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life of a lamed vavnik Posted by lamed vavnik - 08 Aug 2009 19:52 Hello Everyone I'm clean only four days and i'm already trying to mess up!I'm on the chart but only b/c i have a good filter B'H!I really want to stay on and stay clean but just sitting in front of the computer turns me on thinking of all the things i COULD be seeing if i only didn't have a filter !!some body tell me this will wear off and i'll be able to fell normal in front of the screen b/c i want to stay with this site. :'(______ Re: life of a lamed vavnik Posted by lamed vavnik - 24 Dec 2009 07:00 eyes were better today only forgot a few times then reminded myself. today will be better. another no listening day .yay! thats 2 days. day dreaming is tough though . still working on what to get in me brain instead, to pull me out of it. worked on realizing that even if i have no costumers all day my parnasa is from H' and i trust him to take care of me. i sat on that for a whilep and it was good . H' gives me everything i need in every area . don't need other peoples stuff or food or wives i have everything i need . is that what the Gra means? Re: life of a lamed vavnik Posted by Ykv_schwartz - 24 Dec 2009 12:09 I love the inspiration. Keep it up. Oh and by the way, why don't you wear your shoes anymore?

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Re: life of a lamed vavnik Posted by lamed vavnik - 25 Dec 2009 07:38

i'm going to start working really HARD on my eyes these days . it was very good yesterday i'm getting better at remembering .

i worked on trusting in H' that he gives me the wife i need and the job i need . and they are good things that are good for me . i don't know if it would have worked out that well if i didn't have such a great wife. thanx H'

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Re: life of a lamed vavnik Posted by imtrying25 - 25 Dec 2009 10:35

What could be a better hug than having such a wonderful wife!!! Its a life lasting hug IYH.

Btw are you coiming this time?

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Re: life of a lamed vavnik
Posted by silentbattle - 25 Dec 2009 15:24

You're incredible, 36. Yes, your wife is incredible, too, but the fact that you're aware of her specialness says a lot about you, too.

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Re: life of a lamed vavnik Posted by lamed vavnik - 26 Dec 2009 22:28

i have to say this . not b/c i want to ,but b/c i need to know i'm on the spot , and people are watching my progress . G-d help me stay clean .

my wife and i have embarked on a journey together. with her permission i started friday to go completely clean from all sexual pleasure for 90 days (at least). it will be the first time in my life since puberty. this is a totally different journey for me now. i put myself on the chart again.

on to the avoidah.

- 1) eyes doing well . no long stares (more than 2 seconds about) and only 2 double takes . but no ogling and no fantasizing about women in the street (or in my head). i focus on the good wife i have . helpful , caring , supportive ,truly appreciates me ,understands me,was there for me in my hard times recently . it would be a shame to throw away all this invested relationship and with a real person just for someone whos gorgeous . it's the first time in my life i fealt that way . i don't think i really saw the good points about my wife to match her up against the beauties of porn. but yesterday i fealt a real pang of terror to lose such a great woman over something so stupid as (only)perfect looks . (just bytheway the woman i was staring at was really stupid not even close to my wife.)
- 2) no listening fantasies either BH'.
- 3)worked today on trusting in H' that the day he gives me with other peoples attitudes is not under my control i'm still a child of H' no matter what . i have a job to do in this world even if my set up is less than what i call perfect. .so i controlle dmy attitude ,the only thing i can . worked very well till shabbos aft. when i started gettin a little frazzled and tired . but wee keep on truckin. tonite i work on trusting h' that the shortcomings he gives me are for my best . not easy.
- 4) started writing all the GOOD things i do on a regular basis. i'm a pretty good guy. :-*

Wow, this is the **first time** someone married, on this forum, took upon themselves 90 days **without any sexual pleasure at all**. That's a huge challenge.

In SA they do this sometimes to "dry out"...

To quote the whitebook:

Healing in my marriage and in the family is one of the most blessed areas of this new life, even though things aren't always a bed of roses. I've found something better than lust—reality But I have to be willing to give up any thought of changing partners, either actually or in fantasy, even if it means not having sex at all. Each time, I have to surrender my right to sex and depend on the grace of God. What else can you call it? And there are times my wife and I have gone without sex for extended periods. But it's all right; sex is optional now. I have a choice. And mutually voluntary periods of abstinence for a year or so have proven to be the most constructive—and happy—times of our entire marriage. For me the key was finally giving up all expectation of either sex or affection, and working on myself and my defective relations with others.

It has been a totally new beginning for us. I'm just starting to get acquainted with my wife of seventeen years. I discover to my delight she's a person: unique, independent, an individual, a whole universe of personality I was blind to before. And the more I die to any thought of resorting to someone else and commit myself to this one union, the more pleasure and love and

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freedom I find.

I can't believe that the person I'm writing about today is the same one who used to think and do the things I've been describing. Actually, that other person was a slave; he was living in a world of fantasy and illusion, only for himself, and always alone. He had never matured through emotional adolescence and was spiritually dead. He could not cope either with his own emotions or with life in the big world out there, and was constantly running. Running to satisfy demands and lusts that could never be satisfied. Running from who he really was; running from others; running from life; running from God, the source of his life.

The running is over. I've found what I was really looking for.
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Re: life of a lamed vavnik Posted by imtrying25 - 27 Dec 2009 12:52
Kol hakavod to you LV. May you be zoche to reach all your goals. Wishing the best. What your doing really takes alot of determination and willpower.
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Re: life of a lamed vavnik Posted by lamed vavnik - 28 Dec 2009 06:35
Bh' feeling great.

- bir ieeiiiig gieat.
- 1) in the eye category . had a slip yesterday . took a long look at a pretty co-worker .we traded smiles . wasn't good . watching my eyes at work is very hard b/c i know the people and want to be civil . but this is more important. today will BeH' be better . but i got control of myself(after a while) and kept my mind(with much time and effort) off of the fantasies . one thing i learned, a look is very powerful .
- 2) BH' no listening is going great . had a cuople of pulls to listen but i again put my mind elsewhere.

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3) OK trusted in H' that he takes care of my food . and what ever i get after the fast is what he wants me to have . i got cold food and ate it in the 5 minutes i had . but i was OK. (later i lost my temper at my wife after the long day was over about a diff. thing .but it was a long fast and i was tired . i apologized and she forgave me))
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Re: life of a lamed vavnik Posted by lamed vavnik - 28 Dec 2009 06:39
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Re: life of a lamed vavnik Posted by the guard - 28 Dec 2009 13:02
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NAIL ON THE HEAD!
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