

Excited for recovery

Posted by Jewteenner - 05 Feb 2016 19:18

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Re: Excited for recovery

Posted by markz - 05 Feb 2016 19:30

Welcome!

Its great to hear you're excited!

I want to recommend one thing, it's only a very small upgrade more than you wrote

Please read some success stories of real guys here found on the "Free Towing" page (see my signature), and reach out to one of them - push one of them to partner with you - you will gain tremendous help, e.g. cordnoy, skep, dov....

I wish only the best for you

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Re: Excited for recovery

Posted by cordnoy - 05 Feb 2016 20:17

Welcome

Your road to recovery should be blessed with hatzlachah.

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Re: Excited for recovery

Posted by BenTorah.BaalHabayis - 07 Feb 2016 05:30

Welcome! You should be very thankful to Hashem for guiding you to GYE at your young age. If only I discovered GYE in my teens I may have not wasted some of my prime years in Yeshiva. I strongly suggest reading the GYE Handbook for starters.

Hatzlacha!

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Re: Excited for recovery

Posted by Shlomo24 - 07 Feb 2016 15:17

Welcome! Great share. The partner program is a little bit shvach here, it depends on who the person is if they respond. If you would like we can be in touch, my email is in my signature.

Hatzlacha Rabah.

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Re: Excited for recovery

Posted by gibbor120 - 08 Feb 2016 20:03

WELCOME! The earlier you tackle this the better. Many of us have suffered for decades. This will not go away by itself. Do you have a rebbi you could confide in? A mentor of some sort?

Either way, make yourself at home here. Keep posting. There's nothing you could tell us that we haven't heard before. We are all in the same boat more or less. The more you open up, the more freedom you will feel.

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Posted by shmulyz19 - 19 Apr 2016 00:37

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Hello, Welcome. I don't know why I haven't come upon this topic before.

We are all Tzaddikim in HaShem's eyes.

We may act like jerks, but we are still good people.

I read that Jihadi John has been brought back from the dead. This is basically crap. All it is a way for your money, same with porn sites and adult videos. They just want your money. They don't care about if it degrades people.

Thank You HaShem for making me the better person and making me decide what porn really does to a person.

As far as Masturbation goes... I'll have to get back to you on that.

I hope you get stronger and wiser every day.

Hatzlacha... Shmuly

Look at my signature.

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Re: Excited for recovery

Posted by inastruggle - 19 Apr 2016 05:29

You seem to be in good hands so I'm just chiming in to say welcome.

KOP! (keep on posting)

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