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Now these were the sons of David, which were born unto him in Hebron; the firstborn Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; the second Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitess:

The third, Absalom the son of Maachah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur: the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith:

The fifth, Shephatiah of Abital: the sixth, Ithream by Eglah his wife.

These six were born unto him in Hebron; and there he reigned seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years.

And these were born unto him in Jerusalem; Shimea, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, four, of Bath-shua the daughter of Ammiel:

Ibhar also, and Elishama, and Eliphelet,

And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine.

These were all the sons of David, beside the sons of the concubines, and Tamar their sister.

And Solomon's son

was Rehoboam, Abia his son, Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son,

Joram his son, Ahaziah his son, Joash his son,

Amaziah his son, Azariah his son, Jotham his son,

Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his son,

Amon his son, Josiah his son.

And the sons of Josiah

were, the firstborn Johanan, the second Jehoiakim, the third Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum.

And the sons of Jehoiakim: Jeconiah his son, Zedekiah his son.

And the sons of Jeconiah; Assir, Salathiel his son,

Malchiram also, and Pedaiah, and Shenazar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.

And the sons of Pedaiah

were, Zerubbabel, and Shimei: and the sons of Zerubbabel; Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister:

And Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Jushab-hesed, five.

And the sons of Hananiah; Pelatiah, and Jesaiah: the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of Shechaniah.

And the sons of Shechaniah; Shemaiah; and the sons of Shemaiah; Hattush, and Igeal, and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, six.

And the sons of Neariah; Elioenai, and Hezekiah, and Azrikam, three.

And the sons of Elioenai

were, Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Johanan, and Dalaiah, and Anani, seven.

Chapter 4

The sons of Judah; Pharez, Hezron, and Carmi, and Hur, and Shobal.
And Reaiah the son of Shobal begat Jahath; and Jahath begat Ahumai and Lahad. These are the families of the Zorathites.

And these

were of the father of Etam; Jezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash: and the name of their sister was Hazelelponi:

And Penuel the father of Gedor and Ezer the father of Hushah. These are the sons of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah, the father of Bethlehem.

And Ashur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah.

And Naarah bare him Ahuzam, and Hephher, and Temeni, and Haahashtari. These were the sons of Naarah.

And the sons of Helah

were, Zereth, and Jezoar, and Ethnan.

And Coz begat Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the son of Harum.

And Jabez was more honourable than his brethren: and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow.

And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.

And Chelub the brother of Shuah begat Mehir, which was the father of Eshton.

And Eshton begat Beth-rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of Ir-nahash. These are the men of Rechah.

And the sons of Kenaz; Othniel, and Seraiah: and the sons of Othniel; Hathath.

And Meonothai begat Ophrah: and Seraiah begat Joab, the father of the valley of Charashim; for they were craftsmen.

And the sons of Caleb the son of Jephunneh; Iru, Elah, and Naam: and the sons of Elah, even Kenaz.

And the sons of Jehaleleel; Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asareel.

And the sons of Ezra

were, Jether, and Mered, and Ephraim, and Jalon: and she bare Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa.

And his wife Jehudijah bare Jered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Socho, and Jekuthiel the father of Zanoah. And these

are

the sons of Bithiah the daughter of Pharaoh, which Mered took.

And the sons of

his wife Hodiah the sister of Naham, the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maachathite.

And the sons of Shimon

were, Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben-hanan, and Tilon. And the sons of Ishi were, Zoheth, and Ben-zoheth.

The sons of Shelah the son of Judah

were, Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of them that wrought fine linen, of the house of Ashbea,

And Jokim, and the men of Chozeba, and Joash, and Saraph, who had the dominion in Moab, and Jashubi-lehem. And

these are ancient things.

These

were the potters, and those that dwelt among plants and hedges: there they dwelt with the king for his work.

The sons of Simeon

were, Nemuel, and Jamin, Jarib, Zerah, and Shaul:

Shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son.

And the sons of Mishma; Hamuel his son, Zacchur his son, Shimei his son.
And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters; but his brethren had not many children,
neither did all their family multiply, like to the children of Judah.
And they dwelt at Beer-sheba, and Moladah, and Hazar-shual,
And at Bilhah, and at Ezem, and at Tolad,
And at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at Ziklag,
And at Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susim, and at Beth-birei, and at Shaaraim. These
were their cities unto the reign of David.
And their villages
were, Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, five cities:
And all their villages that
were round about the same cities, unto Baal. These
were their habitations, and their genealogy.
And Meshobab, and Jamlech, and Joshah the son of Amaziah,
And Joel, and Jehu the son of Josibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of Asiel,
And Elioenai, and Jaakobah, and Jeshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Jesimiel, and
Benaiah,
And Ziza the son of Shiphi, the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the son of
Shemaiah;
These mentioned by
their names
were princes in their families: and the house of their fathers increased greatly.
And they went to the entrance of Gedor,
even unto the east side of the valley, to seek pasture for their flocks.
And they found fat pasture and good, and the land
was wide, and quiet, and peaceable; for
they of Ham had dwelt there of old.
And these written by name came in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and smote their tents,
and the habitations that were found there, and destroyed them utterly unto this day, and dwelt
in their rooms: because
there was pasture there for their flocks.
And
some of them,
even of the sons of Simeon, five hundred men, went to mount Seir, having for their captains
Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.
And they smote the rest of the Amalekites that were escaped, and dwelt there unto this day.

Chapter 5

Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, (for he was

the firstborn; but, forasmuch as he defiled his father's bed, his birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of Israel: and the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright. For Judah prevailed above his brethren, and of him came the chief ruler; but the birthright was Joseph's:)

The sons,

I say, of Reuben the firstborn of Israel were,

Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi.

The sons of Joel; Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son,

Micah his son, Reaia his son, Baal his son,

Beerah his son, whom Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria carried away captive: he

was prince of the Reubenites.

And his brethren by their families, when the genealogy of their generations was reckoned, were the chief, Jeiel, and Zechariah,

And Bela the son of Azaz, the son of Shema, the son of Joel, who dwelt in Aroer, even unto Nebo and Baal-meon:

And eastward he inhabited unto the entering in of the wilderness from the river Euphrates: because their cattle were multiplied in the land

of Gilead.

And in the days of Saul they made war with the Hagarites, who fell by their hand: and they dwelt in their tents throughout all the east land of Gilead.

And the children of Gad dwelt over against them, in the land of Bashan unto Salchah:

Joel the chief, and Shapham the next, and Jaanai, and Shaphat in Bashan.

And their brethren of the house of their fathers

were, Michael, and Meshullam, and Sheba, and Jorai, and Jachan, and Zia, and Heber, seven.

These

are the children of Abihail the son of Huri, the son of Jaroah, the son of Gilead, the son of Michael, the son of Jeshishai, the son of Jahdo, the son of Buz;

Ahi the son of Abdiel, the son of Guni, chief of the house of their fathers.

And they dwelt in Gilead in Bashan, and in her towns, and in all the suburbs of Sharon, upon their borders.

All these were reckoned by genealogies in the days of Jotham king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam king of Israel.

The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh, of valiant men, men able to bear buckler and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skilful in war,

were four and forty thousand seven hundred and threescore, that went out to the war.

And they made war with the Hagarites, with Jetur, and Nephish, and Nodab.

And they were helped against them, and the Hagarites were delivered into their hand, and all that

were with them: for they cried to God in the battle, and he was intreated of them; because they put their trust in him.

And they took away their cattle; of their camels fifty thousand, and of sheep two hundred and fifty thousand, and of asses two thousand, and of men an hundred thousand.

For there fell down many slain, because the war

was of God. And they dwelt in their steads until the captivity.

And the children of the half tribe of Manasseh dwelt in the land: they increased from Bashan unto Baal-hermon and Senir, and unto mount Hermon.

And these

were the heads of the house of their fathers, even Ephraim, and Ishi, and Eliel, and Azriel, and

Jeremiah, and Hodaviah, and Jahdiel, mighty men of valour, famous men,
and heads of the house of their fathers.

And they transgressed against the God of their fathers, and went a whoring after the gods of
the people of the land, whom God destroyed before them.

And the God of Israel stirred up the spirit of Pul king of Assyria, and the spirit of
Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria, and he carried them away, even the Reubenites, and the
Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, and brought them unto Halah, and Habor, and Hara,
and to the river Gozan, unto this day.

Chapter 6

The sons of Levi; Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.
And the sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.
And the children of Amram; Aaron, and Moses, and Miriam. The sons also of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.
Eleazar begat Phinehas, Phinehas begat Abishua,
And Abishua begat Bukki, and Bukki begat Uzzi,
And Uzzi begat Zerahiah, and Zerahiah begat Meraioth,
Meraioth begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,
And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat Ahimaaz,
And Ahimaaz begat Azariah, and Azariah begat Johanan,
And Johanan begat Azariah, (he
it is that executed the priest's office in the temple that Solomon built in Jerusalem:)
And Azariah begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,
And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat Shallum,
And Shallum begat Hilkiah, and Hilkiah begat Azariah,
And Azariah begat Seraiah, and Seraiah begat Jehozadak,
And Jehozadak went
into captivity, when the LORD carried away Judah and Jerusalem by the hand of
Nebuchadnezzar.
The sons of Levi; Gershom, Kohath, and Merari.
And these
be the names of the sons of Gershom; Libni, and Shimei.
And the sons of Kohath
were, Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.
The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. And these
are the families of the Levites according to their fathers.
Of Gershom; Libni his son, Jahath his son, Zimmah his son,
Joah his son, Iddo his son, Zerah his son, Jeaterai his son.
The sons of Kohath; Amminadab his son, Korah his son, Assir his son,
Elkanah his son, and Ebiasaph his son, and Assir his son,
Tahath his son, Uriel his son, Uzziel his son, and Shaul his son.
And the sons of Elkanah; Amasai, and Ahimoth.
As for Elkanah: the sons of Elkanah; Zophai his son, and Nahath his son,
Eliab his son, Jeroham his son, Elkanah his son.
And the sons of Samuel; the firstborn Vashni, and Abiah.
The sons of Merari; Mahli, Libni his son, Shimei his son, Uzza his son,
Shimea his son, Haggiah his son, Asaiah his son.
And these
are they whom David set over the service of song in the house of the LORD, after that the ark
had rest.
And they ministered before the dwelling place of the tabernacle of the congregation with
singing, until Solomon had built the house of the LORD in Jerusalem: and
then they waited on their office according to their order.
And these
are they that waited with their children. Of the sons of the Kohathites: Heman a singer, the son
of Joel, the son of Shemuel,
The son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Eliel, the son of Toah,
The son of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mahath, the son of Amasai,
The son of Elkanah, the son of Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah,
The son of Tahath, the son of Assir, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah,
The son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, the son of Israel.
And his brother Asaph, who stood on his right hand,
even
Asaph the son of Berachiah, the son of Shimea,
The son of Michael, the son of Baaseiah, the son of Malchiah,

The son of Ethni, the son of Zerah, the son of Adaiah,
 The son of Ethan, the son of Zimmah, the son of Shimei,
 The son of Jahath, the son of Gershom, the son of Levi.
 And their brethren the sons of Merari
 stood on the left hand: Ethan the son of Kishi, the son of Abdi, the son of Malluch,
 The son of Hashabiah, the son of Amaziah, the son of Hilkihah,
 The son of Amzi, the son of Bani, the son of Shamer,
 The son of Mahli, the son of Mushi, the son of Merari, the son of Levi.
 Their brethren also the Levites
 were appointed unto all manner of service of the tabernacle of the house of God.
 But Aaron and his sons offered upon the altar of the burnt offering, and on the altar of incense,
 and were appointed for all the work of the
 place most holy, and to make an atonement for Israel, according to all that Moses the servant
 of God had commanded.
 And these
 are the sons of Aaron; Eleazar his son, Phinehas his son, Abishua his son,
 Bukki his son, Uzzi his son, Zerahiah his son,
 Meraioth his son, Amariah his son, Ahitub his son,
 Zadok his son, Ahimaaz his son.
 Now these
 are their dwelling places throughout their castles in their coasts, of the sons of Aaron, of the
 families of the Kohathites: for theirs was the lot.
 And they gave them Hebron in the land of Judah, and the suburbs thereof round about it.
 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, they gave to Caleb the son of Jephunneh.
 And to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of Judah,
 namely,
 Hebron,
 the city of refuge, and Libnah with her suburbs, and Jattir, and Eshtemoa, with their suburbs,
 And Hilen with her suburbs, Debir with her suburbs,
 And Ashan with her suburbs, and Beth-shemesh with her suburbs:
 And out of the tribe of Benjamin; Geba with her suburbs, and Alemeth with her suburbs, and
 Anathoth with her suburbs. All their cities throughout their families
 were thirteen cities.
 And unto the sons of Kohath,
 which were left of the family of that tribe,
 were cities given out of the half tribe,
 namely, out of the half
 tribe of Manasseh, by lot, ten cities.
 And to the sons of Gershom throughout their families out of the tribe of Issachar, and out of
 the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh in Bashan,
 thirteen cities.
 Unto the sons of Merari
 were given by lot, throughout their families, out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of
 Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.
 And the children of Israel gave to the Levites
 these cities with their suburbs.
 And they gave by lot out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the
 children of Simeon, and out of the tribe of the children of Benjamin, these cities, which are
 called by
 their names.
 And
 the residue of the families of the sons of Kohath had cities of their coasts out of the tribe of
 Ephraim.
 And they gave unto them,
 of the cities of refuge, Shechem in mount Ephraim with her suburbs;
 they gave also Gezer with her suburbs,

And Jokmeam with her suburbs, and Beth-horon with her suburbs,
And Aijalon with her suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her suburbs:
And out of the half tribe of Manasseh; Aner with her suburbs, and Bileam with her suburbs, for
the family of the remnant of the sons of Kohath.
Unto the sons of Gershon
were given out of the family of the half tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with her suburbs,
and Ashtaroth with her suburbs:
And out of the tribe of Issachar; Kedesh with her suburbs, Daberath with her suburbs,
And Ramoth with her suburbs, and Anem with her suburbs:
And out of the tribe of Asher; Mashal with her suburbs, and Abdon with her suburbs,
And Hukok with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs:
And out of the tribe of Naphtali; Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, and Hammon with her
suburbs, and Kirjathaim with her suburbs.
Unto the rest of the children of Merari
were given out of the tribe of Zebulun. Rimmon with her suburbs, Tabor with her suburbs:
And on the other side Jordan by Jericho, on the east side of Jordan,
were given them out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the wilderness with her suburbs, and
Jahzah with her suburbs,
Kedemoth also with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs:
And out of the tribe of Gad; Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, and Mahanaim with her
suburbs,
And Heshbon with her suburbs, and Jazer with her suburbs.

Chapter 7

Now the sons of Issachar
were, Tola, and Puah, Jashub, and Shimrom, four.
And the sons of Tola; Uzzi, and Rephaiah, and Jeriel, and Jahmai, and Jibsam, and Shemuel,
heads of their father's house,
to wit, of Tola:
they were valiant men of might in their generations; whose number
was in the days of David two and twenty thousand and six hundred.
And the sons of Uzzi; Izrahiah: and the sons of Izrahiah; Michael, and Obadiah, and Joel,
Ishiah, five: all of them chief men.
And with them, by their generations, after the house of their fathers,
were bands of soldiers for war, six and thirty thousand
men:
for they had many wives and sons.
And their brethren among all the families of Issachar
were
valiant men of might, reckoned in all by their genealogies fourscore and seven thousand.
The sons of Benjamin; Bela, and Becher, and Jediael, three.
And the sons of Bela; Ezbon, and Uzzi, and Uzziel, and Jerimoth, and Iri, five; heads of the
house of
their fathers, mighty men of valour; and were reckoned by their genealogies twenty and two
thousand and thirty and four.
And the sons of Becher; Zemira, and Joash, and Eliezer, and Elioenai, and Omri, and
Jerimoth, and Abiah, and Anathoth, and Alameth. All these
are the sons of Becher.
And the number of them, after their genealogy by their generations, heads of the house of the
fathers, mighty men of valour,
was twenty thousand and two hundred.
The sons also of Jediael; Bilhan: and the sons of Bilhan; Jeush, and Benjamin, and Ehud, and
Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and Ahishahar.
All these the sons of Jediael, by the heads of their fathers, mighty men of valour,
were seventeen thousand and two hundred
soldiers,
fit to go out for war
and battle.
Shuppim also, and Huppim, the children of Ir,
and Hushim, the sons of Aher.
The sons of Naphtali; Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shallum, the sons of Bilhah.
The sons of Manasseh; Ashriel, whom she bare:
(but his concubine the Aramitess bare Machir the father of Gilead:
And Machir took to wife
the sister of Huppim and Shuppim, whose sister's name
was Maachah;) and the name of the second
was Zelophehad: and Zelophehad had daughters.
And Maachah the wife of Machir bare a son, and she called his name Peresh; and the name
of his brother
was Sheresh; and his sons
were Ulam and Rakem.
And the sons of Ulam; Bedan. These
were the sons of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh.
And his sister Hammoleketh bare Ishod, and Abiezer, and Mahalah.
And the sons of Shemidah were, Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam.
And the sons of Ephraim; Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahath his son, and Eladah his
son, and Tahath his son,
And Zabad his son, and Shuthelah his son, and Ezer, and Elead, whom the men of Gath
that were born in

that land slew, because they came down to take away their cattle.
And Ephraim their father mourned many days, and his brethren came to comfort him.
And when he went in to his wife, she conceived, and bare a son, and he called his name
Beriah, because it went evil with his house.
(And his daughter
was Sherah, who built Beth-horon the nether, and the upper, and Uzzen-sherah.)
And Rephah
was his son, also Resheph, and Telah his son, and Tahan his son,
Laadan his son, Ammihud his son, Elishama his son,
Non his son, Jehoshuah his son.
And their possessions and habitations
were, Bethel and the towns thereof, and eastward Naaran, and westward Gezer, with the
towns thereof; Shechem also and the towns thereof, unto Gaza and the towns thereof:
And by the borders of the children of Manasseh, Beth-shean and her towns, Taanach and her
towns, Megiddo and her towns, Dor and her towns. In these dwelt the children of Joseph the
son of Israel.
The sons of Asher; Imnah, and Isuah, and Ishuai, and Beriah, and Serah their sister.
And the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel, who
is the father of Birzavith.
And Heber begat Japhlet, and Shomer, and Hotham, and Shua their sister.
And the sons of Japhlet; Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashvath. These
are the children of Japhlet.
And the sons of Shamer; Ahi, and Rohgah, Jehubbah, and Aram.
And the sons of his brother Helem; Zophah, and Imna, and Shelesh, and Amal.
The sons of Zophah; Suah, and Harnepher, and Shual, and Beri, and Imrah,
Bezer, and Hod, and Shamma and Shilshah, and Ithran, and Beera.
And the sons of Jether; Jephunneh, and Pispah, and Ara.
And the sons of Ulla; Arah, and Haniel, and Rezia.
All these
were the children of Asher, heads of
their
father's house, choice
and mighty men of valour, chief of the princes. And the number throughout the genealogy of
them that were apt to the war
and to battle
was twenty and six thousand men.

Chapter 8

Now Benjamin begat Bela his firstborn, Ashbel the second, and Aharah the third, Nohah the fourth, and Rapha the fifth.

And the sons of Bela were, Addar, and Gera, and Abihud, And Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah, And Gera, and Shephuphan, and Huram.

And these

are the sons of Ehud: these are the heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Geba, and they removed them to Manahath:

And Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he removed them, and begat Uzza, and Ahihud.

And Shaharaim begat

children in the country of Moab, after he had sent them away; Hushim and Baara were his wives.

And he begat of Hodesh his wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham, And Jeuz, and Shachia, and Mirma. These were his sons, heads of the fathers.

And of Hushim he begat Abitub, and Elpaal.

The sons of Elpaal; Eber, and Misham, and Shamed, who built Ono, and Lod, with the towns thereof:

Beriah also, and Shema, who

were heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Aijalon, who drove away the inhabitants of Gath:

And Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth,

And Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader,

And Michael, and Ispah, and Joha, the sons of Beriah;

And Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hezeki, and Heber,

Ishmerai also, and Jezliah, and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal;

And Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi,

And Elienai, and Zilthai, and Eliel,

And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sons of Shimhi;

And Ishpan, and Heber, and Eliel,

And Abdon, and Zichri, and Hanan,

And Hananiah, and Elam, and Antothijah,

And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak;

And Shamsheraï, and Shehariah, and Athaliah,

And Jaresiah, and Eliah, and Zichri, the sons of Jeroham.

These

were heads of the fathers, by their generations, chief men. These dwelt in Jerusalem.

And at Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon; whose wife's name was

Maachah:

And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,

And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zacher.

And Mikloth begat Shimeah. And these also dwelt with their brethren in Jerusalem, over against them.

And Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchi-shua, and Abinadab, and Esh-baal.

And the son of Jonathan

was Merib-baal; and Merib-baal begat Micah.

And the sons of Micah

were, Pithon, and Melech, and Tarea, and Ahaz.

And Ahaz begat Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza,

And Moza begat Binea: Rapha

was his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son:

And Azel had six sons, whose names are these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these were the sons of Azel.

And the sons of Eshek his brother were, Ulam his firstborn, Jehush the second, and Eliphelet the third.

And the sons of Ulam were mighty men of valour, archers, and had many sons, and sons' sons, an hundred and fifty. All these are of the sons of Benjamin.

Chapter 9

So all Israel were reckoned by genealogies; and, behold, they were written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah, who were carried away to Babylon for their transgression. Now the first inhabitants that dwelt in their possessions in their cities were, the Israelites, the priests, Levites, and the Nethinims. And in Jerusalem dwelt of the children of Judah, and of the children of Benjamin, and of the children of Ephraim, and Manasseh; Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the children of Pharez the son of Judah. And of the Shilonites; Asaiah the firstborn, and his sons. And of the sons of Zerah; Jeuel, and their brethren, six hundred and ninety. And of the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Hodaviah, the son of Hasenuah, And Ibneiah the son of Jeroham, and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the son of Shephatiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibrijah; And their brethren, according to their generations, nine hundred and fifty and six. All these men were chief of the fathers in the house of their fathers. And of the priests; Jedaiah, and Jehoiarib, and Jachin, And Azariah the son of Hilkiyah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the ruler of the house of God; And Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchijah, and Maasiai the son of Adiel, the son of Jahzerah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Meshillemith, the son of Immer; And their brethren, heads of the house of their fathers, a thousand and seven hundred and threescore; very able men for the work of the service of the house of God. And of the Levites; Shemaiah the son of Hasshub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, of the sons of Merari; And Bakbakkar, Heresh, and Galal, and Mattaniah the son of Micah, the son of Zichri, the son of Asaph; And Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah the son of Asa, the son of Elkanah, that dwelt in the villages of the Netophathites. And the porters were, Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and their brethren: Shallum was the chief; Who hitherto waited in the king's gate eastward: they were porters in the companies of the children of Levi. And Shallum the son of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah, and his brethren, of the house of his father, the Korahites, were over the work of the service, keepers of the gates of the tabernacle: and their fathers, being over the host of the LORD, were keepers of the entry. And Phinehas the son of Eleazar was the ruler over them in time past, and the Lord was with him. And Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah was porter of the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. All these which were chosen to be porters in the gates were two hundred and twelve. These were reckoned by their genealogy in their villages, whom David and Samuel the seer did ordain in their set office. So they and their children

had the oversight of the gates of the house of the Lord,
namely, the house of the tabernacle, by wards.
In four quarters were the porters, toward the east, west, north, and south.
And their brethren,
which were in their villages,
were
to come after seven days from time to time with them.
For these Levites, the four chief porters, were in
their
set office, and were over the chambers and treasuries of the house of God.
And they lodged round about the house of God, because the charge
was upon them, and the opening thereof every morning
pertained
to them.
And
certain of them had the charge of the ministering vessels, that they should bring them in and
out by tale.
Some of them also
were appointed to oversee the vessels, and all the instruments of the sanctuary, and the fine
flour, and the wine, and the oil, and the frankincense, and the spices.
And
some of the sons of the priests made the ointment of the spices.
And Mattithiah,
one of the Levites, who
was the firstborn of Shallum the Korahite, had the set office over the things that were made in
the pans.
And
other of their brethren, of the sons of the Kohathites,
were over the shewbread, to prepare
it every sabbath.
And these
are the singers, chief of the fathers of the Levites,
who remaining in the chambers
were free: for they were employed in that work day and night.
These chief fathers of the Levites
were chief throughout their generations; these dwelt at Jerusalem.
And in Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon, Jehiel, whose wife's name
was Maachah:
And his firstborn son Abdon, then Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab,
And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth.
And Mikloth begat Shimeam. And they also dwelt with their brethren at Jerusalem, over
against their brethren.
And Ner begat Kish; and Kish begat Saul; and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchi-shua, and
Abinadab, and Esh-baal.
And the son of Jonathan
was Merib-baal: and Merib-baal begat Micah.
And the sons of Micah
were, Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea,
and Ahaz.
And Ahaz begat Jarah; and Jarah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat
Moza;
And Moza begat Binea; and Rephaiah his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son.
And Azel had six sons, whose names
are these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: these
were
the sons of Azel.

Chapter 10

Now the Philistines fought against Israel; and the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa.

And the Philistines followed hard after Saul, and after his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchi-shua, the sons of Saul.

And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers hit him, and he was wounded of the archers.

Then said Saul to his armourbearer, Draw thy sword, and thrust me through therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and abuse me. But his armourbearer would not; for he was sore afraid. So Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.

And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise on the sword, and died.

So Saul died, and his three sons, and all his house died together.

And when all the men of Israel that

were in the valley saw that they fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, then they forsook their cities, and fled: and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.

And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found Saul and his sons fallen in mount Gilboa.

And when they had stripped him, they took his head, and his armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to carry tidings unto their idols, and to the people.

And they put his armour in the house of their gods, and fastened his head in the temple of Dagon.

And when all Jabesh-gilead heard all that the Philistines had done to Saul,

They arose, all the valiant men, and took away the body of Saul, and the bodies of his sons, and brought them to Jabesh, and buried their bones under the oak in Jabesh, and fasted seven days.

So Saul died for his transgression which he committed against the LORD, even against the word of the LORD, which he kept not, and also for asking counsel of

one that had a familiar spirit, to enquire of it;

And enquired not of the LORD: therefore he slew him, and turned the kingdom unto David the son of Jesse.

Chapter 11

Then all Israel gathered themselves to David unto Hebron, saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.

And moreover in time past, even when Saul was king, thou wast

he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD thy God said unto thee, Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be ruler over my people Israel, and thou shalt be ruler over my people Israel.

Therefore came all the elders of Israel to the king to Hebron; and David made a covenant with them in Hebron before the LORD; and they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of the LORD by Samuel.

And David and all Israel went to Jerusalem, which is Jebus; where the Jebusites were, the inhabitants of the land.

And the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, Thou shalt not come hither. Nevertheless David took the castle of Zion, which is the city of David.

And David said, Whosoever smiteth the Jebusites first shall be chief and captain. So Joab the son of Zeruiah went first up, and was chief.

And David dwelt in the castle; therefore they called it the city of David.

And he built the city round about, even from Millo round about: and Joab repaired the rest of the city.

So David waxed greater and greater: for the LORD of hosts was

with him.

These also

are the chief of the mighty men whom David had, who strengthened themselves with him in his kingdom,

and with all Israel, to make him king, according to the word of the LORD concerning Israel.

And this

is the number of the mighty men whom David had; Jashobeam, an Hachmonite, the chief of the captains: he lifted up his spear against three hundred slain by him at one time.

And after him

was Eleazar the son of Dodo, the Ahohite, who was one of the three mighties.

He was with David at Pas-dammim, and there the Philistines were gathered together to battle, where was a parcel of ground full of barley; and the people fled from before the Philistines.

And they set themselves in the midst of

that parcel, and delivered it, and slew the Philistines; and the LORD saved them

by a great deliverance.

Now three of the thirty captains went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam; and the host of the Philistines encamped in the valley of Rephaim.

And David

was then in the hold, and the Philistines' garrison was then at Bethlehem.

And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, that

is at the gate!

And the three brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that

was by the gate, and took

it, and brought

it to David: but David would not drink

of it, but poured it out to the LORD,

And said, My God forbid it me, that I should do this thing: shall I drink the blood of these men that have put their lives in jeopardy? for with the jeopardy of their lives they brought it. Therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mightiest.

And Abishai the brother of Joab, he was chief of the three: for lifting up his spear against three hundred, he slew them, and had a name among the three.

Of the three, he was more honourable than the two; for he was their captain: howbeit he attained not to the first three.

Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, who had done many acts; he slew two lionlike men of Moab: also he went down and slew a lion in a pit in a snowy day.

And he slew an Egyptian, a man of great stature, five cubits high; and in the Egyptian's hand was a spear like a weaver's beam; and he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.

These

things did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among the three mighties.

Behold, he was honourable among the thirty, but attained not to the first three: and David set him over his guard.

Also the valiant men of the armies

were, Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Bethlehem,

Shammoth the Harorite, Helez the Pelonite,

Ira the son of Ikesh the Tekoite, Abi-ezer the Antothite,

Sibbecai the Hushathite, Ilai the Ahohite,

Maharai the Netophathite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite,

Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah,

that pertained to the children of Benjamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite,

Hurai of the brooks of Gaash, Abiel the Arbathite,

Azmaveth the Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite,

The sons of Hashem the Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shage the Hararite,

Ahiam the son of Sacar the Hararite, Eliphal the son of Ur,

Hepher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite,

Hezro the Carmelite, Naarai the son of Ezbai,

Joel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the son of Haggeri,

Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armourbearer of Joab the son of Zeruiah,

Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,

Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai,

Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a captain of the Reubenites, and thirty with him,

Hanan the son of Maachah, and Joshaphat the Mithnite,

Uzzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Jehiel the sons of Hothan the Aroerite,

Jediael the son of Shimri, and Joha his brother, the Tizite,

Eliel the Mahavite, and Jeribai, and Joshaviah, the sons of Elnaam, and Ithmah the Moabite,

Eliel, and Obed, and Jasiel the Mesobaite.

Chapter 12

Now these
are they that came to David to Ziklag, while he yet kept himself close because of Saul the son
of Kish: and they
were
among the mighty men, helpers of the war.
They were armed with bows, and could use both the right hand and the left in
hurling stones and
shooting arrows out of a bow,
even of Saul's brethren of Benjamin.
The chief
was Ahiezer, then Joash, the sons of Shemaah the Gibeathite; and Jeziel, and Pelet, the sons
of Azmaveth; and Berachah, and Jehu the Antothite,
And Ismaiah the Gibeonite, a mighty man among the thirty, and over the thirty; and Jeremiah,
and Jahaziel, and Johanan, and Josabad the Gederathite,
Eluzai, and Jerimoth, and Bealiah, and Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite,
Elkanah, and Jesiah, and Azareel, and Joezer, and Jashobeam, the Korhites,
And Joelah, and Zebadiah, the sons of Jeroham of Gedor.
And of the Gadites there separated themselves unto David into the hold to the wilderness
men of might,
and men of war
fit for the battle, that could handle shield and buckler, whose faces
were like
the faces of lions, and
were as swift as the roes upon the mountains;
Ezer the first, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third,
Mishmannah the fourth, Jeremiah the fifth,
Attai the sixth, Eliel the seventh,
Johanan the eighth, Elzabad the ninth,
Jeremiah the tenth, Machbanai the eleventh.
These
were of the sons of Gad, captains of the host: one of the least
was over an hundred, and the greatest over a thousand.
These
are they that went over Jordan in the first month, when it had overflowed all his banks; and they
put to flight all
them
of the valleys,
both toward the east, and toward the west.
And there came of the children of Benjamin and Judah to the hold unto David.
And David went out to meet them, and answered and said unto them, If ye be come
peaceably unto me to help me, mine heart shall be knit unto you: but if
ye be come to betray me to mine enemies, seeing
there is
no wrong in mine hands, the God of our fathers look
thereon,
and rebuke
it.
Then the spirit came upon Amasai,
who was chief of the captains,
and he said, Thine
are we, David, and on thy side, thou son of Jesse: peace, peace
be unto thee, and peace
be to thine helpers; for thy God helpeth thee. Then David received them, and made them
captains of the band.
And there fell

some of Manasseh to David, when he came with the Philistines against Saul to battle: but they helped them not: for the lords of the Philistines upon advisement sent him away, saying, He will fall to his master Saul to the jeopardy of our heads.

As he went to Ziklag, there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jediahel, and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and Zilthai, captains of the thousands that were of Manasseh.

And they helped David against the band of the rovers: for they were all mighty men of valour, and were captains in the host.

For at that time day by day there came to David to help him, until it was a great host, like the host of God.

And these are the numbers of the bands that were

ready armed to the war, and came to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul to him, according to the word of the LORD.

The children of Judah that bare shield and spear were six thousand and eight hundred, ready armed to the war.

Of the children of Simeon, mighty men of valour for the war, seven thousand and one hundred.

Of the children of Levi four thousand and six hundred.

And Jehoiada

was the leader of the Aaronites, and with him were three thousand and seven hundred;

And Zadok, a young man mighty of valour, and of his father's house twenty and two captains.

And of the children of Benjamin, the kindred of Saul, three thousand: for hitherto the greatest part of them had kept the ward of the house of Saul.

And of the children of Ephraim twenty thousand and eight hundred, mighty men of valour, famous throughout the house of their fathers.

And of the half tribe of Manasseh eighteen thousand, which were expressed by name, to come and make David king.

And of the children of Issachar,

which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them

were two hundred; and all their brethren

were at their commandment.

Of Zebulun, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, with all instruments of war, fifty thousand, which could keep rank:

they were

not of double heart.

And of Naphtali a thousand captains, and with them with shield and spear thirty and seven thousand.

And of the Danites expert in war twenty and eight thousand and six hundred.

And of Asher, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, forty thousand.

And on the other side of Jordan, of the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and of the half tribe of Manasseh, with all manner of instruments of war for the battle, an hundred and twenty thousand.

All these men of war, that could keep rank, came with a perfect heart to Hebron, to make David king over all Israel: and all the rest also of Israel

were of one heart to make David king.

And there they were with David three days, eating and drinking: for their brethren had prepared for them.

Moreover they that were nigh them,

even unto Issachar and Zebulun and Naphtali, brought bread on asses, and on camels, and on mules, and on oxen, and meat, meal, cakes of figs, and bunches of raisins, and wine, and oil, and oxen, and sheep abundantly: for there was joy in Israel.

Chapter 13

And David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds,
and with every leader.

And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, If
it seem

good unto you, and

that it be of the LORD our God, let us send abroad unto our brethren every where,
that are left in all the land of Israel, and with them

also to the priests and Levites

which are in their cities

and suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us:

And let us bring again the ark of our God to us: for we enquired not at it in the days of Saul.

And all the congregation said that they would do so: for the thing was right in the eyes of all
the people.

So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of Hemath,
to bring the ark of God from Kirjath-jearim.

And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah,

that is, to Kirjath-jearim, which

belonged to Judah, to bring up thence the ark of God the LORD, that dwelleth

between the cherubims, whose name is called

on it.

And they carried the ark of God in a new cart out of the house of Abinadab: and Uzza and
Ahio drove the cart.

And David and all Israel played before God with all

their

might, and with singing, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with
cymbals, and with trumpets.

And when they came unto the threshingfloor of Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the
ark; for the oxen stumbled.

And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, because he put his
hand to the ark: and there he died before God.

And David was displeased, because the LORD had made a breach upon Uzza: wherefore
that place is called Perez-uzza to this day.

And David was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring the ark of God
home to me?

So David brought not the ark

home to himself to the city of David, but carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the
Gittite.

And the ark of God remained with the family of Obed-edom in his house three months. And
the LORD blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that he had.

Chapter 14

Now Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and timber of cedars, with masons and carpenters, to build him an house.

And David perceived that the LORD had confirmed him king over Israel, for his kingdom was lifted up on high, because of his people Israel.

And David took more wives at Jerusalem: and David begat more sons and daughters.

Now these

are the names of

his children which he had in Jerusalem; Shammua, and Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon,

And Ibhar, and Elishua, and Elpalet,

And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

And Elishama, and Beeliada, and Eliphalet.

And when the Philistines heard that David was anointed king over all Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek David. And David heard

of it, and went out against them.

And the Philistines came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.

And David enquired of God, saying, Shall I go up against the Philistines? and wilt thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said unto him, Go up; for I will deliver them into thine hand.

So they came up to Baal-perazim; and David smote them there. Then David said, God hath broken in upon mine enemies by mine hand like the breaking forth of waters: therefore they called the name of that place Baal-perazim.

And when they had left their gods there, David gave a commandment, and they were burned with fire.

And the Philistines yet again spread themselves abroad in the valley.

Therefore David enquired again of God; and God said unto him, Go not up after them; turn away from them, and come upon them over against the mulberry trees.

And it shall be, when thou shalt hear a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt go out to battle: for God is gone forth before thee to smite the host of the Philistines.

David therefore did as God commanded him: and they smote the host of the Philistines from Gibeon even to Gazer.

And the fame of David went out into all lands; and the LORD brought the fear of him upon all nations.

Chapter 15

And

David made him houses in the city of David, and prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched for it a tent.

Then David said, None ought to carry the ark of God but the Levites: for them hath the LORD chosen to carry the ark of God, and to minister unto him for ever.

And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the LORD unto his place, which he had prepared for it.

And David assembled the children of Aaron, and the Levites:

Of the sons of Kohath; Uriel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twenty:

Of the sons of Merari; Asaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred and twenty:

Of the sons of Gershon; Joel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and thirty:

Of the sons of Elizaphan; Shemaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred:

Of the sons of Hebron; Eliel the chief, and his brethren fourscore:

Of the sons of Uzziel; Amminadab the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twelve.

And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab,

And said unto them, Ye

are the chief of the fathers of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, both ye and your brethren, that ye may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel unto the place that

I have prepared for it.

For because ye

did it not at the first, the LORD our God made a breach upon us, for that we sought him not after the due order.

So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel.

And the children of the Levites bare the ark of God upon their shoulders with the staves thereon, as Moses commanded according to the word of the LORD.

And David spake to the chief of the Levites to appoint their brethren

to be the singers with instruments of musick, psalteries and harps and cymbals, sounding, by lifting up the voice with joy.

So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel; and of his brethren, Asaph the son of Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari their brethren, Ethan the son of Kushaiah;

And with them their brethren of the second

degree, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, the porters.

So the singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, were appointed to sound with cymbals of brass;

And Zechariah, and Aziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with psalteries on Alamoth;

And Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, and Azaziah, with harps on the Sheminith to excel.

And Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, was for song: he instructed about the song, because he was skilful.

And Berechiah and Elkanah were doorkeepers for the ark.

And Shebaniah, and Jehoshaphat, and Nethaneel, and Amasai, and Zechariah, and Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, did blow with the trumpets before the ark of God: and Obed-edom and Jehiah

were doorkeepers for the ark.

So David, and the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands, went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the house of Obed-edom with joy.

And it came to pass, when God helped the Levites that bare the ark of the covenant of the

LORD, that they offered seven bullocks and seven rams.

And David

was clothed with a robe of fine linen, and all the Levites that bare the ark, and the singers, and Chenaniah the master of the song with the singers: David also had upon him an ephod of linen.

Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps.

And it came to pass,

as the ark of the covenant of the LORD came to the city of David, that Michal the daughter of Saul looking out at a window saw king David dancing and playing: and she despised him in her heart.

Chapter 16

So they brought the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the tent that David had pitched for it: and they offered burnt sacrifices and peace offerings before God.

And when David had made an end of offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD.

And he dealt to every one of Israel, both man and woman, to every one a loaf of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon of wine.

And he appointed

certain of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, and to record, and to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel:

Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed-edom: and Jeiel with psalteries and with harps; but Asaph made a sound with cymbals;

Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually before the ark of the covenant of God.

Then on that day David delivered first

this psalm to thank the LORD into the hand of Asaph and his brethren.

Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the people.

Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him, talk ye of all his wondrous works.

Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.

Remember his marvellous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;

O ye seed of Israel his servant, ye children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

He

is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

Be ye mindful always of his covenant; the word which he commanded to a thousand generations;

Even of the covenant which he made with Abraham, and of his oath unto Isaac;

And hath confirmed the same to Jacob for a law, and to Israel

for an everlasting covenant,

Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance;

When ye were but few, even a few, and strangers in it.

And

when they went from nation to nation, and from one

kingdom to another people;

He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproveth kings for their sakes,

Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

Sing unto the LORD, all the earth; shew forth from day to day his salvation.

Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations.

For great

is the LORD, and greatly to be praised: he also

is to be feared above all gods.

For all the gods of the people

are idols: but the LORD made the heavens.

Glory and honour

are in his presence; strength and gladness

are in his place.

Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

Give unto the LORD the glory

due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

Fear before him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved.

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let

men

say among the nations, The LORD reigneth.

Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: let the fields rejoice, and all that

is therein.

Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he cometh to judge the earth.

O give thanks unto the LORD; for

he is good; for his mercy

endureth for ever.

And say ye, Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to thy holy name,

and glory in thy praise.

Blessed

be the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever. And all the people said, Amen, and praised the LORD.

So he left there before the ark of the covenant of the LORD Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required:

And Obed-edom with their brethren, threescore and eight; Obed-edom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah

to be porters:

And Zadok the priest, and his brethren the priests, before the tabernacle of the LORD in the high place that

was at Gibeon,

To offer burnt offerings unto the LORD upon the altar of the burnt offering continually morning and evening, and

to do according to all that is written in the law of the LORD, which he commanded Israel;

And with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were expressed by name, to give thanks to the LORD, because his mercy

endureth for ever;

And with them Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those that should make a sound, and with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun

were porters.

And all the people departed every man to his house: and David returned to bless his house.

Chapter 17

Now it came to pass, as David sat in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, Lo, I dwell in an house of cedars, but the ark of the covenant of the LORD remaineth under curtains.

Then Nathan said unto David, Do all that is in thine heart; for God is with thee.

And it came to pass the same night, that the word of God came to Nathan, saying, Go and tell David my servant, Thus saith the LORD, Thou shalt not build me an house to dwell in:

For I have not dwelt in an house since the day that I brought up Israel unto this day; but have gone from tent to tent, and from one tabernacle to another.

Wheresoever I have walked with all Israel, spake I a word to any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people, saying, Why have ye not built me an house of cedars?

Now therefore thus shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote,

even from following the sheep, that thou shouldest be ruler over my people Israel:

And I have been with thee whithersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine enemies from before thee, and have made thee a name like the name of the great men that are in the earth.

Also I will ordain a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, and they shall dwell in their place, and shall be moved no more; neither shall the children of wickedness waste them any more, as at the beginning,

And since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel. Moreover I will subdue all thine enemies. Furthermore I tell thee that the LORD will build thee an house.

And it shall come to pass, when thy days be expired that thou must go to be with thy fathers, that I will raise up thy seed after thee, which shall be of thy sons; and I will establish his kingdom.

He shall build me an house, and I will stablish his throne for ever.

I will be his father, and he shall be my son: and I will not take my mercy away from him, as I took

it from

him that was before thee:

But I will settle him in mine house and in my kingdom for ever: and his throne shall be established for evermore.

According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

And David the king came and sat before the LORD, and said, Who

am I, O LORD God, and what

is mine house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?

And

yet this was a small thing in thine eyes, O God; for thou hast

also spoken of thy servant's house for a great while to come, and hast regarded me according to the estate of a man of high degree, O LORD God.

What can David

speak more to thee for the honour of thy servant? for thou knowest thy servant.

O LORD, for thy servant's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all this greatness, in making known all these great things.

O LORD,

there is none like thee, neither

is there any

God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

And what one nation in the earth

is like thy people Israel, whom God went to redeem

to be his own people, to make thee a name of greatness and terribleness, by driving out

nations from before thy people, whom thou hast redeemed out of Egypt?
For thy people Israel didst thou make thine own people for ever; and thou, LORD, becamest their God.

Therefore now, LORD, let the thing that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant and concerning his house be established for ever, and do as thou hast said.

Let it even be established, that thy name may be magnified for ever, saying, The LORD of hosts

is the God of Israel,

even

a God to Israel: and

let the house of David thy servant

be established before thee.

For thou, O my God, hast told thy servant that thou wilt build him an house: therefore thy servant hath found

in his heart to pray before thee.

And now, LORD, thou art God, and hast promised this goodness unto thy servant:

Now therefore let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may be before thee for ever: for thou blessest, O LORD, and

it shall be blessed for ever.

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Chapter 22

Then David said, This
is the house of the LORD God, and this
is the altar of the burnt offering for Israel.
And David commanded to gather together the strangers that
were
in the land of Israel; and he set masons to hew wrought stones to build the house of God.
And David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the
joinings; and brass in abundance without weight;
Also cedar trees in abundance: for the Zidonians and they of Tyre brought much cedar wood
to David.
And David said, Solomon my son
is young and tender, and the house
that is to be builded for the LORD
must be exceeding magnifical, of fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will
therefore
now make preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his death.
Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build an house for the LORD God of
Israel.
And David said to Solomon, My son, as for me, it was in my mind to build an house unto the
name of the LORD my God:
But the word of the LORD came to me, saying, Thou hast shed blood abundantly, and hast
made great wars: thou shalt not build an house unto my name, because thou hast shed much
blood upon the earth in my sight.
Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all
his enemies round about: for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness
unto Israel in his days.
He shall build an house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I
will be his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.
Now, my son, the LORD be with thee; and prosper thou, and build the house of the LORD thy
God, as he hath said of thee.
Only the LORD give thee wisdom and understanding, and give thee charge concerning Israel,
that thou mayest keep the law of the LORD thy God.
Then shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil the statutes and judgments which the
LORD charged Moses with concerning Israel: be strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor
be dismayed.
Now, behold, in my trouble I have prepared for the house of the LORD an hundred thousand
talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver; and of brass and iron without
weight; for it is in abundance: timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou mayest add
thereto.
Moreover
there are workmen with thee in abundance, hewers and workers of stone and timber, and all
manner of cunning men for every manner of work.
Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron,
there is
no number. Arise
therefore, and be doing, and the LORD be with thee.
David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son,
saying,
Is not the LORD your God with you? and hath he
not
given you rest on every side? for he hath given the inhabitants of the land into mine hand; and
the land is subdued before the LORD, and before his people.
Now set your heart and your soul to seek the LORD your God; arise therefore, and build ye
the sanctuary of the LORD God, to bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and the holy
vessels of God, into the house that is to be built to the name of the LORD.

Chapter 23

So when David was old and full of days, he made Solomon his son king over Israel. And he gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the priests and the Levites. Now the Levites were numbered from the age of thirty years and upward: and their number by their polls, man by man, was thirty and eight thousand. Of which, twenty and four thousand were to set forward the work of the house of the LORD; and six thousand were officers and judges: Moreover four thousand were porters; and four thousand praised the LORD with the instruments which I made, said David, to praise therewith. And David divided them into courses among the sons of Levi, namely, Gershon, Kohath, and Merari. Of the Gershonites were, Laadan, and Shimei. The sons of Laadan; the chief was Jehiel, and Zetham, and Joel, three. The sons of Shimei; Shelomith, and Haziel, and Haran, three. These were the chief of the fathers of Laadan. And the sons of Shimei were, Jahath, Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four were the sons of Shimei. And Jahath was the chief, and Zizah the second: but Jeush and Beriah had not many sons; therefore they were in one reckoning, according to their father's house. The sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four. The sons of Amram; Aaron and Moses: and Aaron was separated, that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons for ever, to burn incense before the LORD, to minister unto him, and to bless in his name for ever. Now concerning Moses the man of God, his sons were named of the tribe of Levi. The sons of Moses were, Gershom, and Eliezer. Of the sons of Gershom, Shebuel was the chief. And the sons of Eliezer were, Rehabiah the chief. And Eliezer had none other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah were very many. Of the sons of Izhar; Shelomith the chief. Of the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth. Of the sons of Uzziel; Micah the first, and Jesiah the second. The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. The sons of Mahli; Eleazar, and Kish. And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters: and their brethren the sons of Kish took them. The sons of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three. These were the sons of Levi after the house of their fathers; even the chief of the fathers, as they were counted by number of names by their polls, that did the work for the service of the house of the LORD, from the age of twenty years and upward. For David said, The LORD God of Israel hath given rest unto his people, that they may dwell in Jerusalem for ever: And also unto the Levites; they shall no

more carry the tabernacle, nor any vessels of it for the service thereof.

For by the last words of David the Levites
were numbered from twenty years old and above:

Because their office

was to wait on the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of the LORD, in the courts, and
in the chambers, and in the purifying of all holy things, and the work of the service of the
house of God;

Both for the shewbread, and for the fine flour for meat offering, and for the unleavened cakes,
and for

that which is baked in the pan, and for that which is fried, and for all manner of measure and
size;

And to stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD, and likewise at even;

And to offer all burnt sacrifices unto the LORD in the sabbaths, in the new moons, and on the
set feasts, by number, according to the order commanded unto them, continually before the
LORD:

And that they should keep the charge of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the charge of
the holy

place, and the charge of the sons of Aaron their brethren, in the service of the house of the
LORD.

Chapter 24

Now

these are the divisions of the sons of Aaron. The sons of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

But Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no children: therefore Eleazar and Ithamar executed the priest's office.

And David distributed them, both Zadok of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, according to their offices in their service.

And there were more chief men found of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar; and thus were they divided. Among the sons of Eleazar

there were sixteen chief men of the house of their

fathers, and eight among the sons of Ithamar according to the house of their fathers.

Thus were they divided by lot, one sort with another; for the governors of the sanctuary, and governors

of the house of God, were of the sons of Eleazar, and of the sons of Ithamar.

And Shemaiah the son of Nethaneel the scribe,

one of the Levites, wrote them before the king, and the princes, and Zadok the priest, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, and

before the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites: one principal household being taken for Eleazar, and

one taken for Ithamar.

Now the first lot came forth to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah,

The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim,

The fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin,

The seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah,

The ninth to Jeshua, the tenth to Shecaniah,

The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim,

The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab,

The fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer,

The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses,

The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezkel,

The one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul,

The three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four and twentieth to Maaziah.

These

were the orderings of them in their service to come into the house of the LORD, according to their manner, under Aaron their father, as the LORD God of Israel had commanded him.

And the rest of the sons of Levi

were these: Of the sons of Amram; Shubael: of the sons of Shubael; Jehdeiah.

Concerning Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first

was

Isshiah.

Of the Izharites; Shelomoth: of the sons of Shelomoth; Jahath.

And the sons

of Hebron; Jeriah

the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth.

Of the sons of Uzziel; Michah: of the sons of Michah; Shamir.

The brother of Michah

was Isshiah: of the sons of Isshiah; Zechariah.

The sons of Merari

were Mahli and Mushi: the sons of Jaaziah; Beno.

The sons of Merari by Jaaziah; Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ibri.

Of Mahli

came Eleazar, who had no sons.

Concerning Kish: the son of Kish

was Jerahmeel.

The sons also of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jerimoth. These were

the sons of the Levites after the house of their fathers.

These likewise cast lots over against their brethren the sons of Aaron in the presence of David the king, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites, even the principal fathers over against their younger brethren.

Chapter 25

Moreover David and the captains of the host separated to the service of the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun, who should prophesy with harps, with psalteries, and with cymbals: and the number of the workmen according to their service was:

Of the sons of Asaph; Zaccur, and Joseph, and Nethaniah, and Asarelah, the sons of Asaph under the hands of Asaph, which prophesied according to the order of the king.

Of Jeduthun: the sons of Jeduthun; Gedaliah, and Zeri, and Jeshaiiah, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, six, under the hands of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp, to give thanks and to praise the LORD.

Of Heman: the sons of Heman; Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel, and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, and Romamti-ezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, and Mahazioth:

All these

were the sons of Heman the king's seer in the words of God, to lift up the horn. And God gave to Heman fourteen sons and three daughters.

All these

were under the hands of their father for song

in the house of the LORD, with cymbals, psalteries, and harps, for the service of the house of God, according to the king's order to Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman.

So the number of them, with their brethren that were instructed in the songs of the LORD, even all that were cunning, was two hundred fourscore and eight.

And they cast lots, ward against

ward, as well the small as the great, the teacher as the scholar.

Now the first lot came forth for Asaph to Joseph: the second to Gedaliah, who with his brethren and sons

were twelve:

The third to Zaccur,

he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve:

The fourth to Izri,

he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve:

The fifth to Nethaniah,

he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve:

The sixth to Bukkiah,

he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve:

The seventh to Jesharelah,

he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve:

The eighth to Jeshaiiah,

he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve:

The ninth to Mattaniah,

he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve:

The tenth to Shimei,

he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve:

The eleventh to Azareel,

he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve:

The twelfth to Hashabiah,

he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve:

The thirteenth to Shubael,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The fourteenth to Mattithiah,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The fifteenth to Jeremoth,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The sixteenth to Hananiah,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The seventeenth to Joshbekashah,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The eighteenth to Hanani,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The nineteenth to Mallothi,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The twentieth to Eliathah,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The one and twentieth to Hothir,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The two and twentieth to Giddalti,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The three and twentieth to Mahazioth,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve:

The four and twentieth to Romamti-ezer,
he, his sons, and his brethren,
were twelve.

Chapter 26

Concerning the divisions of the porters: Of the Korhites
was

Meshelemiah the son of Kore, of the sons of Asaph.

And the sons of Meshelemiah

were, Zechariah the firstborn, Jediahel the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth,
Elam the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Elioenai the seventh.

Moreover the sons of Obed-edom

were, Shemaiah the firstborn, Jehozabad the second, Joah the third, and Sacar the fourth,
and Nethaneel the fifth,

Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peulthai the eighth: for God blessed him.

Also unto Shemaiah his son were sons born, that ruled throughout the house of their father:
for they

were mighty men of valour.

The sons of Shemaiah; Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad, whose brethren
were strong men, Elihu, and Semachiah.

All these of the sons of Obed-edom: they and their sons and their brethren, able men for
strength for the service,

were threescore and two of Obed-edom.

And Meshelemiah had sons and brethren, strong men, eighteen.

Also Hosah, of the children of Merari, had sons; Simri the chief, (for
though he was not the firstborn, yet his father made him the chief;)

Hilkiah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth: all the sons and brethren of
Hosah

were thirteen.

Among these

were the divisions of the porters,

even

among the chief men,

having wards one against another, to minister in the house of the LORD.

And they cast lots, as well the small as the great, according to the house of their fathers, for
every gate.

And the lot eastward fell to Shelemiah. Then for Zechariah his son, a wise counsellor, they
cast lots; and his lot came out northward.

To Obed-edom southward; and to his sons the house of Asuppim.

To Shuppim and Hosah

the lot came forth westward, with the gate Shallecheth, by the causeway of the going up, ward
against ward.

Eastward

were six Levites, northward four a day, southward four a day, and toward Asuppim two
and two.

At Parbar westward, four at the causeway,

and two at Parbar.

These

are the divisions of the porters among the sons of Kore, and among the sons of Merari.

And of the Levites, Ahijah

was over the treasures of the house of God, and over the treasures of the dedicated things.

As concerning the sons of Laadan; the sons of the Gershonite Laadan, chief fathers,

even of Laadan the Gershonite,

were

Jehieli.

The sons of Jehieli; Zetham, and Joel his brother,

which were

over the treasures of the house of the LORD.

Of the Amramites,

and the Izharites, the Hebronites,

and the Uzzielites:

And Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses,
was ruler of the treasures.

And his brethren by Eliezer; Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiah his son, and Joram his son, and Zichri his son, and Shelomith his son.

Which Shelomith and his brethren

were over all the treasures of the dedicated things, which David the king, and the chief fathers, the captains over thousands and hundreds, and the captains of the host, had dedicated.

Out of the spoils won in battles did they dedicate to maintain the house of the LORD.

And all that Samuel the seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and Abner the son of Ner, and Joab the son of Zeruiah, had dedicated;

and whosoever had dedicated

any thing, it was under the hand of Shelomith, and of his brethren.

Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons

were for the outward business over Israel, for officers and judges.

And of the Hebronites, Hashabiah and his brethren, men of valour, a thousand and seven hundred,

were officers among them of Israel on this side Jordan westward in all the business of the LORD, and in the service of the king.

Among the Hebronites

was Jerijah the chief,

even

among the Hebronites, according to the generations of his fathers. In the fortieth year of the reign of David they were sought for, and there were found among them mighty men of valour at Jazer of Gilead.

And his brethren, men of valour,

were two thousand and seven hundred chief fathers, whom king David made rulers over the Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, for every matter pertaining to God, and affairs of the king.

Chapter 27

Now the children of Israel after their number,
to wit, the chief fathers and captains of thousands and hundreds, and their officers that served
the king in any matter of the courses, which came in and went out month by month throughout
all the months of the year, of every course
were

twenty and four thousand.

Over the first course for the first month
was Jashobeam the son of Zabdiel: and in his course
were twenty and four thousand.

Of the children of Perez
was the chief of all the captains of the host for the first month.

And over the course of the second month
was Dodai an Ahohite, and of his course
was Mikloth also the ruler: in his course likewise
were twenty and four thousand.

The third captain of the host for the third month
was Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, a chief priest: and in his course
were twenty and four thousand.

This
is that Benaiah,
who was mighty
among
the thirty, and above the thirty: and in his course
was Ammizabad his son.

The fourth
captain for the fourth month
was Asahel the brother of Joab, and Zebadiah his son after him: and in his course
were twenty and four thousand.

The fifth captain for the fifth month
was Shamhuth the Izrahite: and in his course
were twenty and four thousand.

The sixth
captain for the sixth month
was Ira the son of Ikesh the Tekoite: and in his course
were twenty and four thousand.

The seventh
captain for the seventh month
was Helez the Pelonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course
were
twenty and four thousand.

The eighth
captain for the eighth month
was Sibbecai the Hushathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course
were twenty and four thousand.

The ninth
captain for the ninth month
was Abiezer the Anetothite, of the Benjamites: and in his course
were twenty and four thousand.

The tenth
captain for the tenth month
was Maharai the Netophathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course
were twenty and four thousand.

The eleventh
captain for the eleventh month
was

Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

The twelfth

captain for the twelfth month

was Heldai the Netophathite, of Othniel: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

Furthermore over the tribes of Israel: the ruler of the Reubenites

was Eliezer the son of Zichri: of the Simeonites, Shephatiah the son of Maachah:

Of the Levites, Hashabiah the son of Kemuel: of the Aaronites, Zadok:

Of Judah, Elihu,

one of the brethren of David: of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael:

Of Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah: of Naphtali, Jerimoth the son of Azriel:

Of the children of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azariah: of the half tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiah:

Of the half

tribe of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah: of Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner:

Of Dan, Azareel the son of Jeroham. These

were the princes of the tribes of Israel.

But David took not the number of them from twenty years old and under: because the LORD had said he would increase Israel like to the stars of the heavens.

Joab the son of Zeruiah began to number, but he finished not, because there fell wrath for it against Israel; neither was the number put in the account of the chronicles of king David.

And over the king's treasures

was Azmaveth the son of Adiel: and over the storehouses in the fields, in the cities, and in the villages, and in the castles,

was Jehonathan the son of Uzziah:

And over them that did the work of the field for tillage of the ground

was Ezri the son of Chelub:

And over the vineyards was Shimei the Ramathite: over the increase of the vineyards for the wine cellars

was Zabdi the Shiphmite:

And over the olive trees and the sycomore trees that were

in the low plains

was Baal-hanan the Gederite: and over the cellars of oil

was Joash:

And over the herds that fed in Sharon

was Shitrai the Sharonite: and over the herds

that were in the valleys

was

Shaphat the son of Adlai:

Over the camels also was Obil the Ishmaelite: and over the asses

was Jehdeiah the Meronothite:

And over the flocks

was Jaziz the Hagerite. All these

were the rulers of the substance which

was king David's.

Also Jonathan David's uncle was a counsellor, a wise man, and a scribe: and Jehiel the son of Hachmoni

was with the king's sons:

And Ahithophel

was the king's counsellor: and Hushai the Archite

was the king's companion:

And after Ahithophel

was Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, and Abiathar: and the general of the king's army

was Joab.

Chapter 28

And David assembled all the princes of Israel, the princes of the tribes, and the captains of the companies that ministered to the king by course, and the captains over the thousands, and captains over the hundreds, and the stewards over all the substance and possession of the king, and of his sons, with the officers, and with the mighty men, and with all the valiant men, unto Jerusalem.

Then David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, Hear me, my brethren, and my people: As for me, I

had in mine heart to build an house of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and for the footstool of our God, and had made ready for the building:

But God said unto me, Thou shalt not build an house for my name, because thou hast been a man of war, and hast shed blood.

Howbeit the LORD God of Israel chose me before all the house of my father to be king over Israel for ever: for he hath chosen Judah

to be

the ruler; and of the house of Judah, the house of my father; and among the sons of my father he liked me to make

me king over all Israel:

And of all my sons, (for the LORD hath given me many sons,) he hath chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel.

And he said unto me, Solomon thy son, he shall build my house and my courts: for I have chosen him

to be my son, and I will be his father.

Moreover I will establish his kingdom for ever, if he be constant to do my commandments and my judgments, as at this day.

Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the congregation of the LORD, and in the audience of our God, keep and seek for all the commandments of the LORD your God: that ye may possess this good land, and leave

it

for an inheritance for your children after you for ever.

And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever.

Take heed now; for the LORD hath chosen thee to build an house for the sanctuary: be strong, and do

it. Then David gave to Solomon his son the pattern of the porch, and of the houses thereof, and of the treasuries thereof, and of the upper chambers thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof, and of the place of the mercy seat,

And the pattern of all that he had by the spirit, of the courts of the house of the LORD, and of all the chambers round about, of the treasuries of the house of God, and of the treasuries of the dedicated things:

Also for the courses of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the house of the LORD, and for all the vessels of service in the house of the LORD.

He gave of gold by weight for

things of gold, for all instruments of all manner of service;

silver also for all instruments of silver by weight, for all instruments of every kind of service:

Even the weight for the candlesticks of gold, and for their lamps of gold, by weight for every candlestick, and for the lamps thereof: and for the candlesticks of silver by weight,

both for the candlestick, and

also for the lamps thereof, according to the use of every candlestick.

And by weight

he gave gold for the tables of shewbread, for every table; and

likewise silver for the tables of silver:

Also pure gold for the fleshhooks, and the bowls, and the cups: and for the golden basons

he gave gold by weight for every bason; and

likewise silver by weight for every bason of silver:
And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the chariot of the cherubims, that spread out their wings,
and covered the ark of the covenant of the LORD.
All
this, said David, the LORD made me understand in writing by his hand upon me,
even all the works of this pattern.
And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the LORD God,
even
my God,
will be with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.
And, behold, the courses of the priests and the Levites,
even they shall be with thee for all the service of the house of God: and
there shall be with thee for all manner of workmanship every willing skilful man, for any manner of service: also the princes and all the people
will be wholly at thy commandment.

Chapter 29

Furthermore David the king said unto all the congregation, Solomon my son, whom alone God hath chosen,
is yet young and tender, and the work
is great: for the palace
is not for man, but for the LORD God.
Now I have prepared with all my might for the house of my God the gold for
things to be made of gold, and the silver for
things
of silver, and the brass for
things of brass, the iron for
things of iron, and wood for
things of wood; onyx stones, and
stones to be set, glistening stones, and of divers colours, and all manner of precious stones,
and marble stones in abundance.
Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have of mine own proper
good, of gold and silver,
which I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the
holy house,
Even three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of
refined silver, to overlay the walls of the houses
withal:
The gold for
things of gold, and the silver for
things
of silver, and for all manner of work
to be made by the hands of artificers. And who
then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the LORD?
Then the chief of the fathers and princes of the tribes of Israel, and the captains of thousands
and of hundreds, with the rulers of the king's work, offered willingly,
And gave for the service of the house of God of gold five thousand talents and ten thousand
drams, and of silver ten thousand talents, and of brass eighteen thousand talents, and one
hundred thousand talents of iron.
And they with whom
precious stones were found gave
them
to the treasure of the house of the LORD, by the hand of Jehiel the Gershonite.
Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart they
offered willingly to the LORD: and David the king also rejoiced with great joy.
Wherefore David blessed the LORD before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed
be thou, LORD God of Israel our father, for ever and ever.
Thine, O LORD,
is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all
that is in the heaven and in the earth
is thine; thine
is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.
Both riches and honour
come of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand
is power and might; and in thine hand
it is to make great, and to give strength unto all.
Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.
But who
am I, and what
is my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things
come
of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.

For we
are strangers before thee, and sojourners, as
were all our fathers: our days on the earth
are as a shadow, and
there is none abiding.
O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build thee an house for thine holy
name
cometh of thine hand, and
is
all thine own.
I know also, my God, that thou triest the heart, and hast pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in
the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen
with joy thy people, which are present here, to offer willingly unto thee.
O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the
imagination of the thoughts of the heart of thy people, and prepare their heart unto thee:
And give unto Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep thy commandments, thy testimonies,
and thy statutes, and to do all
these things,
and to build the palace, for the which I have made provision.
And David said to all the congregation, Now bless the LORD your God. And all the
congregation blessed the LORD God of their fathers, and bowed down their heads, and
worshipped the LORD, and the king.
And they sacrificed sacrifices unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings unto the LORD, on
the morrow after that day,
even a thousand bullocks, a thousand rams,
and a thousand lambs, with their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel:
And did eat and drink before the LORD on that day with great gladness. And they made
Solomon the son of David king the second time, and anointed
him unto the LORD
to be the chief governor, and Zadok
to be priest.
Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of David his father, and
prospered; and all Israel obeyed him.
And all the princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons likewise of king David, submitted
themselves unto Solomon the king.
And the LORD magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel, and bestowed upon
him
such royal majesty as had not been on any king before him in Israel.
Thus David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel.
And the time that he reigned over Israel
was forty years; seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three
years reigned he in Jerusalem.
And he died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honour: and Solomon his son reigned
in his stead.
Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they
are
written in the book of Samuel the seer, and in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the book
of Gad the seer,
With all his reign and his might, and the times that went over him, and over Israel, and over all
the kingdoms of the countries.