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Thanks, Captain!

Dear friends, I still stand by every word. As I wrote on the proposal number 2 thread, we have been to several rabbanim, the ones who deal with these things. And we have discovered that they knew very little about this resource. I am C"V not badmouthing anyone! How should they know?! THey usually deal with the people who've devolved into public, ugly stories, not the average good guy who's still hiding. And these rabbanim have not been through the cesspool that we swam through. These wonderful, dedicated rabbanim just had no clue how to help the average, struggling guy.

Which reinforces our duty.

Dear friends, I'm sorry. But there's nobody that can let the rabbanim know about the problem, and more importantly, the solutions, except for you. Klal Yisroel awaits us!!! Thousands upon thousands of Yidden, crying themselves to sleep, wondering if next time they'll get caught, if they'll ever stop these things, are waiting for us to be their voice. They have no idea that they could be helped! You could be the voice that gets them the help.

We can't let them down

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