- 16 To Sephim, and Hosa towards the west, by the gate which leadeth to the way of the ascent: ward against ward.
- 17 Now towards the east were six Levites: and towards the north four a day: and towards the south likewise four a day: and where the council was, two and two.
- 18 In the cells also of the porters toward the west four in the way: and two at every cell.
- 19 These are the divisions of the porters of the sons of Core, and of Merari.
- **20** Now Achias was over the treasures of the house of God, and the holy vessels.
- 21 The sons of Ledan, the sons of Gersonni: of Ledan were heads of the families, of Ledan, and Gersonni, Jehieli.
- 22 The sons of Jehieli: Zathan and Joel, his brethren over the treasures of the house of the Lord,
- 23 With the Amramites, and Isaarites, and Hebronites, and Ozielites.
- **24** And Subael the son of Gersom, the son of Moses, was chief over the treasures.
- 25 His brethren also, Eliezer, whose son Rohobia, and his son Isaias, and his son Joram, and his son Zechri, and his son Selemith.
- 26 Which Selemith and his brethren were over the treasures of the holy things, which king David, and the heads of families, and the captains over thousands and over hundreds, and the captains of the host had dedicated,
- 27 Out of the wars, and the spoils won in battles, which they had consecrated to the building and furniture of the temple of the Lord.
- 28 And all these things that Samuel the seer and Saul the son of Cis, and Abner the son of Ner, and Joab the son of Sarvia had sanctified: and whosoever had sanctified those things, they were under the hand of Selemith and his brethren.

- 29 But Chonenias and his sons were over the Isaarites, for the business abroad over Israel to teach them and judge them.
- **30** And of the Hebronites Hasabias, and his brethren most able men, a thousand seven hundred had the charge over Israel beyond the Jordan westward, in all the works of the Lord, and for the service of the king.
- **31** And the chief of the Hebronites was Jeria according to their families and kindreds. In the fortieth year of the reign of David they were numbered, and there were found most valiant men in Jazer Galaad,
- 32 And his brethren of stronger age, two thousand seven hundred chiefs of families. And king David made them rulers over the Rubenites and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasses, for all the service of God, and the king.

Chapter 27

Now the children of Israel according to their number, the heads of families, captains of thousands and of hundreds, and officers, that served the king according to their companies, who came in and went out every month in the year, under every chief were four and twenty thousand.

- 2 Over the first company the first month Jesboam, the son of Zabdiel was chief, and under him were four and twenty thousand.
- **3** Of the sons of Phares, the chief of all the captains in the host in the first month.
- 4 The company of the second month was under Dudia, an Ahohite, and after him was another named Macelloth, who commanded a part of the army of four and twenty thousand.
- 5 And the captain of the third company for the third month, was Banaias the son of Joiada the priest: and in his division were four and twenty

thousand.

- **6** This is that Banaias the most valiant among the thirty, and above the thirty. And Amizabad his son commanded his company.
- 7 The fourth, for the fourth month, was Asahel the brother of Joab, and Zabadias his son after him: and in his company were four and twenty thousand.
- 8 The fifth captain for the fifth month, was Samaoth a Jezerite: and his company were four and twenty thousand.
- **9** The sixth, for the sixth month, was Hira the son of Acces a Thecuite: and in his company were four and twenty thousand.
- 10 The seventh, for the seventh month, was Helles a Phallonite of the sons of Ephraim: and in his company were four and twenty thousand.
- 11 The eighth, for the eighth month, was Sobochai a Husathite of the race of Zarahi: and in his company were four and twenty thousand.
- 12 The ninth, for the ninth month, was Abiezer an Anathothite of the sons of Jemini, and in his company were four and twenty thousand.
- 13 The tenth, for the tenth month, was Marai, who was a Netophathite of the race of Zarai: and in his company were four and twenty thousand.
- 14 The eleventh, for the eleventh month, was Banaias, a Pharathonite of the sons of Ephraim: and in his company were four and twenty thousand.
- 15 The twelfth, for the twelfth month, was Holdai a Netophathite, of the race of Gothoniel: and in his company were four and twenty thousand.
- 16 Now the chiefs over the tribes of Israel were these: over the Rubenites, Eliezer the son of Zechri was ruler: over the Simeonites, Saphatias the son of Maacha:

- 17 Over the Levites, Hasabias the son of Camuel: over the Aaronites, Sadoc:
- 18 Over Juda, Eliu the brother of David over Issachar, Amri the son of Michael:
- 19 Over the Zabulonites, Jesmaias the son of Adias: over the Nephtalites, Jerimoth the son of Ozriel:
- 20 Over the sons of Ephraim, Osee the son of Ozaziu: over the half tribe of Manasses, Joel the son of Phadaia:
- **21** And over the half tribe of Manasses in Galaad, Jaddo the son of Zacharias: and over Benjamin, Jasiel the son of Abner.
- **22** And over Dan, Ezrihel the son of Jeroham: these were the princes of the children of Israel.
- 23 But David would not number them from twenty years old and under: because the lord had said that he would multiply Israel like the stars of heaven.
- 24 Joab the son of Sarvia began to number, but he finished not: because upon this there fell wrath upon Israel: and therefore the number of them that were numbered, was not registered in the chronicles of king David.
- 25 And over the king's treasures was Azmoth the son of Adiel: and over those stores which were in the cities, and in the villages, and, in the castles, was Jonathan the son of Ozias.
- 26 And over the tillage, and the husbandmen, who tilled the ground, was Ezri the son of Chelub:
- 27 And over the dressers of the vine yards, was Semeias a Romathite: and over the wine cellars, Zabdias an Aphonite.
- 28 And over the oliveyards and the fig groves, which were in the plains, was Balanam a Gederite: and over the oil cellars, Joas.
- 29 And over the herds that fed in Saron, was Setrai a Saronite: and over the oxen in the valleys, Saphat the son of Adli:

- **30** And over the camels, Ubil an Ishmahelite and over the asses, Jadias a Meronathite:
- **31** And over the sheep Jaziz an Agarene. All these were the rulers of the substance of king David.
- **32** And Jonathan David's uncle, a counsellor, a wise and learned man: he and Jahiel the son of Hachamoni were with the king's sons.
- **33** And Achitophel was the king's counsellor, and Chusai the Arachite, the king's friend.
- **34** And after Achitophel was Joiada the son of Banaias, and Abiathar. And the general of the king's army was Joab.

Chapter 28

And David assembled all the chief men of Israel, the princes of the tribes, and the captains of the companies, who waited on the king: and the captains over thousands, and over hundreds, and them who had the charge over the substance and possessions of the king, and his sons with the officers of the court, and the men of power, and all the bravest of the army at Jerusalem.

- 2 And the king rising up, and standing said: Hear me, my brethren and my people: I had a thought to have built a house, in which the ark of the Lord, and the footstool of our God might rest: and prepared all things for the building.
- **3** And God said to me: Thou shalt not build a house to my name: because thou art a man of war, and hast shed blood.
- 4 But the Lord God of Israel chose me of all the house of my father, to be king over Israel for ever: for of Juda he chose the princes: and of the house of Juda, my father's house: and among the sons of my father, it pleased him to choose me king over all Israel.
 - **5** And among 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.
- **6** And he said to me: Solomon thy son shall build my house, and my courts: for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be a father to him.
- **7** And I will establish his kingdom for ever, it he continue to keep my commandments, and my judgments, as at this day.
- 8 Now then before all the assembly of Israel, in the hearing of our God, keep ye, and seek all the commandments of the Lord our God: that you may possess the good land, and may leave it to your children after you for ever.
- **9** And thou my son Solomon, know the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart, and a willing mind: for the Lord searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the thoughts of minds. If thou seek him, thou shalt find him: but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever.
- 10 Now therefore seeing the Lord hath chosen thee to build the house of the sanctuary, take courage, and do it.
- 11 And David gave to Solomon his son a description of the porch, and of the temple, and of the treasures, and of the upper floor, and of the inner chambers, and of the house for the mercy seat,
- 12 As also of all the courts, which he had in his thought, and of the chambers round about, for the treasures of the house of the Lord, and for the treasures of the consecrated things,
- 13 And of the divisions of the priests and of the Levites, for all the works of the house of the Lord, and for all the vessels of the service of the temple of the Lord.
- 14 Gold by weight for every vessel for the ministry. And silver by weight according to the diversity of the vessels and uses.