

Likes/Dislikes - July 5, 2019

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Below are Evergreen Gavekal's Likes/Dislikes for July 5, 2019.

OUR CURRENT LIKES AND DISLIKES

Changes highlighted in **bold**.

LIKE

- Large-cap growth (focus on lower P/E issues within this style; i.e., “growth at a reasonable price”)
 - Some international developed markets (especially Japan)
 - Publicly-traded pipeline partnerships (MLPs and other mid-stream energy securities) yielding 7%-15% (resume accumulation after the recent mini-correction)
 - Gold-mining stocks (buy less aggressively due to the recent rally)
 - Gold (same as with the miners)
 - Select blue chip oil stocks
 - One- to two-year Treasury notes
 - Canadian dollar-denominated short-term bonds
 - Short-term investment grade corporate bonds (1-2 year maturities)
 - Emerging market (EM) bonds in local currency (**accelerate accumulation due to the break of key support on the US dollar; USD weakness is positive for EM debt**)
 - Large-cap value (there are still bargains in this style, but not nearly as many as there were in late 2018)
 - Intermediate-term Treasury bonds (buying longer maturities less aggressively due to the recent big bond rally; however, we continue to see decent value in very high grade 3- to 7-year US bonds)
 - Silver (even more so than gold; buy more carefully after the recent surge)
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- Japanese Yen (buy cautiously after a big rally)
- Copper producers

NEUTRAL

- Most cyclical resource-based stocks
- Mid-cap growth
- Emerging stock markets; however, a number of Asian developing markets appear undervalued
- Canadian REITs
- Intermediate-term investment-grade corporate bonds, yielding approximately 4%
- US-based Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)
- Long-term investment grade corporate bonds
- Short euro ETF
- Small-cap growth
- Preferred stocks
- Mexican stocks (after a healthy rally, we have sold all of our REIT holdings)
- Cash
- Solar Yield Cos (PG&E risk is rising again; taking profits in one of the more Calif-exposed companies)
- **Intermediate municipal bonds with strong credit ratings (due to this year's powerful rally)**
- **Long-term municipal bonds**
- **Long-term Treasury bonds**

DISLIKE

- Small-cap value
- Mid-cap value
- Lower-rated junk bonds
- Floating-rate bank debt (junk)
- US industrial machinery stocks (such as one that runs like a certain forest animal, and another famous for its yellow-colored equipment)

- BB-rated corporate bonds (credit spreads widened significantly during the 4th quarter of 2018 but have declined sharply this year; we expect renewed widening in the months ahead) * **
- European banks
- Investment-grade floating rate corporate bonds (reducing exposure to these as Fed rate cuts are increasingly likely)
- US dollar

* Credit spreads are the difference between non-government bond interest rates and treasury yields.

** Some BB-rated issues are currently attractive despite our spread-widening fears.

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