

Freedom from the Pain

Posted by Meyer M. - 28 Feb 2021 06:02

So I haven't been very active on GYE in the last 6 months or so but I made a promise to start posting again and try to fix the damage in my life and help myself achieve **Freedom from the Pain**.

So before I chuck my resolution into the dustbin of history and call it a day I'll lay some ground rules for myself:

1) I will try to post at least once bi-weekly

2) My posts will be detailed about everything (The good, The bad and the in between.

?The goal of this thread is to hopefully heal myself of all my pain and hopefully Bezras Hashem reach 90 days.

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Re: Freedom from the Pain

Posted by Looking_to_improve - 28 Feb 2021 11:39

Welcome back

Where are you holding at the moment?

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Re: Freedom from the Pain

Posted by DavidT - 28 Feb 2021 14:21

Welcome!

You have no idea how much chizuk we all get when someone commits to try his best, we wish you hatzlacha with the help of Hashem!

?Now is such a good time to start as we stand 30 days before pesach, the time of FREEDOM!

Keep on posting and keep on growing!

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Re: Freedom from the Pain

Posted by lionking - 28 Feb 2021 14:28

Meyer,

Welcome back. What is paining you? It is hard to work on recovery while in pain. You need to work on getting well before you can try to commit to working on anything.

Feel free to share or reach out to the vets here.

May you be zoche to a refuah shleime bkorov.

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Re: Freedom from the Pain

Posted by Meyer M. - 02 Mar 2021 03:39

So I'm currently holding at 3 days, I hit 70+ days twice. We are coming up to the one year anniversary of me being on GYE in about 3 weeks. This time last year I was an addict that used M 2-3 times daily and P to support the habit, I have not used P since I started on GYE. I have a cumulative of 316 days clean as of this post and the diary says I used M "only" 14 times in this year which all comes out to a decrease of 98%. If all this is correct then the Yetzer Hara made a pretty bad investment.

As for what pains me, I am in yeshivah and until recently I had a group of "friends" that did alot of 'good' for me. As much as I'm not in the wrong, it still hurts to be taken advantage of in every way possible and then be kicked to the curb when you need help. I kicked *them* to the

curb and connected with people who are a little more loyal. Still hurts.

I've been under an unhealthy amount of stress since yeshivah restarted and that's not helping my case either. Purim was pretty trashy to me this year but then again this whole year has been one big dumpster fire.

Well this has been a rant, I'm going to sign off with a hope that things get better in the future.

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Re: Freedom from the Pain

Posted by #makelifegreatagain - 05 Mar 2021 16:59

Sometimes it's ok to rant. It's a way of letting all that pain out. I know things will be better for you in the future.

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Re: Freedom from the Pain

Posted by Meyer M. - 19 Mar 2021 21:38

So it's been a little over two weeks and it's time for an update.

So yeshivah has ended for the next few weeks and that means everything to me, I'm finally getting the break I want.

I did fall twice but I hope the changes I implemented will help.

My thoughts are running all over the place right now so I'm going to sign off here and post a little later when hopefully I get everything straight.

To 90 days bezras Hashem,

Meyer

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Re: Freedom from the Pain

Posted by Snowflake - 14 May 2021 13:22

Hey there R'Meyer. How are you?

Please send us news.

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Re: Freedom from the Pain

Posted by Meyer M. - 30 May 2021 04:57

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2) Why me? Yeah it's a common question but why do I have to suffer when I look around and see people complaining about their troubles which consist of the following: "How come he has so much money?", "I NEED that piece of clothing", etc

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All the best,

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Hey, welcome back, haven't seen you around in a while.

Well done on the 40 day streak, that's really good!

Been struggling with your 2nd question as well recently, it's been on my mind recently as well, but I don't have an answer to give you right now, still looking for one myself

Good to hear about the new Yeshiva, hatzlocho rabo

Looking_to_Improve

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Re: Freedom from the Pain
Posted by Zedj - 30 May 2021 06:36

40 days is awesome!

Check this link out if you can:

guardyoureyes.com/articles/questions-and-answers/item/the-prohibitions-for-men-and-women?onepage=1

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Re: Freedom from the Pain
Posted by HappyYid - 30 May 2021 12:13

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The gemara in niddah (13b) learns it out from the pasuk ?? ???? which is one of the ????

The gemara says that one that does it belongs in *cheirim*. Check out that gemara for more.

See also shulchan aruch ??? ???? ??' ?" where it says that it is assur.

EDIT: didn't realize that zedj had a link. Check that out...

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Re: Freedom from the Pain
Posted by Uriel - 30 May 2021 12:14

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Said the student to his Rebbe: "I want happiness". Replied the Rebbe: "First remove the **"I"** which is haughtiness. Then remove the **"want"** which is desire. After that, all that will be left is **"happiness"**.

Attaining happiness and the great light of G-d is achieved when a person merits to change their focus from the SELF to that of being of service to G-d. We also find this concept hinted at in Tehillim in a number of places. Here are 3 examples:

1. The Pasuk in Tehhilim (30:12) says: ????? ??? ???????? ?????- **"You have opened my sack and girded me with joy"**. I have heard explained that "opened my sack" refers to giving. Through "giving" one finds true joy.
2. Another Pasuk says (Tehilim 51:14): ?????? ?? ????? ????? ?????? ?????? ?????? - **"Return to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with a spirit of giving"**. Again we see how the spirit of "giving", of being of service to others and to G-d, is directly connected with happiness.
3. (Tehilim 105:3)????????? ??? ?????????????? ?'- "The hearts of those who seek G-d will rejoice": What does "Seeking G-d" really mean? Those who seek G-d want to be **like** G-d; Givers – not Takers. This, implies Dovid Hamelech again in Tehillim, is the secret to true happiness.

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