

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 TheYoungerTwin - 26 Dec 2021 18:59

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[YeshivaGuy wrote on 26 Dec 2021 17:34:](#)

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perfectionism likes to poke its head in during tough times.

Dont let perfect be the enemy of good.

we're all rooting for you, and i wish you much hatzlacha and a complete refuas hanefesh.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 27 Dec 2021 00:20

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Thanks.

The giants are the big talmidei chachamim who have taharas halev and middos tovos.

Simpletons like me don't play much of a role.

As for those gemaras, idk I think it's drush, not poshut pshat. It can't be that a guy who's doesn't know anything and makes people happy or something, is sitting with tanaim.

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Every shmوزه I've ever heard in Yeshiva definitely seems to support this.

As for chassidim, I think they make too big of a deal about little things people do. Idk if poshuteh yidden are actually that great.

Gedolei Yisroel from all branches of Orthodoxy definitely speak divrei chizuk for the "little things", and they base their comments on the divrei Torah of previous generations. You are obviously in a lot of pain, and your vision is unfortunately being darkened. You have a lot of admirers here who daven for you to get back your clear vision. We miss you buddy.

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Posted by YeshivaGuy - 27 Dec 2021 18:41

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Thanks so much to everyone, you guys are amazing.

I was m'sorer last night to start learning a little.

I signed up to learn Mishnayos Yadayim for a family thing, and bought R Yosef Albos ??? ????? which I've been wanting to learn for a long time.

Im taking it slowly, haven't learnt yet though.

It's still very difficult and hard though.

The WebChaver service got back to me and told me how to fix the problem which I will.

Tonight is my birthday, b'eZRas Hashem.

I thought I'd be in a much different place at this age. Ready to date, shteiging etc.

I'm trying to embrace the current situation and truly heal.

It is so clear now that I control absolutely nothing in my life. Even my very sanity is not mine.

The only being that is truly independent, as the Derech Hashem says, is Hashem.

I was zoche to daven last night by the Ohel of the Lubavitcher Rebbe ZT"L (though I'm not a lubavitcher, there's no misnagid in a foxhole) where I davened shmoneh esrei for the first time in awhile.

I can't explain the clarity I sense at that place. An experience I've had only in a few places in this world before.

At this time, the words ??????? ?? ??? ?? ????? ?? ????? ??????? reverberate through my mind.

YeshivaGuy

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Your words are heartfelt, you brought me to tears, may you see great salvation on your Birthday as the bash"t says "??? ????? ??????? ??? ????? ??????"

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*Loose translation: “There are those that claim the maamer from Chazal: “A person is obligated to say “When will my actions reach the actions of my father’s Avraham, Yitzchak, and Yaakov.” This claim, nowadays, is one of the tactics of the Yetzer Hara to remove a person from his path of service.”*

I hope that I was not too harsh.

May you be zocheh to many years of shalom and harvacha.

Have a happy birthday!

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Posted by Captain - 28 Dec 2021 14:30

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The chofetz Chaim asked the following:

Yaakov avinu, when he heard that Yosef was still alive and in mitzraim, said 'I'll go and see him before I die'. Why did Yaakov have such a burning desire to meet Yosef in this world? They will

be together in gan Eden forever?

He answered that when Yaakov heard what Yosef hatzadik had been through and how he had remained so holy in such a place, he knew that even he, Yaakov avinu would not be sitting anywhere close to Yosef in gan Eden and the last chance to be with together would be only on this world.

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Very profound, this story has a strong source in today's Daf Hayomi, the Gemara says "???? ?????? ???? ??" bow to a fox when it is his time, is referring to Yaakov and Yosef, when Yaakov bowed to Yosef in Mitzraim.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by farmer k. - 29 Dec 2021 00:38

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omekhadavar, that reply is a masterpiece, it gave me tremendous chizuk.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 02 Jan 2022 21:34

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Posted by Markz - 03 Jan 2022 03:22

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Posted by Dave M - 03 Jan 2022 20:01

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Thank you to @OmekDavar, those are very important mareh mekomos. I wonder though why it doesn't seem the message I've been taught.

Been sick for the last week or so, starting to feel better bh. I wish you all much Hatzlocha!

Today was the day of my bris milah and I masterbated.

Perhaps though it's best I don't make everything into a big significant occasion, anyway gn.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 14 Jan 2022 05:57

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Man- Plaquet with pain, anxiety, and terror- experiences moments of clarity as lightning vanquishes storms darkness.

May the storm pass.

May the sun rise.

And may I live to see it.

YeshivaGuy

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