Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by baalteshuvawannabee - 05 Jul 2024 21:58

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Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by eerie - 05 Jul 2024 22:53

Welcome to the most amazing family!

Here we care about you, and we want to hear from you, so please keep sharing!

I'm happy to hear you have a therapist helping you with this. And we are here to be your friends and brothers, to keep you motivated to keep trucking!

Since you seem to already be open to talking to guys here, I'll tell you that that is the one greatest gift you can give yourself. Reach out and make some friends. Together, we can reach the top!

Stick around, there's much to learn. Get to know the chevrah, and beH you'll be on your way soon!

Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by adam2014 - 06 Jul 2024 10:25

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Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by redfaced - 07 Jul 2024 02:49

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You can do this . TODAYis always the best time to start

Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by vehkam - 07 Jul 2024 03:02

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Wow. Welcome and wishing you tremendous hatzlocha. The enjoyment of being free of the activities you describe is beyond what I could have imagined. I am in my mid fifties. Please stay active here and get to know the chevra.

beat wishes

vehkam

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Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by baalteshuvawannabee - 07 Jul 2024 10:36

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Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by upanddown - 07 Jul 2024 11:35

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Hi and welcome to this fantastic website!!

Very inspiring to hear about your journey and your courage to start fresh!

I have sent the book to your email.

Keep us posted!!

Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by yiftach - 07 Jul 2024 13:48

Welcome!

I can't imagine the courage it took for you to seek support in this field. It's truly inspiring!

I don't think this site has an age limit. It's full of warmth and hope for anyone struggling. That's one of the tools this site has to offer: friends who truly care, kicking away the loneliness that so many of us have felt for the longest time.

Hatzlacha on ur journey!

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Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by proudyungerman - 07 Jul 2024 14:23

Welcome to the GYE Family!

Here you will find (and have found already...) warmth, care and acceptance.

Read around (some of the great threads are <u>here</u>), post, and when you are ready getting in touch with some of the great people on this site can be a tremendous help.

Hatzlacha and KOMT!

P.S. If you are daring and ready for that step, reach out to Hashem Help Me - <u>michelgelner@gmail.com</u> - one of main mentors on this site. He has helped hundreds, present company included.

Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by baalteshuvawannabee - 07 Jul 2024 14:37

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Just one small point. A crucial part of recovery is being here consistently, sharing and discussing.

You can do this - We're here for you

Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by BenHashemBH - 07 Jul 2024 15:51

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Welcome! It is a chizuk that you are here. No matter when, where, what, or for how long, we can always fight to change.

If you are serious about TAGing your other laptop, perhaps it would behoove you to pick someone you connect with here (your mentor) for accountability, and you can follow up with them on this and any future goals you are working towards?

Much hatzlacha!

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Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by amevakesh - 08 Jul 2024 00:04

Welcome to the forum! It's great to have a Zeidy on board. Although there are many people here that have been cleaner for longer, I'm sure we can all benefit from your life's experience. I have found that the friends that you make on this forum are like no others. The weirdest thing is, that I've found myself opening up to people, getting guidance from them, and being inspired by people 20 years younger than I am. For some reason, the age gap seems to melt away when it comes to matters of ?????. I guess if the YH attacks all ages, then all ages can stand together against him in this fight. Looking forward to hearing from you, and to gain from you. We're in this together.

Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired

Posted by baalteshuvawannabee - 08 Jul 2024 10:15

Thank you all for your very warm welcome and words of encouragement.

Today is the beginning of day #9 and things are going well.

My plan to TAG my laptop was pushed off a day because my wife had plans that kept me busy but today should work.

I agree with the idea of having it not only TAGed but also have it report to a mentor for accountability, so I'll have my therapist be that person.

I've been here, Day #9, so many times and very often in the past it felt like "this times going to be different" and maybe it was different but not different enough to prevent me from acting out so I need to be optimistic but cautious as well to be aware of my actions and motivations to make this the last day #9

hope that makes sense

Thank you again for being here

Re: Sick N Tired of Being Sick N Tired Posted by redfaced - 08 Jul 2024 12:21

Just so you know, you don't need to go down to TAG to get you computer filtered. They can email you a link where you download the filter and then they set it up for you remotely from you account. Even if you end up needing to go to TAG later to adjust some settings I highly recommend first getting the filter installed.

Hatzocha

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