

Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by Bigmoish - 29 Jul 2014 23:01

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I just posted my story in the "introduce yourself" forum. It feels like a weight off my shoulders already, but I hope I can really do this.

I already woke up this morning with the YH in my head, but I managed to brush it off and go

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by cordnoy - 26 Nov 2014 15:35

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I don't have one either.

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vishn' is bliss.

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by Bigmoish - 26 Nov 2014 21:36

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Thanks again to everyone who continues to reach out to me with encouragement.

Agav, does anyone know how to see past 10 "thank you's" on a post? My ego is itching to see the full list...

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by lavi - 26 Nov 2014 21:59

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look buddy, it ain't everyday that you get caught, and i'm sure you would have traded the 10, for not being caught, so it is kinda a consolation prize.

anyway, boost your ego, and your resolve to get better...

a little ego boost, ain't gonna do you too much harm....

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by Bigmoish - 26 Nov 2014 22:01

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I was actually dying to get caught. I couldn't handle the multiple personality syndrome anymore.

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by cordnoy - 26 Nov 2014 22:29

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so, i spoke about you with my therapist today.

I also said i would die to get caught.

we have our differences though - regardin' history.

the feelin' of bein' able to share your struggles...not hidin'...must be exhilaratin'.

i told her that i am jealous of you.

i saw those 10 thank you's...good stuff!

my therapist still pushin' me to tell my wife.

Can't just yet.

I told her I will eventually.

Thanks

b'hatzlachah

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by gibbor120 - 26 Nov 2014 22:31

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Hi BigMoish! I'm glad you are in a better place now. I can identify with the multiple personalities etc. When my wife caught me it was both the best and worst day of my life. B"H things are much better now, but it was rough riding for a while.

I wish you continued bracha v'hatzlacha!

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by gibbor120 - 26 Nov 2014 22:58

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[Bigmoish wrote:](#)

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I think you can see them all on your profile page.

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by unanumun - 26 Nov 2014 23:50

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i was just thinking....

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maybe gye should set up some system where somebody can break the news to our wives that they are married to lust addicts.

we can send some woman to break the news to them.

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by cordnoy - 26 Nov 2014 23:55

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Send them as a shliach l'holachah or l'kabbalah?

Ya' think any woman (wife) will wanna hear this news from a stranger?

Avira d'Eretz Yisroel machkim.....LOL

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by unanumun - 27 Nov 2014 00:13

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sometimes the avira of chutz laaeretz is metantem the kup.it can take years to clean it

ya think any woman would wanna hear this from her husband?

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by Metal King - 27 Nov 2014 05:48

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I think the big shock and what most husbands are worried their wives will freak about is the sex part, the porn, etc. So, when i told my wife, i first started on the general topic of addiction. How addicts can switch addiction, that its not really about the addiction, its the underlying spiritual sickness. Once she seemed on the same page, I then opened up about how I identified as an addict. Again, not so much emphasizing that I want to ogle women, drool over porn, and masturbate but how I feel the underlying sickness: the loneliness, the disconnection, the resentment, the low self esteem. When she got all of that, then I finally clued her in that my particular fix to my pain was ogling, porn, and masturbation.

NO, I did NOT reveal how far down the rabbit hole I've gone. I had already stopped that really damaging behavior and felt that telling her would only alleviate MY SELFISH need for no guilt and just give her an extra challenge of accepting this situation. And Baruch Hashem, we seem to be great. She seems happy I'm taking the steps to get well and trying my best. She smiles and hugs me when I show her each new gambling chip for an additional month of sobriety.

When you're telling your spouse youre sick, you dont want to be sick, and that you're taking the steps to get better, I dont think they care so much about the nitty gritty. They care more about the love, the honesty, the trust, and desire to improve.

But maybe I was just blessed with that situation myself. Only G-d knows.

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by skeptical - 28 Nov 2014 01:09

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ya think any woman would wanna hear this from her husband?

Yes, I think she would much rather hear it from her husband. It builds trust, amongst other positive things, in a relationship.

The shame and embarrassment of hearing it from an outsider would be more destructive, in my opinion.

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by cordnoy - 28 Nov 2014 03:09

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Unan just told me that he was just jokin'

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Re: Bigmoish's path to tahara

Posted by Bigmoish - 01 Dec 2014 09:01

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I've always nudged my wife to buy gloves (she lost a couple of pairs and never replaced them), because her hands get terribly chapped in the winter. She would always brush me off by saying she needs to find a really good pair that fits well, but today she bought a cheap pair ("until she finds a good one.") I said "nice gloves!" in a somewhat surprised tone when I saw them. She responded "well, now that I know I have competition..."

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