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Going to do this Posted by Meyer M. - 05 May 2020 13:12 was clean for 24 days, I never in my mind would've thought I would've been able to do it, I though I was going to be clean for a week at most and here we are at 3 weeks (24 days), unfortunately I fell but I'm looking forward to seeing what I can do next

Re: Going to do this

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 31 May 2020 04:38

26 is gematria of Hashem's name. You are being mekadesh shem shomayim. Continued hatzlocha b'ezras Hashem.

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Re: Going to do this

Posted by yosef10 - 01 Jun 2020 03:41

:stuck_out_tongue_winking_eye:Keep up the great work, just make to sure to also celebrate your accomplishments (in a healthy way of course). This isn't just a show... It's a new you that

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Re: Going to do this

Posted by Meyer M. - 02 Jun 2020 05:35

Day 27: Clean

Day 28: Clean

tbh my mind has been wandering to my girlfriend that I love, would this be considered healthy or is it something to be worked on as well? I think its healthy and desires are part of life but maybe im wrong?
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Re: Going to do this Posted by yosef10 - 02 Jun 2020 13:30
I'm no bakee, but o recall hearing from an addict quoting the big book that they had no control over lust. It's great you love your girlfriend, and I'm sure it's good to think about and be concerned about her Just make sure it's not lust, if it is then it's the exact thing on the screen your staying away from, don't say because she's real it's ok Don't indulge yourself.
If nkt, then I rthink it would be fine, but only you can make that distinction.
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Re: Going to do this Posted by Meyer M 03 Jun 2020 03:39
Day 29: Clean, Hang on folks we are almost at one month!
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Re: Going to do this Posted by givemechizzuk - 03 Jun 2020 18:41
absolutely incredible!

GYE - Guard Your Eyes

Re: Going to do this Posted by starting - 04 Jun 2020 14:24
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Re: Going to do this Posted by yosef10 - 05 Jun 2020 01:59
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I'll have what he's having.
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Re: Going to do this Posted by Meyer M 05 Jun 2020 03:31
Day 31: Clean.

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Listening to shiurim helps, training yourself to walk looking down (or in the very least look into the distance and ignore whatever is enticing you). Being busy is critical to avoid down periods where you can lose yourself (come onto GYE during those periods). Learning is a lifesaver.

From my view as a non-married working individual. Some days it's not possible to learn or to listen to a shiur, when you're driving a car you can't look down and away from sights. You will be down at some point or later. It's simply fighting the fight and not giving in. I will say Rabbbi Shafier's lecture (The Fight @ https://theshmuz.com/series/the-fight/) is a fundamental tool in this fight and is highly recommended, some books that were recommended to me by a rav go very deep into this topic and I wouldn't read them without a rav's say so. Other than that, idk, no secrets here

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Posted by DavidT - 05 Jun 2020 13:56

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Re: Going to do this Posted by yosef10 - 05 Jun 2020 14:06
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100% agree. You always have to try to keep up with your doing. Even its it's too difficult. Do t get confident. We always have to know and understand that no matter at what point were at in the struggle, and whether it's eisoer at that time or not... We are always succeptable to another fall, there's always a part of us that still wants it. So you can never be too careful even after your well deserved success.

So so keep your head up high, pat yourself on the back, and keep up the great work.
Habe be a great Shabbos!,!!
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Re: Going to do this Posted by Meyer M 07 Jun 2020 04:35
Day 32 (friday): Clean
Day 33 (shabbos): Clean
100% agree with all the responses, yasher koach and lets keep moving!
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Re: Going to do this Posted by Singularity - 07 Jun 2020 04:42 Keep it up! From personal experience I know that my SSA comes back to bite me when I least expect it.

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