

Keeping Accountability

Posted by HappyYid - 19 Feb 2021 14:15

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Posted by DavidT - 19 Feb 2021 14:40

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It's so exciting to have another member involved on posting and joining the many members that are really accomplishing and growing in avodas Hashem.

I would like to point out that even if we had everything we could possibly imagine we wanted in our wives, we would still desire other women. As the Pasuk says in Mishlei (9:17): ?????
???????????? ????????????? ????????? ?????????? ????????? - "Stolen water is sweet and hidden bread is pleasurable".

Shmiras Aimayim is truly a difficult achievement in today's world. But more than just forcing ourselves "not to look" all the time, we need a change in attitude.

Thank you everyone for being here for everyone else

There are many approaches and not one-size-fits-all.. (as you already know from being on GYE for a few years already). Let's daven that each of us finds the tools and perspectives that will help him gain true freedom and happiness.

Keep strong and we're looking forward to hear from you after shabbos!

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Re: Keeping Accountability

Posted by YeshivaGuy - 19 Feb 2021 16:51

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Welcome to the family

Keep us posted

Wishing u much Hatzlocha!

And stay in touch!

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Re: Keeping Accountability

Posted by #makelifegreatagain - 19 Feb 2021 19:12

Welcome! I actually just recently started posting again too. It can make a huge difference to both the person typing it and the person reading it, so please post as often as you can!

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Re: Keeping Accountability
Posted by happyyid - 21 Feb 2021 01:52

So...

Yes I did it! I think I was 99.7% clean. I took one 'second look' at something I shouldn't have, but I didn't even lust it- just looked... I schmoozed with everyone regular without staring.

I laid down Friday night and thought how its not so hard after all to just have a peaceful Shabbos without looking around every spare moment at stuff I shouldn't be looking at.

?If not for this forum I definitely would've acted out like I have done in the past so many times.

Thank you Hashem for sending us GYE to help us out!

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Re: Keeping Accountability
Posted by happyyid - 21 Feb 2021 03:10

And now the yh is telling me ok you did what you wanted- to stay clean over Shabbos, so now fantasize about them its just thoughts not so bad... but I'm holding back ill learn some of the Daf which i have to finish.

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Re: Keeping Accountability
Posted by happyid - 22 Feb 2021 00:56

Today was a great clean day!

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Posted by Lou - 22 Feb 2021 06:09

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Please! Do whatever you can to just stay the hell away from them!

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Thanks Moish for your advice, always appreciated!

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Re: Keeping Accountability
Posted by happyyid - 23 Feb 2021 03:45

Great day today!

I was in a local grocery store tonight and had to keep my eyes to myself. BH I was able to!

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It says it next to the topic, like there's a column its hard to explain. It also says it on top of the thread you are looking at, for example mine, it says 'keeping accountability130 views'.

im on a laptop seems like you are using a phone...maybe it doesnt show there. In either case its not thousands that are viewing every thread but some, and definetly more than the 5 thank yous people get...

I attached a screenshot of my screen

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