

Another answer to the question...

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On this verse, “God spoke to Moshe on Mount Sinai, saying” (Leviticus 25:1), Rashi brings the following question of our Sages.

“mah inyan shmitah etzel Har Sinai?” “What does the Sabbatical year have to do with Mount Sinai?”

I would like to answer the following:

“Israel encamped [vy’yichan] there, opposite the mountain [Sinai]” (Exodus 19:2). Rashi comments: As one person, with one heart. So, just as receiving the Torah called for a high degree of Jewish unity, keeping the Land of Israel also requires a high degree of unity.

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