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Solutions for Tonight Posted by waydown - 16 Aug 2015 22:06

Guys I need some ideas how to overcome my yetzer for tonite. As I have posted before I normally fall asleep via J/O. And if I wake up in middle of the nite I'll do it again. Any ideas how not to? So far for starteres read something clean before sleeping.

I will be on only for another hour or two. I do not want log in to the internet once I get home from shul even if its just for GYE. Its just too dangerous. Thus the urgency

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Re: Solutions for Tonight

Posted by eslaasos - 20 Sep 2015 05:11

waydown wrote:

Sholomo,

Thats an interesting approach. It sounds like you are suggesting lust is an outlet for somethingelse. We don't get addicted to lust just because lust has its own instant gratification of it own. I wonder if thats true across the board. And if yes do that mean you need a social worker to help you with that root problem in addition to SA?

According to my therapist, addiction is *always* co-morbid with another emotional vulnerability. Agav, he doesn't believe people are addicts, only that they engage in addictive behavior.

www.drugabuse.gov/publications/drugfacts/comorbidity-addiction-other-mental-disorders

How Common Are Comorbid Drug Addiction and Other Mental Illnesses?

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Many people who are addicted to drugs are also diagnosed with other mental disorders and vice versa. For example, compared with the general population, people addicted to drugs are roughly twice as likely to suffer from mood and anxiety disorders, with the reverse also true.

I don't think this is a proof against the therapist because he may be more expansive in his definition of an emotional vulnerability, but I will ask him.

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Re: Solutions for Tonight Posted by waydown - 20 Sep 2015 15:26

Eslassos,

Wow let me see if I can answer many of your pointers,

Firstly chas vasholom did I say my wife is like a porn star. What I am saying very clearly is. That I truely believe in terms of just the looks and lust aspect she is just as pretty if not preetier. Now take that and mesh it with the fact that porn stars aare worse than shallow and rather filthy on the inside. She on the other hand is pure and holy within. Now mix the two together.

Re; What would she say if you told her (as I think you put in a different post) that in your eyes she is just as good-looking as a pornstar?

I have told her that on numerous occasions. There is no secret that porn stars look good. I think most ladies appreciate when you tell then you look like a model. Obviously if thats all there is then you have probelms. But as I mentioned in the first paragraph, she knows that I appreicate her inner bachainta beauty as well. She knows that when I say she looks like a model I don't mind she is shallow and filthy on the inside. I simply mean out exterior looks are georgeous.

Re Would she like it if she knew she was providing you with the same service you were trying not to receive from pornstars - even with the addition of some love mixed in?

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Like I said she is not providing the "same service". There is love and an inner connection as well.

Re. But would she like it if she knew you were redirecting your lust from porn to her?

Well here you got me. Because yes of course she doesn't want me to lust for porn. Of course she doesn't want me to lust for other woman. But at the same time she understands that men are created with lust. She is not stupid. I have told her on occasions wow that lady is good looking. She knows I am human.

I totally agree with your last assertion. There are many times when by the time the night comes my lust attack is not there. And I still provide my wife with same pleasant evening. ALthough I will point ut something. My experience has been that If I have a lust attack during the day, I still itch a bit that evening. And so physically I am not totaly removed from that lust attack. That doesn't mean that the itch is at the level of a strong desire to view porn but its still there.

Re, Bottom line, lust is about me, love is about someone else.

My feeling is that those two are not contridactory at all. I can satisify my needs while caring about someoneelse as well. We do that all the time. I eat dinner for my hunger craves but I also try to love my wife while eating a pleasant dinner as well. If its all about myself then I got problems.

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Re: Solutions for Tonight Posted by waydown - 21 Sep 2015 15:36

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GYE - Guard Your Eyes

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Re: Solutions for Tonight Posted by cordnoy - 21 Sep 2015 15:39
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See above (the previous 13 pages); I'm sure there is somethin' that works in middle of the night as well.
I wonderif one is farmished, does he eat only livestock or grains?
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Re: Solutions for Tonight Posted by waydown - 21 Sep 2015 16:16

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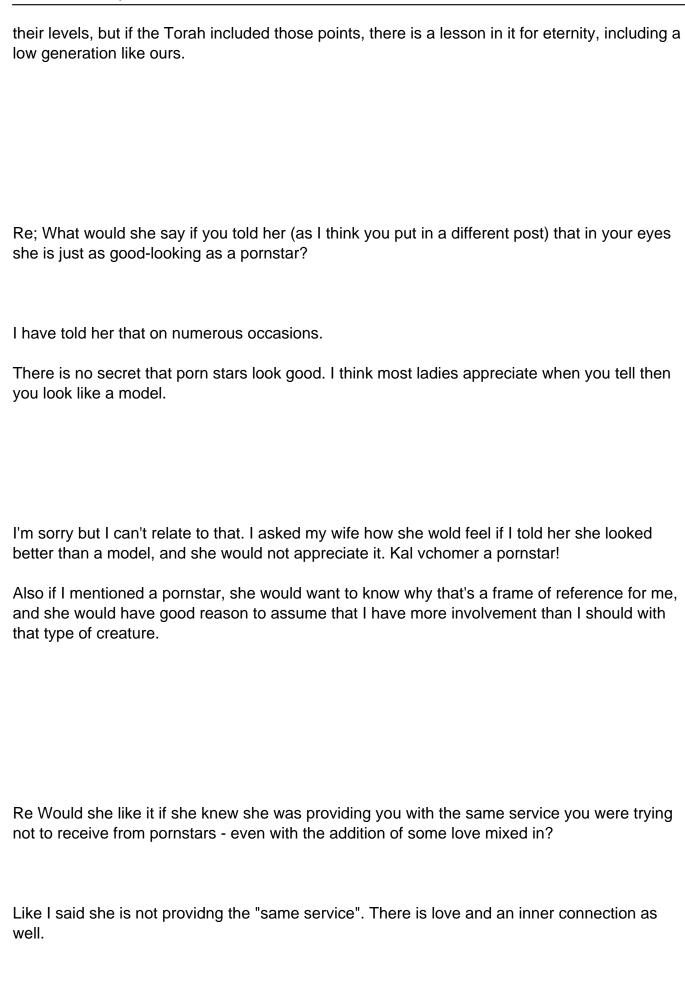
Posted by Shlomo24 - 21 Sep 2015 19:56 what i did was really give it over to god. explain what i am thinking about, what i want to do in my fantasies etc. i would ask him to please take it away (sincerely) because i just can not deal with these things, i am just not wired that way, i needed to get rid of it and i knew he could do it for me if i would seek it out. sometimes with a particular fantasy it would recur and i would have to surrender multiple times, but i have found that god does take it away if i am sincere. check this out, i posted abt it a while ago guardyoureves.com/forum/19-Introduce-Yourself/241596-Big-Steps?limit=15&start=45 (second post on the page) ==== Re: Solutions for Tonight Posted by waydown - 21 Sep 2015 20:08 Ok so when I wake up and get an itch just say hashem its all yours and I am not trying to fight it since I am powerless. And even though it makes zero sense it just works like magic its fool proof? And it sounds like I say it just once because if not I am fighting my lust. Then I lie down. I can't sleep because the baby cryes again or I just simply don't fall asleep. The itch comes back again now what. I can't say anything or fight it because I am not allowed to fight. So now what? Or no it won't come back it will just run away like magic??? Can I go to bed with a distraction or is that also "fighting" it?

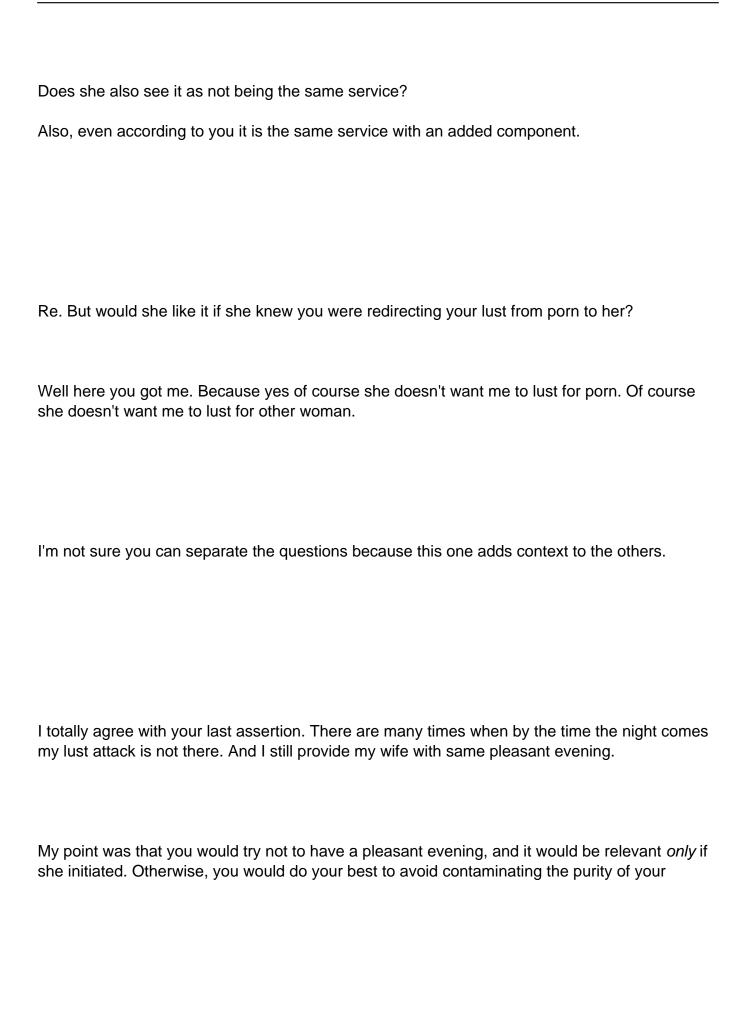
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Re: Solutions for Tonight Posted by eslaasos - 21 Sep 2015 21:39
Maybe it depends on the level of sincerity in the surrender.
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Re: Solutions for Tonight Posted by eslaasos - 21 Sep 2015 22:05
With regard to the previous post, I still disagree with a lot of what you say but it is more of an emotional response that it feels wrong as opposed to a logical argument, so I have held off on responding until I had more time to think about it. I don't see myself having a lot of time in the near future so here's my half-baked response.
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I don't want to mix the two together. I don't think porn should be associated with the natural desire that Hashem gave us which is pure and only for our wives. I can't give you a source so if I had time and ability I would do some research into bnei tesha middos, the moral of the story where the Gemara tells about having relations "as if coerced by a demon", Avrohom Avinu not knowing that his wife was pretty until they went to Egypt etc. I know that we are nowhere near







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Is that a fair comparison? When you eat, it is bein odom l'atzmo, between you and no-one else (maybe Hashem). You don't love the steak, if you did, you wouldn't kill the cow, you would make
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Re: Solutions for Tonight Posted by waydown - 21 Sep 2015 22:47
Well eis lassos thanks for ur reposnse my time i limited as well now.

But yes I agree comparing one's wife to a porn star is bad but my wife loves when I say she

looks like a model. Now of course the shpitz is to only love ones wife and the torah is teaching us that is the ultimate desired goal. But we are human beings that are subject to wordly matters. Thus till we reach that lofty goal I think its fine and expected to mix lust with love. As I mentioned according to your logic why should a lady wear make up and look nice for her husband. Isn't that all etxerior stuff. Yet any sain person,kala tecaher tells a lady look good externally for your husband. Because hashem wants us to use our lust stirctly for our wives.

Its a very differnet service when love is mixed in. Its not the "same service as porn". Once you have love mixed in, love is the primary focus lust lust is mixed in.

Re "Self-interest, and doing for someone else are contradictory. Occasionally, those interests coincide. If the motivation remains lust, that aspect of it is in contradiction to being about someone else."

I see nothing contridctary in satisfying ones needs while also giving to someoneelse. It may not be the ultimate form of giving but its not a contridiction at all. Lust is not the motivation. Love is. But it also statisfies my lust. I don't see its is an all or nothing approach. And frankly my wife is OK and actually excited that I itch for her. It makes her fell good too.

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Re: Solutions for Tonight Posted by waydown - 21 Sep 2015 22:51

Ok eis lassos re your other pointer,

So I have to be sincere in believing that some magic irrtaional trick works. (Not to knock it at all just saying how its being precieved in my mind). Now that takes time to internalize. Am I a lost cause till I train my mind to believe it or is there a short term solution.

As a side note I still believe that if I fight hard enough hashem will take care of the rest. But that seems to be the wrong approach according to you guys. You say no don't fight just leave it to hashem without fighting.

However lets stick to my main goal staying clean tonight. Waht do I do if I am not sincere

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