

My Book of Business

Posted by Shivisi_Hashem - 19 Apr 2017 16:41

Hi all ?????? ????? ?????,

I'm starting again my 90 days after being clean for the first time for 2 weeks, 14 days, I hope it will be an ?????? ?????? ?????, you can read here my 30 year story, <https://guardyoureyes.com/forum/19-Introduce-Yourself/310830-my-long-%D7%A0%D7%A1%D7%99%D7%A2%D7%94-of-almost-30-years> and I hope to be here daily with my ups and down daily, I feel that will help me get out of my sickness.. with all your support and Chizuk

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Re: My Book of Business

Posted by Shivisi_Hashem - 30 Jun 2017 17:57

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Re: My Book of Business

Posted by Michael94 - 02 Jul 2017 18:46

Hi shvisi_hashem, how was it in the catsKILs for shabbos, and how's Today?

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Re: My Book of Business

Posted by Shivisi_Hashem - 02 Jul 2017 19:53

Its my 6th clean day, im bz setting up kids in camp, will update tonight.

Sorry

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Posted by Hashem Help Me - 03 Jul 2017 01:17

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Lastly, you say you are sort of hoping it will happen. I don't believe that for a second. *You* don't want it. The real you. The nefesh elokis inside you. The desires that you feel are **not totally under your control**. Stop struggling with them and realize it's not *you* that wants it. It's the nefesh habahamis. It's the thinking mind. The primal mind. Whatever you want to call it. The *you* who represents your true desires (long term plans etc.) Is the real you. What's the proof? It's the only part of you that you control.

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Stop trying to feel good and just live.

Peace

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Re: My Book of Business

Posted by Shivisi_Hashem - 03 Jul 2017 15:30

Day #7 – One week clean

B"H I passed **Day #3, 4, 5 and 6, and Today is Day #7 – One full week!!!**

(Sorry for the delay, I had poor internet connection upstate)

Today is number #7 – one clean week, what a pity, I could have been today at 88 days, but I won't look back, it is what it is, it won't help me, as I know from experience to focus only on **TODAY**.

it's just a few days in the summer, and its murder, I had a very lusty night, i couldn't for haven sake fall asleep, and I worked very hard to distract my head from the lust, my wife is upstate, and I'm staying in the city by myself, it's the most toughest time from all year round, I used to act out for no good reason, with no regret at all, I don't know if it's because I'm lonely and bored, or is it because I'm too relaxed, since my wife and kids are not home, so I'm not that stressful, or is it because I'm missing my intimacy from my wife, or something else which I can't pinpoint, or is it all together, I need your help and tefiles, I must pass the summer clean... I hope I will..

I sew in the sefer ?? ??? a few lines, which was a very big chizik for me, ill write it word by word from the sefer:

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Comments are not necessary, Pintel...

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Oh my! i feel your pain, i know what you are going trough, im in the exactly same shoe size like you, yes its tough, but remember, the pain of the fall is much much much harder, its soo painful and depressing, yes, the best way to stay clean, is:

1) stay positive, think and talk positive, then you will be positive, i feel that being negative, is a trigger of acting out.

2) posting and reading on GYE, should it be the handbook or the forum, or the chatting lines, its a great tool to stay clean.

?3) be in touch with a partner or sponsor, its a great tool to help you survive, to guide you in case of a triggering moment.

Stay Strong! stay Positive! stay happy! and stay clean!!!

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ihavestrength you are so to the point, Hshem Help me! you really dont want that, i promise you!!! you will feel awful afterwards, its just in your mind, but the really you dont want that... i know its hard, we all have the same struggles, but thats why we are here, and thats waht hashem wants from us and "Hashem Will Help you", just hang around here, and in any case, any struggle, any lusty moment, just reach out to any of us, we are her for you at any time...

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Re: My Book of Business

Posted by Shivisi_Hashem - 04 Jul 2017 16:19

Day #8

B"H I passed **Day #7 and Today is Day #8 !!!**

Today is number #8, I had a clean day yesterday, at night is tough, but I'm managing,

The interesting part is, that at day time, I'm doing fine, I'm not struggling at all, I'm busy at work, I don't have that much time to think about anything other than work, (I used to have more time for porn then work, but now it's the opposite, thank you GYE.....) but when I come home after work, wife and kids are not home, there is where my problem starts, and after a lot of thoughts, I decided, that my issue is not lust! and not addiction, its bad habit, I am an addict, and bad habit might be the definition of addiction, but I feel, that its not the same, it's more of habit, that when my wife is not home, I have to act out, I have to get occupied with those activity's, and I think that a habit is easier to work on, then to work on an addiction.... I don't know, will see as time goes by..

Last night I couldn't fall asleep, no clue why, maybe because of lust? maybe, but finally when I did fall asleep, after an half an hour a fly bzzzzzzed in my ears, and it wake me twice, so my partner sent me this:

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HHM, you're describing what sounds like a very difficult time. You've been fighting this fight for a long time and have succeeded so many times, you can make through this time again too! If only I had the perfect advice, all I can do is hope that I can help, I'll spew a bit. If it helps good, if not, don't dwell on it.

The first thing that I realized when I read your post was how often I feel that I want to have that close relationship with a woman. I haven't been married for practically two years, and before that the marriage wasn't too rosy for around a year. I can't see myself remarrying any time soon, so when I get that feeling of loneliness, it doesn't do much good to dwell on it. It's so far out that I can't tell myself "in two weeks" or "in two months". Perhaps it could help you if you focus on when she'll be available to you and focus on how blessed you are to have that opportunity. This isn't meant to be a guilt trip, I'm just hoping it will help you see your challenge in a different light.

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The strong urge and desire for a hug and closeness is something i identify with a lot.

I remember a few months ago, lying there, asking myself - If i am meant to be able to get everything I need from God, then how i can i get this also, How can i get a hug from God.

I think the answer lies in the same prayer that SA's say daily when close to danger.

God. Whatever it is i am looking for in that hug, may i get it from you...

In other words, just acknowledging the fact that its God who can give it to us if we ask Him for it, and bringing it to Him, is already enough of a move towards Him that we will get it from Him in return through that connection.

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