

In þe bigynnyng god made of nouȝt  
heuene and erthe.

Forsothe the erthe was idel and voide,  
and derknessis weren on the face of depthe;  
and the sþirit of the lord was borun on the  
wattris.

And god seide, Liȝt be maad, and liȝt  
was maad.

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**Wattris** – waters /ˈwɔːtəz/ (n.): Old English *wæter*,  
from Proto-Germanic \*it(watr)- (source also of Old Saxon  
*watar*, Old Frisian *it(wetir)*, Dutch *it(water)*, Old High  
German *it(wazzar)*, German *it(Wasser)*, Old Norse *it(vatn)*,  
Gothic *it(wato) water*), from Proto Indo-European \*it(wod-  
or), suffixed form of root \*it(wed)- water; wet.

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