porn Posted by guarding613 - 22 Jul 2015 19:31

i am of age to get married. But i view a lot of porn and being a true ben aliyah this is very depressing. i dont think its wise to get married in this state. i just found out about gye and i hope they will help. As of now i am pushing off marraige.

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Re: porn Posted by AlexEliezer - 22 Jul 2015 20:59

Yasher Koach for not wanting to start a marriage with this gorilla on your back.

Many of us have found that marriage tends to make our addiction worse. Plus, an active addict makes a miserable spouse (and makes their spouse miserable).

Much better to get clean and into recovery first.

Naaleh!

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Re: porn Posted by lomed - 22 Jul 2015 21:07

Welcome.

You came to the right place, where all of us struggle on these issues. i cannot talk into the decision of postponing to get married, as I have no expertise on this. However regardless of what you decide, the faster you will work on recovery is better for you and for your future spouse and you future family.

Keep it here and stick around, maybe read some of the threads here, in order to get some tips how to jump start and ignite your recovery.

lots of Hatzlacha

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Re: porn Posted by cordnoy - 22 Jul 2015 21:08

Welcome,

b'hatzlachah

Who gave you the title of "true ben aliyah"?

that is usually saved for sheva brachos.

Re: porn Posted by gibbor120 - 22 Jul 2015 21:54

WELCOME! You have come to the right place. Check out the handbook and other links in my signature. Keep posting.

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Re: porn Posted by abd297 - 22 Jul 2015 22:31

Welcome. I admire your maturity and responsibility. You can find great advice from people who have gone and are going through the same thing as you. You will find it in the chats, forums,

and other great resources on GYE.

Hatzlacha!

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Re: porn Posted by Pidaini - 23 Jul 2015 10:57

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Welcome to GYE!!

What's on the plan of how to stop?

Keep on Posting!! You are worth it!!

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Re: porn Posted by serenity - 24 Jul 2015 03:43

Welcome and hatzlacha!

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Re: porn Posted by waydown - 24 Jul 2015 14:04

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I am far from a tzadik myself.But isn't this something that should be asked to das torah? I know it may be hard but I think it can be asked in a discreet manner? Perhaps GYE has some kind of

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yes; daas torah, but no to an anonymous group of Rabbis.

These shailos cannot be asked like "Dear Abbey."

The Rav must know the individual and his personal issues.

Yes, there are many batei horaos openin' up, and tis the new style, but if they start answerin' birth control shailos, and a host of other shailos w/o knowin' the individual - uch and vey on us. Even a pot of noodles needs to weighed as to the finances of the person askin'.

Thank you

b'hatzlachah

Re: porn Posted by AlexEliezer - 24 Jul 2015 15:29

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Re: porn Posted by cordnoy - 24 Jul 2015 15:48

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Thank you

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Re: porn Posted by waydown - 24 Jul 2015 15:52

As a side note, re birth control, I heard first hand from a choshva rav via a simple phone call that he doesn't want to her my shaila. Till a child is two yrs old its totally muter. He told me I don't care what your circumstnaces are and I don't want to know. I never even got to explaining the shaila. He asked one question, how old is your child? And said if less than two its not shaila its muter and goodbye. So the rav does not have to know you on a perosnal basis to answer that shaila necessarly. The psak is clear anyone with a child less than two muter.

Of course if you are chasdish or more yeshivish (and don't follow that psak) or have children older than two then he has to know you.

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Re: porn Posted by cordnoy - 24 Jul 2015 16:12

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I will pretend I didn't hear this, for there are plenty of Rabbanim who disagree with that vehemently, and I don't know you or your Rav, but I hope that each person who sees your quote (while it is still up) will have the sense to ask that shaila for himself, and not rely on anonymous poster quotin' an anonymous Rav.

and by the way, our Rav and our family follow the lenient views on this shaila.

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Re: porn Posted by AlexEliezer - 24 Jul 2015 16:26

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I am not aware of any Rishonim that address porn addiction.

I am applying simple logic.

Chz"l wouldn't recommend something detrimental to us (by worsening our addiction) or to our future spouse (by making her miserable in general). They wouldn't recommend a situation where shalom bayis is going to be severely compromised. Since all of these apply when an active lust addict gets married, it follows that this cannot be what Chz"l were referring to when they said that a man whose urge [for sex] is getting the better of him should get married.

A man whose urge [for sex] is getting the better of him should get married.

A man whose addiction controls him should get sober and into recovery.