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What local pros say

Don Cassidy, Retirement Investing institute: "We have not seen a truly violent day yet so the bottom is not here, in my view. I am not very optimistic for future upside from here. With CDs at over 5 percent, stocks have tough competition, and now that the froth has been wrung out, people will be more cautious about buying once things steady a bit."

Jerry Paul, Quixote Capital Management: "Long-term investors need to stick to their plans. Those engaged in speculation need to reconsider the amount of risk they are taking."

Jeff Wilson, Wilson

Advisory Group: Most investors will be better off, and sleep better at night, if they are in cash. Only very long-term investors, with strong stomachs should consider well-diversified, blended portfolios with value investment managers who have consistent track records.

Gregory Anderson, GRAnderson Wealth Management Group: *We view this and future dips as buying opportunities, and we expect people who have been sitting on the sidelines with cash will use this recent dip as an impetus to jump into some investments, particularly in the areas of energy and commercial real estate.*

Greg Denewiler, Denewiler Capital Management: There are now clear signs that the credit bubble is ending. Credit spreads have been widening in the last several weeks, and news that some of the recent takeover deals are now having trouble being financed has finally caught up with the market.

Vitaliy Katsenelson, Investment Management Associates: A market decline of 300 points sounds like a big deal. But if you look at it from a calmer, more rational perspective, it is only a 2.3 percent decline for a market that was up over 25 percent in the last 12 months. If

the market declined 100 points a day for a three-day period, most of us would not even notice it.

David Lansdowne, Denver Investment Advisors: Most everyone knows that the stock market sold off sharply, but not everyone knows or appreciates that the Treasury market had a strong up day. For stocks, perhaps a correction has been long overdue. As the (Dow) has given back about 700 points on the downside, the 10-year Treasury market has rallied. So it is not all bad news.

James Paton