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Summary: Monetary policy that more heavily weighs its employment mandate is one that creates right tail risks for inflation. While the 9% inflation of 2022 was obviously unacceptable to even the most dovish dove, the recent 3% prints present a much more ambiguous situation. The Fed's guidance of 3 rate cuts this year is easily justified amidst declining inflation, and the market's pricing of 5-6 cuts can be justified if job growth actually slows. This is a dovish Fed that has seen the benefits of a hot labor market and they likely are going to try to maintain it. A rise in asset prices and modest inflation may be a price they are willing to pay. Related: Larry Summers: We Haven't Nailed The Landing Yet and The Fed Prepares for Rate Cuts. But Why? and The Grind Ahead

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