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**Q. Jordan, good two and a half days work, I guess?**

**JORDAN SPIETH:** Yeah, it was solid given what we had and the way I drove the ball. Man, I hit it short and crooked those two and a half days and was able to shoot 5 under. So get that figured out and see how far back we are once the second round's complete and then we'll just try and do something special on the weekend.

**Q. Riviera tends to keep players on the back foot because the holes move in multiple directions. How comfortable do you feel around here?**

**JORDAN SPIETH:** I like this place a lot. I think it requires experience. It's so well designed, you've got to think, you've got to work it both ways. Feel like it's advantageous for us. Just been all it is off the tee is a little bit of a struggle for me right now. But I started to feel that way on Saturday, Sunday last week and I've been trying to fix it this week, and with the tough conditions, it's hard for me to trust what I'm trying to trust. So hopefully now that we're going to get nicer conditions, it frees us up and I can kind of let some rip.

**Q. Speaking of trust, you were telling us in Hawaii you were striking the irons well, you just need to make some putts. Looks like you're very comfortable with that putter.**

**JORDAN SPIETH:** Yeah, I feel good with the putter. I'm not thinking much about my stroke anymore. I had almost a little loop in it that I was trying to get out from the beginning of the year. Pretty comfortable now. I'm just kind of lining it up where I want to stroke it and put a good aggressive stroke on it. Made a few putts again yesterday. I'm putting pretty well.

It's going to be tough out here. There's going to be traffic on these greens. I don't know how many holes we'll even play today, but come tomorrow, it's going to be tough to make putts. That'll be kind of the thing, you'll see a lot of guys hit greens and have some short-range birdie putts given how soft it is, but actually converting them will be another challenge so just stay patient on them. The ones that go in, great. The ones that miss, hit with the right speed so you can move on to the next.

**Q. Jordan, is it difficult mentally to play what is going to be disjointed golf, a couple holes in the morning, wait around, play in the afternoon, and then a marathon day tomorrow?**

**JORDAN SPIETH:** No, I don't think it's difficult. You know, it was nice of the Tour to text early enough so we didn't get out here at 5:00. They sent us a text right when I think everybody was waking up so we just kind of went back to bed, got to sleep a couple more hours. Then I'll go back now and kind of just prepare like I just had a really late tee time

round. Kind of forget about this morning, go back, rest, get some lunch, go to the gym and then come back out and get some good practice in. I might play one or two holes today and that will be a weird feeling. We've also had days where we've had to go 36 holes in a day and I enjoy it. I think it's fun when you can kind of stay in a rhythm the whole day and maybe get something going for 36 straight instead of stopping after 18. So today not going to be doing a whole lot other than practicing, maybe play a couple more, but tomorrow's where we can really make a run.

**Q. How do you feel about your game as you head into the final 36 holes?**

**JORDAN SPIETH:** Feel strong. Everything seems really close. I got off in the tough conditions with my driver, I started hitting kind of big hooks and then when I wasn't hooking, I was trying to hold onto it. I hit a lot of short crooked drives and just kind of made it work. You know, got up and down where I needed to and then took advantage of a couple of the easier holes. But I need to fix the driver. In order to make a run on this golf course you've got to be playing out of the fairway, especially with ball in hand. So I feel good, just got to get to the range I think and put some work in this afternoon.

**Q. Finally, strategically this golf course is now dramatically different. Does it alter how you attack it with this much water on it?**

**JORDAN SPIETH:** Well, I think you just fire toward the flagsticks and try to land it back there. It's actually going to play pretty similar to last week I think at this point. Based on a couple of the shots I've seen already today, you can throw 5-irons and land them next to the holes and they're just going to stay there versus on Riviera normally you've got to throw 8-irons up in the air and like short because they're normally so firm.

So I don't know how it will change scoring because it will be pretty tough to make putts on these greens, but certainly ball striking-wise you can be much more aggressive in landing the ball next to the hole.