

Becoming a Tzadik - That's the DreamPosted by spaced - 20 Aug 2020 11:24

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Re: Becoming a Tzadik - That's the Dream

Posted by spaced - 27 Sep 2020 06:18

[Im Tevakshena Kakasef wrote on 24 Aug 2020 11:52:](#)

Yup. I've been stuck in a rut for the last few days. I know the feeling.

As for goy days, I really do know what you mean. There are times when I can spend literally every available second learning, davening, or doing something to enhance my avodas Hashem.

And then there are days I can just about complete tefillah. I can't bring myself to learn anywhere near as much. I just feel totally deflated. Zero steam.

Sometimes we just have to stop. Today I haven't had a great day, but nor a goy day. And I'm determined to have a Yid afternoon. Its the pushing no matter what which Hashem really values. To break the pattern of falling. Go out of our comfort zone. That's what he wants.

You are incredible. You don't feel that way? Meh. That's because you compare your behind the scenes to everyone else's highlight reel. We look at you and see someone who gave up being allowed to chase all of olam haazeh, to be close to Hashem. O.K. other people seem to have no problems davening and learning, everything seems to go great for them. But if you looked at me, I'd be one of those people. And nothing is further from the truth. We all have nisyones. All have days we wish we would do more. We just have to plug on.

So again. Like you said. We all have bad days. Ups and downs. Just keep posting. When you feel like you hit rock bottom, you can only go up. And you'll find solid ground upon which to build.

p.s. Hashem doesn't really want you anymore? If you gave everything to be close to Him, you really think He'll ever abandon you? He'll want you by Him always. I'm rooting for you man. And if I am, you think he isn't?

Sorry for not having replied to this. I rr-read this a few times and you made me cry haha. Seriously, you give great chizuk man. Thanks for being an inspiration and may you continue being one to so many others.

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Re: Becoming a Tzadik - That's the Dream
Posted by Im Tevakshena Kakasef - 27 Sep 2020 11:37

Positivity. Loving it. Keep it up.

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Re: Becoming a Tzadik - That's the Dream

Posted by growup - 29 Sep 2020 03:33

i am sure there are many people that could help - such an amazing honest person. firstly, are your devices filtered?

either way if i could be of help email me rebyeruchem@gmail.com

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Re: Becoming a Tzadik - That's the Dream

Posted by Teshuvahguy - 07 Nov 2022 16:37

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Wow wow. Just wow. I read all your posts after you responded to my cry for help yesterday. My friend, I am in awe of you. I was a secular Jew who took on the mitzvos at age 53. You were not a Jew and went through conversion and took on all these commitments as well, despite knowing what you would have to fight. What an inspiration you are to me. I am so, so proud to be your fellow Jew!!!! We are fighting the same fights. I hope we can be friends and fight together. You are awesome, man. Just awesome. ??

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Re: Becoming a Tzadik - That's the Dream
Posted by Human being - 07 Nov 2022 17:50

Just wow. you are a superhuman! an inspiration for the world. wow.

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Re: Becoming a Tzadik - That's the Dream
Posted by Geshmak! - 23 Feb 2023 23:58

Hi! What's up?

So did the dream come true,tadik???

I'm sure it did just curious to hear more about it...

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