

## Big Steps

Posted by Shlomo24 - 21 Oct 2014 17:59

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i came to israel for y"t and i am staying here,  
im going to be going to yeshiva here also.

Why did i switch? well i came here and i was hooked up with a bunch of guys who also have ssa just like me. that is something that i never experienced in america, simply because of logistics and availability. i israel there is a whole support group of guys who are willing to reach out and connect with each other. its amazing.  
hey whats up yall? im in israel now, permanently

additionally, because the gay rights group has a much smaller contingent here, many therapists openly say that they can change ssa. something that i would say is close to nonexistent in america, b/c u could lose your job from saying that, especially if the media finds out. i started going to a therapist who specializes in ssa and so far it has been awesome.

another reason is that in israel the general atmosphere is an atmosphere that is dedicated to torah and growth in yiddishkeit (at least in yerushalayim). i personally see that the level of tznius is much higher here. in america it has become normal for women to wear skirts above the knee, i am not sure who made up that garbage halacha. in israel the percentage of women who are untznus is soooooo much lower.

also, i have started going to sa in israel. what is unique is that i would say 97% of the members are frum, not just that, in fact most of them are in yeshiva/kollel and look like yeshivish guys.

basically, the feeling i am getting is an overwhelmingly positive one. with a lot of seyata deshmaya i have arrived here. i actually have to thank gye, because i would have never gone to sa if not for gye. also i made contact with someone who has ssa through gye and he was the one who gave me the original numbers of other guys that i could talk to.

KOT! YTC!

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by peloni almoni - 10 Nov 2015 03:44

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[markz wrote:](#)

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Ahem. your "gabbai" is metzayen the following:

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KO TLC

i hear your point and i always thought u were being sincere, it's something that i don't like using and i also don't like when ppl call me a lot of praises, i can't stand that. i really don't like kiss

ups. (i am not insinuating that anyone here is one).

on the other hand one of the most meaningful compliments i ever recieved was from my rebbi who texted me "my pleasure, tzadik" in response to me thanking him for something. i felt really good inside b/c i really looked up to him and he doesn't throw around praise. if he said it then he meant it, even if he meant it in a "tzaddikle" way as opposed to a "righteous" kinda way. aight. i am done talking abt this. i don't like when my thread has controversy or arguments on it.

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by Shlomo24 - 16 Nov 2015 03:36

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love you all (that one was for you mark)  
Re: Big Steps

Posted by markz - 16 Nov 2015 03:41

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by peloni almoni - 16 Nov 2015 04:13

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Today was day 90. YAY!

a celebratory pun:

and just for you today, i will include your responsatory pun:

we call this:

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by markz - 16 Nov 2015 04:21

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Shlomo you don't know what Zechus you have even on day 90 saving another Jew from filth

Mr Peloni Almoni has amassed a stockpile of dirty pictures and almost dropped it on all of us.  
Trust me.

Instead he drew such cute pictures for you

Kol hacavod

Now I'm going to the forum to tell everyone - Shlomo made it!!!!!!!!!!

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by serenity - 16 Nov 2015 04:47

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May you go from strength to strength or surrender to surrender, as the case may be!

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by eslaasos - 16 Nov 2015 15:20

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Mazel Tov, Shlomo!!!

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by cordnoy - 16 Nov 2015 15:27

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Continued hatzlachah.

Congratulations! A big step for man, a larger step for mankind

You da man!

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by peloni almoni - 16 Nov 2015 16:49

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[eslaasos wrote:](#)

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... and one hell of a jump for a bird. (do toucan's fly? ?"?)

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by aryehdovid85 - 16 Nov 2015 17:17

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Mazel tov Shlomo on 90 days. Happy for you.

Please share your secret to success.

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Mark,

If we aren't doing personality determinations, then we ain't tzadikim either - and that's probably truer.

I get positive reinforcement, but let's not get carried away.

Please prove me wrong...

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by Shlomo24 - 16 Nov 2015 19:39

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by Shlomo24 - 17 Nov 2015 18:33

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I realized something on sunday. I don't really lust after women. In recent memory there was a very revealing photo of a women that got me triggered. but for the most part i just don't get that rush when i see an attractive women. an attractive man and i'm head over heels but women are different for me. i am actually happy abt this b/c when i get married iy"h i don't have to bring lust into the bedroom. sex could be abt sex. obviously time will tell but i spoke with a member who has a similar situation to me and he says that he doesn't have lust in the bedroom.

i am very proud of myself that i am not ashamed to say this and that i can honestly be happy with what god gave me.

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