

Sigh

Posted by Shellshocked - 01 Dec 2016 02:02

Recently divorced from over 2 decade marriage. Had earlier strugggles with watching trash online---would start by "accident"--plugging in questionable terms into YouTube that would pop of horrible content before YouTube got around to taking them down. Been very good for last several years but have backslid like crazy last few weeks. I am sick to my stomach and so disappointed with myself. I will never be marriage material if I don't nip this in the bud. Praying that this proactive step will give me the chizuck I need. I cannot afford to destroy my soul.

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Re: Sigh

Posted by Markz - 01 Dec 2016 02:28

Welcome!

I sigh with you - it's painful what you dealing with

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Re: Sigh

Posted by cordnoy - 01 Dec 2016 03:40

Welcome

Nippin' in the bud is a sound strategy.

B'hatzlachah

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Posted by Yosef Tikun HaYesod - 01 Dec 2016 12:04

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Posted by Shlomo24 - 01 Dec 2016 13:00

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Dearest Yosef, please speak from your own experience. Has this helped you stay clean? Are you currently clean? I know that the tools you mentioned weren't so helpful for me. As I've mentioned, I don't have a filter and I own a laptop and smartphone with a data plan. I also only found success when I internalized that I can't do it but my Higher Power can. I'm not saying this to refute what you said, but I think that certain tools can be really subjective and speaking from experience is the best we can do.

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Posted by Yosef Tikun HaYesod - 01 Dec 2016 14:00

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Il will just address point 1.

There is a difference between speaking from your own experience and what has helped you to telling somebody else what they should or must do.

It may be subtle, but it's a difference that makes a difference.

B'hatzlachah

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Re: Sigh

Posted by Shlomo24 - 01 Dec 2016 14:35

Right, my point was saying that "This worked for me" (for three weeks) is much different than "You do that."

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Re: Sigh

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 12 Mar 2021 01:34

Hows it goin?

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