

A Beautiful Wife

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I wanted to share a quick vort,

The pasuk says,

“???? ???? ????? ????? ???? ????? ?’ ?????”

Which implies that “beauty” isn’t valuable or significant - it seems to degrade it.

However, we know from Chazal that having a beautiful wife was very much a desirable and worthwhile value.

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How do we reconcile the seeming contradiction?

Perhaps, the answer is, that even according to Chazal, beauty wasn't a goal in and of itself, it was a “tool” to retain ones kedusha in the context of a healthy marriage. ?? ????? ??, regarding praising the qualities of a woman - without yiras shamayim nothing else matters.

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So when the pasuk says, “??? ????? ?’ ??????” it’s referring to the ultimate goal of it all, the very purpose of life.

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As the Mesilas Yesharim says,

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Very good. This exemplifies why it is so important to not date while struggling with the nisayon of P & M.

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maybe it can be explained based on the following (didn't have time to look so much into it)

by the end of meseches taanis the gemarah brings a ?????? which says ??? ????? ?????? ???  
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the rebbe explains that they are referring to the true spiritual maale of beauty because physical beauty comes from spiritual beauty like its known that beautiful children physically depends on the parents conduct with ?????? ??????. attached is a pdf of the page. and the whole sicha

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Thank you

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