

THE *RELATIVE* MEANING OF THE WORD

SOON

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soon

adverb \ 'sūn, especially New England ' sun\

1. in or after a short time. "everyone will soon know the truth"

synonyms: shortly, presently, in the near future, before long, in a little while, in a minute, in a moment, in an instant, in a bit, in the twinkling of an eye, in no time, before you know it, any minute (now), any day (now), by and by; in a jiffy; "we'll be there soon"

The Universe is some 13.8 billion years old. Astronomers often refer to mature stars that are nearing the end of their lifecycle as having only a few *million* years left before they burn out. In astronomy, these stars will expire *soon*. The iconic 1970's band KANSAS summed up our astronomical existence in eight simple words, "*all we are is dust in the wind.*"

As a 15½ year old kid with a learning permit, I repeatedly asked my parents, "When can I buy my own car?" Their answer was always "soon." *Soon* in this case turned out to be about 14 months. And we soooo wanted a McDonald's in our town as kids, and we were repeatedly told by reputable sources that they would open a new restaurant downtown sometime *soon*. Well, it eventually happened, but not until after we had all left for college and relocated to new towns. And by that time we no longer had interest in McDonald's!

In our silver world, we can't go a day without hearing or reading our industry's pompous pundits chanting or ranting that some catastrophic or epic event will happen *soon*, with the intent to scare us into taking drastic protectionist measures to prepare for consequences from this impending event which will happen at any minute or day. Some of us are now decades into our silver addictions, and while the word *soon* may have gotten us excited on day 1, it doesn't anymore. Yet the pundits are still pompous as ever.

As our friend, and clearly **non**-pundit, Ted Butler, mentioned in his September 10th subscriber newsletter:

- "*The funny thing about the long term is that it takes forever to arrive, but when it does it seems early in coming.*"

Amen, brother! The reality is that things do take awhile to happen, and likely much longer than we had ever anticipated, but when they do happen, they happen quickly. While it seems that some things should happen right away based on how facts and conditions illustrate a situation, any world economic situation requires the public's acceptance before it can manifest to reality. Take our fiat currency that we call the dollar. A dollar is worth a dollar as long as folks trust that it is worth a dollar. While it is fundamentally now only worth the paper it is printed on, or more often just the electronic digit that it represents on a screen, until people lose trust in the concept and power of the dollar, it will continue to work and all will be good. But history tells us otherwise and that this loss of trust will happen some day in the near future, we just don't know how *soon* that will be.

Take the blatant ongoing COMEX & major bank fleecing of our financial systems and precious metals markets, and the public's ignorance to this. While the crooks likely know that they all should be in jail for their crimes, they also know that they can continue to get away with their fraud and manipulation with complete government protection and their rig game will continue to work, until it doesn't anymore. And that day will only materialize when the American public, and, more importantly, the rest of the civilized world wake up and recognize and truly understand what is going on. While that day should rationally and realistically be **soon**, it may not be anytime *soon* in relative terms.

Other factors may very well come into play to deliver the same outcome as a system failure, softly letting the crooks off the hook, be it acts of God, terrorism, hyper-inflation... *Soon* might be 5-10 years, maybe sooner, maybe later, but for all intents and purposes *soon*. The financial system is a lot like an old worn tire, treading on dangerous ground where it could blow out any second. But, then again, it may sustain for many years. Or like that old washing machine water line that should have been replaced 10 years ago and could easily rupture and flood the entire house, but it's still working just fine. If any expert looked at it they would say it would *soon* fail. But it doesn't. And it won't. Until it does. And when it does, it will do so 100% and with dire consequences, leaving absolutely no doubt in anyone's mind that the world has now and forever changed. Yes, that day is coming *soon*, in other words, sometime between now and 2 million years from now. Our hunch, not projection because we are punsters and not pundits, is that our financial markets will fail within 3-5 years. But we also know not to predict anything relating to the future and that it's probably too *soon* to tell what will happen in the near future, but we might have a better idea on Wednesday, November 9th. And *soon* doesn't necessarily mean impending doom, but quite possibly the opposite in financial **boon** if cards are played right.

As our favorite non-pundit baseball loving punster, Yogi Berra, once said:

- *"It's tough to make predictions, especially about the future."*

Regarding our favorite shiny metal, while the price Moonshot may not happen *soon* as in quickly, it will happen. And as Ted Butler stated, it will seem like we got there fast, considering... So, how soon **is** soon? Maybe tomorrow afternoon, or the next Blue Moon, call me a goon but I would be a buffoon to assume that a swoon opportune is close by in the room to harpoon. Patience is the greatest of all virtues. Keep stacking!

Back at you soon!

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