ALMOST MADE IT....;(Posted by bestrong - 27 Oct 2016 04:01

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I feel your pain brother

Please DONT kill yourself

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Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by bestrong - 27 Oct 2016 06:16

Alright I won't.... but It really sucks I didn't even think of falling during those 75 days then all sudden in 2 min it was all over ;(I felt so high and strong now just in time for new Zman I feel disgusted with myself.....

Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by Markz - 27 Oct 2016 06:23 Before Gd opened my eyes to Gd yr eyes, I think I had many years too of "75 clean days till Succos", and then



Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by Shlomo24 - 27 Oct 2016 08:11

It actually makes sense for that to happen. After Yom Kippur you may have been like, "phew!" and maybe let your guard down. But don't worry, buddy, I was 9 months sober and I acted out. But I'm still in the game.

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Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by YidFromMonsey - 27 Oct 2016 11:20

Me was sober over a year and fell, so I know thw the feeling, but the only choice is to keep trucking... dont give up!

Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by cordnoy - 27 Oct 2016 11:58

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That was my experience also. At least concerned my relapse after 9 months.

Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by Singularity - 27 Oct 2016 14:38

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Where do you get this stuff? :D

at first I thought it was the sugya of a sukkah on a wagon, where it's kosher *b'di'eved* if it only succumbs to *mayim she'einam m'tzuyim*.

But keep it up! 75 is a HUGE number! the danger of the 90 is that a fall at 89 will trigger a massive guilt spiral, of "I JUST MISSED IT!" So the closer you get, the higher the potential downfall. But to keep in mind that that's all *hevel havalim*, that *b'etzem* 89 and 90 are not so different, so if you *do* fall c"v, it's not a signal to give it all up.

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Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by Gevura Shebyesod - 27 Oct 2016 15:16

The Mishna says: ????? ????? ????? ?????, **??** ????? ??????--????

Than means it can be either on a wagon or on a boat, but not both at once...

Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by bestrong - 27 Oct 2016 17:10

Thanks everyone for the chizuk!!!! Also it's not only about the number 90 it's just I felt so high like I conquered the whole thing etc... and now I feel lower then when I started!!!!

Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by Shlomo24 - 27 Oct 2016 17:12

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Well, God willing you'll learn something from this experience.

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Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by bestrong - 27 Oct 2016 17:33

Shlomo24, Amein! Hope so! Although right now I feel like the most disgusting creature ever created, I hope with time I will get back to myself as this has been one of my worst couple of weeks I ever had since I started stopping! Also just wanna ask the oilam out there, if you stop for a certain period of time and then u fall and start doing stuff worse does that make it ur worse off then before and u hav to gain back double ground?!?!

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Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by Mitgaber - 27 Oct 2016 17:54

I hear what you are saying brother. I fell also after almost 90 days and fell also after 90 days.

90 days isn't a magic number. It's not like you're safe after 90. That's how I felt the first time.

It really doesn't matter, we have to take it 1 day at a time and remember every day that we could lose it all at any given moment.

What really helps is not viewing it as a sin primarily but as a disease. This thing is destroying your life and for your own sake you have to get rid of it. With sin you might feel that since you haven't sinned for a while, you can now let down your guard. But when you view it as something that can potentially destroy your life you understand that you have to ask HaShem every day to heal you.

I feel I want to say more but it is really all in the guide book.

May HaSHem bless you and strengthen you!

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Re: ALMOST MADE IT.... ;(Posted by gibbor120 - 27 Oct 2016 19:36

I had a streak of over 200 days when I was in yeshiva. Lost it suddenly as well. It took about 15 years and my wife catching me to significantly improve. NEVER EVER GIVE UP! Most of us have failed multiple times. That is why we are here. You will succeed. Keep at it. You have

much more tools and support at a much younger age than me. I know how you feel. Been there, done that. It's no fun, but it can will get better IY"H.

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