

Genesis 1:1 – B'reshith 1:1

“In the beginning Elohim (God) created the heavens and the earth.”

❖ **Focus of verse: Elohim** אֱלֹהִים

➤ **Title of our creator**

- **Yahuah** יהוה is His name (Exodus 3:15, Isaiah 42:8)

- **Yod-hey-vav-hey – YHWH (YaHūàH)**

- ♦ **Tetragrammaton (the four letters)**

- Means ‘Existing one’, ‘He who brings being into being’, or ‘He who causes to exist’
- Found in the Dead Sea Scrolls written in Paleo Hebrew יְיָוָה
- Oldest source, the Mesha Stele, dates back to 840 BCE
- His name is a memorial (Exodus 3:15, Hosea 12:4-5, Psalms 135:13) as the savior of Israel (Exodus 20:2, 1 Samuel 10:18)
 - Yahuah is salvation (Isaiah 43:3)
 - Exodus 6:2-4 - Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob knew Him as El Shaddai

- ♦ Appears 1,419 times in the Torah and 5,410 in the Bible

➤ **‘im’ is also the “plural of majesty” that denotes greatness**

- **Greatness**

- **He is above ALL**

- ♦ **Omnipotent: all powerful (Daniel 4:35)**
- ♦ **Omnipresence: everywhere all at once (Jeremiah 23:24)**
- ♦ **Omniscient: all knowing (Job 38:42)**
- ♦ **Omnibenevolent: all good**

➤ **‘im’ makes it a masculine plural noun meaning “more than one”**

- **Because it is adjoined to the singular verb bârâ’, Elohim becomes singular also.**

- **There is only one God**

- ♦ **However, Yahuah is both more than one and great**

- **More than one =**

- **Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Psalm 110:1, 2 Corinthians 13:14)**
 - **Trinity of manifestations (not three separate, co-equal persons)**

- ♦ **Genesis 1:1 Targums translation:**

- **“From the beginning with wisdom, the Memra of the Lord created and perfected the heavens and the earth.”**

- **“Wisdom was created before all other things...” (Sirach 1:4)**

- **Memra = Word**

- **Capitalized means personhood**
- **The Word is Elohim (Isaiah 9:6, John 1:1)**
- **The Word became flesh (John 1:14)**
- **The Word is Yahusha (Jesus) (John 10:30)**
- **Yahusha created all things (John 1:3, Colossians 1:16)**
 - ♦ **Yahusha existed before matter, the angelic host, and anything else was created (Colossians 1:17)**

List of Yahuah's Attributes

Self existence (Romans 1:19-20, Acts 17:23-29, Hebrews 11:3)

Knowledge (Psalm 19:2, Isaiah 40:12-26, 55:9)

Self-sufficiency (Isaiah 66:1-2, Acts 17:24-25)

Holiness (Exodus 15:11, Job 22:12-16, 25:4-6)

Majesty (Psalms 8:14, 111:1-4, 113, Nehemiah 9:6, Revelation 14:7)

Faithfulness (Psalms 36:5-6, 85:11, 89:8-12, 119:90, Lamentations 3:21-23)

Patience (Matt 5:45, 2 Peter 3:5-9)

Omnipresence/science (Job 38:42, Psalm 139)

Justice (Genesis 3:17-19, Job 9, Psalms 96)

Sovereignty (Psalm 46, 74, 104, 135, Job 38:42, Isaiah 55:10-11)

Righteousness (Psalm 50:3-6, 85:10-13, 97, 111)

Power/omnipotence (Psalm 145:10-13, Habakkuk 3,

Grace (Genesis 9:8-17, Psalm 121, Matthew 6:25-34, Romans 1:19-20)

Truth (Psalm 57:9-11, 85:10-13, 108:4, 2 Peter 3:3-7)

Wisdom (Psalm 104 esp. vs. 24, Proverbs 3:19-20, 8)

Goodness (Psalm 65, 67, 85, 103, 104, Acts 14:15-17)

Glory (Psalm 19, Isaiah 6:3)

Eternality/Immutability (Psalm 99:1-6, 102:25-27, Proverbs 8:22-31)

Mercy (Psalm 145:8-10, Psalm 113)

Wrath (Genesis 6:9, 2 Peter 3:3-13)

Ruler/lawgiver (Job 38:31-33, Psalm 33:6-9, 135, 147)

Trinity (Proverbs 8:22-31, Proverbs 30:4, Hebrews 1:1-3)

Loving kindness (Psalm 33:4-7, 107, 119:64, 136)

Verse breakdown:

English	the earth.	and	the heaven		God	created	In the beginning
Hebrew	אָרֶץ / הָ	וְ / וְ	שָׁמַיִם / הָ	אֵת	אֱלֹהִים	בָּרָא	בְּ / רֵאשִׁית
Phonetic	hā'āreṣ	v'ēṭ	haššāmayim	'ēṭ	'ēlōhîm	bārā'	b'rē'sîṭ
Strong's	H776	H853	H8064	H853	H430	H1254	H7225
Base Word	אָרֶץ	וְ	שָׁמַיִם	אֵת	אֱלֹהִים	בָּרָא	רֵאשִׁית
Phonetic	'ereṣ	'ēṭ	šāmayim	'ēṭ	'ēlōhîm	bārā'	rē'sîṭ

❖ In the beginning: B'reshith

- **Word in Hebrew:** בְּרֵאשִׁית b'rē'sîṭ
 - **Bet-reish-aleph-shin-yod-tav**
 - **Bet before root word means *in***
- **Root word:** בְּרֵאשִׁית
 - **Reish-aleph-shin: Rosh**
 - **means head or beginning**
- **Yahuah existed before He created our world**
 - **He exists outside of time, space, and matter**
 - **Time: “In the beginning”**
 - ♦ **Past, present, future**
 - **Space: “the heavens”**
 - ♦ **Length, width, height**
 - **Matter: “the earth”**
 - ♦ **Solid, liquid, gas**
 - **All matter is made up of atoms**
 - **Man cannot create or destroy matter**
- **Also contains the words:**
 - **bar בְּרֵאשִׁית**
 - ♦ **bet-reish**
 - **Noun: begotten son(s)**
 - **bārā' (baw-raw') בְּרֵאשִׁית**
 - ♦ **Bet-reish-aleph**
 - **Noun: Creator, Son of God (John 1:3)**
 - **Qal tense stands for divine creation**

Creator (bara')

בְּרֵאשִׁית

⠠ Hebrew name: BEYT. Picture: Tent. Meaning: Family. Tent provides cover for family

⠠ Hebrew name: RESH. Picture: Head of a man. Meaning: Top, first in rank..

⠠ Hebrew name: AL. Picture: Head of an ox. Meaning: Strong..

⠠ (God) ⠠ (Son)

Son of God

For by Him (Yeshua) all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth (Col. 1:16)

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- **’êsh (aysh) בְּרֵאשִׁית**

- ♦ **Aleph-Shin**

- **Noun: fire, flames, supernatural fire, Yah’s anger (fig.)**

- **Possible correlation to the big bang theory**

- **Because B’reshith contains the words bârâ’ and ’êsh, it implies fire was involved during the creating process.**

- **shay (shah'-ee) בְּרֵאשִׁית**

- ♦ **Shin-Yod**

- **Noun: gift, present, gift offered as homage**

- **shiyth (sheeth) בְּרֵאשִׁית**

- ♦ **Shin-Yod-Tav**

- **To put/set, fix, made (Qal)**

- **To be imposed, be set upon**

- **Alternate meaning reading from right to left in Paleo Hebrew**

					
Family House In	First Top Beginning	Strong Power Leader	Sharp Press Destroy	Work Throw Finished work	Mark Sign Monument

- **The Temple of Elohim will be destroyed by His own hand on the cross**

- ♦ **Salvation through the sacrifice of Messiah is hidden in the first word of Scripture**

- **John 2:19-21 “Jesus answered and said unto them, ‘Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.’ Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days? But he spake of the temple of his body.”**

- **Only Yahusha has the authority to destroy himself**

- **Was the ‘beginning’ part of the first day?**

- **Word for word reading of the first verse leaves the impression that the ‘beginning’ may have occurred prior to the first day.**
 - **The ‘beginning’ can also be read in conjunction with the verses that follow, which lead up to the end of the seventh day.**
 - **Interpretation should be left up to the reader. When the “beginning’ actually occurred is not a salvation issue.**

- **Created**

- **Word in Hebrew: בָּרָא bârâ’ (baw-raw')**

- **Bet-reish-aleph**

- ♦ **Verb: create, shape, form**

- **Creation of matter (atoms)**

- **Son of Elohim**

➤ **Elohim**

- **Word in Hebrew:** אֱלֹהִים 'ēlôhîm (el-o-heem)

- **Aleph-lamed-hey-yod-mem**

- ♦ **Noun: gods, rulers, judges, angels**
 - **Capitalized is the One true God**

- **Also contains the words:**



- **'el (ale) אֵל**

- ♦ **Aleph-lamed**
 - **Shortened version of Elohim**

- **yām (yawm) יָם**

- ♦ **Yod-mem**
 - **A sea or large body of water**

- **Alternate reading in Paleo Hebrew:**

				
Water	Work	Look	Teach	Strong
Chaos	Throw	Behold	Learn	Power
Mighty	A Finished	Reveal	Yoke	Leader
Blood	Work	Breath	Tongue	

waters

God

- **Elohim of the sea or Elohim of many waters (Psalm 29:3, Isaiah 17:13, Rev. 14.2)**

- **Symbolic meaning of water scripture**
 - ♦ **People, the masses or multitudes of people**
 - ♦ **The Holy Spirit is Living Water**

➤ **Unspoken word**

- **'ēṭ (ayth) אֵת**

- **Aleph-tav**

- ♦ **Refers to Yahuah and Yahusha (Isaiah 44:6, Revelation 1:8, 22:13)**
 - **Exactly middle of the verse linking Yahusha to Elohim (1 Timothy 2:5)**

- **Alternate reading in Paleo Hebrew:**



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- **Strength of the Covenant**
- **Position in sentence is symbolic of the 4th millennium crucifixion of Yahusha**

➤ **Heavens**

- **Word in Hebrew: haššāmayim (shaw-mah'-yim) הַשָּׁמַיִם**
 - **He-shin-mem-yod-mem**
 - ♦ 'The prefix of 'he' means 'the'
 - **dual of an unused singular הָשָׁמַיִם shāmeh; from an unused root meaning to be lofty; the sky (as aloft; the dual perhaps alluding to the visible arch in which the clouds move, as well as to the higher ether where the celestial bodies revolve):—air, × astrologer, heaven(-s). Visible heavens or sky.**
 - ♦ **The immediate atmosphere of earth**
 - **Heaven, as the abode of Yahuah**
 - ♦ **Was not created**
 - The third heaven always existed as the dwelling place of Yahuah
 - Is unseen
 - New heaven and new earth come from the 3rd heaven (John 14:2, Rev. 21)
- **Also contains the words:**
 - **HâShêm (haw-shame') הַשֵּׁם**
 - ♦ **He-shin-mem**
 - **The Name**
 - **What Jews call Yahuah**
 - **mayim (mah'-yim) מַיִם**
 - ♦ **Mem-yod-mem**
 - **Water**
 - **yâm (yawm) יָמִים**
 - ♦ **yod-mem**
 - **sea**

➤ **And**

- **v'ēṭ (veh-ayth) וְעֵת**
 - **Vav-aleph-tav**
 - ♦ **Conjunctive vav meaning 'and'**
 - In Paleo Hebrew the letter is and means "hook"
 - ♦ **Combined with 'ēṭ**
 - Implies spiritual and earthly connection
 - Connecting force of Elohim that binds heaven and earth together

➤ **Earth**

- **'ereṣ (eh'-rets) אֶרֶץ**
 - **He-aleph-reish-tsadey**
 - ♦ **from an unused root probably meaning to be firm; the earth (at large, or partitively a land):—× common, country, earth, field, ground, land, × natins, way, + wilderness, world.**
 - ♦ **Whole earth (as opposed to a part)**
 - ♦ **Earth (as opposed to heaven)**

❖ **Video studies for Genesis 1:1:**

- [**In The Beginning - Part 1: Genesis 1:1 @ Corner Fringe Ministries**](#)
- [**In The Beginning - Part 2: The Divine Godhead @ Corner Fringe Ministries**](#)
- [**Lesson 1 - Genesis Introduction @ Torah Class**](#)
- [**Lesson 2 - Genesis 1 @ Torah Class**](#)
- [**In The Beginning: Genesis 1:1-2 @ Olive Branch Fellowship**](#)
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