Lets get this party started Posted by ????? - 09 Feb 2021 22:33

I just joined on GYE a few days ago and I'm so excited to be starting the 90 day journey! I'm clean since last Thursday when I signed up for gye b"h. I don't know how long I'll be able to last, but with the help of everyone here and I also installed the KBA webchaver filter on my phone so already I feel like I have the advantage over my yetzer hara. I know it's definitely possible bc in the last year my longest streak was ~105 days, but I was in a place rooming with 8 other people and no internet so even if I wanted to be nichshal, it was very hard. Anyways wish me luck my friends and of course a tremendous "Hatzlocha rabbah" to all of you as well!

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Re: Lets get this party started Posted by ?????? - 30 Mar 2021 19:01

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Best way is to upgrade my filter. Working with TAG to see what can be done

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Imagine me giving you a hug. One of those big, warm "I care about you so much and feel for you" hugs. Because I am. I'm davening for you and your mother.

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Re: Lets get this party started mother fold me over vt that she thinks that she has less than a year to live Posted by ??????? - 02 Apr 2021 04:47

Who knows if anyone actually reads this thread anymore but I wanna post anyways. It's mainly for myself as my own journal (sorry kinda selfish).

## Made it to chai BH!

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Today was filled with nisyonos. This might get a little detailed but, like I said this is for my own accountability so here goes:

- 1. Was watching a movie and BOOM outta nowhere, nudity. Closed the movie out and came to here. I can't even tell you how many times I wanted to go back and watch that shmutzik movie but I resisted.
- 2. Was searching for an email and stumbled upon an old porn subscription I had forgotten to unsubscribe from. Here's the thing, in the email itself, they put a "picture". But I'm so proud of myself I scrolled all the way to the bottom of the email past the picture to the 'unsubscribe' button without seeing anything.
- 3. Been touching myself way too much today. In fact, the same thing that I was doing when I was nichshal 18 days ago, I started doing again today.

BH overcame all those urges (and believe me it wasn't easy). Celebrated the victory by reconnecting with an old friend this evening and had a very nice time.

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Re: Lets get this party started Posted by Zedj - 02 Apr 2021 06:43

Believe it or not I try to keep up with the "recent posts" so rest assured.....

Seeing something inappropriate is almost inevitable as situations can arise unexpectedly.

The first look is out of your control however the second look...your giving in.

You deserve to be proud of yourself!

keep posting! Warning: Spoiler! \_\_\_\_\_

"Yes, looking once is like water on a ducks back, the duck does get wet but it trickles off, however looking twice is already more of in imprint on us."- Quote by Excellence

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Re: Lets get this party started Posted by retrych - 02 Apr 2021 11:43

That's fantastic!

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Re: Lets get this party started Posted by ????? - 05 Apr 2021 18:11

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We're praying for you. At least you're hearing what the Y"H is telling you loud and clear and you know that it's not YOU.

Hashem does not care if you're up to 200 days or 1 day. He loves you just the same and you have the ability to overcome just the same (with the help of Hashem).

The world is full of temptations. If we want to hold on to lust, we will have **endless** opportunities to continue lusting at every turn. We will be fighting a losing battle of Shemiras Ainayim by constantly trying not to look at things that we **do** want to look at so badly. Instead, **the real trick** to success is to learn how to let go of the lusting altogether. Instead of fighting it head-on, we need to simply **let go of it**.

Re: Lets get this party started Posted by HappyYid - 06 Apr 2021 16:08

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I hope you didn't!

We are all here for you.

Come back.

We need you!

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Re: Lets get this party started Posted by Grant400 - 06 Apr 2021 16:09

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Gedarim are there to help you. Not to fight the yetzer hara alone. Of course he's stronger than gedarim, but he's not stronger than you. Not at all.

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Dust yourself off and get back in the ring. You are a man of discipline, vision and determination. Don't turn into a mound of soggy jello in the face of desire, or because of some depraved animal who has no respect for life, themselves, their family, mankind and the world.

You know the man you want to be. You know the life you want to lead. Be that man and make that life.

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Oh it's fantastic in that regard! Even if it blocks something that is seemingly kosher, I still am grateful. I take it as a sign every time it blocks something even if it's chabad.org (which actually has happened before lol) that Hashem doesn't want me there. Unfortunately, it does make things run slower on my computer which is kinda annoying considering how much my parents spent buying me a [supposedly] fast computer. Oh well- a small price to pay for avodas Hashem!

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