

unanimun & belmont4175's heoros

Posted by unanimun - 03 Jul 2014 00:42

the mishna in avos says ?? ????? ????? ??????, ????? ??????"

The Maharal asks why does the mishna say that one whose fear of His sin is greater than his chochmo? It should say one whose fear of sin (????? ?? ???).

He answers that everyone, as a result of his inherent nature has a tendency towards specific sins. It is not enough for him to have a general fear of sin. He has to have a fear of his specific sin that he is more inclined to transgress.

Thereby the mishna is saying that only when one's fear of HIS sin precedes his chochmo, will his chochmo last.

(As explained by Rav Wolbe inaley shur vol. 1 pg. 133)

I think that just being aware of the fact that it is normal for different people to lean towards different sins should be encouraging. Also we see that there is a concept of working on the fear of a specific sin and not only a general Yiras Shamayim.

I know that some people will say that Yiras Shamayim doesn't do the job, but I think that there is something here that can help. Not the fear of heaven but the fear of sin. Being afraid of the sin and all the side effects, spiritually, physically, and emotionally. Contemplating the fear of the specific sin, while we are not in the trenches nor in the middle of battle, perhaps can have a positive effect and change the results once the games begin.

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Re: unanimun & belmont4175's heoros

Posted by shlomo613 - 09 Aug 2015 22:27

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Re: unanimun & belmont4175's heoros

Posted by cordnoy - 09 Aug 2015 22:34

[shlomo613 wrote:](#)

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Why? you only use porn outside of your house?

I guess it is like those who observe 'kosher' in their house only.

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Re: unanumun & belmont4175's heoros
Posted by shlomo613 - 09 Aug 2015 22:40

I wish I could say I was that religious.

In fact, I will not be seen with it in public; my house is not kosher.

(NB That was semi in jest. I do try - but the above was true for too long, and is liable to revert at the flick of a switch. Or the click of a mouse.)

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Re: unanumun & belmont4175's heoros
Posted by unanumun - 07 Mar 2016 19:57

There is a Gemara that is often quoted that says that ????? ??????? ????? ??????? ????? ??
???? and Rashi explains that ?? ???? is referring to ????? ??????.

Many people feel that from this gemora we see that somehow just being married can save one from hirhur aveira.

The obvious question is that the balabatim section of gye is very busy. Somehow the gemara skipped on all of us.

However, after just coming across the gemora again, I realized that there indeed is a simple pshat - one that is indeed discussed often on the balabatim section of gye.

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The Gemora asks: Didn't Rav Yehudah teach his son elsewhere that a man finds gratification only with his first wife, and Rav Yitzchak asked him: "who is such a woman?" Rav Yehudah replied, "Your mother."

The Gemora answers: She would get angry fast, but she was easily appeased.

We see from this that the same woman that can be the worse wives can also be the best wives. And as the gemara answers it can change quickly from mood to mood.

Another point I see from this gemara is that based on the gamara's answer we see that the definition of being more bitter than death has to do with the wife being angry. I have seen several times on gye, that people's wives being angry can be a trigger to go escape and act out. It was for me.

We see that the gemara is validating that the feelings one has when a wife is angry, is indeed more bitter than death. (Apparently we see as well that it is something specific to a wife being angry as opposed to a different relative, a friend, neighbor or boss being angry)

So yes, it is a difficult thing to experience, but remember, the same wife can also be a source of gratification. Perhaps we can't all apease out wives easily, but there is always hope that the source of terrible bitterness, can turn into the source of gratification.

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Re: unanumun & belmont4175's heoros
Posted by cordnoy - 09 May 2019 01:40

Question: chovos halevavos shaar habitachon perek gammel.

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Re: unanumun & belmont4175's heoros
Posted by yiraishamaim - 09 May 2019 13:42

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Great Stuff!

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Re: unanumun & belmont4175's heoros
Posted by cordnoy - 09 May 2019 15:35

[yiraishamaim wrote on 09 May 2019 13:42:](#)

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Pleasure, but that doesn't answer the question.

Nice to see/hear you though.

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Re: unanumun & belmont4175's heoros
Posted by Gevura Shebyesod - 09 May 2019 16:19

[cordnoy wrote on 09 May 2019 01:40:](#)

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Re: unanumun & belmont4175's heoros
Posted by cordnoy - 09 May 2019 16:30

[Gevura Shebyesod wrote on 09 May 2019 16:19:](#)

[cordnoy wrote on 09 May 2019 01:40:](#)

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Take a pic? AlthoughI this editor probably wouldn't allow that, as it's in wonky state.

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Re: unanumun & belmont4175's heoros
Posted by cordnoy - 09 May 2019 16:39

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Posted by Gevura Shebyesod - 09 May 2019 16:52

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Posted by Markz - 09 May 2019 17:28

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Our Muslim brothers have a tradition to keep the original text and burn all others.

Its in their Ani Maamin b'olam haba text too, for those that are in the know.

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Re: unanumun & belmont4175's heoros
Posted by lovingpapa - 09 May 2019 17:44

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pretty certain it means that we are supposed to focus our energy and effort to be intimate with

our wives in order to have children, who ultimately grow up as shomrei torah mitzvos, and can bring more nachas ruach to Avinu Shebashamyim.

we can use every character trait to achieve greatness!

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