

My First Real PostPosted by gibbor120 - 04 Aug 2011 16:57

Hi,

I am relatively new to this site. I found it by "accident" about a month ago. I eagerly read a ton of material (way to much to digest - but it was so interesting). I felt a bit funny about posting on an online forum, so I contacted a couple of the moderators through PM or email first. My job does not usually keep me very busy, so I have been reading a lot of the posts on the forum during the day. I must say that you guys make me laugh quite a bit, and that's without going to the "Depressed Person's Chill Spot". Some of that stuff really made me laugh out loud - at work!

Why do I call this "My First Real Post"? Because I just couldn't resist and did post a joke already. The reason I am writing now is that I do sometimes feel like chiming in on a conversation, but think it's a bit rude to just chime in without introducing myself.

So here goes...

I grew up in a modern orthodox environment. I had access to TV, Movies, etc. As I got older, I got access to progressively worse movies. You all know the story. I began masurbating and looking for anything to trigger me. I think the first time I tried to seriously stop when I went to Yeshiva (after high school). I was one the roller coaster. I could stop for a time, sometimes days, sometimes weeks, sometimes even a few months, but I could never quit completely.

I got married, and that helped a bit for a short while. But again, as you know, marriage didn't ultimately help me. I didn't even have internet until after I was married, and as you can imagine, it made things much worse. I went through periods of relative calm, and periods of insanity, where I just needed more and more.

Finally, a couple of years ago, my wife found out. I knew I would get caught eventually, and deep down, I think I wanted to get caught - although it was mighty painful at the time! I knew that I had no chance of winning on my own. Now at least I had a chance.

We spoke with our rav and made some gedarim. It hasn't always been easy, but I have managed to stay clean for over 2 years. When I found this site a short while ago, it made so many things click. It clarified so many issues for me (don't worry, I have an unlimited supply of). I shared the material with my wife as well, and I felt able to open up a lot more. We made a lot of progress just from the material on this site. I have become more willing to share, and she has become more understanding.

I am not really the type to post on online forums. Many of them are filled with sarcasm and cynicism and are generally negative. I have been reading for a while and you guys are really first class. You are warm, loving, accepting, and non judgemental. That's the only reason I feel comfortable posting here.

Keep up the good work!

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by ninetydays - 04 Aug 2011 17:06

Thank you. It is good to hear that you appreciate the site. There are thousands of forums available for all types of issurim whether it be porn, gossip, or thievery. Some forums try to help people albeit very few.

Everyone on this site is here for help. It is moderated so conversations do not get out of control. Please post away. It is really good when someone like yourself (clean for 2 years) shares their story and comments and gives chizuk to others.

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by bardichev - 04 Aug 2011 17:08

stay here for good

for your good!!

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by ZemirosShabbos - 04 Aug 2011 18:06

hi and welcome!

great to have you aboard

and it's great that you like GYE

i do too

a bunch of great people helping each other

since i came here i am becoming progressively ~~better saner normaler more average more~~
~~mediocre~~

you can too

forget that, or just put it on the not-clear-issues-list

wishing you the very best

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by helpfyi - 04 Aug 2011 18:46

welcome, its great you are clean for 2 years! but here you can grow even more and help others!

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by gibbor120 - 11 Aug 2011 16:44

Does anybody know how to post a picture. I read the help and it looks simple. I am pretty computer savvy, but I can't seem to do it.

It seems it should just be

[img]http://www.thinkgeek.com/images/products/zoom/b4e7_umbrella_corporation_umbrella.jpg[/img]

When I preview it, I don't see a picture. I have tried posting to see if it shows up and it doesn't. What am I doing wrong???

Thanks.

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by ZemirosShabbos - 11 Aug 2011 16:59

when you post there is a link directly under the post field which has a 'plus' sign and says "additional options". if you click that it brings up a field where you can browse to the image you want to post

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by gibbor120 - 11 Aug 2011 17:11

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by alexeliezer - 11 Aug 2011 18:19

Welcome Gibbor!

Love the avatar!

I also didn't post for 2 years.

Now I'm a little addicted.

Go figure.

Alex

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by gibbor120 - 11 Aug 2011 19:13

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by alexeliezer - 11 Aug 2011 19:30

they're not getting any bigger either

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by gibbor120 - 12 Aug 2011 12:59

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by ur-a-jew - 12 Aug 2011 14:37

[gibbor120 wrote on 11 Aug 2011 16:44:](#)

Perhaps this belongs in "Things that make you go "hmmmmm....."
When I preview it, I don't see a picture.

I see you figured how to post them. Keep in mind that pictures don't show up in preview.
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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by ZemirosShabbos - 12 Aug 2011 17:07

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Re: My First Real Post

Posted by gibbor120 - 12 Aug 2011 17:39

You too! I will think about you while I am singing zmiros.

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