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Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 04 Aug 2020 05:33

Hi everyone,

First I want to say that I am humbled and honored to be in the presence of such Giborei Koach, true warriors of Hakadosh Baruch Hu.

I bh am not addicted to pornography.

I haven't been on a porn website.

But I'm getting close, and I'm here to gain chizuk not to fall into it.

Once I return to Yeshiva I'm safe, but as long as I'm home I'm in danger, and bh I haven't fallen into pornography. However it's the next step, chalila.

I bh am running a camp, so I started keeping busy, so bh have only been nichshal once in the last 3 weeks.

i want to just express my gratitude to all of you, and my great admiration for each and every one of you.

My Yetzer tries telling me "comon, porn can't be that bad, it's just the word that sounds scary" or like "it can't be so different than YouTube videos"

So I'm here to gain that chizuk.

thank you!

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 12 Oct 2022 23:33

So I went to “the gedoilim.”

Broke 12 day porn free streak (porn means anything on internet, YouTube etc).

I made two kabbolos on YK. One of them will fix the prob hopefully.

I plan upon returning to the USA to go back to kosher phone and use filtered iPhone as my laptop.

Why? What does that fix?

Because even a filtered device (like in my case) have loopholes. If you're always using it then odds are you'll get bored and...

For this reason I made such a kabola.

Terrifying and reluctant to post here but am doing it because I really don't think it will affect my job much, after all my own boss doesn't have WhatsApp himself!!

Going to gedolai yisrael really makes me want to return to Yeshiva. I was going to ask R' Gershon Edelstein today point blank if I should break my work contract and go back but didn't have time, was rushed past him fast...

Tomorrow I'm giving a shiur in front of a lot of my uncles, family etc who are big talmidei chachamim, roshei kollelim, mashgichim etc so I gotta still figure out what I'm saying.

Trying to not have this get me down.

I just really wanted to not be nichshal again...

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 16 Oct 2022 13:53

Everyone was super impressed by my drasha bh. Guess I still got it...

Surprisingly got chizuk from a pretty Israeli chareidi uncle of mine in kollel all life about how it's not bad to not be doing yeshiva full time since it's ratzon Hashem.

Never would have expected that coming from him.

Shmiras eynayim here has really been difficult. The fam went to a modern uncle in a modern city here for shabbos which was super hard. His kids had tons of girls over fri night and throughout shabbos. And even though they're just 9th graders, it conjures up memories of all I missed out on and didn't do when I was that age.

It's really a relationship that I want, just need a healthy way to direct all this.

Spent all night at the kotel bh. Spent all night did all of Sefer tehilim. Hadn't done it before, was amazing and shachris was also great.

Even wrote a deep poem throughout the night as well.

But then heading back seeing all these women, b'kitzur was nichshul with porn when got back.

Definetly not the best way to spend Hoshana Rabba.

So I'm pretty bummed out. Also don't have the time to go to mikva as it's almost Yom Tov.

I can only hope and ask that the Creator may look at me and see I want to be pure and I don't see a path before me. And so as Succos winds down, all I can say, with tears in my eyes gazing up to the heavens is ?????? ?? ??????? ?? ?????? ???

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva
Posted by frank.lee - 16 Oct 2022 14:12

Depends on where you are staying, but maybe you can go to the mikva before davening tomorrow.

You are inspiring and amazing!!

Keep fighting! IMHO it will get easier.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva
Posted by eyes - 21 Oct 2022 01:41

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You are on our minds and we are worried about you

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Posted by YeshivaGuy - 24 Oct 2022 17:19

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Thanks for asking.

Yes in USA.

Began fulfilling a key kabola this morning- shachris with minyan consistently, haven't done like that for at least a year...

Next gotta make the switch back to kosher phone. Working on transferring my data from one to the other.

Arrivederci!!

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 30 Oct 2022 14:59

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Posted by Markz - 30 Oct 2022 15:24

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How are you doing on the front of confronting the problem?

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So true. P & M for me is triggered so much more when I am depressed as I am now about a family issue. I am much more prone to fall when in emotional pain. Today is very tough.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva
Posted by eyes - 30 Oct 2022 21:11

YG

We have your back covered

We understand what you are going through

Hugs

Eyes

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva
Posted by YeshivaGuy - 31 Oct 2022 02:04

I switched phones ok, I did it.

Tons of anxiety today from not having iPhone.

Side note, Im absolutely upset with my father.

One may even use the word infuriated.

Not looking forward to this week.

Sucks that I chose to switch phones today.

Really sucks.

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I hope today will be a better day with these kids and a better week. I'm mamash working all day, like 10-6 which is hard going from zero to 100 like that.

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Then there's the things with my dad which suck and my car prob needs an oil change which is

Also, my cousin yesterday told me "now you're a learner-earner" which definitely broke my heart. People with their "chizuk" are great at making things worse.

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And with all this, there's still more going on!

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Honestly, having not grown up frum, I just don't understand why it is such a terrible thing to work and earn. People have families and bills and they need to support them. When did it become a crime to work for a living that someone would not want you as a husband because you work? I know learning is incredibly important and valuable but not everyone can learn full time. Sorry...for the first 54 years of my life I didn't know "frum" existed, so some things are so different from the secular world and hard to grasp. When I was looking to marry, it would have been completely unacceptable for me not to be able to support my wife. So how is being a learner and an earner bad? You clearly love Torah and learning so no one can say you are not a Ben Torah...why do you work? If you don't like it, there must be a need to do it that is valid.

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Re: Make it to Yeshiva
Posted by FighterWithFire - 02 Nov 2022 19:20

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My friend, as always, you're a warrior and an inspiration to the world. Keep fighting, stay strong, and know that Hashem loves you. He's with you every step of the way. (And for that matter,
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Re: Make it to Yeshiva
Posted by hashemshouldblessyou - 05 Nov 2022 22:47

keep it up your great!

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