

# ARIZONA CARDINALS AT MIAMI DOLPHINS HARD ROCK STADIUM

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#### **POSTGAME QUOTES**

### <u>Arizona Cardinals QB Carson Palmer</u> (transcribed by Ken Mendonca)

(How tough was it dealing with the rain today?) – "It seemed like it was doing it every time we got the ball. It was turning on and staying on, and then it would stop, yeah just one of those games."

(How do you guys overcome all these self-inflicted issues?) – "Just keep fighting. You don't back down, you don't quit. You just keep fighting."

(How tough was this pill to swallow?) – "It was tough. You know, to get back into the game and have a chance, and then to lose it with one second on the clock. Probably the worst way you could lose it. The most painful way you could lose it."

(Obviously the elements are part of football, but the weather definitely played a factor with your offense flowing the way it normally does.) – "Oh definitely, definitely it did. You know it's just something you have to overcome and we didn't overcome it."

(How would you describe just how tough it is to throw a ball when it's pouring that much?) – "Well when it stops it's not, but when it's just coming down, coming down, and not a drizzle, it was coming down the thing is just...we all had a tough time holding onto it. It's just greasy."

(What's the visibility like downfield when you have that much rain coming down? Can you see your receivers?) – "It wasn't an issue for us. I didn't think it was an issue for me."

(Do you think this game was indicative of your season?) – "Yeah, I mean, it's just one of those things. The ball has not bounced our way. We just fought. I mean (Taylor) Boggs playing tackle, he's a center. Unfortunately Ulrick (John) went down, D.J. (Humphries) went down, I think Earl (Watford) was playing back at tackle, those guys are just fighting, they keep fighting, it doesn't matter. The next thing, we'll have (center) A.Q. (Shipley) outside at left tackle, who knows? But those guys just continue to fight regardless. You just tell them to go play a position and they go play it."

(How do you think this team will react now? I mean mathematically you're in it, but realistically out.) – "You know it's just one of those, you can't believe we are where we are. But there is no other way to do, but continue to fight. This team will not give up. We'll continue to fight, that's all you can do."





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((Head Coach) Bruce Arians came in and said that this game probably means we're not going to make the playoffs. That must have been very weird to hear. Was it?) – "Yeah, it was terrible to hear. I don't think that's set in yet."

(About the play where you go for the extra point and they take it back for two) – "Yeah, I mean, it's just been one of those seasons. In the first half it seemed like every time we (the offense) were on the field the rain was pouring down, and we talked at halftime, we said alright in the second half it's going to switch. Every time they're on the field it's going to pour. And it's just one of those seasons. The ball has just bounced the other way, and to get to the playoffs, to make a run, you got to have a season, no matter how good you are, the ball bounces your way when you're one of those kinds of teams, and unfortunately it just hasn't been that way for us."

