

Fallen

Posted by willnevergiveup - 04 Apr 2011 18:21

Hi,

Boruch hashem I have kept internet use under control with Webchaver which is a fantastic tool.

My post here is to put forward the discussion how webchaver and any filter will not work unless one increases Yirei shomayim drastically. Filters and forums are good for when we have them but they are not the ultimate answer.

I am still discovering this day by day. When I go on business trips I have my laptop with Webchaver and it is a very useful tool BH.

But what about Strip bars, dance clubs etc etc. If you are in a foreign country without a Jew for 2000 miles the temptation is so great because no other Jew in the world will walk in on you, premium channels television, KTV lounges, the list just goes on.

Being a holy Jew is so much more than internet filters nowadays. As a traveling Jewish Businessman the temptation is around every corner.

The reason I am writing this and found this site, is I have had a recent business trip and during a business meeting I was introduced to the supplier's sister, over a couple of drinks things happened and she ended up spending the night in my room and more

I can hear you all shouting how can you, you're a sick vile individual. I know I am, but I just did not feel at the time I was doing anything wrong. My wife (don't disown me yet) is the most special individual in my life and we BH have an exceptional marriage, but the problem was I just did not feel it being disloyal. It felt like I had a yeridah and looked up something bad on the internet. She is still the only one I love in my life and have and will not have any feelings to this shiksah. I didn't even enjoy it much.

I have now come back to the USA and I feel like I am meeting Hashem again, and I can't face him, I can't look at myself in the mirror.

The question is what now..

Have I thrown my life down the drain. (I don't feel I have, maybe I should feel like that?)

Have I been thrown out of the Jewish nation till I have done Teshuva (how and what)

To me I feel this is a huge learning opportunity and to prepare myself adequately for any future similar challenges. But I think this is part of the problem. This is a shocking most disgusting thing I have done. I can't just carry on life. I have to make a massive change in my life!! I can't just carry on as normal./ I am desperate this does not affect my marriage in even the tiniest way. But why should Hashem be this kind to me. Thanks for listening.

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Re: Fallen

Posted by ben durdayah - 06 Apr 2011 18:01

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Re: Fallen

Posted by Dov - 06 Apr 2011 18:02

I feel sick to my stomach, and you are clapping?

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Re: Fallen

Posted by ben durdayah - 06 Apr 2011 18:17

Yes dov,

We are clapping because we had to survive three weeks without you, and your seichel hayashar is ke'mayim karim al nefesh a'yefah.

Although I do have rachmunis on him insofar as a potential paternity suit is concerned (if this woman is not active, then she's most probably not on the pill either...)

Reb Willnevergiveup: **Never say never.** Before you did this I'll bet that if asked you'd say that you'd never ever ever do such a thing. No one is saying that this one night (actually it might have been one biah, but you seem to say it was a few nights) stand makes you promiscuous or an addict by definition.

However, what dov is trying to tell you, is that even among gentiles, adultery is referred to infidelity. Infidelity is a synonym for **dishonesty**. Even a total atheist -if he is a mentch -should be able to understand that there is an immense problem here, and it is not the aveirah she'bein adam la'makom, and perhaps not even the aveirah she'bein adam lachaveiro.

It is the moral vacuum inside of you (or us for that matter) that you (we) have to fix. And that moral vacuum can cause you (ch"v) to do the exact same (or worse) time and again.

This is not a matter of "teshuva". This is a matter of being a decent person.

And people like dov saw that in a place called SA.

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PS -dov, you can barf now if you want... I'll bring a *shisse!*

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Posted by ur-a-jew - 06 Apr 2011 18:52

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My only additions to this is 1) the observation that it usually takes a little humility to recognize the dishonesty within us. The humility comes when we realize that we are not the center of the universe; and 2) if I had to guess after the first night of sleeping with the bimbo/supplier/business associate and not having sex you probably told yourself that you would not be doing even that again (after all having run away from strip clubs I don't see how you can rationalize sleeping with her even without sex), yet you then slept with her a second night, after which you presumably swore that you wouldn't do this again, and then a third night (same thing) and finally on the fourth night she overpowered you. So the question is why should now be any different. It may take a little longer, you may be more cautious so you don't in the future have to be worried sick about STDs but the same rationalizations that allowed you to sleep there for three or four nights still exist.

No one is here to be judgmental about what you did. None of us were in you shoes and therefore we can't say we would have acted differently were we there. But having unquestionably made a terrible mistake its time to realize that maybe you have the wrong perspective on this whole thing. There are people here who can give you very good advice for cleaning up your act. So open up your ears, your mind and heart and listen and accept what they have to say. If you do, you have a chance. If you don't, well from the collective experience of those here it won't be that hard to figure out where you'll end up.

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Re: Fallen

Posted by pinokio - 06 Apr 2011 19:33

you guys really kept yourselves busy while i was away!

i must say, this thread is the nuttiest yet.

plus, i must give the moderators and friends here a backhanded mussar potch-

for some reason, by writing two brainless lines abt. being triggered when touching a female's hand, i got 3, not one, not two, three pm's

but when i write about....i dont?

now THAT'S confusing

Dov, you wrote a gem in your pm, too bad you didnt post it

you are right (you always are!), because we make the woman into a goddess, that is the power she holds over us

r nachman discusses this alot, he calls it chein shel sheker

when we see this chein, we start fantasizing and....

when s/thing can shatter the chein, we lose her appeal

my friend once went to a meal as a bochur and was absolutely bugging out at the nice looks of the hostess, then he saw her mercilessly slap her kid for inconveniencing her, and he lost all the

chein in one millisecond

my good old rebbi in high school used to quote the song "now im a believer", all about love at first sight

he taught us that this is trumped up fantasy, and that women in real life have zits, bad breath, and flatulate, sorry to be graphic, just saying it to give over the lesson

this is what tanya says from gemara that isha is malei kiya tzoah

r nachman in sichos says the act of intercourse is so disgusting that a real bar seichel cannot possibly lust

isnt that funny, im only 3 billion light years away from that

but im trying

now, to turn the spotlight on mr will,

this is a place of honesty and growth

whats going on on your end?

i dont.....

if....

and then....

why....

and...

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Re: Fallen

Posted by willnevergiveup - 06 Apr 2011 19:56

For some reason everyone seems to think I am not taking things seriously and ignoring everyone's posts and being arrogant.

Just to let you all know (especially Dov and Kedusha) that I am listening carefully and taking everything in.

I agree it is idiotic and naive of me to say it will never happen again, but I will take on as much as possible and increase the emess in my life to to my utmost with Hashems help it will not happen again.

The agmas nefesh I am going through, will stay with me a very very long time.

Forget talking about rape and shaking a womans hand. Shaking a womans hand is not why this happened!

And by the way for those worried about a pregnancy, please do not lose sleep over it, I never came, I pulled before and ran away got into the shower, she was hurt like hell but I had to do what I had to do.

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Re: Fallen

Posted by the.guard - 06 Apr 2011 20:54

[dov wrote on 06 Apr 2011 17:05:](#)

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Now go ahead and edit me.

Sheesh,

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Calling *her* about it and discussing it is probably stupid - and would probably be yet *another* betrayal of the marriage. But how are you to act? What if she wants more? What is your part now? What if she calls you - or your wife? How can you really get this other person out of your life and really start fresh?

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Hatzlocha.

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Posted by ur-a-jew - 06 Apr 2011 20:57

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Imagine a person is very sick he goes to a doctor and says. Listen doctor, I'm sick and I need you to tell me what's wrong with me. But I don't have cancer so don't treat me for that. But I'm all ears for you to tell me what's wrong. You'd say something is wrong with that picture. My dear friend, you have a problem (all of us that are here do). You are very sick with a spiritual disease (not a religious disease). There are some very experienced doctors here. What you should be saying is Doctor: I'm sick, maybe even deathly ill. I don't want to be sick. I want to be better. Tell me what to do? How can I get better? Whatever it takes I'll do?

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Is the agmas nefesh because maybe you have an STD? Maybe you're wife will find out? Or does it come from the recognition that perhaps you're life has been somewhat of a lie until now and you would like to rectify that. If its the former, that will pass. If its the latter see above how to go about treating it.

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Re: Fallen
Posted by Kedusha - 06 Apr 2011 21:08

UAJ,

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Just for the record (oy vei) I posted the below post BEFORE seeing Guards post quoted below it:

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I agree fully with everything you said, Guard, and do not recall ever having intentionally implied that he was an addict. Nor have I entertained the possibility in my mind that he is an addict. I would rarely speak that way (in religious terms) to a person I assumed was an addict, anyhow. So thanks for removing the screwy line from my post, whatever it was.

As I have said before, I do not believe that the majority of guys - *even on GYE* - are addicts. I believe that most people need a simple teshuvah process, though some honesty with self would probably help it along a bunch, of course...and that's not easy to come by.

So, sorry for saying something that makes it seem I was suggesting he is mentally ill, as I am. I hope he pursues the contact with a Rov I posted about...(and that was before I saw your post above).

Sorry if I gave you the wrong impression, ***willnevergiveup***. And in your case, I think it is actually important to maintain a username and not to ever let this out. Again, **find a safe Rov**.

- Dov

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Re: Fallen

Posted by Kedusha - 06 Apr 2011 21:24

I agree about contacting a (safe) Rav.

Don't try to do Teshuva for this on your own. You might end up doing too much or too little.

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Re: Fallen

Posted by ur-a-jew - 06 Apr 2011 21:27

[Kedusha wrote on 06 Apr 2011 21:08:](#)

UAJ, Did you read Guard's post above before posting?

I had actually not seen it. And this layman therefore defers to the experienced doctors.

Although, I wonder whether the doctor saw this:

[willnevergiveup wrote on 05 Apr 2011 17:03:](#)

yes I have looked at porn occasionally

And, how much more there is to the story, which of course still doesn't mean that he is an addict. But, I'll leave that up to more experienced folks to determine (if the patient wants their two cents).

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Re: Fallen

Posted by willnevergiveup - 06 Apr 2011 21:36

Guard - Just to thank you for the post, I really had started feeling that I was a sick addict with no hope besides a long road of recovery. Yes you are right, it was an huge yetzer Hora that I do not wish on anybody else and it is was a yetzer hora that I have never had in my life so I was

totally unprepared. The reason why I did not succumb, was not because I was worried about STD's pregnancy or the like, it was because this was the new barrier I had made for myself, albeit a very very low one.

How many people have been in a country without another Jew or Westerner in sight, thinking about it now it felt like I was not part of the Jewish nation anymore, like I had left it temporarily, even my family felt such a distance and although I spoke it seemed like I was in a different world.

UAJ to say that maybe my life has been one big lie, this is a harsh and over the top comment to make. How can one throw away an entire life because of one Aveirah (yes a big one) imagine the feeling that life has been one big lie. Such a comment should not even be mentioned.

The question is how to prepare for such a phenomena. I really feel the post about integrity, truthfulness and emess is a way forward, but I am not sure where to start.

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