Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by jewinpain - 16 Mar 2010 20:57

Hello everyone, i have been on here for a while now, but never took the time to introduce myself, so here you will get a chance to take a look at me

29 YO, chasidish, few kids, married for 10+ years, crazy upbringing, crazy family, painful teen years, & a painful live overall, that's y i am called JIP = Jew in PAIN

a bit history of family

I am part of a very large family, dad never worked, so we never had a \$\$, since he never worked he had a lot of extra time to harass us kids, Mom is an abused lady who suffered her life on her own, after she met my dad, we moved around the world throughout the years, which of course made things really nice for us to be newcomers every few years, of course daddy is a very big talmid chocem since he learned most of his days as a youngster, but as our sages in ovas already say learning alone isn't enough to keep u sane, but i guess he was smarter,

Now a bit about myself,

i was a very good naive kid, very eidal, & good learner all the years, never made any trouble in chidar, of course i made at home since it was a hellish place to grow up in, till i was molested at age 9, than Life turned around, & ever since i am in pain Terrible pain, life went on as normal, but deep inside me i was torn apart from guilt, shame, fear, and all the rest, now did i became a bad boy? NO i didn't i just had to keep up and swallowed the pain in me, did i ever tell anyone about it? of course not, as i didn't have whom to tell, & would u take the courage to tell my mlamed, i would probably be taken into the makes room, & get my 39 malkes for being such a bad boy, so here i grow up & become a bucher, still keeping the secret even deeper into me, goin in yeshiva, starting with all the struggles teens have, had to shove off every few months a friend who just wanted to have some fun & add some salt to my open wound, till I went out of that yeshiva at age 14, went in to a small yeshiva for 1 zman, that's when dad got his share big time, that one of my family members went off the derech completely, so his power started to crumble a bit, of course I was sent away from home to live elsewhere, for this few months, than at age 14? I was drop shipped to Israel, probably the youngest American boy in Jerusalem who cares, away from home & that's it, in a cretin way I felt free as I didn't need to keep up with the monster, & I didn't even call home for the 1st few months, I started up as a good boy there, but very quickly I decided I don't wana be frum anymore, it's time to go have fun, so I started to

drop out of yeshiva whenever I had a chance, but for some odd reason, the guys who worked with me were able to keep me somewhat in line, even remember 1 scenario, where I decided this is it, I'm out of this yeshiva after a stupid fight with the magid shier, & ran to my place of course negotiations started right away when my mentors found out about & I told them outright I am going to be a street boy from now on, I even got a job for a few days where I earned 6 shekel an hour for operating machinery with my power, so I made some good exercise, I was happy as I was into that's tuff, anyhow they were lucky to get me over for a talk with the amshinover rebba in beit vgan at 4 Am I do not remember exactly what we spoke about , I just recall that he really convinced some way to go back in yeshiva & so I did, for another year, than came yeshiva gdola, had to find a new place, hell started again, cuz who wanted me, I went to a few yeshivas for a interview, but they all said "I'm sorry but NO THANKS, finally a few weeks in zman I landed in a OOT yeshiva in Israel, where I guess they needed more students & \$\$\$ talks, so I was in, I became a very good boy, made lots of progress in learning, again this yeshiva was filled with sex offenders, but I built a very strong wall around me, & stood up like a pro this 2 years I was there, till I 18 & I came home to get married

now I just gave u guys a VERY short diary of what happened through my years till now, but I just done have the koach to wrap it all up and expose it, as I will probably make my desk here wet from tears, so will leave it at that for now,

I came home & again yeshiva didn't wana take me, since I didn't learn for the last zman in the prior yeshiva due to some problems I fell in financially I dropped it all, turned to heavy smoking, & was busy fighting not to go in army, when I really wanted to go, but couldn't do it, so I didn't know a word, so I failed at the interview, again we made some phones calls here & there, & I got in a good yeshiva here in NY, were I got a very good name right away & after 1 zman I was engaged to the girl my JERK FATHER wanted me to, so I had no choice married the frummy he wanted, went in to Kolel, & played along with it, I was miserable as hell 3 months into the marriage, I already bought por* magazines, & I started leading a double life, since I wasn't allowed to work, I had a lot of extra time on my hands, & just gave an opportunity to get worse & worse, chat rooms, adult forums, sex lines, & all the rest, of course I wasn't able to focus on work even after wife stopped working & I had to go out, as I was just busy chasing gals out there, 7 years into marriage I expressed to my wife, that I am not happy with her, & it was very painful for both of us, & she promised me to change for me, so she did come forward a drop, but still didn't help me much & I just got worse & worse, b"h I never ever met anyone so I got clean hands, but my mind & heart are all messed up from this years of doing the wrong things, had many time suicidal thoughts over the past 3 years, if not the kids, I would have done it w/o a blink of the eye, till I came to a braking point a few months ago, & decided that I do need professional help, & that's where I am at now, so wife knows about my molestation I went through so she's looking at me a bit different, but now she feels she is clean from all fo the problems since I am the abused kid, but let's better not talk about this here, so here I am spend 20 years of my life in garbage, didn't accomplish anything, would I get a chance from hashem today to die, I would gladly take it, life is full of struggles & don't know hat people always say u can make it, u can do it, I have tried throughout the years, but till I came to a point that I lost faith in hasham unfortunately, I am working on it really hard, but every few days, when

I hit a bump I fall back,

So what do I want from you out here with this post, a few things # 1 u hear me brag on the forum of different threads every time for somehi9tng else so at least u know where JIP is coming from, # 2 to all of u guys married or not, don't keep any secrets in your life, it cost me my life, my business, & what not, u must play open cards, it does not help hiding stuff,

Thanks for reading & have a good day

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Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by silentbattle - 29 Mar 2010 19:31

A side point, by the way, which I feel is largely responsible for the "teens at risk" crisis, or whatever you want to call it. It's pretty much not mentioned in any of the discussions of the topic. (Disclaimer - I'm not saying the system is perfect, or even close. I'm not saying we shouldn't try to improve. I'm also not speaking about anyone in particular, obviously, but since the general issue came up here, I think it's important to mention)

What's been left out? The fact that teenagers, children - they're people. Ultimately, they do make choices. People who have parents and families that were wonderful can go off the derech. Kids that have incredibly painful childhoods can *choose* to work on themselves and grow up healthy people.

And ultimately, while we can always try to improve ourselves, and guide our children to the best choices for them, we can't deny that our children can and will make their own decisions. And despite the society we live in, not everything is someone else's fault.

Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by trying123 - 01 Apr 2010 07:33

silentbattle wrote on 29 Mar 2010 19:31:

People who have parents and families that were wonderful can go off the derech. Kids that have incredibly painful childhoods can *choose* to work on themselves and grow up healthy people.

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The mechanchim who deal with at-risk youngsters report that all of the youngsters who dropped out did so only because they received insufficient love and respect at home. Not even one of these youngsters claims that that he dropped out because of complaints ch"v against Hashem or against the Torah... A child who receives sufficient love and acceptance at home will never go off the derech.

The following is from the sefer

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The Following is from an article by Rabbi Dr. Ben Tzion Sorotskin:

"It can happen in the best of families" is an expression often heard in regard to rebellious teenagers. Indeed, when a teenager goes "off the derech," we tend to blame the teenager himself..... We tell ourselves that even a youngster from a "good home" can be swayed by a decadent culture.

After nearly 35 years of counseling parents and teenagers in the Orthodox community, I am convinced that **this attitude is both detrimental and inaccurate.**

It is detrimental because it causes parents to feel powerless in preventing this tragedy from happening to their child.... It is inaccurate because teens who reject their family's way of life are.... reacting to family issues (e.g. anger and hurt resulting from ongoing conflict with their parents)......

Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by jewinpain - 01 Apr 2010 12:57

Tried! As much as I love this statements above! I'm not going to fully accept it, although it would be a big nechuma for me, but I once read an article written by a well known rabbi here in NY, where he claims it to be a nisoyan from hashem just as ur child suffering from any other ilness, some kids just suffer it this way, he may be wrong and the rest of them right! I'm not the 1 to voice my opinion, but 1 thing is sure and that rabbi keeps on saying it, that giving those suffering teens love is the only key to get them back on track, and it shouldn't be any different than showring with gifts and love those who suffer from cancel r"I or any other life threating ilness, and from my experience this is the only way, and of course some heisa treran fin a yiddisha mama, never hurts for the well being of her teen, but again this is not coming to give us an excuess to do wrong things and keep this cycle going that way, it comes a age when we r grown up and responsible for ourselves, it just gives a good explanation of how it happens

May we never experience it on our own

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Re: Here we go - Details about JIP

Posted by trying123 - 01 Apr 2010 16:53

I am in full agreement with you...

I was showing that when examining the **cause** it is wrong to say that "It happens in the best of families...." and it is wrong to oversimplify things and say that all an abused child has to do is **choose** to grow up healthy....

I can attest though, that there is so much that we can grow and heal...

And we ought to never give up and never underestimate the power of every tinny step we take to move forward... It may feel like we are getting no where but we are indeed moving forward.....

To simply use parents as an excuse to stay unhealthy is obviously an absurd thing to do...

But the reality is that there are very few people that don't want to be healthy.... (If you know anyone like that I'd like to meet them...)

They very desperately do want to heal.... It was simply made very difficult for them...

They often try everything under the sun, but yet are blamed for wallowing in self pity....

The attitude of not holding parents accountable for abuse (while blaming the child for not "getting over it"...) assists the perpetrators in continuing...

I have much to say on this topic but will refrain unless prompted...

To get a fuller picture of where I'm coming from (and for tips to ensure that your children don't rebel...) you can leaf through the following:

http://drsorotzkin.com/begin healing process.html

or:

http://drsorotzkin.com/pdf/role_of_parents.pdf

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Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by Holy Yid - 01 Apr 2010 21:03

I do not know much about this subject but I will add my two cents. Generally kids go off because of something their families or mechanchim did, but it is still possible a child could be exposed to the secular world and want out. It is not uncommon for teenagers to slip spiritually if they start collage at a young age. Likewise a child can go to camp for a month and learn all kinds of 'new' things.

Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by trying123 - 01 Apr 2010 21:14

Yes societal influences can bring down the level of any child, but if there is **rebellion** it is only due to lack of a good parent-child relationship.....

No child with a solid secure positive relationship with their parents would give that up for smoking on Shabbos...

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Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by kanesher - 04 Apr 2010 10:07

I remember Daniel Mechanic (project chazon/aish) once tell a story about this.

A Bais Yakov teacher once called him up

"My student is about to go off the derech! you need to speak to her!" (R' Mechanic is an at risk youth expert)

"OH? What's her poison? Boys? Texting? Anoreixa?"

"NO! Philosophy! She's brilliant, and after months of extensive reading she's concluded it's all a lie! She's far too smart for me I can't duel with her - frankly, she's shook me up as well."

"Wow! Tell her to come meet me."

And so, a perfectly normal Bais Yakov HS girl arrived at Rabbi Mechanic's office.

"So, I hear you have questions ... "

"Yes! Where do I begin?"

"How about - everything - you know, so we afterwards we know where to start with these issues"

And begin she did. Kant, Aristotle, Plato, Hume & Nietzche...Moreh Nevuchim and Sefer Halkarim, Kuzari and Shaar HaYichud...brilliant, incisive...deep, significant questions... Emunah, the Holocaust, History...

Rabbi Mechanic, though, has been doing this for 30 years. And his alarm went off...

After half an hour, he asked the young clinical genius to cease her soliloquy...

"Maidel, why do you hate your parents so?"

And the facade cracked like a thousand pieces of glass. Trembling cheeks and soon, full fledged sobs...

Rabbi Mechanic left his office and pulled in the female social worker he waiting in the next room "call me when she's put together..."

And two hours of sobbing, rabbi Mechanics cell went off...

She had been abused in the most horrible ways. He got her into foster care, therapy, and finally years later sent her successfully off to an excellent seminary. They had kept in touch - and he asked her "what about the questions?"

"The only questions I have now are about shidduchim"

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Rabbi Mechanic emphasised that it was instinct from decades of experience - but why would a girl - without a boyfriend or any meshicha - want to give her family, friends - everything she loves?...unless, she really needs to stick it to someone...in thirty years of kiruv - he empasises that he has met out of tens of thousands - FIVE people who genuinely were bothered by intellectual issues. So the odds were on his side (especially for a girl).

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Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by trying123 - 04 Apr 2010 17:20

R' Kanesher

Very interesting...

I once heard from a certain Rosh Yeshiva the some exact thing....

Problems with Emuna have it's roots in problems with parents....

He told me the same story you said over but that happened with him and one of his talmidim...

He had this question that question but the Rosh Yeshiva kept asking him about his family situation.... Until he burst out crying like this Rosh Yeshiva had never seen before...

Oh well.... I guess we can learn the importance of having positive relationships.... It seems to effect everything....

There is nothing more valuable than a true friend....

Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by UTS - 18 Apr 2010 04:37

silentbattle wrote on 18 Mar 2010 04:10:

Whoa - I agree that dealing with this issue is important. I have several close friends who've been hurt by abuse, in one form or another.

Being aware of the issues, and protecting ourselves and those around us, is important. So is protecting klal yisroel as a whole. But discussing this on an open forum, and pointing fingers at spcific groups within klal yisroel, isn't accomplishing that.

For what it's worth, I never heard of this problem being more prevalent among Chassidim. But it is possibly also true that I am not as involved with people who would know and talk about these issues. Nevertheless I have a feeling that these problems (sexual abuse or out of marriage actions) are pretty much equal among most groups, although maybe (slightly?) different in nature.

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Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by DovInIsrael - 18 Apr 2010 09:53

patterns continue from generatino through generation -

until one person steps up .. and says ENOUGH!

and then the cycle is broken.

Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by oisvorf - 22 Apr 2010 22:34

Tried-123 wrote on 01 Apr 2010 07:33:

silentbattle wrote on 29 Mar 2010 19:31:

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I say this despite the very interesting Reb SHIomo Zalman zt"I story that you cited.

Though is there is much other evidence for this, I can cite the personal experience of myself and of a dear friend.

Here is my \$0.02 for whatever it is worth it is not simple, and all too often not false. Both of US are Rabbis, both have by most people's standards a warm and loving home; both are involved with Kiruv Rechokim and our children have grown up in an atmosphere in which Judaism was patiently demonstrated and practiced without judgmental ism towards the level of observance of others, both of our wives are warm, patient and loving . . . and yet, despite that we are very proud of our children, we both have one son who is either already off the derech or in severe danger of going that way.

) and besides my Yetzer Hara issues, I am far from a perfect parent and do not have the patience that I ought to have with this son. But from day one, he seems to be wired differently from the other kids, and has appetites, desires, values, etc that have the potential of leading him very far away from Yahadus. It has been a struggle, since he was quite young, to get him motivated or willing to participate in school, shul, and the shabbos table; to keep him away from watching inappropriate stuff and music; to get him to dream about anything other than winning the lottery and being a billionaire and being cool while not having to get out of bed . . . and we are really not sure what to do with him.

I spoke with Rabbi Frand shlita about this and he said "There are so many families that come to me, who have most of their kids that run like a Toyota . . . just change the oil every 3,000 miles and there are no other problesm, but there is one kid that ??? they are pu;;ing out their hair about how to deal with them.

I could on, but I just want to point out that although the nurturing of the family is critical, it seems that the Almighty decides that other nisyonos will enter and there ain't nuthin one can do except to deal with it as best they can, just like we all learn here

Just one shmendrick's opinion.

Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by trying123 - 22 Apr 2010 23:26

An excerpt from an article by Rabbi Dr. Ben Zion Sorotskin:

http://drsorotzkin.com/pdf/role_of_parents.pdf

"Parents will often claim that their children were born with an unusually powerful yetzer hora and, therefore, they as parents were powerless to prevent the inevitable downward spiral.

Eisav is usually pointed to as the prototype of someone born pre-destined to be a rosha.

However, according to Rav Dessler this is a misperception. Clearly, says Rav Dessler, Eisav was not born predestined to be a rosha, otherwise we would have to say that he had no bechira.

At most, we can say that he was born with a temperament that made positive behavior more difficult for him and raising him properly a more challenging (but not impossible) task for his parents......

When Rav Dessler speaks of Eisav having a more difficult temperament, he also makes it clear that less was expected of him as a result (at least initially)."

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Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by DovInIsrael - 22 Apr 2010 23:31

wow - you are all way too serious for me.

I'm going to find bardy.... heard he's opening a new location...

franchising...

Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by silentbattle - 23 Apr 2010 00:13

Good example - so eisav may have had the chance to become a tzaddik. But he didn't - all on his own, no one else's fault.

Mishpacha (or was it hamodia) magazine had an interesting article recently, about rav volbe. It was written from an interview with his son. R' volbe is the epitome of someone who understood people, and belived in understanding each individual. His son agrees with this, and says that without his father's acceptance, warmth, understanding, etc., he would have gone off the derech.

However, it is very clear that his son was a bit of a rebel - for starters, you've got a son of a chareidi rabbi, who's joined the israeli army. So clearly, rebellion is something that IS possible,

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even in the best of cases.

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Re: Here we go - Details about JIP Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 23 Apr 2010 00:27

Rabbi Matisyahu Salamon Shlita told me that he once went to Rav Wolbe's home for a discussion. He found Rav wolbe sitting at his table and learning. There was a motorcyclist's crash helmet on one of the chairs and the floor was strewn with 'not good' records. Rav wolbe saw that Rav Matisyahu noticed them so he commented, "A child must always know that he has a father/home (I don't recall Rav matisyahu's exact wording)."
