

WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by WannabeFree - 14 May 2018 11:59

I have managed a 8 days so far! Yay me! I must say the people here are wonderful and encouraging. It is a breath of fresh air to be able to open up like this.

8 days later, I don't feel much different, but I have learned new things and see that other people know exactly what I am going through, so here's hoping I'll make it through to 90...

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 26 Jun 2018 21:26

Way to go! Shemiras habris is a channel for parnassa. It says about Yosef "V'Yosef hoo hamashbir". Keep up keeping those eyes holy from all inappropriate stuff. Hatzlocha with the new job.

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by mzl - 26 Jun 2018 21:41

So happy for you, thanks for the good news.

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by Gevura Shebyesod - 26 Jun 2018 23:11

Mazel Tov!!! Be matzliach!

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by WannabeFree - 01 Jul 2018 14:33

Day 56

I find it difficult to balance not looking at a woman and not being rude to her. I used to chat up this one woman whom I meet every so often while picking up my son from preschool (one of the other mothers). She is really pretty and does not dress very tzniously, hence a huge trigger. Today I picked up my son early (hoping that I wouldn't meet her), but she also came early and it was very difficult not to look at her and speak to her without seeming rude. I managed to avert my eyes most of the time, but when speaking to her I could not avoid looking at her. (I also tried to avoid speaking to her as much as possible.) I got out of there as quickly as possible, but not without some damage being done to my eyes.

I have been repeating to myself every morning when I leave the house that I the beauty of women was not given to us to enjoy outside of marriage and that Hashem should help me guard my eyes. I believe this has helped me a lot and as opposed to last time I handled this situation much better, but was probably a bit rude. (Last time I wasn't trying to stop myself from looking and thinking about her at all...)

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by mzl - 01 Jul 2018 15:17

Me too!

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by i-man - 02 Jul 2018 03:54

1st of all - You are a real inspiration to me , you joined GYE a few months ago and your going

full force tackling the issues , showing real courage and strength etc.

2nd - regarding what you wrote about today , is it not possible to be very polite yet not have a conversation?

if you are respectful most people wont take offense , and if they do I would say that your doing the Ratzon Hashem and if someone thinks thats rude its Still the right thing - again this should be done with Mentchlichkeit , try it,

(or it could be the " FRUM Yetzer Horaah " could be if you look deep inside you really just like talking to her - but your telling yourself Im a great Baal Midos Im not saying that is the case and its not my place to - its just something I could see myself doing)

Good luck ! Keep inspiring us !

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by WannabeFree - 02 Jul 2018 07:24

I most certainly want to chat to her and look at her and used to do it as much as possible, however I am now trying to refrain from this behavior because it is bad for me. If I hadn't become friendly in first place it would have been much easier to just not politely and be on my way... I got myself into this. On the bright side in a month's time my son will be finished this particular preschool and I should not be seeing her again. So I'll have to do my best until then to avoid her.

BTW thanks for the vote of confidence/chizuk.

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by WannabeFree - 04 Jul 2018 20:46

Day 59

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days
Posted by mzl - 06 Jul 2018 13:21

[WannabeFree wrote on 04 Jul 2018 20:46:](#)

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I have the same (looking) issue. It helps me when I remember that at work I would definitely force myself myself to look at the most attractive woman in the office if she needed something business-related, and then focusing like a laser beam on the business at hand would be the only way not to think about sex. I am not big on guilt but I think I owe my wife the same courtesy. It's much harder to to do obviously. I find that the telephone helps me relate to her as a regular person.

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days
Posted by WannabeFree - 14 Jul 2018 21:09

Day 69

Hey, I haven't posted in ages, but I'm still following emails from a few of the threads and the chizuk emails. It is still not the same as writing about it here, because when things come up they stay in my head and I need to get them out. B"h I have still kept clean even though for technical reasons I've only been with my wife once in the last 2 months and need to wait at least two weeks again. It has not been easy, but has been easier than previously that I can remember. I still am not close to my wife emotionally and she feels it and keeps me at arms length because of it. Something I need to work on... Have a good week!

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by WannabeFree - 01 Aug 2018 21:03

Day 87

It's been a crazy couple of weeks. I have not fallen, but have slipped numerous times. It is hard to keep focus when I can't get back to here every day. I need the constant reminder and support to keep from constant lusting. On the whole, though, I am in an incomparable place from three months ago!

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by i-man - 02 Aug 2018 04:01

Hi its great to hear that your doing good

To eliminate the problem of not being able to visit the site often enough , I would recommend setting up an accountability partner which takes no time and is much more than accountability its someone who can be mechazek you ,empathise with you , give you valuable advice etc. I started this 6 weeks ago and it has had a tremendous impact on my struggle , and I know of many others who have been helped with this , dont forget this forum is here for us to help each other overcome our struggles together.

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by WannabeFree - 04 Aug 2018 21:47

Day 90!

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Re: WannabeFree in 90 days

Posted by Hashem Help Me - 05 Aug 2018 04:50

Mazel tov! Keep it up!

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