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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 1:3 Exodus 3:12 Ruth 1:1 Isaiah 2:2 וַאֲשֶׁתִּמָּרָה לוֹ תָּמִים plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip__big Examples

שָׁמַר

Meaning:

* To guard * To protect * To keep * To observe * To attend

The verb שָׁמַר occurs about 470 times in the Old Testament.

Central in covenant language. God “keeps” His covenant promises, and His people are called to Deuteronomy 7:9 Psalm 121:7 Deuteronomy 7:11 Psalm 127:1 Luke 2:19 מְעֹנֵי

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