

Who are you fooling

Posted by 90days4ever - 01 Mar 2022 17:37

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Re: Who are you fooling

Posted by DavidT - 01 Mar 2022 18:07

Welcome (back)!

To many people, it's often the first slip that does us in ("just as an alcoholic needs to avoid that first sip, we need to avoid the first slip").

Many times we feel, "I looked away, but maybe I waited a drop longer than I had to". Then the Yetzer Hara makes us feel guilty when we've done nothing wrong at all, and that can lead to further slips and falls. The "three-second rule" recognizes that it may take a second or two to realize that something is amiss, and only then are we expected to look away.

Essentially, the pain we feel when **not** looking is much better than the pain of looking! And as they say *"No situation can be bad enough that a little lusting won't make it worse"*.

Keep strong and please stay connected

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Re: Who are you fooling

Posted by Vehkam - 01 Mar 2022 18:17

Are you reading or listening to the daily boosts? That's a great start for ongoing maintenance.

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Re: Who are you fooling

Posted by Shtarkandemotional - 01 Mar 2022 18:53

[90days4ever wrote on 01 Mar 2022 17:37:](#)

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It takes many people so long to reach the awareness you reached! For some people it's after 5 years of loophole to filter to this contract to this shvuah! For you it's been 5 months! That's amazing. Use this step as a new step to life! Once you realize this your now a smart fighter! Your no longer fighting yourself! So many people Act on contracts and then 5 days later saying oh this stuff is amazing how can I undo my contract and not pay!! Woohooooo I found a loophole! Then we act out! Oh only partially so I don't need to pay! And then I feel guilty so I block the loophole with an additional fee! And then 5 days later I'm on my search for a new loophole! Woohoooo. Or for some it's oops my filter failed! I need to block this next time! In my opinion it's silly. It's called the lazy way to fighting and the losing battle. I wouldn't even call it a fight against porn and that kind of stuff I would call it a fight with themselves. Don't get me wrong I have a contract myself! But we need a lot more inner work on top of that! And

congratulations you are there!!! Keep it uppppp!!!!!!

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Re: Who are you fooling

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 02 Mar 2022 12:16

Speaking this over with real people helps one rewire their thinking about sexuality/lust/etc. Find a rebbi, mentor, or GYE chaver to start the process. This mehalech has saved many many guys b'ezras Hashem. Hatzlocha!

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