

*FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE HOLY
BAAL SHEM TOV ZTK'L*

*WHEN WE SWEETEN THE GEVUROT EVIL
DECREES DEPART FROM PEOPLE*

**EXTENDING THE DOMAIN OF THE
KEDDUSHA IN THE WORLD**

The students of the Holy Baal Shem Tov ZTK"l, saw in the establishing of the Eruv through the shape of the opening of the door, the way of extending the Kedusha to the Public domain which is the place where the forces of evil rule and thereby making shine the great Keddusha of the Private domain that is done through the posts and to the sharing of the bread they also saw the sweetening of the Gevurot with the Chassadim [For the word ERUV in Hebrew is spelled AYIN YUD REISH VAV BEIT which can be divided into REISH YUD VAV which equals 216 in Gematria just like the word GEVURA, and AYIN BET which equals 72 in Gematria which is equal to the word CHESSED]. And the blessing surrounding the place bound by the Eruv reaches the firmament, and the secrets involved in its establishment are known to those who know the secrets of the Torah and as it is known from the Baal Shem Tov that the Eruv is one of the three things for which the land is full of indignation [according to the verse (CHABAKUK 3:12) : "BE ZAAM TITZAD ARETZ BE AF TADUSH GOYYIM" "You marched through the land in indignation, you threshed the nations in anger" ZAAM has the initials of the Hebrew words ZEVICHA - ERUVIN - MIKVAOT]

(Baal Shem Tov on the Torah, Parashat Yitro)