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**ERETZ ISRAEL
BULLETIN 276**

**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
FROM THE WRITINGS OF RABBI MEIR DAVID KAHANE ZTKL**

**THE MORE WE SETTLE IN EXILE THE FURTHER WE
DRIFT FROM HASHEM**

The more the majority of the Jewish People - or any one Jew settle down in the exile and become close to the non-Jew, inured to his culture and the quagmire of non-Jewishness, the more they distance themselves from their Torah source, until foreign culture and the thoughts and emotions associated with it become an inseparable part of their normal life; the more they become accustomed to and conformable with foreign culture; the more incapable they become of accepting and believing in G-d's Torah.

Today, masses of exile Jewry have, due to their very presence in a foreign cultural environment, reached a state in which they are really incapable of discerning the Divine truth of G-d's Torah. They have lost the ability to distinguish between the truth of G-d's Torah and gentile falsehood, between good and evil, between life and death.

In this age of great scientific and technological advancement, when materialistic, cosmopolitan "realism" makes assimilation seem acceptable, it is clear that the Jewish captive to foreign culture will not improve his ways. Quite the contrary, he marches along proudly, far from the camp, far from the idea of repenting, almost cut off from every link to his origins. He has lost, so to speak, the power of free choice. He who was earmarked to be like the stars of the heavens, wallows in the mire.

**REMOVING THE EXILE FROM ISRAEL IS TEN TIMES HARDER THAN
REMOVING ISRAEL FROM THE EXILE TO OUR SORROW, THIS
DISEASE HAS EVEN SMITTEN TORAH SCHOLARS.**

**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**