This time will be better Posted by joetyh - 14 Jan 2022 10:58

hey people!!! just had a fall 2 nights in a row after building my streak to 5 days... but you know what, 5 days, that was pretty impressive. I have made myself sort of reliant on videos to entertain myself during bein hasedarim and after night seder which means i occasionally need to access youtube which is a killer because it starts with downoading just some fun vlogs and/or product reviews and it goes downhill from there. I need to find a way to be able to get some videos (I dont think i can quit cold turkey from watching and 613tube isnt an option) but not falling down that terrible rabbit hole of the "How bad of a video can i find on YouTube). besides for youtube theres the plain urges that come and I just feel powerless against them. I try to beat them but its so so hard to. even the smallest trigger (i.e. seeing a random pretty girl in the street) can just set me off on a bad day. I really want to be clean!!! I really do!!!! But I feel like as soon as the urge comes I just decide that "it's just this time" and I'll find an excuse to justify it.

I'm on day 1 now. My goal right now is 1 week. I think I can do it and I know it will be very painful but I'm ready.

any suggestions or if you can relate hop on to this topic

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Thank you! Yes it's INCREDIBLE!!!! Definitely share it around! All the ripple effects will be in your zchus!

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lo sassuru acharei levavchem vacharei eineichem - although rabbeinu yitzchaki quotes the sages that the former is idolatry and the latter is promiscuity, trouble thinks that the former may

also refer to promiscuity, as the wrongful lust behind in the heart/mind, not in the eyes. and it probably says that someplace.

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Re: This time will be better Posted by Bilaam Harasha to Yosef Hatzaddik - 10 Feb 2022 01:04

If your honest in the setup, you can use apple screen time but it does require a friend or adult to help you with that. I haven't really read your previous posts so maybe this is why your not interested in it but it works pretty well and doesn't have any loopholes as far as I know (I've had it for a while and I tried looking for some). It also has accountability features by default. I'm sure your already aware of it but look into I think it'll help you and you can use it in conjunction with webchaver. If you were to use apple screen time by itself you would have to set a list of allowed websites because this is the best way to avoid falls (but you can choose what settings you want, like only to block p websites and other websites like maybe YouTube if you want to block them specially) but if you use webchaver in conjunction with it, then you don't have to necessarily set your apple screen time filter to allowed websites only to be safe although this would be ideal (and this is the set up that I have on my phone). You would have to block specific sites like YouTube however and those filters will then apply to the covenant eyes browser and if you make that your only browser you would be safe enough.

Feel free to Pm for more info if you want and look in my signature of how to get webchaver for free. Even though it's free it actually may hold you more accountable and you can chaverim on top of that.

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Your goal isn't to stop cold turkey, it's to rewire your brain. You're doing an amazing job! Don't underestimate how much those 23 days changed the neural pathways in your brain. Get up now and keep working on yourself! You can do this!

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Try having an accountability software, it works a lot better than a filter, if someone is struggling in this area he will keep on going around the filter.

I tried so many filters but kept on viewing shmutz despite the filter, the filter blocked porn, but I still was able to get around it, I now use webchaver and have more success with it.

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