

"And Bnei Yisrael journeyed from the springs of Bnei Yaakon to Mosera, there Aharon died." (11:6)

The *Ramban* suggests that *Har Ha'Har*, upon which Aharon died, was actually a mountain ridge stretching from *Mosera* to *Kadesh*. Aharon climbed up to the ridge in *Kadesh* and died on top opposite *Mt. Mosera*. This explanation resolves the apparent contradiction concerning the place of Aharon's demise, *Mosera* or *Har Ha'Har*.

Horav Yekusiel Grunwald, z.l., offers a homiletic rendering of this *pasuk* which suggests a profound message. *Mosera* was the place where brother fought against brother with casualties falling on each side. After Aharon's death, the Clouds of Glory departed, causing much consternation among *Bnei Yisrael*. Afraid of war with the king of Arad, the people appointed a chief to take them back to Egypt. In *Mosera*, the tribe of *Levi* battled against them. In the ensuing battle, both sides suffered. The first blood to be shed between brothers was in *Mosera*. In reality, the spirit of Aharon, which is synonymous with peace, departed in *Mosera*. Even when a person physically dies, his spirit and legacy can live on in the heart and mind of his followers. His demise is final only when this spirit no longer serves as an inspiration to others.