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- Charts
- What Else is Happening?
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S&P 500





NASDAQ



Nasdaq Three Years

NASDAQ



Nasdaq One Year

Russell 2000



Russell 2000 One Year

S&P 500 vs. Equal Weight

180 days



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Growth vs. Value

VTV vs. VUG 180 days



What Else is Going On?

- Interest Rates / Inflation / Federal Reserve
 - Back in the driver's seat.
 - Tighter money means higher financing costs (lower multiples on stocks)
 - CPI at the end of the week will be a key for the market
 - Looking for a lower number
 - Also looking at market's reaction
 - Will a lower-than-expected number spark a rally?
 - Will a higher-than-expected number bring out the bears?
- Regime Change
 - Cash-generating businesses are attractive again
 - Tighter financial conditions and growth in the real economy means speculative bets are less attractive
 - Opposite of what we saw during the pandemic era, when speculative bets, in tech and biotech made more sense.
- Retail Earnings
 - A lot of bad numbers, but causes are largely about supply chains and speed in changes in consumer buying. Not great for those companies, but not a sign of broader weakness. BONUS:
 Potentially deflationary

Questions?

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