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Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by dms1234 - 15 Sep 2014 05:04

Dd hit the nail on head! It happens, let's move on! When are we speaking next? Message me!

Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by Pidaini - 15 Sep 2014 16:09

What can I say, I feel very strongly for misgaber, and I personally don't know what I would do in his situation.

May Hashem give him the courage to forge ahead even with this new obstacle, to just Keep on Truckin!!!!!

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Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by dms1234 - 15 Sep 2014 16:22

Yankel, yes you do, you know exactly what you would do if you were in misgabers situation....

Warning: Spoiler!

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Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by cordnoy - 15 Sep 2014 16:47

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well, they have cheerleaders for a reason....maybe it has to do with lifting morale of the players, so that they can score. do i have a point (hahaha)???

and dear misgaber, look, you yourself got moved to action when you had those falls, and you got a filter. that shows that you really trying to bounce back.

you can do it man.

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Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by skeptical - 15 Sep 2014 20:38

Cheering alone is useless, but camaraderie and encouragement amongst players is important on a team. A coach is a bit of a cheerleader as well. He drives his players forward with encouragement while teaching new skills.

Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by gibbor120 - 15 Sep 2014 21:04

I know what it feels like to be down in the dumps feeling like I am 2 people, the one that people know, and the one people would be disgusted with. It's tough, and that's what brings many of us here. You already know that there is hope and that this is a great place with eitzos and chizzuk.

I will just comment on one thing you said. You mentioned

"I felt that hashem was pulling me up to the next level. You made it till here now let me see you go to the next level"

I have to say, that I used to think like that, and although it is subtle. It was all about me. Can *I* do it? It sounds a lot like serving Hashem, but it is really self-serving. Through some of dov's posts and phone calls, I began to realize that I was not really serving Hashem (I'm still not most of the time).

I began to change my perspective a bit. Not can I do it, but am I humbly serving Him. It's not about me, it's about G-d's will. Let go of my will and do His.

I may not be doing justice to this idea, but it is a game changer. It changes the perspective completely, and it leads to less struggling to WIN, and more "letting go" of my will in order to do his.

That is THE idea of R"H. We let go of our own selfish wants and tell Hashem that HIS will is what is important to us, and we humbly nullify ourselvs to do HIS will. oh yeah, and the more we actually let go and do G-d's will, the happier we are.

If this has nothing to do with you, please disregard. It helped me, and I hope it helps someone else.

Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by cordnoy - 15 Sep 2014 21:14

Great thought Gibbor; good point!

Based on this, my football mashal (on different thread) will need to be changed, for that is about drivin' down the field and scorin' and winnin'.

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Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by gibbor120 - 16 Sep 2014 00:57

Perhaps you could say that it is similar to giving up on your own personal stats for the benefit of the team. Doing the job the coach asks you to do even if you don't get the glory. You threw the block to get the running back open to score. You humbly accept your role and care about the

team, not the self. Just a thought.

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after I married I spent a couple of years in kollel which as al of the married guy over here know came along in the married version this sickness again fantasizing all day long, but all this time I had very little access to the internet so I resorted to the olden days style of addicts...

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don't hit your head as this thread was just bumped!

Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by misgaber41 - 10 Aug 2016 05:51

Wow its been a full year since I last posted on here, what a shame.

Oh, what a year.... I was goin to sa meetings for a nice portion of the year, cant say its not a good place, but I had some issues with that so I stoped going.

The last few months were pretty good but I am still yearning for something... there is still a void in me that needs to be filled. When I do slip or fall, I eat my heart out and dont know how to move on...

I guess I did not "grow out" GYE....so here I am!!!

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Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by cordnoy - 10 Aug 2016 10:12

On this thread it looks like two years, but who's countin'? Nice to see ya. You still have my number.

B'hatzlachah

Re: MISGABER? or perhaps not yet..... Posted by cordnoy - 22 Jan 2018 21:31

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