



PREPPING 301: NOW WHAT?

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THE NEW FRONTIER

- We are standing at the edge of a New Frontier; one in which the strong and the faithful will reap the rewards of their independence*, while the “sheeple” will exist (if allowed) under the oppressive thumb of the “anoointed ones”.
- Neo-feudalism.

** See the presentation “The Sovereign Individual is the key to a free society”.*

THE NEW FRONTIER

- The “anointed ones” hate everybody but themselves, only tolerate our existence as long as it serves their desires, and are more than willing to destroy us.
- The New Frontier is not as much a geographical frontier as it is a socio-political frontier.

THE NEW FRONTIER

- The New Frontier requires the strength, determination, and resilience of the Pioneer.
- Not everyone will be ready for the New Frontier.
- The only way to resist the tyranny of the “anointed ones” is to be strong, stand strong, and say no!

WHAT IS “PREPARED”?

- Acknowledging and accepting uncertainty:
The only certainty is uncertainty.
- Becoming **self-reliant**
 - Self-reliance creates strength and a sense of independence (self-sovereignty).
- Anticipating and being ready;
 - For unforeseen (SHTF) or predictable events.

PREPARED FOR WHAT?

- Short-term or long-term disruptions caused by;
 - Environmental disasters.
 - Socio-political unrest and/or collapse.
 - Financial collapse.
 - Supply collapse.
 - Infrastructure collapse.
 - War.
 - Apocalypse.

HOW DO I PREPARE?

- Develop a mindset that unforeseen events could take place that would interrupt your normal lifestyle.
- Accept, assess, plan, prepare, practice, and evaluate.

The Prepping Cycle



HOW DO I PREPARE?

- **Accept**
 - Acknowledge that an emergency is possible
- **Assess**
 - Determine the risk level for your situation
- **Plan**
 - Determine how you should respond

HOW DO I PREPARE?

- Prepare
 - Collect supplies and develop skills
- Practice
 - Conduct test runs of your plan
- Evaluate
 - Continue and/or adjust your plan

THE FOUR “S” APPROACH

- Spirit
- Supplies
- Skills
- Squad

SPIRIT

- You must have your head and your heart firmly established in the prepping process.
- Faith in God is necessary, as it provides hope and strength.
- You need to feel comfortable with facing risk. Play mental challenge games.
- Strengthen your will, your faith, and your reliance on God.

SUPPLIES

- You should think about what you would need to survive without outside resources.
- You should think about what if your supplies run out. (2 is 1 and 1 is none)
- Keep an actual inventory of your supplies, with start dates or expiration dates. Keep it private.

SKILLS

- Identify the skills you might need, and learn how to use them.
- Practice them to confirm that you can do them.
- Identify the skills that will allow you to become a valuable commodity.

SQUAD

- You must develop a “squad” of allies that will be assets, not liabilities.
- Your team is your “tribe”. Who else would be helpful? No parasites.
- Build your squad.



ASSESS YOUR RISK

- When faced with a SHTF situation, a calm and measured response is always best.
- Ignorance and/or fear creates panic, and panic kills.
- Knowledge, experience, and situational awareness creates confidence, and confidence saves lives.

RISK ASSESSMENT

- In today's world, what could possibly go wrong?
- Give me some scenarios of what you might be concerned about.

RISK ASSESSMENT

- Understanding risk for a scenario.
 - Probability of occurrence. Rank from 1 to 10 with 1 being a low probability and 10 is high.
 - Severity of situation. Rank from 1 to 10, with 1 being a low impact and 10 being disastrous.
 - Prevention / mitigation. Rank from 10 to 1, with 10 meaning hard to prevent or mitigate and 1 being easy to prevent or mitigate.

RISK ASSESSMENT

- Calculate your Risk Priority Number (RPN).
 - Multiply the probability, severity, and mitigation scores together to get your risk priority number.
 - Compare the RPN values of different scenarios to get a sense of what's most important.
 - Use the RPN to reinforce your acceptance of the risk and what actions should be taken.

RISK ASSESSMENT EXAMPLE 1

- Situation: bad storms knock out power for one week.
 - Probability of occurrence: 4
 - Severity of situation: 5
 - Prevention / mitigation: 2
- Risk Priority Number = $4 \times 5 \times 2 = 40$

RISK ASSESSMENT EXAMPLE 2

- Situation: the power grid has been knocked offline for an uncertain period of time.
 - Probability of occurrence: 2
 - Severity of situation: 8
 - Prevention / mitigation: 8
- Risk Priority Number = $2 \times 8 \times 8 = 128$

YOU ARE NOW READY!

- You have accumulated all of the supplies necessary to address your risk scenario.
- You have developed all of the skills necessary to meet the needs for your risks.
- Your squad is in alignment with your agreed-upon plans of action.

THE BEST LAID PLANS...

- Your risk assessment informed you to be ready to survive for three months without any outside inputs.
- You wanted to be safe, so you actually planned for six months.
- It is now nine months later, and headed into an Ohio winter.

NOW WHAT?



FROM PREPPING TO SURVIVAL

- If you are like many others, your focus had been on supplies and some basic skills.
- You had food, water, and protection because you planned to shelter in place.
- You could build an emergency shelter, build a fire, grow food, and maybe even hunt or trap game.

NOW YOU NEED PIONEER SKILLS

- What will you do when;
 - The food supplies are gone?
 - The water supplies are gone?
 - There is still no power?
 - Someone gets sick or injured?
 - The bad guys are desperate?
 - New social constructs must be developed?

THE NEW FOUR “S” APPROACH

- Spirit; your reliance must be in your faith
- Skills; your skills can keep you alive
- Squad; your squad shares the burden
- Supplies; new sources are required

WHAT WILL IT BE LIKE?

- The past is the window to the future:
 - Social constructs shrink.
 - Resources disappear.
 - New skills are required.
 - Geography becomes local.

WHAT WILL IT BE LIKE?

- Ownership must be defended.
- Urban, suburban, and rural environments will be vastly different from each other and from what they once were.

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

- To survive:
 - You cannot rely on the usual resources or skill sets.
 - You must either find new resources or create your own.
 - You are essentially all alone in a strange new environment.

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

- To be of value:
 - What skills will you provide to your squad? At this point, there are no leaders.
 - What will make you worth keeping around? People of value will be protected.

WHO WILL YOU BE?

- Don't rely on who you believe that you are; learn how to become what you need to be.
- Don't assume that tomorrow will be better than today; it is up to you to make it so.
- Nobody will tell you what to do; you will be lucky if someone will help you learn how to do something.

WHO WILL YOU BE?

- You are on your own; nobody is going to rescue you.
- Don't become obsessed with taking care of those that do not take care of themselves.
- Be the strength that you need to be for those that need you.

NOW WHAT?

- Evaluate, adapt, plan, practice.
- Assess your skills and develop new ones. Become valuable.
- Develop your squad as appropriate.
- Dig deeper where you need to. Resources are readily available for now.

WHAT'S NEXT?

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- Was created to aid in learning;
 - Wilderness skills,
 - Plant identification for food and medicine,
 - Preparation of collected materials into useful forms, and
 - Preservation of materials for long-term storage.

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