

את־אֶרֶץ יִסְּרָאֵל לְקַבֵּר אֶת־
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The Hebrew אֶת 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. It only ever occurs in conjunction with nouns associated with the definite article הַ. Genesis 1:1 אֶבְרָחָם וְגַדְלוֹ אֹתוֹ כָּל עַבְדֵי פְרַעְהָ זָקְנֵי בֵיתוֹ וְכָל

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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 מִצְרַיִם

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