



## **Parshas Achrei Mos**

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In the beginning of the Parsha it says (16,1-2) “And Hashem spoke to Moshe after the death of Aharon’s two sons when they approached in front of Hashem and they died”, and the next Pasuk says “And Hashem spoke to Moshe...”. Why does it say “Hashem spoke” and then “Hashem said “? That seems very extra?!

Rashi explains why it mentions Aharon’s two son’s dying. He brings a parable to a sick patient who has two doctors. One says - “Don’t eat cold foods or sleep in damp places.” The other says the same instructions, but adds “or else you’ll die like so and so.” Over here, it’s talking about how Aharon shouldn’t go into the Kodesh Kedoshim, and to make Aharon more careful, Hashem gave an example of people dying for not being careful about his halacha.

The Toras Kohanim uses this to explain why it says “Hashem said”, and “Hashem spoke”. There were several steps to the command. First, Hashem says “Don’t go to the Kodesh Kedoshim.” Then he added, “Or you die.” Then he added again, “Or else you’ll die like Aharon’s two sons.” (The third command is learned from a different Pasuk.) Each additional command makes you much more careful about the Halacha. But why should that 3rd step help? If Hashem himself tells you “If you do this, you’ll die, you wouldn’t listen? You wouldn’t believe Hashem?! Hashem needs to give an example?!

It seems like to achieve full clarity we need examples and pictures and someone to point out to us specific examples we can see!