

This time I mean business!

Posted by Hashivalisesonyishecho - 27 Feb 2017 18:27

Hi all,

Hashiva has hashiva-d. I don't know to what extent I will be posting or reading, but at this time I want to post about my current situation. I have been inconsistent. I guess I wasn't committed enough to be ready to do what it takes. Or maybe I thought that what it takes will not be possible for me to fulfill. But now I had a thought. Why do BTs usually remain BTs and never ever go back to be non frum? The answer is because they made a sharp cut. They cut themselves off from their old ways and paid a price. They bled when they cut. So it was a real cut - a real cut off. Up until now I have not really cut. There was nothing in place preventing me from going back in a weak moment. So I decided to cut.

I have given up internet access. My computer is whitelist only. My wife's computer is with a new changed password - her password which I don't know. I have decided not to access internet on my own. I am still in search for additional safeguards, which I plan to implement as I find them. Anyone with ideas for me, please say. I have started a new streak today. Not that I fell yesterday, but I have not been clean in the sense that I didn't cut. Today I cut, so today I'm considered clean. The streak is a plan of never return. I am discussing this with another GYE member, so that I make sure it's solid. I had been davening for a good plan, and Hashem hears even the prayers of sinners. May Hashem help us all.

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by cordnoy - 15 Mar 2017 13:46

If that type of thinkin' helps you, go for it (In a huge way).

Il have my share (and others) of problems, and that thought process never helped me at all.

B'hatzlachah

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by Hashivalisesonyishecho - 15 Mar 2017 15:45

I see it in 2 ways. One is the obvious that I am assuming that the divine intervention will work for me better if I behave. But the second is something which I actually experience and see clearly to have some truth. And that is, that I find when I act out, or even just when my heart is not in the right place, although my mind seems not be affected, and is still just as capable of following and grasping any logical discussion, it is in fact affected. Certainly my judgement, but not just my judgement, but also my judgement related logic, is negatively affected. So I end up not being able to make the right steps to remedy things, no matter how hard I try. And when I am in a better place, the good approaches and solutions seem so relatively simple and obvious, that I wonder how I could have made such poor choices and plans for things.

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by Hashivalisesonyishecho - 31 Mar 2017 05:24

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by GrowStrong - 31 Mar 2017 05:49

We appreciate everything you write! I can see you are respected by the kahal also.

As long as you are doing great and not fighting the battle in isolation that's the most important thing.

Cheers brother good shabbos !

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by cordnoy - 31 Mar 2017 11:31

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by Markz - 31 Mar 2017 12:25

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by Hashivalisesonyishecho - 02 Apr 2017 03:07

Thank you [GrowStrong](#), [cordnoy](#), & [Markz](#). I really appreciate your having responded the way you did.

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by Hashivalisesonyishecho - 02 Apr 2017 04:21

I am basically keeping to my resolution. When there are syagim in place, the nisyonos are there at that level, and not in the actual abhorrent behavior. So It's like a cushion. A soft cushioning against falling onto the concrete.

Hashiva, I think the only objectionable statement you have written is your most recent one

As I said, one of the problems I suffer from, seems to be showing an improvement, B'H, and I hope it's really on it's way to being resolved. But I'm still not learning behasmada. Maybe it's because I am still very bogged down by all of the other very difficult things I go through. But maybe I have to come to terms with the fact that I'm only flesh and blood. I do feel somewhat more elevated though, particularly in davening. The looking at what I should not, really lowers the level of existence. I don't realize it so much when I live that way, because my brain still works to understand learning. But when I don't do those things I feel so much better, so much more like a mentch. And the daas is certainly better. That is the judgement.

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by Hashivalisesonyishecho - 03 Apr 2017 04:11

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by Singularity - 03 Apr 2017 10:45

Good to admit it.

Don't beat yourself up about it.

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Posted by cordnoy - 03 Apr 2017 12:56

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Aha.

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Re: This time I mean business!

Posted by Hashivalisesonyishecho - 05 Apr 2017 14:34

I'm under tremendous stress. No money to survive. Other major issues but the biggest problem is no money, because with money you can take care of things, and have presence of mind, but not when running around like a lost rat with no way to figure out how to pay for basics.

But, I am still keeping my resolve. That's major, I know. But I'm very much in pain at the moment.

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