FRESH START! Posted by 11219 - 15 Jun 2015 01:58

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Re: FRESH START! Posted by yiraishamaim - 15 Jun 2015 02:41

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Your post is loaded with a number of points.

I would like to comment on a few of them.

Your"grateful" and "feel free" - fantastic you are feeling the joy of the loosening the shackles of our internal struggles- it's simply awesome

You wonder if there will ever be a day you will be entirely free? Firstly, realize non-addicts are never entirely free in the sense of their yetzer harah. Pirkei avos is clear that we dare not put down our guard in regular struggles with the yetzer harah. Certainly us who have a particular compulsion(define it as you like) are not going to be free and clear 100%. Even when we are in a real groove of success and accumulating days of sobriety we are still "in recovery."

Yet, AYNO DOMEH the quality of life one has once he established an appropriate program for

himself, to the feeling of desperation one feels before such a program is set up and followed.

In short, sure there will always be an awareness on our part and an hishtadlus. (we dare not just live our lives laisez-faire and watch aimlessly as we drift down the river of failure, depression and self-destruction)but it is this exact cognizance of our weakness, trust in Hashem and therefore appreciation for his direct intervention that gives us that happy euphoric feeling.

Re: FRESH START! Posted by cordnoy - 15 Jun 2015 02:48

The answer to the main thrust of your question is that it is none of our business what will be then. We need to focus on the moment before us. ...zeh hu!

doin' well now. ..keep it up!

Re: FRESH START! Posted by serenity - 15 Jun 2015 03:09

Welcome to GYE and thank you for sharing. I can relate to the way you are thinking. I just focus on today and keep it simple.

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