

The "street cleaning" wall of honor

Posted by helpfyi - 10 Aug 2011 03:34

Hi everyone, the point of this thread is- there are many people on GYE like myself who's main fight/struggle is not porn or masturbating, but its keeping our eyes in check in the street. We don't have the porn masturbating problem either bec we got over it and are fully protected with filters, neders etc... or we never had the problem and are just "lust gazing addicts". So for us the main battle in keeping "clean" is to keep our every day "gazing" in check. So being that's the case most threads are geared towards the porn and masturbating problem, i want to open up a thread to keep our "street cleaning" in check.

So basically here you can report your struggle in the street, your progress and falls, this way we can make sure we don't slip too bad bec we all know where we end up if that happens. The street is our fortress which keeps up clean through and through, if we fall in the street we will end up going further. I therefore would like to make a wall of honor for us to keep track how long we are clean in the street.

****keep in mind not "gazing" means not to lustfully look or stare or look twice at a women even if she is dressed properly. If you catch yourself and look away that is not a fall.****

I'll be first- I am on a streak of over 40 days not gazing and it takes alot of chizzuck. I read windows of the soul and listen to tapes on shmiras eyniem, i also keep in check with the fourm. i plan on keeping up that streak FOREVER but am taking it one lady at a time.....

I'm looking faward to hear from the boys on this.

Helpfyi

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor

Posted by JackAbbey - 15 Aug 2011 21:14

very good bard!

i heard once, that in hungary the goyim used to wait by the river, so when the ladys would cross it, they reveald up to their knees

that was the yetzer hora of before the war

they didnt have in their lifetime challanges that we have when walking one single block!

so if we are brought down in such a generation, then this is our duty of care

and we should be proud and dancing for our achievments

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor

Posted by obormottel - 15 Aug 2011 22:05

Bardichev and Jack, both well put.

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor

Posted by bardichev - 15 Aug 2011 22:11

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every neshomo came down with a shlichos!

how do we know what hashem wants us to accomplish?

where its the most challanging there is the biggest reward

this what we came down for

of course we have to do all the mitzvos

but this is our specific shlichos

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and tziyonos after the war

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Posted by obormottel - 15 Aug 2011 22:17

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explain please. And it is in sifrei chassidus that I quoted earlier about ayin v'efes, so which books do you pick over which? should we have them arm wrestle? and again, the lifoom tzaro ...I didn't get it...

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor
Posted by obormottel - 15 Aug 2011 22:24

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I like the analogy and understand that it is a specific problem of our dor. Do I understand you to say that shmiras aynaim is our entire avoda today (not just part of it)? But that only proves my point (and I am not very happy about that): in the past, your failure in one area (shmiras aynaim) would negate your entire avoda in other areas. Now, that shmiras aynaim IS the entire avoda, al achas kamo v'kamo?

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor
Posted by Gevura Shebyesod - 16 Aug 2011 01:41

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Look at it this way; Your zeide had the opportunity to be zoche to the madreiga of "gibor hakoivesh es yitzro" once on 70 years, you can do it every 5 minutes!

Gevura!

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor
Posted by bardichev - 16 Aug 2011 01:50

exactly

i heard from a huge gadol (pm me i dont know if he wants the advertising)

the whole america is

oso isha oso makom oso zman

so yes zaideh may have lost it all and

he may have been in

kolba-eh-hah lo yashuv

us too

but we can rectify it in a nano second

one holding back

one filter

one delete of the browser

one webchaver partner

etc etc etc

is gevaldigggggger avoiddeh

another thing

this dor needs chizzuk

we all need chizzuk

yes previous doiros had a very very lofty avoiddeh

amooligerr chassidim hubbin gerrisin fin zeeech shtikker

we are in the end of galus

with chutzpah yasgi to an enth degree

we need to use all the chizzuk we can get!!!!!!

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor
Posted by helpfyi - 16 Aug 2011 02:31

hi guys checking in here, i have deffently slipped the past few days was in a place that i'm not used to, that made it hard. but i know that i did look away alot of times and that for me is a big accomplishment, i will keep on trucking...

as far as what you guys are saying about our dor, R yeruchum says in daas torah parshas shalch that Yeruchim in sefer Daas Torah (parshas shlach) says that a yeshiva bocher learning in yeshiva today and studying hard the torah and not being able to get to the bottom of the gemora or reshons words, could be more chosiv then the actual reshion himself! This is bec that since its hard its worth more then the face value. You can say the same for all mizvoes.

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the arizal says that a little torah and mizvoes in our dor is worth like a huge mizvah in previous dors. you see clear that our work is harder and more appreciated then the previous dors.

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor
Posted by obormottel - 16 Aug 2011 07:45

I guess if I look at myself as gornisht shebegornisht, and realize I am not shayach to the avoido which could ALL be lost because of failure in shmiras aynaim; I can start appreciating the small things I actually do, and realize they are precious and, for me, are avoido. Avoido means labor, and labor is hard work. It's certainly hard. It took me all day, but I see your point. Thank you. You speak the truth.[Helpfyi wrote on 16 Aug 2011 02:31:](#)

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Reb Zushe miAnipoli said said after 120 they will not ask him why wasn't he like Avrohom, or Moshe, etc but why wasn't he more like Zushe. That's what bothered me earlier: am I living up to my madreiga? But if I get off the high horse, and forget about madreigos, and realize that for a shmutzike chutzpanyak like myself I am actually doing something positive for a change, then maybe I am serving G-d in my own twisted way. Boy, it's gonna be a long road...

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor
Posted by helpfyi - 16 Aug 2011 15:03

Dear obormottel- keep it up your doing great.

I am serving G-d in my own twisted way.

everyone has their own way of avodas hashem, if this is your way then its not "twisted" it just your own personal relationship with hashem.

Boy, it's gonna be a long road...

Don't look at the "long road" but each day on its own is like a small street, take each street on its own....

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor
Posted by ZemirosShabbos - 16 Aug 2011 15:21

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hi Mottel,

the idea you mention is an important one. many people (including me) sometimes think in terms of 'all or nothing', i have to be the perfect yid, ba'al madreiga who sees the shem havaya everywhere and is just about ready to use the Siddur Harashash. that's a nice fantasy. and without a lot of hard work it's not gonna happen. am i ready for that? do i deserve it? definitely not.

maybe all i am to do is daven like a simple person, make a bracha, learn a mishna, be omeid benisayon and give a dollar for tzedaka. that's what HKBH wants from me. even if there are no fireworks or angels singing (at least that i can hear).

see this letter from R' Mendele Vitebsker who says that same thing:

www.guardyoureyes.org/forum/index.php?topic=3284.msg112665#msg112665

you hit the nail on the head with what you wrote.

keep up your great work

be'hatzlacha

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor
Posted by bardichev - 16 Aug 2011 19:34

as one of my favorite lubavitcher freinds

(my favoriye is ymg amd also my zillion cousins and all the yummy shluchim i met all over the place u guys rikkkkkkkkk)

but as the marcus bruders say

aint no road to krenitz

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Re: The "street cleaning" wall of honor
Posted by chazak - 16 Aug 2011 21:46

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