

Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 10 Mar 2025 02:15

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Hi, I'm Dove, I was given permission to write here.

This is my first time taking about my problem in public, I have only told this to selected people privately.

I'm 21 years old, I have no wife, no friends (at least in my city), and I am in the process of conversion in a city where there is no Jewish community. I have felt that there is no way to stop future falls, so I am going to at least try here.

I have a filtered computer in whitelist mode (I don't know anyone else who does this).

I plan to vent here, because knowing that others know what I'm going through is enough chizuk to keep me going. I plan to write here every day that I have some time, today I start with day 0 of being clean.

Berachot!

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 15 Apr 2025 14:30

Day 11:

There were times when I didn't know what to do, since I was missing a few meals for the seder, at those times all kinds of not good thoughts came to me in which I was planning how to sin without doing "chilul Hashem".

But then I thought, what does Hashem want?

That I celebrate Pesach with what I have even though I lack items on my tray or that I sin and justify myself with the fact that I didn't have enough for a kosher Pesach?

With Hashem's help I did it. I must celebrate, even though I don't have good ideas (I set myself).

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by abieham - 15 Apr 2025 17:22

You're a real fighter. Have you converted yet? Do you think you can get closer to a community? how much longer do you have in college? Can you switch schools? Being by yourself is going to get you burnt out. There's only so much that you can push.

I wish you lots of luck

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 16 Apr 2025 03:21

[abieham wrote on 15 Apr 2025 17:22:](#)

Have you converted yet?

Do you think you can get closer to a community?

how much longer do you have in college?

Can you switch schools?

- Not yet.

- Maybe, that's what I'm working on now.

- About 3 years left.

- I haven't done any research on that.

Thank you for you good wishes!

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 16 Apr 2025 03:30

Day 12:

By studying Torah, I was able to get rid of no good thoughts.

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 17 Apr 2025 01:56

Day 13:

I already have an appointment for an interview with a Jewish community, this should cheer me up or give me peace of mind.

But on the contrary, because I feel that placing my hope in people instead of placing it in Hashem causes me harm, I am seriously considering doing a planned "madness" instead of falling on Shabbat or Yom Tov when I don't have my Torah classes and the tests increase. May everything I do be only the will of Hashem.

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 22 Apr 2025 23:42

Day 0:

For me this is a very important decision. It would hurt me if I am not accepted in a community, so you could say "I depend on a person." But no, after thinking about it, he is only a messenger of Hashem so I really only depend on Hashem.

But it would still be painful, even if the moreh tells me not to be discouraged. Now that they gave me hope, I can stand up once again (the appointment is tomorrow).

When I have to choose between something that I don't know if it's right to do and something that's very wrong to do, bli neder, I'm going to choose the better of the bad. This seems logical, I usually choose only the good or only the bad, not the half-assed.

For example, I had to choose between studying for college at Chol HaMoed or surrendering to temptation (another fall).

If it were not for the suffering, I would not have approached Hashem. But I don't know of a correct method to deal with suffering.

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 24 Apr 2025 04:04

Day 1:

Hashem answered my prayers, just what I asked for.

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 28 Apr 2025 03:08

Day 2:

I'm tired of looking for meaning in the mitzvot, I'm going to remind myself to love Hashem even if the mitzvah doesn't make sense.

Just as Avraham did.

[dove63 wrote on 23 Mar 2025 19:18:](#)

...my mistake was to think that the results depend on me, and/or depend on other people and/or on nature.

The truth is that the results depend only on Hashem yitbarach, one must make the effort to do the right thing.

Before I thought that maybe Hashem loved me, but now Hashem has shown me, not only in theory but also in practice. Now I am sure.

He showed me that even the Jews and even the tzadikim have no power to do good or the opposite, everything is done by Hashem.

I also learned that we are never that far from Hashem, because as long as we are alive we can do teshuvah (Even if we have seen someone inappropriately and on purpose, that is no reason to see things or do things worse).

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 29 Apr 2025 01:45

Day 3:

The tests are getting harder, I'm excited.

The next Shabbat will be, be'ezrat Hashem, the first one in that community.

I plan to spend one Shabbat in the community and the next one alone, and so on. Although I may change my mind.

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by BenHashemBH - 29 Apr 2025 12:18

Wishing you hatzlacha for your first Shabbat there, Brother Dove. May it be an uplifting and connecting experience for you.

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 30 Apr 2025 01:18

Day 4:

I have group work in college and if a goya wants to be part of my group I can't avoid it, I have no

arguments.

Even though I have to talk to them, I know that I am not far from Hashem.

But I must try harder to avoid it.

Although I don't understand why these tests I don't care, I just did what Hashem commands.

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by dove63 - 30 Apr 2025 13:44

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by hashemisonmyside - 30 Apr 2025 19:46

Did you try something like Web Chaver?

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Re: Dove's journey

Posted by chancyhk - 30 Apr 2025 20:01

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Brother Dov,

I am completely speechless.....

Now i would love to add more speechlike things, but i am speechless.....

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