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RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by RidingTheWaves - 12 Aug 2018 14:35
Hi everyone I decided to make myself comfortable on the 90 day chart.
B'h holding by day 2. I will try to post a little on my thread every day.
Love Yankel!
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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by Serenity123 - 12 Aug 2018 18:26
Hi, thank you for your post, wishing you success in your recovery brother, I am sober today and I thank god for it, it feels great and I am serene!
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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by RidingTheWaves - 13 Aug 2018 13:23
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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Tir	me
Posted by Markz - 13 Aug 2018 14:22	

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Do you mean that the girls were Wailing about the Wall, begging the Mechitza to be taken down, asking the boys to join the dance?

Im not sure who's wedding you went to, but I don't believe that's what happened

Yes that may have been your impression.

Ideas impressed on my warped mind may think the same as you, but those girls were not looking for anyone's attention - sorry bro

So Yankel, when you're riding a wave, sometimes you need to check if the waters are actually tumultuous. Often the sea is calm, we create the tsunami in our head, may Gd save us from **Warning: Spoiler!**

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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by RidingTheWaves - 13 Aug 2018 15:10	
Hi Mark,	
Your point was very well said, and extremely true in a lot of life's challenges. though this time it was a wedding of a friend who went through a rough period as a teenager as such a lot of his friends and the friends of his kallah who also went through a rough period were a bit rebellious and dressed as such and there was a lot of mingling and i guess trying to bring about more . You get the idea?	
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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by RidingTheWaves - 14 Aug 2018 14:08	
Day 4.	
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Love Yankel!	
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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by mzl - 14 Aug 2018 15:58	

RidingTheWaves wrote on 14 Aug 2018 14:08:

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If I may provide some helpful perspective, dating is like interviewing for a job. From your point of view it has to be viewed like a statistical process. You will click with some portion of your dates, and you don't know which ones. You have to get past the ones where you don't click to get to the other ones. Therefore you are a "successful dater" as long as you click sometimes and don't click most of the time.

I really hope that makes sense.

Another way to think about it is to reward yourself for the process, not the product. If you dressed up, showed up on time, smiled, went somewhere fun, were open, etc then it was a success. The result doesn't matter.

And you kind of have to approach dating this way because the other way makes you look needy, and a woman won't give the time of day to a needy man.

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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by RidingTheWaves - 15 Aug 2018 14:04

Day 5

Last night was tough, i was feeling pretty down and lonely and i thought about acting out but i realized even though i'm feeling down I CAN'T AFFORD to act out. So I decided to take a bath (something that i never do anymore) and i was so impressed how calming it is too sit in hot water it really helped me to calm down!

This morning I had an extremely close call, pretty much i was looking for a list of shadchanim as i was looking for a certain shadchan's number so i googled it and it lead me to a link to a post on facebook (I was on a work computer that was mean't for people to do their private work as such) anyways on the side it shows you "people you might know" and there was a picture that was very tempting. without even thinking i clicked on it and it lead to a username with terrible pictures. B'h I got the strength and quickly exited. The whole ordeal lasted less than 10 seconds.

But i walked away realizing how strong my addiction was, even though right now i'm feeling extremely driven to stay clean without even thinking about it it lead me to automatically press on that stupid picture. B'h I got the strength to quickly exit! but that was a close call!

I'm Grateful for another day of sobriety!

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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by RidingTheWaves - 16 Aug 2018 13:11
Day 6.
The waves were pretty calm yesterday, b'h.
Thank you Hashem, for another day of sobriety! Regards Yankel.
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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by RidingTheWaves - 17 Aug 2018 15:57
Day 7.
One complete Week Clean B'h!
Have a great shabbos my friends.
Love Yankel!
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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by RidingTheWaves - 19 Aug 2018 14:49

Today the waves are pretty calm b'h. I Hope they continue this way

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Day 11

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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by RidingTheWaves - 22 Aug 2018 13:39
Day 12
Wow tomorrow i'm turning Bar Mitzva (lol) This is extremely exciting! Anyways all kidding aside b'h riding the waves good so far. B"h
Love Yankel!
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Re: RidingTheWavesOfLife - One Wave at a Time Posted by Markz - 22 Aug 2018 13:53
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