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Posted by Grant400 - 08 Dec 2020 16:00

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!

Posted by lionking - 08 Dec 2020 20:10

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by excellence - 08 Dec 2020 22:22

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Brilliant idea grant,

I lurked around for at least 2 years until the forum only became accessible to users.

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by Grant400 - 08 Dec 2020 23:00

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by YeshivaGuy - 08 Dec 2020 23:58

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Sooo.... where are these lurkers?

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by 90dys - 09 Dec 2020 00:00

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Perhaps he meant Chana and her sons? Either way, that would be great bait for a lurker; i.e., stop jumping between 2 worlds (see Melachim A, 18, 21) and throw yourself all in. And smash your yetzer the way you would destroy a bottle of Woodford (I actually prefer Jack or Larceny).

Oh, also tell the lurkers that once they get into shviras hayetzer mode, it will become their "project" so the need for the other outlets that they are afraid of letting go of - actually diminishes. (Big talker, I'm only on day 18....)

You're the man, Grant

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by Grant400 - 09 Dec 2020 00:06

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Anyone to accept the challenge?!?!?

Anyone feeling brave?!?

Anyone with something to share?!?

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by Lifelsbliss - 09 Dec 2020 01:33

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!

Posted by Grant400 - 09 Dec 2020 01:51

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[Wannabepure2 wrote on 09 Dec 2020 01:33:](#)

I'll take the challenge to be the first one to post for the first time.

today marked my 173 days clean

i don't think I was ever an addict (I can not live with that term) but I kept on falling ones every few months never really counted the days I was clean. until 173 days ago when I hit rock bottom did something I would never imagined I would do in my life that's when I decided I gotta make an end to this.

1 really good tip that helped me a lot and I still do i made a firm commitment to update my chart daily so it keeps my motivation high. I created a user name and long password that I enter manually (didn't safe it) so it takes about 2 minutes to login and update.

one thing that it really changed my life was that I always lusted never thought that lusting was a real problem as long there are no actions that follow that has stopped with a lot of hard work and the help of gues **AND I CAN TELL MY LIFE WAS NEVER AS GOOD AS IT IS TODAY.**

I believe that there are so many people that can use and benefit from gye we really need to spread it.

p.s posted it on my phone so might be some typos

wannabepure2

MIRACLE #1 BY: Wannabepure2.

173 DAYS! INCREDIBLE!

Welcome!!! Thank you for joining and posting. You are the very first hero of the challenge!

I'm going to write something that is 100% true. I just posted on my thread that the past few days I am having a really hard time. Reading your post really helped me. I can't place my finger on it exactly, but I feel encouraged and more confident. Thank you for that.

**Warning: Spoiler!**

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by lionking - 09 Dec 2020 02:03

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by Grant400 - 09 Dec 2020 19:21

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@Lionking: Check out the new thread called "The Story Teller". It's a chanukah present.

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
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Ok! Yesterday we had miracle #1 by wannabepure2. He accepted the challenge and shared a little of his story with us for the very first time. Thank you wannabepure2!

WHO WILL BE TODAY'S MIRACLE?

WHICH LURKER WILL HAVE THE COURAGE TO POST FOR THE FIRST TIME?!?!?!?

Please feel comfortable to share. You never know where you can get chizuk from, and who you may encourage.



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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by lionking - 09 Dec 2020 23:16

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Thanks so much! Can't wait for the next installment.

One thing bothers me, I don't recall giving you permission to use my real name?! This site is supposed to anonymous!

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by Markz - 09 Dec 2020 23:17

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[lionking wrote on 09 Dec 2020 23:16:](#)

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That was before the COVID era.

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Re: Chanukah Challenge!  
Posted by eved41 - 10 Dec 2020 00:38

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Hi all,

I've been lurking for years.

I started m\*\*\*ing in high school, not knowing it was wrong. However, I did know that looking at magazines at the same time, which I did, was wrong.

After a member of the Hanhala in my school spoke about the topic, and offered to talk to anyone who wanted to come over to him privately, I did.

After that, I stopped for a number of years. That lasted until a few months after I got married. For me, things got harder then, and I started m\*\*\*ing again, but not with inappropriate pictures again.

Since then, I have been going in cycles of trying to stay clean, fall, try harder, etc. I don't remember having any clean streak longer than about 50 days, except for one streak that was about 165 days.

Each time I fell, my acting out would get worse.

I reached out via email to R' HHM, who was very helpful, and we spoke on the phone a few times.

I had a long clean streak (I reset it incorrectly, so it was really around 230 days), but with Corona things got harder, and I fell again.

I finally reached out to R' HHM again some 56 days ago, and have been in contact with him each day since then, either via texting or calling. His chizuk and advice is sound.

I'd rather read than post myself, especially since I don't feel that I have so much to offer others.

I like reading many of the older threads, which have lots of great material in them. (I actually bumped a couple of excellent old threads recently.) Many of the newer threads also have good material.

Thank you Grant400 for the push to post.

eved41

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