

Hatzlacha in Full Time Learning

Posted by help613 - 03 Jan 2010 13:16

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Posted by Kedusha - 03 Jan 2010 13:31

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All Jewish men are cut out for for learning on some level, but it's well-accepted that not everyone (or their wives) is cut out for a life of Toraso Umnaso, which often leads to feeling depressed that they're not succeeding in their learning.

But don't make your decision in a moment of weakness or depression - discuss it with someone who you respect.

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by silentbattle - 03 Jan 2010 14:18

I'd point out a few things...one is that very often, being involved in issues like the ones we're dealing with can prevent us from succeeding to our full potential - now that you're working on it might be the best time to push forward!

Personally, I don't necessarily see myself as the type who's going to learn forever - but I do feel that it's important to do your best to gain the skills necessary to keep up your connection to torah.

Definitely talk it over with a rebbe - do you have a rebbe that you feel close to and trust, who you feel can give you an honest opinion based on *your* needs and abilities?

The important thing is to figure out how to learn so that you can enjoy it. This might mean getting a new chavrusa, or joining a different shiur that's geared towards beginners.

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by Ano Nymous - 03 Jan 2010 16:46

Uh oh...

I see censorship in my crystal ball....

I'm sorta with you on this one Rage, but I think we're outnumbered on this forum. We should just admit our powerlessness :D

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by imtrying25 - 03 Jan 2010 17:00

[Rage ATM wrote on 03 Jan 2010 15:17:](#)

we all must learn torah but there is so much torah out there im sure you can find something you enjoy...torah isnt only gemarah and tosafot...

in terms of learning versus working, lets see now, god said:

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but what does god know? f him and his stupid curses...were smarter than god...but then the mishna says:

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but what does the mishna know? f the mishna...were smarter than them besides they were just a bunch of woodchopper and water drawers, after all, didnt the rambam say:

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but were smarter than those morons...we dont need to work! lets sit and learn all day...that way
we wont even need to wait for mashiach...we'll have our own geula without god...afterall,

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but who needs machiach? f him...were smarter...

instead, lets put our wives to work...let them go out there and be around other men all day
long...should we help with watching the kids and with housework? of course not! we're men not
mexicans! when the wife will get home she'll do it because we're learning...yeshiva tuition?
someone that works will pay for my kids afterall i am doing all of klal yisrael a favor by learning...
paying for my kids education is the least they can do! we're tzaddikim! we learn all day!

Chill out Dude. Im not gonna say much because i dont want start a whole discussion on the
topic. Feel fre tp pm me if youd like. But i will say try and not be so closeminded like us kollel
guys and think that wetre always doing something wrong. Maybe some of us have a good point.
Maybe.

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?

Posted by silentbattle - 03 Jan 2010 17:09

Wow, I think that might be a sore point, Rage...

I'll address the first point right off the bat - after all, god said it, right? R' Dessler addresses *precisely your point* - he responds that it's a curse - so obviously, no one would want to be more involved in a curse than *absolutely* necessary, right?

I'll respond to the other points later, if you like - if you'd give me the sources, that would make it easier.

I would also point out that the rabbis today presumably know all these sources, and yet support the system of learning in kollel. The torah very clearly tells us that we're supposed to listen to the rabbis of *our* generation, and not just assume that we know better than they do.

As far as women going out to work, the ones that do so are the ones who feel that learning is worth sacrificing for - I know plenty of intelligent, and yes, even open-minded girls who chose to look specifically for guys who are learning, and want to learn long-term. And they consider it totally worthwhile to support that.

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Dear Help613,

I can't tell you for sure as everyone is different, BUT I can tell you that I had no enjoyment in my torah learning for year, and was about to walk away wholesale, until two things happened simulatneously.

#1. I started being shomer negiah, and walked away from a world in which my mind was filled with GIRLS, GIRLS, GIRLS.... The Torah has a hard time getting in when it has to fight for space right next to Chani, Shani, Chaya, Leah etc... and all of them in various states of wardrobe malfunction...

#2 I found a limud that I was interested in, it was not necessarily what my yeshiva was doing, but I set learning it as my goal and I worked on it every single day... It was a hard and log process, but when I made that siyum it was one of the greatest moments of my life, and ever since then torah-learning has been a serious part of my life, and a great source of joy and inspiration...

Hatzlacha,

Haba

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LEARN A MESECHTA OF MISHNA

TAKE MESECHTA SUKKA

YOU CAN COMPREHEND IT

YOU KNOW WHAT A SUKKA IS

YOU WILL MASTER THE FIRST PEREK

YOU WILL FEEL SUCH SWEETNESS IN TORAH

YES WE CAN!!!!!!!

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by bardichev - 03 Jan 2010 19:29

[theOne wrote on 03 Jan 2010 19:09:](#)

WOW.help613. WOW. that u had the koichos to stop watching the video!!!!!! reb bardy would say GEEEEEVAAAAAAAALDIGGGGGGG!!!!!! i dont think that i had the strength to do so...

WOW AM I SO PREDICTABLE??

I WAS TYPING THOSE WORDS

HEY KUTAN,IMT25 !! WE GOT ANOTHER GUY ON THE TRUCK!!

GEVALDIGGGGG

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Re: 19 year old bochur. Is it only me? What is the way out ? How do i make teshuva ?
Posted by 7yipol - 03 Jan 2010 19:56

My heart goes out to that poor kollel guy (and his family), but Im really impressed by your reactions; both running to try help him, as well as turning it off as soon as you were able.

Turn the tables on the yh. He wants you to fall because of what you saw, bringing yourself down, *as well as the other guy*. After all, you saw these inappropriate things because of him, so not only would *you* get an aveira, but he would too, for being the catalyst! Gevald!

Why not use the opportunity to daven for both of you! This is the exact opposite of what the yh wants, and exactly what Hashem would love - v'ahavta lere'echa kamocho"!

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