

90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by Shteeble - 08 Jul 2011 13:29

Okay Chevra, we have 90,000 to go. Please keep to one reason per post, and 20 words or less per reason.

When you feel like acting out, make sure to read all 90,000 reasons why you shouldn't first.

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by Dov - 06 Nov 2013 03:26

Dear Avreml,

The discussion about davening for them is kind of funny, really. You are trying to figure something out that is not about reason, but action. Taking the action of praying for them even though it makes no sense at all, will change you if you want to stop and be free of them. It will help you admit they are beloved and cared for by Hashem who loves and cares for everything He made, no matter how it appears to us.

Doing this action will help you. Understanding it, will not.

All this maharsho-thinking is a big, fat waste of time. We cannot think ourselves into right living - or we would have done it long ago! We can only **live** ourselves into right thinking, by taking the right actions and letting them change us.

Relax and do things that help others, man. Enough thinking. This best thinking of yours is how you - a frum ben Torah - ended up masturbating enough to need a site like this in the first place.

I am the same way, bud. You are not alone.

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by R76 - 19 Nov 2013 04:24

[LeHavote Aish wrote:](#)

ChaimCharlie Wrote:

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That is actually interesting, we should come up with 90,000 reasons why to YES act out on it and then when someone comes to debate they'll decide, pros and cons....

That would be a debate between Reform and Conservative vs. Orthodox Jewish point of view. I do not think it would be helpful.

Reform and Conservative religion supports all kinds of sin -- in particular homosexuality. To my great shame I am de facto Conservative in my observance.

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by LeHavote Aish - 19 Nov 2013 20:38

I did not fall because of any thinking and I am not getting up because of any reasoning and I don't believe you can get anywhere with just thinking of getting there, I was just making a funny point, how that reasoning is futile, and I am not trying to make this a Orthodox vs. Conservative debate, not at all, just a little humor, no?

Good day to all!

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by ddm11219 - 20 Nov 2013 01:59

i must say NO because, i should not be dead the way i am when not ok

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by LeHavote Aish - 20 Nov 2013 21:38

I do not understand what you mean

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by HHJR613 - 06 Jan 2014 08:15

Another reason to say NO is to show yourself you have control. Each NO should make you proud!

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by LeHavote Aish - 06 Jan 2014 22:26

I actually think it is the opposite, we have to realize that we have NO CONTROL and only God has any control (and all control) and thus we have to turn ourselves over to God. If we had any control then who needs God?

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by MendelZ - 06 Jan 2014 23:09

Truth is that sometimes I'm not really sure why I say "NO". But we just gotta say it anyways. Like Paroah. Why did he say "no"? It doesn't make any sense. But he just stuck to his own for no comprehensible reason. No! No! No! I will not let them go!

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Posted by R76 - 02 Apr 2014 02:07

[LeHavote Aish wrote:](#)

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Today I am six months clean, but it is difficult for me not to act out. Before Summer '13 when I learned that it is a very severe sin, I acted out about twice a week and almost never felt bad or guilty -- not being in Orthodox Jewish community I did not even hide the fact that I buy certain magazines. Not acting out is a significant sacrifice -- especially since I am single and have no prospect of marriage.

I do understand that acting out is a great sin against G-d, and that it causes enormous suffering to unborn souls, and that according to many authorities, that can bring eternal punishment. I

hope these reasons alone will keep me from falling into my old patterns.

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Posted by R76 - 02 Apr 2014 02:22

[Dov wrote:](#)

Just curious:

Is there anyone on this thread for whom these reasons really work?

None of them ever saved my behind from myself...

I know this is very un G-dly and unethical on my part. The only reason that has prevented me from sinning is the fear of punishment. I hope I can have enough fear to keep from acting out.

I have very little contact with Orthodox Jewish community -- actually little contact with anyone. In secular circles these behaviors are not considered shameful.

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by inastruggle - 02 Apr 2014 03:36

I have to disagree with that. Not sinning due to fear is perfectly G-dly and ethical. It isn't the highest level of repentance but it's definitely valid.

That said, in practice it seems that almost no one manages to stop with fear alone. However if

you use the fear to spur yourself to make the changes (in your head and in real life) necessary to help yourself stop, then it can be helpful.

Some further reading on teshuva:

guardyoureyes.com/articles/torah/item/teshuva-mi-yirah-and-teshuva-mi-ahava

www.chabad.org/holidays/JewishNewYear/template_cdo/aid/4367/jewish/Love-Fear.htm

Btw, isolation is something that fuels this behavior. Reach out, through this website and in real life.

Hatzlacha

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less
Posted by Lochaim - 04 Apr 2014 09:11

Say NO to acting out - so that you can live free. So that you can live without fear of being discovered, so that you can live a day feeling like you are a master and not a slave, so that you be proud of who you are, and that you can finally feel the G-dliness that lies deep inside coursing through your veins.

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less
Posted by melost - 04 Apr 2014 13:25

I say no to lust that's what im powerless over lust I take it in I WILL ACT OUT so just for today with help from my higher power im not going to let any lust in

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Re: 90,000 Reasons To Say NO to acting out.... in 20 words or less

Posted by ich bin zainer - 04 Apr 2014 16:13

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