How YOU help me without evening knowing it! Posted by baalteshuvawannabee - 10 Jul 2024 23:45

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Re: How YOU help me without evening knowing it! Posted by Heeling - 11 Jul 2024 01:17

Wow! That takes strength!

Keep Rocking!

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Re: How YOU help me without evening knowing it! Posted by amevakesh - 11 Jul 2024 02:08

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And it ain't gonna be to long before you're gonna be giving guidance to a whole new generation of children! ???? ????

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WOW! Brought out a tear!

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Re: How YOU help me without evening knowing it!

Posted by proudyungerman - 11 Jul 2024 13:42

Amazing!

What a victory!

Maybe, just maybe, with the exhilaration of success still abound...take the leap and reach out to some of the special people here!

I'm telling you, you will not regret it! Warning: Spoiler!

(I hope I'm not being too pushy...)

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Re: How YOU help me without evening knowing it! Posted by siyatta - 15 Jul 2024 13:35

Amazing! I can totally relate to the feeling of being away from home and therefore somehow allowed, or even entitled, to otherwise forbidden behaviors. Overcoming these hurdles are huge leaps in your success.

Just realize that these locations that you pass will continue to be a trigger every time you pass them. A wise person once compared this to a Baal-Teshuva who used to eat at Mcdonalds, even years after he's frum, he continues to be triggered by passing a McDonalds. But what this really means is that he earns schar/merits, every time he passes a McDonalds while the rest of us don't.

What you wrote about being motivated by the guys is 100% true, having a sense of accountability can be your greatest tool in finding success in this fight.

I can't recommend enough reaching out to Hashem Help Me. His accountability program has been the difference maker for me as well as many others here.

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