

POST GAME QUOTES

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LAFC vs San Jose Earthquakes

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Q: Thoughts on tonight's match?

A: Yeah, unfortunately not the best performance from our boys tonight against a team who played as a group really, I think that's all it took to beat us tonight. You know, on the road this year, I think this sums it up kind of for us. On the road we seem to find ways to beat ourselves and not so much the teams that are beating us, but we find ways to beat ourselves. And we did it again tonight. So, it's something that needs to be corrected and the good news is that all the tools that we need to prevent this situation are in the locker room and it's just a matter of connecting some dots and understanding, modeling games on the road.

Q: Bueno, nos han dicho que es como un partido de una rivalidad directa contra San José, con eso, la cantidad de público es quizás es el doble de lo que siempre hay en San José. ¿Qué tipo de motivación, sabes, se genera con eso, al entrar en un partido así?

Q: There seems to become more like a rival rematch against San Jose, kind of a larger crowd. What kind of motivation you know, kind of does that produce, going into a game like this?

A: Yeah, look, every game in professional sports should be highly motivating. I think motivating players at this level is not necessary; I believe that is their job. There are special games, special moments, and in our league, conference games are important, and they matter. I saw a motivated team out there, I saw a motivated team in the hotel, but our reactions and focus throughout the 90 minutes were not like that of another team who can win away from home, and I think that was the difference tonight. But motivation is never an issue for us, I believe.

A: Sí, mira, cada juego en los deportes profesionales debería ser altamente motivador. Creo que motivar a los jugadores a este nivel no es necesario; creo que ese es su trabajo. Hay juegos especiales, momentos especiales, y en nuestra liga, los juegos de conferencia son importantes, y tienen importancia. Vi un equipo motivado en el campo, vi un equipo motivado en el hotel, pero nuestras reacciones y enfoque durante los 90 minutos no fueron como las de otro equipo que puede ganar fuera de casa, y creo que esa fue la diferencia esta noche. Pero la motivación nunca es un problema para nosotros, eso creo.

Q: Every single game like the players have been obviously saying like they've been working hard before or after a winning or losing game. But, I mean, losing against the last team of the league before this game. Do you feel like this is the rock bottom for the team at the moment? And where do you guys go from here?

A: No, certainly San Jose has envisioned their season differently than it's gone so far. If you look at their performance in the past couple of weeks, they have improved, just happy to have the results. Yeah, but they have had some good performances and so we knew it was going to be tough tonight. The good thing and the bad thing about this league is you know it's built on parity. So even though teams are maybe in the last place, there isn't a whole lot of differences in quality between teams in this league. Anybody can beat anybody at any game. Again, there's good and bad in that. So, I don't really think it's fair to say, "Oh, the team in last place or this and that." We're also pretty early in the season. So, I don't really take a whole lot of value in though in those comments. And certainly, we haven't hit rock bottom. Certainly not. I don't think that's a fair statement to say, and I would not support that. We lost one game today and that's it.