

אתָּ [plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big](#)אֶתְּ בְיוֹם הַהוּא אֶתְּ

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The Hebrew אֶתְּ word does not have a corresponding word in English. In Hebrew, it is a marker of the accusative, i.e. the word following it is the object of the sentence.

For example, in Genesis 1:1 the word is preceded by אֶרֶץ [plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big](#)אֶרֶץ אֱלֹהִים (אֶרֶץ)

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Meaning:

* Earth (e.g. Genesis 1:1) or world * Land * Countries or country

The word אֶרֶץ can designate the whole of planet earth, or the inhabitable world or the national territory or ground.

When coupled with heavens (שָׁמַיִם), the phrase indicates the entire created order. Genesis 12:1 [גִּשְׁן](#) הָיָה אֶרֶץ עֲמִיד עָלֶיהָ לְבִלְתִּי הָיֹתָ [plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big](#)הָיָה

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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 [יְהוָה](#) כִּי אֲנִי יְהוָה [plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big](#)יְהוָה

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Meaning

* Yahweh - God's personal name

It is not a generic term for “god”, but rather the word יְהוָה (YHWH) is the name by which God uniquely identifies himself in the Old Testament.

First appearing in Genesis 2:4, it occurs over 6,000 times in the Old Testament. Exodus 3:14 Deuteronomy 6:4 Psalm 23:1 Romans 10:13 Joel 2:32 Exodus 20:7 Psalm 18:1 Exodus 15:3 Psalm 8:1 Genesis 2:41 Samuel 1:3 Judges 6:24 Genesis 22:14 Jeremiah 23:6 [בְּקִרְבִּי](#) [plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big](#)קִרְבִּי

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Meaning

* Midst * Among * Within * Inwardly * The centre, whether literal, figurative or adverbial

Masculine noun. Occurs over 250 times in the Old Testament.

From the root קָרַב, meaning “to come near, approach.” So קָרַב is a noun form built from the verb
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