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Why Preparing Works Better Than Predicting

Investment manager and writer Howard Marks has written "You can't predict. You can prepare."

That's a phrase we should all keep in mind when we catch ourselves worried about whether a recession is coming, wondering if inflation is going to get any worse, or frightened that the stock market might drop even further.

To be sure, there are plenty of television talking heads who make a living forecasting. But understand: they are paid based on their ratings, not the accuracy of their prognostications. Meanwhile, the rest of us are left to wonder and worry what might be lurking just around the corner. That is, if we let our minds drift in that direction.

Trying to guess the future, especially in the short term, can be a fruitless and distracting enterprise. Rather than trying to foresee the unforeseeable, it is more constructive, as Howard Marks advises, to prepare for whatever may reasonably come our way.

Now, it is true that we can get a sense of certain long-term trends by reviewing history and projecting forward. For example, Warren Buffett's advice to shareholders to "Never bet against America" has generally worked well...over the long term. But it is unwise to base important decisions on what this country's economy will be doing in the next few months.

While we can't know the face of the future, we can prepare for the various contingences that the future may hold in store for us—both for good and bad. That's where effective financial planning comes into play. It helps you create a road map to your financial goals, while building in protections from the various risks that could otherwise threaten your and your family's financial wellbeing, such as a market correction, a job loss, or health issues. A solid financial plan also helps you take advantage of potential opportunities, such as the growth and income that investing in vibrant financial markets has historically provided.

Of course, no degree of planning—or predicting—can identify the new hot tech stock or fully inoculate us from the effects of major events that come out of the blue, such as a global pandemic. But the better we plan, the more likely our financial decision—making process will be rational and emotionally grounded, rather than based on fear—whether it is fear of missing out, or fear of the unknown.

We also need to remind ourselves the successful investor is a long-term investor who does not allow daily headlines or short-term forecasts distract from their long-term financial plan. With proper planning, foresight, discipline, and patience, long term goals can be achieved regardless of intervening world events—whether predictable or not.

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We are proud to announce Cecil County Credit Union's 2022 Essay Competition Scholarship Winner is **Emmersen Peel** from The Tome School. Emmersen will be attending Marywood University in Scranton, Pennsylvania this fall to study Speech and Language Pathology. She will also be playing basketball for the University. Congratulations Emmersen!



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Veterans Day Nov. 11, 2022 Thanksgiving Nov. 24-25, 2022 Winter Break Dec. 26, 2022

Shortened Hours Dec. 27-30, 2022 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. **New Year's Day**

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Martin Luther

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Co-Borrower	
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