「顔」を伴う前置詞句の用法 ― מפני を例に ―

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Haruki HIRATSUKA, "Prepositional Phrases that Contain ABSTRACT 'Face': The Case of mippene." In biblical Hebrew, body part nouns are often combined with prepositions. Among them are prepositional phrases that contain the word 'face,' such as lipnē, 'al-penē, mippene and millipnē. Such phrases are sometimes called "complex-prepositions" or "pseudoprepositions." The literal, nominal meaning of *panim* is lost, or transformed into a figurative one, in such phrases. In opposition to analyses which see complex-prepositions in these phrases, I demonstrate that, in the case of $mipp^e ne$, the nominal value of $p\bar{a}n\hat{i}m$ is not lost or altered in most contexts. In some cases, the min of mippene is combined with a verb or preceding noun to form a collocation. In other cases, the pānîm of mippene appears in word-pairs. I show that, in these cases, the meaning of pānîm is retained. The remaining occurrences of *mippene* may be analyzed as cases of "complex-prepositions." This study shows that previous studies may have pre-maturely concluded that prepositional phrases containing pānîm were complex-prepositions. The implication of this study is that, it may be found that other prepositional phrases containing "face" may also retain the nominal value, if analyzed with the same methodology as the present study.