

I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence

Posted by waydown - 12 Sep 2016 21:06

Hi All Ish Kodoshim,

Unfortunately , I have been gone for a long while. I have been out there up to no good. I'll just cut to the chase. Recently, I meet a semi- frum lady albiet not in person. She was almost ready to take it all the way. But as we continued to chat she made two observations which convinced her not to go further.

1) My marriage is basically a happy one. Despite the fact she was married too, her marriage was not a happy one while mine is (other than intimacy which is my own doing). Therefore, she felt that she was not comfortable wrecking someone else's marriage if at least the other party is in a happy marriage.

2) While we are both orthodox she is barley frum and does not always keep shabbos anymore. I on the other hand am a very upstanding jew in all other areas. I am a bal chesed and learned person. I still attend minyan 3 times a day etc... She felt it was unbecoming of me to sin. It did not pas for someone on my level to stoop so low.

I thought both those two thoughts were very powerful enough to send me back home. Plus its elul where we all return to our father. (whether we return or not hashem is near us in Elul. (ani ledodi vdoedi li). So I unplugged all sinful e-mails and social media profiles and I am back home.

I should add that it is a tough time now as BH my wife is in her first trimester. That means I need to be a single dad for the time being because she has no koach to clean the house , watch and take the kids on trips. of course no relations follow suit. But I am still glad to be back.

Before you all ask whats your plan just please let me settle down and then we will talk. This all happened today!!!!

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence

Posted by stillgoing - 15 Sep 2016 20:39

Shlomo, why? I do as well.

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by Markz - 15 Sep 2016 20:45

Guys

Waydown, Moish, vechol hamispallelim kan:

We all have our quirks and what to work on. No one is perfect (Hey chill, I was only talking about me)

Waydown you came back onsite to converse? perhaps

perhaps you also wanted input and its apparent from some of your posts that you do

No one is pushing you to anything

You can have your lollipop and eat it

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by Bigmoish - 15 Sep 2016 20:53

[Markz wrote on 15 Sep 2016 20:45:](#)

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The tone and content of the responses on this thread lead me to firmly disagree.

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by cordnoy - 15 Sep 2016 20:55

[Bigmoish wrote on 15 Sep 2016 20:53:](#)

[Markz wrote on 15 Sep 2016 20:45:](#)

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The tone and content of the responses on this thread lead me to firmly disagree.

And the thread is not that big.....yet, that one cannot peruse for two minutes and see that.

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by Markz - 15 Sep 2016 21:06

I was referring to "force recovery down his throat"

I didn't feel it was so extreme

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence

Posted by waydown - 15 Sep 2016 21:18

What do you mean I can gave my lolli pop and eat it? If i do that then I'll be back to square one.
I realize no half hearted measures.

Its kind of quirky, like I wish I just had the desire to M"Z but that it would never lead me to worse. In my warped mind I wish I can still lust yet control it to my desired levels. of course its wishful thinking. I know you can't split the two. That's my problem. (and of course I wish I wouldn't wish to keep my M"Z candy either as I know its wrong.)

I hope that makes sense.

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence

Posted by stillgoing - 15 Sep 2016 21:28

[waydown wrote on 15 Sep 2016 21:18:](#)

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wouldn't wish to keep my M"Z candy either as I know its wrong.)

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Aint it true. I have no idea if it makes sense, but i think most people here can completly relate to that. I know that i can..

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by Watson - 15 Sep 2016 22:14

[Bigmoish wrote on 15 Sep 2016 20:29:](#)

I actually feel bad that a guy can't post on the forum without 3 guys trying to force recovery down his throat.

Unfortunately that's the nature of an online forum. The only place I've every been where you can say how you really feel and no-one tries to force anything down your throat is a face-to-face 12

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by Bigmoish - 15 Sep 2016 23:00

Pardon my french, but that is bullBAD WORD REMOVED.

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by Watson - 15 Sep 2016 23:04

Could you elaborate please

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by Watson - 15 Sep 2016 23:13

Actually, please don't elaborate. I said my own experience with face-to-face meetings. You can say what you want, it won't change what my experience has been.

(Although you're kind of making my point...)

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by cordnoy - 15 Sep 2016 23:21

I know of several 12 step meetings where the attitude is a "force it down" policy. I was even thinking of writing it up for a magazine. Especially in places on the east coast (of this country), where there is an anti frum perspective, even from those who are frum.

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by cordnoy - 15 Sep 2016 23:22

That being said, my personal experiences of meetings have been only positive.

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Re: I am Back After a Long Leave Of Absence
Posted by Watson - 15 Sep 2016 23:25

What can I say? I'm sorry you experienced that. The meetings that I go to, I can share freely with what I really feel and I get nothing but acceptance and support.

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