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Coming out of BYU's football spring, 1999, practice: We might have a chance to be pretty good.

~LaVell Edwards

Those who have succeeded have also had the ability to overcome adversity, disappointment, and even tragedy in their lives.

~LaVell Edwards

The goals and successes of my professional life pale in comparison to my personal goals of an eternal family, receiving exaltation and being with the Savior again.

~LaVell Edwards

I'd rather lose and live in Provo than win and live in Laramie ~LaVell Edwards

I just feel that you reach a point when its time to move on.

~LaVell Edwards

I suspect that these traits-desire, commitment, and good work habits-are important in all facets of our lives. . .

~LaVell Edwards

Once I made the commitment to fully live my religion, it was never a problem.

~LaVell Edwards

I can't think of anything I would do differently in my life. It would be nice to undo some of my mistakes I made over the years, but then I wouldn't have grown professionally or personally.

~LaVell Edwards

Edwards said the greatest moment of his career was winning the national championship. The lowest moment (of my career) happens

every time we lose to Utah.

~LaVell Edwards

If we have to go through a mental exercise, yes or no, every time we are faced with a tough decision, we will continue to have trouble with living what we supposedly believe.

~LaVell Edwards

The difficulty in living our religion is when we haven't totally made the commitment necessary.

~LaVell Edwards

Much of coaching consists of teaching and communicating ideas, concepts and philosophies to the players and my education helped make me a much more effective coach.

~LaVell Edwards

I honestly haven't thought about it much. When it comes time for me to retire, I don't think I'll know going into that season. I'll have to evaluate it at the end of each year.

~LaVell Edwards

When I started I knew it was a matter of when, not if, I would get fired. That's because that was just the past history of the previous coaches that had been there.

~LaVell Edwards

Being a member of the Church has never placed any roadblocks in my personal and professional life.

~LaVell Edwards

They can't fire me because my family buys too many tickets.

~LaVell Edwards

Publicity can become invasive at times.

~LaVell Edwards

Reminiscing, with obvious emotion, on his long career: It's like the size of the crowd here today. It always surprises me. But I do appreciate it.

~LaVell Edwards

And I want you to know that I have had the greatest support from President Bateman. I could coach as long as I want to and never felt any pressure to reach a decision.

~LaVell Edwards

At some point in time it will be right for me to step aside. That may be after this year, but that may be after two or three more years.

~LaVell Edwards

I told Pattie that last night I dreamt that we had a press conference and nobody showed up. I am overwhelmed that so many of you are here.

~LaVell Edwards

Reminiscing, with obvious emotion, on his long career It has turned out a whole lot better than I ever, ever, ever dreamed.

~LaVell Edwards

My belief in the gospel of Jesus Christ and the testimony I have of the Savior and His atonement [is my personal shelter].

~LaVell Edwards

Early in my career I determined that I would not bring the problems of my work home with me. For the most part, I have been able to do that.

~LaVell Edwards

My testimony helps me to establish priorities in my life.

~LaVell Edwards

One of our goals was to serve a mission, which we are now doing. After that, we want to keep our family together eternally, be of service in whatever way possible, and endure to the end!

~LaVell Edwards

I hope I've been a good example to the youth of the church.

~LaVell Edwards

I know the team, as a whole, has had an impact on the youth of the church, and on the missionary efforts throughout the world.

~LaVell Edwards

Personally - I also continued my education while I was coaching, attending night school and summer school, taking correspondence courses, etc.

~LaVell Edwards

I try to give to most legitimate requests, but the amount of my contribution and my personal time varies greatly.

~LaVell Edwards

Even though I did not go into college teaching, I believe the education I did receive helped me to become a better coach.

~LaVell Edwards

I had to come up with some criteria to help me; i.e., what the favor was, if it was legitimate, if it was in no way compromising, and if there would be a benefit some way by my participation.

~LaVell Edwards

Not playing on Sunday has caused problems for other organizations or teams who wanted us to do so, but we never had to think twice about such a decision.

~LaVell Edwards

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