

Big Steps

Posted by Shlomo24 - 21 Oct 2014 17:59

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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Posted by Yesod - 04 May 2016 03:48

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[Yesod wrote on 04 May 2016 02:36:](#)

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Posted by Shlomo24 - 04 May 2016 04:12

I'm not exactly working on SSA stuff... Yes, I know about women. I used to be obsessed with heterosexual lust. I may have mentioned it earlier. From like 5th through 7th grade I was obsessed sexually with girls. It's proof that I'm an addict, not just SSA.

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Truthfully shlomo, i don't really get it either - even though i responded. You'll have to ask Yesod to explain.

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Re: Big Steps

Posted by Shlomo24 - 05 May 2016 06:30

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Posted by ehrliche.bochur - 05 May 2016 19:37

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It's natural! This is how men are *supposed* to feel! How could it be that these thoughts are symptoms of a lustaholic?! I have these thoughts and fantasies too, and I'm here on GYE to work on all of it, but aren't there certain things that are just basic normal male feelings?!

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Besides for all the other crucial groundbreaking earth shattering revelations on this thread, do you not see the contradiction in your words?

"Already you have a woman (to lust after)", is the conclusion, and the opening is that women are unattractive

This is a 1 way street, choose your direction and lane, and you definitely can't drive in reverse

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See [my thread](#). I didn't want to hijack this one.

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