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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 הִיָּה מִן הַיָּמִים הַהֵם plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big הִיָּה

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Meaning:

* Face * Presence * Front or surface

Noun. Masculine. Although it looks plural in form (ending in -ים), it is almost always used as a singular in meaning - a type of plural of intensity or plural of form common in Hebrew for body parts that come in pairs or have multiple aspects. הָרַעַב וְהַחֲרִיב וְאֵין מִקְבֵּל לְהִמָּה הִמָּה נְשִׂיָּהּ וּבְנֵיהֶם וּשְׂפָכְתִּי עֲלֵיהֶם plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big אֵת

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The Hebrew אֵת 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 רָעַתָּם

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