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Posted by truthaintflashy - 14 Sep 2024 18:41

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Posted by neshomo kedosha - 14 Sep 2024 23:45

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Posted by chaimoigen - 15 Sep 2024 01:14

Inspector Javert was a guy described as one whose life was one "of privations, isolation, self-denial, and chastity—never any amusement". Not my kind of guy.

Jean Valjean, on the other hand, is someone I identify with more. (K'mat as much as Claude Frollo....)

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Posted by youknowwho - 15 Sep 2024 02:29

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Posted by redfaced - 15 Sep 2024 03:15

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What do YOU know about spice?

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Posted by truthaintflashy - 15 Sep 2024 14:48

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Posted by tzitzis dude - 15 Sep 2024 15:41

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Not paying for therapy needed after reading this thread

(but if someone's muddled feel free to PM and I'll try to straighten things)

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I struggled for 35 years. I was only able to break free when I shed myself of these mistaken beliefs. You can dm me if you want to know why they are wrong.

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Posted by eerie - 15 Sep 2024 17:42

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Posted by cande - 15 Sep 2024 18:03

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Posted by cande - 15 Sep 2024 18:16

OK! got it ty!

lets just die now, and go to HELL,

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Posted by tzitzis dude - 15 Sep 2024 23:51

[eerie wrote on 15 Sep 2024 17:42:](#)

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Could it be that we're getting trolled?

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See [Rambam Hilchot Teshuva chapter 4](#) that there are irredeemable sins; since the Rambam says it, there's no need to look in more modern sources that might clarify this as not absolute.

I'm gonna have to call you on that one. The Rambam after talking about the worst sins one can commit states clearly that teshuva is possible:

[illegible]

And your link about ??? ????"? ?????? ?????? ?????? ??????. Although it sounds like its over for that guy, the Rambam writes at the end that nothing ever stands in the way of teshuva:

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Sounds pretty depressing to me. But if it helps you then sure go for it. I generally go with the conventional wisdom that nothing is beyond repair.

And thanks for the little heoros in brackets, didn't notice them the first time I read your post, it sure made things so much more exciting

Warning: Spoiler!

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