yechida's reflections Posted by yechidah - 29 Jun 2009 19:47

(any questions , insights & suggestions about this thread,feel free to email me at taryaga@gmail.com)

There are many reasons we need to be where we are and who we are,most are unknown.Why do we even have to be in a situation or have in our soul so much darkness and a pull toward self-destructing negative behaviors?

I saw once an amazing thought in a sefer.Moshe Rabeinu came from a union that after the Torah was given would have deemed him a mamzer(parents being an aunt & nephew).He could not boast of his lineage.This is one reason that let him be the greatest Anov that ever lived.

We who have to deal with the stuff that's in us that we would rather not have in the first placethis pain and shame over the course of time -makes us realize that even when we b'ezras Hashem pull out of the addictions-we will never look at another Yid that is struggling with this in a negative way

We catch a Yid looking where he shouldn't be looking and our hearts are full of compassion.We will daven for him,treat him with respect,gently try to get him out of it.We would never disgrace him-not even in our hearts-because we were there.We know what it's like.In our eyes he is a potential tzaddik.

This is surely one reason Hashem gave us this urge towards baseness with all it's shades of ugliness.Yes you are special-like every Yid is-but never ever judge harshly My son or daughter that is struggling-because I love him or her - he or she is part of Klall Yisroel.Just as indispensible as you are.

Re: yechida's reflections Posted by letakain - 09 Dec 2009 16:21

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thank you yechida, i needed a lift!

this was perfect!

i'm telling you, you have divine inspiration of what to post on what day!

you rock!

how's you're day going?

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Re: yechida's reflections Posted by yechidah - 09 Dec 2009 16:25

Boruch Hashem

TrYing to internalize what I wrote.

Re: yechida's reflections Posted by yechidah - 09 Dec 2009 16:29

and stay dry

Re: yechida's reflections Posted by letakain - 09 Dec 2009 18:16

LOL.

go dance in the rain with imtrying!

SMILE!!

Re: yechida's reflections Posted by kutan - 09 Dec 2009 20:09

Yechida,

That was a beautiful, inspiring, insightful post.

I'd like to mention that R' Avigdor Miller would say "have a big, fancy house, a fancy car etc, if that his what you like. Just make sure to have a mesilas yesharim open always as well."

I think he was saying in short what you explained so well. If you need it, there is a kosher way to do it.

(Only if you need it, though... no mitzva in egging on the YH for gashmius... also important to keep in mind.)

Its not 'conventional' talk, but like you so succinctly put it:

He is more Open Minded than you'd think.

thanks

kutan

Re: yechida's reflections

Posted by yechidah - 10 Dec 2009 13:44

Thank you Kutan (Ari)

Re: yechida's reflections Posted by yechidah - 10 Dec 2009 13:47

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From Albom's book page 111

A military chaplain told me the following story

A soldier's little girl, whose father was being moved to a distant post, was sitting at the airport among her family's meager belongings.

The girl was sleepy. She leaned against the packs and duffel bags

A lady came by, stopped, and patted her on the head.

"Poor child" she said. "You haven't got a home"

The child looked up in surprise

But we DO have a home, she said

We just don't have a house to put it in

(that's us in Galus. No house. But Hashem wants us to make a home for Him. and then He will give us the house)

Re: yechida's reflections Posted by habib613 - 10 Dec 2009 13:56

that's so true...

Hashem, we all want a house so badly!

it's hard to keep all the belongings straight when there's nowhere to put it all...

things get lost...

Re: yechida's reflections Posted by yechidah - 10 Dec 2009 14:03

what's lost can be retrieved

and will be.

Diamond, there is alot of wisdom within you.

and this may sounds strange to you, or perhaps too premature that this thought is not felt yet by

you, but the fact is that you have alot to teach us.

As you keep finding those "lost" things, alot of the good within in you will start coming out

It already has begun

It just takes time.

But it will come forth

Re: yechida's reflections Posted by silentbattle - 10 Dec 2009 14:51

That is beautiful...definitely gives ME something to mull over today!

Re: yechida's reflections Posted by Dov - 10 Dec 2009 17:47

Yechida Shlit"a,

The Ar"i (after Zh"k) explains "mah yofu pa'amoyich ban'olim" in a way that reminds me of what you wrote above. He clearly did not create the sitra ach'ra in order for us to get involved in it, c"v, and keep Him uninvolved. The attitude of, "*this* is no place to shlep *Him* into, is it?" needs to be eradicated from it's root. And it's root is ultimately our Pride. Adam tried to go it alone...oy vei....

Anyway, thanks again!!

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Re: yechida's reflections Posted by yechidah - 10 Dec 2009 18:05

Thank you silent battle and dov.

Dov,

you are correct.

the ego holds me back from letting Hashem into the nutty gritty physical aspects of our lives.

In the back of our head, we tell Hashem, as we close the door of our bedroom:.

"Thanks Hashem, but you could stand guard outside the door, and makes sure the house is protected, but no need to come inside. I'll see you in the morning"

He takes this personally

us not inviting Him in.

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Re: yechida's reflections Posted by letakain - 10 Dec 2009 19:24

Hashem is here

Hashem is there

Hashem is truly everywhere

up, up, down, down

right left and all around

Here there and everywhere

that's where he can be found

as Duvid Chaim said on the call today. Hashem is with you RIGHT NOW!

Re: yechida's reflections Posted by yechidah - 10 Dec 2009 20:17

Good to know her

From Mitch Albom's book page 184-5

The Rabbi had a daughter, named Rinah, who died at the age of 4

He admits that he had a very tough time with it

But he forced himself to deal with it

"That which I have had to say to others, I must now say to myself"

And this is basically what he said, (not word for word)

if you ask me, and you should, why this wonderful beautiful child-who had so much to give-had to die, I can't give you a rational answer. I don't know.

But in the commentary to the Bible, tradition tells us that Adam, our first man, was supposed to live longer than any man, a thousand years. He didn't. Our sages ,in quest of the answer, related the following

Adam begged God to let him see into the future.....

And of course, we know that he saw the Neshomah of Dovid Mamelech who was not to live, and Adam willingly gave Dovid 70 years of his life

And now I quote

"My friends, when sometimes we are asked why does someone perish, someone so young in age, I can only fall back on the wisdom of our tradition. It is true Dovid did not live long for his day. But while he lives, Dovid taught, inspired, and left us a great spiritual legacy, including the Book of Psalms the 23rd....Hashem is my Shepherd....

Is it not better to have known Rinah, my daughter, for four years, than not to have known her at all?

And on page 225

The Reb's cemetery plot, I learned was closer to his birthplace in New York, where his mother and father were buried.

His daughter, Rina, was buried there too. When the time came, the three generations would be united, at least on this earth and, if his faith held true, somewhere else as well.

Do you think you'll see Rina again? I asked

"Yes, I do"

But she was just a child

"Up there" he whispered," time doesn't matter"

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