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Genesis 1:1

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Meanings:

* Beginning * Finest (or choice) * First (first fruits) * Principal thing

Embraces the idea of beginnings, first part, chief value and first-fruits. The context determines the specific meaning.

Derived from ראש

Feminine, noun בְּרָאplugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_bigבָּרָא

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Meaning:

* To create * To cut down, select, feed

Bara is a verb that is never takes a human subject; God is always the one who creates in the Old Testament. In contrast, עָשֶׁה (to make or do) and יָצֵר (to form and to build) do often have humans as the subject. אֱלֹהֶים plugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_big

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Meanings:

* God * god * goddess * divine ones * angels

Noun, masculine אֱת plugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_big אֱת

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Meanings:

* Heaven or heavens * Sky * Compass

Masculine noun. The word is dual in form (ending in יָם-ַ) which normally indicates two things (like eyes and hands), however, however it functions as a plural. Deuteronomy 10:14 states that Genesis 1:20Psalm 115:3 אֲתּם plugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_big».

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Meaning:

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

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

When coupled with heavens (שַׁמֵיִם), the phrase indicates the entire created order.Genesis 12:1

ESV In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

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Preposition meaning "in". ἀρχῆplugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_bigἀρχή

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Meaning:

* Beginning * First * Elementary * Rulers, rule, domain

Noun, feminine (first declension)

Occurs 56 times in the New Testament, consistently conveying the idea of primacy - whether temporal (i.e. the start, e.g. John 1:1) or causal (i.e. the source) or governmental (i.e. the ruler, e.g. Ephesians 6:12 $\frac{1}{6}$ ποίησενρlugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_bigποιέω

Meaning:

* To do * To make

This verb - to do or make - is used in connection with a large range of activities including creation, covenant formation, obedience, miracles, sin and worship.

Verb forms

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The definite article θεὸςplugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_bigθεὸς

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Masculine noun meaning:

LXX

* A god or goddess * God τὸνρlugin-autotooltip default plugin-autotooltip bigὁ

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The definite article οὐρανὸνρlugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_bigοὐρανός

Meaning:

* The sky * Air * Heaven or heavens

278 occurrences in the New Testament.

Οὐρανός is used in Scripture to describe the sky and universe (that is, the visible expanse above the earth) as well as the transcendent realm where God is present. For example, in Matthew 6:26Matthew 24:29Matthew 6:9 καὶplugin-autotooltip default plugin-autotooltip bigκαί

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Meaning

* And * Also * Both * Even * Too * So

ls a conjunction that connects single words or terms or sentences. IT is most frequently translated as "and" τὴνρluginautotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigo

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The definite article γῆνρlugin-autotooltip_default plugin-autotooltip_bigγῆ

Meaning:

* Soil or ground (e.g. Matthew 13:5) * Land (e.g. Luke 4:5) * Country * Earth (e.g. Matthew 5:5)

Feminine noun. Connected to the English words "ground", "geometry" and "geology".

It occurs throughout the LXX and the New Testament (approximately 250 times in the New Testament) and its meaning varies subtly on context, for example, in the LXX:Genesis 1:1Genesis 2:7Genesis 12:1

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In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

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