

Looking for a Teshuva on Shichvat Zera Levatala

Posted by shemirathabris - 02 Jan 2017 04:05

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Thank you very much!

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Re: Looking for a Teshuva on Shichvat Zera Levatala

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 12 Jul 2021 18:20

Interesting, I've never heard of this before

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Re: Looking for a Teshuva on Shichvat Zera Levatala

Posted by Markz - 12 Jul 2021 18:33

[shemirathabris wrote on 02 Jan 2017 04:05:](#)

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No one and absolutely no one before the 20th century wrote such a thing, nor is it gadlus...

How much do you want to bet?

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Re: Looking for a Teshuva on Shichvat Zera Levatala
Posted by wilnevergiveup - 12 Jul 2021 19:06

@Markz, I don't think he meant "teshuva" as repentance, rather as a shu"t, shaila uteshuva.

At least that's what I thought.

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Re: Looking for a Teshuva on Shichvat Zera Levatala
Posted by wilnevergiveup - 12 Jul 2021 19:26

Okay, I just realized that this thread was dug up from a million years ago. I guess that's why there was no response. Either way, I'd say "stick to the program" and things will fall into place. Don't get hung up with gimmicks.

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Re: Looking for a Teshuva on Shichvat Zera Levatala
Posted by Rt234 - 13 Jul 2021 04:34

The best tikon is Torah even when it's very hard.

u can look at what the the stiepler writes in regards to learning Torah...

I think that most people that make it out of this r the people that seriously put Torah as theyr main focus in life.

(If for whatever reason you don't put Torah and avodas hahashem as you're main focus in life like it should be still never give up there's still may be some hope who knows there's never a point in giving up).

Its a big part of this fight.

It weakens the yetzer horah and it's a very good teshuva and tikon.

The harder the better!!

All the best!!

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Re: Looking for a Teshuva on Shichvat Zera Levatala

Posted by sleepy - 14 Jul 2021 05:02

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one of the things that inspired me to stay clean on Shabbos is what i saw in "Meam Loez" that when one is motzi zera levatala, he is "oiver" on the melacha of Hotza"ah(carrying) on Shabbos,)
hatzlacha!

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Re: Looking for a Teshuva on Shichvat Zera Levatala

Posted by gma316 - 16 May 2022 23:37

Can you please tell me where I can find this from the stiepler I would love to see it inside

Thank you

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Re: Looking for a Teshuva on Shichvat Zera Levatala

Posted by shampoo123 - 17 May 2022 02:43

The Steipler's teshuvos on inyanei kedusha can be found in the first chelek of the Karyana D'Igarta, teshuvos 11, 12, and 15.

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