

The Pan[ic]demic is a Rahm-portunity

As usual, I will assume my readers were not caught with their pants down when this coronavirus cold pan[ic]demic erupted. You're *smarter* than most people.

It isn't my intention to add to the panic with my previous posts on the local effects (link and link), but just to observe that being prepared for the unknown is *always* smarter than being unprepared. It's also my pat on the back to you for not being caught up in the panic.

Most of the people I see pushing the pan[ic]demic narrative are government-supremacists. They want government to save them in some way. They want government to do more and crack down on liberty a little harder to save us from this virus. Some of them want to punish you if you don't go along with whatever "plan" comes out of this Rahm-portunity.

If you don't panic you foil their scheme. If you were prepared all along so that this doesn't even require a change to your routine you've probably spoiled their whole day. They *need* you to be afraid so you'll clamor to be rescued.

I notice Scott Adams- famous government-supremacist- is getting angry over anyone who calls this a panic, saying it's "preparedness", not panic. Wrong-o.

Preparedness is what you do *BEFORE* the crisis happens. Months or years before you even know it's a possibility. Panic is when you try to "prepare" as the shelves are being emptied by everyone else who failed to prepare. This is panic.

As long as you prepare, there's no reason to panic. This may turn out to be a giant nothing. Or, it may become everything disastrous you are being told it will be. It will probably end up being somewhere in between the extremes, closer to "nothing" than to disaster. In any of those cases, being prepared is still going to make your life better. So why not do it? Make it a lifestyle or a hobby.

And, if I missed my guess and you *weren't* ready for this, remember this experience as soon as shelves are restocked and don't ever let yourself be caught short again. "Prepper" is not a dirty word. Preppers are the barrier between civilization and panic- in some cases, the last stand of civilization.