

R Zadok and masturbation

Posted by strivingforhonesty - 13 Nov 2011 09:55

[Moderator's note: The controversial article that was posted here purports to present Rav Tzadok's views. Some of the general statements are indeed classic Rav Tzadok, but other statements appear so far from normative Halacha and Hashkafa that I'm not convinced that Rav Tzadok actually wrote them, or intended them for public consumption. The danger of quoting from unpublished manuscripts is that such quotes are difficult to verify].

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Re: R Zadok and masturbation

Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 16 Nov 2011 22:07

[strivingforhonesty wrote on 16 Nov 2011 22:02:](#)

Well Unfortunately I view it as a positive activity on certain levels, what do you want me to do?
Shoot myself?

strivingforhonesty = Striving for honesty!

"With thine self be truthful"

WE must know where are at; what we think.

Being honest & truthful does not always mean that we are correct..... (That was a nasty thing to post! Moderators, please remove this post!!!!)

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Re: R Zadok and masturbation

Posted by obormottel - 16 Nov 2011 22:08

[strivingforhonesty wrote on 16 Nov 2011 22:02:](#)

Well Unfortunately I view it as a positive activity on certain levels, what do you want me to do? Shoot myself? If only R Zadok was alive today...

This is classic.

There is nothing in between compulsive masturbation and ending one's life?

Well, you're in good company. Myself, and a bunch of other goofballs here felt exactly the same for many years.

Stick around, there is light at the end of the tunnel.

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Re: R Zadok and masturbation

Posted by Kedusha - 16 Nov 2011 22:17

[strivingforhonesty wrote on 16 Nov 2011 22:02:](#)

Well Unfortunately I view it as a positive activity on certain levels, what do you want me to do? Shoot myself? If only R Zadok was alive today...

How about starting with the attitude tips, found in the GYE Handbook (linked in every Chizuk e-mail)? It will give you a very good perspective on this struggle, and is, for the most part, appropriate for non-addicts as well.

By the way, I assume from everything you wrote that you don't use pornography (or even immodest pictures) to get aroused, which would have no justification whatsoever even according to the arguments you presented.

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Re: R Zadok and masturbation

Posted by strivingforhonesty - 16 Nov 2011 22:56

I have not watched porn in about 3 years ever since I started seeing masturbation as a positive form of sexuality.

obormottel- me and you are from different planets so there is no point in getting in to a whole debate.

I wish you success and happiness

Kedusha, that hand book has that video "the seal of truth" as a link, if there is anything that would make me take off my kippa chas veshalom, it is that movie, the guy in the film had not even heard of teffilin, and yet he gets tortured for masturbating! Where is justice? Where is truth?

Anyway if everyone here thinks I'm a heretic, I will have to learn to live with that, at least I will try and be a dignified heretic, I will try and be a heretic that's a mench!

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Re: R Zadok and masturbation

Posted by Kedusha - 16 Nov 2011 23:01

I can see that that video would not be helpful for many people. I personally was not able to watch more than a couple of minutes. If you don't like it, try to forget about it.

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Re: R Zadok and masturbation

Posted by Kedusha - 16 Nov 2011 23:03

If you don't arouse yourself with porn, you are at least being consistent, if not correct. But, keep in mind that, for most people, porn and masturbation go together.

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Re: R Zadok and masturbation

Posted by obormottel - 16 Nov 2011 23:05

[strivingforhonesty wrote on 16 Nov 2011 22:56:](#)

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:-* Love always. See you down the road, whenever you decide to get off your planet and get down to Earth.

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Re: R Zadok and masturbation

Posted by the.guard - 17 Nov 2011 12:26

Dear SouthafricanJEW, happygrowth, confusedyid, londonbocher, Strivingforhonesty, BaalTeshuvah and Tryingtolive,

You have been on this forum and on GYE for long enough, in enough "gilgulim". (See some first correspondence over here: www.guardureyes.com/GUE/RTwerski/Can'tStop.asp)

Maybe it's time to find somewhere else to hang out?

It's not acceptable to post an article from Rav Tzadok (as strivingforhonesty), and then use a different username (tryingtolive) to say that you're new here and you read that post and it saved your life, and then use a third username (baalteshuvah) to post an open letter to GYE about how "pained you are" that the article was removed. That's not exactly striving-for-honesty, is it?

I have a feeling that your guilt is causing you to do these sneaky things, to try and convince yourself and others and that your approach is correct.

Strangely though, you're the only one who keeps coming back with these same mantras... I haven't heard anyone else on this forum espouse such views...

I wish you a lot of Hatzlacha elsewhere.

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Re: R Zadok and masturbation

Posted by Serene smile - 21 Nov 2011 04:13

Wow guard: that was amazing

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