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ERETZ ISRAEL BULLETIN 35

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)

WE HAVE TO INITIATE THE RETURN TO ERETZ ISRAEL, THEN HASHEM FINISHES THE PROCESS

The essential point is that HaShem is waiting for us to take the initiative, to desire and long for the return to Eretz Yisrael. He does not want us to wait for Him to bring us there. He, therefore, told us, And I will truly implant them in this Land. That is to say, when we, of our own volition, truly and with all our strength, desire and strive [to return to the Land], then God will bring our work to a successful end.

The Zohar writes in a similar vein. Although King Shlomo's Temple was erected miraculously, the Holy One Blessed be He waited for our Initiative and only then completed the edifice (Zohar 1:74a). The same is true of settling Eretz Yisrael. We must strive with a11 our might, to the best. of our abilities, and then HaShem will complete our handiwork. May the pleasantness of the Lord be upon us to establish and bring success to the work of our hands...

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

"Furthermore, human intellect dictates that we initiate the process of redeeming the Land, and then HaShem will complete it. One must understand the great importance of this matter, for the evil forces (kelipah) gain strength even among the most righteous individuals in order to nullify this good. This is so because the kelipah's entire strength depends on exile; when the exile dissolves, so will the kelipah, as the Talmud states in Sukkah (52a).

Your beloved friend, Eliyahu, son of our master R. Shlomo zt"l, of Greiditz.

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