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Lions, tigers and internet, Oh My! Posted by serenity - 14 Dec 2014 13:22

I was just thinking today, how fortunate we are to have the internet. Reading about the struggles of yungerleit with SSA and thinking that before the internet, they had no place to turn. Thinking of people like myself who are sexaholics and would never have a chance at a peaceful life without the internet. Some people who are dealing with internet porn addictions may not be as enthusiastic about the internet. They may think that but for the internet, they would not have developed a porn addiction - and they may be correct. Where they would be mistaken, one may argue, is that they would still have some deep character defects that would cause them pain and turmoil in some other manner. Maybe some such people would think they would be better off sitting and learning in a cave for many years, as I once thought might me good for me. In that cave though, could they ever hope to fix innate character defects or would they just hope to let them lay dormant. We are here on this earth to struggle chevra. Now obviously we don't throw ourselves into a makom sakana, and we for example install internet filters on our computers and use all the tools of recovery etc., but if we think that the scantily clad woman at school or work, or the internet is the source of our problems, we haven't begun to understand how to help ourselves. Our addictions aren't our problems. Our addictions are our savior. I'm a grateful recovering sex addict and without my addiction, I could have never hoped to have reached even the meager level of understanding about myself and about my relationship with Hashem that I have now.

I would like to hear the views of others on this, if anyone is so inclined. And thanks for reading

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Re: Lions, tigers and internet, Oh My!
Posted by serenity - 05 Nov 2015 02:22

The internet is not inherently bad, so you can't compare it to those other examples.

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Re: Lions, tigers and internet, Oh My!
Posted by Shlomo24 - 05 Nov 2015 03:46

to say that something has no value and is completely bad is sheker. i don't need to defend myself. this is the extent i feel like saying.