

join SA!

Posted by mikestruggling - 29 May 2017 22:41

I joined SA two weeks ago i think it was a great idea. My therapist recommended it they have a lot to offer. i'm bli'n gonna try to share what i learn. (will try to post around once a day no promises)

Feel free to share your experiences.

DISCLAIMER: This is for sexaholics who have no control over their addiction. If you feel like you have no control your only chance is the 12 steps. You can do it by phone though I think meetings are optimal.

Do you have any fears of joining post them and i'll try to answer.

The first and main thing is that we are looking for serenity peace with ourselves. When we achieve that we can start recovering. My therapist said that anxiety comes from feelings of guilt if you feel guilty or isolated then SA is for you. Guilt and isolation are what i think the biggest deterrent to serenity.

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Re: join SA!

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 28 Nov 2017 05:50

Mike, you are doing it! Keep it up!

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Re: join SA!

Posted by mikestruggling - 29 Nov 2017 06:32

I don't mean to correct you, but I'm actually not doing much I'm allowing Hashem to do His thing. I honestly believe it. I can't maintain sobriety at all. Period. That's not to say it's easy. I have to do work but my sobriety is Hashem's.

thanks

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Re: join SA!

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 29 Nov 2017 12:16

What i meant by "doing it" was that you are keeping with the program and following the steps etc. Allowing Hashem is something many dont know how to do, yet you are. So keep on "doing it"!

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Re: join SA!

Posted by mikestruggling - 02 Dec 2017 18:58

A gutte voch!

Just reporting that i feel very powerless right now. I can't think of any better thing to do than watch porn or touch myself. Hashem can think of better things for me to do. I'll just keep taking the next right step and He'll give me fulfillment and serenity.

hatzlocho!!!

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Re: join SA!

Posted by mikestruggling - 03 Dec 2017 13:12

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Posted by bb0212 - 03 Dec 2017 14:27

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I like that, it's a very positive approach. Kutgw

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Re: join SA!

Posted by mikestruggling - 06 Dec 2017 05:53

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hatzlacha

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Posted by MayanHamisgaber - 06 Dec 2017 12:19

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Hey MS (I like the sound of that :-))

Thanks for the share and the Honesty gives me chizuk to here (not that I want you or anyone else to be struggling)

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(where the hell is GS)

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Re: join SA!

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 06 Dec 2017 12:29

Transparency and accountability assist in recovery. Even though it's not a "fall" it's great to tell people where you had a weakness. Obviously you "are still looking for something". Let's replace it with something else..... You are working hard, devoting much time and effort. I hope there will be loads of hatzlacha.

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Re: join SA!

Posted by mikestruggling - 10 Dec 2017 16:24

Hi there.

My experience is that if the goal of recovery is "a lot of sobriety" that's depressing. There's no purpose to that in and of itself. After a long time nothing happens. No one comes to greet you with a large pot of gold (sorry to burst your dreams), that is certainly not what ODAAT means. In fact it is exactly the opposite. I've found that when my goal in recovery is to live today to the fullest that can give me immense satisfaction.

hatzlacha

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Re: join SA!

Posted by mikestruggling - 13 Dec 2017 06:36

Happy Hannuka!!!!!!

Chanuka is gratitude time (ayin R Chaim why we don't say al hanissi in al hamichya).

I'm grateful for...

sobriety today (incl. piece of mind)

my life

my wife

a great fellowship

guard your eyes.

feel free to add your gratitude lists.

Best of luck!!!!!!!!

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Re: join SA!

Posted by mikestruggling - 13 Dec 2017 13:42

i'm resentful at...	doughnuts and latkes
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the cause	too much oil
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it affects	my acne and weight
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my part in this	eating too many
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G-d would still want me eating ad bli dai

Enjoy!!!!

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Posted by mikestruggling - 17 Dec 2017 16:58

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I don't believe it!!!

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Ohuv Lashem is always true, even at 0 days.

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