OK here's a classic scenario Posted by aamallen - 27 Dec 2011 20:19

So you've decided to go clean - you have a streak going and you realize that you need to focus on your wife and her needs just a wee bit more than your own (for a change) - so your on track maybe a week or even a month.

(I am of course talking from very personal experience here)

So then something at home comes up and you surprise yourself and tell your wife - sure you'll give up some of your hard earned personal time to spend learning with your kids for an exam so she can go out to a shiur or just relax - you thin to yourself - I am a new man - this is what's it all about .

Then ---- and here come the TEST from above

Your wife says - That's nice (surprised tone) are you sure?

Of course you say

Well I am just really surprised that you are willing to give up some of your personal time

You think to yourself (CANT YOU SEE THAT I HAVE A 20 DAY STREAK GOING AND I AM A NEW MAN)

you start to feel like all your hard work is for naught - she doesn't get it - doesnt get how hard it is for you to be good and non-selfish

Now just as you feel yourself starting to become (insulted, mad - whatever) you realize (Baruch Hashem) that that emotion --- that your ego is being questioned ---- is SELFISH and IS EXACTLY WHAT THE YH wants

Then your wife drops the BOMB - Well you can't expect me not to be surprised - after all its been 10 years with you focused on yourself its going to take awhile for me to get used to the new you

Deep breath -- You respond --- yes your right I can see what you mean

Test passed --- you can move to the next square on the board !!!!

SIMCHA is just around the corner

feel free to substitue the seflishness in this story for - lust or any other negative trait
the point is if you are giving up your ego than you have to give it up all the way
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Re: OK here's a classic scenario Posted by VMSneveragain - 29 Dec 2011 18:17
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And howbout if she doesn't appreciate it?
Thanks for lurkin'.
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Re: OK here's a classic scenario Posted by cordnoy - 16 Mar 2017 14:39

I was gonna reply to Mr vsmneveragain's other post, but then I realized it's from a banned thread. Re: OK here's a classic scenario Posted by MayanHamisgaber - 16 Mar 2017 21:46 cordnoy wrote on 16 Mar 2017 14:39: I was gonna reply to Mr vsmneveragain's other post, but then I realized it's from a banned thread. Why is that a banned thread? and even if it is I like to break the rules sometimes so which post were you referring to? Re: OK here's a classic scenario Posted by cordnoy - 16 Mar 2017 23:40 MayanHamisgaber wrote on 16 Mar 2017 21:46: cordnoy wrote on 16 Mar 2017 14:39: I was gonna reply to Mr vsmneveragain's other post, but then I realized it's from a banned thread. Why is that a banned thread? and even if it is I like to break the rules sometimes so which post were you referring to?

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so which post you talking about
I assume Cords can see it since hes a mod, but without unbanning it we wont ever be able to see it.
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Re: OK here's a classic scenario Posted by MayanHamisgaber - 17 Mar 2017 10:36
look <u>here</u>
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Re: OK here's a classic scenario

## Posted by GrowStrong - 17 Mar 2017 11:46 MayanHamisgaber wrote on 17 Mar 2017 10:36: look here oohhh.. that 'banned' thread.

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