This is hard Posted by hakohen10 - 09 Nov 2016 14:12

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Re: This is hard Posted by Markz - 09 Nov 2016 14:39

Welcome!

Mazel Tov!!

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Re: This is hard Posted by cordnoy - 09 Nov 2016 14:51

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Mazell tov

You write "more than anything."

Do you really mean that?

For years, I wanted sobriety more than anything except my addiction. I couldn't live without it.

Problem was....I finally figured out that I can't live with it either, and that is when I took it to the next level.

What can you do now that will demonstrate that you truly want it more than anything?

B'hatzlachah

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Re: This is hard Posted by Shlomo24 - 09 Nov 2016 16:07

I feel you. Welcome. Hatzlacha Rabah.

Re: This is hard Posted by hakohen10 - 09 Nov 2016 20:33 Thanks you guys so much I'm not sure what this exercise gains but I sure hope it helps .

Re: This is hard Posted by Markz - 09 Nov 2016 20:52

## hakohen10 wrote:

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Cool

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Are you taking up cordnoys recommendation?

What exercise are you referring to?

Maybe ask your chassan teacher what he suggests

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Re: This is hard Posted by cordnoy - 09 Nov 2016 21:26

II was wondering the same thing.

Exercise was on a different thread, I think.

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Re: This is hard Posted by gibbor120 - 10 Nov 2016 15:11 Welcome! Read the handbook. Keep posting. I was in your position until I got caught more than 10 years into my marriage. B"H, I'm sober for 7+ years now. Commit to do whatever it takes, no matter how uncomfortable. Do you have a rav/rebbi you could discuss it with?

Keep posting here. We know what you are going through.

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Re: This is hard Posted by gibor101 - 11 Nov 2016 18:51

I understand what you're going through. I'm also 22, and i've had an addiction basically since i was bar mitzvah. Iy"h Hashem should give you the ability to overcome it and live a harmonious marriage.

B'hatzlacha rabba.

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Re: This is hard Posted by Singularity - 16 Nov 2016 09:47

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Re: This is hard Posted by Markz - 16 Nov 2016 12:12

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1. No he hasn't been counting on the 90 chart for 10 years

2. And even if yes, a guy his age that joins gye, when many others are joining other "Mature" websites, is to be commended for his immaturity

3. I like being Shabbos Tatty and dancing to Uncle Moishy, so please don't offend my species

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Your energy is great, Singularity. You remind me of myself a year ago when I was telling everyone to get into 12-step or see if they're an addict. What I have learned is that people will ultimately make these decisions by themselves and trying to change others hasn't been effective when I tries. C'mon, he's 22 (Ironically I'm 21) and I have many friends that struggle with porn and masturbation but aren't addicts. He says he's an addict but I'm not sure he knows what that means.

Hatzlacha to all.

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