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| It was tough. You're going to make me go back to that play? Tony did everything wrong and did everything right in the same possession. He stumbled two or three times, he fell over, and when he fell over, I was like, okay, I'm going to have to tie this ball up. He got up and went under my arm. I got a great contest, and he even double pumped it and barely got it off. That was the longest 24 seconds that I've been a part of. It is what it is. It's a seven game series. You know, we got to see ways we can get better for Game 2. We can only focus on the next game. That's what it's about. Well, yeah. They did a good job of putting two guys on the ball. When I got the ball, they kind of shrunk the floor and set a guy at the elbow and dared me to pass the ball. I know my guys will be there to knock those shots down the next game. We had some really good looks, especially in the third quarter. Rio had some very good looks. It just didn't go down. They did a good job tonight. We had our chances to win. We go into the fourth quarter with a three point lead. So we had our chances. We had five turnovers in the fourth. We gave them some offensive rebounds in the fourth as well. And Tim Duncan had one putback; Kawhi Leonard had another one. We can't allow that. Yeah, against this team you can't make many mistakes. You look at statistics, you know, we put in ourselves in position to win. They shot 31%. We outrebounded them by 9. We had more assists. But we turned the ball over five times in the fourth. I was looking at the stat sheet. It says they had 21 second chance points. I don't really understand how is that possible with only six offensive rebounds. I'm very good at math, and the only way you can get a second chance point is if you get off a rebound. Am I correct? Even if you hit a three, six offensive rebounds, that's still 18 points. I don't understand how that works. But we had chances. That's kind of weird. I don't understand this. Am I right or am I wrong? Am I right? Okay. It's crazy. The Spurs are the Spurs. They're going to put you in positions where you feel uncomfortable offensively and defensively. And every time you make a mistake, they're going to capitalize on it. I told him I needed one. At that point I had played the whole third. I had been accustomed to being able to start the fourth. But the third quarter was so I was in the paint, defensive rebounding, I was closing out Kawhi Leonard on shooters. It took all in the tank from me in the third quarter. So I needed a little breather. The fourth quarter was the difference. I can see it on a few of our guys' faces. Felt a little fatigued, still a little banged up from that seven game series. They looked like they were rested in the fourth quarter. They took advantage of that. We had some mental mistakes, and we played some really good basketball. But in the closing quarter we had some mental mistakes. And it's only a couple of teams you can't have mistakes against, especially in the fourth. And San Antonio is definitely the number one team. It's the first team to four. They came in and beat us on our own floor in Game 1. I know they're going to be hungry to try to get two. So we have to be able to combat that and come back with a Game 2 plan that's better than Game 1 and even the series. I mean, I missed some shots. I missed some really good looks. As far as being efficient, I'm not worried about that. I also had 18 rebounds and 10 assists as well. So you know, I'm not too much worried about what I do as far as scoring. I think one thing about our team we've gotten better as the series went on. We hate to lose before we start to get a little edge, but that's what happens. We'll see if we can continue to repeat what we've been doing in the series, being down, and come back on Sunday with a like I say, with a better game plan, you know, and try to even the series. |
| Just wanted to, I guess, make an impact some way. Offensively it was a struggle for me; couldn't make a shot, missed lay ups. Some things I'm accustomed to making. So I just wanted to make some plays and try to help our team. And I was able to protect the rim on that one. Basically I told myself, you'll end up on Sports Center where you're going to get dunked on or you're going to get a block. Luckily I was on the good side of the Top Ten and the Not So Top Ten. I already know what we have here. Like I said, I don't really read into it of what people want more of me or whatever the case may be. I will continue to find my shooters, if they're open. And I will continue to try to put pressure on the defense. If I draw two, I'll find my shooters. I have confidence they're going to knock them down. They did that tonight. Ray, Mike Miller, Rio made big plays after big plays for us. Yeah. Absolutely. I was, I guess, the last line of defense. I just pride myself on that side of the floor, honestly. It didn't matter to me. I was going to try to protect the rim the best way I could. Like I said, I was fortunate enough that I was able to make a big play for us. We were able to go down the other end and I think Ray hit a three after that, I believe. Just being on both sides of the floor, being able to make an impact is what it's all about. Rio, he has to play big for us in multiple facets. I think that especially defensively he's guarding arguably the best point guard in the league. But I think he also has to make Tony work on the defensive end. He can't be passive. He has to attack the paint. He has to shoot his shots when he has them. We started to get a little flow, and I started to see him start to play really well, especially coming off pick and rolls. We ran a lot of pick and rolls between the two of us, and I told him to keep attacking and let's try to push this lead up and go for the kill. And we were able to do that. I don't know. Whatever conclusion you want. It's a 1 1 series. That's the only conclusion I know. We look forward to Game 3. What I do know is sharing the ball is contagious, and it allows everyone to feel involved in the offense. For me personally, I know I attract a lot of attention. This team has been set up the right way where when I do attract attention, we have guys that can make plays. Tonight was another case of that. They packed the paint on me. I seen two bodies, unless I was in transition when I missed a couple of bunnies. But when I felt like my shooters just need a little bit of room. Mike showed that, Ray showed that and Rio showed that tonight. Now offensively if I'm not in the rhythm, you need to make a couple of plays to make an impact. That's what you're on the floor for. You need to do it on both sides of the floor, however you can do it. I think what helped me was the late third quarter pocket pass from Rio, I was able to get a lay up. Then I came out in the fourth, I was able to make an elbow jumper. And then I made some plays defensively to try to help. I made some defensive rebounds. I was able to get the block on Tiago, and then my shooters finished some shots I was able to get them in transition. You know, that's just part of my game. When I'm not scoring or I'm not as efficient offensively where I feel like I'm missing some shots, I just figure out ways that I can still help the team, even if it's not scoring as much. Well, honestly for me, when I was struggling offensively, my teammates continue to keep it in range. And we even had a lead at one point. Especially late in the second quarter when we made that run and I was struggling a little bit. So I think Rio more than anybody kept us aggressive, him getting into the paint, him getting those and ones and making a couple of threes. It allowed me to sit back and wait for my time. We want him on the floor. As teammates, we want him on the floor. We know what he brings. He's a 6'7", 6'8" two guard/small forward that can shoot the ball from anywhere and can rebound at a high clip. With the lineup we had in the late third to the fourth, me, Rio, Ray, Bird and Mike it spreads the floor. It spreads the floor for our attackers. When Mike gets the ball our shooters got the fluorescent light on our team. They're not even allowed to pass. When Ray and Mike get the ball, they have to shoot it. No matter how close the defenders are, they have to shoot it. When you have that leeway and that confidence, you just have to let it go. I mean, it's key. The Big Three I guess on both sides. You know, you can kind of rely on them at all times. But I think the supporting cast is really why both teams are here. They've been making an impact all year long, and they feel like their supporting cast is better. We feel like our supporting cast is better. It's who goes out and do it each and every night to help seal wins. I really don't it doesn't matter. Two best teams in the NBA at this point. Both teams have won and can win on each other's floor. So it's not a biggie. No. I got a floor burn in Game 1. Instead of the band aid, I wrapped it so the band aid won't fall off. I am okay. Don't worry about me |
| Some of it both. They're doing a great job of putting bodies in front of me and not allowing me to have some of the creases I have had throughout the playoffs. Some of it is me being out of rhythm. It's a little bit of both. No, I figure it out. I'll be better. I'll be much better tomorrow night. Better than last night. I played like . Yeah. Absolutely. I take full responsibility for our team's performance last night. Me as a leader, I can't afford to perform like I did last night and expect us to win on the road. It's that simple. So I'm putting all the pressure on my chest, on my shoulders to come through for our team. That's the way it is. I have to do whatever it takes. I mean, 7 for 21 isn't going to cut it. Zero free throws. I had 11 rebounds, I had 5 assists, but 7 for 21 and zero free throws ain't going to cut it. So I will be better tomorrow. We've been at our best when I guess our backs are up against the wall. And we're at it again. We'll see how we respond tomorrow. We have to have a collective group to win, especially against this team. And everyone has to perform at a high level. No, I'm not discounting anyone. We wouldn't be at this point without my teammates. I have all the confidence in the world in my teammates. But I am the star, I am the leader. And they look at me to do things on the court, to make plays, and if I'm not doing it, I'm not doing my job. Absolutely. We'll see what happens. Something has to give tomorrow night. They have a championship pedigree. They have four. We have two. So something has to give. We'll see what happens. We've been able to bounce back throughout adverse times throughout the season throughout the years that we've been together, these three years. We'll see. You can't have both of them. If you can go 7 for 21, but you get to the free throw line ten plus times, you're being aggressive. You have to be able to shoot the ball high clip from the field if you're not going to the free throw line. You can't have both. It's impossible for me to go 7 for 21, shoot 33% from the field and not have free throws. You have to figure out ways offensively that you can make an impact. At times it has. Last night a few of them did. A few of them didn't. But I know, I've shot the ball my rhythm, I've been in good rhythm all year. I've worked on it enough. Mentally it's not a problem. Mentally I'm not out of it, saying that my shot is gone. I know what I can do. It's just about going up there and knocking them down. I will do that. 19 offensive rebounds, 20 points in transition for the Spurs. I don't know. It's just something we've grown over the years, being able to bounce back in adverse situations. And no matter the circumstances, this is going to be probably one of the toughest, because this is like you said, we're going against a team championship DNA and championship pedigree on the floor and a must win. We're going to be ready for it. We're going to accept the challenge and see what happens. I don't believe I was settling. I think I took the shots that was there. I had some really good looks that didn't go down. But I just didn't get to the free throw line. I can't allow that to happen. I have to try to put more pressure on the defense. Not saying the whistle is going to be blown, putting pressure on their defensive interior and for myself to kick it out for my guys to have to do that. That's what I was brought here to do. And it can't be anything less than that. I'm just confident in my ability. And my teammates are going to put me in positions to succeed. And the coaching staff will put us in positions to succeed. I'm a positive guy. I love the game. I have fun with the game. As dark as it was last night, can't get no darker than that, especially for me. So I guarantee I'll be better tomorrow for sure. I don't know. I don't know what they don't understand. I guess they're not on the floor. But for me, I don't really get involved in what people say that I should do. I just do what I need to do to help our team win. I can't worry about what guys are saying or writing. I don't really get involved in it. Is in my head? Right now? Well, I'm better today than I was last night, obviously. I mean, if you see my comments and you see my interview, it'll let you know it was weighing heavily on me, right after getting blown out in a Finals game. So it was weighing heavily on me. With my performance, I didn't particularly care for myself at that point in time. So obviously it was in my head. I think that's one way. Another way is for us to get we have to get stops, too. And defensive rebounding, where I'm getting the ball off the backboard and trying to create some early offense instead of playing against their half court defense. But, yeah, I may use that adjustment. Thanks, David. Appreciate it. My man. He's doing something they haven't done this year. They're 29th in offensive rebounding this year. And Kawhi has found a way to I think he's made an adjustment to get offensive rebounds. So it's part of my job, too. It's part of my job, too. I'm matched up with him a lot. I get caught sometimes trying to help out our bigs and rebounding. He's coming in flying in when I'm helping out with our bigs, he's coming in and getting rebounds. I think in Game 2 he had eight offensive rebounds in Game 2. He had a couple last night as well. That's part of my job, too. I'm okay with that. Specifically what do you mean? Well, I mean, I think first of all, I think David said it well, getting the ball on the move. Get some early offense. Not playing against their set defense as much. They're doing a good job of when I come off pick and rolls, they have a guy shrink the floor at the elbow and getting a big in front of my body and a guy guarding to pursue the ball as well. They are putting me in a position where they can crowd me a lot. If I can get the ball in transition where I'm facing my defender or maybe just one other defender, I can break their defense down. But I will watch film today. I'm going to break down the film. We already watched a lot of film. I'm going to break it down some more, and do a better job of attacking their defense tomorrow |
| I mean, it was on our shoulders, obviously. We had to figure out to will a game for us, to play at the highest level. When all three of us are clicking at the same time, we're a very tough team to beat. Well, he's a competitor, and every time he's down, he responds. For him to go out there and play the way he played tonight, it was amazing. 32, 6 boards, 4 assists, 6 steals. The 6 steals let me know he's very active both offensively and defensively. He went back in his bag today. He was Flash tonight. We needed every bit of it. Yeah, he's hurting. Of course he's hurting. He's been playing with a bum knee all year. He's hurting, but he's not making no excuses about it. A performance like tonight will make you feel better. We had a game plan, and we played well. We played well offensively and defensively, and we needed it. We needed everybody, contributions tonight from the starters to the bench. We stuck with the game plan, even as they were making their run in the second quarter and some of the runs they made in the third. Well, I needed a break a few minutes, for sure. I gave it everything I had. I was just playing as hard as I could until the tank was empty. And that's how it's going to have to be for the rest of this series. I was just trying to keep my foot on the gas, me personally, and just play till, like I said, until the tank was empty. That's why we have guys that can come in, when guys get tired, just keep the momentum going. I just came into the game confident. Before I even made a shot I came into the game confident. I knew what my mindset was going to be. I didn't worry about last game. Last game was history. And I just worried in the present. I'm blessed and happy I was able to make a contribution to our win tonight. That's exactly right. You said it perfectly. We can't wait until our back is against the wall every time to respond. We have to build some momentum. And we can use tonight as momentum, but we still have work to do. We still got to get better. There was some stretches tonight where we didn't play well. And if we understand and if we own it, we come in with a mindset on Sunday that we are desperate once again, and our back is against the wall. So it's going to be a challenge for us, and we have to be ready for that. I'm blessed to have, I guess, a next day. I never went to college, so I never had to worry about if you lose the first one, then it's like I don't have another opportunity. And it's not saying I'm taking the game for granted, I just know there's a tomorrow. And I can't worry about what happened yesterday. And that's what I've been able to do. As bad as I played in Game 3, I put all the pressure on me to say I can't afford to play like that and hope for us to win. Not at this level. So I was able to forget about it. It hurt. I watched the film. It hurt watching it. I didn't like the way I was playing. But I just came in with a whole new clean slate tonight, and like I said, I was blessed to be able to make a few plays to help us win. He's a big time player. Against big time players you just try to make it tough on them. That's what we've been trying to do. We've been trying to get high hands on his pick and rolls. He's a great passer. When he raises for his threes, we try to get contests. When he drives the lane, we try to get a body in front of him and contest him at the rim. Sometimes you're lucky, and sometimes you're in the right position. So it's been a little bit of both. The 25 shots let me know that he was aggressive, every shot that he took. He wasn't passive. He came off, they went under, he shot his jumper. In transition he attacked the rim. He continued to attack throughout the game. And no matter how great you are, no matter what your rÃ©sumÃ© is, to have a game like this, it let's you know that you're still one bad you know the next two words. I can't say, my kids may be watching. That dude was amazing. Like I said, he was '06 Flash tonight. And we needed every bit of him. Thanks, guys. |
| Absolutely. That's the position we're in. The most important game is Game 6. We can't worry about a Game 7. We have to worry about Game 6 and going back home, being confident about our game, being confident about getting a win, which we are. So it is what it is. We have a Game 6 on our home floor. He said it. He said it. We're going to see if we're a better team than we were our first year together. I always kind of focus on the present. And for us the next challenge is Tuesday night. We will get better tomorrow. We're going to watch film, see ways we can clean up our starts, especially our first quarter. We're not playing well in the first quarter. We have to figure that out. But our next challenge, biggest challenge will be Tuesday night. We have an opportunity on our home floor with our home fans to keep the series going, and we look forward to it. Well, I mean, for me I think opportunity is everything. Pop gave him an opportunity. He's trying to seize the moment, and he's doing great for his team so far. If I knew the answer we would have won two games in a row. I don't know. Just haven't been able to do it. I think that's where it starts for us, honestly. Getting into the paint. I think between the two of us, we probably missed 12 lay ups tonight. Transition lay ups that we usually convert. I missed a lob. I missed two lay ups. Transition on the same possession. I know D Wade had a few lay ups that we're accustomed to making. Those are points in the paint that we weren't able to convert which we are not worried about. Those are shots we make. And maybe it would be a different turnout at that point. Ray is a big part of our team. So when he's on the floor, he's a threat. We try to find him. I think just to piggyback on what he said, it don't matter if you are up, you need one more win or one more win you're out. You can't sleep. Especially at this point. It's a great opportunity for both teams. For them to close this out for them to win it, and for us to force a Game 7. So we look forward to the challenge. We've been here before. And like you said, we've been on both sides of the fences. See what happens, and we got an opportunity to do something special. And we look forward to it. |
| We just played with a lot of energy. We defended at a higher level and allowed us to get back into the game. I don't even remember the play much. I was just focused on the job, the task at hand, and just trying to be aggressive, just trying to figure out ways I could help the team get back into the game. And you know, I guess the headband was the least of my worries at that point. It was by far the best game I've ever been a part of. The ups and downs, the roller coaster, the emotions, good and bad throughout the whole game. To be a part of something like this is something you would never be able to recreate once you're done playing the game. And I'm blessed to be a part of something like this. And I'm happy about the way we dug down and was able to get a win. It didn't look like we could muster up at some point in the game. Yeah, I noticed it. It kind of did the same to all of us. There's a few guys in the locker room that talked about it. We seen the championship board already out there, the yellow tape. And you know, that's why you play the game, to the final buzzer. And that's what we did tonight. We gave it everything that we had and more. And to come out with a win like that, it makes it even more greater, when you're able to, I guess, just will everything that you have as individuals for a team and have a game like this. If it's not me taking the shot, I have no problem with Ray take that shot, man. He's got ice water in his veins. Ray can like I said, Ray can be 0 for 99 in a game and if he get an open look late in the game, it's going down. That's just the confidence he have in himself. It's the preparation that he prepares for every game. It's the confidence that we have in him. We seen it before. We seen it before. We're happy to have him on our side. And this is the reason why we wanted him in games like this. I mean, fatigue is a part of the game. You've got two teams that's fighting for an NBA championship. Not only are they going all the way taking the tank all the way down to E, they're also using their reserve tank. But I don't think fatigue played a part in the game. I think both teams had a will to win. We just made one more play at the end of the day. I did a lot. I called him, texted him. I just knew what he could bring to our team. Just like you said, I've been on the other end of seeing him get them feet down, putting them stupid two fingers after he make the shot. Not so stupid anymore now that he's my teammate; I love it. He's big time. He's big time. We love we're so happy to have him, man. He creates so much for our team. And to have someone as dangerous as that on our roster, man, it means so much. Well, I mean, it wasn't too much of a broken play. We ran a great set. I came over, got a great look. CB made some unbelievable plays tonight. He got the offensive rebound. Hit Ray, and once Ray got them feet down, I seen it in the air and I was like "It's going in. It got a chance. It's going in." And he drained it. Just gave us another life. I think luck plays a part, of course. But at the end of the day, we're out there busting our tails to make to put ourself in a position to have a little luck. But at the end of the day we have a Game 7 on our floor to win the NBA championship. So I really don't care how the hell we done played so far. . We could have played the worst six games of our lives, but we got a Game 7 on our floor. So Thursday is for all the marbles. I was struggling shooting the ball. We were struggling. And they took a commanding 12 point lead to start the fourth. After we came out before we entered the ball, I basically just told myself, give it all I got. If we go down losing, I'm going to go down with no bullets. I'm going all out. I can be satisfied with the results. That's exactly what I did. I just tried to play both sides of the floor on a high intense level until I had no more left in the tank. Looked at Spo a few times. Told him I need a timeout, so I can get a rest. And just go back on the floor and try to make plays happen. Just try to do whatever it takes for our team to win, man. And that's what it's about. I just think the emotions. The emotions, the ups and downs, us being up, us being down. I think more than anything just our mental toughness. Our mental toughness to make it almost look like the game was out of our hands, and to come through victorious. And to be a part of something like this, like I said, once you're done playing this game, you would never be able to recreate a feeling like I had, we had, the fans had, you guys had, people at home. Never be able to recreate that. I'm just blessed I could be a part of such an unbelievable moment. I thought we did a better job in quarter one today of coming out with a sense of urgency. I think Tim Duncan, he was amazing in the first quarter. They made some tough shots. But we still had a two point lead. It was the second quarter that really killed us. We got outscored by eight in that quarter. And in the third quarter we got outscored by four. If we come out at the end of the day, it's the last game of the season. It's the last game of the season. You have to muster up all the energy that you might have. It's not about X's and O's at this point. They know what we're running. We know what they're running. We know their personnel. They know our personnel. It's about getting stops defensively, staying in it mentally, not turning the ball over, and making a few shots. The best team will be crowned Thursday night |
| It feels great. This team is amazing. And the vision that I had when I decided to come here is all coming true. Through adversity, through everything we've been through, we've been able to persevere and to win back to back championships. It's an unbelievable feeling. I'm happy to be part of such a first class organization. Yeah, I am.. You said it. I mean, two and a half games I watched film, and my mind started to work and I said, okay, this is how they're going to play me for the whole series. I looked at all my regular season stats, all my playoff stats, and I was one of the best mid range shooters in the game. I shot a career high from the three point line. I just told myself why don't abandon what you've done all year. Don't abandon now because they're going under. Don't force the paint. If it's there, take it. If not, take the jumper. And I think the last I did a good job in Game 4. Didn't make as many shots I would like to from the outside in Game 5, but I kept on getting into the rhythm of it. Just saying everything you've worked on, the repetition, the practices, the off season training, no matter how big the stakes are, no matter what's on the line, just go with it. And I was able to do that. I hope so. I hope so. I mean, this is what it's all about. I came here to win championships and to be able to go back to back. Two championships in three years so far. It's the ultimate. I don't want to think about next year right now, what our possibilities are next year. Got to take full advantage of this one. It's an unbelievable moment for our team. I mean, I said before the series that I was a better player than I was last time I faced the Spurs. Didn't look that way the first couple of games. But I stuck with it. Through all that adversity and throughout, I guess, the rhythm that I was in at that point, I just kept going. Just trusted all the work that I put into my game. And to be able to come through for your teammates, for me, I think you know more than anybody how much I care about my teammates and hate letting my teammates down. To be able to come through for my teammates in the biggest moment on the biggest stage makes me more satisfied than anything in the world. The saying "hard work pays off" is a true testament of what happened tonight. I know I'm not the only one that works hard. Give a lot of credit, first of all I forgot to state that at the beginning to the San Antonio Spurs. First class organization. First class players. But to be able to put in the work that I've put in since I got out of the cave, like you said, after that Dallas series and for it to pay off like this, it's the ultimate. It makes you want to work even harder. I guarantee myself I'll take more than two and a half weeks off this offseason. I need it. I have a basketball camp in Las Vegas. The top 100 high school kids from July 5th to the 9th. Hopefully I don't see many of you guys. I don't mind seeing you guys, by the way. I probably will touch a basketball to mess around a little bit. But I don't know, I haven't set my goals yet for my offseason training. I will, but not right now. Please don't ask me about my offseason training right now. Just pressure. Trying to keep a body on him at all times. I think more than anything, having guys back in transition. I think we all know, if you watch the NBA over the last ten years, Tony Parker is always in the top I don't know five, ten at points in the paint. It comes from early transition buckets and also comes from halfcourt sets when guys are just not alert. So our number one key with Tony Parker was when the ball went up, made or misses, we had to get three guys back. The guy that was guarding him, the big and another guy to see bodies, because if it's one on one with Tony Parker, he's going to make you pay. He's going to make you pay. And the simple fact that we just keyed in on our details defensively, it helped us out a lot. Last year when I was sitting up here, with my first championship, I said it was the toughest thing I had ever done. This year I'll tell last year he's absolutely wrong. This was the toughest championship right here, between the two. I mean, everything that we've been throughout this postseason, especially in these Finals, to be down we were down every odd game. We were down 1 0. We tied it. We were able to take a lead, but then we were down. We were down we were scratching for our lives in Game 6 down five with 28 seconds to go. To be able to win that game and force a Game 7 is a true testament of our, I guess, perseverance. And us being able to handle adversity throughout everything. It meant a lot for us to be able to do that and force a Game 7 and being able to close out at home. Right. He was big time tonight. He didn't wait. He had I think five or six one on one iso situations, jumpers. He was in attack mode all night. He had 10 rebounds. He had 23 points. He had two blocked shots. I think one of the most important plays of the game, that he didn't even make, was his attack at the rim when he tried to dunk on Tim Duncan, and Tim Duncan got a piece of it. It just showed at that point you knew that this was the D Wade that we've all wanted to see. What can you say? He's a three time champion, gold medalist, Finals MVP. He's one of the greatest two guards, one of the greatest players the NBA has ever seen. He continues to add to his resumé. I mean, I have a few goals. My goal, one of my first goals is to continue to inspire the youth to want to play this game of basketball or to be better at whatever they do. I mean, I love kids. Hopefully tonight I was able to inspire a lot. Inspire millions to no matter what they've gone through in their lives at that point in time, they can always overcome it. That's the first thing. Second thing for me is to continue to lead my teammates. Every single day in practice, every single day in film sessions, I know the grass isn't always green and there's going to be trials and tribulations. But hopefully I can continue to be the leader for my teammates. And then lastly, I want to be, if not the greatest, one of the greatest to ever play this game. And I will continue to work for that, and continue to put on this uniform and be the best I can be every night. I need to rest my body. I do. As much as I love working out and as much as I love getting better, at this point I think the smartest thing to do is to rest my body. Give my body a break. I think that's the smartest thing. I got a wedding coming up with my beautiful fiancé. And it will be an unbelievable wedding now that we've won, instead of losing. I might have called it off if we lost . So now it's going to be one of the best weddings ever. I'm going to sign off with that. And I will see you guys when I see you guys. And please continue to motivate me. I need you guys |