

Introducing myself

Posted by noselfconfidence - 15 Dec 2022 18:33

Ummm I've been looking at this forum for a while and I finally got myself to become a member of gye and post I saw Someone said that it's healthy to post so I guess I'll try

I'm in my twenties and I'm married and have kids learn half day work other half have very little self confidants I'm the middle child in a big family all my brothers and brother in laws learn all day and are big t.ch. I always felt my farther hates me even though I know it's not true now that I have my own kids but I always thought that way and I built a deep belief with me that I'm not good and my father is embarrassed of me and the only thing that made me calm and happy was to look at bad pictures in my mothers lady magazines and masturbate but today I want to stop But I just can't I watch the worst and my wife which I'm very close to thank you h for that knows abt it but I tell her it's an Old addiction that I have. She begs me to stop for my kids sake I tell her I want to stop for mine and her sake but I just can't. She tried to get me to go to therapy but I'm to embarrassed to meet someone. She recently told me to check out gye so I'm here I saw that someone wrote that new members should post so here I am. He wrote it will feel good to get it out but I actually feel bad ... I hope nobody knows me and u are probably all laughing at me for this weird first post. But I'm trying not to care and I'm really only doing this for my wife anyway she cry's in bed and I know it's because of me but just can't help it so I told her I'll try gye. Whatever

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This may sound harsh. It may be healthy to open up to someone, but it's not healthy to post triggering language like that in my opinion. And sometimes the healthy reaction to someone opening up is "Get help. Now. Please. Both for your sake and the sake of the life or lives you may be on the verge of ruining." That doesn't mean anyone ever asked for this Nisayon. I don't think anyone did. But that also doesn't mean our reaction must be "Hashem loves the struggle, so if you're falling you can still put yourself in triggering situations with kids in your family and be great! Cause you're fighting!" That ignores the worlds we are playing with if we put others in harms way. That is misplaced compassion at its finest in my opinion. Help someone feel better in the moment by potentially sacrificing other lives.

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Re: Introducing myself
Posted by Eerie - 19 Dec 2022 18:00

My dear friend Geshmak!, I hope you don't mind if I offer you a little piece of advice. This forum is a great place for discussion, for chizuk, for learning about ways to fight this battle, to feel part of the community of holy people looking to be better, it's gevaldig! Or maybe it's Gesmak! or both:) But it is not a place where you will get professional, workable, **tailor-made** answers for weighty questions. For starters, I know nothing about addictions or how to help them. I'm not a psychologist, psychiatrist, or any type of doctor. I'm not a Rav. But on here I can write whatever I think about any topic...and so can somebody else. Second of all, do we have all the details to the question? I'm not saying you even have a weighty question, maybe it depends on what you mean when you say you are 'turned on'. I don't know. I'm not going to weigh in on your question; I'll leave that to the professionals. I will say that just like if you have a halacha question you wouldn't ask the people in the coffee room at the office. You'll call a Rav, explain your question, and he, knowing his stuff, will ask you for all the pertinent details, and you'll get a real, workable answer. Same with any weighty question my friend. If your not sure whether you need therapy reach out to someone who can help you analyze your issue and direct you further. You have written in the past that you spoke to HHM. Why not give him a call? He'll be happy to hear from

I love you my friend, and please keep posting all your gesmak! comments, they liven up my day! whenever I see a post from you I read through the whole thing, you are full of life and chiyus, mamash geshmak. P.s. Please don't lock yourself in your room just because TG wrote what he did! Keep k'nocking!

To clarify, there are tons of great things we can learn here. I myself have learned many great things. But if you have a specific question, and a weighty question at that, while you can gain from putting it out and hearing what the oilam says, don't accept an answer just because someone wrote it. Reach out and ask someone you trust, share all the details of your question, and then listen to his advice. Wishing you only the best!

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Posted by Geshmak! - 19 Dec 2022 19:24

[Eerie wrote on 19 Dec 2022 17:12:](#)
you. Don't forget to send regards!

to my dear friend Geshmak!, I respect you very much but you gotta respect this place and the people that run it. We all have a freedom of speech protected by the constitution, so you can say whatever you like(remember we do have a Torah to live by), you can have your own opinion, but you gotta respect the place your in. And excuse my bluntness, I'm new here and don't have much experience, this one was a learning one for me, but thank goodness this place has moderators with their heads screwed on straight. Yes, we all need help and if we apply ourselves we can beH be helped, but there is a line that delineates sickness from crime. I do not propose to define it, but the bottom line is that the type of things that may or may not be written here are for the moderators to decide and you and I and everyone here should respect that, not second guess them or post our disagreement. You can disagree with me about this as well, and you can post it if you like, but please give it a moment of thought. The moderators don't care

what you write, they don't mind if you disagree with them, but think for one minute if maybe YOU should care. Whom are you helping by disagreeing with the moderators? Are you teaching people ideas that will help them? Remember, what you post is read by many people, what is the message that they walk away with? There's teshuva, there's help, but if I did something worse does that make it ok for someone to molest his child? I'm sorry if I'm too blunt. I beg your forgiveness. Again, there's a line between sick people and criminals, and where that line is we might disagree upon, and that's fine, all people disagree, but there has to be a system for keeping things in check, and there are people who have that job. Respect their decision.

Dear r'erie! Love your post and I'm so maskim thank you H for moderators and thank you moderators for all you do and thank you gye for everything!!

I personally don't think it's a problem to argue in a respectful way with anybody even the moderator if they don't like they can remove it... what do I gain???it just brings out the point better what their trying to bring out and/or I understand better their reason etc

zee genantcht and a frilchah Chanukah!!

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Re: Introducing myself
Posted by Eerie - 19 Dec 2022 19:36

Have a wonderful
uplifting inspiring chanukah, for you and for your whole heilige teire mishpacha! Keep sharing your infectious simchas haChaim with all of us!

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Re: Introducing myself
Posted by Geshmak! - 19 Dec 2022 19:38

Wow the olim is good they really care for me!! Thx so much guys gonna find out if I need help

thx all for your beautiful caring response !!

Warning: Spoiler!

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from worry, from curiosity, and yes from desire) but that doesn't mean our feelings are illegal or sick. FEELINGS ARENT ILLEGAL. But of course. **We have to be very very careful.** For example, don't give your daughters a bath if she turns you on. BUT FEELINGS DONT EQUAL ACTION.

This doesn't mean you shouldn't go to a therapist. You absolutely should! Just like if you want to get helped with a challenge walking you go to a foot doctor. If your having a challenge with desires/feelings, go to a therapist. Of course you should see a therapist. Especially since even though the chance is small, there's still a percentage of people that are indeed pedophiles. So definitely go.

Am I understanding this correctly? that Mr. "noselfconfidence got so much condemnation and judgment for having feelings/desires? Did he seriously not do any action wrong and get a response that *"he shouldn't go anywhere near his daughter"*? And 10 people thanked the post? If its true that Mr. "noselfconfidance" didn't DO anything wrong, Then I'm really really bothered. Who said he should stay away from his child? Are we all licensed therapists? Do we know where this desire is coming from?

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THEN YOU ARE ALL SICK. Every girl out

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Re: Introducing myself
Posted by Human being - 20 Dec 2022 02:10

There's something called OCD. Many times when we do not want to think about something

because we know its bad, we start thinking about it. IN almost all cases of desire/feelings for those that we do not want to hurt at any cost (like our own children) , they come from OCD. From obsessions of not wanting to think of it because its so not wanted. and NOT from desire. A licensed therapists needs to diagnose if its coming from OCD or if its coming from desire. Not us here mikvah hocking. That could damage a person forever. On the chance he has OCD and not desires, (which is the vast majority of people with such feelings) Then we just made his life 100 times harder. Instead of being here for him, we rejected him. I don't care how many times we post "but we really accept you and care about you here"

Tell me how any of you would feel if you had OCD and you posted about your struggles and got such rejection. No amount of "we really care for you" would help me come back.

Disclaimer. I'm not saying he isn't a pedophile. It could be he is. What I'm saying is that its not up to us to diagnose him. It can damage him for life. We gatta be be careful my friends.

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This from -- www.treatmyocd.com/blog/how-long-does-pocd-last-pedophilia-ocd-symptoms-treatment

*Obsessive-compulsive disorder affects 3 to 4% of the population worldwide and millions of people in the United States, which works out to 1 in 40 people. There is research to suggest that [pedophilia OCD](#), an OCD subtype characterized by obsessions and compulsions around fear one might be a pedophile, **is actually a fairly common** [subtype of OCD](#).*

It's difficult to know just how many people live with this condition because many people do not share these thoughts, even with their therapist, for fear of being judged or even reported on such a taboo topic. The condition often goes undiagnosed or misdiagnosed.

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And there are a percentage of people who will rape woman. And there are a percentage of people who commit violent crime's. And kill people. And car thefts. And sexual abuse of their spouses and friends. And god knows what else. So you are saying we should **ASSUME** someone is going to act on his feelings?

And yes i am highly concerned about peoples feelings. And yes I care deeply about others, especially people going through such challenging situations. Yet a still agree with you that he should go for help to make sure everything is alright. I yes i agree and its pashut. We must always protect our kids very very strongly. And yes, we must not take chances when it comes to our kids.

But it seems from this thread that we are so hell bent on protecting kids, that we don't care anymore about diagnosing people with things they may not have. Why do you think protecting our kids has to come at the expense of potentially misdiagnosing someone, hurting them for life and making them think they are crazy, when we are not therapists here. The logic of protecting our kids by hurting people and misdiagnosing them is just plain wrong.

We must and can, care immensely about both. One should never cancel the other. We must protect our children at all costs. But we also must be sensitive. Especially for someone who is going through such things.

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Im sorry im coming across as so intense. I am very upset at this. The comments he received that numerous people "thank you" the post, was extremely insensitive. Unless he DID something illegal or plans on DOING something illegal, we have absolutely no right to tell him what hes doing is illegal and sick. And yes when 10 people thank a post saying just that, it is terribly insensitive.

For all you know, the guy has OCD and we just made his life hell.

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I'm so happy for you that you don't struggle with pedophiliac thoughts ever. You are very lucky that you don't struggle with this. I used to, and its hell.

Thank hashem. And know that just because you dont suffer from it, many others do.

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I hope you dont think i mean this personally. I love you. I love Cordnoy. I love Eerie, Jackthe jew, Frank.Lee. all the guys i argue with its purely about the topic at hand and not personal. And yes this topic got me very upset. (just karmad you to show you my love "-) tommarow im going to karma Cordnoy.

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You guys are good! I love a good debate... but don't worry I'm gonna find out if I really need help or not I don't really get turned on I just think it's nice and cool... whatever... this I should discuss in private with a therapist , but thank you both for your beautiful posts.

I just hope that everyone else that has this issue goes to talk to a therapist cause it does sound like a real issue.

a frilchah Chanukah to all!!!

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