

FIXING THE AMERICAN ECONOMY

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The American economy is in trouble. What can we do to fix it?

For this week's briefing Major General Robert (Bob) Dees is back with Kevin Freeman in the Economic War Room® to discuss the greatest threat to America.

As a military strategist, General Dees understands the key elements of national power. He warns the dynamics are shifting and while the economy was seen as a soft power tool it is now shifting to a major conflict threat. We are in an Economic War, while some recognize this, others prefer to ignore and continue with business-as-usual mentality. Even worse, crony capitalism has some putting profits over country.



The moral aspects of our economy have been forgotten. America's economy is in trouble and now is the time to do all we can to turn it around. In addition, the national debt continues climbing and the nation's leaders preach equity. What does this really mean? How do we turn the country around from the damaging practices that hinder opportunity for all Americans?

Your Mission: To stand for Moral Democratic Capitalism and fiscal responsibility.

While this mission looks impossible, we believe by working together, Main Street America can still make a difference. Together we represent a louder voice through our investments, spending and giving.

Ep. 4-145 (OSINT) Open-Sourced Intelligence Special Report. This includes conversations with Kevin Freeman and Major General (Retired) Robert F. "Bob" Dees served for 31 years in the U.S. Army in a wide variety of command and staff positions culminating in his last three assignments as Assistant Division Commander for Operations, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault); Commander, Second Infantry Division, United States Forces Korea; and as Deputy Commanding General, V (US/GE) Corps in Europe, concurrently serving as Commander, US-Israeli Combined Task Force for Missile Defense. Commissioned a second lieutenant after graduating from West Point in 1972, he is also a graduate of the Naval Postgraduate School, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, and the Royal College of Defense Studies in London, England.

Following military retirement in January 2003, General Dees served as Executive Director, Defense Strategies, Microsoft Corporation; followed by leadership of Military Ministry, a non-profit outreach to the military. While authoring The Resilience Trilogy (Resilient Warriors, Resilient Leaders, and Resilient Nations), he pioneered resilience programs for the military and beyond as Associate Vice President for Military Outreach, Adjunct Professor, and Director of the nation's first Institute for Military Resilience at Liberty University. His Resilience Trilogy books are textbooks for Psychology, Counseling, Business, Religion, and Government courses at Liberty University. He has also authored Resilience God Style, an associated Resilience God Style Study Guide, a Resilience God Style Video Series, and a Resilience God Style Training Game.

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"Without Moral Democratic Capitalism we end up with crony capitalism or something worse."

-Kevin Freeman



1. General Dees shares a military perspective on Economic Warfare. It is critical we all understand the economy is a crucial factor in a nation's power.

The military teaches about all the elements of national power.

PMESII-PT is an acronym developed in the United States military that stands for:

Political, Military, Economic, Social, Information, Infrastructure, Physical Environment, and Time.

With all that is happening in Global economies today, **Economic power** is taking precedence. China sees this and there is a reason they have set to be the Global Economic Superpower!

"The economy is always a critical element there, some determine it to be a soft element of national power. But in this day and age, I don't think so. I think the primary domain for conflict is the economy." -Major General Bob Dees

ALERT: Today, the most important element of the acronym PMESII-PT is the economy!



The Economy has not always been the priority within our military. Gaps have existed as our military and Treasury departments were not clear regarding who is responsible for potential economic warfare being waged against the US.

Kevin Freeman addressed the Pentagon with the issues of the financial crisis in 2008.

"We were under economic attack. The Russians and others were manipulating the markets and doing other things to try and harm our economy. But most of the people I talked to within the Pentagon didn't get that. They said, 'that's not in our swimming lanes. We don't understand that.' I felt that was a real deficit in our national strategic leadership." –Kevin Freeman



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2. The national debt may be the greatest threat to America today!

As we continue to deficit spend and build entitlements, it is a national security risk.

"We are a debtor nation to China and other nations around the world, and if we apply our largesse or what Gibbons (in **Decline and Fall**) would call 'immoderate greatness' to giving everything to everyone, then we create this dependency and we're going downhill as a nation." – Major General Bob Dees

Today, we have seen a geometric increase in the national debt started under President George W. Bush's administration and it only continues to get worse!

"If the government had to present their books the same way a corporation does (including unfunded liabilities, pensions offered, Medicare, and so forth), the debt is over \$100 trillion. Our tax revenues are in the \$3 trillion to \$4 trillion range and our reported spending is in the \$4 trillion to \$5



trillion range. Plus, the president just announced \$6 trillion of additional new programs." – Kevin Freeman

In General Dees book, **Resilient Nations**, he defines 10 elements of American exceptionalism. He analyzed the United States in epics of history. It starts going down drastically in 2001. **That was not because of any moral factors** (they hadn't changed in a major way at that time) and George Bush was the president. But **it was because of the significant debt profile that we started to build up under his administration.** And then it only got worse and worse and worse.

- 3. The country is addicted to low interest rates. What happens to our budgets if interest rates are forced to increase?
 - Interest rates have fallen dramatically, first from 2008-2009, and then secondly from the pandemic where the Federal Reserve bought a lot of US Treasury debt and pushed interest rates down.
 - » A normal interest rate in our lifetime has been in the 5-10% range for US Treasury rates.
 - » A 5% interest rate on \$30 trillion is \$1.5 trillion in interest expense alone per year. A 10% rate would eat up virtually all our tax revenues in a year.



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"It's almost like crack. We are addicted to these lowinterest rates, and we are doing things that are not logical economically." -Major General Bob Dees

4. The Chinese are waging warfare against our economy!

As America continues to assume it will always be an economic superpower, China has another agenda. Unfortunately, it appears many in our capital markets are going along with China's plan.

China has a command economy and a heavily militarized society and devotes far greater dollars per capita to analyzing and looking at the specifics of the United States.

"China probably has a tenfold of application of labor, manpower, and resources looking at us and trying to figure out this warfare against us."

-Major General Bob Dees

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WARNING: Xi Jinping's goal? To de-Americanize the world!

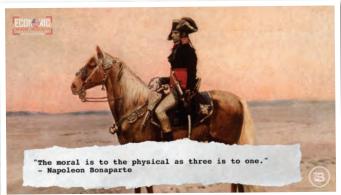
"I think in 2008, our primary enemy was Russia economically. The Chinese at that point were not prepared to take us on. In 2013, that switched. Xi Jinping decided that they wanted to de-Americanize the world and China, which had been waging unrestricted warfare, really ramped up the economic portion." – Kevin Freeman

5. There is a moral component of our economy that many have forgotten. It is critical to winning this war.

America is facing a war on two fronts – both domestic and foreign. The solution ties back to morality.

General Dees shares his insights on the solutions to the Economic War we are facing:

Let's look at Napoleon, and he wasn't known for his economic greatness, perhaps, but he was a great strategist. He said, "the moral is to the physical as three is to one." That applies in all areas.



KEY INSIGHT: THE MORAL IS 3X AS IMPORTANT!



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Example:

"You can teach a soldier how to fire his weapon. That's the skill, but the harder part, the moral aspect of it is the will. When do you fire your weapon? When don't you fire your weapon? How did you deal with the moral consequences of that?"

In an economic example, "Why we are doing what we are doing is far more important than the skills or the training or just making the profits."

- Major General Bob Dees

If America does not have a moral component to our economy, this will lead to crony capitalism and other harmful economic avenues.

- → Without a moral economy we go into crony capitalism.
- → Some could ruin the environment in order to make a short-term profit.
- → Others might profit at the expense of society or the individual.
- → Moral Democratic Capitalism respects individuals, their rights, and their pursuit of happiness. In fact, capitalism requires this respect for individuals and rights. If it is done morally, it is good for all!
- 6. Economic War Room's focus is on the importance of Moral Democratic Capitalism.

In a free-market capitalist society, equal opportunity should be the priority over equal outcomes.



WARNING: "The only way to get equality of outcome is to dumb everything down, take it to the lowest common denominator." – Kevin Freeman

The Fallacy of Equal Outcomes:

Fairfax County, Virginia, is taking away advanced mathematics because of the perception that it disadvantages some people.

This is a perfect example of the equal outcomes that some people are seeking, but if no one has to learn math in fear of it being considered racist, who is going to make the next leaps and bounds in these areas of study?



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Contrast this to the movie, *Hidden Figures*, it was black women who used their knowledge of math to send people to the moon!

General Dees reflects back while working on Dr. Ben Carson's campaign and the great African American inventors.

"When we would be out on the campaign trail, Dr. Carson would go into rock and roll about African American inventors, entrepreneurs, and mathematicians. He would go on for like ten minutes in a speech.

The 'Real McCoy' is an example! McCoy was an African American that invented all these wonderful things!" – Major General Bob Dees



ATTENTION: We need to call people to the highest and the best. This racism of low expectations, soft racism, really is damaging.

7. The importance of moral leadership.

While there are formulas for success, leadership makes a difference. General Dees shares:

- We must hold ourselves and our elected officials to the standard of truth!
- We should strive to be principled collaborators for change, and we should strive to be selfless public servants.
- Developing moral leaders and electing moral leaders is important.
- » Helping and equipping others is important for a great society.

Case Study - An example of moral leadership and helping others.

General Dees launches the National Center for Healthy Veterans, just a few miles from Liberty University.

General Dees strives to provide leadership and help equip others through this new organization to help veterans. Our veterans have pledged their lives for our freedom,



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security, and prosperity. Healthy veterans are productive members of society, good employees, and positive role models!!

The Problem: Not all our veterans are healthy after their service and General Dees wanted to be part of the solution.

At the National Center for Healthy Veterans, Major General Bob Dees teaches veterans the principles of personal finance and how to be healthy and productive in their post-military life.

Personal Finance is a key component to helping them achieve post-military success.

Summary of the Situation:

- We find that sometimes our military blue-collar workers in particular are financially illiterate for whatever reason.
 - → Perhaps their family didn't teach them; perhaps they didn't learn it in school.
 - → Then, when you get into the military you don't have time to think about those things.
 - → In some cases, some of these men and women are suddenly out of the military and perhaps they've had a little war trauma or are having a tough time transitioning.
 - → On top of all these factors, if you don't know how to manage your money, these individuals can be in dire straits because now their moving into a new profession.
 - → They are going to be accruing some wealth, or some money at least, and you have to know how to deal with it or you'll end up in a bad place.



Some of the best and brightest Americans are our American military and our veterans, yet not all of them are financially literate.



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"An interesting expression within the military is, 'if you don't think logistics or economics are important, then when you get hungry in the next war, call your mama.'

The point is, there are these things that are less glamorous, such as financial literacy and financial management that are necessary conditions for successful living."—Major General Bob Dees

Key Problems Today: Veteran suicide rates and mental health struggles are alarming.

- The active-duty military and veteran suicide rates are higher than ever in recorded history.
- We had thrown billions of dollars at it and the problem has gotten worse.
- More veterans have committed suicide in the past 10 years than the number of combat deaths in the Vietnam War. Our veterans need America, and America needs healthy veterans.

Part of the Solution: The National Center for Healthy Veterans is a comprehensive scalable solution and a unique strategic initiative that will have national impact and return healthy Veterans to America.

The National Center for Healthy Veterans is a unique combination of:

- » Natural healing environment
- » State-of-the-art technologies
- » Proven faith-based recovery programs
- » Power of veterans in community

"At the National Center for Healthy Veterans, we have faith-based trauma recovery and life skills programs. We teach them courses on resilience, trauma recovery, and career preparation, which includes this economic piece we're talking about. One of the primary causes or factors of suicide is isolation. So, they live in villages. Twenty tiny homes in a community center for a village, times five, a hundred total on our property. And we put them through a year of our curriculum and then put them back out on the track to do well. We need referrals, not only referrals of people that can help us with resources, but referrals of veterans to come to us that need what we're doing. We have a one-year residential program."

—General Dees



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Economic War Room would like to thank General Dees for his moral leadership! America needs moral leadership like this across America. He recognized something is not right and a different approach was needed. That was the birth of the strategy for the National Center for Healthy Veterans.

Their facility is growing today in Virginia, not far from Liberty University. You can learn more and help here:

https://www.healthyveterans.org/

America is thankful and needs her veterans!



8. A unique battlefield and a way for the NSIC to support Veterans.

The NSIC is a great way to work with veterans, give them a purpose to help continue the fight.

- » They've been in the military serving America.
- They can continue the fight for American principles and values.
- They go to the next level and they're helping people take their money and use it in an investment way as well. Spending and giving that'll help save America.

The battlefield is not always a literal space. In fact, our mantra in the Economic War Room is:

What we see MARKETPLACE our enemies view BATTLESPACE as a BATTLESPACE



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Our veterans inherently understand warfare and now we are talking about unique types of warfare. Part of it is economic warfare and part of it is cultural warfare. Our veterans are well suited to go into those spaces and make a significant difference." – Major General Bob Dees

We're in an economic war. We're going to need great strategic thinkers to help us win this economic war. And it's going to come down to individuals and how they invest. It's going to come down to whether or not we save America.

Thank you, General Dees, for what you are doing. The NSIC is honored to include General Bob Dees as a thought leader within our ongoing training.

Many retired military veterans move into the financial services industry and the NSIC wants to leverage their talent in this area, so it is a great fit.



"What I love about that is that veterans make ideal financial advisors. At Templeton, my boss was a West Point grad. He graduated in 1964, I think, and he served in Vietnam, as an Army Ranger. When he got out, he could live wherever you wanted to. Captain Ledzinski wanted to live in California. So, he set up in Carmel/Monterey area and began a financial planning practice. And as a quick study, he learned the financial business, and he became one of the top financial planners in the country." -Kevin Freeman

- 9. Economic War Room NSIC training plans to educate 10,000 financial advisors over the next several years. They could represent as much as \$1 trillion of investable capital!
 - That's enough money to change the trajectory of America!
 - That is why we developed the NSIC Institute. To serve clients who believe in the future of liberty and this great nation.

NSIC stands for National Security Investment Consultant. We believe our money should be weaponized to preserve our Liberty, Security, and Values.



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Once advisors complete our training course, they can join the NSIC Institute and work with other like-minded advisors to find new and better solutions for America. This is truly revolutionary! It is how we win the Economic War already underway.

We've teamed with top experts in multiple fields to get this launched. Don't forget to nominate your financial advisor at EconomicWarRoom.com/advisor. This training is offered by invitation only so nominating your advisor is the first step.

Why You Should Care:

- » Economic Warfare is being waged against you.
- China's Xi Jinping's goal is to "de-Americanize the world."
- China has massive resources dedicated to how they can take down America.
- » The national debt may be our biggest liability and it can be used against us.
- » America is losing its moral compass.
- » Crony capitalism is working against US interest in many cases.
- » Moral Leadership is important and we need selfless public servants.
- We need Moral Democratic Capitalism with equal opportunity, not equality.
- You can make a difference weaponizing your money in your investing, spending and giving.
- We can equip veterans to continue the battle on the economic front.

Action Steps:

- 1. Stand for Moral Democratic Capitalism. Ask yourself, do you see something around you that is not right? How can you make a difference even if it is something small? You are one of the small ships that can make a difference. America needs moral and selfless leadership.
- 2. Consider if you want to help make a difference out veterans that in many cases have given their all for your freedom. Learn more at https://www.healthyveterans.org/.
- 3. Read General Dees' book https://resiliencegodstyle.com/ and sign up for the newsletter or check out their other resources.

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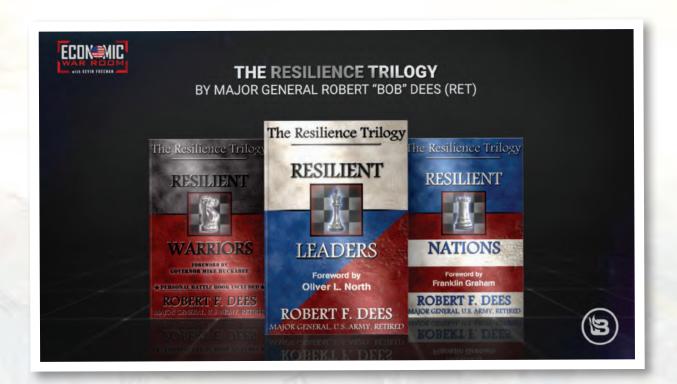


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- 4. Hold your elected officials to the standard of truth. Maintain your moral leadership and vital optimism, even during the dark times.
- 5. Is one of your callings to weaponize your money? You control your giving, spending, and investing. Nominate your financial advisor to attend our Founders' class coming soon.
 - Investing, we suggest you get a like-minded financial advisor. We've done surveys and a clear majority of investors want an advisor who matches with their political and cultural beliefs. Unfortunately, Wall Street is pushing for you to just take what they offer and then sets about to force a leftist agenda on you.

"If your advisor isn't willing to match your investments with your values, send them to us for training and education. If they won't do that, I can promise you that there are lots of other advisors looking for new clients." -Kevin Freeman





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In the **Economic War Room®**, we encourage Americans to be the "small ships that make the difference." You cannot solely rely on the government or the president to solve America's problems. You have to make a difference. It is up to you to help take our country back and create a voice for economic liberty. [The small ships are based on Churchill's Operation Dynamo that rescued the British Expeditionary Forces in the Miracle of Dunkirk.

We need more Economic Patriots on the team! Consider what you can do now to help strengthen America or even help someone in need. Keep in touch with your congressional representatives. Choose from the list or set your own goals:

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- √ You are welcome to share this battle plan and our short video segments with friends on <u>FB</u> or <u>YouTube</u>. We set up the Economic War Room® to be your resource for information, preparation, and mobilization.
- √ Do this now! Have a financial action plan based on multiple geopolitical scenarios developed now. Advanced preparation is key. Trying to figure what to do when an economic event happens is usually too late.



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Shareable Quote:

"China likely has a tenfold of application of labor, manpower, and resources trying figure out warfare against the U.S.A."

- Paraphrased from General Robert Dees

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