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Q. Could you walk us through that play near the end zone on our side where you kind of made like a last-second effort to really chase the ball carrier and force that fumble, gave your guys an opportunity to get the ball back there?

JEROME BAKER: Just go to the ball, run to the ball. That's all it was. We preach about that every day. So you just run to the ball, just try to come up with it.

Q. Seems like every big play, one way or the other you were a part of today, what happened on the late hit; did you go back to the sideline? And I guess there was some unsportsmanlike down at the end zone too.

JEROME BAKER: The penalties are unacceptable especially on my end. The late hit. I really lost track of the sideline. Unacceptable. Whatever, the last play, with Cam, there was a lot of commotion, I'm trying to get up. But my penalty was definitely unacceptable.

Q. You had a lot of tackles. But in general, can you talk about what you think the reason was that they had so many rushing yards, particularly Cam?

JEROME BAKER: We've just got to play together. We've got to focus on stopping the run, and we've also got to play together and just play disciplined. Came up short today. But it's going to be a long season. So we just definitely gotta get on top of that.

Q. Seemed like you and Cam definitely got into it with the sideline hit in the first half and then kind of at the end of the game there. What was it like going up against him today?

JEROME BAKER: He's a competitor. One thing about him, he's a competitor. I'm the same way. So definitely a tough game but also we've got to figure out a way to come

out with the win. Yeah.

Q. How tough was that read option that Cam was running, how tough was that to cover?

JEROME BAKER: It was definitely something different. It was definitely tough. But ultimately we've got to make adjustments. We've got to get it handled. We definitely want to go back to the drawing board and focus on that. But just gotta look at we make mistakes at but also we've got to get better.

Q. I know you touched on Cam a little bit. And I'm sure defensive game plan for him but what he could do today still running the ball 75 yards, two touchdowns, was that a surprise to you?

JEROME BAKER: I wouldn't say it was a surprise. Cam's still Cam, former MVP. We definitely respected his talent on the field. So we just have to play together as a defensive. Today we got a little sloppy. A little undisciplined but also we've got to come together and play better defense.

Q. You had obviously I believe it was 17 tackles, and the number I guess from a team standpoint that stands out 217 rushing yards. Did you know they had that many rushing yards when you're in a game like that?

JEROME BAKER: It's not exactly you know how many yards they get exactly. But as a defense we know that they were on the ball. So we definitely have to go back to the drawing board and put emphasis on that. But we definitely came up short today.

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