

A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by Aaron613 - 17 Dec 2020 06:07

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by OivedElokim - 17 Dec 2020 06:15

Hey buddy!

Welcome to this holy community of fighters. We've all been up against this monster, and many of us have come a long way. We're here to support you in you journey. Just keep posting, check out the tools on the site, and engage with others.

You mentioned that you're fighting as hard as you can. There's a saying "fight smarter, not harder". Meaning strategy can make up for willpower. If you learn your triggers and how to avoid them, it will save from a lot of the anguish of fighting urges that result from them, etc.

Check out all this site offers, and most importantly-know that your not alone in this.

All the best!

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by 90dys - 17 Dec 2020 06:59

Aaron; listen to OivedElokim - he knows what he is talking about.

I struggled for many years (as a married "chashuv" yungerman - hah!) - yet nothing helped me until I met H.H.M. and the clan....

Whatever you do, DO NOT LEAVE THIS CHAT (it will be your lifeline; I promise!)

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by Grant400 - 17 Dec 2020 13:25

Welcome!

It's great that you are a fighter. It means that as soon as you acquire the right tools and methods, attain a new (correct) understanding and perspective on sexuality, you will have the two most important things. The motivation and the ability. Welcome aboard! I promise you, if you stay around, you will be helped.

Like it has been mentioned many times, filters can only be effective as an accessory to a real change in a person. Understanding that lust isn't a need, although it may definitely feel like a necessity, (sometimes/always - more than eating!). It can be ignored. I've had this ride awakening too.

Post and share, ask questions, and you will grow immensely! My promise to you.

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by DavidT - 17 Dec 2020 14:32

Now that it is still Chanuka, there is a tikkun, that after lighting the Chanuka candles (or oil), one should look at the lights and meditate, "hanerot hallalu kodesh heim - these lights are holy." The sefarim say that they represent the original light of creation. Concentrating on the kedusha of the Chanuka lights helps prevent misuse of one's eyes.

Let's try to make one small - but powerful - Kabala on the special day of Zos Chanukah. May we all succeed in doing real Teshuva and giving our hearts to Hashem on this special day.

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by wilnevergiveup - 17 Dec 2020 15:50

[Aaron613 wrote on 17 Dec 2020 06:07:](#)

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I can relate to most of this, you can check out my thread (link in my signature). I also tried for many years to stop on my own without any success. You have come to the right place, welcome home. GYE has the tools to help you break free.

As far as chizzuk, know that it is possible, many have broken free, but it may be a bumpy ride. It may take some time, don't get discouraged when things get rough, that's just how it is sometimes.

Some advice if I may, reach out whenever you feel down, we will be there for you when you need it.

Read through the [GYE handbook](#), make a plan that is reasonable and stick to it. In order for this to work you have to have a plan and you have to stick to it for a reasonable period of time. There is no magic button, you have to see what works and what doesn't.

You can do it and with Hashem's help will succeed. Post here often, share, get to know the chevra here and take a look around at some other people's threads to see that you are not alone as well as to see how different people work through their struggles.

Wishing you much hatzlachah,

Wilnevergiveup

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by Captain - 17 Dec 2020 17:28

Also check out these great free resources:

Great book for breaking free: The Battle of the
Generation <https://guardyoureyes.com/ebooks/item/the-battle-of-the-generation>.

Rabbi Shafier's incredible lectures on breaking free: The Fight. Download
here: <https://theshmuz.com/series/the-fight/>

Also, sign up for the daily GYE Boost emails/ whatsapps at www.gyeboost.org.

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by ??? ????? ????? ??? - 18 Dec 2020 02:38

[Aaron613 wrote on 17 Dec 2020 06:07:](#)

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First of all, mazel tov on your chasunah.

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What do you mean by "get me going?" You bypass the filters? You find images or videos that the filter doesn't block? Despite good filters you still masturbate?

I need advice...

- Stay the course.
- Be active on GYE. I have found the 90 Day Count and this forum to be very helpful. Posting on this forum and reading other users posts has helped me to remove the shame that has accompanied my struggle.
- Your answers to the above questions may make this piece of advice irrelevant, but make sure to have a good filter. I use GenTech Solutions, but there are other good ones out there as well. There are also not good ones. Also, you may have a filter on your devices, but your wife may not. Do you have access to her devices? My wife's devices are password protected and I do not know the password. I have asked her to change the password over the years if I accidentally see when she puts it in.

I need chizuk....

This is from my first post on GYE.

[??? ????? ????? ??? wrote on 27 Jan 2020 01:01:](#)

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My translation tonight: G-d does not bring down humanity with clever ploys (Avodah Zarah 3a).

Namely, the *mitzvos* that we must keep are doable and are not impossible tasks. As hard as

they may seem sometimes, the *mitzvos* of *kedusha* are not clever ploys to trip up humanity, but rather they are achievable *mitzvos*. I believe in the eternity of the Torah and its applicability and relevance to every generation, most importantly this one and my life. It would then follow that I can accomplish great growth in the area of *kedusha* and that I can work to push back against the *yetzer hara*.

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by Aaron613 - 18 Dec 2020 03:09

Thanks for the well wishes!

in regards to the filters, my phone is whitelisted and downloads are blocked so I'm basically ok on my phone. My lap top I use Techloq which is good but doesn't block everything.

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by Aaron613 - 18 Dec 2020 03:35

So I've watched some bad things today but b"h didn't act out. It's crazy, I can't sit down on my couch without having feelings of desire to be motzei zera...it's literally consuming me and my thoughts...I think I'll make it through but just sharing what I'm going through..

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by eved41 - 18 Dec 2020 03:39

Sounds rough. Hang in there buddy. The urge will pass. Is there anyone you can call up on the phone and talk to?

eved41

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by Youngster - 18 Dec 2020 03:44

It's okay to have desires.. just remember that it's also okay not to act upon it... it will iyh get easier to learn how not to follow them, and it wont consume your whole head, just keep strong buddy!

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by Aaron613 - 18 Dec 2020 04:07

I don't know if I'm ready for phone calls but thank you very much. I'm listening some erect shabbos music hopefully it'll help??

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by OivedElokim - 18 Dec 2020 04:13

Btw, phone calls don't necessarily have to be to a GYE member, or about GYE topics. It can just be a good diversion. Moreover, the opposite of addiction is connection (see video in @Markz signature).

Obviously there is tremendous benefit in speaking to a GYE friend, but if you're not up to that yet-no need to push it. You'll cross that bridge when you get there...

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Re: A newly married man trying to fight
Posted by eved41 - 18 Dec 2020 04:19

@OivedElokim

I agree with you wholeheartedly. Thank you for spelling that out clearly.

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