

This time will be better

Posted by joetyh - 14 Jan 2022 10:58

hey people!!! just had a fall 2 nights in a row after building my streak to 5 days... but you know what, 5 days, that was pretty impressive. I have made myself sort of reliant on videos to entertain myself during bein hasedarim and after night seder which means i occasionally need to access youtube which is a killer because it starts with downloading just some fun vlogs and/or product reviews and it goes downhill from there. I need to find a way to be able to get some videos (I dont think i can quit cold turkey from watching and 613tube isnt an option) but not falling down that terrible rabbit hole of the "How bad of a video can i find on YouTube). besides for youtube theres the plain urges that come and I just feel powerless against them. I try to beat them but its so so hard to. even the smallest trigger (i.e. seeing a random pretty girl in the street) can just set me off on a bad day. I really want to be clean!!! I really do!!!! But I feel like as soon as the urge comes I just decide that "it's just this time" and I'll find an excuse to justify it.

I'm on day 1 now. My goal right now is 1 week. I think I can do it and I know it will be very painful but I'm ready.

any suggestions or if you can relate hop on to this topic

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by Whatamithinking - 03 Apr 2022 02:05

Dude this is great stuff

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by joetyh - 05 Apr 2022 11:56

37 days bli ayin Hara!!!!

Hashem please give me another day clean!!!!

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by joetyh - 08 Apr 2022 12:35

40 days clean behind me!!!!!!

wowowow

B”H

Hashem please help me be clean for another day!!!!

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by joetyh - 10 Apr 2022 03:39

42 days clean behind me B”H!!!!

please Hashem don’t let me get to a nisayon and give me another day clean

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by joetyh - 10 Apr 2022 15:54

Ok it’s a little painful to write this, but today will be Day 1. I wasn’t strong enough and I gave into my urge and I messed up.

That’s it, moving on!!!!

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by wilnevergiveup - 11 Apr 2022 02:22

Hey bro, your a good guy!

I know it's very painful but dust yourself off and get back in there. Your doing great, keep it up.

I can't wait to see day 2.

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 11 Apr 2022 11:11

How are you celebrating 42 days buddy? And yes, it may be painful to admit, but by doing so we stop ourselves from disappearing and binging. Getting back up is a big chizuk to many silent forum participants who want to see "is it really possible to continue that momentum after a fall?"

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by joetyh - 11 Apr 2022 13:59

1 day clean behind me B"H

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by Trouble - 11 Apr 2022 14:31

[joetyh wrote on 28 Feb 2022 08:09:](#)

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I Thank Hashem for that.

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I commit to be clean just for today.

Have a great day chevra!!!!

so as i was writing my comment/question about your "42-day-celebration," i decided to at least look what were you doing these 42 days besides counting (which dov may say is simply holding your breath). i saw that beforehand you were gonna look at the f2f program (which sadly, i looked into yesterday - google search came up with something else) and mussar; those are good things. how did they work out? in my opinion, which is worth less than that of a centipede, celebration of days on its own means almost nothing (in the big scheme of life) unless it was with a plan of action of some sort. regardless, keep on plugging!

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by Trouble - 11 Apr 2022 14:38

[joetyh wrote on 11 Apr 2022 13:59:](#)

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don't get me wrong; i'm not here bashing the 90-day program like others; it is a good tool when used properly - i am simply asking: how are you using it? thanks man

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i'm by far not an expert; i have written about my past - especially in my response to captain - that was lately, but there are so many methods, so many mentors, so many suggestions - it needs to be a plan of action that will be productive.

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Re: This time will be better

Posted by DavidT - 11 Apr 2022 15:29

As the saying goes: "Failing to plan is planning to fail"

I don't believe anyone sets out planning to fail, but sometimes priorities (too many) or time (not enough) or self-discipline (lack of) results in our failing to plan which can make all the difference between victory and loss.

Having a strategy is about making sure you are in the driver's seat with a clear vision of where it is you want to get to, why you want to go there, and how you're going to turn your vision into reality

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Trouble, I've found ur posts recently very insightful. Thank you man! Keep it up!

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