

"Earth" – Israel Museum, Youth Wing, Feb 1998 – Jan 1999

Installation - Israela Hargil

Bread from the earth (a loaf of black "subsidized" bread) and Manna from heaven – to be handed out to the hungry; will this social dream, born when the children of Israel wandered in the desert, ever come true? In his story, "Solon in Lydia," T. Herzl doubts whether "bread abundantly available to people without the sweat of labor" would bring joy.

In the future, when the technology for increasing rain provides human beings with easily available cheap bread, will we know how to use this gift with wisdom?

The "cloud-seeding generator" discharges silver iodide into the atmosphere, at once a blessing and a curse. It is already increasing the rain by 15% today but when it penetrates the earth, and from there the food growing in it, it is a carrier of poison.

We hope that in the future – when we are able to shower dry places with the desired quantities of water at the required times – that the advantages will outweigh the disadvantages and we will have bread in abundance.