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**ERETZ ISRAEL
BULLETIN 120**

**WORLD ALLIANCE FOR THE CORRECTION
OF THE SIN OF THE SPIES**

**“LIVING IN ERETZ ISRAEL IS THE EQUIVALENT OF ALL THE
MITZVOT OF THE TORAH” (SIFRE, PARASHAT REE)**

LEARN THE LESSON AND DO NOT FOLLOW ON THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE SPIES

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"One has to accustom oneself to see the acts of Hashem in all of their encompassing wholeness," Rav Tzvi Yehuda said, inviting us to see the world through his eyes. Over and over, he would guide us toward seeing Hashem's hand in history. He taught us to understand that the present cannot be isolated from the future, nor the past Jewish history must be viewed in its whole. We were to gaze down on the world from above, with an encompassing perspective, to see where Divine Providence was heading. In our century, this meant seeing Israel's redemption unfold. How would this look on a satellite photo? An eye focused on the Divine would see lights of Kedusha converging from all over the globe to one special place - the Land of Israel. Just as our prophets had promised thousands of years ago.

This encompassing vision is the vision of Torah which includes everything in the world.(Hashem looked into the Torah and created the world, Bereshit Rabbah, I. "All of the wisdoms of the world are for the sake of the Torah, and are included in it." Gaon of Vilna, Introduction to Paat HaShulchan. See, Maharal, Netivot Olam, Netiv HaTorah, Ch.1: "The Torah is the blueprint of all of the universe") Truth can only be found by perceiving a matter in all of its fullness. If seen in a fragmented light, with glasses shattered by pogroms, and with a vision which has been dimmed by ghetto walls, then Israel indeed seems insignificant when compared to the world's great nations. This same fragmented vision caused the Spies to feel like grasshoppers when confronted with the giants of Hevron (Bamidbar 13:33) It is a vision which doesn't see Hashem's special connection to His nation. Today, Israel has returned to its Land, re-established Jewish sovereignty, and achieved unparalleled success. (From Sefer Torat Eretz Yisrael)

**PLEASE HASHEM SAVE US FROM THE SIN OF THE SPIES WHO SPOKE LASHON
HARA AGAINST ERETZ ISRAEL. LET US CORRECT THE SIN OF “THEY DESPISED
THE DESIRABLE LAND” (TEHILLIM 106) FOR IN THIS WAY WE BRING CLOSER
THE COMPLETE GEULA WHEN YOUR NAME WILL BE SANCTIFIED IN THE
WORLD AND YOUR NATION ISRAEL SHALL BE EXALTED AND YOUR BEIT HA
MIKDASH REBUILT MAY THIS BE SOON IN OUR DAYS, AMEN YEHI RATZON**