

Do men with attractive wives have less of a problem?

Posted by ark321 - 24 Dec 2009 23:06

I would like to know what people think about this. We know that the yetzer hora creates ideas and lust into our minds, and it is all fake. Maybe if we were to know that even if our wife would be like the women we dream about, the yetzer hora would just make us want some other women etc, that this would help. I'm rushing this message as im in a rush, but there is more I have to say...

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Re: do men with

Posted by loi-misyaeish - 29 Dec 2009 11:39

KG, ditto to silent battle

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Re: Do men with pretty and skinny wives have less of a problem?

Posted by Eye.nonymous - 29 Dec 2009 11:51

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Re: Do men with pretty and skinny wives have less of a problem?
Posted by imtrying25 - 29 Dec 2009 11:58

[bardichev wrote on 28 Dec 2009 16:41:](#)

Momo, my dear friend!

While I agree with you that a woman who dresses provocatively is doing a huge disservice to the world, herself, her husband, and the walrus, BUT that doesn't mean that one should not "wish" for a wife that he is attracted to on a very physical level, or be happy to be married to one. There is a huge world of difference between a "pretty and skinny wife" which is the topic of this forum and a p**n star.

If a man is married to someone he finds very attractive, and she dresses in a tzniyus way and acts in a 100% tzniyus manner, I think that is totally fine and good!

As far as men leering at your wife despite her being a total tzanua... there are perverts out there who will leer at anything in a skirt, be it chai, tzomeach, or domeim... so you can't dictate your life or wife by the lowest common denominator of a guy who five minutes after leering at your wife might be leering at a table leg that looks like a human leg....

?? ????? ?????? ?????? - You can't be responsible for every perv out there (and yes, unfortunately I'm that perv sometime... I'm not trying to be demeaning to anyone, although leer is a harsh word, I don't know if actually leer....)

? ??? ??? ?? ????? ????? - But you do have a responsibility to make sure that the person you marry is not the type of person who will act or dress in an even slightly seductive manner

But that's just my opinion....

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AS MY FREIND SAYS (EFSHAR LETAKAIN)

ICH HUBB MEIN EIGENER IN DEE HEIM

HABA THAT WAS GEVALDIGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGG!!

Ditto Haba. Im first catching up on this thread now and i think your post was great. Wow.

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Re: Do men with pretty and skinny wives have less of a problem?
Posted by imtrying25 - 29 Dec 2009 12:01

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Yes i agree. We are here for everyone each on his own level. SO if someone feels it triggers it :D

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Re: Do men with attractive wives have less of a problem?
Posted by Kedusha - 29 Dec 2009 12:06

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Eye,

I changed the title of the thread, but not of each individual post, which would have been too tedious.

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Re: Do men with attractive wives have less of a problem?

Posted by ark321 - 29 Dec 2009 12:29

Thanks for changing it. I'm sorry about the title, I should've realized. I just hope I didn't cause anything Chas Ve'Sholom.

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Re: Do men with attractive wives have less of a problem?

Posted by TrYiNg - 29 Dec 2009 13:40

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;)]...Do you realize how demeaning it is for women that you only think of them in terms of their physicality?

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Re: Do men with attractive wives have less of a problem?
Posted by Kollel Guy - 29 Dec 2009 14:01

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Nobody is saying that women are **only** worth their looks. It was a question about a lust problem, and if having a better looking wife will be enough to keep that lust under control. The inner value

of a woman is not the discussion here, because it will not affect the lust for better or for worse.

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Besides, what's worse, men that can think this way about women, or knowing that one day you'll be marrying one?

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Re: Do men with attractive wives have less of a problem?

Posted by TrYiNg - 29 Dec 2009 14:05

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Oh... forgive me. For a second I thought you actually cared for us, that our outlook should be correct. :D

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Re: Do men with attractive wives have less of a problem?

Posted by silentbattle - 29 Dec 2009 14:18

I'm going to post this here, and in a new thread...let's move the discussion over there, for now?

TrYiNg - The original question was based on the lust problem. The continued shidduch discussion was addressing a different issue - how to approach one tiny, yet very complicated facet, of dating.

If I go out with a girl, and she's gorgeous, has a great personality, is smart, and nice, but mentions in passing, "oh, and I serve avodah zarah," then I don't think anyone here is giving a "yes" to date #2. If there's a clear hashkafic issue, most guys don't have trouble saying no. Or if personalities clash, and you just don't get along with your date.

Physical attraction, though, becomes more complicated, on a number of levels. 1) you need to decide if it's something that you might see from a different perspective later on. 2), even if you're sure, it feels rotten to say, "she's perfect in every way, but she's not for me because of the way she looks." Honestly, it just feels wrong - even if I know that hashem is telling me that this girl isn't for me (and by the way, although I have strong opinions, I've only said "no" based on looks once, out of...yeesh, a LOT of dates). 3) You need to decide whether you're not attracted, or if she's not the "type" you've always imagined. Lots of guys never realize this distinction.

And also, we need to face facts - although it's far from being being the most important thing, it's still absolutely essential that a guy IS attracted to his wife - and yet, some guys aren't sure that that's "right."

So discussing this, perhaps *especially* in this forum, can be important.

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Re: Do men with attractive wives have less of a problem?
Posted by TrYiNg - 29 Dec 2009 14:40

What you're saying makes sense.

I have not read the whole thread . Certain comments jst got to me ,(sorry) such as ;

Every single pretty woman in the world has a unique look, like different flavored ice-creams.

I meant that when the bedroom lights have gone out and its dark, so now its not a question of prettyness and looks, just what you feel with your hands etc.

What happened to it being about *love*??

I'm gonna have a mega hard time trusting a guy ...

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Re: Do men with attractive wives have less of a problem?

Posted by Kedusha - 29 Dec 2009 14:56

[TrYiNg wrote on 29 Dec 2009 14:40:](#)

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The main love comes after marriage, as Rav Hirsch writes regarding Yitzchak and Rivkah (Bereishis 24, 67).

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Re: Do men with attractive wives have less of a problem?

Posted by silentbattle - 29 Dec 2009 15:06

Guys? Should we move this discussion to the new thread I started? I'm posting my next response there...