וַיִּמָּאֵן לָסוּר וַיַּכֵּהוּ אַבְנֵרׄ בְּאַחֲרֵי הַחֲנִית אֶל הַחֹמֶשׁ וַתֵּצֵא הַחֲנִית מֵאַחֲרָיו וַיִּפָּל שָׁם וַיָּמָת תחתו תַּחְתָּיו וַיְהִי plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigהָיָה

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The word הָיָה means “to exist” or “to be” or “to become” or “to come into being” and occurs 3561 times in the Old Testament.

This is the foundational verb of existence, identity, becoming and occurrence.

* It is used in the creation narrative of Genesis 1, represented by the English words Genesis 1:3Exodus 3:12Ruth 1:1Isaiah 2:2 כָּל הַבָּא אֶל הַמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר נָפַל שָׁם עֲשָׂהאֵל וַיָּמֹת וַיַּעֲמִדוּ

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