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Emerging markets: Is now the time?

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Are the emerging equity and fixed income markets going to do well again? As of this writing (December 2013), we have seen U.S. equities post returns in excess of 20 percent while equities and bonds in the emerging markets have shown a loss for 2013.

The U.S. economy has been improving over the last four years, and now the European economies are showing signs of stabilization and improvement, too. Meanwhile, many other parts of the world continue to struggle. The U.S. dollar is strong; global commodity demand is weak, and inflation is at a minimum. These factors, as well as others, have pushed emerging market equities and fixed-income prices lower over the last 12 months.

Most investors do not have significant exposure in emerging market equities, let alone emerging market bonds. This might be where an opportunity presents itself to investors. Most investors have flocked to U.S. equities in the last year and pushed U.S. markets to full valuation. With U.S. markets at all-time highs, it might be time to rebalance and invest a portion of the portfolio elsewhere.

The expectations are that interest rates will remain low and may go lower in the emerging markets. If global growth remains tentative, and we do not have inflation, it is unlikely that rates will move higher in the emerging markets. This might mean an opportunity to lock in yields in emerging market bonds at 5.5 percent to 6.5 percent while the 10-Year Treasury is around 2.7 percent today. If we have continued anemic growth in the emerging markets, and rates go lower, you could see price appreciation in those bonds that complements the yield. **Over the next few years, as interest rates move higher in the U.S. and put pressure on U.S. bond prices, emerging markets will be an excellent way to diversify the fixed income portion of your portfolio.**

The global economic recovery is showing some pockets of strength. The continued recovery in the United States and European economies should start to support growth in China and other emerging economies. In 2013 China's GDP data only showed a mild slowdown in comparison to that of 2012. It's expected that China's growth will continue to slow over the next few years as its economy continues to mature. But as global growth improves and commodity usage increases, those factors should improve the economies of such countries as China and Brazil.

I would take emerging equity and fixed income market declines as opportunities to add these investments in a portfolio. They are a very volatile part of the market, but I would consider them a buying opportunity, as those markets look like a value.

We will need improved global growth from the United States and Europe to pull the emerging markets with us. They will eventually rise with the tide, and I believe this opportunity is getting closer.

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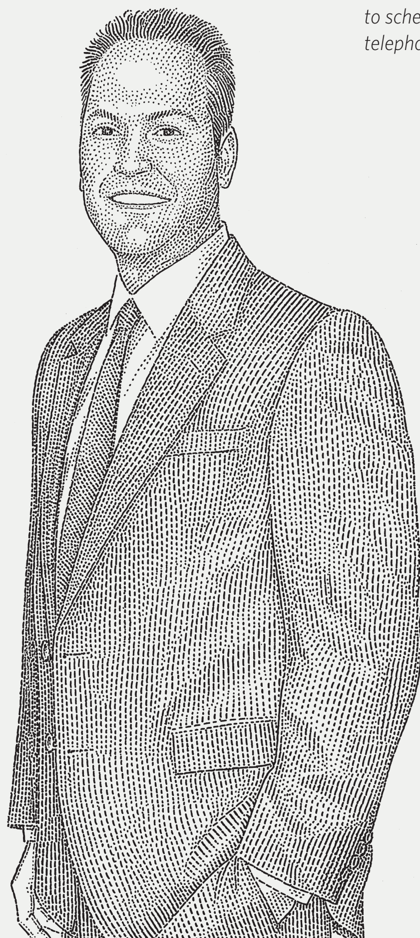

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