

Holy Yid's Continuing Journey

Posted by Holy Yid - 18 Dec 2009 01:17

Hi I am alive. I am past 90 days, through the Hand of God, so I am starting a new tread for myself and my friends.

I still don't accept that I am an addict or even if I am an addict I do not accept myself as a full fledged one. Because of that I do not always take all the precautions other people on this site take. I want to diverge for a second and say that I respect all those who do take those precautions I just like to believe that I can get away with less. Anyways I felt that I should be **????** in **??????** **??????** so I spent a week acting as though I was a fully addicted addict with almost zero resistance.

I was very careful about what I saw outside, when I used the web and what non Jewish stuff I looked at and so on. I discovered a shocking thing. That after the week I was calmer and felt more in control of my life.

Maybe I'll *pretend* to be an addict long term.

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Re: Holy Yid's Continuing Journey

Posted by the.guard - 18 Dec 2009 11:28

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rehab-my-site.com/guardureyes/forum/index.php?topic=1375.0

I highly suggest you continue acting as if you're an addict. First of all, because the power of these desires can suck almost ANYONE in, in an instant, if we are not careful. See the Gemara Kiddushin (80a-81a) where Hashem demonstrated the power of the Yetzer Hara to some of the Tanoim who had felt powerful over it and belittled its influence: The Gemara relates that the Satan presented himself to R' Akivah as a seductive woman in a treetop. He became so inflamed by her that he was unable to resist, and he started to climb the tree so he could sin with her. Halfway up the tree, the woman turned into the Satan and said: "If it wouldn't be that it had been said in the Heavens to respect R' Akivah and his teachings, I'd take your life!". A similar story is recorded with R' Meir swimming across a river to sin with a woman, and upon reaching the halfway point, the woman turned into the Satan, rebuking him with those same words.

Besides for that, we all have the Mitzva of ***Kedoshim Tehiyu*** - regardless of whether we are real addicts or not!

Keep up the great work!

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Re: Holy Yid's Continuing Journey
Posted by Moshew - 18 Dec 2009 15:33

A Holy Yid is a Holy Yid regardless if he sees himself as an addict or not!!!! In addition being an addict is not so bad, what's wrong with being addicted, to GYE, the Ribono Shel Olam, Kedusha, Potato Kugel est.....

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Re: Holy Yid's Continuing Journey

Posted by Holy Yid - 18 Dec 2009 17:23

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I did not mean I do not believe I am an addict I meant that I don't accept it. So to get past my defenses I took to acting like one and it really helped.

Regrading having a sponsor. There was a very dark moment where one of the only things that

held me back from falling was knowing that GUE would loose \$90.

To reach 90 one thing that I found very important is to view being clean as a gift. Stand in awe of the fact that I am doing this and really respect.

Also when I feel my life is falling apart and the stress is building I try to really turn to Hashem and really ask for help.

When I started I would be clean for a few days and then fall. My 90 days started when I went away for a few days on vacation and did not have web access. While away I spent the whole time syncing myself up to stay on the web for three days after I came came back. I held out for those three days and that was the turning point.

I will try to post more in coming days

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Re: Holy Yid's Continuing Journey

Posted by cleareyes613@gmail.com - 18 Dec 2009 19:16

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Re: Holy Yid's Continuing Journey

Posted by the.guard - 19 Dec 2009 19:33

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Re: Holy Yid's Continuing Journey
Posted by Kollel Guy - 19 Dec 2009 20:12

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I think he means to say "psycing". As in getting yourself excited about something.

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Re: Holy Yid's Continuing Journey
Posted by the.guard - 19 Dec 2009 21:22

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Re: Holy Yid's Continuing Journey
Posted by Holy Yid - 20 Dec 2009 02:22

I feel very honored that my thoughts are a matter of such interest to you all.

Now, to rephrase and explain. While away on vocation I PSYCHED myself up to stay OFF the web for three days.

I came back very determined to stay away from the computer. I stayed off for three days and then used the web only minimally after that. When I started here the web was too much part of my life. It consumed too much of my focus. When I did not have what to do I just went online and surfed the web. I had to break that focus. I had to get the web out of my focus.

Here is a link to my 90 day thread.

rehab-my-site.com/guardureyes/forum/index.php?topic=676.0

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Re: Holy Yid's Continuing Journey
Posted by Holy Yid - 20 Dec 2009 04:11

Another thing that helps me is to feel that people here care about me. Every email from Reb Guard is because he cares. I try to think about that. I have a few guys I chat with on gmail and I know they care and that really helps also.

Reading the daily emails help. They reinforce the perspective we need to take to this challenge and remind me of what my YH might like I forget.

Posting on other threads is giving. Giving helps. Posting also helps me realize areas I should focus on. While I am reading someone else's post I sometimes have a 'AH' moment and I realize that I need to be more careful or sometimes I think "hey this guy is really think funny stuff about himself". Those thoughts can cause him allot of trouble. Then I can think if I think those thoughts also.

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I wish I could post a link to a giant thumb going "uuuuuhhhh!! Azoy iz pshat!!"

Maybe Bruce Wayne can help us there.

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