Irad Kimhi (Chicago) "Propositions Show What They Say (A Philosophical Puzzle.)"



Abstract: L. Wittgenstein made the following two remarks in his Tractatus:

1. What can be shown cannot be said (TLP. 4.1222)

2. Propositions show what they say (TLP. 4.461)

There appears to be a flat-out contradiction between these remarks. I will argue that the resolution of this puzzle is the key to the theory of saying and showing which L. Wittgenstein describes as "the cardinal problem of philosophy."

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