A little different Posted by FixMySoul - 19 May 2010 11:38

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This is a little different. I am a 21 year old male who is undergoing an Orthodox conversion at the moment. I was not born Jewish but have chosen both the Jewish people to be my people, and HaShem's Torah to be my life. With that said, all is not bright on my end. The closer I get to the mikvah, the more and more tests and stress I am dealing with.

I struggled with P and M since I was 14 and thought I overcame it last year. In fact I was going a year and a half strong. Then I was struck with tragedy. I was being semi-disowned by my parents because of me converting, my father was not doing to well because of illness (and my conversion is not helping it), my brother did not speak to me, and being away at college was living in a house with none-religious guys who all they talked about was women and had parties. To top it off, my grades were suffering. I somehow fell into the sick spiral once again and a cycle I thought I broke had broken me once again. I made a covenant with HaShem that I would never engage in such behavior again and study Torah everyday. Well, the stress of dealing with my parents rejection took a huge chunk of my emotional energy away and I broke my covenant with G-d and my Torah study and prayer life are suffering so much!

I am so confused and do not know what to do anymore!!! I feel so weak and am so ashamed. How can I pray to G-d when I continually turn my back on Him? I love G-d's Torah soooo much, but I am violating it continually with this garbage! I don't want to be a thorn in Israel's side, but want to be a holy Jew. I don't want G-d to punish my kids for my idiocy and stupidity and lack of judgment. :'(No one understands what I am going through as my non-Jewish peers think I am crazy for even thinking of Judaism. They continually tell me I will never be a Jew so stop posing as one. The yetzer is throwing punches at me from left to right and I am on the ground being beaten. I am in an abyss right now with no help. I can not even tell my Rabbi because I am so ashamed of myself for falling back into this cycle!

Please do not reject me because I need help. The thing that really helped me survive over a year and a half was swimming. It kept my mind clean and my hormonal outbursts were kept in check-swimming takes the wind out of you-!

Shalom

Re: A little different Posted by teshuvahilaah - 11 Jun 2010 00:10

FixMySoul, how are you doing?

Many people here miss you and wonder about you, hoping that you are doing fine. Check in some time and let us know. As a fellow prospective convert, I especially wish the best for you. This is a time for fixing your soul, as your namesake declares, as you prepare to receive that very precious gift, a Jewish neshama.

Don't lose hope. All the doors worth stepping through are open and waiting for you. Hatzlocha rabba!!

Re: A little different Posted by Dov - 11 Jun 2010 03:28

Hi FMS amigo!

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Re: A little different Posted by FixMySoul - 11 Jun 2010 04:59

Shalom all! Sorry for being away but I just finished my finals for University today! B'H!

I have been clean for 6 days and hoping for 90! I will be reading up within the next few days.

Shalom

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