struggle continues Posted by StrugglingGuy - 16 May 2010 14:39

from a high to a low-

So after a shabbos where I made harchakos from mstrbtion and erotic lit as well as davened what i felt were good tefillos, i fell twice in a short span; once last night and once this morning. Right after the falls, i felt that since the urge and the yh were so immensely powerful, i felt powerless and concluded there is nothing i could have done this time other than ms**bt... I didnt have remorse basically; I chalked it up to the YH.

the yezter hara seems to have so much patience that even if i go a week clean (which is what i had) the urge can come at any moment...

help appreciated...thanks guys.

when YH suggests something, my deeper will freezes Posted by StrugglingGuy - 24 Jun 2010 17:09

when the YH 'tells' me to do something, I follow him blindly, without stopping to think.

anyone else have this?

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Re: struggle continues Posted by shmiras - 24 Jun 2010 18:27

Sounds like you get down on yourself sometimes. You dont follow the yetzer hara blindly at all. Look at the lengths your willing to go through to protect yourself and pull yourself from his grasp. Thats amazing.

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Re: struggle continues Posted by yedidya aleph - 24 Jun 2010 21:47

StrugglingGuy wrote on 24 Jun 2010 16:39:

Anyone have thoughts?

Buddy,

maybe, this is better than finishing the act,

u r in a danger zone! it is hard for me to undersand, but even for much older married guy , the craving for stimulation and release it often overwhelming. someone did post on the site the secrets to success which included never touching the bris, not lying on his back. these may be a bit difficult....

What about exercise? maybe that will be good for u to let out some of that energy. may Hashem protect u from this y.h.

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Re: struggle continues Posted by shmiras - 25 Jun 2010 04:21

yedidya aleph -

agree-

'half an act' is not half an act at all. theres no such thing. and we all know where it will lead. dont cut down - cut it out.

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Re: struggle continues Posted by StrugglingGuy - 06 Aug 2010 15:52

fell last night after an all day flight, but I immediately write down what I did to put myself in an inevitable situation (3 or 4 things)

I knew I was putting myself in that situation and I still did it- that is the hardest part.

have a great shabbos everyone

'asher tishmiru'- we will listen to Hashem...Hashem believes in us...we will overcome IYH

Re: struggle continues Posted by StrugglingGuy - 08 Aug 2010 22:41

stumbled a lil looking for some literature online i just jumped on the site after about 10 minutes of it

Re: struggle continues Posted by Holy Yid - 09 Aug 2010 01:23

StrugglingGuy wrote on 24 Jun 2010 16:39:

(This might be a little graphic)

I recently started sleeping on the floor instead of my bed. Why? My floor is made of wood. I put a blanket down and wrap it around myself and it's kmat like Im sleeping on the floor. My challanges come from ms****** not with my hand but with imitation of an 'act'. Therefore, being on the floor serves as an all-important deterrent for me to not eja*******. (It is quite uncomfortable to lie face down on a wooden floor if you didnt already get it....)

However, I still touch myself and fantasize. So, the root of my taavah still exists. Technically, what I still do is called 'ms********'; obviously, though, not ej******** is a success, I believe.

Anyone have thoughts?

My impression is the Halacha is that men must sleep on their side

Re: struggle continues Posted by StrugglingGuy - 09 Aug 2010 18:51

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Re: struggle continues Posted by Chasdei Avos - 09 Aug 2010 19:11

HI. I SIMPLY GET TROUMENDOUS CHIZUK FROM WATCHING YOU POST AFTER YOU FALL AND FALL AND POST ETC.. IT IS TRULY AWESOME, SINCE WE ALL KNOW THIS FIGHT IS A WAR, AND YOU OBVIOUSLY ARE IN FOR THE KILLLL. KEEP UP YOUR FIGHT

AND AND YOUR SPIRIT.

SORRY TO STIK IN MY ISSUE to your thread, BUT THIS SIGHT HAS BECOME SO HUGE SINCE ITS BEGINING (WHEN I was on 2 years ago) that I dont know where to write.

Although i have been almost totally clean for close to 2 years behasdei Hashem and i owe it to GUE, I have almost fell completely and i have been messing around too much with myself even though I dont completely go for it. In fact, i spilled some seed twice recently?:"&^%\$. I really need chizuk.. And maybe someone I can call when under the spell. This rosh chodesh I think would make it 2 years, although not free completely.

Any chizuk pleeeaaase.

thnks

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careful where you go online Posted by StrugglingGuy - 11 Aug 2010 22:32

You can't look anywhere without seeing shmutz. Hashem is really testing when I go on a 'harmless' online movie site to try to watch something pretty kosher (today it was shawshank redemption) and I get these ads popping out at me as well as other movie covers. I am tempted to click on the movie covers. Thank God the only thing doesn't really work without signing up and stuff. On my laptop I got rid of Hulu but not at home.

I guess the point I am trying to make is that in order to let God remove our lust, we have to remove ourselves from lust triggers which I am learning consist of a lot more than I thought or want...

I am a little scared because I know when I do look at these things online, it won't make me feel as guilty as when I mstrbt.

Re: struggle continues Posted by StrugglingGuy - 12 Aug 2010 14:47

BH Yom Yom

How is everyone else doing?

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Re: struggle continues Posted by yedidya aleph - 12 Aug 2010 20:39

Sorry I have not posted recently. Have been busy at work and attending live SA meetings daily M-F. Baruch Hashem,i am sober from p* & m*. Checking in daily with a sponser is a great help.

U might find this quote from the <u>SA White Book</u> helpful:

Thus, for the sexaholic, any form of sex with one's self or with partners other than the spouse is progressively addictive and destructive. We also see that lust is the driving force behind our sexual acting out, and true sobriety includes progressive victory over lust. These conclusions were forced upon us in the crucible of our experiences and recovery; we have no other options. But we have found that acceptance of these facts is the key to a happy and joyous freedom we could otherwise never know.

This sounds like to bottom line for being sober is refraining from m* or s* outside of marriage. Of course we should be working on a progressive victory over lust. this would include taking "second looks" and deliberately reading and looking at errotic material. Of course for me, there is a strong connection between viewing triggering things and m*.

Anyway,hoping that u will have a shtark Elul free from tuma and attached to kedusha of learning and davening. This is a zman mesugal for aliya in ruchniyas.

hints of lewdness everywhere I look...oy Posted by StrugglingGuy - 13 Aug 2010 21:58

I go to the gym to work out and there are tv's there. Fine. Lemme just watch some ESPN while I'm on the eliptical machine. Unfortuantely there are other TV's with soap opera's on and it is extremely hard not to glance at them. There was no s** or anything; however there were attractive women (you all know.)

I go to the library to get some psychology books and other clean stuff. However, wherever I look, I see lusty book titles. How is most of the library romance novels or other 'clean' books with suggestive titles?! Don't they have other stuff? Not to mention the dvd's on display. It was very hard not to take JUST ONE racy novel and that will be it. I am *proud of myself* that I walked out with just 2 clean books.

It is simply gehinnom for our souls out there, folks.

Re: struggle continues Posted by StrugglingGuy - 15 Aug 2010 03:47

I fell Fri nite ...

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It always seems to be shabbos, idk why.

It was a mental struggle. I wanted to do it, but I kept pushing it off, until I could not push it off anymore. That is basically what happened...

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