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Welcome, Prayer

Here's an update on your economy:

Consumer price inflation

<https://fred.stlouisfed.org/series/FPCPITOTLZGUSA>

Looks great!

<https://x.com/charliebilello/status/2098467039895597229>

price increases over the last 7 years

New Cars: +23%

Used Cars: +28%

Groceries: +33%

Shelter: +35%

Family Health Insurance: +38%

Restaurants: +39%

Transportation: +41%

Electricity: +43%

Auto Insurance: +49%

Gasoline: +51%

Home Prices: +60%

Gas Utilities: +60%

Fuel Oil: +67%

Ground Beef: +81%

Dozen Eggs: +86%

Coffee: +123%

What we spend is legal tender. It is fiat currency – value by declaration.

The USD is not money.

- Gold is money. Silver to some extent.
- Switzerland Basel III reclassified it finally as a Tier1 Asset. Follow what our nation did to Gold in
- Creature from Jekyll Island or [Web of Debt](#)

Meanwhile – get a picture in your head of this: All the gold ever mined from the Pharaohs to now
Jewelry

Central-bank and government reserves in huge ingots

Investment bars and coins

Electronics and other industrial products

Private holdings

Museums and artifacts

Gold that has been melted down and recycled

Have that in your head? Any takers as to its value? == about \$31T

[What](#) is the debt of our nation now?

It's 25% more.

Why can't we pay off the debt?

- Because the money supply is debt-based. Fed Reserve Note - U.S. dollar is fundamentally a debt-based instrument rather than independent, intrinsic property.

- So when you trade your labor or real assets for dollars, you're exchanging something tangible for a claim within the debt-based monetary system.
- So then assets purchased with those dollars, which are promises to repay the Fed, become effectively "quasi-property" of the monetary system, and ultimately of the institutions behind the currency, including the Federal Reserve.
- A gold-for-goods transaction is 100% complete.
- But banks view gold as kryptonite – courtesy of Richard Nixon in 1971

Back to the main idea of inflation –

Are things just becoming more valuable?

What are the implications of what you see here?

BTW, remember what I told you about Diesel months ago? It's here.

Point – your cost to live is rising like a tornado sucking dirt off the ground.

You need to re-consider everything or get a 10-family dwelling and share resources.

Endgame? Create such a horrendous financial crisis → war just like WW2 but worse this time (Pike's war) that we start a digital programmable wearable currency.

Review - 7b The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

Remember: Hebrew is a much simpler language. simple = "open door"

Consider the Song of Solomon illustration of the assessment of a mature believer

Song 8:⁹ "If she is a wall, We will build on her a battlement of silver; But if she is a door, We will barricade her with planks of cedar."

A wall -

a wall is solid, can be leaned on

But if it's to really do its job it needs the 'shining example'

A wall is solid – knows the bible, but there's difference between right words and words-in-season

Silver

- Ps 12: .⁶ The words of the LORD are pure words; As silver tried in a furnace on the earth, refined seven times.

God doesn't machine-gun blast people with bible knowledge.

- Proverbs 25: ¹¹ Like apples of gold in settings of silver Is a word spoken in right circumstances. ¹² Like an earring of gold and an ornament of fine gold Is a wise reprove to a listening ear.

SO- if you think you have a handle on what the bible says, learn how to use it like Jesus did/does

A door –

In those days, doors were two-way, much like a saloon door.

- When the flow went inward, the door went inward with the flow
- When the flow went outward, the door went outward with the flow
- Eph 4:14 As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming;

James speaks of double-mindedness, and doubting when asking God: 'driven and tossed'

Pr 14:15 ¶ The naive believes everything, But the sensible man considers his steps.

People lay cases all the time about what God says, mis-dividing scripture and appealing to our sensory.

"Doors", "Open Doors" accept it just like traffic going in or out of the saloon.

But the 'sensible' – the street-smart, the cunning fellow doesn't buy an argument on face value w/out scrutiny.

This guy is the one who sees trouble coming and does something about it for himself and his family.

- Pr 27:12 ¶ A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself; but the simple pass on, and are punished.

The "open door" (same as "simple") is the guy who doesn't do anything and he suffers for it

A good example of this is the folks from Berea.

He's a Berean

And what do we know about Bereans?

Ac 17:11 Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so.

This was literally a city. The current city is called Veria and you can see the archaeological museum there (4.8 stars! LOL)

Northern Greece

See thessaloniki off to the east there

Joseph is another example of someone fairly simple

- bragging on his dreams in front of his elder brothers??
- Really bad idea!

Simple kid.

- But he never let go of God.
- And God never abandoned him for a second; only got closer.
- Gave him wisdom that brought him from the pit of a prison to being the prime minister of Egypt in one meeting.

How's that for Psalm 75?

So God testifies in His word. We have the prophetic word made more sure, as 2 Pet 1:19 says.

This can be ingested by even a gullible person easily tricked, and it will

- Wisen him up
- Barricade his flappy doors, so they don't blow both ways in the wind
- Make him cunning so that he considers his steps before taking them

Consider **Proverbs 13:20 (NASB)** He who walks with wise men will be wise, But the companion of fools will suffer harm.

Why shouldn't a wise man walk with fools? Because fools will rub off on him and fool-him down.

- So there is a 'closing' that takes place here.
- You are closing off the open doors to fools.
- **Psalm 1: 1 How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, Nor stand in the path of sinners, Nor sit in the seat of scoffers! 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD**

How blessed is the guy who closes the door to all this stuff.

God's testimony helps a simpleton do Psalm 1:1 and that makes him into a wise man.

Rest of Psalm 1:2, and 3

And in His law he meditates day and night. 3 He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, Which yields its fruit in its season And its leaf does not wither; And in whatever he does, he prospers.

You are meditating on His word here as you 'mutter' / memorize it.

- Tree firmly planted = it establishes your life "OUT THERE" in the real world
- You will bear fruit because of this
- You will prosper in whatever you do

Why?

- Because God gave you wisdom – the word in hebrew = "skill for living"

Practice time – who wants to try this for the group?

The effect one person can have on a group: If I see YOU try it, and you don't die, I will try it