

EASILY TRIGGERED EVEN ON THE GYE SITE

Posted by taharah - 14 Jul 2011 16:51

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Re: EASILY TRIGGERED EVEN ON THE GYE SITE

Posted by lookingforwisdom - 14 Jul 2011 17:26

I sometimes feel the same at which time I try to keep away and just concentrate on other things in life. But at times when I feel that I need a little chizuk in these areas this site is really helpfull

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Re: EASILY TRIGGERED EVEN ON THE GYE SITE

Posted by shteighecher - 14 Jul 2011 17:39

I never found a trigger here (except one time, when someone described some details of a relationship with a different boy, but, it was not that i wanted to do the same, it was just arousing me).

The reason why i'm not triggerred could be. Maybe;

1) i'm worse then you and need, stronger thing to trigger me.

2) i'm so focused on my recovery, while i'm here, that my mind will not even try to take me into problems

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Re: EASILY TRIGGERED EVEN ON THE GYE SITE

Posted by alexeliezer - 14 Jul 2011 18:02

There's plenty of very helpful material on this website outside of the forum.

(I personally stopped reading the forum and even the emails for 2 years, after reading for a
couple of months. I felt I wanted to "move on" and these materials were reminding me too much
of my addiction. After two straight years of sobriety, I felt strong enough to participate. Not
advising, just sharing.)

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Re: EASILY TRIGGERED EVEN ON THE GYE SITE

Posted by lookingforwisdom - 14 Jul 2011 18:24

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I agree with you these are people discussing their struggles for the purpose of getting out of it.
Discussing your struggles with a friend in order to free yourself is something already written by
many great people of previous generations (ie. reb elimelech of lizhensk, of course he's talking
confessing to a live safe person)

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Re: EASILY TRIGGERED EVEN ON THE GYE SITE

Posted by helpfyi - 14 Jul 2011 18:40

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the only thing that it will trigger is to get better!!!

First read the GYE handbook and all other things, when you start to recover and need help you know where to turn!

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Re: EASILY TRIGGERED EVEN ON THE GYE SITE

Posted by ZemirosShabbos - 14 Jul 2011 18:58

i am sometimes also triggered by certain lurid details of stories on GYE. this concern has been addressed a few times on the forum and it is a valid concern. there is a link under every post to report to moderator if something is violating the guidelines of the forum. Guard has indicated that eventually there will be two sections of GYE, one for those who need 'prevention' and one for those who need 'recovery'.

that being said, ultimately you are your own policeman, and if you are being triggered then your

best bet is to move on. (*you can check out the cholint thread, lemonade thread, joke thread or the illustrated guide to sailing against the wind in an inner tube thread*)

another point is that anything you see on GYE is available unfortunately in exponentially worse proportions on the rest of the internet.

as always, keep on trucking, with a smile

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Re: EASILY TRIGGERED EVEN ON THE GYE SITE

Posted by struggler - 15 Jul 2011 01:34

Before I learn about this site, I thought that I am one of few frum men who struggle with this issues & I felt very bad about it. When I found this site, I found out that many men struggle with these issues and I did so badly about my addiction & I began to acting out much more often. But this site/emails from this site have wealth of information about building up self esteem and strategies with dealing with urges, so after while, I learn more about them, I feel less depress and doing much better with my addiction, but I have long ways to go to be 100% clean.

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Re: EASILY TRIGGERED EVEN ON THE GYE SITE

Posted by TheJester - 15 Jul 2011 10:04

[taharah wrote on 14 Jul 2011 16:51:](#)

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WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ISSUR OF NIVUL PEH?

Brilliant observation.

The question is... Is this site right for **you**? this site is completely and utterly wrong for many people - a 13 y.o. bochur (or girl) who has never struggled with these issues shouldn't be here.

But what relevance would this site have to people if the discussions didn't affect them in some way, or help and address some specific needs. This place is like a sewer - together, we can try to break out, and working together, rather than alone, is a good thing. But someone who is used to fresh air and cleanliness will just get dirty. But nu - if someone lost in the sewer discovers this bunch of people trying to get out together, should he walk away because we all have different dirt, and he doesn't want to get dirty?

The discussion around an adult dinner table will necessarily be different when there are children around - some topics are just too raw. Death, divorce, horrible diseases, abductions, etc. But there can be good reasons for discussing these concepts - prevention, assistance or cure, more often than not.

The issue, to my mind, is not what is discussed, but the breadth of the audience. Quite unfortunately, I am one of those people who would hardly feel dirty if dived into the deepest part of a sewer. Many of the "triggers" that some would see are things I once would have found "normal" or acceptable. Or at least cool and fun. But then, some people trigger easily - I mean, should we ban shoes, or hanging undergarments on a line lest someone steal it? There is a balance to be maintained, and on the whole, this site does a magnificent job. If there are prurient souls out there who enjoy the discussion in odd little ways - there are far worse things that they would probably be doing with their internet connection, if not getting off on the discussions here. There most certainly is an issue with "*Tahor*" people coming here, by accident, although I would be surprised if someone really *tahor* would linger, to the point of a problem (although I acknowledge that it is possible).

TL;DR: Is it right for you? Will you become better or worse as a result? Are you lost in the sewer, or coming in from the fresh air?

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Re: EASILY TRIGGERED EVEN ON THE GYE SITE

Posted by taharah - 15 Jul 2011 14:21

thanks for replying I can see one thing that we are all trying our best to be free of lust and we are dealing here with sensible people

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A sensible person would not be here... Those of us who are here are, by definition, not seeing sense!

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You think too much, and make my head hurt!

Simpler to say: Is being on this site good for you, or bad for you - be honest. And then act

But you're touching on another great point - people acting frivolously on GYE. Check out [post 2 here](#), which addresses this somewhat. Post 3 explains the relative boundaries found here as opposed to, say, a SA group.

accordingly. If you *cannot* act accordingly, then it might just be good for you, in disguise

There will always be troublemakers, oddballs, and people who post all in capitals. You just cannot get away from that on an open forum. However, trouble is often more in ourselves than what is around us. If we see trouble and triggers (instead of just think "that's weird", or "that's revolting") - if we are (a) on here already, and (b) getting triggered, then unless someone has posted something wildly inappropriate, it is an opportunity for us to consider where we truly stand, rather than blame the *shiksa* with the low neckline.

The day that we can browse all of GYE and recognize and walk away from potential triggers, because they are "not for us" is probably the day we can walk away from GYE forever. Or turn to giving, rather than taking, from the site.

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