

A Serious Wager

Posted by chizkiyahu - 10 Jan 2010 22:22

I'm tired of making endless resolutions to change only to slip at the end of the week.

I'm going to put my money where my mouth is. If I can guard my eyes between now and May 9th (Mother's Day), I will donate \$500 to guardyoureyes.org.

But if I slip by intentionally looking at P between now and May 9th, I will donate \$500 to the anti-Semitic hate site [moderator's note: web address removed - see below]

That may sound crazy, but I have simply gotten too complacent in this battle. I have not made any real progress in over a year, and I need to shake myself out of my comfort zone.

I welcome your chizuk.

[u]moderator's note[/u]: web address has been removed, because it leads to a hate site, which GYE should not assist in any way, such as by causing it to get more hits].

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Re: A Serious Wager

Posted by WeWillNotBeForsaken - 10 Jan 2010 22:57

If I wasn't cheering you on before, I definitely am now!!!

Not sure if this is the way to go or not - but definitely deserving of kudos for willingness to take drastic measures.

Perhaps a 500\$ donation to a hated politician like _____ would have worked also.

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Re: A Serious Wager

Posted by shemirateinayim - 10 Jan 2010 23:07

why not something stupid like political campaigns. or why not withdraw 500 singles from the bank...and burn them one at a time (I do believe it's a federal offense). Or why not donate it to the make a wish foundation. Or to your local municipality for the purpose of planting a small garden (you'll feel like an idiot every time you pass your plaque. Hmm why not buy a mini-laptop and then take a hamer and smash it to peices (mybe therapuetic ???). or an ipod touch, or a blackberry, or a psp, or a _____ a dunno what kids watch their shmutz on anymore.

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or to simply see your money go-up in smoke, but accomplish something. buy hungry yeshiva bachurim,,, ako alot aot of take-out

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[shemirateinayim wrote on 10 Jan 2010 23:07:](#)

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That's actually a pretty cool idea - something like "I bought this ad because I'm an addict who lost a bet"

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Re: A Serious Wager

Posted by bardichev - 11 Jan 2010 01:37

How about GUE bumper stickers for our trucks

KEEP ON TRUCKING!

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Re: A Serious Wager

Posted by Kedusha - 11 Jan 2010 01:56

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Re: A Serious Wager

Posted by Kollel Guy - 11 Jan 2010 08:53

Did you by any chance make this resolution right after a fall?

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Posted by Kedusha - 11 Jan 2010 14:56

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As a matter of fact, your life depends on it in more than one way. If you give even one penny to ;D

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Re: A Serious Wager

Posted by silentbattle - 11 Jan 2010 15:07

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that organization, there are plenty of people here who will kill you!

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How about giving the money to GYE either way, but if you, c"v, fall, it will count neither for Maaser nor as a tax deduction?

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Re: A Serious Wager

Posted by silentbattle - 11 Jan 2010 15:16

Good one, kedusha...

I vote for that idea (jumping up and down emoticon)!

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Re: A Serious Wager

Posted by Kollel Guy - 11 Jan 2010 15:19

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Posted by Kedusha - 11 Jan 2010 15:25

[Kollel Guy wrote on 11 Jan 2010 15:19:](#)

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Or the ACLU? (Please don't give to any of them).

For what it's worth, I have no doubt, that, Al Pi Halacha, it is Ossur to give to the organization you suggested.

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Re: A Serious Wager

Posted by shemirateinayim - 11 Jan 2010 20:10

Hareinu Mishtatef Lepsak shel moreinu R Kedusha

SHemiras Einayim

He's right. Pich a diferent suggestion. and don't worry about matir neder, so much at lest, since it's probably mutar mitzad masneh al mah shekatuv batorah.

Why not making adds thats say it's from an addict who couldn't help himself from looking at porn for ____ days.

Or use the money to BUY an ipod touch, from a yeshiva bachur! just don't pay him with anything that could be used for issur. Mybe a gift-card or credit at dogies. Not only will your donation stop this kid from looking at porn for a long time (till he gets a new one, which he probably won't) but by calling a large yeshiva, and personaly speaking to the mashgiach, you will impress upon him the reality of this addiction. oh and make SHURE HE KNOWS THAT YOUR KIDS ARE NOT in that ueshiva, so he won't suspect anyone for being YOU.

whada you say

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Re: A Serious Wager

Posted by helpless - 11 Jan 2010 22:53

for what its worth, my therapist (who is a very frum man) suggested I do something similar like to Hamas. it cant be to something stupid because I will just say who cares. I could never fathom giving money to Hamas.

I havent dont it yet but toying with the idea.

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