



**Post-game Quotes
Oregon 53, Stanford 30
November 12, 2011**

Oregon Head Coach Chip Kelly

On the team victory and the defense...

It was a team victory. I think everyone contributed. The defense played [so well]. We talked about it going into halftime up six we were going to get the ball that we were going to drive the ball down the field and score, and we did.

On turning turnovers into points...

That's good football. There are no easy touchdowns. They did give us short fields, and that did help and we were able to capitalize.

On holding Stanford to 129 rushing yards...

We controlled the running game. They do present some exotic formations, such as four guys to one side and what not. We talked about it as a staff how to handle it, making some plays.

On the fourth down conversions...

It's confidence that we have in ourselves [such as the 41-yard touchdown on fourth down]. It was also not wanting to give the ball back. We wanted to keep the ball out of Luck's hands, and we did.

Oregon DE Terrell Turner

On the Oregon defense...

We came out and we did what we prepared to do all week. Stanford is a great team and our coaches had us in the right mindset to come out and perform the way we wanted to and that's what we did. This week was our best performance of the season. We're excited for this win and we need to get ready for next week.

On wearing Stanford down...

I think we did, they have some great offensive linemen and they're a physical team. We had to be just as physical, or physicaler (sic).

On motivation...

We didn't come in with a chip on our shoulder but we really try not to listen to distractions. It's cool that they look down on us and we just want to come out and play our game and that's what we did, shock people and that's what we did.

Oregon RB LaMichael James

On validating the Oregon team...

Yeah (it did), we practice hard every day and we knew Stanford was going to be physical and aggressive. We played really hard today. The defense really came out to play, bend and no break. They got a lot of turnovers and the offense moved the ball down the field. We just needed to get in a groove and we did.

On being the only team to beat Stanford the last two years...

You have to be aggressive. Everybody says they're aggressive but if we come out and be more aggressive than them what do they have? Stanford's a great team but we still have games left.

Stanford Head Coach David Shaw

On the difference between the two teams...

The difference right now is the score. They took advantage of our turnovers. We got turnovers and didn't turn them into points. That's the bottom line. You play against a team of that kind of speed, that kind of talent, that's as well coached as they are, you turn the ball over, you can't win... We talked a lot about how good this team is all week. It was going to take our best game and I don't think we gave them our best game and they took advantage of it. They're a great team, they're well coached, they did what they wanted to do. It's a great team. They're not a good team, they're a great team.

On defense in first half

Defensively, I'll tell you what, we played great. We played great. The difference between this year and two years ago is that when our defense is playing great, we got to score a lot of points. If you're making them punt and give you the ball back, you better put some points up on the board because eventually they'll come back at you.

On Stanford's team this year

Our program is close to where we want it. It's never quite to where you want it because we're always pushing to be better. I think this says a lot about our conference honestly. We've got some really good teams in our conference that are as good as just about anybody in the nation.

Rebounding from loss

I expect them to rebound great. We got a lot of guys in our locker room with a lot of character. They love playing the game of football. The thing is, we've got two games left. Two regular season games, and next week is Cal. We don't need help with motivation next week.

Andrew Luck

On Oregon's defensive pressure...

I think defensively they did a good job with stunts and blitzes, yeah some pressure from the stunts, but I thought the O-line did a good enough job for me to get some balls out there.

On Oregon's defensive speed...

It's disappointing obviously. You always want to have a good game. A Disappointment, yes, but life goes on. We have two more big ball games coming up.

On personal performance...

Not good enough to win. Worst game of the year I guess.

On Stanford Stadium atmosphere...

It was a great atmosphere. I think it was fun for all the guys. I'm sure one day we'll look down on it and say, 'what a great atmosphere.' It was great to see all the support tonight.

On expectations against Oregon...

I knew it wasn't going to be a cake walk. I had no grand delusion of it for our team. We still have football left, and for that I'm grateful. There are still goals out there for us to accomplish.

Michael Thomas

On what's left this season...

Our goals are still out there obviously. The biggest one was out there, but that wasn't our main goal. We were just trying to win the division, but that didn't happen tonight.

On facing Cal...

We still have two big games left. Last time, I remember Cal beat us on our field, so we have a lot of motivation to look forward to.

On difficulty to stop LaMichael James...

Obviously from you saw, it's very tough. Guys were battling, but we knew we couldn't give up special plays, and one missed tackle in the open field, and that's all it takes. Especially me, I had one. That's all it takes for these guys. Give all the credit to them, they played good enough to win.

Ben Garner

On missed tackles...

Bottom line, against a great team like this, you can't make mistakes. You can't miss a tackle, otherwise it goes for 60-yards and a touchdown, and that happened too many times tonight.

On Oregon's second half adjustments...

They made adjustments like they do every game at half time. They switched up they're blocking schemes for the most part it's all the stuff we've seen.