

S&P 500 - (M6) - Neutral (- 0.25 @ 2028.50)

The weekly candlestick can best be described as a doji star top. The daily candlestick can best be characterized as a hammer bottom. The short term technicals favor the bears. The longer term technicals favor the bulls. Ambiguity on all fronts. So needless to say we start the week in a neutral stance. Bears need to crack 2011.75. Bulls need to clear 2047.50.

R2 = 2064.75
R1 = 2047.50
S1 = 2011.75
S2 = 1989.75

10 Yr Rate - Neutral (+ 0.025 @ 1.900%)

No change. Still think any chance of a larger degree recovery in rates rests in the hands of the equity markets. In other words, bulls have no chance of getting through the 2.002 high without equities leading the way first. And if the equity markets should lead the way lower instead? Again, we would anticipate Rates following. Have no reason to favor one scenario over the other at this time.

R2 = 2.000
R1 = 1.940
S1 = 1.835
S2 = 1.785

EUR/USD - Neutral (@ 1.1178 last)

No change. Still stuck in a massive slab of neutral territory. Have no reason to entertain a run to the 1.1677-1.1783 neighborhood unless the 1.1376 high can be breached. Have no reason to entertain a resumption of the down trend unless the 1.0821 low can be taken out. Until the technicals direct us to do otherwise we prefer to remain on the sidelines.

R2 = 1.1460
R1 = 1.1340
S1 = 1.1080
S1 = 1.1020

USD/JPY - Neutral (@ 112.854 last)

While we are less than impressed by the bulls performance they continue to chip away at the upside. But we need more than just a slow grind higher to give us confidence that a bottom is forming. Unless the bulls can rectify the situation fast the bears will have an opportunity regain control and take aim at 108.038-107.824-106.654-1.0649. That would not be good for equities.

R2 = 114.225
R1 = 113.630
S1 = 110.635
S2 = 108.035

Gold - (J6) - Neutral (- 2.4 @ 1221.6)

Still holding 1212.1-1210.1. As this band of support represents the lowest levels consistent with a minor bull market correction we will be watching intently to see if Gold can stage a rebound to start the week. If the bulls can make that happen fresh highs could be in the cards. Should Gold sink beneath support a deeper retracement of the 1045.4 to 1287.5 advance would be expected near term.

R2 = 1249.5
R1 = 1229.5
S1 = 1195.0
S2 = 1166.5

Copper - (K6) - Neutral (- 0.0065 @ 2.2290)

The short term technicals have swung to a bearish bias. The longer term technicals still favor the bulls. In price terms the bears have not done any significant damage to the up trend. So we start the week in neutral territory. Bears need to swing the technicals in their favor and crack 2.1610 to suggest a trend shift is taking hold. Bulls need to push Gasoil above 2.3225 to revive the up trend.

R2 = 2.2985
R1 = 2.2645
S1 = 2.2055
S2 = 2.1610

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