FIGHTING progress! Posted by Ftndrug - 30 Oct 2017 18:21

Hi,

Ok so i guess ill make this my personal progress thread.. When I cross the finish line i'll throw a huge party :D

[if you are interested, for some peculiar reason, in "what i am all about, the short version"-check out the following [url=https://www.guardyoureyes.com/forum/19-Introduce-Yourself/321628-Im-fighting-the-drug]hyperlink[/url] :D]

Im almost a month clean now, with the help of god and gye 90 days chart and chizuk emails, which for myself i find almost impossible to believe.

At the beginning it was hard beyond belief, especially the first 2 days when i didn't yet have a filter for my phone, and in which god helped me and sent a lot of friends to be around so i had a lot to do and forgot sometimes even for a few hours about porn.

It becomes easier with the time passing but now i find myself in a new trouble. Girls turn me on too much. I just have to see a girl or seat next to one and immediately i feel an urge to look, talk and flirt with her (i didn't have that in the past, even though i had a lot more occasional chats). I start to think about my exGF too much and how "good" it was (even though looking back with clear eyes it wasn't).

Im aware of that its just me moving to the next level of 'Bchira' but still this 'nisayon' is a bit new to me and i have difficulties to deal with it.

Any suggestions?

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Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by Ftndrug - 10 Nov 2017 05:32

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Did you ever do a step one?

Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by Ftndrug - 11 Nov 2017 17:16

No, not yet

Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by Ftndrug - 13 Nov 2017 00:22

40 days.

So far I've got one itching problem (except lust related stuff). i am very angry all the time since im clean. Its not all bad because for that reason I've started to workout, and i have tons of energy all the time, which i used to do many good things in the past few weeks. But still sometimes i get snappy at people, especially the ones close to me, and afterwards i feel really awful and i dont think they deserve it. I always thought of myself as a nice and well mannered person, but i guess that was just the drug keeping me that way (or, i dare to hope, its just the recovery process taking its toll).

Either way, I'm going to have to work on that...

Maybe its time to start again with the 'Mesilat Yesharim'.

The WAR goes on :]

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Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by Hashem Help Me - 13 Nov 2017 00:27

Your snappiness could be residual withdrawal now that BH you are off the drug. It will subside iyh with time. Exercise is a great healthy replacement. It reduces stress and irritability by releasing endorphins in the brain. And yes, some mussar would help all of us with our interpersonal relationships.

Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by tzomah - 13 Nov 2017 10:17 i can relate to the snappiness

Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by Ftndrug - 14 Nov 2017 21:13

Yesterday i had to go to a bar (after a few months i didnt have the chance to) to meet an old friend of mine. Regardless of the questionable wisdom of it, i noticed something nice among all the garbage i have seen there. It bothered me :] things once i wouldn't hesitate to look at (i dont count myself as the biggest shomer eynayim), now made me uncomfortable. Yes, i started being shomer negia long time ago, but i never stoped myself from looking at inappropriate stuff. It was never even a nisayon for me. But now i catched myself holding back :]]]] did i have an urge to look at girls for awhile now, more then before? Yes i did. But it was just an annoying sensation for me, that had nothing to do with shmirat eynayim. Now i started to fight it, without even noticing :D

?i feel a great gratitude towards GYE. i think that without you it would've been impossible (i mean IMPOSSIBLE!) for me to reach this level.

THANK YOU!!!

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Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by Ftndrug - 17 Nov 2017 02:51

I believe that bechira is progressing, as the ramchal and my rosh yeshiva taught me. I felt it today. I was checking something about my filter. The easiest way for that was to type my once favored porn site address. I forgot that i was connected to unsafe network, and suddenly the logo popped on my screen.

Few weeks ago it would have been a great nisayon for me. I would be tempted to look at the following pics, maybe even go for it, but now my first emergency reaction was to cover my screen and press the home button.

Now im not saying that i became a saint all of a sudden, just that my reaction have changed.

And even though the wolf is cunning and vicious and will always be knocking at my door, some of his older forms i will recognize and instinctively decline, and so my bechira point has changed.

44 days and counting.

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Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by Ftndrug - 19 Nov 2017 02:06

46 days. More than halfway. BH.

Midway checkpoint:

So what's working for me so far (out of the tools on GYE) is the 90 days program and the forum. Thats what keeps me pumping and drives me on.

What helps a great deal is the taphsic fence and the filter i set up. Its no big deal for me to bypass, but it still would take some time and just the thought of that helps me to cool off.

Of course now that i've made the Neder i dont need it so much, but its keeping some garbage away and so far almost nothing important got blocked, so i think i'll keep it.

Chizuk emails are really the cherry on top, refreshing and interesting. I always wait for the notification about received chizuk :]

Special thanks to HHM for puting a few things in place for me!

Only 44 days until checkpoint 1.

FIGHT is on :]

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Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by Ftndrug - 21 Nov 2017 02:41

I've said i'd rather die than loose. I still do. And thats why i will win again. Just give it up already.

48 days.

STILL COUNTING.

Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by Ftndrug - 22 Nov 2017 01:06

Malchut shebamalchut. The Sefira that is the stamp for every thing. May G-d guide me through to day 50 and beyond.

49 days and counting.

Re: FIGHTING progress! Posted by LoveU,Hashem - 22 Nov 2017 23:52

Continued hatzlacha, brother! 49 days I wish on myself!