

Welcome to the unrealistic land of expectations

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Okay, you can admit it. If I had said Miami would be 3-2 after the first 5, before the season began, you would've been ecstatic. It seems the lightening fast 3-0 start ratcheted up the expectations a little bit here in S. Florida. Sure the last loss was a bit of a let down and a lot of people were looking so forward to 4-1. Seriously, Miami was down a starting CB and down their best defensive player during that stretch. That's not to make excuses but this team is a good team if healthy. They're not at the level of a NE where they've been drafting for depth so injuries make a bigger impact. I think it is important to remind yourself how brutal that 5 game stretch really was. 3-2 Cleveland could end up in the playoffs and is no worse than a .500 club. Indy doesn't need an introduction. Atlanta, not as tough as first thought but this team was relatively healthy facing the Phins. New Orleans will probably battle GreenBay and Seattle for NFC Supremacy and Baltimore is still the defending superbowl champs. So lighten up a little and enjoy a playoff run this year.

With that out of my system, let's pick on the coaches. Dear Sherman..take your student body left, and student body right plays and throw them in the trash. They don't work. Your OL guys are big, strong fat guys...not smaller, athletic quick guys. Your persistence in this regard is troubling. I think had Miami been as persistent with some plays that actually worked, they'd be 4-1. I know somewhere in that thick head of yours you're really thinking it should've worked. DELETE the plays.

Coyle - Quit putting so much pressure on your LBs. When you put them in the gaps in a fake blitz and there's a back in the backfield...superman couldn't make it to the flat on time...neither can your LBs. With a veteran QB you need to back off and understand they've seen it ten thousand times. Peyton Manning would put up 60 if you did that to him. Stop it. These guys are much better coming unannounced on occasion. In case you don't know, Kevin Burnett and Dansby are having great seasons full of big plays. You know why? Because they're free to wreak havoc instead of thinking about where they need to be on the field. Your defense is over thinking every play instead of attacking.

Philbin - Have you noticed a guy on Detroit Named Reggie Bush? Yeah well he's having a great year. The consensus is he wasn't used correctly. Guess what? I saw Miller, just like Bush, wide open for a couple of dump offs. That is also a great way to slow down the blitz. BTW, I think Clady just gave up another sack today. You might want to remember that you have a guy named Garner who has played a little football. Maybe Jerry can move back to RT where he had some success.

RT- Keep doing what you do best. That slant and out are awesome when mixed in with some middle throws over the middle.

Wallace - You should be working with RT every day this week. Send Lauren on a free, all expense vacation somewhere while you and RT hook up....NO NOT THAT...play catch, work on timing and stuff like that. you know what I mean! If you guys don't come out of the break with some chemistry, the 2nd half is going to be hard to watch.

Go Tannehill

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