my strugle Posted by empoweredowl90 - 16 Sep 2024 16:56

Berushus all the Tzaddikim and Talmedi Chacham on this forum. I wright this with glimmer of hope maybe this is the end of the road!

Here is my story.....I got involved with these invanim at the age of 12(Porn, masturbation).I had access to many unfiltered devices for over 4 years were my addiction got worse and worse and worse.....I tried everything from kenas to fliters to reaching out to experts but i saw no long term success.

A little bit about how everyone else viewed me.I was the perfect bochur a very clever mind and in truth a big masmid a budding talmud chachum,I learnt with guys way older then me,Rosh Yeshivis sons,Rabbis.I was the guy that if you have a kasha on the gemera i got asked.A very social guy friends with everyone.

I looked like i had everything, but i feel like i have nothing, on the inside I'm crushed and destroyed.

One of the things that upset me the most is it feel like hashem has giving up on me. The famous gemera in kidushin says someone that goes to purify oneself hashem helps them. I have the strongest kasha on that Gemera I have tried to purify myself countless times just to name a few attempts filtering my phone calling experts throwing out many devices etc.....And i dont see the siyata dismaya the gemera talkes about at all.....???!!!

That all being said I know that hashem is still there waiting for me to come to him(even though i think i have tried and got refused).

And that hashem is still my loving father even though i don't feel it ..

whishing everyone hatzlacha From a struggling Bochur.

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Re: my strugle Posted by bright - 29 Sep 2024 14:02

Agree with everything sssl. Hashem is in the struggle with us. He understands our struggle better than we do. You cant look only at the fall you have to look also at all the hard work that preceded it and understand that you are on a path that will break free of this. That is a HUGE

## difference.

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Re: my strugle Posted by whywatch - 29 Sep 2024 14:24

Good morning!

I commend your ability to write about your falls, like you have written about your truimphs. This shows you genuinely want to change and that you are in it to win it Bezras Hashem!

After falling you question the ability to ask for another year. I want to share a piece I heard from HHM (kdai to call him if you havent yet). The first thing he told me was I need to realize I am good person. A great person, actually. I daven everyday. I learn. I am a frum Yid. I try to fulfill the mitzvos. Ect. Aiy, you struggle with P and M? You were brought up in a generation with a nisayon so great, and zero education. The topic was (pretty much still is) taboo. It's a stigma to talk about it. Noone sat you down at 12 years old to guide you. You were left in a stormy ocean with zero resources. Yes, you need to overcome it, and Bezras Hashem you will. **NO, this struggle does not define who you are.** Just the opposite. The fact that you are willing to fight. The fact that you aare a Gibbor, enough to come onto GYE and put out your story, to try and overcome the YH. This defines you. The Eibishter no doubt is looking down at you EmpowereowI90, and saying what a Gibbor, what a Tzaddik. Let me give him even more so he can succeed!

Hatzlocha!!! You got this!!!

Re: my strugle Posted by Muttel - 29 Sep 2024 15:46

empoweredowl90 wrote on 29 Sep 2024 13:19:

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Then pain in this post brought me to tears.... Buddy, I know the pain of self disgust..... I've said this so many years of my life......

Stick around. Your journey won't be easy and won't necessarily come without bumps, but the people here with provide amazing support. You'll be able to see yourself in a more objective, positive way...

Imyh you will beat the damned beast!

Here's a hug...

Muttel

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Re: The Battle of the Generation by Hillel S Posted by plonyalmoni - 29 Sep 2024 22:53

Sholom aleychem,

I commend you and your assistance to those of us who are currently embroiled in the struggle against desire. Seeking info about the book that you mentioned in the footer.

Thanks and continued hatzlacha in your journey

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Re: The Battle of the Generation by Hillel S Posted by empoweredowl90 - 29 Sep 2024 23:30

hi plonyalmani how are you?im not sure what book you are talking about.

Re: The Battle of the Generation by Hillel S Posted by empoweredowl90 - 30 Sep 2024 01:40

well today is day 1.....

Re: The Battle of the Generation by Hillel S Posted by whywatch - 30 Sep 2024 01:43

Go, go, go! You got this buddy!!! Praying for you!!!

Re: The Battle of the Generation by Hillel S Posted by empoweredowl90 - 01 Oct 2024 01:35

Thanks for all the replays they mean the world to me, today is day 2 soooo......yeh!

i kind of feel like this is a never-ending losing battle the only question is how hard u lose .I know intellectually its not true but feel that way.On a similar note how do go from knowing something to feeling it.For example i know hashem loves me but simply just don't feel it.

Re: The Battle of the Generation by Hillel S Posted by whywatch - 01 Oct 2024 02:41

Dear brother empoweredowl90,

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Keep strong Tzadik!

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Boy do I second this one!!

HHM helped me see the real me, and to believe in it to boot!

It's a call that you wont regret.

You can reach out via email at michelgelner@gmail.com

Hatzlacha!

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Re: The Battle of the Generation by Hillel S Posted by empoweredowl90 - 01 Oct 2024 11:52 \_\_\_\_\_

## Thanks for all the Chizek will defiantly consider the advice Thanks!!

Re: The Battle of the Generation by Hillel S Posted by empoweredowl90 - 02 Oct 2024 03:55

Day 3!!!

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You had me crying

this what i feel like without being able to put it into words

I've had a worse zman then I've had in a while between falling missing shachris then showing up to yeshiva and putting in a full day and being exhausted day in day out and feeling like a failure after it all

I don't have much to say except that I feel youAnd I would recommend exercise and calling hhm

much Hatzlacha

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Re: my strugle Posted by empoweredowl90 - 06 Oct 2024 13:25

Hi everyone hope everyone had a meaningful rosh hashnah!!

I fell last night aughhhhh.will get back up and build new and improve old gedarim. I feel like i am lacking meaning not sure y though im in yeshiva learning thank Hashem very well. Also doing college program on the side. If you holy Tzadik have advice on how to add meaning please share it honestly means a lot.

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From an empty Bochur.

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