



CLEVELAND BROWNS AT MIAMI DOLPHINS HARD ROCK STADIUM Sep. 25, 2016 | 1 P.M.

POSTGAME QUOTES

Cleveland Browns Linebacker Christian Kirksey (transcribed by David Norwood II)

(It was a close game at the end, what was the secret to the rally coming back second half?) – “Staying focus, playing on four full quarters. Momentum switches all the time and we knew once the offense gets running and gets it going, that our defense was playing solid all game. We knew we just had to keep to the game plan and stay consistent and don’t fold. I could say that was the secret ingredient. It’s just staying together, trust the play call, trust the technique and it was something we did well.”

(And then looking to the future, how do you recover from this game and prepare for the next one?) – “I know a lot of times you’re looking at the scoreboard, you’re looking at the way the game ended and obviously we lost and that’s not what we want to do. But I was proud of the way my guys fought. As a defense, we took a step forward. We grew. Obviously we want to start winning, that’s our main goal; but to see something positive happening with our young guys and just the way we fought, it’s definitely a positive and it definitely shows that these guys have a lot of fight in them. We’ve just got to keep building off of it and take it to Week 4 and see how it goes.”

(What do you feel you have to improve to prepare personally for the next game?) – “We’ve got to learn how to finish those close games – just the big plays here and there, just gain momentum back. We’ve just got to finish, that’s what it all boils down to. We’ve got to learn how to do it. (Head Coach) Hue Jackson is stressing us and he’s stressing the fact winning is everything. That’s what this league is about. So once we get that worked on, I think we’ll be fine. We’ve just got to keep practicing, keep going forward and it’s going to make our story that much better.”

