

## Overcoming challenges

Posted by Zedj - 18 Oct 2020 06:22

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I've been struggling with porn for more then a few years. Whenever I thought I could stop, somehow or another I found myself right back at square one.

I really hope with the help of hashem that I can overcome my challenge

I forget the source for what I'm about to say but I remember hearing that if someone sees that he has a challenge in fulfilling a certain mitzvah then he knows it's one of the missions he was brought into the world for and the fact he has this challenge shows he can overcome it.

It seems like this generation has been given a challenge like no other but the fact we have the challenge means we have the power to overcome it.

For that reason I am sharing my journey and hope I can overcome my own personal challenge and maybe help another.

I don't know how many times I will update my journey but I plan to make it more of a personal diary.

Feel free to comment

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Realestatemogul - 01 Jan 2021 18:15

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Zedj - 01 Jan 2021 20:33

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39 days clean

Thank you for your post.

I tend to take things harder then I should.i think the last line your wrote was the hammer that hit the nail because I know I'm way too serious and i have to lighten up...alot. especially with these inyanim.

Wishing you all

A good shabbos!

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Ish MiGrodno - 01 Jan 2021 20:40

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Zedj - 03 Jan 2021 06:17

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Thank you very much!

It means alot.

Thank you for following my posts

About my username: when I signed up to GYE I had no iota of what to expect. I mean I knew I needed help of sorts but besides that, nadda.

So I used my little known alias name "zedj" .

Sorry to disappoint!

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Zedj - 03 Jan 2021 06:38

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40 days clean

B"H shabbos was nice...

Alot of unnecessary thoughts kept popping into my head today..I guess it's an extra special shabbos challenge.

To be fair, some of the environments (not all) I was in we're not the most conducive.

I guess you can say it was similar to walking down the street and I happen to see something that caused thoughts.

Wishing you all a great week!

A gut voch

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Zedj - 05 Jan 2021 06:07

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42 days clean

I keep amazing myself. Every day is like breathing fresh air!

B"H I'm moving forward.

I had a Machshiva zora...

Wouldn't it nice to be free? Similar to the freedom of: running freely through a feild, the sun setting with a colorful sky while the light breeze hits my face as I run....

I'm longing for this day to become reality.

I'm definitely not "free". I have to keep reminding myself to take ONE DAY AT A TIME

I might sometimes be over confident...

I have to be careful.

These days I've been kept busy BH so not alot of time for urges or fantasy.

(I'm not worried...they know how to come back)

Last night I came across one of the most scariest threads I've ever read.

Bh it had a good ending.

These challenges can pull people down....it really scares me.

Heaven forbid if I wouldve fallen just one step lower before joining GYE...I may have never made it here.

I can't thank you guys enough

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Zedj - 06 Jan 2021 06:23

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43 days clean

Learning could've been so much better today. There was just no flow..

Anyways tomorrow is another day.

I know it has definitely been mentioned before but lately I've noticed flutters of nostalgia come up from time to time.

Sort of like a empty feeling/missing something. Unfortunately I didn't have enough time to study my discovery but I'm sharing.

I'm not sure how to define it...maybe it's a real feeling of emptiness or perhaps I'm not getting the thrill I "need"?

All the best!

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Ish MiGrodno - 06 Jan 2021 07:24

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No big, buddy. Your lustful routines and the ensuing (albeit short-lived) thrills created a relationship of sorts. While this escape is now far surpassed by the euphoria of self control, it nonetheless cannot be duplicated. Withdrawal is withdrawal. So my dearest zedj, why don't you articulate (aloud! into a mirror!) "Although I am suffering from withdrawal, I embrace the challenge and I am up to task to killin' it."

You're the man!

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Zedj - 07 Jan 2021 05:23

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44 days clean

Thank you @IshMiGrodno!

I really got to look in the mirror more often.

B"H today was better learning.

Takeing it one day at a time.

Wishing you guys well!

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Sapy - 08 Jan 2021 06:17

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Big Mazel tov Zedj for half the journey! To many more milestones!

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Zedj - 08 Jan 2021 06:42

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45 days clean

Thank you @youngster for the shout out!

At the halfway point.

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Posted by Looking\_to\_improve - 08 Jan 2021 06:50

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Mazeltov on halfway to 90. Keep it up

**Warning: Spoiler!**

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Re: Overcoming challenges  
Posted by Zedj - 10 Jan 2021 04:29

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47 days clean

BH shabbos was nice.

I had some unpleasant dreams but will spare the details.

There seems to be something about Friday night...I don't really know why.

Otherwise all was good

Wishing you all a gut voch!

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Re: Overcoming challenges

Posted by Zedj - 12 Jan 2021 05:09

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49 days clean

BH I'm clean!

Tomorrow morning I'll be be having a test on Baser Vecholov....so off to bed I go.

BEZH tommorow you all can call me "Rab"

With Hashems help all will be good.

Wishing you all well

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