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The word הִיָּה 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 קָרַב plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big קָרַב

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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 Exodus 17:7 Psalm 103:1 אֶרֶץ plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big 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 בְּתוֹךְ הָעַמִּים כְּנָקָה זֵית פְּעוּלָלֶת אִם כָּלָה בְּצִיר

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