

MLB World Series: Dodgers vs Blue Jays

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Los Angeles Dodgers Yoshinobu Yamamoto

Postgame 5 Press Conference



Blue Jays - 6, Dodgers - 1

Q. Dave has talked about this throughout the year that your experience pitching in the Japan Series, pitching in the WBC, you're used to pitching in big games. What does that sort of do to prepare you for a situation in Game 6 where you're kind of tasked with helping to keep your season alive?

YOSHINOBU YAMAMOTO: I'm just focusing on just to get this win in Game 6, and then just that's probably the only thing in my mind right now.

Q. Do you think warming up in Game 3 is going to have, does that change anything in terms of how you prepped for this week, or does that sort of change your schedule in any way, just how you sort of prepared for this?

YOSHINOBU YAMAMOTO: I just did -- today was my bullpen day. But like you said, Game 3, I went in the bullpen for warming up. So I was just starting just like regular throwing. And then if I was feeling like some sort of too much tightness, then I was going to cancel it. But I felt really good, so I just throw a pen today.

Q. When you look at what you were able to see from the Blue Jays offense the last three, including today, the last three games, did you see anything different from them that you hope to maybe add to your game plan, or do you, is there anything you saw with them in these last games?

YOSHINOBU YAMAMOTO: Needless to say, they're a great lineup, they have a great lineup. And then in terms of game planning, I'm getting into it probably later. So I'm just going to get myself ready the best as possible, and then just face them.

Q. It's clear that you love these big games. Why is that, why do you like the moment, the pressure, etcetera?

YOSHINOBU YAMAMOTO: To be honest, I don't know why.

Q. If you compare your mental status before the Game 2 and after the Game 2, what is the difference, any difference?

YOSHINOBU YAMAMOTO: I just don't feel too much difference. I have to just get myself ready, and then only one thing we have to do is just win.

Q. If you haven't been reading the newspapers, your Game 2 is being called one of the great modern World Series games pitched. I'm wondering, having done that, does that give you more confidence going into this critical Game 6? And do you like being in the center of a situation where you have to win? There are some players who like it, some players who don't, tell me about you.

YOSHINOBU YAMAMOTO: Yes, it did give me a certain level of confidence. But now my mind is reset and then just focusing on the new game.

Q. In a game like this, I believe most people get nervous. But if you get nervous, what helps you support yourself?

YOSHINOBU YAMAMOTO: Yes, I do get a little nervous, but I have been working really hard to get out and perform there. So I just do my best.

Q. Dave Roberts says when he looks at you he sees just a tremendous desire to finish games and start what you finish. Where did that come from, from your parents, from a youth coach, from a professional coach?

YOSHINOBU YAMAMOTO: Yeah, very fortunately because I have met the right people at the right time and then they taught me what I needed at that moment. So I think that's where it comes from.



Q. Any names stick out from those people?

YOSHINOBU YAMAMOTO: Not specific name, but everybody since I started playing baseball when I was a kid and up to today.

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