

Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 04 Aug 2020 05:33

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 battle-of-the-gen - 18 Jan 2022 14:43

[starting wrote on 28 Dec 2021 14:30:](#)

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The problem is that the world has normalised all that is filthy to the extent that we don't appreciate how a healthy human would act and think when the world was how it was designed

We have to start feeling that all we see and hear is not normal. It should not be like this. Then we can start feeling the obviousness of the need to be a real human, to be holy and pure

Hatzlocho

With love

Wow I've heard diff variations of the vort of the challenge of our gen, but this story really hit a spot and gave me goosebumps. Great great story. Thanks for sharing

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 21 Jan 2022 20:14

I think I'm gonna go to the Mikva. First time in many months...

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by OivedElokim - 14 Feb 2022 04:06

How's it going?

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 14 Feb 2022 07:40

Thank you for asking and to all those who've reached out despite me not responding.

Im dealing with great pain and trauma. It has caused me to harbour deep hatred towards GD and for awhile I found myself unable to "look Him in the eye."

Now however, due to certain experiences of which some would be inspirational and others stam exciting, I have decided that I am indeed interested in resuming dialogue with the Ribono Shel Olam.

The turning point was a week ago when for the first time in many months I had hisorerus to learn. So I walked 30 min to a kollel, opened a Gemara and burst out crying. I then proceeded to learn the amud with tears rolling down my eyes for an hour with me davening between words-begging Hashem to help me through this/help me not hate be so angry, and I mamash never cry...

Im working my way back. Starting again to daven again etc.

I still need to decide about Yeshiva, whether I should begin my "return" by going to a less intense one. Or try going back to the one I was in before.

All in all, I'm confused, lost, and aimless.

I have no idea where I am, what I am, and where I'm headed. I don't fully know what it is I want out of life. I hope though that GD may guide me and help me, as it is not I who chose to come to this world in the first place.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by Vehkam - 14 Feb 2022 11:56

Just wanted to respond to say I feel for you. Hopefully this is the start of a healing process. I am sorry for all your pain.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 14 Feb 2022 13:49

Thanks buddy! It means a lot.

Its very inspiring to see so many guys here continuing and beginning the fight for kedusha.

I wish I would be able to be more involved in the forum, it's just that now I have a different battle that has taken center stage, though I do hope to continue being active here to the best of my ability.

YeshivaGuy

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Posted by hashemyeracheim613 - 15 Feb 2022 03:45

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Posted by YeshivaGuy - 15 Feb 2022 04:42

Thanks a lot for the kind words.

Just watched horrible vids/masterbated, as I've done continuously...

Didn't need to, haven't needed to. It's just from boredom.

Wasn't like I was overpowered by taiva. It was a pretty level headed decision to do it....

Gonna try actually fighting now though.

Haven't even thought about doing that.

So no bad vids, erotica in any form, masterbating etc.

I guess once I'm trying to daven again and even learn a shtikl I should make an effort to not watch porn or spill seed when I'm bored.

Hope to rejoin the fight, if I may.

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Thank you so much.

Honestly though, I don't feel special.

Rather I feel like a shadow of a man that "could've been."

And like a weak nebach guy not in yeshiva wasting away his potential.

Its good to hear someone else have a different outlook though, I hope one day to feel the same.

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Posted by TheYoungerTwin - 15 Feb 2022 05:51

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I relate to this thought.ive been struggling with this for a while. It truly feels like a "between a rock and hard place" situation. What I came to realize (and this is just my experience), is that there is one problem with this logic. The seemingly impossible path before me was not set by "Him". It was actually set by *me*. My own warped ideas of how I thought things *should* be.

In truth, I don't know what the path He set for me is. But I know that it's not based on my false assumptions - at the very least it would be bearable! Forget bearable, the path He set for me is the best path. I just have to get out of my own way.

Are all those sheifos really in line with my place and purpose? Do they reflect who I am, or did I adopt them for some other reason?

Everyone is so unique. Everyone has different roles. Sometimes we may pick up aspirations that are just not for us. And we even go so far to beat ourselves up over not wanting those aspirations.

Just something to think about.

I hope I didn't misinterpret what you wrote.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

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Good point and what you say is indeed true.

What I mean by saying that I “can’t bare the path set before me” is that it’s quite difficult to surmount the challenges I’m currently experiencing while maintaining a semblance of sanity.

Challenges that are by no means self imposed.

If I were to dispose completely of my past sheifos and allow myself to be led solely by this emotional rollercoaster, then I’m afraid I would GD forbid go from not davening to much larger halachik infractions.

Thereby losing the life I truly want to live.

By retaining a memory of how I’ve felt in the past, I recall a part of me that yearns and needs to be connected to GD- grounding me despite these waves of uncertainty.

Your point is still true, applicable, and appreciated.

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Posted by wilnevergiveup - 15 Feb 2022 13:24

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I haven't been working since I haven't felt stable enough to be reliable. I have taken some online courses though and have been working out a lot, but definitely gotta figure stuff out.

As for the quote, it's hard because if I were to embrace who I feel like I am right now then I would be mechalel shabbos, go to a bar and meet a shiksa etc since that's what feels right given my anger etc.

It feels like that's who I am now, but I know it's not who I want to be.

And even that isn't clear anymore, I don't know who I want to be.

What I do know is what I wanted to be a few months ago and since I know I really wanted to be a Ben Torah I won't do radical stuff until things settle down and I can make a rational decision about what I want.

There is truth to the line, it's just very difficult to know when to trust the heart entirely without the mind's restraint.

If you or anyone else can explain what I'm missing I would greatly appreciate it.

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