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Posted by baker12 - 11 Jul 2022 15:10

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Re: Falling slowly

Posted by Goldfish - 11 Jul 2022 16:37

You are a tzaddik. Every moment you hold back is worth so much. I think many many people would be very jealous of you. Once you see porn, your life is dramatically changed for the worse. Maybe you can speak to TAG or someone like that. They are usually not judgmental but will help you fix the filter. Is that an option? Hatzlocha.

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Re: Falling slowly

Posted by Yissie - 11 Jul 2022 19:56

I think it's important for you to here this from more than one person. Many people here have gone past the point that you have not reached yet. And all of us will tell you that if you have not seen it yet, then DO NOT GO THERE. I was disgusted at myself the first time I saw porn, but it did not stop me from seeing more. Once you start, it is hard to get out of it.

And yes. Go to your rav and say exactly what your struggle is. Many rabbanim have dealt with people in way worse situations.

I would also suggest looking around in the GYE library. There are many articles and shmuzim that could be helpful. Just remember that if you have not fallen, you do not need the same level help most of us need. There are "lighter" topics that could help give you chizuk to stay away.

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Re: Falling slowly
Posted by connected - 11 Jul 2022 21:00

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Please, for your own sake, for the sake of your future, for the sake of your future wife and children (your post implies that you're not married), be smart, understand the devastation this brings about, and don't take that irreversible step.

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Re: Falling slowly
Posted by Vehkam - 11 Jul 2022 21:10

The desires that you have are normal. They do not make you a bad person. However it is up to you to learn how to deal with those desires and to guard yourself from acting on them in an inappropriate way. This is a learning process. While we try to win every battle we should not be discouraged when there are some battles we don't win. A close rebbi is the best person to help guide you. Most of them have dealt with this quite often. I recommend the book *The battle of the generation* to help put this struggle into a positive perspective.....

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i did not have the physically nauseous reaction that Connected had. I was totally drawn in from the first time i saw it. I could not understand why i had no resistance, but i just did not have any at all. I remember how sad i was because i felt like i was falling into a hole that i could not climb out of. Over the years things only got worse they did not stay the same. It was an open miracle that i was able to climb out of this hole after more than 30 years. I can say with absolute certainty that this secret i was keeping for all this time clouded my judgement in almost every important life decision that i made.

To the OP i would ask you to make a list of the reasons you would like to stop now. You will need those reasons in order to provide the motivation to start making the correct decisions on how to face this challenge and persevere. This is no longer about making sure you have the correct filters in place (although that is a part of it.) You have come face to face with a crossroads that can have implications far beyond what you can imagine. Please use this opportunity to look deep into yourself and think about what you really want out of life. The right decision now can fast track you to where you want to go.

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Re: Falling slowly
Posted by baker12 - 13 Jul 2022 13:14

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Posted by Markz - 13 Jul 2022 13:30

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Hey welcome to the club,

Can you explain a little more, cos I'm not sure what you mean.

What is considered "terrible stuff" and what is P - How do you define them - what's the difference between them?

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by shmutz i mainly mean like written stuff and theres pretty bad of that stuff or photos which arent P mamash but close to it.

the filter is quostodio and i know how to fix the filter but then i can just disable it again in 3 clicks, and i feel bad because my parents are paying for it.

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Re: Falling slowly
Posted by Lchaim Tovim - 14 Jul 2022 14:03

Gotcha. It's amazing that you've held back until now from P&M and it's amazing that you realize that your playing with fire.

The question is, what are you willing to do/are you willing to do something to make sure there is a good filter on the computer.

I don't know you, your parents or your relationship with them but I'm going to assume if they are paying for a filter they want it to work.

Could you tell your parents that the filter that they have is notorious for being easy to disable and that they should get a better filter or is that something that could blow up in your face?

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Re: Falling slowly

Posted by Hipster - 14 Jul 2022 16:44

Procrastinate from looking at anything and ride out the wave of unhealthy desire. Wait and know that a moment of clarity is coming - where will you be standing when the moment of clarity comes?

When the moment of clarity comes you will know what to do and be able to act on it. Some say that being alone with the internet is a violation of yichud - makes sense right?

Use the internet as a tool only, during daytime hours only, and around others only.

Also look on this website for others that might need your help and respond to as many calls for help as you can until your own urge subsides - it is working for me

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