MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 17 Jun 2018 19:53

Day 9.

I think I need to make myself at home in the 90-day topic.

Today I'm really upset because my wife is shopping all day again and I'm watching the kids.

I ate way too much, it's the only thing I could think about to do something nice for myself. Pathetic, I guess.

Does G-d really deserve me living next to her and not even masturbate? The worst part is that I have annihilated most of my desires so the thought of masturbating is like watching paint dry.

I guess tomorrow will be better. It's already 3:53 pm.

Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 19 Jun 2018 09:48

I practiced on my guitar more last night. Once again I was amazed at the level of distraction it provides, having to fingerpick in an exact order. Much like playing a fast paced video game, where every millisecond counts.

And for some reason it gives me a kind of inner peace.

Also, I remember my mother taking me to take guitar lessons when I was in junior high. I hated the lessons, but afterwards she would buy me candy and we'd drive home and she would ask

me such things as "who do you love?" Like I do with my kids.

She used to tell me that knowing how to play a musical instrument might be good when I grow up. I feel like the ability to play is a present from her to comfort me now that she has passed on and I'm in jail with my wife raising kids. Which I did for her sake, I might add ...

Gotta practice, practice, practice ...

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Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 19 Jun 2018 10:10

I was thinking that when it says "this is the Torah, a man who dies in a tent," as an allegory, the word "die" is really apropos because in order to learn well you have to set down the idea that you can tell what's right or wrong. And we know that the cure for the etz ha das is death.

Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 19 Jun 2018 12:20

I think I figured out that my anguish yesterday was a hint that I grossly underestimate my wife's challenge in living next to a man. My bipolar disorder strike again. I'm the master of minimization.

Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 19 Jun 2018 12:41

Why is there a yellow star on my thread this morning?

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Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 19 Jun 2018 12:45

Gevura Shebyesod wrote on 19 Jun 2018 03:47:

mzl wrote on 18 Jun 2018 14:56:

I'm sorry but I don't know what that means. I never went to yeshiva and my wife frowns on the husband taking time out to learn because she can barely stand raising a family herself (and she is raising a big one.)

If it means anything like "you're an egotist and tzadikim don't think like you" or anything like that let's just forget about it.

"Those who are insulted but do not insult back, hear themselves insulted but do not answer back... of them scripture says: 'But they who love Him shall be as the sun when it goes forth in its might'

Maybe there are two things going on in this vort. One is that people who love Hashem often get disparaged because people don't get G-d, basically, so they react with scorn. The other is that people that habitually absorb insults and rationalize them are going to necessarily end up like the Sun, which has a very regular path unaffected by anything. There's nothing big enough to throw it off course.

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Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 19 Jun 2018 18:35

Today at work a woman deliberately paused to see if I would check her out. Even with corner of my eye I could tell that she looks really good. She's done it before. I did ok at the time but I noticed that I'm still thinking about her. So I figured I would write a bit about it.

I think basically I'm debating internally whether to have an affair with her. Ridiculous, but if I'm debating it internally I have to address it seriously.

The good things about having an affair with this woman is that she is crazy about me, she is pretty, and she dresses well. And there is no sex in my marriage, after fifteen years of experience I think that's a pretty safe bet.

Parenthetically, I cannot know for sure that she wants to have an affair. That would be pretty counterproductive for her because she could really damage her career doing it. Also, she recently had a baby and she is married. So it's hard to know for sure that I can really pull it off.

It's much more likely that she wants me to look at her as a treat for her. She wants to know that the brainy religious Jewish guy likes the way she looks.

On the downside, if I do have an affair with her I will forfeit what I have achieved so far as a frum Jew. My wife will leave me and I won't be able to afford to live on my own. Even the few acquaintances I have will never speak to me again. My kids will ask me "why did you do it?" I will lose olam ha-ba. And she will have all the problems that all women have.

Doesn't seem like such a good deal after all.

Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 20 Jun 2018 02:35

Day 12

The guitar is really an amazing thing. I hope I am zoche to practice and practice so I have an outlet for my justified blues.

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Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 20 Jun 2018 03:15

Sometimes it becomes painfully obvious why in this country people pick up a semi automatic weapon and start shooting up people.

Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 20 Jun 2018 13:07

My wife has figured out a way to make her nails a new colorful pattern as often as she likes for almost no money.

Sucks for me.

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Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 20 Jun 2018 18:56

WannabeFree sent me a private text mentioning this guardyoureyes.com/articles/stories/item/what-i-ve-learned-from-my-sex-addicted-wife-and-how-iever-married-her

I guess I enjoyed reading it. I think the author says that if his wife is the way she is there must be some reason why he merited this wife (which is to say he needs her.) But I think when ge wrote it he didn't really say what the actual reason was.

In my case I do know, which is why I agree with the article. I may not like it, but I understand what's going on. In fact, my view is that in so far as we are really one neshama, we are both here partly to live through this - the wrong idea that sex is a terrible thing that people inflict on

others.

However the details of how we live through it is entirely up to us. We can transcend it, we can give up, we can be on a rollercoaster. But I don't doubt for a minute that everything that is unfolding is intended.

I think there is tendency to think that if I recognize a problem that means G-d wants me to handle it a certain way. That's a fallacy.

Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 21 Jun 2018 01:53

13 days, like the Cuban missile crisis

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Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by Hashem Help Me - 21 Jun 2018 03:54

mzl wrote on 21 Jun 2018 01:53:

13 days, like the Cuban missile crisis

13 days like bar mitzva!

Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 21 Jun 2018 15:11

Still wondering why the yellow star on my thread.

This morning I had a flash of clarity and I was amazed at how I am able to minimize my wife's childhood problem and think "it's no big deal." That's my bipolar disorder. But I think the flash shows that the wall of distortion is cracking, so to speak.

I want to say that saying some kind words to some fellow sex addicts and their good thoughts for me when they read my posts is giving me a zchus to see what I don't deserve to see.

Re: MZL on the 90-day highway Posted by mzl - 21 Jun 2018 15:14

I have been liberally closing one eye when my wife walks by or when she's lying in bed and I walk by her. She and I have had good conversations via phone and text, so speaking without the benefit of seeing may help me relate to her in a more respectful way.

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