

**ERETZ ISRAEL
BULLETIN 92**

**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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PEOPLE AMONG US WHO PUBLICLY CONDEMN AND
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Thus, my brother, every Jew must speak peace to his nation and avoid dividing the united ones. Our entire salvation depends on this. Therefore, I am extremely saddened that there are still people among us who publicly condemn and antagonize the builders and settlers of the Land. They read, Let Jerusalem know of her abominations (Yechezkel 16:2), and they examine the abominations of our holy mother, [Eretz Yisrael]. They provoke hatred and enmity against her builders by calling them heretics, sinners, and infidels, and by saying that it is forbidden to associate with them. In this way, they bring disunity to the united and prevent the entire nation from unifying through this exceedingly lofty mitzvah [Yishuv Eretz Yisrael]. I call out to you incessantly, O people of Israel, young and old alike: Do not pay attention to such comments, even if they come from a distinguished and important person. He is wrong, and the Master of the World is displeased by such statements. For, as I mentioned above, the actions of these builders, whom the complainers call sinners and rebels, will give rise to exceedingly lofty events, including the elevation of Israel's pride, the elevation of the pride of Mashiach, and the building of the House of David. I also cited our mentors, the Maharal of Prague, the Midrash Shmuel, the Shach, and the Noam Elimelech (who all possessed Ruach HaKodesh) as saying that great and holy things must develop from mundane matters and through sinners. These sacred rabbis are more reliable than all of today's distinguished men. How can these men compare to those "lions"??!

On the contrary, every God-fearing Jew must join the builders in their sacred task. In this way, the religious Jews will enhance the sanctity of the Land after the secular Jews succeeded in initiating the building. Furthermore, the merit of Israel's complete unity will cause HaShem to rest His Shechinah among us. He will then bestow a purifying spirit upon the secular Jews and cause them to return and serve Him wholeheartedly. Thus, the prophet says, And I will remove the iniquity of that Land in one day (Zecharyah 3:9), and HaShem says, Peace, peace for the far and near, says the Lord, and I will heal him (Yeshayah 57:19). That is to say, you will see that you will live peacefully even with those who you call sinners. Building the Land will unite you, for this mitzvah alone is capable of bringing unity, as I explained above, at length. Do not worry [about the secular Jews], for I [God] will heal them with a heavenly spirit of purity. Those who "sanctify themselves" and publicly advocate division, speak out of ignorance, as the brilliant and holy R. Yusha'le of Kutno writes.

**(FROM EM HA BANIM SEMECHA, RABBI YSACHAR SHLOMO TEICHTAL, ZTK'L)
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**