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## **QUARTERBACK DWAYNE HASKINS JR.**

#### On what he can take away from the film versus the Jets:

"Just the biggest thing from the game is just taking what the defense gives you and continuing to work on everything that I can continue to work on as far as being a great quarterback."

## On how the young offensive weapons are growing together:

"[WR] Terry [McLaurin] and [WR] Kelvin [Harmon] are not only great receivers, but they're great people. They work really hard and dedicate themselves to what they do. Having known both of them for years before even coming to the Redskins is really great for our relationship as a quarterback and receiver. They come to me to talk about anything, I talk to them about anything and it's really great because we have a great relationship."

## On RB Derrius Guice's capabilities:

"I think he's going to be a really elite player. I think he does a lot of things well and he has the want, to be good – wants to be great and I'm glad he's on my team."

## On the message in the locker room heading into the Lions games:

"I haven't really talked to too many people about advice or something like that. At this point, it just gets really cloudy between people talking to you. If I want to talk to somebody that I feel like I can trust, I'll go talk to them about it and that's just where I'm at right now as far as seeking advice. I think that everyone in the building has done a great job grooming me and helping me out in the transition. Going into Detroit week is just trying to improve every week like I've been doing the last couple weeks and putting everything together."

# On whether anything happened during the game to slow it down and on the late pass completion in the game to WR Terry McLaurin:

"Just playing ball. At that point, we're trying to be aggressive with the football and take some shots down the field, and that's where I feel my game really takes a stride in. Just trying to get into a rhythm."

#### On his own development and if there are things he's unable to change:

"No, not really. The biggest thing with just watching film is things that I see that I know I can correct. There isn't anything on film that I think isn't correctable and from this point it's just trying to figure out what needs to be corrected, and then just executing at a high level every single time I get that opportunity. Not making the same mistake twice, like I've said before."

#### On how QB Alex Smith has helped him grow as an NFL quarterback:

"[QB] Alex [Smith] is great. I just saw him before I walked into here. We get together almost everyday. He's a really great voice for me because of the experience he's had, trials and tribulations of his career, and just the great person that he is. I really appreciate him since he's been here with me, just trying to help me out and give me some tools and tips for my career."

#### On how the team can turn the losing streak around:

"We've just got to be accountable. We've got to look deep inside ourselves and try to figure out what needs to be fixed and make a change. It starts with multiple people. I don't think we have any issues. I just think we need to keep working harder and figure out what needs to be done to win the game."

### On what WR Kelvin Harmon provides for him:

"[WR] Kelvin [Harmon] is probably the biggest guy outside of [WR] Cam Sims in the receiving room and he brings a physical presence to the receiver position from blocking to running routes and being able to catch the 50-50 balls and be able to get in front of some smaller corners. Kelvin does a great job high-pointing the ball, does a great job being physical at the catch point. He's a really good, physical presence."

## On whether he was surprised by the videos of the sideline spreading so quickly:

"I turn my phone off after the game so I didn't see any of that stuff, but I heard about it, I got calls about it. The whole situation got blown out of proportion, but it's more so me asking my guys what they need from me to help them. It wasn't a shot against them or what they were doing or how they played. We have to rely on each other to make things happen. As a guy on the field that can be a voice in the offense, what do they need to make us play better."

## On how far along he thinks he is toward becoming comfortable as a leader on offense:

"I think I've made tremendous strides since I've been here. That's a never-ending process. For me, both learning my voice and the role I have on this team, there are going to be some times where we're going to have to take some humble pie and speak up. That's something I'm learning from and different situations when to and when not to. To [Ohio State Head] Coach [Ryan] Day, being a leader isn't about being the guy screaming in guys' faces, it's the guy who has the golf club set and being able to pull out different situations for different people and for different things and different scenarios. That's what I pride myself on as a leader. I feel like as I continue to play and earn more trust, those guys will continue to lean on me."

## On what parts of his play he'd like to correct heading into the Lions game:

"From the Jets game, I found myself sometimes trying to press to make plays because of the situations we were in. As a young quarterback, you have to let the game come to you. You can't try to be explosive and try to make the plays you see on Sundays every day that you get the opportunity to out there. Those plays will come as the game continues to flow. As I continue to play in those situations and those scenarios in the game, be better for me to know when to and when to not take shots, when to extend plays and when not to, when to take a sack and when to throw a ball away. Just learn from it."

#### On how he has adjusted coming from a winning program at Ohio State:

"This is the NFL and I remember talking to [Ohio State Head] Coach [Ryan] Day when I was in college about just every week fighting, playing, coaching in the league and how every game is going to be different and every game is a fight. Despite the scenario or the record, every team has talented players. We've lost a couple games here, but as a person who really prides himself on positive energy, I know that if I bring my best game to practice everyday, to meetings and to the game eventually things will change and things will turn around. Right now, we're losing, but I don't plan on losing for long and I want to win some football games. We're all working to figure that out. Nobody wants to lose, everyone wants to figure out a way to win. Having won a couple games before in previous scenarios, previous places helps with that here, but it takes everybody and I'm trying to figure that out."