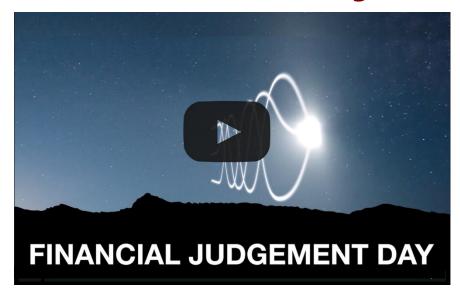
Financial Judgement Day, Part One The Next Great Convergence



Narrator: Weiss Research founder Martin Weiss, semi-retired and traveling the world has abruptly interrupted his travels to rush home and bring you an alarming predication about the future.



Martin Weiss: It's probably our most important forecast, ever, in the 46 years since I founded this company, and it's frightening. On the flip side though, there are going to be tremendous profit opportunities for those in the know.

Narrator: While Mr. Weiss was overseas, cycles expert Sean Broderick has reached equally shocking conclusions due to a convergence of time-honored economic cycles.



Sean Brodrick: Most people don't understand the cycle of war. And most people don't realize that nearly all the cycles we study are now converging.

Narrator: Today, in part one of this three-part series, Mr. Weiss and Mr. Brodrick present compelling reasons why they are sounding this warning now.

They reveal the exact time that this great convergence will take place. And they will provide a sneak preview of the havoc that this newly formed supercycle will cause around the world and in the United States.

Martin Weiss: And that will cause a pile-up of new debt. On top of a mountain of old debt that's already the worst of all time.

Narrator: Ladies and gentlemen, Lauren Hughes.

Lauren Hughes: Hello and welcome.

Today, the experts of *The Edelson Institute* are releasing major new forecasts. This is a very significant event in the investment world, and the reason is clear. Their previous forecasts have proven to be amazingly accurate.

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Two of the institute's most prominent experts are here with us today: Dr. Martin D. Weiss, the Chairman and co-founder of the Institute and with cycles expert Sean Brodrick, Senior Editor of the Institute.

Thank you so much for joining us today, gentlemen.

Sean Brodrick: Thank you.

Martin Weiss Glad to be here. Unfortunately, my co-founder, Larry Edelson, is no longer with us. But he's here in spirit. And before he passed away, he had the foresight to donate his

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have met him and interviewed him. And I know he will be missed. Now *your* forecasts for the world economy have a new, terrifying dimension to them.

Lauren: I do remember Larry well, and I feel very fortunate to

Martin: It's probably our most important forecast ever in the 46 years since I founded this company, and it is frightening. On the flip side, though there are going to be tremendous profit opportunities for those in the know.

Lauren: I want to get to those new forecasts in just a minute. But first of all, tell me: How do you know that these things are actually going to happen?

Sean: Because of economic cycles that have driven world events since before the time of the pharaohs! The same cycles in the investment markets that triggered the great crash of 1929 and every boom and bust since! And now, once again, these cycles are coming to a head.

Martin: I'm personally well aware of just how powerful these cycles are from my studies as well. They're everywhere in the universe. They're everywhere in nature!

Lauren: Like our heartbeat ... or the earth rotating on its axis ... the revolving around the sun. You see? I do pay attention to you guys. I've learned something.

Martin: Then, in that case, you've also learned that human economic behavior is also very cyclical. In my younger days, I was a cultural anthropologist, and I specialize in what's called economic anthropology.

So, in my fieldwork, I personally witnessed the cycles in small agricultural communities — all over the world. I did fieldwork on primitive cultures and peasant societies, and I saw how their entire life — their entire livelihood — was tied to the seasons.

Lauren: Fascinating.

Martin: But what's even more interesting for me, in what I do today, is that, in modern society, we see those cycles in mass psychology. The difference is that we not only SEE them, but we can MEASURE those cycles, in price behavior, in statistics.

And we can see them with much better clarity than I did, for example, doing fieldwork in the Amazon or other parts of the world. And those cycles are Sean's great passion. Sean is the first person in our organization who wrote extensively about what he calls "The Great Supercycle."

Sean: Yes! And as we watch these cycles, we can track them. And here's the interesting thing: When you're watching a cycle, you can also PREDICT what it's going to do next.

This is especially true of certain commodities, like metals, which are *very* cyclical. But it's also true for a whole range of economic cycles.

Lauren: Fascinating perspectives! Who first discovered these economic cycles?

Sean: Among the first was a Russian economist, Nikolai Kondratiev. He told the Soviet authorities that eventually, their society — their communist society — would actually fall apart.

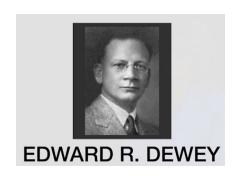


Well, as you might expect, that news wasn't well received, and things didn't go well for old Nikolai. So, he was sent to Siberia. And he was eventually executed, which is probably the harshest review an economist ever got for his work.

Lauren: Agreed, but in the end, he was right.

Sean: Well, he was right. But, then in the 1930s, well, President Hoover got blamed for the Great Depression. You'll remember reading about that.

So, after he left office, he actually tried to figure out what went wrong! He was a big economics man. He was the person that



people actually called when they wanted to fix things, and this blew up under his watch. It really bothered him.

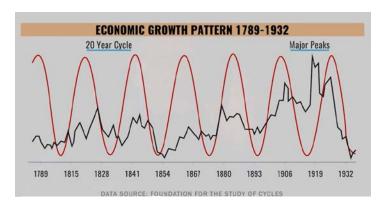
So, he turned to another economist, a man named Edward Dewey, and he gave Dewey the task of finding out what actually caused the Great Depression.

So, Dewey then went and studied OTHER depressions. And — this is the fascinating thing — it became obvious to him that the Great Depression should have been very predictable.

Lauren: How did he do that?

Sean: Well, first Dewey discovered cycles in the prices of copper — as I told you metals prices are very cyclical. He looked at nickel. And he looked at the grain markets. And then he *connected* those cycles to cycles of inflation and deflation.

And so he put all this together, and eventually he uncovered the economic cycles, in terms of the Gross Domestic Product, or GDP. And his GDP cycle actually predicted the Great Depression years ahead of time.



Look at this chart. Here's the prediction. See the 20-year cycle, the red line, going down at the very right? That's what the cycle predicted.

And there's the black line, that represents the actual

events, and that plunges as the Great Depression got under way. So, as you can see, it follows the prediction with uncanny accuracy.

Martin: And as you see on this chart, it shows the TIMING of the cycles.

Lauren: It's quite amazing. So, is that the main cycle you use at *The Edelson Institute*?

Sean: It's one of them, yes. But we combine it with other cycles, like the business inventory cycle, 8- and 12-year stock market cycles, the 12-year cycle in the currency markets, and of course, the cycles in the gold market.

Martin: And that all comes together — with computer studies, with visual studies on the chart. But I want to add one thing that we haven't stressed as much in the past, but we have to talk about now.

And that's another major cycle that's going to put tremendous pressure on the global economy, and it's one of the most powerful cycles of all.

Lauren: Which is ...?

Martin: The cycle of war.

Lauren: The cycle of WAR?!

Martin: You seem surprised.

Lauren: Ok. Let me clarify. Am I surprised that we're talking about the threat of war? No, of course not! Because it's in the news every day. It's all around us. It's in Northeast Asia, the Middle East, Ukraine. I get that. Am I surprised that it can be predicted? Absolutely!

Martin: Well, let me tell you.

I studied the cycle of war of contemporary primitive societies — in the highlands of New Guinea, for example.

I studied the war pattern of the Yanomami tribes in the Amazon.

I've studied the history of war going back to the birth of civilization, which was in Sumer and Babylonia, between the Euphrates and the Tigris rivers, which is now Iraq.

And, to answer your question, studies of the cycle of war are based on these thousands of years of recorded history. And quite some time ago, it predicted that there would be a bottom — in other words a peaceful time — in the late 1980s and the early 1990s.

And in fact, that bottom actually came on Christmas day of 1991,

which is the day that the Soviet flag came down over the Kremlin in Moscow for the last time and when the Cold War ended.

Lauren: That was a gift. So, we have the benefit of hindsight. But what about now?

Martin: Well, looking forward, the top in the war cycle — the end or the climax of the war cycle — is expected in the early 2020s. That's not too far away today.

Lauren: Very close!

Martin: No. But the key is that the cycle of war is ramping up rapidly, even as we speak. It's ramping up with great power. It has great momentum. And that leads us to our first and most urgent forecast.

Lauren: Which is ...

Martin: The consequences of war.

Lauren: Are you sure there will be a war?

Martin: That's not the point. War is not the forecast. The forecast is the CONSEQUENCES.

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So, even if you don't have an all-out shooting war — and let's pray that we won't — the rising tide of global conflict will FORCE the largest countries in the world to spend massive amounts of new money on defense. And we're seeing this all around the world.

It's going to force them to BORROW massive amounts of money to finance those defense expenditures. And that will cause a pile-up of NEW debt on top of a mountain of OLD debt that's ALREADY the worst of all time.

So, it's this crisis of debt overseas — not the crisis of violent CONFLICT overseas — that's going to have the biggest impact on major foreign economies. And ultimately, on our economy, too. So, in effect, the war cycle is going to turbo-charge the debt cycle.

Sean: This is all terrible. That's true. But the good thing is that there are going to be tremendous profit opportunities for those in the know.

So, if you understand history, you'll be able to protect your wealth and grow your wealth while the majority may end up losing their wealth. Most

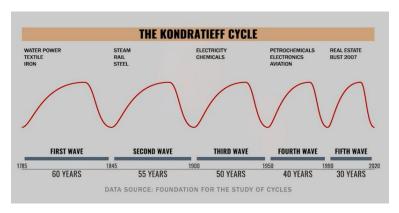
people don't understand the cycle of war. And most people don't realize that nearly all the cycles we study are now converging.

Lauren: Something like the perfect storm.

Sean: Yes. You could call it a perfect storm, and it's a convergence of cycles.

Lauren: Can you tell us, as the cycles expert, something about each of those cycles?

Sean: Sure. The first is the K-wave ...



Martin: The Kondratiev wave.

Sean: Yes. Now that is pointing lower into the first half of the 2020s. This cycle reflects the ongoing demise of governments that have

built up monumental, unpayable debts.

Martin: You see how it connects to debts again?

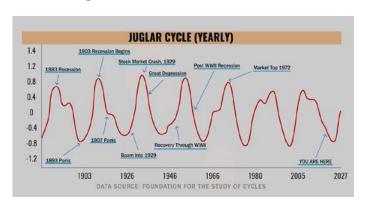
Lauren: Yeah!

Sean: Debts to finance wars. Debts to finance various forms of socialism or social programs.

As I mentioned before, the man who originally discovered this cycle was sent to Siberia and then he was executed by Stalin. Now, you could say that his ghost is returning to haunt all of

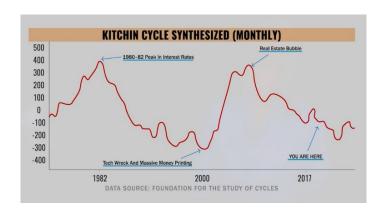
those who failed to learn the lesson that socialism was a failure.

Sean: Along with the K-wave, we have the Juglar cycle, discovered by a French cycle analyst. It has accurately forecast intermediate



booms and busts. And it is ALSO pointing to a decline, which we believe will be starting in Japan.

And then there's the 40-month Kitchin Cycle. It's not the kitchen you cook in. That's the name of the guy discovered it. This cycle is actually signaling slower business formation ... weaker consumer demand ... slower inventory turnover ... and later, rising unemployment.



Martin: Not right away in the United States. This is hitting first in major foreign countries.

Sean: Right! We'll see a foreign wave. We also like the Kuznets cycle. And that one, among other things, helps us track the rise and fall of elites — income inequality, a phrase that is heard a lot now. And it's in the final stages of a major rise that began in the 1970s.

Martin: Everyone's talking about it today. But this cycle predicted it many years ago.

Sean: Yes, and NOW these cycles are heading for another major convergence. We got a preview of this two years ago. And it was followed by a sequence of events that are now reaching a crescendo.

The UK, the second largest economy in Europe, dropped out of the European Union. That was the Brexit, right? At the same time, we had millions of refugees pouring into Europe.

Lauren: That's a lot of cycles with some big names. When are they all going to be converging next?

Sean: The next major convergence should start in late October and early November.

Martin: Of this year!

Lauren: That's VERY soon.

Sean: Yes, and that's when our cycles, which are now turbocharged by the rising war cycle — that's when they indicate the end of an era when these governments could rack up debt with impunity. And they also indicate the beginning of a NEW era when those governments CANNOT do that. It will be the beginning of you might call a rollercoaster ride through hell. And that ride is going to last all the way until 2022. That's five full years.

Lauren: That doesn't sound like a fun ride. What is that going to be like?

Martin: For the average observer, the most obvious symptom of the crisis will be asset destruction, and like I said, starting overseas. But at the same time, it's going to also include soaring stock prices in the United States.

This is what makes this era unique. Because in other decades, the turmoil overseas would be enough to CRASH the stock market. Instead, as we've predicted, right the Dow is more than THREE TIMES HIGHER today than it was in March of 2009.

No stock market has EVER posted those kinds of gains in this kind of turbulent environment. And yet, here we are with all these things happening, and the stock market keeps going up and up.

So, the question is, "why," right?

Lauren: Yes! Why?

Martin: And the answer is: The cycles clearly indicated that this was going to happen.

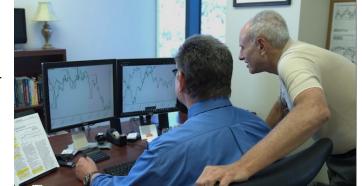
Lauren: So, do I hear you saying ... Are you actually predicting disasters like we've seen in Syria, in Ukraine? Like recently we've seen in Paris, Belgium, Nice, London, and even Barcelona?

Sean: Let me explain that. We can't foresee exactly what will happen or where. What we CAN foresee, and what will not be so obvious to the average person, is the ramp-up of a series of big government debt blow-ups.

First, you'll see them in Japan and Europe. And then a couple of years from now, in the United States, too.

Lauren: Which brings us to the topic of your new e-book, "Countdown to Armageddon." And right now, it's free. But very soon, it will be available for \$29.95?

Martin: Yes. We put a lot of work into this book. We wrote it to help people truly understand, in depth, what you have to do to protect your wealth and then, to take advantage of multiple opportunities to GROW your wealth.



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Lauren: And will this book be available in bookstores or on Amazon.com?

Martin: No, no. Not at all. It's available only on our website. You can read it there, right now, by just clicking here.

Lauren. Gentlemen, we learned a lot today. Thank you so much for that. And I look forward to learning more tomorrow.

Martin: Yes! Tomorrow we're going to really get into the nitty gritty. We're going to explain what this crisis is really going to look like and how it's going to affect your finances, how it's going to affect each different market sector, how it's going to affect the government, and, of course how it's going to impact the economy.

Lauren: Great! And we don't want to miss that. I know I won't. For Martin Weiss, Sean Brodrick and *The Edelson Institute*, this is Lauren Hughes. Thanks for joining us. We'll see you again tomorrow.

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Part Two

Financial Armageddon: A Sneak Preview

Lauren Hughes: The economic cycles accurately predicted the Great Depression and nearly every major investment event since.

Now, those same cycles are predicting that some of the



most violent times of our financial lives are about to begin.

That's the message from *Edelson Institute* Chairman Martin Weiss and cycles expert Sean Brodrick deliver to us in this series of interviews.

According to Weiss and Brodrick, these powerful cycles will converge in late October of this year. And as these cycles come together, they will form a supercycle with enormous destructive potential, including the power to bring Japan, Europe, and, ultimately, the United States to their knees.

So what events will drive this great crisis? That's what we're here to find out today. Martin and Sean, thank you so much for joining us again.

Martin Weiss: Thank YOU Lauren for flying down for this event.

Lauren: It's my pleasure to be here.

So it's time to answer the number one burning question. We've seen that these powerful financial cycles are warning of a major catastrophe.

But what are the actual facts on the ground? And do those facts support this cycles research? And what exactly is this nightmarish crisis really going to look like?



Sean Brodrick: Well, Lauren, let's not forget the big picture. What we are experiencing is "a great supercycle."

And what the supercycle predicts is the end of the era when governments recklessly built up unlimited debts. And the cycles predict the BEGINNING of a NEW era when nations pay the price for those debts.

Martin: In other words, a financial day of reckoning.

Sean. Yes, but it won't happen in just one day. It will take place in phases, over a period of about five years.

Lauren: And what ARE those phases?

Sean: Phase One is right now BEFORE the crisis begins. This is a period in which the governments around the world are continuing to borrow like there's no tomorrow.

They're piling up debts. And no one is lifting a finger to stop then. I should say no one YET!

Phase Two begins when Japan's government debts begin to crumble.

Martin: That's where it begins, Japan.

Their debts are the worst in the world, at 250% of Gross Domestic Product.

That's more than TWICE the debt burden of the U.S. government. And even if Japan had a budget surplus of one trillion yen each year, it would take 1,000 years to pay tat debt off.



Martin: One thousand years!

Lauren: Staggering. Martin, you lived in Japan. You speak the language.

Martin: Yes, I lived in Japan during its bubble years — they called it baburu keizai — of the 1980s. And I go there all the time to visit my son, Anthony, who lives in Tokyo now for

over seven years.

And I can tell you flatly: Japan is on a collision course with the worst government debt crisis the world has ever seen.

Lauren: What is Japan's solution to this?

Martin: Their solution is to tax people to death. Already estate taxes are so big in Japan, it's almost impossible to inherit wealth.

For example, a dear friend of ours who one day will inherit her mother's home in central Tokyo — it's a home she grew up in and wants to keep in the family.

But the tax on that — the estate tax — will be so huge, she's going to have no choice but to sell the home to cover the tax bill.

Lauren: That's heartbreaking.

Martin: It's everywhere in Japan. That's estate taxes.

Now look at sales taxes! They are already 8% nationwide. And in Tokyo right now, what they're talking about, in terms of a so-called "solution" to the looming debt crisis, is to jack up sales taxes even higher, to raise more revenues to supposedly pay down the government debts, right?

Lauren: So stick it to the people.

Martin: Right. But will they pay down government debts with that extra revenue? Heck no! They're going to need that money to finance more social programs, *especially* to support their aging population.

Sean: That's a good point, Martin! And here's a point most people don't know: They sell more adult diapers in Japan than they do diapers for babies.

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Lauren: That's seems too strange to even be true.

Sean: But it's not. You can look it up. These are all hard facts! It's not our opinion!

Lauren: Martin, when and where is the breaking point?

Martin: The breaking point will come, as we see it, in the bond markets. That's where the governments have to raise the money for these debts. And we already see that institutions that buy Japanese government bonds, both in Japan and around the world, are so saturated with the paper — the bonds — they soon won't be able to buy any more.

Or worse, they're going to see the handwriting on the wall, like we see today, and they're going to stop buying at all, or they'll dump their holdings.

Lauren. That's Japan, Phase Two. What's Phase Three?

Sean: OK. Japan's Phase Three. Phase Three will hit Europe. A couple of years ago, you saw the cycle of debt strike Greece. You saw it then hit Portugal, Spain and Italy.

And then, that monster came and took Greece again and just shook it like a rag doll. It ruined that nation! But what you saw in

Europe's prior phase of its debt crisis was just a sneak preview of what's coming up.

Martin: You know earlier, Lauren. I want to support Sean's point in this sense: You asked about breaking **Best supercycle investments to buy now:** Get our specific "Buy" and "Sell" signals on the investments designed to soar as these powerful cycles converge.

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points. Why now? That's the question.

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Plus, here's the key that everyone seems to be missing right now: During the last phase of Europe's debt crisis, the threat from Russia was virtually nonexistent, right?

So they didn't have to spend a lot of money on defense. If anything, it was the United States that was helping to support the defense.

So they didn't have to borrow money like crazy for defense spending. They didn't have to borrow money like crazy to protect their borders, or to protect their citizens.

But now in this next phase of their debt crisis, they WILL have to do those things. So this adds a whole new dimension to the crisis.

Lauren: It does. So these are the breaking points. What is the end game then for Europe?

Sean: The picture that we get from the cycle forecasts is clear but it is also very grim. Before this series of rolling crises is over, the European Union as we know — it just won't exist anymore.

More countries will follow the UK and they'll drop out. They'll do their own versions of the Brexit. Not really because they want to, but it'll be a matter of self-preservation for them.

The euro will collapse as countries just flee the Eurozone. So, yeah, sure, they'll have two or three core countries, like Germany

and France. But most countries in Europe will be scrambling to restore their original currencies.

And this will spark an ugly currency war. That means that you'll see violent protests against the euro and against immigration.

Martin: We've already see that!

Sean: Yes, and so how are they going to control those protests? Well, one way that some governments will do it — in fact, they're already doing it — is that they'll move toward fascism.

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Martin: Government bankruptcy! Before we were talking about private sector bankruptcy. Now we're talking about something even more severe.

Lauren: So you're actually saying that some of the most powerful GOVERNMENTS in the world are going to go bankrupt? That's really hard for me to wrap my brain around.

Martin: It's not hard to believe when you look at the history, as we have. If you do, here's what your going to see: You're going to see the fall of Rome, the fall of the Byzantine Empire, the fall of the Spanish Empire, the decline of the British Empire, which then passed the torch, of course, to the United States. And, ultimately, after you go through all this history, you've got to realize that governments almost inevitably default on their debts in some way, when the debts reach the kind of levels we're at today.

And THAT leads to the chickens coming home to roost.

Sean: And now, the whole process is set to begin at the end of October.

Lauren: Okay, but all of these debts have been piling up for a very long time. You said yourself. Why are they collapsing now?

Martin: You keep asking that same question.

Lauren: I know I want an answer.

Sean: Here's a simple way to put it: It's just time. The cycles are like a heartbeat. Doctors know when a patient is most susceptible to a heart attack. And the cycles give a picture of when that same thing is going to happen with government debt.

The cycles tell us when these governments around the world are going to have this massive heart attack. Investors — they start to sense that. They start to pull back.

And that makes it even worse. So investors stop buying government debt. Plus, at the same time — let's add this in too — people start protesting against higher taxation.

Martin: They see the handwriting on the wall.

Sean: Yeah. They see the handwriting on the wall that governments will not make good on pensions. That is a recipe for unrest. And the whole thing snowballs. It snowballs into a great convergence of forces that causes governments to start collapsing.

Lauren: So Sean, what's the deep meaning of all of this?

Sean: It means that even though some of these governments LOOK powerful, the fact is, they're actually quite weak.

Martin: Actually, some governments are close to their death throes. You don't see it from the surface. But behind the scenes, that's what's happening. And when a government's back is up against the wall, you can always count on one thing: They lash out at their own citizens.

Sean: Yes! And this is also why you're going to see governments impose more taxes. More control on money. More invasions of privacy.

I think this is a big reason why Trump was elected. People wanted him to fix this, to reverse this vicious cycle.

But Trump has inherited a mess. The cycle itself, and all the powerful forces behind it, are obviously much stronger than most people expected.

Lauren: Why is it so powerful?

Sean. Well, we saw the debt pile up higher and higher over many decades, didn't we? Since World War II! Just compare government debts to GDP. The numbers — they're staggering!

Martin: You know, most economists use to say — and some of them still say the same thing — that the limit, the absolute limit that you could have in government debt was about HALF of the total economy, and that's a lot. 50%!

Sean: Yes, 50% of GDP in government debt! Anything more than that — extremely dangerous.

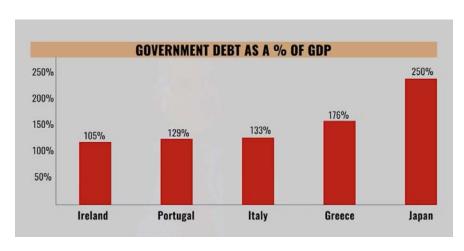
But even after their so-called "recoveries," Ireland's government debt represents 105% of GDP. Portugal — 129%. Italy — 133%. Greece — 176%. And the prime example, Japan, a whopping 250%!

Lauren: Staggering! How can that be?

Sean: That's not the end of it. Germany, which is supposedly the strong man of Europe, the richest economy in the European Union — it's above the 50% danger line, too.

Martin: Way above the 50% danger line!

Sean: Right. Here's the thing that I just HAVE to make clear. Why now? That's your question, right? After so many years of filling these widening budget gaps with borrowed money.



That's what they just did! They took this money and they tried to fill the gap!

Well, they had a crisis, a big economic and financial crisis. But rather than deal with the crisis, they just borrowed money and borrowed more and more money to fill that gap. Well, at some point, the returns on the new debt diminish to a big, fat ZERO.

Martin: And that's the point we're at right now!

Sean: Yeah. That's it! The big games that Washington and Wall Street played for so long, which were supposed to be temporary, emergency measures, became PERMANENT. But now they no longer work.

Lauren: I just read about this. The governments are all strained, as you said, to the breaking point. They're taxing all they can. They're borrowing all they can. And they're printing all they can. So they're just printing money just to make ends meet. That can't be good!

Sean: No! These are symptoms that these governments around the world are actually dying. It's scary, but that's what's happening.

Lauren: Last ditch efforts to try to survive.

Sean: You've seen this recently in some European countries. They monitor everything citizens are doing. They engage in capital controls. They limit the amount of money you can take out of a bank.

They're moving — and we ARE seeing this — they're moving toward an electronic currency because they're afraid of future bank runs and they want more control. Why an electronic currency?

Because if things get crazy, they have an Internet banking kill switch. Throw the switch; shut down the banks before anyone can get their cash out.

Lauren: I'm almost afraid to ask this, but when governments can't pay their debts, what happens?

Sean: I hate to say it, but this is when it gets really nasty. The only place that these governments, when they are desperate, can get the money from is from the people.

Debt has been the foundation of the Western socialist model. If you look at that model, the models of the U.S., Europe and Japan, you'll see that they're the most indebted governments in history.

Lauren: The last time we had a major debt crisis, back in 2008, the big governments around the world had to bail out the banks, the real estate companies, the entire world economy. Is that what you're talking about?

Sean: Well, that's a big part of it. They bailed out a lot of people. But now comes the Mother of all debt crises, the GOVERNMENT debt crisis. We have to emphasize that word — government. And now the big question is: Who is going to bail out the government?

Martin: Let me repeat that question: WHO is going to bail out the government? Remember: The governments were the ones who were bailing out everyone else. Now we've reached the end game: Who is going to bail them out?

Sean: Let's go back to our prime example, Japan. When Japan's debt crisis hits, who is big enough to possibly bail them out? Nobody is!

Lauren: Again, another question I'm afraid to ask. But you said this is going to come in four phases. What is the fourth phase?

Sean: OK. That's when the stuff hits the fan and the debt cycle will hit a crescendo. Because the same kind of debt crisis that we will see rampage around the world WILL strike the U.S.

Lauren: Exactly how big is the U.S. government debt right now?

Sean: Well, I'm glad you said the words "right now" because we've got to talk about that. Because the U.S. government debt goes up every single minute.

Lauren: I've seen those tickers on television.

Sean: You've seen the U.S. debt clock! The official number is \$20 trillion in debt, which is 107% of our Gross Domestic Product.

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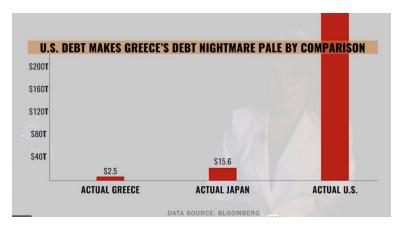
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Lauren: I don't even know what the number looks like.

Martin: That's double what they said the limit should be.

Sean: Even so, it's actually worse because it's the government, right? And you know that they play tricks to keep stuff off the books. So the TRUE number must include the debt of all the government agencies, and that brings it up to 138%.

Lauren: Wow!



Sean: No, I'm not done! And even THAT doesn't take into account debts that are TEN times larger. \$200 trillion! That's ALL the money the government owes for Social Security, Medicare and Veterans benefits. So, if you add

those up, our debts are actually worse than Greece's.

Lauren: So Sean, how do you see this playing out?

Sean: OK. For the next couple of years, the United States will be like the last man standing. We'll see this global crisis happen around the world.

And so it'll make the U.S. the last haven of safety. As Japan and Europe slide, as civil wars and regional wars heat up in the trouble spots around the world, and as SOCIALIST government programs — financed by massive debt — fail, then you're going to see this massive tsunami of money

Martin: Fear money!

Sean: That's a great phrase — fear money! Exactly! It's the last showdown between capitalism and socialism. And here's the thing: If you want to see the real difference between capitalism and socialism, go up in space orbit, and from on high — high above the earth — look at the two Koreas at night.

Martin: The two Koreas!

Sean: The two Koreas. Ok. North and South.

Sean: Socialism is north of the border and at night you can

see NOTHING. Just darkness! Capitalism is south of the border, in South Korea, where everything is lit up.



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And that brings us back to the war cycle. North Korea has NOTHING. And so that's why they're lashing out.

Lauren: That's a pretty extreme example.

Sean. Yeah, sure, of course. But it's something we're going to see more and more of as governments come between a rock and a hard place. They ARE going to lash out.

And in the financial markets, you are going to see that massive tsunami of money. It's going to leave those countries that are troubled and search for safety — mostly coming to the United States.

It's not that the U.S. economy and markets are in such great shape, right? You know we have our problems. However, the influx of that fear money makes our financial markets look stronger than they really are.

Because as the money comes here it has to buy stuff. So what's been happening is it's been pouring into the U.S. And the U.S. dollar, the U.S. stock market, the U.S. real estate — they've all been recipients of that fear money.

Martin: That's really a kind of deception.

Sean: Yeah, it's the great deception. It pushes our asset prices higher, but ultimately, this just makes us the last giant standing. Governments aren't going to PAY their way out of debt. And when this crisis strikes the U.S., and as we teeter over, we are going to collapse with the biggest thud of all.

Lauren: How do you see that actually unfolding?

Sean: First of all, anyone invested in U.S. government bonds — they could lose their shirt. And almost everyone is impacted by government bonds, even if you don't hold government bonds directly. That's something that we have to make clear! You probably own them indirectly — through your corporate pension

or maybe you have a government pension, or a life insurance or an annuity, or your 401(k) programs, in which people have been told that government bonds are always safe.

Lauren: We pretty much ALL have one of those things.

Sean: Right! And so, the decline in government bonds will take away tens of trillions of dollars in wealth. Just make it vanish! Poof! And at some point, Medicare, Social Security, socialist programs of all kinds — they'll all be in grave jeopardy.

Lauren: Sean, this is terrifying.

Sean: It is. But there is a ray of hope.

Lauren: Oh good. There's hope.

Sean: Even as things go wrong, there WILL be ways to protect yourself and make a lot of money. Even as debt balloons burst — and they definitely will — there will be other things that will rise in value. And I'm going to tell you about those things tomorrow. That's why you want own as much of them — and as much of the companies that do those things — as possible. That's not only when you'll protect your fortune, but that's when you're going to make new fortunes!

Lauren: How certain are you of this very dark scenario you've painted for us today?

Sean: We're staking *The Edelson Institute's* 100 years of collective experience and reputation on it.

Lauren: That's a big reputation.

Sean: But for those who understand *what* has happened in the past, *how* these forces are going to be unleashed and *when* they're going to strike, it's not that difficult to prepare. You can not only protect your wealth, but you can grow it tremendously.

Lauren: That's good news.

Sean: I am doing it for myself and my family. And I want to do the same for others. One of the most exciting aspects of this rolling crisis — if you can call it exciting, but it IS in ways — is that there are so many profit opportunities.

They're right there in front of us. You just have to reach out and GRAB 'em! And that's mainly thanks to the trillions of dollars of FEAR money that is coming to U.S. shores.

That's what's been creating enormous profit opportunities, which are going to only increase in frequency — and size — starting in late October.

Martin: Right. But you can't wait until October. You have to start growing your wealth now. If you wait until then, you're going to be behind the eight ball, way behind.

Lauren: So I have seen the recommendations in this e-book, "Countdown to Armageddon," and they are really quite interesting. It's like a roadmap for profits for the next five years. The nice thing is that it's free. You can download it online right now.



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Martin: Bear in mind, Lauren, that this new cycle will carry us all the way to 2022. So you need to be with it for five years. You can't just set and forget. It's going to change from phase to

phase. It's going to get more intense. But it's maximum inflection point is projected for the early 2020s.

Lauren: You can <u>click here</u> to get a copy of the new e-book, "<u>Countdown to Armageddon</u>," — to get all the details that we have discussed today.

Be sure to read his e-book. Soon it will go on sale for \$29.95. But right now, it's available for you to download or read for free. Please be sure to join us tomorrow at 2 o'clock Eastern time. I'm going to ask Sean about each of the investments he's recommending for all four phases of this crisis.

I'll ask him to name the ones to sell and a couple to buy right now. We'll get a sense of how each of these investments is likely to perform, how each one can help you and your family build wealth. Plus, tomorrow I'll ask Sean to give us an immediate plan of action to weather the coming storm. Thank you again for your time, gentlemen. We surely appreciate it. For *Institute* experts



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Sean Brodrick and Martin Weiss, I'm Lauren Hughes. Thank you for joining us today.

Part Three

The Windfall Profit Opportunity of a Lifetime



Lauren Hughes: Welcome to our third and final session with Edelson Institute's cycles expert, Sean Brodrick.

In our first interview, Mr. Brodrick made a startling revelation. The economic supercycle that predicted the Great Depression is now predicting that the most violent time of our financial lives is about to begin.

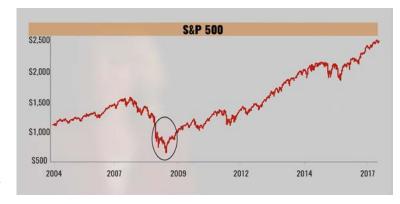
We also saw how remarkably accurate these cycles have been in predicting economic events.

We saw how they predicted the Great Depression of the 1930s as well as every calamity since.

We also saw how *The Edelson Institute* experts used cycles to predict nearly all major tops and bottoms in stocks, gold, and the economy in the last 40 years.

That included the stock market crash of 1987, the housing bust of

2008, the big stock market bottom of 2009, even the presidential victory of Donald Trump and the stock market rally that followed.



Yesterday, Mr. Brodrick painted a vivid picture

of the world he sees after October of this year. It's the picture of

a world gone mad, a world in which millions of people pay the price for their leaders' reckless debt creation.

It's a world in which everything about your life, how you earn money, spend, save, and invest is changed forever.

It is a world crippled by societal breakdown. Governments in or close to bankruptcy. Civil strife. Extreme division. Violent protests. And worse.

Today, Mr. Brodrick will help us take the third and final step in this journey. He will tell us what he is doing right now to insulate his family and his wealth.

He will name the one investment category to avoid like a plague. He will name two specific investments to buy right now. And he will detail his strategy for using this crisis to multiply your wealth in the difficult days ahead.

Thank you for joining us again, Sean.



Sean Brodrick: Thank you, Lauren. It's a pleasure to be here.

Lauren: Sean, you've painted a pretty bleak picture of this supercycle, the economic impact it's going to have — first on foreign countries, but

ultimately on all of us. After reading your e-book, "Countdown to Armageddon," I know that there is a lot we can do to protect ourselves and our investments and even multiply those investments.

Sean: For the majority of investors, it IS going to be bleak. But for those who are educated about what's coming, it's actually

going to be fairly easy to protect your wealth and even grow it. There will be PLENTY of opportunities to do so.

Lauren: You mentioned the four phases. Can you just review those for us?

Sean: Phase One is the one we're in right now, but it's coming to a quick end. It's a critical time, and it's a rare opportunity to prepare yourself and your money for what's coming. So you take the steps now that are needed to protect your wealth because come October, you're going to have very little time to do so.

Lauren: Oh, that's right around the corner!

Sean: Yeah, in a way, it's like waiting for a hurricane. You don't just wait until it's five miles offshore to take steps.

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amounts from Europe ... and before that, from Japan.

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Phase Four? That's when the crisis comes to America. That's when we finally pay the price for the largest orgy of debt in more than 5,000 years of human history.

That's when the crisis hits our government, financially and politically.

Lauren: So tell us, Sean. What should we invest in?

Sean: It depends on the phase. Each phase offers major profit opportunities, but each of those profit opportunities will be very different. They will require different tactics, different instruments, and different steps. It's like, in each phase, the music changes. So you have to change how you dance.

Lauren: So tell us: What are those steps?

Sean: In this phase — and the next two phases as well — the U.S. is still the safest safe haven on the planet.

There are ebbs and flows. But the big tide is huge amounts of fear money — that was the phrase Martin used, remember? Fear money flowing to U.S. shores. The fear money comes from countries embroiled in regional conflicts, civil conflicts, economic turmoil.

And soon, it will come from foreign countries with the biggest government debts. So, my first recommendation is this:

Do not make the mistake many investors are making.

Lauren: And what mistake is that?

Sean: Here's what they do: They see big trouble in North Korea. So, they sell their American shares and you see a dip in our market. Or they see a big threat somewhere else in the world.

So, they repeat that mistake. But in reality, the impact of conflicts overseas is exactly the opposite of



what it appears to be. Those conflicts just drive more of that fear money into U.S. assets.

Lauren: So why is so much money flowing this way?

Sean: Because the threats overseas are so frightening. And there's so much wealth seeking a safe haven. There's tremendous wealth not only in Japan and Europe, but think beyond that also — China and the Middle East and South Asia.

When they see their country or their region just being sucked into political or economic turmoil, that money doesn't go under a mattress or get shoved in a whole in the back yard. It seeks financial markets that are both deep and broad.

Lauren: Like the U.S. markets.

Sean: Like the U.S. markets, yes! The U.S. markets are the biggest, most liquid on the planet. Not just in stocks, but also in real estate.

So, the first thing to do is to own the investments that foreign investors will be buying.

Lauren: Such as?

Sean: Well, there are THREE broad categories.

But before I get to them, let me tell you about the LAST time this happened, OK? This was in the 1930s, during the Great Depression.

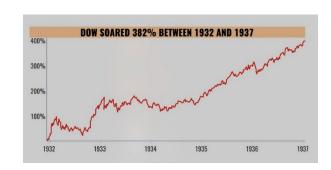
Then, we also had a supercycle convergence like we're going to have very soon. As most of Europe went bankrupt, large sums of money flowed to the United States, much as it has been flowing in this cycle.

And you know what the stock market did.

Lauren: It fell.

Sean: Well, Not quite. And I don't blame you for thinking that. But between 1932 and 1937, the U.S. stock market

rallied 382%.



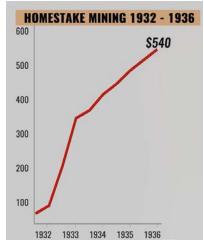
Lauren: Wow!

Sean: Yeah! Even with the high unemployment in the U.S., flight capital from overseas pushed U.S. stocks four times higher!

Now, what also happened is that investors were buying up gold like crazy. Gold and gold mining shares were among the biggest winners.

Homestake, which was one of the biggest gold miners of the time, rose from a bottom of \$65 per share to \$540 a share in 1936.

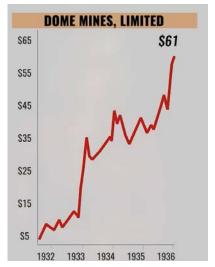
Lauren: THAT's impressive.



Sean: Yeah! Big, right? That was an astronomical gain of more than \$470 per share, or to put it another way, it increased sevenfold

Lauren: Amazing.

Sean: Dome Mining was another gold producer, and it did even better. You could have bought Dome for as little as \$6 a share



after the crash and then you could have cashed it in at \$61. That means, a person who put \$10,000 into Dome could have walked away with more than \$100,000. All this despite the fact that U.S. unemployment was rising at the time!

Lauren: Amazing. OK, so let's fast forward to the present then. Why do you think the same kind of thing will happen now?

Sean: The cycles really tell us. Socialist programs will collapse, especially in Japan

and Europe. European investors know that. Japanese investors, Middle Eastern investors, investors all over the world know that the U.S. stock market is the king of capitalism. Right? So, the U.S. stock market is going to do extremely well in the first three phases.

Lauren: How does that all tie in to the three broad categories that you mentioned?

Sean: OK. Category A is assets that cannot be confiscated. Remember, the coming debt crisis will hit the government, hit it hard. And the government will be seeking every way it can to gain control over wealth, even confiscating assets directly or indirectly.

Lauren: That's frightening.

Sean: Ironically, stocks are the least likely to be confiscated. That might seem counterintuitive, but no one is going to take away your shares in the bastions of capitalism, in Google and Facebook and IBM. Foreign investors know that. And that's the

type of asset that foreign investors will be chasing. We will own them BEFORE they chase them.

Lauren: And Category B?

Sean: Category B is investments everyone should own as hedges against a government crisis.

Lauren: Alternative assets like gold, silver, platinum, palladium, rare coins, and art. Tell us about that.

Sean: I see you're informed.

Lauren: I try to be. I read your stuff.

Sean: As a government crisis unfolds, alternate assets that are typically off the radar screens of most investors suddenly come into favor.

We've recently seen this in Europe and the United States because — I don't know if you've noticed, but art prices have gone through the roof.

Lauren: I've never seen anything like it.

Sean: Yeah! We recently saw a Picasso sell for \$179 million. A Basquiat painting sold for more than \$110 million, and that's the most ever paid for an American artwork.



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So the art market is red hot. The rare coin market is red hot. And the high-end jewelry market is off the charts. And this is

interesting: Why is that happening? Because when this historic shift hits the fan, you can put on a \$10 million necklace and get through security at the airport, and get on an airplane.

Lauren: I'd like to try that someday.

Sean: Yes. Maybe I couldn't pull it off so well.

But that's an important reason why these assets do very well. In the 1930s, as people were fleeing Europe, women were sewing threads of gold into their clothing to get out of Nazi Germany as the Nazis swept through.

They just wanted to take some kind of wealth with them. So these are the kinds of PORTABLE assets that can be rapidly turned into cash.

All right, those are the hardest of assets. But let's not forget the commodity COMPANIES. Food and water companies. Mining companies. Energy companies. And the ETFs that own them.

Now why? Because commodity companies are great crisis investments. They produce food. Fuel. Building materials. Things people need no matter what else is going on.

Now, this brings us to the boom in industrial metals. It's just revving up, but most people haven't noticed it yet. I call it "the secret rally." This year alone, lead is up 15%. Zinc is up 19%. Copper is up 21%. And aluminum is up a 22%.

Meanwhile, you've got companies that produce these metals that are giving you many TIMES those returns.

Lauren: That's a lot of amazing information that most of us don't have. Do you name them in your e-book?

Sean: I sure do.

Lauren: What is fueling their rise now?

Sean: It's all part of the Supercycle in commodities I wrote about many years ago, and it takes a long time to unfold. But now, there's something else we've talked about that's going to turbocharge that cycle. What I'm getting at is war and the threat of war!

Laura: We talked about that!

Sean: Yes, we talked about that with Martin yesterday. Civil wars. Regional wars. People don't realize that, in essence, nearly all the conflicts we see around the world today are a GRAB for natural resources. I'll give you some examples.

Russia grabs Crimea. Why? To control the massive oil reserves deep in the Black Sea. Those reserves could be as big as those in the North Sea back in its heyday.

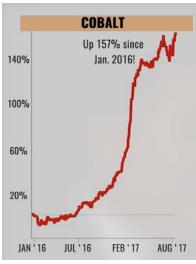
China is making a grab for islands in the South China Sea. Why? Because it has around 266 trillion cubic feet to natural gas reserves.

Persian Gulf countries — they're trying to gain control over the oil market by shutting out Iran.

This is bad news for the world.

But it's a fountain of massive profits for investors who know which commodities and which commodity companies to buy and when to buy them. When to act!

Lauren: For example?



Sean: For example, just look at energy metals. That is white-hot. The price of cobalt is up 157% since January 2016. And it's up 86% this year alone.

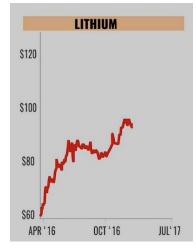
Lithium is also on a rocket ride. But again, the stocks in companies that produce those metals — they're soaring much higher.

That's driven by a megatrend, the shift to electronic vehicles.

This is a megatrend that will continue regardless of economic turmoil.

Just because there was a Great Depression in the 1930s, the world didn't stop switching over from horses to the internal combustion engine. It's the same thing today. So that's one megatrend.

I've left the asset class I love the best for last. Some people consider me a gold bug but I just like to think that I'm well informed. Gold and silver have served as mankind's ultimate crisis hedges for 5,000 years.



Lauren: Timeless.

Sean. Yes, at *The Edelson Institute*, we see gold bullion prices soaring to \$5,000 an ounce, even higher! And \$5,000 an ounce would be about a 330% increase.

If that sounds like a lot, silver? Silver could easily go to \$125, and that's a SEVEN hundred percent increase.

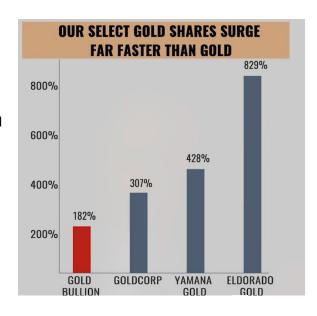
And when bullion prices skyrocket, the shares of companies that produce them? The can go even higher. I told you about how gold

shares like Homestake and Dome went through the roof in the 1930s.

Well we've seen similar episodes in our era, and they're just the beginning.

From October 2008 to September 2011 — I was there and I remember — gold bullion prices almost tripled in price. But if you bought shares in gold miners, you could have seen gains of, for example, four times your money in Goldcorp.

And if you owned Yamana Gold, a profit of five times your money. Eldorado Gold — nine times your money.



Lauren: You have to know the right gold to buy, too.

Sean: Mining shares do incredibly well because the miners are leveraged to the price of the underlying metal.

And, I like to get my boots dirty. So I have personally visited small and micro-cap miners in Mexico, in the Arctic and all over the Americas.

And I meet regularly with mining executives from all over the world. And the money those companies have made for investors? It's just much, much greater.



Lauren: Well, we appreciate you getting your boots dirty for us. So now, though, tell us about category C.

Sean: OK. Category C is speculation, and I know the thought of that scares some people, but it's a great way to make money especially in times coming up that we're talking about.

Big speculators during the Great Depression — people like Jesse Livermore, Bernard Baruch and even Martin's father, Irving Weiss —

Lauren: Really.

Sean: Yes. They all made huge fortunes. And I believe that this time around, speculators using judicious speculation and leverage — not doing crazy things, but making calculated risks — they will also be able to make a not-so-small fortune over the next five years.

That will require razor sharp timing and good recommendations. But crisis brings opportunity, and here's the key: When things are quiet, the trading ranges of markets are narrow.

But when the crisis hits, you're going to see much bigger, wilder swings. So that will give you great opportunities to get in and get out, or even go short.

The next five years for me is going to be what we in the market call a "speculator's dream." And for any investor who recognizes what's going on here, the profit opportunities are just going to be extraordinary.

Lauren: That's very encouraging, Sean. We need encouragement at this time. In your "Countdown to Armageddon" e-book, you walk us through a whole series of investment opportunities that you see over the next five years. Can you give us some of the highlights right here right now?

Sean: In Phases One and Two, you can go for profits of up to 500%.

Lauren: I like that.

Sean: You can do it when the overseas crisis drives massive amounts of capital into U.S. blue chips. And you can do it when the crisis drives still more money into U.S. real estate. You can do one or either or both.

Then, in Phase Three, you can go for still more profits as flight capital — fear money — from Europe drives U.S. investments even higher.

Some of the most amazing profits, though, they're going to come in Phase Four. Here's a story for you: Back during the Great Depression, Martin's father, Irving Weiss, borrowed \$500 from his mother.

Lauren: That was a lot of money back then.

Sean: That was a lot of money and a lot of money to borrow. Then he parlayed that small grub stake into six figures — \$100,000. In today's dollars, that's the equivalent of two million dollars.

And that was without much leverage! Investors today could do something similar in Phase Four.

Lauren: How many of the opportunities is that so far.

Sean: OK. I admit I lost count. But I think I've mentioned less than half so far?

Lauren: Well, that's OK. No problem because the rest are in your <u>e-book</u>. Sean, are you ready for this?

Sean: You're darn tootin' I'm ready, though. Because I've devoted most of my entire career to tracking cycles. We saw this coming years ago, and we've had a LOT of time to get ready for it. And the cycles say it's going to happen.

Lauren: Tell us now what you've recommended dumping and what you've recommended buying. Name some of those investments for us.

Sean: Well, I do that in our <u>e-book</u>. But for now, let me just tell you about three. The main investment that we've dumped is long-term government bonds.

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And man, what a great time to do so, right? I mean, their prices are sky high. Some might say ridiculously high.

A couple of investments that we've bought are the Lithium ETF, symbol LIT. Not many people know about that one. And what people do amount is GDX, the gold mining ETF. Those two have done great. But the stocks in those two sectors have done a lot better.

Lauren: Judging from your decades of very accurate forecasts, I'd say this whole idea is a pretty good bet. Plus, there's another thing I like about your new e-book. You show us how these events are going to affect our income, our savings, our investments, really our whole lives.

Sean: Exactly.

Lauren: Not only do you give details of the investments that we just discussed but you give us the strategies for using them,

which we all need. You show us how everyday investors, like myself, can just simplify everything and make it less complicated. It's all right there in the <u>e-book</u>. And it's free.

Sean: Well, free for now. That won't be the case when it goes to publication. Then it'll be selling for \$29.95.

Lauren: That's true. But you CAN read it online right now. You can just <u>click here</u>.

Sean: Yup. That's right. That's just what you can do.

Lauren: We've been warned. Sean and his team, the experts who called nearly every major economic investment event of the past 40 years have given us their forecasts for the next five years. They've told us what will happen. They've have told us when it will begin. They've explained what we can do to prepare, to protect, and even grow our wealth even as other investors lose everything.

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Sean, thank you again for your time.

Sean: I thank you for helping out.

Lauren: We truly appreciate your recommendations, your insights and the forecast that you've given us which will probably

make a huge difference in the lives of all our viewers. For Sean Brodrick and *The Edelson Institute*, this is Lauren Hughes.

Thank you for joining us, and as Dr. Weiss always says, good luck and God bless!



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