

Hatzlacha in Full Time Learning

Posted by help613 - 03 Jan 2010 13:16

Hey Guys

Just something that has been on my mind for a long time already.

I have been in Beys medrash for about 4 years now and had absolutely no hazloche

in learning, i hardly know how to learn a blat gemore never minde toisfes by myself.

Is it possible that some ppl r just not made for learning and that i should leave yeshiva

and go home to work ?

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?

Posted by Kollel Guy - 03 Jan 2010 20:54

A REQUEST:

Can we all use the term "Kollel **Person**" instead from now on...

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?

Posted by bardichev - 03 Jan 2010 20:59

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by imtrying25 - 03 Jan 2010 21:22

Keep on trucking help613. And if youve got bardy on your thread your really lucky. loads and loads of good can come from that. So tamshich trukkin.

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by the.guard - 03 Jan 2010 22:25

Help613, it's obvious that a lot of Kedusha is hidden in your soul... It needs to find the proper expression, and we hope that through therapy/SA you will learn to be a new person.

I loved Rage's post on Torah vs. Working, and I also loved everyone's responses! They are both right, of course. It's all about balance.

There's a story in Tana Dibe'ei Eliyahu about a fisher-man who told Eliyahu that he is simply not cut-out for learning. Eliyahu asked him to explain how he catches fish and he launched into a long and detailed explanation on how to make the nets and the art of catching the fish, etc... Said Eliyahu to him, you see that you are capable of mastering a complex art/job when you WANT TO.

In other words, every yid is cut out for learning, but he has to WANT TO. That's number 1.

Number 2, we can always find things that we enjoy learning more than Gemara and Tosfos... For example, maybe you joy more just plain Bekiyus, without the pilpul of Tosfos and Rishonim... Or perhaps you enjoy Halacha more, or even Medrash and Agadeta? Every Yid has a chelek in Torah.

And number 3, like someone mentioned here, we need to let go of the lust before the Torah can enter us properly. Torah is like water, it takes the shape of the vessel it is in. If the vessel is crooked, well... don't expect Torah to save you. The beauty is Torah is far more subtle than the over-powering desires of our physical senses. If we are enslaved to them, there's no chance that the subtle but beautiful melody of Torah will be heard.

See [this page](#) for many great Torah ideas...

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by silentbattle - 04 Jan 2010 00:11

Like Guard, and lots of others said, try different types of learning. I know that I got a HUGE boost when I started actually finishing mesechtos. I started with smaller ones, and got bigger. It helps keep me going. Plus, it's an excuse for a big party at the end - which, truth be told, finishing a big chunk of torah deserves!

And you may find, as you do more bekius, that you become puzzled by something and want to find out more - and you can spend more time doing that piece in depth!

So do a little mishnayos, a little halacha, some bekius. See what works for you.

Keep in mind also, though - if you're only 19, I really first started learning well at your age - and I only started feeling true success a couple of years later. Obviously, everyone needs to work on whatever's good for them - but just because you haven't seen success yet, doesn't mean you won't.

As far as the thing that you were forced to see - you were put into that situation, and you test now is what you'll do - and you're succeeding! You closed it, and now you're doing you best to move on. You rock!

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by Kedusha - 04 Jan 2010 15:40

[silentbattle wrote on 03 Jan 2010 17:09:](#)

I would also point out that the rabbis today presumably know all these sources, and yet support the system of learning in kollel. The torah very clearly tells us that we're supposed to listen to the rabbis of *our* generation, and not just assume that we know better than they do.

I've heard many choshuv Rabbanim criticize the system (i.e. long term Kollel for everyone) off the record. Also, when one very well known Askan was asked (again, off the record, but I overheard the conversation) why the Roshei Yeshiva in a certain community don't speak out and say that this lifestyle is not for everyone, his response was shocking: "The Kanaim would kill them."

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by imtrying25 - 04 Jan 2010 15:53

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by habib613 - 04 Jan 2010 15:55

so i don't know what that rambam says, but check out rage's post on his thread...

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by Kedusha - 04 Jan 2010 16:03

If someone demands support, he's apparently not all that confident in the Rambam's promise.

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by imtrying25 - 04 Jan 2010 16:10

[Kedusha wrote on 04 Jan 2010 16:00:](#)

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by imtrying25 - 04 Jan 2010 16:13

[Rage ATM wrote on 04 Jan 2010 16:06:](#)

you know what burned me real bad? what hurt me...i heard a good girl who is beautiful in and out say that she will not find the perfect guy or even a good guy because her parents are not rich enough to support her after she gets married...that is messed up to its core...and all of us should be embarrassed at the state we are in when someone says something like that...

trust me Rage i know this much to well. And if that what you meant i couldnt agree with you more. And what you wrote before about leeches is true as well. **BUT** there are many out there that are really trying hard and are **not** trying to live up to certain standards. They are mistapik bemu'at to the true sense of the word. I need not go further i see this by my own siblings.

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by Kedusha - 04 Jan 2010 16:14

[imtrying25 wrote on 04 Jan 2010 16:10:](#)

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Well, he's making another important point as well. Long term Kollel shouldn't be done on someone else's Cheshbon. There's something wrong with a system where girls in the Kehila with the most people in Kollel cannot even get dates because their fathers have no money.

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[Rage ATM wrote on 04 Jan 2010 16:11:](#)

there are many ways you contribute to klal yisrael...sitting and learning without anything more is NOT one of them...

why not may i ask? Dont we need leaders for the future?? Torah leaders?? Yes we need alot of things but we need this too. Yes i agree there alot of guys out there "learning" that arent doing s*** but dont burn the system because of , ill even say, alot of rotten apples. Because that would be closeminded. And that can be done to any system. If you look really good youll find there are alot of rotten apples in almost all systems!

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