

Hello from Blind Beggar

Posted by Blind Beggar - 28 Aug 2010 21:19

Hello Tzaddikim! I just found this site last week. I think it is going to make my Rosh Hashono and Yom Kippur. I think the newness of the 90 day chart will get me 40 clean days to Shemini Atzeres but I am afraid of what will happen next. Does anyone have any suggestions?

I have read enough of the forum to see that you are all tzaddikim and all serving Hashem every day clean and again after every fall.

The holy Baal Shem Tov taught that the yetzer horo is more interested in the post-sin depression than in the sin itself.

Blind Beggar who wants to have eyes only for Hashem.

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar

Posted by shemirateinayim - 18 Dec 2011 14:56

[dov wrote on 18 Dec 2011 13:03:](#)

Rav Shmu'el Yaakov Weinberg zt"l left a certain chassidic group that he was born into, because he as a teenager witnessed a woman burn to death with chassidim standing around her. The men refused to jump onto her and roll her body on the ground because - she was, after all, a *woman*. He said to himself something like, "any Jews who do not use the halocha to see - but are blinded by it - I need to get away from." He saw the Derech Eretz he had within him and knew...

Much love,

Dov

no oofense Dov, I love you too, and i know you love me. You don't need to apologise for this

one either, but....

but... halacha comes before Derech Eretz, just try fulfilling it like a mensch. The **morons** who let her burn to death are stupid for twofold. 1. ????? ?? is mechayeiv them to save her. 2. There is a term for them in halacha, a ????? (no pun intended). Thus my fine choice of words

Don't euligise the poor soul for having compation beyind the will of G-D, he must be rolling in his grave! Whatever his choice of wording, the man wouldn't base his entire suture of avodas hashem and ameilus hatorah on HUMANITARIAN PRINCIPALS. If the halacha didn't require those bystanders to intervene, as it did, he wouldn't have left his chasidus.

NICE PEOPLE CAN MAKE STUPID PEOPLE. There is ????? and there is ???. Anyone can attain ?????, but that doesn't mean he applied it corectly to the circumstances. ????? ?? ????? ????? ????? ????? ??????. halacha will always be the correct and true application on ?????, drech erez too.

Although I am sure this is what you meant, and this misunderstanding only results if you take this story out of context (agav I only read the first half of your post to BB)

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar

Posted by obormottel - 18 Dec 2011 18:56

There was a raffle in my shul last night, and the prize was quite sizable, and so was the entry ticket. I left before they announced the winner, so this morning someone texted me the winner's name and IT WASN'T ME!

I immediately felt resentment towards the person who one, towards the Rabbi who made me spent money on the ticket etc etc

Then I checked my attitude, and once I realized how immature it was, and plain stupid, I said outloud (I was in my car alone): Hashem, You made the right choice by letting this very deserving individual win. That felt so fake, that I had to say it again. That didn't sound any more sincere than the first time, either. But guess what? My resentment was gone (to a certain degree) nonetheless and I am now (almost) happy for this guy.

That's all I got on the subject at hand. Thanks for listening.

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar
Posted by Dov - 18 Dec 2011 19:49

OM - Now yer talkin! That's what my life in recovery looks like to me, too.

Neshoma lost in a goofy guf somewhere - You did not know Rav Weinberg zt"l. What he became created AISH HaTorah - as his older brother, he talk Rav Noach zt"l everything he knew, and then some. He spoke often about how the Torah is gezeiros (gm' Brachos on "al kan tzipor yagi'u rachamecha") and about how our morals - as informed Jews - ought be determined by nothing else *but Torah*, cuz only G-d defines what's right....but this ma'aseh still happened to him. He saw that those Jews he was with were **not** applying Torah. He saw that it was because their personal morals (they'd call it minhag, midos, tzniyus, or "yir'as Shomayim" - "religious sensibilities") got in the way of Torah (Hashem's Will). Minhag trumped Torah. **That** is what bothered him - that Jews could act as non-Jews, *and blame yiddishkeit for it*.

So we agree, really. No?

That feels so nice.

BB - Hey, can you read da Inglish langwach, bruva? I said I was **not** asking you to pray for women or for anybody else (but could you still pray for me, please?). All I wanted to do was point out how you **could** care. I think that should you ever decide that you needed to use that tool, you could use imagery to conjure up a scenario of pity for anyone - for we all have tzoros in our lives, R"l, some may be horrible. It's real life.

That's all.

Please daven for me.

Thanks,

Dov

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Posted by Blind Beggar - 18 Dec 2011 20:23

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How many non-Jews do you know who would stand around and watch a woman burn to death?
How many non-Jews died saving other people on 9-11?

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar

Posted by Blind Beggar - 21 Dec 2011 10:42

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On a similar note, the Ohr Hachayim writes as well in another place, that after the Midyanites brought the Jews to sin in illicit relations, G-d commanded the Jews "*Tzror es Hamidyanim Ve'hikesem Osam*" - meaning, "*Make the Midyanim hated in your eyes and destroy everything of theirs*". So the Ohr Hachayim asks, why do we need to hate them and destroy everything, why not be able to benefit at least from the booty of the enemy? Answers the ohr Hachayim, that when it comes to immoral sexual conduct (that the Midyanites caused the Jews to sin in), the only way for the Jews to receive G-d's forgiveness and atone properly would be if they **turn their hearts to hate these sins**, and destroy all that is related to it. For as long as the lust of the sin remains alive in a Jew's heart, he cannot properly atone for sins of this nature. Instead, he must try to first arouse a disgust and hatred of these sins in his heart - and only then he can achieve a true Teshuvah.

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar
Posted by gibbor120 - 21 Dec 2011 15:09

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Ask your wife ;D.

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar

Posted by ZemirosShabbos - 21 Dec 2011 19:16

rebbe BB,

i submit that we are far from being objective observers to the question of whether prostitution is

i also submit that if were to wake YOU up at 4am and ask you if you suggest i go visit a brothel you would say "are you crazy?"

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Are you asking for theory or drosho purposes, or moral purposes? Or are you asking why Hashem would really not want this for you?

If it is the latter, then the answer is simple:

Go right ahead. Who will try stop you? Sure there are bleeding heart frummies who will beg you not to give up on your beautiful neshomah, etc....but you and I both know that is silly talk. Inspiration and morals only go so far (not very), for an addict.

If having sex with pretty women when you want to works well for you, then mah tov umah no'im. But if you are an addict, then no acting out will ever work for you. For you cannot enjoy and control it the way a normal person can. It will control you, and your life will be a mess. That's all there is to it.

Hashem wants better than a ruined and crazy double life for His children - be they His Yidden, or His goyim.

In the end of the matter, I am not sober because "I should be", but because **I need** to be. There are frum yidden (and goyim) who can afford to masturbate and even see prostitutes once in a while - yes there are. And there are some who cannot. The ones who are addicts cannot. The ones who are not - but just have a Y"H as everyone else does - sometimes can.

When I say they "*can afford it*", I do **not** mean that I condone it (but who cares what I condone?). I mean they **can get away with it** and still keep their lives. Whatever it does to their neshomas, there are no tangible consequences - so it does not ruin their lives, period.

Remember, before he died, Rabban Yochanan ben Zakai blessed his talmidim (and they were *tannaim* or tannaim in training!) that they should hope for as much fear of Heaven as they have of people. Gevalt! He blessed them with the awareness that we are all somewhat less sincere than we'd like to believe we are. We all say "ubilvad shelo yir'ani odom!"...while we have our noses in sifrei yir'ah....we are missing the boat.

Boat-missers can survive as regular people, even regular frum yidden. But one who is an addict (whether Jew or not) cannot survive. Their lives get reduced to an unacceptable mess. They have to recover, eventually.

So we addicts are possibly the ***most*** *fortunate* group of *all* His people in the world.

That's my peace on your question, and thanks for asking.

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Posted by Blind Beggar - 22 Dec 2011 11:01

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I actually meant what is so bad about thinking and lusting, not actually acting out with a woman. I don't find that to be as disgusting as the Ohr Hachaim would want me to. Dov's answer is still great anyway!

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar
Posted by Dov - 22 Dec 2011 17:08

No, no, no. You are misunderstanding the Ohr haChayim haKadosh's intention, I think. What Pinchas did in order to make the inappropriate sex act disgusting to Yidden was: to spear them through their privates. If showing them two people having sex would actually disgust them

because of the profanity of the issur, then he'd not need to show it to such kadosh people in the first place!

Ella what:

The ***bloody mess this made*** was the disgusting thing, not the "sex act". Normal people cannot be expected to be truly disgusted by seeing a sex act - Pinchas was not a fool. He knew that parading two nudes around in that 'situation' would definitely be a great michshol to many - but the point was that they were

1- screaming their heads off in horror,

2- dying,

3- a disgusting bloody mess.

He knew how the mind works:

My neighbor (at about age 6) fell on the stairs once onto his face and busted his nose wide open. He came into the house screaming and bleeding **while his mom was baking delicious vanilla cookies**. Ever since he just found those cookies disgusting. His body revolted at their smell.

Pinchas grabbed the golden opportunity to show sex in it's *inglory*. Dying bloody mess + innapropriate sex act = the fun is taken out of it a bit.

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar
Posted by gibbor120 - 22 Dec 2011 17:11

[dov wrote on 22 Dec 2011 17:08:](#)

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar

Posted by Blind Beggar - 23 Dec 2011 07:27

I am going through the Handbook and posting about it on the appropriate thread but no one ever goes there so I am posting the link to my posts there.

www.guardyoureyes.org/forum/index.php?topic=1898.msg128660#msg128660

I'll know if you went because it says how many visits there have been to each thread.

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar

Posted by Blind Beggar - 27 Dec 2011 09:30

SARAH IS LEAVING THE COMPANY. NO MORE SARAH. NO MORE FASHION REPORTS.

Only about 10 triggerry women left to deal with.

One day at a time.

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Re: Hello from Blind Beggar

Posted by Dov - 27 Dec 2011 16:26

[gibbor120 wrote on 22 Dec 2011 17:11:](#)

[dov wrote on 22 Dec 2011 17:08:](#)

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Funny, but I actually do not remember *ever* staying till the end of *any* of them! So I wouldn't know...

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