

Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 04 Aug 2020 05:33

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Hi everyone,

First I want to say that I am humbled and honored to be in the presence of such Giborei Koach, true warriors of Hakadosh Baruch Hu.

I bh am not addicted to pornography.

I haven't been on a porn website.

But I'm getting close, and I'm here to gain chizuk not to fall into it.

Once I return to Yeshiva I'm safe, but as long as I'm home I'm in danger, and bh I haven't fallen into pornography. However it's the next step, chalila.

I bh am running a camp, so I started keeping busy, so bh have only been nichshal once in the last 3 weeks.

i want to just express my gratitude to all of you, and my great admiration for each and every one of you.

My Yetzer tries telling me "comon, porn can't be that bad, it's just the word that sounds scary" or like "it can't be so different than YouTube videos"

So I'm here to gain that chizuk.

thank you!

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by Captain - 20 Aug 2021 01:47

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[YeshivaGuy wrote on 24 Sep 2020 20:03:](#)

Takin a moment to post this.

Its hard cuz I'm in a room myself and all my chavrusas aren't available to learn on the phone, so there's bigger Yetzer to be motzei zera..

Usualy when I'm in the bais medrash I don't even think about it, but now I'm learning right next to my bed and no BODY can see me.

But HaShem sees me.

I will fight hard. May this be m'chaper for all the times I thought I can hide from HaShem. For all the times I thought no one was watching me.

May HaShem see that I am machshiv His metsius-and want to be part of "His plan"

Thank you all for the support.

I will really need it to get through the next few days without even touching my "ever".

And then we go home for Bein hazmanim with more nisyonos!

And I wouldn't be on this journey without you all.

Thank You!!

Maybe you can take some chizuk from this guy who posted when he was in a RV...

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 20 Aug 2021 02:36

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Shkoyach, I decided to drive my friend to pick him up a sandwich as he didn't have dinner. We hung out and I got a Geshmak slice of deli role.

Ended up losing track of time and missed maariv, but bh not nichshal.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 20 Aug 2021 14:12

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Lmaaseh last night was a close call. Gotta be more careful.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 22 Aug 2021 06:00

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Wasn't the best with Shmiras Eynayim on thurs, and fri night it was running through my mind through davening.

Very disturbing.

Friday night in bed I started getting a lot of hirhurim and was having a hard time so took a higher than usual dose (but safe) of melatonin to make me fall asleep fast, and Baruch HaShem it worked.

I didn't go to shachris or mincha though.

B'chall I've been very bad at minyanim lately.

Honestly, it because I'm just not interested in davening. I used to get such a Geshmak from it, saying pesukei dzimra with kavana etc.

But now I just can't sit still and focus like that, idk...

Anyway have a Good Night!

YeshivaGuy

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by Captain - 22 Aug 2021 13:44

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It sounds from your situation that you are just having a hard time sitting straight in davening. I remember I had this once (probably on a lesser level but still tough) when I was going through a lot of stress. It's important to remember that it's not that "I don't like davening and i'm not interested in connecting with Hashem" but rather "my body is having trouble sitting straight (because of stress, etc) so it's harder for me to get into davening, but that's not ME" and then it will pass at some point.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by dovidfg - 22 Aug 2021 18:17

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You can try pacing back and forth during davening it might help you daven as your body is busy and you'll feel less stress. Also it helps clear the mind.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by wilnevergiveup - 22 Aug 2021 20:57

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About davening, how do you think you gain from davening with a minyan?

If you can't think of any way it makes you better, that might be why you lost interest. It's okay, it just means that you should ask a rebbi or look for a sefer that helps find the value in tefillah.

If you do feel like you get something from it then try to enjoy those things and don't focus on the fact that you "have to" do it.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 23 Aug 2021 01:05

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This morning: went to shachris things were great.

Then: first seder didn't work out for dif reasons and wasn't down for 2nd seder. Felt like I needed to "get out."

So: Instead of "getting out," I lay in bed struggling whether or not to masterbate. Started to touch and then held back and was like I better get going.

So I started driving, picked up some Dunkin Doughnuts.

Then, I lost my mind and started driving around looking for pritzus (nothing serious chalila, and wasn't matzliach).

Mamash lost my mind.

That was for like 40 min.

Then as I was driving I went into teshuva mode, started talking to myself, to HaShem, and began singing a nice song I composed a bunch of years ago to the words ?????? ??? ?????...?

Kept driving, it was beautiful.

Chapped gas, a soda and a bag of chips, and went to go on a walk in a nearby park.

So things ended nicely in the end, but rough times chevra. Rough times.

Anyway, that's 50 days!

YeshivaGuy

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by wilnevergiveup - 23 Aug 2021 04:27

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Soda bag of chips and gas? What a way to celebrate 50 days!

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 23 Aug 2021 05:59

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Just Masterbated.

Allow me please to give you guys the full story.

I am currently going through intense trauma therapy.

Before the zman I was petrified about doing it, and though I honestly did not want to bring the iPhone to Yeshiva, I was so scared that I would need extra distractions that I brought it.

I made gedarim on it, but kept slipping.

On Erev Shabbos after having spoken to HHM and my therapist, I came to the decision that I would bring the phone back home, as I have been through the beggining of therapy thus far and, though it will be hard, it's worthwhile to not have it here.

The plan was to drive home (for a dif reason) and drop the iPhone off there and retrieve my kosher phone.

I was prepared to make this difficult decision, despite still being afraid of not having "distractions."

I had been having a hard time as I struggled thurs night, Friday, over Shabbos, and I was ready to put this behind me.

And then there was a storm. I tried so so hard to get my parents to let me drive, with my ikur kavana being to get this phone away from me, but to no avail.

Today I struggled a lot with it. And when I drove around today for "pritzus," it was me looking for wifi...

Finally, tonight, I managed to get YouTube and was nichshal.

Let it be clear, I can not have an iPhone. I did not want to bring it to Yeshiva. It was my excessive anxiety in anticipation of the trauma therapy that drove me to bring it. And now I'm living in the result.

As HHM told me, I created a problem through my own fear, and I made a decision because of a problem that I myself concocted.

All thoughts, critiques, and eitzas are welcome and deeply appreciated.

Thank you all,

YeshivaGuy

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by wilnevergiveup - 23 Aug 2021 06:24

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Tripped, and something new to learn from.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by wilnevergiveup - 23 Aug 2021 13:51

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I just read your "explanation" (it was not there when I originally posted) and my original post still stands.

It looks like you have everything worked out, you know what works and what doesn't, you know that you need help, you are b"H getting that help, all that's left is to daven that they are the right shluchim and that things fall into place quickly.

You are doing a great job here and are a true hero to everyone! You really are going to get there, you are doing all the right things and taking all the right steps. Just keep doing what you are doing and let time do it's thing, these things tend to take a little bit of that.

All the best,

Wilnevergiveup

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 23 Aug 2021 14:37

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YG you are a hero. A struggling hero but a hero nonetheless. Keep on moving forward and upward. May Hashem help the trauma therapy go as easy as possible.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by Ish MiGrodno - 23 Aug 2021 17:18

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Moreinu YeshivaGuy,

I hate to reference numbers (they are so restrictive), but 50 days - given the storm that you are living through - is absolutely mind boggling. Think of the surfer who remains vertical for 50 seconds. Or the running back who eludes multiple defenders and rushes for 50 yards...

Keep shteigin', brother.

Inspired in Grodno ~ IMG

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