

Today's blog is short and to the point -we think 2021 will be a year of global economic recovery. While markets have priced in a fair amount of the good news, more gains seem possible as corporate profits rebound and central banks remain on hold. As the article in AdvisorAnalyst <[here](#)> summarizes: *the medium-term outlook for economies and corporate earnings is positive. We believe that 2021 will feature an extended period of low-inflation and low-interest rate growth that favours equities over bonds.* This is position consistent with our view of the investment landscape. With interest rates so low, investors are being paid to take risk and we believe will be rewarded for doing so.



*"So my therapist says, 'Every day is a gift,'
and I'm, like, 'That's the problem!'"*

To be sure, the recovery is likely to be slower than we would like and obstacles remain in the path of recovery. However, the approval of vaccines will be a game-changer and it is our position that the second half of the 2021 will look like the first half of this one -only in reverse. Like a sock turned inside out, June-December of next year should see the full re-opening of the global economy, with travel, leisure and entertainment (restaurants included) returning to normal. This augers well for investors who rode out the ups and downs of this year.

Again, it is shown that patient capital is rewarded, with valuations returning to pre-pandemic levels. Our view is that Markets have further to go with the winds of cheap money, pent-up consumer demand and a falling unemployment rates filling the sails of 2021. Of course one should never count their proverbial chickens before they are hatched, but compared to last year at this time, we have a decidedly more optimistic outlook. Time will tell of course and let's get through the balance of this year first. We may yet see a Santa Claus rally, making everyone feel a little cheerier this holiday season.

Be safe, be well!

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