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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 אָרָץ plugin-autotooltip\_\_default plugin-autotooltip\_big אָרָץ

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Meaning:

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

The word אָרָץ 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 בְּיָמֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵינוּ plugin-autotooltip\_\_default plugin-autotooltip\_big אֱלֹהֵינוּ

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Meanings:

\* God \* god \* goddess \* divine ones \* angels

Noun, masculine אֱלֹהִים וְיִלְדֵי לֵהֶם הָמָּה הַגִּבּוֹרִים אֲשֶׁר מַעֲוֹלָם אֲנָשֵׁי הַשָּׁם

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