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Elul-new start

Posted by Eish Emes - 01 Sep 2019 04:05

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I'm not sure if I'm ready to post my full story here or in another post. But, I have a long history with this battle. Started with porn since I'm 13 and I'm now 37. At one point I was very involved in SA and had over a year of sobriety. But, I stopped finding it helpful. I eventually got back in to porn and the past two years got in to worst things. It's Elul and I'm ready to start working on it again and take the 90 day challenge one day, one hour, one minute at a time. I've been clean since Friday.

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Re: Elul-new start

Posted by Eish Emes - 08 Dec 2019 02:44

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Re: Elul-new start

Posted by Dave M - 09 Dec 2019 01:04

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I totally relate to this post. This is something I've struggled with from time to time. Thanks for the chizuk and mazol tov on reaching 100 days!

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Re: Elul-new start Posted by YeshivaGuy - 21 Dec 2020 13:24

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How u been recently?	
Amazing. Very impressive!	