### THE STUDY OF THE ZOHAR HA KADDOSH

#### **BULLETIN 20**

"Because of this work, the Book of the Zohar, [the Jews] will be redeemed from exile" Zohar ha Kaddosh (3, 124b)

# THE REAL WAY OF THE BAAL SHEM TOV

The Baal Shem Tov required his students that before Tefillah they should learn a passage from the Zohar and the Tikkunim

(Likkute Torah Tchernobyl Hadracha Zain)

# THE DEGEL MACHANE EPHRAIM HIS GRANDSON SAYS

To explain how the Zohar purifies the soul even when the reader doesn't understand what he says, we have the example of he who enters a perfume store, even if he doesn't buy any perfume, when he leaves the store, he has the smell attached to him (Degel Machane Ephraim to the Likutim, 5)

# REBBE NACHMAN, HIS GREAT GRANDSON SAYS

The study of Zohar is extremely beneficial. Through studying the Zohar, you can attain enthusiasm for all your sacred studies. The very language of the Zohar is so holy, it can motivate you to serve G-d. The Zohar uses most forceful expressions in speaking about our duty toward G-d. When speaking of a person who does good, the Zohar says 'Zakah ...Worthy is he!' On the other hand, it cries out against a sinner, 'Vai!... Woe! Woe is to him! Woe is to the soul who strays from serving G-d!' Reading such expressions can greatly influence you to serve G-d. When he used it in the Zohar, Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai made the Aramaic Targum Language so holy that even other things written in this language have the power to arouse a person toward G-d. (Rabbi Nachman's Wisdom 108-109)