

Tired of losing

Posted by sytv2002 - 15 Oct 2023 11:57

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Re: Tired of losing

Posted by ainshumyeiush - 15 Oct 2023 12:49

Welcome! Try reaching out to hashemhelpme, and definitely keep posting and connect with the awesome guys over here. And dont worry about 'some deeper reason' or whatever. The point is what do you do from now. Good luck

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Re: Tired of losing

Posted by davidt - 15 Oct 2023 14:50

Welcome!

The first step is to celebrate the good days and the wins. The Steipler once told someone who complained to him about how difficult this struggle was, that the times we fail are erasable, but every time we pass a test is a *Kinyan* that's ours to keep forever. Even if we are successfully *misgaber* (overcome) only once in a while at first, this initial *hisgabras* will ultimately lead us to break free completely.

The Steipler also talks about these *nisyonos* in *Kraina de'igrisa*, and he tells us not to think about the past, but only to look forward. Even *Teshuvah*, the Steipler writes, should be left for once a person is married, lest it bring him to "*atzvus*".

He also tells people not to think they will be able to change completely right away, but that it will take time and effort... Every time we say "no" eventually comes together, and we will find the strength to be free of these sins altogether.

The Steipler also advises people to keep davening - even 100 times a day, a short *teffilah*, like: "Hashem, please save me!". We may not see Hashem's answer right away, but no *teffilah* is lost and it all adds up and comes together in the end.

And, he writes, the best medicine against these *nisyonos* is to learn Torah with true *yegiyah* - effort and diligence, and to make sure that we are always in a good environment, surrounded by serious *Yidden* - *ovdei Hashem*, **especially** in times when we feel weak.

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Re: Tired of losing

Posted by Yeshayahu 41:6 - 15 Oct 2023 16:29

Welcome to the community of fighters

Chazak Chazak, you can do this!

We're all here for you

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Re: Tired of losing

Posted by true_self - 15 Oct 2023 17:40

Welcome dear brother!

It's amazing that you gathered the courage to get on here and post, for many it's actually when real change starts as you get to know people in similar situations like yourself, and make truly helpful friends.

Looking back at myself just a few month ago when I first joined GYE, I had the same thoughts and feelings that you are describing, what helped me most was my first chat with Eerie and then HHM, plus posting and getting to know more absolutely wonderful people here!

Please don't give up and give it yet another try, You don't need to go through this alone, there are many people here that are always willing to listen and share just hang around and do what you gotta do, Getting in touch with HHM etc.

Remember: Kol hascholos koshos...

Thinking of you and wishing you lots of Hatzlacha.

True self

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Re: Tired of losing

Posted by Captain - 15 Oct 2023 18:28

Please check out these free resources to jumpstart your recovery:

ebook/book: The Battle of the Generation. Incredible book. It's a real game-changer.

Audio series: The Fight by Rabbi Ben Tzion Shafier. Also incredible.

Links are below in my signature.

Hatzlocha!

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Re: Tired of losing

Posted by Vehkam - 15 Oct 2023 21:07

Definitely recommend reading a little of the battle or the generation each day. Also if you have WhatsApp you can sign up for the Vayimaen daily messages.

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Re: Tired of losing

Posted by excellence - 16 Oct 2023 13:28

Welcome to the family,

Your on the right track and Bez"H will continue uphill from here.

As long as you have access to erotic material it makes this test extremely difficult. We need to find a way that porn is not an available option....

Warning: Spoiler!

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Re: Tired of losing

Posted by eerie - 16 Oct 2023 18:53

Welcome to the family! We are so glad you joined, and we are looking forward to watching you shteig! please stick around, connect to some good people here, and beH you will learn a lot about yourself, and how to break free from all the things you want to. Please keep posting and let us know how you are doing. We care about you, and we want to hear from you! oh, and don't forget....KEEP TRUCKING!

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Re: Tired of losing

Posted by yeshivabachur111 - 28 Mar 2025 20:29

[syty2002 wrote on 15 Oct 2023 11:57:](#)

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Hey just came across your thread. Wondering if you were helped at all. I'm in a similar situation starting out here on Gye.

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Re: Tired of losing

Posted by syty2002 - 28 Mar 2025 21:53

Hey! Helped? Forsure. Am I clean yet? Sadly not. But I do believe I'm better then I was then. Please reach out!

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