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**Summary:** We believe that there are three major equilibriums and two major policy levers that interact to drive markets and economies: 1) Spending in line with output, which is in line with capacity. 2) Incomes in line with debts. 3) Normal risk premiums across assets If these conditions don't exist, intolerable circumstances will ensue that will drive changes toward these equilibriums being reached. For example, if an economy's usage of capacity (e.g., labor and capital) remains low for an extended period of time, that will lead to social and political problems as well as business losses, which will produce further changes until these equilibriums are reached. The two levers are monetary policy and fiscal policy.

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