

My Story

Posted by seltzer - 07 Jan 2024 06:26

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Re: My Story

Posted by ainshumyeiush - 07 Jan 2024 06:54

Welcome!!

you're in the right place!

about not having access, try reaching out to some people here, i would suggest hashemhelpme. Good luck

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or advice would be helpful.

Re: My Story

Posted by Captain - 07 Jan 2024 14:39

Welcome! Try strengthening yourself with these great free resources:1) The Battle of the Generation: a sensational free ebook that seriously gets you excited to fight and win this fight. It's a real game-changer.

2) The Fight: an incredible audio series from Rabbi Shafier.

Links are below in my signature. Wishing you much success!

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Re: My Story

Posted by davidt - 07 Jan 2024 15:16

[seltzer wrote on 07 Jan 2024 06:26:](#)

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Welcome to GYE.

You seem to be a normal human being with normal struggles.

You need to realize that you are NOT alone! We are living in extremely challenging times and many people are struggling like you. At the same time many have also recovered and so will you with Hashem's help.

Many people struggle with lust on some level, and a high percentage have stumbled in these areas as well.

Even Tzadikim of previous generations struggled in this area (as they mention "the sins of their youth"), so you can imagine that those who seek purity in a generation such as ours are truly from Hashem's greatest warriors!

The biggest obstacle to succeeding is not believing you can succeed. The first impediment to overcoming this struggle is not in your genes, your childhood or your environment. If you believe you can succeed and are willing to make the effort, you will find the way out. Absolutely NOTHING stands in the way of a true RATZON.

You can read the recovery stories on our site to see that many people even worse off than you have successfully broken free of these behaviors. We must truly want to break free of this Mitzrayim. Chazal say that those who didn't want to leave Mitzrayim died in the plague of darkness. Already at the outset of our journey, we must be determined that we will never give up and always keep trying, no matter what. R' Tzadok HaKohen of Lublin writes (Tzidkas Hatzadik 154): "Just as one must believe in Hashem, so too, one must believe in himself!" Hashem wants us to BELIEVE in our strengths, our capabilities, and in our ability to overcome evil and achieve greatness. Although we might feel stuck, determination is completely up to us. The trick to ultimate success is only to want enough.

Here is something great to read (if you haven't read it yet) guardyoureyes.com/ebooks/item/bochur-to-bochur

Please stay connected and share your great progress so other's can get encouragement from you as well!

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Re: My Story

Posted by true_self - 07 Jan 2024 19:09

Hi

Welcome!

Sorry to hear, sounds familiar.

Make some friends who you will be able to stay in touch on the phone.

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Re: My Story

Posted by eerie - 07 Jan 2024 21:40

Ah! A teire Yiddishe neshama, wants to be pure and holy, longs to be close to his Creator! So beautiful! My friend, reach out to HHM, michelgelter@gmail.com. If you don't get through right
And when you get through you'll be very thankful you called. Keep in touch. Please let us know how you are doing

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