

Hello everyone, im new here and this is my story.

Posted by IronWolf - 08 Sep 2022 13:50

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1.) Guard my eyes, 99% of urges come from eyes. One look at the body of any random girl is enough to fill my heart with a desire to watch P&M or to cheat on my GF with her. So I realized I have to be 100% disciplined and never look at any woman's body, only I can look at my girlfriend's body.

2.) RUN. Next time when an idea to watch P&M happens in my mind and I feel horny or depressed, I will immediately leave my house, get in the car, and drive for at least 30km in one way while listening to some motivational music and loudly repeating to myself why I can't do that and what will be consequences. I realized that if I debate inside my mind with the Yetzer Hara whether should i watch P&M or not, the Yetzer Hara will always win. But if I debate loudly, I'm in a higher state of awareness and I can't hear Yetzer Hara and that's the only way I can listen to logic and reason and not watch P&M.

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Posted by Vehkam - 08 Sep 2022 14:53

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welcome and thanks for posting. you are in good company here and i am sure that you will gain a lot from interacting. Please continue to post and stay connected. You will find a treasure trove of good ideas and advice. Some will work for you, some, not so much. Let us know what works.

best wishes for continued success

vehkam

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Re: Hello everyone, im new here and this is my story.  
Posted by OivedElokim - 08 Sep 2022 14:56

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Welcome brother! Good to have you with us.

Don't have any advice for you other then to keep posting and to connect with some of the amazing Jews on this site. That will provide you with much needed accountability and support.

Keep up the good fight!

Sending love,

*OivedElokim*

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Re: Hello everyone, im new here and this is my story.

Posted by mayer1234 - 12 Sep 2022 21:52

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Re: Hello everyone, im new here and this is my story.

Posted by Zedj - 13 Sep 2022 03:09

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much continued success!

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Posted by excellence - 29 Sep 2022 12:43

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MASSIVE MISTAKE. Nothing is gone. Your clean moments will stay with you forvever.

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Re: Hello everyone, im new here and this is my story.  
Posted by Human being - 30 Sep 2022 17:23

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Hi there! Welcome to the forum! Happy to have you here.

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