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# LOS ANGELES CHARGERS HEAD COACH ANTHONY LYNN

#### On shutdown cornerbacks in the NFL:

"Oh absolutely [there are]. You have too many athletes in this league [to not]. It's just harder with some of those new rules and things like that, but yeah, you have shutdown corners."

#### On what a shutdown cornerback is:

"It's a guy — it's funny because corners get evaluated on how good they are by — you're going to get beat, but the least amount of times you get beat. That's how you evaluate a corner. They're all going to go through it, but the guys that can bounce back, get right back in your face, focus on their technique and fundamentals that you don't like to throw at because if you make a mistake, they'll make you pay."

### On CB Casey Hayward's near interception against Oakland:

"Casey has excellent hands. He normally doesn't drop balls like that, but it's nice to see him break on that and break it up, especially down in red zone. Those are the plays that he's always made."

#### On DE Joey Bosa:

"He went through this week. I thought he looked good on the side, so we put him in some drills. He looked good in individual [drills], so we put him in some team drills. He'll go some tomorrow, too, because he's just not quite in shape yet. We'll see if he plays on Sunday or not."

#### On TE Antonio Gates:

"Antonio came back today. He was limited a little bit, but he looked fine."

#### On if CB Trevor Williams could miss an extended period of time:

"Trevor, his knee is just sore. When he's well, he'll be back."

#### On Broncos RB Royce Freeman:

"Both guys [Freeman and Broncos RB Phillip Lindsay], they're a good tandem. It's very similar to the one that we have. [RB] Austin [Ekeler] and Lindsay remind me of one another. They both came out around the same time [the past couple years], they both were undrafted, they're both from Colorado, they both wear No. 30. There are a lot of similarities there between those two guys. They're good back."

#### On the history of Denver running backs:

"They've always done a good job of bringing in running backs, whether it's draft picks or free agents. They bring in guys that fit their scheme, their system. That's the only type of guy that they bring in. Guys have a lot of success there because of that."

#### On K Michael Badgley:

"I have a lot of confidence in Michael. He's kicked well in practice. He's a very confident young man. He's made all of his kicks here so far. I think the guys believe in him and I wish him all the best going forward. I told him, he's a rookie. He could be the kicker for us for a long time."

#### On when the decision will be made whether Bosa plays:

"It could be right up to the 90-minute [deadline]. Just let him work out tomorrow. I would hate to say that he's going and then something happens tomorrow and he's not going. We'll just wait and see."

#### On if he would like to see how Bosa is feeling on Sunday before making a decision:

"We will do a little tomorrow, but Sunday is game day. We don't work players out unless there's a question on their availability. I kind of know where Joey is right now."

## On if Bosa could do light jogging or something to indicate how he feels on Sunday:

"No because you don't want to do something on Sunday because he may play. Just wait and see. We don't know yet."

#### On Kobe Bryant speaking to the team after practice:

"We have a deal called wise words. It's where a player or coach for two or three minutes will speak to the team. We just invited Kobe to come speak today and he did a heck of a job. He was just talking about his career, his journey and some of the things that helped him along the way. He gave the guys a lot of wise words. We could be here all day talking about how good it was, but it was a nice talk."

#### On wise words:

"We normally do that on Thursdays, but he couldn't make it yesterday so he came out today."

#### On if the players were starstruck by Kobe Bryant:

"Yeah, that's why I waited. I didn't want him to come out during practice. He came out at the very end because as soon as he walked out, everybody knew it."