

90,000 Reasons

Posted by shneurzalman404 - 24 Nov 2016 01:25

Because your Tati shebashamayim loves you too much to let you do this.

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Re: 90,000 Reasons

Posted by Shlomo24 - 24 Nov 2016 19:30

I also probably sound like a broken record. But I don't think it's fair to blame the Atlantic Northeast. There are large numbers of Orthodox addicts here, as there are a lot more Orthodox Jews here, and in my experience, the majority remain Orthodox, even if they aren't as "chumradik" as they were before. In my fellowship, Judaism is respected but if someone talks religiously in meetings (ex: saying the word Shabbos repeatedly or giving a Torah insight) he probably will be told that he should alter his speech as meetings are supposed to be places where everyone can relate, and he may be excluding people. I have never heard someone bash religion. That's not necessarily true for all, but again, and here's my broken record, the Atlantic Northeast shouldn't be blamed as a whole. Additionally, I just went to an AA meeting this morning where someone shared that many Christians in recovery also have similar qualms. Based on that, I'm not sure it's even a Jewish problem.

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Re: 90,000 Reasons

Posted by cordnoy - 24 Nov 2016 19:41

I'm not blaming.

I am warning.

When the meetings are made up of a majority of orthodox Jews, prepare to daven less, learn less, become less Shabbos observant and have a general yeridah.

Will some become better Jews? Yes.

Some will take a while and some will see a quick improvement.

Will there be people who see their frumkeit take a dip? Yes. Will it be worth it? Ask someone.

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Posted by YidFromMonsey - 24 Nov 2016 21:37

Wow one slap wasn't enough, you had to give me 3 separate ones lol

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3 people told this to me out right and my assumption is that many others are like that as well

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I never understood this mentality.

Who keeps us sober?

The G-d of my understanding wouldn't punish me with a relapse for listening to what He told me to do.

When I feel the need to check in with an SA member on Shabbos, I walk to one.

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Sorry but that is utter stupidity.

yiddishkeit did bother me, but my desires were stronger.

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I can confirm that I have heard many addicts tell me that, certainly at one point in their recovery at least.

In all respect Cordnoy, what right do you have to make assumptions about our (Me and YFM) region? Have you ever attended meetings here for a significant amount of time?

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