

Men and Women's forums are now seperate

Posted by the.guard - 10 Jan 2010 14:51

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Due to some serious breaches in Tzniyus that I am not at liberty to divulge, and after consultation with experts, it has been decided that the men and women's forums on GYE will now be completely separate. Men will not be allowed access to the women's forum, and women will not be allowed access to the men's forum.

We would also like to re-iterate that posting e-mail addresses and telephone numbers is forbidden on the forum. Instead, PM's should be used (between each gender separately).

We apologize for the inconvenience - and just so that no one should get wrong ideas, let me state that it has nothing to do with our dear women members, 7Up, Habib, Trying, Letakein and theOne.

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate

Posted by habib613 - 13 Jan 2010 19:55

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate

Posted by Ineedhelp!! - 13 Jan 2010 19:57

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You too Habib,

I wish you the much hatzlacha and who knows maybe the forums will come together again

-Yiddle

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some time in the future.

Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
Posted by 7yipol - 13 Jan 2010 20:22

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Will have to be enough?

Wwe are going to be such a cosy and close knit little family that the yh wont have an inch to wiggle his way in between!

Tighter than the rocks under Yaakov Avinu's head. 8)

KOR!

And yes

this **is** ratzon Hashem.

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
Posted by Steve - 13 Jan 2010 20:47

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Sounds Good.... ALL THE SPECIAL PEOPLE IN THE SPECIAL GROUP...

***FRIENDS-4-EVER!!***

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
Posted by silentbattle - 13 Jan 2010 23:08

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[Steve wrote on 13 Jan 2010 19:15:](#)

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate

Posted by BruceWayne - 14 Jan 2010 03:19

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[habib613 wrote on 13 Jan 2010 19:28:](#)

in the more yeshivish/chassidish world, these things are often very looked down upon, and word travels VERY fast. All one needs is for someone to see him walk into the therapist, and that's it. no more shidduchim for me...

And that's why that world needs to pull its head out of its collective @\$%^.

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
Posted by BruceWayne - 14 Jan 2010 03:23

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[Steve wrote on 13 Jan 2010 19:45:](#)

[habib613 wrote on 13 Jan 2010 19:37:](#)

[Yiddle2 wrote on 13 Jan 2010 19:34:](#)

Habib,

I do respect your reasoning but you are already in the GYE loop. You know that there IS a woman's forum. How does a female have ANY chance of joining GYE when she thinks she is goin to be the only female?

this was brought up on our side of the forum.

R' Guard said he would do something about that. maybe put an announcement somewhere.

One day there is gonna hafta be availability on search engines, ads, etc., and the boys are gonna hafta behave themselves and not try to visit by pretending to be girls. (*A-HEM...* wonder where THAT idea came from.... who's Bruce?...)

**WHEN THE *HELL* DID I EVER SAY THAT?**

SHOW ME WHERE.

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
Posted by Kedusha - 14 Jan 2010 04:01

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I'm sure you DIDN'T say it, Bruce.

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
Posted by Steve - 14 Jan 2010 04:13

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Yo, Mista Wayne, ease up... my misunderstanding... keep your Utility belt on...

Somewhere here i read that there was a time when a girl signed up pretending to be a boy, in order to be involved in the discussions, and in the same post the guy posting said something cryptic like 'goodbye Bruce", so I just assumed the male persona she put on was the name Bruce. Sorry, it was not pointing to you at all. And i don't even know the history of this inyan, I just arrived at this forum in november.

Seems i just proved the old adage of "what happens when you ASSUME"? One makes an A\*\* out of U and ME...

But seriously, if you want to dress up like a FEMALE Super hero, maybe you could spy and bring us back word... *WHOOPS! ONLY KIDDING!!!*

Again, "Sorry about that, chief." (Oh, wrong spoof...)

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
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Answers:

1) i don't remember. They made the flyer without me. And that was in the 80's, in the dark ages before cell phones and iMacs. Whole diff mind-set now on campuses.

2) i agree 100% - just was trying to find out how others felt. Habib answered very well.

3) it really could grow into something special and safe for women to go to. A Testosterone-Free Zone.

4) Very good question. I was bringing it out to see if this could become an outreach kinda thing eventually. but personally, after thinking more about it right now, this is a wonderful arena for Torah Yidden to work specifically on this problem/issue, and mixing it with kiruv or teaching about tznius from the ground up would just bog us down into sidetracks we can't afford right now. We gotta concentrate on what we've got. Right now, this is where it should be, and if it's too "frum" for some, well, their time will come. I need to be in a place of Torah and Hashkafa, with ALL YOU GUYS.

Also, if we're gonna make a dent in this wall between us and Moshiach, we've gotta fix the TORAH CAMP from this addiction. After all, we're the one's who should know better, We're the one's Hashem is judging the generation by, not the Tinukei She'Nishbah... When we fix ourselves, then we can spread the message of purity wihtout feeling like hypocrites.

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
Posted by BruceWayne - 14 Jan 2010 05:14

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First of all, I think Habib said that she originally pretended to be a guy before there was a womens' forum.

Second, I'm absolutely positive I never said that. But anyone with two neurons is smart enough to have thought of that already anyway. So yes, there's gonna have to be some way to confirm gender, if that's even possible.

Third, you didn't ASSUME anything. You didn't CHECK YOUR FACTS. Another big no-no. This

is how rumors get started.

Fourth, I don't know about you but we don't dress up as women where I'm from. You're just asking for it if you do.

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
Posted by Ineedhelp!! - 14 Jan 2010 05:21

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Bruce I think it was originally a joke and hopefully we xan look past it. There is already enough tension on the forum lets try to minimize it as much as we can.

-Yiddle

P.S Bruce, you must not be from my neck of the woods ;D

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
Posted by Steve - 14 Jan 2010 05:46

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Bruce,

I'm sorry. I messed up, and hurt your feelings, maybe embarrassed you, c"v. I explained myself above, what my original comment was, and that it wasn't ever directed at you personally. I thought that made it clear. I didn't realize the depth of your offense - and my poor attempt at humor was only meant to be disarming, not to show insincerity. And I apologize publicly for the dress up jokes. I meant no disrespect.

I will attempt to check the facts from now on before i open my big mouth.

Please forgive me. You have always been a voice of sanity and balance on this forum, and I must have really hit a raw nerve to have riled you up so.

Now, can we please make up and be friends again?

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Re: Men and Women's forums are now seperate  
Posted by BruceWayne - 14 Jan 2010 05:55

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I just have a major problem when people put words into my mouth. Or other people's mouths. Especially if it can be taken negatively.

Just remember that, due to the fact that we are communicating via text, it is sometimes difficult to tell what's a joke and what isn't.

I don't like jokes that are done at other people's expense anyway.

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