Singularity's Journey Posted by Singularity - 12 Jul 2016 09:18

Well here I am, aaaagain! Actually this is the first time I've posted in this forum but I've decided to give it a 90-days go. Again. Oh boy.

BH married, 2 wonderful kids and a good job. Good learning and constantly striving for closeness to Hashem. Now have to kick this habit.

I'm in two minds. One one hand, it's good to track progress and discuss your falls and high moments. It gives chizuk for the long haul ahead. However is there not also an idea that the less attention you give something, the less of a problem it is? Any ideas?

Well here I am on day 1. The bulk of Shavuos to Rosh Hashonah is about passed. We're in Bamidbar - a desolate stretch of Torah (from Beha'aloscha at least) where we as a nation fell gravely and were beaten time and time again, due to Ta'avah and Kavod. All put to an end by Pinchas's sole act of zealousness, the seal to all the impure outflow. And I feel it reflects in the time of year. Nothing's happening! No Chagim. Worse, 17th of Tammuz, 9th of Av. It's the Yetzer Hara's playing ground and I always get knocked down strongest here. It's a *metzi'us.* So I wish to be a phoenix rising from the ashes of a downtrodden nation. And let's all be that together iyH.

Elul will be a lot easier I feel. It's the desolate months of Tammuz and Av that pose the real challenge. But let's see how it goes. Day 1!

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Re: Singularity's Journey Posted by Singularity - 03 May 2017 08:20

My oft-treaded *mehalech* is such:

I'm learning 4 hours a day. And I just blew up at my wife. Why? My learning should temper me. Ugh. It never works. What's the point. (insert lustful action here)

I'm working the 12 steps diligently. But that woman still turns my head. She's married to my chavrusa! This program should be working! Oh heck, look I can see her knees..

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I'm totally confused lol

Re: Singularity's Journey Posted by Trouble - 09 May 2017 23:30

I thought I was pretty straight forward.

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Re: Singularity's Journey Posted by Markz - 09 May 2017 23:43

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Wonka ate Trouble for breakfast and landed at the dentist, when sleep was apparent, all hell broke loose on Sing's planet

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Re: Singularity's Journey Posted by Singularity - 10 May 2017 12:03

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Why not?

I haven't seen anything better today.

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Re: Singularity's Journey Posted by MayanHamisgaber - 11 May 2017 10:57

SIng

Sounds like you are feeling down

I do not have the tools to e sponsor but to be friend I do

I do not have time to make that thread you requested but feel free to visit my thread to look at the oldies that help me

KOMTNMW

(feel free to email me but I usually won't answer till nighttime

Re: Singularity's Journey Posted by tiger - 11 May 2017 14:37 Sing,

i know that weak feeling, all I can say is if you are living today it's easier to realize how strong you are! I mean come on you could conquer the world right now!!

I so agree with the resting on recovery thing I have been a victim to this countless of times so the fact that you are aware is very good!

Stay strong, you are one powerful guy

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From the White Book.

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