

Question regarding dating/expectations

Posted by ezrimhashem - 25 Nov 2016 01:58

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations

Posted by Shlomo24 - 25 Nov 2016 02:17

~~be attracted to his wife, and that's what I find attractive. Or~~

Welcome. Do you have a Rebbi or a mentor that you can ask?

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations

Posted by Markz - 25 Nov 2016 02:41

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Posted by cordnoy - 25 Nov 2016 03:18

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You keep tryin' to get rid of me!

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations
Posted by ColinColin - 25 Nov 2016 04:26

I am not a Rabbi.

But in your position, I would seek out a woman who is curvy, because that is what you like.

I would also have to know that she may not be that shape forever, because she could lose or gain weight.

So I would definitely make sure there was an ease of conversation, shared values and shared goals from life too.

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations
Posted by cordnoy - 25 Nov 2016 04:30

If your friend dropped a girl because she's not so good at math, what would you tell him?

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations
Posted by Workingguy - 25 Nov 2016 12:08

[ezrimhashem wrote on 25 Nov 2016 01:58:](#)

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Tough question. It depends on how much this is something you absolutely think you need vs just something you like, but you have to remember that anything that you set as a need can come at a cost. If you need a girl who has xyz chances are that something else will have to give, and sometimes it can be values or something important.

I think IMHO it's legitimate to want what you're attracted to bc at the end of the day, that is a reality. How much you should be flexible about it is probably a practical question.

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations

Posted by Baruch_Hashem - 25 Nov 2016 17:25

I second the motion that you seek a rebbi's or mentor's advice. What I was told by me rebbi, for what it's worth, is that it is important that you are attracted to your wife. I don't think attraction is the same thing as lust. Perhaps this depends on whether you are an addict?

That being said, he continued, and explained that being attracted to your wife does not mean you think she is the prettiest girl you have ever met. It means, that you can look at her and find her attractive in your eyes.

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations

Posted by Shlomo24 - 25 Nov 2016 21:48

I can't believe that people are asking, offering, and possibly taking dating advice from an anonymous forum. It's one thing if someone had been here a while and gets to know the others...

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations

Posted by YidFromMonsey - 27 Nov 2016 00:10

Might be a good idea to listen to the following talk by Rabbi Shafier;

drive.google.com/file/d/0ByoYeCGxfpcGalE0b1NVRVB5SVk/view?usp=drivesdk

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations
Posted by ezrimhashem - 27 Nov 2016 19:30

Thank you all for your replies! It seems like there are differing views, which is fine, shiv'im panim la'torah, I will need to think about some of the replies and follow through on some of the suggestions, bs"d, and go from there. Also, those who pointed out that I should seek more personal advice, I will certainly do that...someone with whom I spoke, though, actually suggested I post to a forum to see what the group wisdom had to say. Thanks!

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations
Posted by ezrimhashem - 27 Nov 2016 19:33

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations
Posted by DABMY713 - 27 Nov 2016 20:06

This is a topic that is very much on my mind right now, as I am preparing for a trip next weekend to another city for a repeat visit to a woman I met on a matchmaking site. (I am a never married man in his mid forties, for the record.) I have been in communication with her for about seven months, and met her in person for the first time in late June. Since then, I have gone to her city twice, and she and I have maintained phone and email contact throughout this time. We have established a friendship, but nothing romantic has developed, at least as of yet. I am under pressure from people I know to turn things up a notch, but I am not eager to take her beyond what she might be ready for. If anyone has advice for me to view within the week, I will check it out.

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Re: Question regarding dating/expectations
Posted by Bigmoish - 28 Nov 2016 20:34

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Unless you also told him that you have a history of watching porn and masturbating (just a guess), I would say that he may have answered differently had he known all the facts.

Maybe not, but maybe yes.

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