

Re: [Hebrew] dagesh qal – special case question

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Dr. Joel M. Hoffman:

> Are there any other words of the form B'RAXA that get a dagesh in the
> construct case?

The harvest is a bit poor: only one word with the same pattern as "brakha", to wit "nedava", and this one has the construct form "nidvat" (Dtn.16:10) without Dagesh. Well, a sample size of two is not too large to do statistics ...

Anyway, the idea that "brakha" could be an exception instead of a paradigm for a rule cannot be refuted—nor corroborated by this data.

The exact search pattern was 'I[^AFE"IOU]:[BGDKPT][.]?[/]?[AF]\d*T', that is: Chireq then consonant then Schwa then Begadkefat then optional Dagesh then optional morpheme separator (an addition by the editor of the Bible text) then Patach or Qamats then optional taamey hamiqra then Taw. As there are many false hits, I had to screen manually and may have missed more potential examples, but there cannot be many of them.

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