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## **QB Marcus Mariota**

### **On how he's approaching starting this week:**

"The same that I do every week and just grind it out day by day, get out here and practice, get out here with the guys, get things communicated, and get ready to work for Sunday."

### **On the mentality of the team:**

"It's one day at a time. That's all you can control. You can't get all four games back in one. So, the more that we just focus on today and getting better, I think those will stack up and we'll find a way to get a win."

### **On having urgency but not over-trying:**

"Well, I think it's a sense of urgency but understanding that just do your part. You don't how to put the Superman cape on. I think that's kind of what is communicated throughout the building. And at the same time, it is. It's one of those things, you just gotta fight and claw, and I believe in the guys in here that they'll do that and we'll be where we want to be."

### **On being at practice without QB Jayden Daniels:**

"It is different. It is different. He's the face of the franchise and the more that we can, again, get him healthy, get him ready to go, it'll be good for everybody. And he's always in here. He is in the building, always in good spirits, like I said on Sunday, that doesn't change for Jay and that's something that's really special about him that. So, he is always around, he's around in meetings and I think the more that he is around guys appreciate it."

### **On how he's learned to deal with situations like these:**

"Yeah, I think when I was younger when I was battling some of these injuries early on in my career, it just felt like a burden. I was letting guys down, I was letting the team down, letting franchise down, the organization down. And I think for all of us, we want to make sure Jay understands those things are out of your control. Focus on getting healthy, getting right and everything else should take care of itself."

### **On if the team still has the belief they can win:**

"Absolutely. And it starts up top with DQ [Head Coach Dan Quinn]. He sets the mood every day, guys follow that and I do believe that. And again, it's not going to all happen at once. We understand that being out here, taking it one day at a time, getting things corrected, getting things organized, making sure everyone's on the same page so that when we do get to Sunday, guys are feeling confident and ready to go."

### **On building on the first half against Kansas City:**

"Yeah, again, it's just continuing to not shoot ourselves in the foot. I think [in] the second half we

had, whether it's penalties, negative plays, those types of things really hurt our drives. So, it's cleaning up little things. I think as an offense we are close and the more that everyone is on the same page, I think those things are going to get cleaned up.”