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**ERETZ ISRAEL
BULLETIN 133**

**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

**THE ENTIRE LAND BELONGS TO THE HOLY ONE
BLESSED BE HE”, HE CREATED IT AND HE CHOOSE
TO GIVE IT TO WHOM IT SEEMED RIGHT IN HIS EYES”**

**In the beginning (Bereshit) G-d created the Heavens
and the earth” (Bereshit 1:1)**

Rashi comments: "Rabbi Ytzchak said: The Torah did not need to start from Bereshit but from "This month is the first of the months for you"(Shemot 12:2) for it is the first Mitzvah that Israel was commanded. Why does the Torah start with Bereshit? Because "The strength of his acts He declared to His people TO GIVE TO THEM THE INHERITANCE OF THE NATIONS" (Tehillim 111:6) For if the nations of the world say to Israel: You are thieves for you conquered the land of seven nations, the Jews will be able to respond to the nations of the world: The entire Land belongs to The Holy One Blessed be He”, He created it and He choose to give it to whom it seemed right in His eyes” According to His will, He gave it to the seven nations, and according to His will, He took it from them and gave it to us”

Rav Kook said: "We are commanded to conquer the Land, but the truth is that we didn't take away from the Arabs any aspect of rule or sovereignty over Eretz Yisrael, and we didn't expel them from here. The Land was in the hands of the Turks, who then turned it over to the British, who were to help us establish a State. The Arabs ran away on their own."

"In our returning... to the Land of our forefathers, this Eretz HaKodesh of our life, we didn't take from the Arabs who dwelled here in the Land's desolation, any governmental rule, for they didn't have any here. Rather, we returned to the Land with the collapse of the foreign government who temporarily ruled over it." "Also, something which is not known to everyone, we didn't expel them from their residences here in our Land and inheritance from our forefathers...rather they themselves, whether from cowardice or exaggerated fear, or from the invention of political schemes, and the multiplication of lies, and the creation of 'refugee camps' in the eyes of the world, near and far - they fled from and abandoned several of the areas where they lived." HaRav Tzvi Yehuda Kook, in the public proclamation, "You Shall Know!" (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**