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In Parshas Shemos, Hashem told Moshe Rabeinu,
To speak to the Yidden and to Pharaoh too.
Moshe said, "I am heavy of mouth and heavy of tongue," my speech is slow,
Let the leader who will actually bring the Yidden into Eretz Yisrael, be the one to go.

In Parshas Vaeira, the conversation is repeated seemingly,
This time Moshe says, "I am of closed lips so how will Pharaoh listen to me?"
Hashem replied, "I have made you a master over Pharaoh, you'll see,
And your spokesman, Aharon, your brother, will be."

"You shall speak to Pharaoh, all that to you I command,
And Aharon your brother will speak to him to let the Yidden out of his land."
Rashi says, "One time, you should state the message of every mission,
And Aharon will explain it in the ears of Pharaoh by giving interpretation."

In Shemos, Moshe thought that with great difficulty he could fulfill his mission,
And Aharon would come along to help out because of his limitation.
But then in Parshas Vaeira, Moshe came to the conclusion,
That his lips were sealed, so from going to Pharaoh, he wanted an exemption.

Moshe thought that if he would go to Pharaoh there would be no gain,
Because if he would appear before Pharaoh and silent he would remain,
Then unproductive and harmful would be his presence,
Because Pharaoh would think that Moshe agreed with him because of his silence.

To this new complaint, Hashem did reply,
 "You shall speak," I will give you that ability from on High.
 Since you are fulfilling my mission,
 I promise that the power to speak you'll be given.

To convince Pharaoh with an explanation and reason,
 Wasn't Moshe's obligation.
 Moshe had to give the message over as Hashem's emissary,
 One time, in Hebrew, the way he heard it from Hashem exactly.

But Pharaoh didn't know Hebrew we know already,
 Therefore we learn from Rashi,
 That for every message, Aharon had a double role so great,
 He had to translate and make sure that in Pharaoh's ears it would penetrate.

If Pharaoh could not understand what Moshe was saying,
 Then what was the benefit of Moshe speaking?
 Moshe's facial expressions would show that to harsh words he was listening,
 And upon Pharaoh, pain and suffering he would be afflicting.

From the wine of Torah, a deeper dimension we can see,
 The reason that Moshe couldn't speak properly,
 To the extent that "he was heavy of mouth and heavy of tongue," physically,
 Was because of his intense humility.

But "Closed lips," is a level of humility that is even greater,
 Because Moshe reached a place where he had no sense of self whatsoever.
 Therefore he was the only one who was given the power,
 To break the mighty Kelipa/shell of Pharaoh and be the redeemer!

To fight the Kelipa within, every Jew has the ability,
 Because we each possess a spark of Moshe's quality of humility.
 How much more so does this apply to the entire Jewish nation,
 The force to overcome concealments is given to the Moshe of each generation.

Although the era before the coming of Moshiach is as dark as can be,
 When we attach ourselves to the Moshe of our generation we have no reason to worry.
 When we learn his teachings and follow in his ways,
 We will overcome this Galus and we will merit Moshiach's days!
