Making a plan Posted by Correcting - 16 Mar 2022 18:32

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Re: Making a plan Posted by Gevura Shebyesod - 16 Mar 2022 18:46

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Re: Making a plan Posted by DavidT - 16 Mar 2022 18:47

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I would advise you to contact our mentor that goes by the name "Hashem Help Me". He's available by email, phone or even to meet in person. He's helped many many people (for free) that are in a similar situation.

You can start by emailing him at: michelgelner@gmail.com

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Re: Making a plan Posted by Bilaam Harasha to Yosef Hatzaddik - 16 Mar 2022 18:59

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Filters would most certainly help, and there's a few ones that I listed in my signature that you can get for *free*. Many of those filters also have accountability features. There's also WebChaver which acts as a great accountability service (and it's features are unique from the accountability services that the filters offer) and you can actually use it in conjunction with the filters I listed and I recommend that you do so. Check them out on their respective websites for more information, they all have great features.

Re: Making a plan Posted by Vehkam - 16 Mar 2022 18:59

Many people here with similar circumstances. I definitely recommend getting the book "the battle of the generation" by Hillel s (available on Amazon or download on this site). I read a chapter every night and it is extremely helpful. You need to be invested in this fight.

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My son, after watchin' a new purim video, asked me: what's the name of the monkey in the story? I responded, "Monkey!?" Weren't you watchin' the purim story? He replied: The one with the tail havin' her hair done by the shaitel macher. Oh, that monkey!

They say that I'm a "no-monkey" kinda guy, so it's up to you.

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