

World Baseball Classic: Pool B - United States vs Brazil vs Italy

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Houston, Texas, USA

Daikin Park

Team Brazil

Manager Daniel Yuichi

Matsumoto

Lucas Ramirez

Postgame Press Conference

USA - 15, Brazil - 5

Q. Lucas, are you aware your father hit a home run in the stadium in the 2004 All-Star Game?

LUCAS RAMIREZ: I am aware.

Q. How does it feel to do that in the same building that he did that.

LUCAS RAMIREZ: It was awesome. I have to give glory to God. It's all the preparation this offseason. Got me where I wanted to be. It was awesome.

Q. Lucas, your dad said he was looking forward to you doing something special in this game. How cool was it to be able to hit two home runs in front of him and your mom, obviously, who is from Brazil.

LUCAS RAMIREZ: This is the best day ever of my life, to be honest. My mom doesn't really make it to all of the games because she is back home with my brother.

My dad is at most of the games. I'm just really thankful that my family is here was to watch me play. Even if I did bad or good, I am just grateful that they were here watching me play.

Thank God, two bombs today. I say you go out there with confidence you can do anything. If you say it out loud it will happen. I am telling you. It will happen.

Q. So with that in mind, are affirmations kind of a part of your routine?

LUCAS RAMIREZ: 100%, 100%. Ever since the qualifiers I've been envisioning a first-at-bat bomb. It is crazy it



actually happened. For five months, every time before I go to bed, after I pray, you know, I visualize it. And it happened.

That's why, I don't know if you saw me running the bases I said, I told you because I visualized it and it happened. It was awesome.

Q. In moments like that does your vision get clearer, did you see everything clearer? Or did you kind of blackout a little bit?

LUCAS RAMIREZ: I feel like I get more clear because I am a lot more relaxed. I was nervous a little at first, but you know, did a little breathing and we are fine.

Q. To follow up on that, has something like this happened before where you visualize something so much and it actually came true?

LUCAS RAMIREZ: It has happened so much in my life. Maybe before when I was a little kid I didn't think I had the talent. But I visualized myself getting better, put in the work. And there's a lot of times that I visualize at-bats and the outcome happens.

