I AM HIGHER THAN ALL THIS!!! Posted by higher - 01 May 2019 14:39

High!

I have been on and off/lurking/etc... this site for a while. ive been struggling with erotic audio, erotic reading material, and looking for inappropriate websites, occasional mb but no p. (one exception when there was a really bad break in the filter but i only saw muted previews bh) either way i wanna quit all this garbage! this is really not ME. this stuff is fueled by being starved for intimacy and my wife is disgusted by it. in addition, there are heavy duty shalom bayis issues. so since i feel starved, its hard for me not to act out...i am working on the last two issues and iyh things will improve. for now, i feel like i can use the chizzuk as well as accountability that a thread like this can give me. thus begins my 90 day program. awaiting the gye's welcoming committee's response...

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Re: I AM HIGHER THAN ALL THIS!!! Posted by higher - 19 May 2019 02:35

recently. i had alot of stress, pain and loneliness in my life.

i broke.

i had a fall.

a little bit better then my old falls but a fall nonetheless.

i felt almost positive in the middle of the fall (after i got upset) because i had fought the y"h successfully until then. (for around 17 days.)

im in alot of pain now and hope my situation will get better. i feel that the fight for me is complicated because there is far more then just desire that pushes me to act out.

p.s. REM, i didnt do any "veggies" yet and i def dont feel like ding now even though i should be proud of every success etc.

i dont even know what i need any more. but im still working on my situation.

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Re: I AM HIGHER THAN ALL THIS!!! Posted by ColinColin - 20 May 2019 02:07

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Stress, pain and loneliness.

Three triggers at once can be overwhelming.

There are ways to combat stress - exercise and reading and sleep can all help.

There are ways to combat loneliness - visiting friends and family can help, even speaking on the phone.

There are ways to combat pain - mindfulness can help.

Re: I AM HIGHER THAN ALL THIS!!! Posted by higher - 20 May 2019 04:11

positive development!

i dont want to elaborate but bh!

"a little bit of light, just a little bit of light, doche doche, harbeh choshech"...

just saying.

wanted to share with anyone who is worried about me and would like to hear good news.

PLEASE keep on davening though!

i cant wait to post after several months that my issues are solved.

for now i need siyata dishmaya, tefillah, and my hishtadlus.

thats all folks.

Re: I AM HIGHER THAN ALL THIS!!! Posted by higher - 20 May 2019 04:12

and by the way i am back in the ring!

im ready to fight!

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Re: I AM HIGHER THAN ALL THIS!!!

Posted by GrowStrong - 20 May 2019 04:42

Good luck with that. It took me nearly 35 years to realize i would never win and decided to leave the ring.

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that's probably what Chazal were referring to. Just saying...

not to get into my whole hasgachic discussion and understanding of these things which is very limited, i think theres a very big deep secret here in the word 'surrender' which works for the craziest sex addicts out there on a daily basis to overcome the most powerful yetzer there is that literally overtook their lives and brains.

Can a way to 'beat' the yetzer hora really have come from a bunch of goyishe drunks???

Well i like to compare it to ikvasa d'meshicha and what chazal say about how David Hamelech came into being.

It definitely asks for more iyun, but what do i know im just another sex drunk in recovery and for sure i am not a learned one... just a theory...

and knowledge didnt help me to stop acting out on my lust.

Surrender (quitting to fight) did though :-)

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