

**28** And they are to be under the hand of the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of the Lord, in the porches, and in the chambers, and in the place of purification, and in the sanctuary, and in all the works of the ministry of the temple of the Lord.

**29** And the priests have the charge of the loaves of proposition, and of the sacrifice of fine flour, and of the unleavened cakes, and of the fryingpan, and of the roasting, and of every weight and measure.

**30** And the Levites are to stand in the morning to give thanks, and to sing praises to the Lord: and in like manner in the evening,

**31** As well in the oblation of the holocausts of the Lord, as in the sabbaths and in the new moons, and the rest of the solemnities, according to the number and ceremonies prescribed for every thing, continually before the Lord.

**32** And let them keep the observances of the tabernacle of the covenant, and the ceremonies of the sanctuary, and the charge of the sons of Aaron their brethren, that they may minister in the house of the Lord.

## Chapter 24

Now these were the divisions of the sons of Aaron: The sons of Aaron: Nadab, and Abiu, and Eleazar, and Ithamar.

**2** But Nadab and Abiu died before their father, and had no children: so Eleazar, and Ithamar did the office of the priesthood.

**3** And David distributed them, that is, Sadoc of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, according to their courses and ministry.

**4** And there were found many more of the sons of Eleazar among the principal men, than of the

sons of Ithamar. And he divided them so, that there were of the sons of Eleazar, sixteen chief men by their families: and of the sons of Ithamar eight by their families and houses.

**5** And he divided both the families one with the other by lot: for there were princes of the sanctuary, and princes of God, both of the sons of Eleazar, and of the sons of Ithamar.

**6** And Semeias the son of Nathanael the scribe a Levite, wrote them down before the king and the princes, and Sadoc the priest, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, and the princes also of the priestly and Levitical families: one house, which was over the rest, of Eleazar: and another house, which had the rest under it, of Ithamar.

**7** Now the first lot came forth to Joiarib, the second to Jedei,

**8** The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim,

**9** The fifth to Melchia, the sixth to Maiman,

**10** The seventh to Accos, the eighth to Abia,

**11** The ninth to Jesua, the tenth to Sechenia,

**12** The eleventh to Eliasib, the twelfth to Jacim,

**13** The thirteenth to Hoppa, the fourteenth to Isbaab,

**14** The fifteenth to Belga, the sixteenth to Emmer,

**15** The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses,

**16** The nineteenth to Pheteia, the twentieth to Hezechiel,

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

**18** The three and twentieth to Dalaiau, the four and twentieth to Maaziau.

**19** These are their courses according to their ministries, to come into the house of the Lord, and according to their manner under the hand of Aaron their father: as the Lord the God of Israel had commanded.

**20** Now of the rest of the sons of Levi, there was of the sons of Amram, Subael: and of the sons of Subael, Jehedeia.

**21** Also of the sons of Rohobia the chief Jesias.

**22** And the son of Isaar Salemoth, and the son of Salemoth Jahath:

**23** And his son Jeriau the first, Amarias the second, Jahaziel the third, Jecmaan the fourth.

**24** The son of Oziel, Micha: the son of Micha, Samir.

**25** The brother of Micha, Jesia: and the son of Jesia, Zacharias.

**26** The sons of Merari: Moholi and Musi: the son of Oziau: Benno.

**27** The son also of Merari Oziau, and Soam, and Zacchur, and Hebri.

**28** And the son of Moholi: Eleazar, who had no sons.

**29** And the son of Cis, Jeramael.

**30** The sons of Musi: Moholi, Eder, and Jerimoth. These are the sons of Levi according to the houses of their families.

**31** And they also cast lots over against their brethren the sons of Aaron before David the king, and Sadoc, and Ahimelech, and the princes of the priestly and Levitical families, both the elder and the younger. The lot divided all equally.

## Chapter 25

Moreover David and the chief officers of the army separated for the ministry the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of Idithun: to prophesy with harps, and with psalteries, and with cymbals according to their number serving in their appointed office.

**2** Of the sons of Asaph: Zacchur, and Joseph, and Nathania, and Asarela, sons of Asaph: under the hand of Asaph prophesying near the

king.

**3** And of Idithun: the sons of Idithun, Godolias, Sori, Jeseias, and Hasabias, and Mathathias, under the hand of their father Idithun, who prophesied with a harp to give thanks and to praise the Lord.

**4** Of Heman also: the sons of Heman, Bocciau, Mathaniau, Oziel, Subuel, and Jerimoth, Hananias, Hanani, Eliatha, Geddelthi, and Romemthiezer, and Jesbacassa, Mellothi, Othir, Mahazioth:

**5** All these were the sons of Heman the seer of the king in the words of God, to lift up the horn: and God gave to Heman fourteen sons and three daughters.

**6** All these under their father's hand were distributed to sing in the temple of the Lord, with cymbals, and psalteries and harps, for the service of the house of the Lord near the king: to wit, Asaph, and Idithun, and Heman.

**7** And the number of them with their brethren, that taught the song of the Lord, all the teachers, were two hundred and eighty-eight.

**8** And they cast lots by their courses, the elder equally with the younger, the learned and the unlearned together.

**9** And the first lot came forth to Joseph, who was of Asaph. The second to Godolias, to him and his sons, and his brethren twelve.

**10** The third to Zachur, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**11** The fourth to Isari, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**12** The fifth to Nathania, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**13** The sixth to Bocciau, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**14** The seventh to Isreela, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**15** The eighth to Jesaia, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**16** The ninth to Mathanaias, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**17** The tenth to Semeias, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**18** The eleventh to Azareel, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**19** The twelfth to Hasabia, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**20** The thirteenth to Subael, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**21** The fourteenth to Mathathias, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**22** The fifteenth to Jerimoth, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**23** The sixteenth to Hananias, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**24** The seventeenth to Jesbacassa, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**25** The eighteenth to Hanani, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**26** The nineteenth to Mellothi, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**27** The twentieth to Eliatha, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**28** The one and twentieth to Othir, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**29** The two and twentieth to Geddelthi, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**30** The three and twentieth to Mahazioth, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**31** The four and twentieth to Romemthiezer, to his sons and his brethren twelve.

**2** The sons of Meselemia: Zacharias the first-born, Jadihel the second, Zabadias the third, Jathanael the fourth,

**3** Elam the fifth, Johanan the sixth, Elioenai the seventh.

**4** And the sons of Obededom, Semeias the firstborn, Jozabad the second, Joaha the third, Sachar the fourth, Nathanael the fifth,

**5** Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Phollathi the eighth: for the Lord had blessed him.

**6** And to Semei his son were born sons, heads of their families: for they were men of great valour.

**7** The sons then of Semeias were Othni, and Raphael, and Obed, Elizabad, and his brethren most valiant men: and Eliu, and Samachias.

**8** All these of the sons of Obededom: they, and their sons, and their brethren most able men for service, sixty-two of Obededom.

**9** And the sons of Meselemia, and their brethren strong men, were eighteen.

**10** And of Hosa, that is, of the sons of Merari: Semri the chief, (for he had not a firstborn, and therefore his father made him chief.)

**11** Helcias the second, Tabelias the third, Zacharias the fourth: all these the sons, and the brethren of Hosa, were thirteen.

**12** Among these were the divisions of the porters, so that the chiefs of the wards, as well as their brethren, always ministered in the house of the Lord.

**13** And they cast lots equally, both little and great, by their families for every one of the gates.

**14** And the lot of the east fell to Selemias. But to his son Zacharias, a very wise and learned man, the north gate fell by lot.

**15** And to Obededom and his sons that towards the south: in which part of the house was the council of the ancients.

## Chapter 26

And the divisions of the porters: of the Corites Meselemia, the son of Core, of the sons of Asaph.