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What's so special about America?

While that may seem like an easy question to answer, it's actually not. Moreover, the real answer is not just a matter of patriotic and lyrical bromide, e.g., it's the "land of the free and the home of the brave."

No, the answer is much, much deeper.

In my opinion, the real answer to the question of why America is so special is because it is Americans who essentially invented one of the most brilliant concepts humans ever came up with.

And what is that concept?

Here, I will use a passage from my favorite novel, "Atlas Shrugged" by Ayn Rand, to elucidate the answer:

"If you ask me to name the proudest distinction of Americans, I would choose—because it contains all the others—the fact that they were the people who created the phrase 'to make money'. No other language or nation had ever used these words before; men had always thought of wealth as a static quantity—to be seized, begged, inherited, shared, looted or obtained as a favor. Americans were the first to understand that wealth has to be created. The words 'to make money' hold the essence of human morality."

"To make money."

Hey, I told you, the idea is much deeper than conventional wisdom.

You see, America was founded on the principle of the supremacy of individual rights, i.e., the state isn't in control of its citizens, the citizens are in control of the state.

And while that beautifully moral and liberating idea has suffered mightily over the past two-and-a-half centuries, due to the encroachment of bad

collectivist ideas, the truth of this principle remains salient today, and the idea that Americans still understand the words “to make money” is the essence of what makes us special.

Interestingly, the term “to make money” has taken on another, more literal, meaning over the past decade and a half.

And, to be very precise, the term “to make money,” was taken to its literal extreme, and actually became a reality on January 3, 2009.

It was on this date that the Bitcoin network was created, and it started when the mysterious creator of Bitcoin, (possibly even a group of individuals) known as Satoshi Nakamoto, created the first block of the “blockchain” that then “mined” the first Bitcoin.

Now, I won’t get into the technical details of Bitcoin and how the blockchain technology works or how Bitcoin is created, as that is not the purpose of this report.

What is the purpose of this report is to ensure that you understand that Bitcoin and related cryptocurrencies are a brilliant creation by brilliant minds that treat the American essence of “to make money,” literally.

Another literal truth here is that cryptocurrencies, or simply crypto, such as Bitcoin, Ethereum, Binance, Solana, XRP and others are what I like to call “America’s freedom multiplier” when it comes to enhancing the performance of your investment portfolio.

What’s a “freedom multiplier,” you may be asking?

This is a term I’ve borrowed from my time in the military, and it’s a twist on a concept known as the “force multiplier.”

A force multiplier describes an occupational specialty, or a specialized unit that, by its very nature, can multiply the effectiveness of the entire force.

For example, in an infantry unit, a sniper can multiply the effectiveness of a force by providing precision marksmanship that can neutralize an opposing force with minimal manpower.

Another example is a Special Operations unit, say a Special Forces A-Team, that can conduct missions that neutralize an opposing force and/or go behind enemy lines to disable an enemy command.

These units can also act as a force multiplier by training-up local and/or indigenous fighting forces so that they can more effectively combat the enemy.

So, if we think of investing as a constant battle for bigger and bigger gains, then having a force multiplier, or, in our case, a “freedom multiplier” in our arsenal is definitely a tool that can be used to win that war.

And when it comes to what I call “America’s freedom multiplier,” what better tool than an asset class designed, “to make money”?

Crypto: Currency or Commodity?

“Jim, is cryptocurrency such as Bitcoin an actual currency, or is it more like a commodity?”

This is a question I was asked recently by an inquisitive friend (the only type of friends I choose), and it’s a very good one. I say that, because despite its existence for over 15 years, Bitcoin is still not very well understood.

Yes, investors have benefited from the digital currency (or is it a commodity?) for much of that decade and a half, but the debate still rages on whether there’s a future for Bitcoin, and for the slew of other cryptos, and what that future might be.

Indeed, there is even a big question as to just how to classify the asset, hence that good question I fielded from my friend.

The way I look at Bitcoin, and other cryptocurrencies, is that it’s an asset class (possibly a hybrid between a currency and a commodity), that offers tremendous upside to investors with a stable constitution that allows them to benefit from the upside in this innovative technology.

Indeed, the goal of the early proponents of the Bitcoin/blockchain technology saw it as a way of moving monetary policy out of the hands

of governments and central banks and into an autonomously managed system.

Think about that for a moment.

This removal of currency from government is a dream state for a libertarian mind such as mine, and of course, I am by far the only one who sees this as a most laudable societal development.

And hey, what is more American than to extricate its citizenry from the heavy hand of government control?

We did it with the British monarchy in 1776, and we began to do so monetarily on January 3, 2009, with the advent of Bitcoin.

Still the question remains: Bitcoin: currency or commodity?

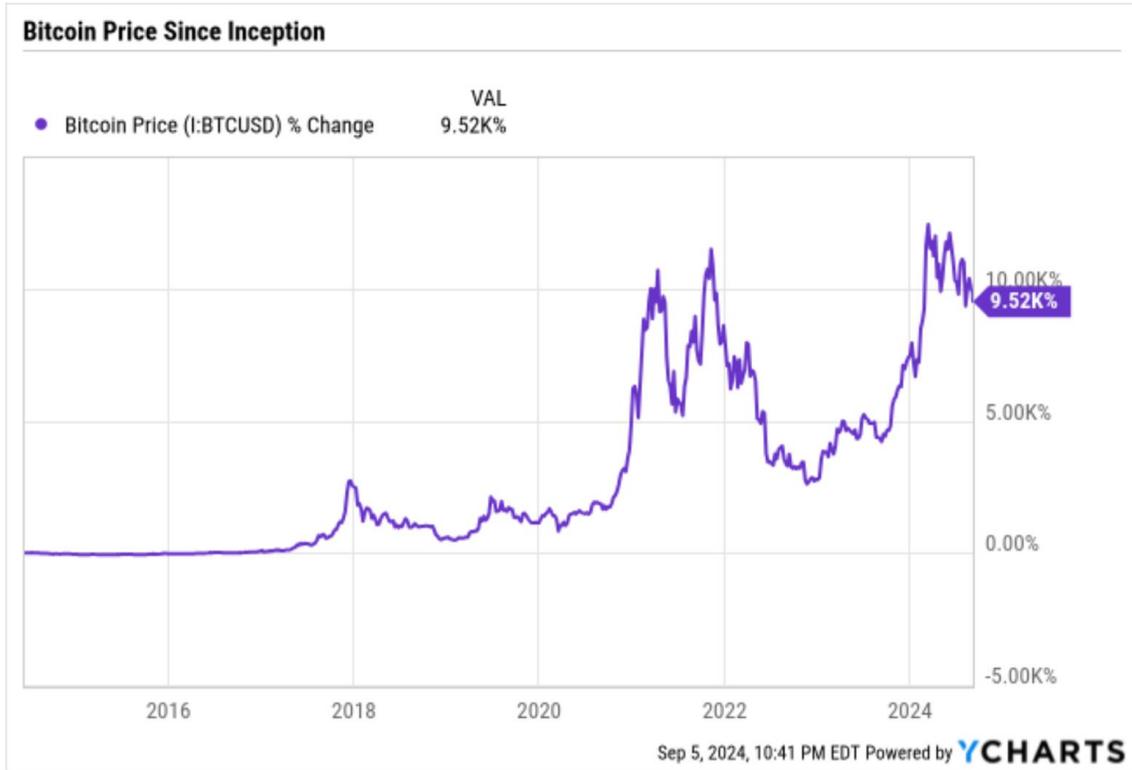
Now, while you can buy goods and services with Bitcoin, the problem, practically speaking, is that the price of Bitcoin fluctuates much more like a commodity than a currency. That makes its purchasing of goods and services quite impractical.

Perhaps, at some point, Bitcoin and other cryptos will become monetary tools of exchange that are as widely used as dollars, euros, pounds, yen, francs, dineros, etc.

Until then, however, I think about cryptos more for their freedom multiplier effect that we can use to increase portfolio alpha.

How much alpha are we talking about?

The chart here shows the incredible “up and to the right” trajectory of Bitcoin since it began trading.



Yes, you are reading that percentage gain figure, 9,520%, correctly. Perhaps, even more telling, performance wise, is when you look at the year-by-year performance of Bitcoin since inception. The table below shows just that, with data provided by the website [Bankrate.com](https://www.bankrate.com).

BITCOIN RETURNS BY YEAR

YEAR	RETURN
2009	N/A
2010	30,203%*
2011	1,467%
2012	187%
2013	5,870%
2014	-61%
2015	35%
2016	124%
2017	1,338%
2018	-73%
2019	94%
2020	302%
2021	60%
2022	-64%
2023	156%

* Based on 2009 price from New Liberty Standard Exchange
Source: Calculations based on data from Investing.com

As you can see, there have only been three years when Bitcoin traded lower. And yes, in those three years the declines were, admittedly, steep. But taken

as a whole, there is absolutely no denying the reality that this cryptocurrency has been a force multiplier for investors who smartly, and tactically, traded this currency, or commodity, or whatever you choose to call it.

I choose to call it a tremendous opportunity in one of the biggest and best freedom multipliers that's come along in decades—possibly ever.

If you are an investor looking for more alpha (and aren't we all), then you simply **MUST** use this freedom multiplier in your portfolio.

If you aren't, then you are only sabotaging your future self.

The Old-School Freedom Multipliers Still Deliver

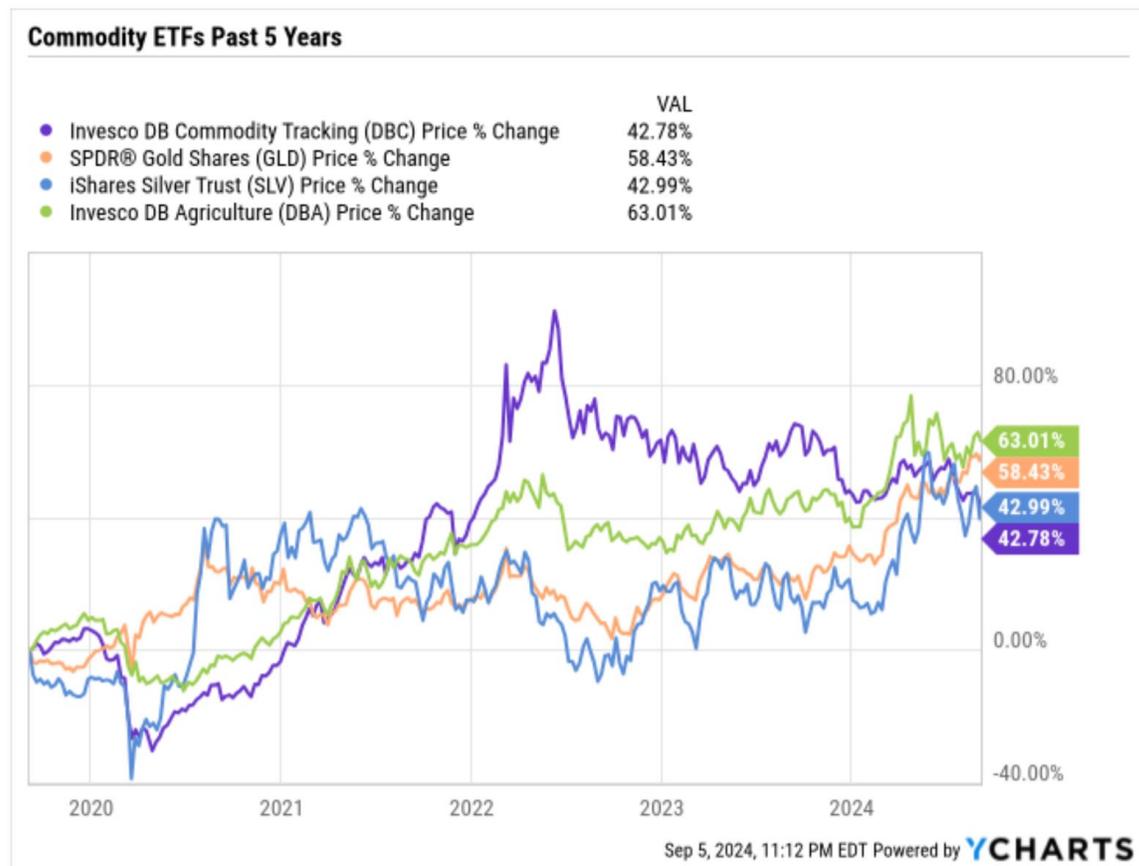
The older I get, the more “old school” I tend to be. And now that I've been on the planet for nearly six decades, I have a lot of nostalgia to draw upon.

That's why when I think about investing in different asset classes, I not only embrace the new freedom multipliers such as crypto, but I also embrace the old-school freedom multipliers that are commodities.

I am referring here to gold, silver, copper, lithium, oil, natural gas, aluminum, zinc, copper, corn, wheat, soybeans, sugar—and multiple other agricultural and industrial commodities used in making the world suitable for man's use.

Indeed, it takes the genius of man's mind and the implementation of thought and action devoted to the mastery of the elements to turn what the earth gives us into what we need to live successfully on the earth.

That principle alone is reason enough to have commodities in your portfolio, but the other, more salient reason, is that invested in properly—with the tactical and technical skill required for success—commodities can also be an amazing freedom multiplier in the service of your money.



The chart here shows the moves in four of the most widely held, commodity exchange-traded funds (ETFs): Invesco DB Commodity Tracking ETF (DBC), SPDR Gold Shares (GLD), iShares Silver Trust (SLV) and Invesco DB Agriculture ETF (DBA).

These funds, on their own, have delivered big alpha for investors. However, for the real freedom multiplier effect, just think if you were able to successfully employ leverage on these big winners with the tactical use of options to enhance your positions.

In my new service, *Jim Woods' Crypto & Commodities Trader*, we will be doing just that.

Each week, I will provide you with trades and portfolio recommendations designed to exploit the freedom multiplier potential of the best crypto and commodities funds to own, at the right time, and with the right leveraged instruments.

Sometimes we may use call options or leveraged ETFs to take advantage of a particular crypto or commodities trend. Sometimes we will buy stocks of individual companies that are in the crypto and commodities segments, because with any given asset class there are always companies that exist to create, service or facilitate that crypto or commodity.

The way I see it, we will use whatever tools at our disposal to effectively create that freedom multiplier effect, because why wouldn't we use whatever tools and techniques required to win the battle for bigger alpha?

One of my heroes, the great martial arts master, Bruce Lee, once commented that when it comes to styles and techniques from various martial arts, the only thing that matters is whether they will help you win a fight.

When it comes to investing in crypto and commodities for alpha, I feel exactly the same.

As an investor, you're in a fight to grow your capital in the very best ways possible. And if using crypto and commodities and related assets allows you to do that, then you should definitely use it.

Like Bruce says—if it helps you win a fight, you should use it.

So, welcome to the fight, and welcome to America's freedom multiplier via *Jim Woods' Crypto & Commodities Trader*.

In the name of the best within us,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jim Woods". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J" and "W".

Jim Woods

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Biography



Jim Woods is the editor of *Successful Investing*, *Bullseye Stock Trader*, *The Deep Woods*, *High Velocity Options*, and his newest trading service, *Crypto & Commodities Trader*. He is a 30-plus-year veteran of the markets with varied experience as a broker, hedge fund trader, financial writer and newsletter editor.

His books include co-authoring, “Billion Dollar Green: Profit from the Eco Revolution,” and “The Wealth Shield: How to Invest and Protect Your Money from Another Stock Market Crash, Financial Crisis or Global Economic Collapse.” He has also ghostwritten many books and articles as well as edited content for some of the investment industry’s biggest luminaries.

His Top Pick was the #1 Performing Stock out of 120 in the MoneyShow’s 2022 Top Pro’s’ Top Picks Report. His pick led the way out of the picks of the nation’s leading financial experts.

His articles have appeared on many leading financial websites, including InvestorPlace.com, Main Street Investor, MarketWatch, Street Authority, Human Events and many others.

Jim formerly worked with *Investor’s Business Daily* founder William J. O’Neil, helping author training courses in the CANSLIM stock-picking methodology.

In the five years from 2009 to 2014, the independent firm TipRanks ranked Jim the No. 4 financial blogger in the world (out of more than 9,000). TipRanks calculates that during that period, he made 378 successful recommendations out of 506 total, earning a success rate of 75% and a +16.3% average return per recommendation.

He is known in professional and personal circles as “The Renaissance Man,” because his expertise includes such varied fields as composing and performing music, Western horsemanship, combat marksmanship, martial arts, auto racing and bodybuilding.

Jim holds a BA in philosophy from the University of California, Los Angeles, and is a former U.S. Army paratrooper. A self-described “radical for capitalism,” he celebrates the virtue of making money from his Southern California horse ranch.