

Matthew 8:30

	ἦν greek εἰμί is the first person singular verb for “to be” (εἶναι [the infinitive form] = “to be”). It an irregular verb, and, like English, changes significantly between person and tense. For example εἰμί is the word for am and ἦν is the word for was, e.g. δέ greek δέ is a conjunction that can mean “but” or “and” or “also” or “moreover”. It is a word that is used very frequently in the New Testament, and is often unexpressed and not translated in English. μακρὰν ἀπ’ αὐτῶν greek Meaning * He, she, it * Himself, herself, itself * Same Personal pronoun (reflexive). Occurs more than 5,000 times in the New Testament. Core uses Function English Equivalent Typical Translation Example (Greek) Example (English) ἀγγέλη χοίρων πολλῶν βοσκομένη.
ESV	Now a herd of many pigs was feeding at some distance from them.
NIV	Some distance from them a large herd of pigs was feeding.
NLT	There happened to be a large herd of pigs feeding in the distance.
KJV	And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding.

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