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Posted by Trouble - 23 Mar 2017 20:22

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)
Posted by Markz - 23 Mar 2017 20:38

Welcome to gye

Theres place here for you in this asylum, so make yourself comfortable, and don't forget the slogan "Keep On Trucking" so if you go thru a red, just blame it on gye

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)
Posted by Gevura Shebyesod - 23 Mar 2017 20:41

Hey! You're the one who scraped my truck! The nerve!! Now I gotta go find those two yeshiva boys...

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Posted by GrowStrong - 23 Mar 2017 21:02

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Is this a Purim rant or for real? It's hilarious!!

I'll tell you this- the highest rate of rear end collisions are people who are texting/on their phones and people "chapping" a look.

I bet 50% of people on this form at least have had a shortstop because of looking at someone while their driving.

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)
Posted by Trouble - 23 Mar 2017 22:05

Aren't all posts for "real" on GYE?

You will be tested on it before advancing to the next step.

Good luck

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)
Posted by Trouble - 24 Mar 2017 13:02

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)
Posted by MayanHamisgaber - 25 Mar 2017 22:20

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)

Posted by Trouble - 26 Mar 2017 01:35

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Reb Trouble,

I appreciate the response and the chizuk. I like that mashgiach vort. Always keep your eyes open except when you shouldn't (perhaps that should be in that quote thingy thread).

Hmmm....more careful; I'm hardly careful to begin with. But I'll try by a mitzvah or two; I'll keep you posted. (Mikvah not for me.)

Me, an inspiration!? Please.

Regarding my streak, I dabble in all different types of recovery tactics.

Thanks again; don't be a stranger.

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)

Posted by Trouble - 26 Mar 2017 01:50

[MayanHamisgaber wrote on 25 Mar 2017 22:20:](#)

But seriously while the outlook is great and to be commended can we really understand these types of messages.....

Regarding your first question, I'm not sure. I also don't know what that big word means. But it's one of the ways I can try to understand myself....maybe.

Now, speaking of messages and understanding them, here's this one: I decided about ten days ago that my marriage needs working on (to say the least), so I thought that instead of my wife watching stuff upstairs alone (and me watching stuff downstairs alone), I should suggest to her that we should watch something together (upstairs of course). However, in the past, that has not been healthy, for I am interested in intimacy (sex bilaaz) and she is interested in escape (maybe she's an addict). But, I thought, maybe I should give it a try. I searched for a series that is just beginning, clean, lawyer stuff and somewhat riveting (for otherwise, she falls asleep before the title appears). I settled on a show (not sure if the mods want me to specify), but let's call it: columbia's junkyard. I went back and forth and decided against it. For various reasons. A few days later she was in her bed watching something and I forgot exactly how it transpired, but I was somewhat invited to join. What do you think she was watching? Yep, you guessed it (it was a basket filled with food): it was columbia's junkyard!

Now, what do you think God was telling me? Watch shows together. Watch them by yourself. Don't watch anything. There must be some message. But I haven't the foggiest.

Oh, and by the way, the invitation didn't last for too long.

Bottom line, it's all her fault.

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)
Posted by bb0212 - 26 Mar 2017 13:02

Kinda speechless here. No clue what to say or what the hell is going on here. Very confused and kinda lost. Not looking for trouble, but what's happening in this thread?

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)
Posted by unanumun - 26 Mar 2017 13:24

Mr. Trouble,

Your sharing here your frustrations with everyone around you is a very good thing. Often people are not honest with their feelings and don't realize that they are indeed doing such a thing. So even though you seem to be coming out a bit strange (please forgive me for pointing that out) it is indeed a feeling that many of us can relate to in some way or other. (Although most aren't as intense as you, but that is fine as honesty is always a good thing.)

I think I remember hearing that in the big book it talks about how the feeling that everyone around us is messing up our lives as we thought it should be lived, can be a source of causing us to escape to porn and acting out. So there might be a connection between those feelings and your issues that brought you to gye.

I would suggest that you ask the oilam here for advice on how to deal with these feeling and learn how to shift the blame inwards and take personal responsibility for what goes on around us. (for example, in your first post, perhaps you might have been a little lackadaisical in your shmiras eynayim or in the example with the bookcase, perhaps you could have done something to prevent the situation from occurring)

The truth is that even when it seems that there is nothing that we can have done to change the

situation, we can still shift the focus on ourselves and how we deal with everyone around us. People and things can force us to be in a specific situation, but no one can force us to react in any specific way. We have total control of that, unless we choose to give up that control.

think about it. your honesty can lead you to wonderful places. As long as you allow yourself to start looking inwards a bit.

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)

Posted by Trouble - 26 Mar 2017 16:08

Mr unan, can I call you that?

Thank you so much.

Look inward?

Isn't that what I am doing here by disclosing all my feelings?

I am baring my soul.

You think it's easy saying all this stuff? It isn't.

I am open for suggestions; it may even be harsh, I think.

I do and did speak to my rabbeim; they say that I am doing fabulous with my progress.

Porn and masturbation has been my go to drug for quite some time. I somewhat have it under control, but all these "God-sign" dilemmas confuse me. Am I doing well? Am I not?

And if my wife wouldn't keep screwing things up for me, it would be much easier. And my friends as well; they usually get in the way telling me silly stuff.

What did I miss?

Did I answer it all?

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Re: It's all their fault (and that's the truth!)
Posted by Workingguy - 26 Mar 2017 16:43

I think what some people are trying to figure out, and I put myself in that group, is are you kidding or serious? There's a difference between venting about the difficulties caused by your interactions with other people, and actually blaming them.

For example, there are many people here who is situations and whose wives and friends may make things difficult for them in that if things would be different, things might be much easier. However, most still trying to figure out what they could do and what their responsibilities.

or they just vent but don't necessarily blame.

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