BEATING THE TSX — IT WORKS!

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I. <u>Outline</u>

- 1.Why is saving money hard?
 2. In what should you invest?
 3. How much will you need?
 4. How will we get there?
 5. First, a plan
 6. Fixed income
 7. Equities
 8. Why dividend stocks?
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- 9. High yielding stocks

10. Real estate

- 11. The portfolio
- 12. Beating The TSX
- 13. How does BTSX work?
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- 15. How has BTSX performed?
- 16. BTSX-a practical example
- 17. Conclusions

II. Take-home points

BTSX is a passive and objective low-risk way to receive returns higher than the index, and does not carry the fees associated with mutual funds. It has beat the total return index by an average of 32% (12.6% vs. 9.5%) over the past 26 years. A \$1000 investment has grown to \$15,360 over that time vs. \$8,039 for the index. Otherwise, stick with plain vanilla, broad index ETFs and GICs. You can empower yourself as an individual investor. Future stock prices are unknowable, so avoid active investing. Hold for a very long time, reinvest the dividends, and rely upon compounding. Learn to tolerate the swings of greed and fear. Knowledge is empowerment. Use the CMS and ShareClubs. Courage and patience are the most important attributes of successful individual investors.

III. References

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FIRECalc: A different kind of retirement calculator http://www.firecalc.com/

S&P Dow Jones Indices, 2013, SPIVA Canada Scorecard <u>http://www.etfinsight.ca/?p=22385</u>

S&P/TSX 60 Index sorted by yield

http://www.topyields.nl/Top-dividend-yields-of-TSX60.php

Credit Suisse Global Investment Returns Yearbook 2014

A book you should read: N. N. Taleb, "Antifragile", 2012