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Posted by Joerandom - 20 Mar 2016 09:44

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Re: Could use some chizuk Posted by Sasha 2 - 20 Mar 2016 11:49

Hi Joe,

I can really relate to what you wrote as I too felt that my learning, davening, etc. got worse & I'm also returning to America soon...

What I have come to learn being here is that being in Yeshiva & learning didn't help me the slightest & it didn't just "go away", being that since i have a real problem no filter in the world could stop me and mussar didn't help me either because these things are just blocks & until I realized that I have a real BIG problem and i gotta take care of it properly & the right way, nothing will help me because i'm not in control of myself when it comes to these things.

Once I realized the problem B"H I'm on the long windy road of recovery	
Do you have any Rabbeim to speak with about this? Hatzlacha!	
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Re: Could use some chizuk Posted by Watson - 20 Mar 2016 12:23	
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Re: Could use some chizuk Posted by cordnoy - 20 Mar 2016 13:15	
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that could have been my zman as well.	
Yes, we need help; start with the handbook perhaps.	
Re: Could use some chizuk Posted by pischoshelmachat - 20 Mar 2016 18:06	

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Joe,

You came to the right place to find salvation from this disease. Listen with an open mind and be prepared to do whatever it takes and your life will become very sweet indeed.

The steps I originally forced myself to take as sacrifices to save me from this problem are now themselves the source of my happiness.

Welcome!!

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Re: Could use some chizuk Posted by cordnoy - 03 Jun 2018 17:20

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How's the US of A been treatin' you?

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