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You can be a changed man, a better man, outside the ring. You can be aided by the structure of the church, of a support system. You are the support system in the ring. In the ring, you are on an island, surround by snakes and spiders, and if the fangs and venom creeped you out before, chances are, that won't change. Usually, you are what you were.

He was supposed to be a changed man, a person who had found God, and found himself. Zab Judah, at 33, had matured and left his bad boy antics in Brooklyn, we've been told. That may all be so, but it can be argued that it's easier to change your stripes in the real world, than it is in the boxing ring.

At 2:47 of round five, Judah, who fired off a paltry 25 or so punches a round, was counted out

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from a borderline body shot from Amir Kahn in the main event which unfolded at the Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas, and on HBO, on Saturday evening. The low-ish blow was a right uppercut, on the belt, for the record.

Judah looked to be trying to play the punch off as a low blow, but the ref would have none of it, and counted to ten. Judah had looked like the old Judah, the one who didn't win the big ones, as Khan piled up a 61-20 edge in punches landed.

Khan said he got caught with a couple hard shots when talking to Max Kellerman after. He said if he took more risks, he maybe could've kayoed Zab early. Khan also said he thinks Tim Bradley is scared of him. Judah said he started slowly, but was getting untracked. He cited the head butt, said the fans around the world saw that the blow was clearly low, and thought the ref was giving him time to recover, not counting him out. "It's self explanatory baby," he said, indicating that the punch was obviously low, before remembering to be Godly.

Indeed it is self explanatory, sir...

The WBA junior welterweight champion Khan (from England; age 24; 25-1; 5-7) weighed 140 pounds on Friday, while the IBF champ Judah (from Brooklyn, lives in Las Vegas; age 33; 41-6 entering; 5-10) was also 140 on Friday. Vic Drakulich was the ref in a fight in which Khan came in a 4-1 favorite.

In the first, both men looked to establish the jab. There was a clash of heads, but no cut. Judah sought to land a counter left and hook. Khan was the busier man.

In the second, Amir was the aggressor. He pushed the action, though Judah did slip effectively much of the time. Judah had landed six punches in total after two, according to CompuBox.

In the third, Judah still wasn't being busy enough. Was he not able to figure out the timing to counter Khan? Trainer Pernell Whitaker told Zab to get busier, put some combos together, after the round.

In the fourth, we saw Zab duck and slip smartly, but neglect to come back with his own offense. Khan was in total control, and looked to be in prime form.

In the fifth, Judah picked it up some. He wanted to land uppercuts. Didn't happen. Zab's nose was bleeding. Judah went down, from what he indicated was a low blow, and was counted out.

Check back for David Avila's ringside report.

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SPEEDBAG Michael Buffer paid respect to promoter Butch Lewis, who helped guide Michael and Leon Spinks to professional prominence, and ex MGM executive Terry Lanni, who died on Saturday morning, and Thursday, respectively.

---Joe Calzaghe was present in the Khan entourage in the ring before the first bell.

---Viewers saw a snippet of 23-year-old featherweight Gary Russell's win over (Not The) Eric Estrada, and from what I saw, good golly, I'd very much like to see him fight a whole fight on HBO.

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mortcola says:

Wow. Yeah, Judah never got untracked. Some combination of Khan's buzzsaw, intelligent attack, and that massive headbutt, perhaps. But this Khan is growing up. Not the jumpy kid from a couple of years ago, or even against Maidana. Much more solid, didn't square up in his attack, never gave Judah a chance to attack, barely room to counter. I'm sold.

amayseng says:

im a big judah fan, always have been, despite his ignorant, young antics at times...just always liked his style and skill, maybe because mine mimmicks his a bit....however, i thought judah would eventually land some straight lefts to get khan out of there by round 7...

i was wrong.. khan came out fast and blazing and never allowed judah to get off..in fact, judah did not allow judah to get off...

one of the flaws of an aging fighter who has always been the fast and quicker guy is that when he meets a faster fighter he keeps trying to time and time and out quick that opponent when it isnt possible, so instead of setting things up with feints and boxing iq he tries to physical beat him....judah should have used that straight left, even if not landing it to keep khan at bay a bit and allow himself to score...

either way, khan overwhelmed zab and unfortunately judah, although getting hit low, looked for a way out of the fight by not trying to get up before the ten count and say what is going on..

the Roast says:

Well that was a huge letdown. Khan dominated with his activity but not his accuracy. Zab was unable to get the counter shot he was looking for. IMO, Zab was gonna catch a beatdown and opted out of the fight by staying down from that borderline low blow. Too bad for the fans who were hoping to see a good fight. I'm glad I didnt pay for tickets to that. Zab let down boxing fans tonight. You gotta get up. Why was he surprised the fight was over? Boo! Also, obviously Amy

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Winehouse should have gone to rehab. Yes yes yes. R.I.P.

michaelabii says:

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I agree Mort. Judah never got started because Khan never let him which really is the way to fight Zab. Back him up and avoid his hybrid left hook/uppercut counters. You always know when Zabs planning to throw that shot because he dips to his left. The punch that ended the fight was borderline and not illegal.

Shoulder Roll Defense says:

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Radam G says:

Wow! The bout went the way that I expected for it to go. Duper -- I mean Super -- Zab didn't quit anymore did Floyd Patterson did against Sonny "Night Train" Liston. Or Ricky Hatton against Da Manny. Or Smokin' Joe Frazier against Big (Rev.) George Foreman. Or Billy Baer against the "Brown Bomber" Joe Louis. Or Money May will against Vicious Victor O.

Types opponents are what they are. The Great Khan just had too much engergy, too much

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power, too snap, crackle, pop and too much of the IT for Judah. Judah doesn't and never has had the IT. Enough said! Holla!

Shoulder Roll Defense says:

[QUOTE=FighterforJC;8081]"Monkey" is the epitome of coward and master of the science of fighting Baldomir and Gatti.[/QUOTE]

Slow your roll with the "monkey" comments because you sound borderline racist! However, if you want to dog Mayweather out for who he has fought, you have to do the same with Manny. His nickname should be "microwave" instead of pac man because he loves "left overs"! He will probably fight Ortiz next lol!

brownsugar says:

Khan was a faction of a second faster...and he never stopped being first. All Zab could do was react..until the low blow...even so...he wasn't going to win....woulda' gotten TKO'd by the 8th.

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Again, completely ignoring the facts, Baldomir was not anyone's leftover? How about a freshly punked Judah, who got his shot at Floyd IMMEDIATELY after losing to Baldomir? Or De La Hoya, who had been KO'd by Hopkins, and yet, of all who beat DLH, Mayweather's was the most questionable, with even Floyd Sr. claiming that DLH won the fight? How about Mosley, who got beaten worse by Forrest when he was actually in his prime, and still managed to almost KO Floyd despite being 38 and being inactive for a year and a half? Pacquiao annihilates his foes while Floyd only puts the audience to sleep. If that still isn't clear to you, let me translate: Oook oook eeeek eek aaak aaaak oook oook eeeek eeeek aaaak aaaak. LOL.

FighterforJC says:

I've come to the conclusion that there aren't enough bananas in the world to beat Mayweather's fans over the head with to knock some sense into them.

brownsugar says:

and there will never be enough ridiculous, bigoted comments from the FighterJC's of the world,.. bring it on.

Radam G says:

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Hehehehehehe! FJC is one crazy-a\$\$ SOUNDING Archie Bunker. C'mon! Please! Let not that old TSS Universe bullspit find its ugly way to this new universe. Holla!

Radam G says:

B-Sug, don't encourage him. But he did say fans. Money May has a lot of white fans. Now you know that sharp master scribbling F-Lo is one. I too am a fan of Money May. One that he calls yellow -- yellow for my skin hue. So I guess that a lot of peeps from all walks of life will be gettin' beat across their domes with bananas. Holla!

brownsugar says:

I still want to know what part of the human anatomy hurts that much?, it was too high to be the bladder,too low to be the liver,.. and it was nowhere near the solarplexus. I'm not looking to find out personally.. can anybody elaborate?

Radam G says:

Wow! B-Sug, are you speaking some type of code? I lost you like a muthascarecrow on your above post. Now I know why the scarecrow needed to follow dat yellow brick road and holla at the great and power Wizard. The most painful punch is any one dat rocks or causes the testes to tremble. If you have ever been in a severe earthquake, a murderous typhoon or just rocking on a small-arse ship in a sea storm, you'll know what I'm talking about. You have not felt pain until that time. This is why a man with real cojones need to wear a good pair of drawers and/or a jock strap, plus a steel cup in that ring. Hehehehehe! If you get popped with an uppercut in the nuts too hard in dat squared jungle, you won't fill jack. You will just be passed out on your back. And num from the balls down. Talking heads who have never been hit just in those testes don't know sh*t. They ain't got nobody's balls, but their own.

Did Judah get hurt in the cojones? Heck yea! Da doctors know, especially when Judah needed to get treatment for testes injuries - swollen, etc., etc. I won't go into what esle. Holla!

brownsugar says:

ha ha....that blow looked like it landed somewhere just above and to the right of the bladder..(ouch) I've have experienced a KO via groin kick before, never saw it coming... the only time I was ever KO'd... and a chick did it..... got some excellent sleep that night... sleep so deep I can still remember it to this very day.

brownsugar says:

and I hate to say this to Radam G of all people... yes she was a Filipina.

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but I was only a 20 year old kid at the time... my reflexes and experience prevent similar

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instances from happening.

Radam G says:

Hehehehehe! My peeps bring da power and da pain! Holla!

estheticrhtvgv says:

very nice - thanks

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gogoinvyfju says:

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