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Jaguars vs Bears

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Jacksonville Jaguars

Trevor Lawrence

Postgame Press Conference

Bears 35, Jaguars 16

Q. Do you feel like today there was a lack of focus collectively as a team?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: You know, I didn't sense that. Obviously the way the game turned out and some critical errors really all the way around would point to that. I felt like we were ready to play. I thought we had a good week.

Obviously everyone deals with the travel over here. Chicago had to do it earlier in the week too. So I thought even considering that, you know, we had a good plan, good week. I felt like we were ready to go.

Then obviously it didn't go our way. Didn't make enough plays. Didn't execute and had just too many mistakes. So I guess I can't say that it wasn't that because I think that definitely can contribute to that, yeah.

Q. You bounced back with some scores later in the game, but how -- was it a momentum killer, maybe Gabe's dropped touchdown on the first drive after giving the three and out defensively and then marching all the way down the field?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: No, I mean, it's football. That happens. I missed a couple Thursday night too. So it's going to happen.

You want those guys to catch every ball, and that would be great, and they want to catch every ball. That's just not this game. You're going to make mistakes, and stuff is going to happen. We ended up getting a field goal, and it's 3-0 us.

You would love to score, but it's a long game. I think as a team we can't be so fragile. It's like it's not going to go perfect every week. Most weeks aren't going to go perfect. You're going to have to sometimes dig yourself out of a hole.



We got down in the second quarter and had an opportunity to come out of halftime and didn't take advantage of it. So, no, I don't think that that was -- I mean, obviously you look back. Every play matters, and we had plenty of mistakes, but no, I don't think that was a huge momentum shift.

Obviously you would love to make it, but no, it's on all of us.

Q. Trevor, is there any way back from 1-5 for the team and for the head coach?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Yeah. We got 11 more games, so there's definitely a way back. We've got to -- pumping us up isn't going to do anything up here, so we have to take care of business on our end. But, yeah, it's a long season, and we have a lot of football left.

Q. Are you still playing for Doug?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Am I still playing for Doug?

Q. Is the team still playing for Doug?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Yeah, that's our head coach, and we're a team. This is tough. Losing is hard. It's hard. So it has nothing to do with that relationship, how we feel about Coach. We're a group. We're staying together.

We know brighter days are ahead. We just have to keep working, and we have to keep putting our best foot forward. You know, we just have to stick together as a team.

We have to play more had complementary. We're not playing good team football right now. So whatever the answer to that is we have to find it quick. Yeah, no thought of that on my mind.

Q. What gives you confidence going into next week's game?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: What gives me confidence? I know what we can do as a team. I've seen it. We have some really good players, a lot of playmakers. Speaking offensively because obviously that's my side of the ball.



We've done it before. I've seen us pull ourselves out of holes bigger than this.

It's challenging, but you can't look at it as all this stuff that we have to do. We just have to take it one day at a time, one week at a time. That's what we said before the Colts came. That's what we said before this game too, and it didn't go our way, but that doesn't mean you jump ship and you quit. It's one game.

I mean, it's a long season. I've been through a lot in my career. I've lost a lot of games. We have to change that around here, and we have to be the ones to do it. We have to take accountability.

We have to go play well and find a way to win. It's not going to go perfect, but just find a way to win in the end and put yourself in position to. That's what sucks is today we didn't have a chance to because we made too many mistakes. Those games always definitely suck.

Q. What positives can we take as an offense after a tough loss today?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: I thought we actually did a lot of things well. I thought we were better on third down. We weren't able to run the ball as good as we wanted to based on a lot of different things. A lot of factors go into that.

I think the way the game went and us having to become kind of pass-heavy towards the end to try to score quick, that's a big part of it. But I thought we did some really nice things.

Like I said, better on third down. I thought we had a good plan for this defense. It's a good defense, and it was just the mistakes that kind of started to accumulate, whether it was turnovers or it was just assignments, little things here and there from -- there's enough blame to go around for everybody, including myself. There's plenty of that there.

It just seemed like our plan and our plays were there, and we made a lot of them, but then we made some crucial errors too. It felt like when we got some big plays, we would have some penalties or we would turn it over. Then we didn't play complementary.

When the defense got a stop, we didn't score. When we got a big kick return, we didn't score. When we turned it over, they went and scored. That's the quickest way to lose in this league is to not take advantage of your opportunities when you get that momentum. I felt like we didn't take advantage of it today.

Q. With that fumble with Evan, how pleased were you with bouncing back the very next series with two very crucial catches on that next drive?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: I'm not surprised at all. Evan is a guy I have a lot of trust in. It's goods to have him back. He made some big plays today.

Like I said, we can't be -- that's why I'm talking about fragile as a team. Yeah, he had a fumble. He knows that. He knows that, you know, that stuff shouldn't happen, and that can affect the game, but it's one play. So you have to bounce back as an individual, but also the team around you has to pick you up.

Offensively we've got to go make more plays next time we get the ball. Defensively we have to get a stop. It's on all of us. So there's going to be mistakes, and we had two turnovers today, which didn't help us. It's harder to win that way, but you have to be able to overcome stuff too.

You can't just say, Oh, we don't want to turn the ball over. So what happens when you do turn it over? Do you just stop playing?

I think that's a big part of it is he's a very resilient guy, so I wasn't surprised to see how he bounced back. I know he is beating himself up, but it's not on him. I mean, it's one play in a long game, and you have to be able to overcome some stuff.

Q. (Indiscernible) yourself and the team after a defeat like that?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: Yeah, I think how we respond is the biggest thing. The good thing is we play next week. We get another opportunity. We're staying here. We're not going anywhere. So you guys get us for another week.

Yeah, just the way we respond, and we have to stick together. Obviously you want to watch the tape and take all the accountability and really figure out what you can do better as an individual, as an offense. Just take it for what it is and then move on.

By the time Tuesday, Wednesday comes around, we have to be moved on to getting ready for New England because that's another game in this league. It doesn't slow up. You play a good team every week.

Whatever we can do to get our minds, our bodies all ready to go and play well on Sunday, that's the biggest thing, and that's all we can do and just take it one game at a time.

Q. Following up with what you said earlier, does it feel like this team right now has to play close to perfect in order to have success, you can't make a mistake because it snowball from there? Does it feel like you have to be perfect?

TREVOR LAWRENCE: That's a good question. I don't think that -- you can't play that way because you're never going to be perfect.

Did it feel like that way today? Yes, because it did snowball. Unfortunately it happened today, and we let those mistakes kind of accumulate and just pile on, but you're never going to play perfect. So if you are waiting to play perfect, you're not going to win a lot of games.

I think as a team we do have to be better at overcoming adversity. When things don't go well -- you know, you want to start fast, and I thought we started pretty good today. We got three points. Obviously we have a good touchdown; got three points. Is started off, got a stop before that.

That's been kind of our problem in the past was not starting. So we did that today, and then we still had some of the mistakes creep in. Whatever it takes just to play a full 60 minutes as clean as you can and if you do make a mistake, just go make the next play.

You don't have to do more than your job. I think that's a big part of it, and I am talking about myself too. I know as a quarterback sometimes when one play doesn't go right, the next play I've had -- it's happened a ton in my career where I try to make the play the next time and make it worse because I'm trying to do too much and I'm not just doing my job.

So I think that that is a big part of it too what we have to do as a team and control that aspect of it.

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