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Thanks Posted by mggsbms - 30 Apr 2009 02:49
day 8, thanks to this wonderful site it"s areal kidush hashem, I was miserable for some time till found you, it was so not me but i started slipping and was getting really scared, thanks again and keep up your avodas hakodesh
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Re: Thanks Posted by bardichev - 16 Jul 2009 02:49
wow what a post
what a heiliger yid we have hereon the forum
Noorah we need to back to kentucky for another shipment of wood ford
we will have another kiddush soon
CHAZAK CHAZAK VNISCHAZEIK!!!!!
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Re: Thanks Posted by mggsbms - 16 Jul 2009 19:30
Thank you Bardichev for being sanigoren shel yisrael !!

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Re: Thanks

Posted by mggsbms - 16 Jul 2009 19:53

I came across a very scary "chasam sofer" today, he writes regarding the famous gemara in mesechet shabbos which numerates several transgressions that cause banav shel adam meisim cshehem ketanim, that some times hkb"h waits till they are 18 - 20 to cause more pain to the parents, and hkb"h takes them away even when they are older because of the aveirus of their parents.

I suspect that such divrei tochchco aren't popular on this forum, but to me it is a very important concept in this struggle, when I first started falling I thought the roof will come down on me, after I saw that it didn"t happen I, but after reading this chasam sofer it shook me, there is a day of reckoning and you better get your house in order.

It's written in ashrei ??? ???? ??? erech apaim verav chesd, some times the erech apaim comes with rav chesed and it could be misleading, we better be careful. (The chasam sofer is in masechet shabbos folio 105 page 2)

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Re: Thanks

Posted by Kedusha - 17 Jul 2009 14:20

Dear Mgsbms,

Rav Yisroel Reisman once spoke about punishment, both Divine and between man and man (such as parents punishing children). His point was that punishment is not all that effective (anyone with kids knows that). What is effective is <u>fear of punishment</u>. Of course, for fear of punishment to have any effect, the punishment must be carried out, at least occasionally.

Once someone has fallen numerous times, however, fear of punishment will likely have lost its effect. For example, someone who has never deliberately been Mechallel Shabbos will be deterred by the fear of Kares or Sekila. But, for someone who went off the Derech, and was Mechallel Shabbos thousands of times, fear of one more Kares will not deter him.

Once the fear of punishment is gone, new tactics must be used. For example, the reason to avoid pornography and masturbation is because they are harmful to us spiritually, not to avoid punishment. If that won't do it, there is an even greater incentive: engaging in these sins destroys our equilibrium, and makes our journey in Olam Hazeh a living hell. There is no need to even think about punishment in this world or the next - there can be no greater punishment than the sins themselves.

Re: Thanks
Posted by Sturggle - 17 Jul 2009 14:31

Dear Mgsbms,

I very much hear you in your fear. Such things scare me as well. As I know that it is impossible for me to understand the cheshbonos of HKB"H, I feel that one day something might happen in my life and I will know why. I can do sincere teshuva, but I think understanding and accepting what I have previously done and whatever HKB"H may bring my way in the future, and that I might deserve some onesh, is very difficult, yet possibly realistic. Sometimes I think I should warn the woman I plan on marrying before she commits. What could I say if chas v'shalom a tragedy befalls our family.

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Re: Thanks

Posted by Kedusha - 17 Jul 2009 15:29

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The same is true with Teshuva. If someone does sincere Teshuva, but is not sure that it really works, he's the same Apikorus, because the same Torah that tells us that a Get works tells us that Teshuva works. But what about Yisurim? Rav Moshe writes clearly (Igros Moshe Orach Chaim 4:116) that Teshuva and Yom Kippur atone for Zera Levatala, and that Yisurim are not necessary.

So, let's work on sincere Teshuva. We're all in the same boat. No one in this generation is perfect in this area. Come into Elul, Aseres Yemei Teshuva, and Yom Kippur with many accrued days of sobriety. And, let's learn from our friend Bardichev to live each day b'Simcha (preferably without resorting to alcohol!) :D

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So, even if you do sincere Teshuva, you are still concerned about future punishment, and wonder whether you should warn the [future] woman that you plan on marrying. Let's say you warn her and scare her off. She will quite likely marry someone who has the same issues, but has not done a sincere Teshuva. So how have you helped her?

In any event, I have a secret for men who are worried about suffering. Women on the board are advised not to read this - these comments are for men only:

Please scroll down - women, this is your last chance to skip reading this!

Ladies, why are you still reading??!! :D

When your wife yells at you unjustly (if you're married, you know that it happens sometimes; if you're not, just know that it happens to everyone - even to Avraham Avinu - see Bereishis 16:5), that's suffering. Don't yell back - just, accept it. You need not concern yourself with any other Yisurim!

(For those women who didn't listen and read what I wrote, first give yourselves a slap on the wrist. :D Seriously, keep in mind that the fact that yelling at your husband will serve as a Kaparah for him does not give you license to do it, just like we are never permitted to make someone suffer, even though doing so will serve as a Kaparah for the person).

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Re: Thanks

Apeekoreis!!!

Posted by battleworn - 22 Jul 2009 11:30

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MAZEL TOV!!!

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Hashem should grant you continued growth, simcha and hatzlochoh in everything!!!
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Re: Thanks Posted by the.guard - 22 Jul 2009 14:13
Mazal Tov!! Now that you broke the 90 day barrier, you are holding on tight to Hashem and NOTHING can stand in your way.
Thank you for being such an inspiration to us all!