

renewed investment in life

Posted by shlemeil - 14 Jan 2020 02:45

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Recently, I learned through a representative at Covenant Eyes, who spoke to a tech person over there, that I could manually add a filter, and was given the codes to do so. This is not standard operating procedure; normally the filter is purchased as part of a plan, then, automatically installed. Up until then, I hadn't known that this was possible, because I had previously been told that their filter is not applicable for the Amazon Fire Kindle.

I now have filtered Internet, Baruch H'Shem. This all occurred because I was unable to access my emails, the error note read "blocked by administrator." Covenant Eyes is the only administrator on my Kindle, so, I called their support number. That problem was not immediately solved; yet, at the end of the phone call, I was asked if there was anything else I had a question about; I brought up about not being able to use the Covenant Eyes filter; b'ezrach H'Shem, I was shown the solution. I asked what the additional charge for the filter was; I was told that it's free. Also, by the end of the phone call, I was able to access my emails. All arranged from Shomayim.

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Re: renewed investment in life

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 14 Jan 2020 04:39

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Welcome back. It should be with hatzlocha!

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Re: renewed investment in life

Posted by shlemeil - 14 Jan 2020 14:00

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Thank you very much. Shalom.

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Re: renewed investment in life  
Posted by shlemeil - 14 Jan 2020 14:23

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Inasmuch that my electronic device is not 100% kosher, even with the newly acquired filter through Covenant Eyes, there are still nooks and crannies on the Internet where I could go to view illicit material. This will be the challenge - to refrain from going there. Even so, it is such a relief to know that the worst of the shmutz is no longer accessible, because of the filter.

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Re: renewed investment in life  
Posted by DavidT - 14 Jan 2020 15:29

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[shlemeil wrote on 14 Jan 2020 02:45:](#)

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Hi shlemeil

First of all welcome back!

Regarding your comment "If only my neshamah can be purified". **Please realize that your neshamah is 100% pure. You essence is good and all the negative triggers, temptations and falls is not YOU.**

By internalizing this fact you'll have a much smoother ride to recovery with hashem's help.

We are looking forward to riding along with your successful journey.

Please keep up posted on your progress and we are here to help and support you along the way.

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Re: renewed investment in life  
Posted by shlemeil - 15 Jan 2020 02:39

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Shalom. Thank you very much.

This is slowly starting to make sense to me.

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Re: renewed investment in life  
Posted by shlemeil - 15 Jan 2020 02:41

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The yetzer harah is nagging me, trying to tell me that what I view is all relative; I know that this is not the case. If I view material that is "relatively" less noxious to my soul it is still not o.k. So, the unfiltered "nooks and crannies" on the Internet, not filtered by the filter are still off limits. H'Shem willing, the more that I resist, the less nagging. Help me pass this nisyanos, H'Shem.

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Re: renewed investment in life  
Posted by Hashem Help Me - 15 Jan 2020 03:52

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Maybe call TAG for assistance with the nooks and crannies. Also, maybe make a geder that you wont take the phone with you into the bathroom or other acting out location.

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Re: renewed investment in life  
Posted by shlemeil - 15 Jan 2020 04:48

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Thank you very much. I see this as a long-term exercise in self control. Even so, if I can upgrade my filter somehow that would be great. Unfortunately, there is always "opportunity" to act out. I think that the ultimate commitment that I need to make, in order to enhance my overall effort not to transgress, is to yiras H'Shem. "Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him?" (Yirmiyahu 23:24).

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Re: renewed investment in life

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 15 Jan 2020 12:27

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Of course we can never be 100% protected. However if we do the best we can to prevent exposure, then Hashem will give us extra syatta d'shmaya when an unavoidable nisayon occurs.

See the Ohr HaChaim HaKadosh at the end of the parsha of arayos - Parshas Acharei Mos, on the possukU'shmartem es mishmarti l'vilti asos..... where he shows how the Torah is clearly instructing us that we are mechuyav to set up the best protective fences possible.

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Re: renewed investment in life

Posted by DavidT - 15 Jan 2020 14:34

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Please read this new article on GYE about important steps for recovery, fences and keeping clean

<https://guardyoureyes.com/articles/torah/item/taking-real-steps-this-shovavim>

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