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*(on if he had an idea Tennessee could draft him or if it was a surprise to learn he would become a Titan)*

Actually, my high school head coach said it this morning that the Titans were going to get me. So, I mean, I didn't believe him at the time. But then once I got the call, I was like, 'This dude is right.'

*(on if he envisioned being teammates with A.J. Brown when he pictured playing for the Titans)*

Yes, sir. That's always been a dream. I've looked up to A.J. (Brown) all my life. Watched his highlights, kind of mimic myself on certain things after him. And, you know, it's just an honor.

*(on if he knows that A.J. Brown was traded to the Philadelphia Eagles)*

Yes sir, I do.

*(on the comparisons made between him and A.J. Brown and if he sees similarities)*

I would say just like how our bodies are, they're similar. But we also have different things we bring to the table when we both play football. He's a great player. I'm just happy to be a part of the team now and just to play my role.

*(on what it's like to be the 'replacement' for A.J. Brown)*

I wouldn't say, you know, like I'm his replacement. But at the same time, I'm just – like I said, I'm just thankful for the opportunity that they believed in me to make that trade and believe in me to go out there and represent the organization like it's supposed to be represented. That's what I'm going to do.

*(on what his expectations are for himself coming to the Titans as a rookie first-round pick)*

Honestly, just to come in and make a big impact on the team. Change the culture around, be a part, and just make that brotherhood a lot stronger and just be a team player.

*(on what he wants Titans fans to know about the kind of receiver he is)*

I would say big, fast, physical and fearless. That's my main thing. My great grandpa always told me to be fearless, because out there on the field, everybody is human. That's a man just like I'm a man across from me, and just go play my game and be myself.

*(on if he will show the media his hands and how big they are)*

They're pretty big.

*(on if he knows much about the Titans and what he knows about quarterback Ryan Tannehill and running back Derrick Henry)*

Honestly, yes. I played Madden with Ryan (Tannehill) and Derrick Henry. Just to be on the team with those guys (inaudible). Also, to have those types of leaders will make me go even harder every day in practice and everything just to be the best player that I can be for them.

***(on his impressions of Ryan Tannehill as a quarterback)***

Tremendous respect for him. He takes care of his business the right way. Everybody that takes care of their business and (can) just be yourself, it shows on the field. That's one thing that I really like about him.

***(on how important it was to him to be drafted at a certain spot in terms of players taken)***

I'm not going to lie to you, I didn't care where I got drafted. If it was first round, second round, third round, I just want to play football. Play ball, be a part of an organization that wants me, and just to represent it like it's supposed to.

***(on lining up in the slot at Arkansas and if he expects to do that with the Titans)***

I would just say I'm willing to do whatever they want me to do. Come in the first day, work hard, work my ass off and just do whatever the plan (is) that they put in front of me and execute.

***(on if he puts additional pressure on himself because the team traded up to draft him)***

No, sir, not at all. Because I'm myself, I'm Treylon Burks. Usually I don't compare myself to anyone because I'm myself. There's no other person like me and I handle my business the right way, and that's what I'm going to do.

***(on if he is prepared to contribute immediately or if there will be a learning curve)***

Honestly, that's not a – I wouldn't say that that's a problem. I'm coming in with one hundred percent effort every day. I'm going to make an impact on the team no matter what, because I know God is right there by me and my great grandfather. So that doesn't really bother me at all.

***(on pre-draft meetings with the Titans and if he felt like he could be a good fit in Tennessee)***

Yes, sir. I would just say starting off, I liked how the organization is. It's a (inaudible) organization. It's about business. And all the above, it's just come to work every day, give our maximum effort, and just be yourself. And I would just say Coach (Mike) Vrabel, he does a great job – and everybody else in that organization of putting the right guys out there to represent the team and I just can't thank them enough.

***(on where he watched the draft and what the emotions were like tonight)***

I was in Searcy, Arkansas, with all my family, my fiancée's family. We had friends here and we had a good time sitting here. I would just say the emotions, they weren't high just because I'm just the type of person that, you know, I'm grateful for wherever I go. So, I didn't work my nerves up just because other guys went ahead of me or none of that, just because I know who I am and I know that God has a plan for me. And so, you know, I just enjoyed – really, the biggest emotion was just seeing everybody here that came out for me and supported me.

***(on when he found out A.J. Brown had been traded and what his reaction was)***

I would say I was sitting there, I got a phone call from Tennessee, and I looked at it and I was like, 'Wow, this is crazy.' And you know, I had looked on Instagram afterwards and I saw that they had traded him to the Eagles. I was just like, that could have been – that was one of my dreams, to also play with him. But also, you know, I'm going to do what I do best and just go out there and play football.

***(on his relationship with his great grandfather and how it inspired him as he grew up)***

He played a big role in my life. I would just say he's Mufasa and I'm his Simba, just like father, like son. I mimic everything after him. I go about my business the correct way like he did. I'm just doing whatever I do just to make him proud. And, you know, that's what means most to me.

*(on if it is nice to be drafted to a team in the South and not far from home)*

Oh, yes, ma'am. One hundred percent. It's good to be five hours away from home, but also just to be in a good organization that I know that they're going to represent me like I'm supposed to and I'm going to represent them like I'm supposed to.