I put and end to my porn viewing Posted by needHelp - 29 Jul 2008 20:24

I was free for over 100 days(!) but then I fell again. Yesterday, I put and end to my porn viewing. I deleted all my accounts and destroyed my porno email address. I also ended over a week's worth of playing with myself. All in all, i estimate that 15 drops were lost, especially on one really bad day last week. Although I have put and end to this for now, I'm not sure that what I did was any better than masturbating once to orgasm. Precum does the same damage, doesnt it?

Re: I put and end to my porn viewing Posted by the guard - 29 Jul 2008 20:33

The fact that you were able to stay clean for over 100 days and put such a distance between yourself and the addiction, this is very powerful. With this knowlege, you will never be able to go back to your old self again. Also the fact that you didn't go all the way even when you fell, shows you have great inner strength!

Don't let the fall of the past week get you down. You haven't slid back to first base, you are still just where you were before. Only you have to get up, brush yourself off and continue the journey. Sometimes heaven makes a person fall so that they should get back up and become even stronger than before.

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But it does not matter anymore. The **you** of yesterday is not the **you** of today. What was, was. Jewish philosophy and Chassidus teach that a Jew has to look at the past and future as out of their hands. Whatever was already, G-d wanted to happen. Only the present is in our hands. For more explanation on this seemingly strange concept, see <u>here</u>.

To make sure you don't fall again, try to learn to guard your eyes everywhere you go. Not just

on-line, but even in the street. *Shmiras Ainayim* can take **years** to perfect, so be patient. Every time you turn away from something bad, it is like you are putting a coin in the box. Even if you fail many more times that day, that coin remains. When the box is full you will have perfected your *Shmiras ainayim*. And I can't tell you what great reward awaits those few, select people on this world today who have overcome this great battle. You will be worthy to behold the *Shechina* when *Moshiach* comes and in the next world!

Keep posting your progress on this forum so we can give you encouragement and be

Re: I put and end to my porn viewing Posted by shivisi - 11 Jun 2014 11:31

While looking through some really old posts, I came across this poat written by THE GUARD way back on 29 Jul 2008, and it referred to a mention of whether there is an issue of *hotza'as zera levatala* regarding of "precum".

encouraged as well

the.guard wrote:

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I have researched the matter quite some time ago both from the medical viewpoint and from the Halachic viewpoint, and this is what I learned:

What is commonly called pre-cum or pre-ejaculate **DOES contain Sperm cells**, (though less than the ejaculatory semen,)and can even cause pregnancy, although not likely!

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