

Sunday, Dec. 4, 2016 M&T Bank Stadium

CB Jimmy Smith

(on the defense's preparation) "We just played fundamental defense. We really didn't know what kind of game plan they would come in with, because they change their game concepts every week. We just studied the quarterback, their tendencies on what they like to run, and yes, they came out with a new game plan today. But we were in the right place at the right time."

(on the team going 4-1 over the last five weeks) "We're a team right now that's ready to grind out December in whatever way that looks like, and try to make this playoff run."

(on the defensive backfield) "We're just trying to make sure when it's time to go, that we know where we're going and that's to the playoffs. We feel like a number one defense and we know that defense wins championships. So when we go through these next four games, we know it's going to rely on us to carry us through and win these games."

(on the key to stopping QB Ryan Tannehill) "Mixing up the coverages was the key. [Eric] Weddle and Lardarius [Webb] made great calls all day. Their quarterback didn't know if it was cover-one or cover-two. And I think great teams tackle, and we tackled very well today. That's why we won this game."

(on their ability to rattle Tannehill) "It's huge. Any quarterback, when a defensive lineman's coming to hit them, he's going to get rid of that ball. We weren't sure what they were going to come with today. But we figured it out as the game went on, our coaches adjusted well and called some great calls."

(on how his back feels) "My back is great. They gave me enough time to heal up. I may have been able to play last week, but they gave me enough time to heal. But I was playing this week. Definitely, no doubt about it, I was playing this week. This was a sweet win, but we got the Patriots coming up next week, and that's going to be huge."