

ברך גְּדוֹל וְאַבְרָכָה וְאַעֲשֶׂה לְגוֹי גְּדוֹל וְאַבְרָכָה plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big

Meaning

* To kneel * To bless God as an act of adoration * To bless man as a benefit * Sometimes, to curse

Verb, appearing approximately 330 times in the Old Testament.

The word בָּרַךְ marks important moments of covenant, worship, inheritance and hope. Genesis 1:28 Psalm 103:1 Numbers 6:24 וְהָיָה שְׁמִי וְהָיָה וְהָיָה שְׁמִי וְהָיָה plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big

hebrew

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 בְּרָכָה

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