It's just too early, a mere four games in, to make any kind of judgment. That should go without saying, but it's hard to resist a snap decision on even the smallest of sample sizes.

A year ago, the Red Sox left Cleveland with an 0-6 record, and it took miraculous collapse in the end to deny them a postseason appearance.

You don't even have to go back a full year to know that 45 games don't dictate where the pieces lie after 162.

Sometimes, as a baseball fan, you might identify something that scares you about your team, and it's often a truth you'd rather not know. I can't deny that I get frustrated when balls are booted, fundamental mistakes are made, or an umpire simply misses on fair versus foul ball call, but I don't see any of those as long term issues.

The most damning thing to witness is a team that just isn't good enough to compete.

Would it be a shotgun response to come back with a verdict on these 1-3 Cleveland Indians?

Of course it would; that's the thing about baseball. Those Indians could be playing .500 ball by Thursday morning, and even be 16-5 on the first day of May.

Of course, they won't, but there's something out there that's difficult to accept.

The Indians just aren't good enough.

I don't have to open my eyes very widely to see that.

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