

**PETITION AGAINST SPLITTING UP THE WEBSITE**

Posted by lionking - 15 May 2017 10:27

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QUOTE FROM SHMIRAS AINYANIM EMAIL (1391):

**Footnote by the editor:**For the above-stated reason, GYE is in the process of dividing the website into two separate websites: one for non-addicts and one for addicts. We hope it's ready by the end of 2017, be"H.

I sign this petition against this idea. I consider myself a non-addict, but have gained tremendously from exposure to some great people whom are addicts.

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Posted by lionking - 16 May 2017 22:07

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Posted by Mesayin - 16 May 2017 22:19

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Re: PETITION AGAINST SPLITTING UP THE WEBSITE

Posted by lionking - 17 May 2017 03:57

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[Hashem Help Me wrote on 16 May 2017 12:51:](#)

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Or maybe you meant something else?

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Posted by bb0212 - 17 May 2017 04:33

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I do admire how he slipped seamlessly into promoting the 12 steps if chopsticks don't work!

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You can't go around calling Guard the perp.  
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Posted by GrowStrong - 17 May 2017 11:38

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There are only so many times I can say that the split has nothing to do with the forum.

I can't force people to believe me.

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Re: PETITION AGAINST SPLITTING UP THE WEBSITE

Posted by GrowStrong - 17 May 2017 11:41

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[cordnoy wrote on 16 May 2017 14:38:](#)

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This also contradicts the assertion that the forum will not be split. Accordin' to your explanation, the forum is one of the two primary problems.

Il actually think that the private messagin' option might be the most detrimental part of the site, for then, people with skewered opinions are not fact checked.

Bottom line, this site is better than the sites we used to belong to.

I personally agree wholeheartedly with the skewered stuff going on there behind closed private messaging.

Maybe the moderators can monitor those chats more closely and ban the people who give bad advice and detrimental support from the chat function.

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Posted by Shlomo24 - 18 May 2017 14:32

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For the record, I disagree.

DovDov (both of them) knows much more about addiction and recovery than I will ever know.

I know much more about the forum.

I reserve judgment on whatever they decide to do until they actually do it.

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Re: PETITION AGAINST SPLITTING UP THE WEBSITE

Posted by Workingguy - 18 May 2017 15:51

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If one of the problems is the pushiness of some people on the forum, I don't see why that can't happen on either side of the aisle.

And there are plenty of people who aren't necessarily pushy in general but certain posts bring that out in them.

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Posted by Shlomo24 - 18 May 2017 19:17

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Posted by bb0212 - 19 May 2017 11:25

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I propose 48,261,384 (please check my math mr. Golden) sites:

Married men

Single guys

Married women

Single women

Transgender

Each one should be separated by their particular fetish or addiction.

Each one should be separated by frequency of using their drug of choice.

Further separation by their particular goals: i.e., teshuva, recovery, sobriety, just for today.

Do you use drugs?

There must be a split between those who would enter a church to attend a meeting and those who wouldn't.

An additional divide between the fellows who live in the hicks and those who live in the stix.

Are you an occasional drinker?

I would suggest that anyone who has a significant other who is more that 22 pounds, or one kilo, overweight, should not be mingling with the skinny folk.

I didn't even mention the important age divide of 29.

Are you into Europeans, Moroccans, Brazilians, Hindus, Jews (God forbid), blacks, models, mannequins, animals, shpitzels, body builders, sumo wrestlers, Kansas city royals ball girls?

If these resolutions are adapted, kohanim will be allowed on all sections of the forum.

Oops.....they already are.

Roll call please.....

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