

“Book my profits.
I will invest again when markets are low.”

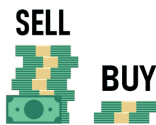
Is this easy?



The urge to book profits is the most common investor behavior. **Investors fear that equity markets may fall and their gains will be wiped off.** However, is it easy? When is the right time to book profits? Let's examine.



It may so happen that **after you book profits, equity markets continue to go up.** In such a case, you may lose the upside.



Even if markets go down after booking profits, you may not be able to invest then. This is because; **during a crisis investors generally think markets will fall further.** Eventually, they miss the opportunity. We have regularly witnessed this with many of our clients. **One must complete the cycle of selling high and buying low to benefit from market movements.** This is extremely tough.



There are **costs and taxes involved** in doing such transactions.



Research shows that if you book profits and miss a couple of big upsides in the equity markets, **your overall returns even in the long term can fall dramatically.** You should try to hold for as long as you can.



You should book profits only when you need funds/your objective is near or there is an emergency. Otherwise, you should continue to hold your investments. We have seen this works well for most investors.

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