the turnaround, do you credit Brian and the staff that he's brought in?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: Yeah, I think he brought a different attitude. You know, he let the players kind of

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lead things and he let the players take control of some things, and he take care of us and you know, he just got all of us feeling like it's one, it's a unit, it's a family. You know, it's a good credit to him.

Q. Were you surprised at all when you guys got here and he said, go out and have fun and London, and did you have fun in London?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: I didn't end up going. I was resting. I was tired. I love to nap (Laughter).

Q. Other than napping, is there one thing that you did away from the field here in London that you can take away back to the states with you?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: I took some little pictures of Wear -- we were saying in Wear. Took some pictures. Ate some fish and chips. Almost got kicked out of a place for calling it fries (Laughter). You know, had some good curry. You know, just relaxed. Got a good massage. It was chill. I was chilling.

Q. It was looking like Lambeau Field with all the Packers fans.

DEXTER LAWRENCE: Yeah, it was looking good in the second, one of greatest Hall of Famer for sure. You can't ever get that back so you got to take advantage when you play guys like that. It was special.

Q. Do you guys like feeling like you're the underdog?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: I think every game we are underdog. I enjoy it. We embrace it. We just go out there and fight for four quarters, and it shows.

Q. Is that a motivating factor for you guys, that you are the underdog?

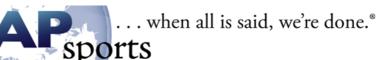
DEXTER LAWRENCE: I think it's kind of just like, it is what it is, kind of thing. It does boost -- because we know who we are internally, and jut for everybody to hold us down, you know, it just shows that there's no pressure on us. So we just go out and play and be who we are, and the outcome will come to itself.

Q. When you were out eating the fish and chips, did they recognize you?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: They knew we were big people. They were just kind of like, "What do you do? Are you basketball players?"

Q. What did you get?

DEXTER LAWRENCE: My eyes is bigger than my stomach. I got like two large cods and a large chip, I call



it a fry, but chip.

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