

to hew wrought stones to build the house of God. {22:3} 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; {22:4} Also cedar trees in abundance: for the Zidonians and they of Tyre brought much cedar wood to David. {22:5} 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.

{22:6} Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build an house for the LORD God of Israel. {22:7} 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: {22:8} 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. {22:9} 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. {22:10} 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. {22:11} 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. {22:12} 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. {22:13} 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. {22:14} 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. {22:15} 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. {22:16} 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.

{22:17} David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, [saying,] {22:18} [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. {22:19} 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.

{23:1} So when David was old and full of days, he made Solomon his son king over Israel.

{23:2} And he gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the priests and the Levites. {23:3} 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. {23:4} 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: {23:5} Moreover four thousand [were] porters; and four thousand

praised the LORD with the instruments which I made, [said David,] to praise [therewith.] {23:6} And David divided them into courses among the sons of Levi, [namely,] Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

{23:7} Of the Gershonites [were,] Laadan, and Shimei. {23:8} The sons of Laadan; the chief [was] Jehiel, and Zetham, and Joel, three. {23:9} The sons of Shimei; Shelomith, and Haziel, and Haran, three. These [were] the chief of the fathers of Laadan. {23:10} And the sons of Shimei [were,] Jahath, Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four [were] the sons of Shimei. {23:11} 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.

{23:12} The sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four. {23:13} 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. {23:14} Now [concerning] Moses the man of God, his sons were named of the tribe of Levi. {23:15} The sons of Moses [were,] Gershom, and Eliezer. {23:16} Of the sons of Gershom, Shebuel [was] the chief. {23:17} And the sons of Eliezer [were,] Rehabiah the chief. And Eliezer had none other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah were very many. {23:18} Of the sons of Izhar; Shelomith the chief. {23:19} Of the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth. {23:20} Of the sons of Uzziel; Micah the first, and Jesiah the second.

{23:21} The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. The sons of Mahli; Eleazar, and Kish. {23:22} And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters: and their brethren the sons of Kish took them. {23:23} The sons of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three.

{23:24} 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. {23:25} For David said, The LORD God of Israel hath given rest unto his people, that they may dwell in Jerusalem for ever: {23:26} And also unto the Levites; they shall no [more] carry the tabernacle, nor any vessels of it for the service thereof. {23:27} For by the last words of David the Levites [were] numbered from twenty years old and above: {23:28} 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; {23:29} 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; {23:30} And to stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD, and likewise at even; {23:31} 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: {23:32} 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.

{24:1} Now [these are] the divisions of the sons of Aaron.

The sons of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar. {24:2} But Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no children: therefore Eleazar and Ithamar executed the priest's office. {24:3} 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. {24:4} 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. {24:5} 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. {24:6} 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. {24:7} Now the first lot came forth to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah, {24:8} The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim, {24:9} The fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin, {24:10} The seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah, {24:11} The ninth to Jeshua, the tenth to Shecaniah, {24:12} The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim, {24:13} The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab, {24:14} The fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer, {24:15} The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses, {24:16} The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezkel, {24:17} The one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul, {24:18} The three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four and twentieth to Maaziah. {24:19} 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.

{24:20} And the rest of the sons of Levi [were these:] Of the sons of Amram; Shubael: of the sons of Shubael; Jehdeiah. {24:21} Concerning Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first [was] Isshiah. {24:22} Of the Izharites; Shelomoth: of the sons of Shelomoth; Jahath. {24:23} And the sons [of Hebron;] Jeriah [the first,] Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth. {24:24} [Of] the sons of Uzziel; Michah: of the sons of Michah; Shamir. {24:25} The brother of Michah [was] Isshiah: of the sons of Isshiah; Zechariah. {24:26} The sons of Merari [were] Mahli and Mushi: the sons of Jaaziah; Beno.

{24:27} The sons of Merari by Jaaziah; Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ibri. {24:28} Of Mahli [came] Eleazar, who had no sons. {24:29} Concerning Kish: the son of Kish [was] Jerahmeel. {24:30} The sons also of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jerimoth. These [were] the sons of the Levites after the house of their fathers. {24:31} 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.

{25:1} 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: {25:2} 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. {25:3} 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. {25:4} Of Heman: the sons of Heman; Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel, and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, and Romamti-ezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, [and] Mahazioth: {25:5} 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. {25:6} 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. {25:7} 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.

{25:8} And they cast lots, ward against [ward,] as well the small as the great, the teacher as the scholar. {25:9} Now the first lot came forth for Asaph to Joseph: the second to Gedaliah, who with his brethren and sons [were] twelve: {25:10} The third to Zaccur, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:11} The fourth to Izri, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:12} The fifth to Nethaniah, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:13} The sixth to Bukkiah, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:14} The seventh to Jesharelah, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:15} The eighth to Jeshaiiah, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:16} The ninth to Mattaniah, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:17} The tenth to Shimei, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:18} The eleventh to Azareel, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:19} The twelfth to Hashabiah, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:20} The thirteenth to Shubael, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:21} The fourteenth to Mattithiah, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:22} The fifteenth to Jeremoth, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:23} The sixteenth to Hananiah, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:24} The seventeenth to Joshbekashah, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:25} The eighteenth to Hanani, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:26} The nineteenth to Mallothi, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:27} The twentieth to Eliathah, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:28} The one and twentieth to Hothir, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:29} The two and twentieth to Giddalti, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:30} The three and twentieth to Mahazioth, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve: {25:31} The four and twentieth to Romamti-ezer, [he,] his sons, and his brethren, [were] twelve.

{26:1} Concerning the divisions of the porters: Of the Korhites [was] Meshelemiah the son of Kore, of the sons of Asaph. {26:2} And the sons of Meshelemiah [were,] Zechariah the firstborn, Jedaiel the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth, {26:3} Elam the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Elieonai the seventh. {26:4} Moreover the sons of Obed-edom [were,] Shemaiah the firstborn, Jehozabad the second, Joah the third, and Sacar the fourth, and Nethaneel the fifth, {26:5} Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peulthai the eighth: for God blessed him. {26:6} Also unto Shemaiah his son were sons born, that ruled throughout the house of their father: for they [were] mighty men of valour. {26:7} The sons of Shemaiah; Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad, whose brethren [were] strong men, Elihu,

and Semachiah. {26:8} 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. {26:9} And Meshelemiah had sons and brethren, strong men, eighteen. {26:10} 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;) {26:11} Hilkiah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth: all the sons and brethren of Hosah [were] thirteen. {26:12} 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.

{26:13} And they cast lots, as well the small as the great, according to the house of their fathers, for every gate. {26:14} And the lot eastward fell to Shelemiah. Then for Zechariah his son, a wise counsellor, they cast lots; and his lot came out northward. {26:15} To Obed-edom southward; and to his sons the house of Asuppim. {26:16} To Shuppim and Hosah [the lot came forth] westward, with the gate Shallecheth, by the causeway of the going up, ward against ward. {26:17} Eastward [were] six Levites, northward four a day, southward four a day, and toward Asuppim two [and] two. {26:18} At Parbar westward, four at the causeway, [and] two at Parbar. {26:19} These [are] the divisions of the porters among the sons of Kore, and among the sons of Merari.

{26:20} And of the Levites, Ahijah [was] over the treasures of the house of God, and over the treasures of the dedicated things. {26:21} [As concerning] the sons of Laadan; the sons of the Gershonite Laadan, chief fathers, [even] of Laadan the Gershonite, [were] Jehieli. {26:22} The sons of Jehieli; Zetham, and Joel his brother, [which were] over the treasures of the house of the LORD. {26:23} Of the Amramites, [and] the Izharites, the Hebronites, [and] the Uzzielites: {26:24} And Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, [was] ruler of the treasures. {26:25} And his brethren by Eliezer; Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiiah his son, and Joram his son, and Zichri his son, and Shelomith his son. {26:26} 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. {26:27} Out of the spoils won in battles did they dedicate to maintain the house of the LORD. {26:28} 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.

{26:29} Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons [were] for the outward business over Israel, for officers and judges. {26:30} [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. {26:31} 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. {26:32} 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.

{27:1} 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. {27:2} Over the first course for the first month [was] Jashobeam the son of Zabdiel: and in his course [were] twenty and four thousand. {27:3} Of the children of Perez [was] the chief of all the captains of the host for the first month. {27:4} 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. {27:5} 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. {27:6} This [is that] Benaiah, [who was] mighty [among] the thirty, and above the thirty: and in his course [was] Ammizabad his son. {27:7} 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. {27:8} The fifth captain for the fifth month [was] Shamhuth the Izrahite: and in his course [were] twenty and four thousand. {27:9} The sixth [captain] for the sixth month [was] Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite: and in his course [were] twenty and four thousand. {27:10} 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. {27:11} The eighth [captain] for the eighth month [was] Sibbecai the Hushathite, of the Zarithes: and in his course [were] twenty and four thousand. {27:12} The ninth [captain] for the ninth month [was] Abiezer the Anetothite, of the Benjamites: and in his course [were] twenty and four thousand. {27:13} The tenth [captain] for the tenth month [was] Maharai the Netophathite, of the Zarithes: and in his course [were] twenty and four thousand. {27:14} 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. {27:15} The twelfth [captain] for the twelfth month [was] Heldai the Netophathite, of Othniel: and in his course [were] twenty and four thousand.

{27:16} 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: {27:17} Of the Levites, Hashabiah the son of Kemuel: of the Aaronites, Zadok: {27:18} Of Judah, Elihu, [one] of the brethren of David: of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael: {27:19} Of Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah: of Naphtali, Jerimoth the son of Azriel: {27:20} Of the children of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azaziah: of the half tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiah: {27:21} Of the half [tribe] of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah: of Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner: {27:22} Of Dan, Azareel the son of Jeroham. These [were] the princes of the tribes of Israel.

{27:23} 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. {27:24} 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.

{27:25} 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 Uziah: {27:26} And over them that did the work of the field for tillage of the ground [was] Ezri

the son of Chelub: {27:27} And over the vineyards was Shimei the Ramathite: over the increase of the vineyards for the wine cellars [was] Zabdi the Shiphmite: {27:28} 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: {27:29} 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: {27:30} Over the camels also was Obil the Ishmaelite: and over the asses [was] Jehdeiah the Meronothite: {27:31} And over the flocks [was] Jaziz the Hagerite. All these [were] the rulers of the substance which [was] king David's. {27:32} 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: {27:33} And Ahithophel [was] the king's counsellor: and Hushai the Archite [was] the king's companion: {27:34} And after Ahithophel [was] Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, and Abiathar: and the general of the king's army [was] Joab.

{28:1} 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. {28:2} 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: {28:3} 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. {28:4} 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: {28:5} 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. {28:6} 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. {28:7} Moreover I will establish his kingdom for ever, if he be constant to do my commandments and my judgments, as at this day. {28:8} 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.

{28:9} 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. {28:10} Take heed now; for the LORD hath chosen thee to build an house for the sanctuary: be strong, and do [it].

{28:11} Then David gave to Solomon his son the pattern of the porch, and of the houses thereof, and of the treasures thereof, and of the upper chambers thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof, and of the place of the mercy seat, {28:12} 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 treasures of the house of God, and of the treasures of the dedicated things: {28:13} 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. {28:14} [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: {28:15} 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. {28:16} And by weight [he gave] gold for the tables of shewbread, for every table; and [likewise] silver for the tables of silver: {28:17} 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: {28:18} 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. {28:19} All [this, said David,] the LORD made me understand in writing by [his] hand upon me, [even] all the works of this pattern. {28:20} 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. {28:21} 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.

{29:1} 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. {29:2} 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. {29:3} 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, {29:4} [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:] {29:5} 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?

{29:6} 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, {29:7} 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. {29:8} 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. {29:9} 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.

{29:10} 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. {29:11} 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. {29:12} 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. {29:13} Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name. {29:14} 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. {29:15} 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. {29:16} 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. {29:17} 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. {29:18} 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: {29:19} 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.

{29:20} 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. {29:21} 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: {29:22} 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. {29:23} Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him. {29:24} And all the princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons likewise of king David, submitted themselves unto Solomon the king. {29:25} 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.

{29:26} Thus David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel. {29:27} 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. {29:28} And he died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honour: and Solomon his son reigned in his stead. {29:29} 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, {29:30} With all his reign and his might, and the times that went over him, and over Israel, and over all the

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{1:1} And Solomon the son of David was strengthened in his kingdom, and the LORD his God [was] with him, and magnified him exceedingly. {1:2} Then Solomon spake unto all Israel, to the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and to the judges, and to every governor in all Israel, the chief of the fathers. {1:3} So Solomon, and all the congregation with him, went to the high place that [was] at Gibeon; for there was the tabernacle of the congregation of God, which Moses the servant of the LORD had made in the wilderness. {1:4} But the ark of God had David brought up from Kirjath-jearim to [the place which] David had prepared for it: for he had pitched a tent for it at Jerusalem. {1:5} Moreover the brasen altar, that Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, had made, he put before the tabernacle of the LORD: and Solomon and the congregation sought unto it. {1:6} And Solomon went up thither to the brasen altar before the LORD, which [was] at the tabernacle of the congregation, and offered a thousand burnt offerings upon it.

{1:7} In that night did God appear unto Solomon, and said unto him, Ask what I shall give thee. {1:8} And Solomon said unto God, Thou hast shewed great mercy unto David my father, and hast made me to reign in his stead. {1:9} Now, O LORD God, let thy promise unto David my father be established: for thou hast made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude. {1:10} Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people: for who can judge this thy people, [that is so] great? {1:11} And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour, nor the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life; but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom I have made thee king: {1:12} Wisdom and knowledge [is] granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honour, such as none of the kings have had that [have been] before thee, neither shall there any after thee have the like.

{1:13} Then Solomon came [from his journey] to the high place that [was] at Gibeon to Jerusalem, from before the tabernacle of the congregation, and reigned over Israel. {1:14} And Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, which he placed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem. {1:15} And the king made silver and gold at Jerusalem [as plenteous] as stones, and cedar trees made he as the sycamore trees that [are] in the vale for abundance. {1:16} And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linen yarn: the king's merchants received the linen yarn at a price. {1:17} And they fetched up, and brought forth out of Egypt a chariot for six hundred [shekels] of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: and so brought they out [horses] for all the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, by their means.

{2:1} And Solomon determined to build an house for the name of the LORD, and an house for his kingdom. {2:2} And Solomon told out threescore and ten thousand men to bear burdens, and fourscore thousand to hew in the mountain, and three thousand and six hundred to oversee them.

{2:3} And Solomon sent to Hiram the king of Tyre, saying, As thou didst deal with David my father, and didst

send him cedars to build him an house to dwell therein, [even so deal with me.] {2:4} Behold, I build an house to the name of the LORD my God, to dedicate [it] to him, [and] to burn before him sweet incense, and for the continual shewbread, and for the burnt offerings morning and evening, on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts of the LORD our God. This [is an ordinance] for ever to Israel. {2:5} And the house which I build [is] great: for great [is] our God above all gods. {2:6} But who is able to build him an house, seeing the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain him? who [am] I then, that I should build him an house, save only to burn sacrifice before him? {2:7} Send me now therefore a man cunning to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, and in iron, and in purple, and crimson, and blue, and that can skill to grave with the cunning men that [are] with me in Judah and in Jerusalem, whom David my father did provide. {2:8} Send me also cedar trees, fir trees, and algum trees, out of Lebanon: for I know that thy servants can skill to cut timber in Lebanon; and, behold, my servants [shall be] with thy servants, {2:9} Even to prepare me timber in abundance: for the house which I am about to build [shall be] wonderful great. {2:10} And, behold, I will give to thy servants, the hewers that cut timber, twenty thousand measures of beaten wheat, and twenty thousand measures of barley, and twenty thousand baths of wine, and twenty thousand baths of oil.

{2:11} Then Hiram the king of Tyre answered in writing, which he sent to Solomon, Because the LORD hath loved his people, he hath made thee king over them. {2:12} Hiram said moreover, Blessed [be] the LORD God of Israel, that made heaven and earth, who hath given to David the king a wise son, endued with prudence and understanding, that might build an house for the LORD, and an house for his kingdom. {2:13} And now I have sent a cunning man, endued with understanding, of Hiram my father's, {2:14} The son of a woman of the daughters of Dan, and his father [was] a man of Tyre, skilful to work in gold, and in silver, in brass, in iron, in stone, and in timber, in purple, in blue, and in fine linen, and in crimson; also to grave any manner of graving, and to find out every device which shall be put to him, with thy cunning men, and with the cunning men of my lord David thy father. {2:15} Now therefore the wheat, and the barley, the oil, and the wine, which my lord hath spoken of, let him send unto his servants: {2:16} And we will cut wood out of Lebanon, as much as thou shalt need: and we will bring it to thee in flotes by sea to Joppa; and thou shall carry it up to Jerusalem.

{2:17} And Solomon numbered all the strangers that [were] in the land of Israel, after the numbering wherewith David his father had numbered them; and they were found an hundred and fifty thousand and three thousand and six hundred. {2:18} And he set threescore and ten thousand of them [to be] bearers of burdens, and fourscore thousand [to be] hewers in the mountain, and three thousand and six hundred overseers to set the people a work.

{3:1} Then Solomon began to build the house of the LORD at Jerusalem in mount Moriah, where [the LORD] appeared unto David his father, in the place that David had prepared in the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite. {3:2} And he began to build in the second [day] of the second month, in the fourth year of his reign.

{3:3} Now these [are the things wherein] Solomon was instructed for the building of the house of God. The length by cubits after the first measure [was] threescore cubits, and