

## 1 CHRONICLES

## Chapter 1

*Sons of Adam*

- 1 ¶ <sup>a</sup>Adam, <sup>b</sup>Sheth, Enosh,  
 2 Kenan, Mahalaleel, Jered,  
 3 Henoch, Methuselah, Lamech,  
 4 <sup>c</sup>Noah, Shem, Ham and Japheth.

*Sons of Japheth*

- 5 ¶ <sup>d</sup>The sons of Japheth were Gomer and Magog and Madai and Javan and Tubal and Meshech and Tiras.  
 6 And the sons of Gomer were Ashchenaz and Riphaz and Togarmah.  
 7 And the sons of Javan were Elishah and Tarshish Kittim and Dodanim.

*Sons of Ham*

- 8 ¶ <sup>e</sup>The sons of Ham were Cush and Mizraim, Put and Canaan.  
 9 And the sons of Cush were Seba and Havilah and Sabta and Raamah and Sabtecha. And the sons of Raamah were Sheba and Dedan.  
 10 And Cush <sup>f</sup>begot Nimrod. He began to be mighty on the earth.  
 11 And Mizraim begot Ludim and Ananim and Lehabim and Naphtuhim  
 12 and Pathrusim and Casluhim (of whom came the Philistines), and <sup>g</sup>Caphthorim.  
 13 And <sup>h</sup>Canaan begot Sidon, his firstborn, and Heth  
 14 and the Jebusite also, and the

Amorite and the Girgashite,  
 15 and the Hivite and the Arkite and the Sinite  
 16 and the Arvadite and the Zemarite and the Hamathite.

*Sons of Shem*

- 17 ¶ The sons of <sup>i</sup>Shem were Elam and Asshur and <sup>j</sup>Arphaxad and Lud and Aram and Uz and Hul and Gether and Meshech.  
 18 And Arphaxad begot Shelah and Shelah begot Eber.  
 19 And to Eber were born two sons. The name of the one was Peleg because in his days the earth was divided. And his brother's name was Joktan.  
 20 And <sup>k</sup>Joktan begot Almodad and Sheleph and Hazarmaveth and Jerah,  
 21 Hadoram also and Uzal and Diklah  
 22 and Ebal and Abimael and Sheba  
 23 and Ophir and Havilah and Jobab. All these were the sons of Joktan:  
 24 <sup>l</sup>Shem, Arphaxad, Shelah,  
 25 <sup>m</sup>Eber, Peleg, Reu,  
 26 Serug, Nahor, Terah,  
 27 <sup>n</sup>Abram, the same is Abraham.

*Sons of Abraham*

- 28 ¶ <sup>o</sup>The sons of Abraham were <sup>p</sup>Isaac and <sup>q</sup>Ishmael.  
 29 These are their generations: the <sup>r</sup>firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth, then

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Kedar and Adbeel and Mibsam,

**30** Mishma and Dumah, Massa, Hadad and Tema,

**31** Jetur, Naphish and Kedemah. These are the sons of Ishmael.

**32** Now the <sup>s</sup>sons of Keturah, Abraham's concubine were Zimran and Jokshan and Medan and Midian and Ishbak and Shuah. And the sons of Jokshan were Sheba and Dedan.

**33** And the sons of Midian were Ephah and Epher and Henoah and Abida and Eldaah. All these are the sons of Keturah.

**34** And <sup>l</sup>Abraham begot Isaac. The <sup>s</sup>sons of Isaac were Esau and Israel.

#### *Sons of Esau*

**35** ¶ The sons of <sup>v</sup>Esau were Eliphaz, Reuel and Jeush and Jaalam and Korah.

**36** The sons of Eliphaz were Teman and Omar, Zephi and Gatam, Kenaz and <sup>w</sup>Timna and Amalek.

**37** The sons of Reuel were Nahas, Zerah, Shammah and Mizzah.

#### *Sons of Seir*

**38** ¶ And the <sup>s</sup>sons of Seir were Lotan and Shobal and Zibeon and Anah and Dishon and Ezar and Dishan.

**39** And the sons of Lotan were Hori and Homam. And Timna was Lotan's sister.

**40** The sons of Shobal were Alian and Manahas and Ebal, Shephi and Onam. And the sons of Zibeon were Aiah and Anah.

**41** The son of Anah was Dishon. And the sons of <sup>y</sup>Dishon were Amram and

Eshban and Ithran and Cheran.

**42** The sons of Ezer were Bilhan and Zavan and Jaakan. The sons of Dishan were Uz and Aran.

#### *Kings of Edom*

**43** ¶ Now these are the <sup>r</sup>kings who reigned in the land of Edom before any king reigned over the children of Israel: Bela the son of Beor. And the name of his city was Dinhabah.

**44** And when Bela was dead, Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his place.

**45** And when Jobab was dead, Husham, of the land of the Tema-nites, reigned in his place.

**46** And when Husham was dead, Hadad the son of Bedad, who struck Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his place. And the name of his city was Avith.

**47** And when Hadad was dead, Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his place.

**48** <sup>a</sup>And when Samlah was dead, Saul of Rehoboth by the river, reigned in his place.

**49** And when Saul was dead, Baalhanan the son of Achbor reigned in his place.

**50** And when Baalhanan was dead, Hadad reigned in his place. And the name of his city was Pai. And his wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

**51** Hadad died also. And the chiefs of Edom were chief Timnah, chief Aliah, chief Jetheth,

**52** chief Aholibamah, chief Elah, chief Pinon,

s Gn 25:1-4 t Gn 21:2 u Gn 25:9,25,26,29; 32:28 v Gn 36:10-19 w Gn 26:12 x Gn 26:20-28 y Gn 36:23 z Gn 36:31-43 a Gn 36:37

53 chief Kenaz, chief Teman, chief

Mibzar,

54 chief Magdiel, and chief Iram.

These were the chiefs of Edom.

## Chapter 2

### *Sons of Israel*

1 ¶ These were the <sup>a</sup>sons of Israel: <sup>b</sup>Reuben, Simeon, Levi and Judah, Issachar and Zebulun,

2 Dan, Joseph and Benjamin, Naph-tali, Gad and Asher.

3 ¶ The sons of <sup>c</sup>Judah were Er and Onan and Shelah. These three were born to him of the daughter of <sup>d</sup>Shua the Canaanitess. And <sup>e</sup>Er, the first-born of Judah, was evil in the sight of the LORD. And He slew him.

4 And <sup>f</sup>Tamar his daughter-in-law <sup>g</sup>bore him Perez and Zerah. All the sons of Judah were five.

5 The sons of <sup>h</sup>Perez were Hezron and Hamul.

6 And the sons of Zerah were Zimri and <sup>i</sup>Ethan and Heman and Calcol and Dara, five of them in all.

7 And the son of <sup>j</sup>Carmi were Achar, the troubler of Israel who trans-gressed in the <sup>k</sup>consecrated thing.

8 And the son of Ethan was Azariah.

9 ¶ The sons also of Hezron who were born to him were Jerahmeel and Ram and Chelubai.

10 And Ram <sup>l</sup>begot Amminadab, and Amminadab begot Nahshon, <sup>m</sup>prince of the children of Judah.

11 And Nahshon begot Salma, and Salma begot Boaz,

12 and Boaz begot Obed, and Obed

begot Jesse.

13 And <sup>n</sup>Jesse begot his firstborn Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and Shimma the third,

14 Nethaneel the fourth, Raddai the fifth,

15 Ozem the sixth and David the <sup>o</sup>seventh.

16 Their sisters were Zeruah and Abigail. <sup>p</sup>And the sons of Zeruah were Abishai and Joab and Asahel, three.

17 And Abigail bore Amasa. And the father of Amasa was Jether the Ishmaelite.

18 ¶ And Caleb the son of Hezron begot *children* of Azubah *his* wife, and of Jerioth. Her sons are these: Jeshar and Shobab and Ardon.

19 And when Azubah was dead, Ca-leb took <sup>q</sup>Ephrath who bore him Hur.

20 And Hur begot Uri, and Uri be-got <sup>r</sup>Bezaleel.

21 ¶ And afterward Hezron went in to the daughter of <sup>s</sup>Machir the father of Gilead, whom he married, when he was sixty years old. And she bore him Segub.

22 And Segub begot <sup>t</sup>Jair, who had twenty-three cities in the land of Gilead.

23 <sup>u</sup>And he took from them Geshur and Syria, with the towns of Jair, with Kenath and its towns, even sixty cit-ies. All these belonged to the sons of Machir the father of Gilead.

24 After the death of Hezron in Cale-bephtratah, Abiah Hezron's wife bore him <sup>v</sup>Ashur the father of Tekoa.

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- 25** ¶ And the sons of Jerahmeel, the firstborn of Hezron, *were* Ram the firstborn, and Bunah and Oren and Ozem *and* Ahijah.
- 26** Jerahmeel had also another wife whose name was Atarah. She *was* the mother of Onam.
- 27** And the sons of Ram the firstborn of Jerahmeel were Maaz and Jamin and Eker.
- 28** And the sons of Onam *were* Shammai and Jada. And the sons of Shammai *were* Nadab and Abishur.
- 29** And the name of the wife of Abishur *was* Abihail. And she bore him Ahban and Molid.
- 30** And the sons of Nadab *were* Seled and Appaim. But Seled died without children.
- 31** And the son of Appaim was Ishi. And the son of Ishi *was* Sheshan. And the son of <sup>w</sup>Sheshan *was* Ahlai.
- 32** And the sons of Jada the brother of Shammai *were* Jether and Jonathan. And Jether died without children.
- 33** And the sons of Jonathan *were* Peleth and Zaza. These were the sons of Jerahmeel.
- 34** ¶ Now Sheshan had no sons, but daughters. And Sheshan had a servant, an Egyptian whose name *was* Jarha.
- 35** And Sheshan gave his daughter to Jarha his servant as a wife. And she bore him Attai.
- 36** And Attai begot Nathan, and Nathan begot <sup>x</sup>Zabad,
- 37** and Zabad begot Ephlal, and Ephlal begot <sup>y</sup>Obed,
- 38** and Obed begot Jehu, and Jehu begot Azariah,
- 39** and Azariah begot Helez, and Helez begot Eleasah,
- 40** and Eleasah begot Sisamai, and Sisamai begot Shallum,
- 41** and Shallum begot Jekamiah, and Jekamiah begot Elishama.
- 42** ¶ Now the sons of Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel *were* Meshah, his firstborn, who was the father of Ziph, and the sons of Mareshah the father of Hebron.
- 43** And the sons of Hebron *were* Korah and Tappuah and Rekem and Shema.
- 44** And Shema begot Raham, the father of Jorkoam. And Rekem begot Shammai.
- 45** And the son of Shammai *was* Maon. And Maon *was* the father of Bethzur.
- 46** And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bore Haran and Moza and Gazez. And Haran begot Gazez.
- 47** And the sons of Jahdai *were* Regem and Jotham and Gesham and Pelet and Ephah and Shaaph.
- 48** Maachah, Caleb's concubine, bore Sheber and Tirhanah.
- 49** She bore also Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of Machbenah, and the father of Gibeah. And the daughter of Caleb *was* <sup>z</sup>Achsa.
- 50** ¶ These were the sons of Caleb the son of <sup>a</sup>Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah: Shobal the father of <sup>b</sup>Kirjath Jearim,
- 51** Salma the father of Bethlehem, Hareph the father of Bethgader.
- 52** And Shobal the father of Kirjath

Jearim had sons: Haroeh, *and* half of the Manahethites,

**53** and the families of Kirjath Jearim *were* the Ithrites and the Puhites and the Shumathites and the Mishraites. From these came the Zareathites and the Eshtaulites.

**54** The sons of Salma: Bethlehem and the Netophasites, Ataroth, the house of Joab, and half of the Manahethites, the Zorites.

**55** And the families of the scribes who dwelt at Jabez *were* the Tirathites, the Shimeathites *and* Suchasites. These are the <sup>c</sup>Kenites who came from Hemath, the father of the house of <sup>d</sup>Rechab.

### Chapter 3

#### *Sons of David*

**1** ¶ Now these were the sons of David who were born to him in Hebron: the firstborn, <sup>a</sup>Amnon of <sup>b</sup>Ahinoam the <sup>c</sup>Jezreelitess; the second, Daniel of <sup>d</sup>Abigail the Carmelitess;

**2** the third, <sup>e</sup>Absalom the son of Maachah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur; the fourth, <sup>f</sup>Adonijah the son of Haggith;

**3** the fifth, Shephatiah of Abital; the sixth, Ithream by <sup>g</sup>Eglah his wife.

**4** *These* six were born to him in Hebron. And <sup>h</sup>there he reigned seven years and six months. And <sup>i</sup>in Jerusalem he reigned thirty-three years.

**5** <sup>j</sup>And these were born to him in Jerusalem: Shimea and Shobab and Nathan and <sup>k</sup>Solomon, four of

Bathshua the daughter of Ammiel;

**6** Ibhaz also and Elishama and Eliphelet

**7** and Nogah and Nepheg and Japhia

**8** and Elishama and Eliada and Eliphelet, <sup>l</sup>nine.

**9** *These were* all the sons of David, besides the sons of the concubines and <sup>m</sup>Tamar their sister.

#### *Kings of Judah*

**10** ¶ And Solomon's son was <sup>n</sup>Rehoboam, Abia his son, Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son,

**11** Joram his son, Ahaziah his son, Joash his son,

**12** Amaziah his son, Azariah his son, Jotham his son,

**13** Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his son,

**14** Amon his son, Josiah his son.

**15** And the sons of Josiah *were* Johanan, the firstborn, the second Jehoiakim, the third, Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum.

**16** And the sons of <sup>o</sup>Jehoiakim *were* Jeconiah his son *and* Zedekiah his son.

#### *Royalty After the Exile*

**17** ¶ And the sons of Jeconiah *were* Assir, Salathiel <sup>p</sup>his son,

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

**19** And the sons of Pedaiah *were* Zerubbabel and Shimei. And the sons of Zerubbabel *were* Meshullam and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister;

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**20** and Hashubah and Ohel and Berechiah and Hasadiah, Jushabhesed, five.

**21** And the sons of Hananiah were Pelatiah and Jesaiah, the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of Shechaniah.

**22** The son of Shecaniah was Shemaiah, and the sons of Shemaiah were <sup>q</sup>Hattush, Igal, Bariah, Neariah and Shaphat, six.

**23** And the sons of Neariah were Elioenai and Hezekiah and Azrikam, three.

**24** And the sons of Elioenai were Hodaiah and Eliashib and Pelaiah and Akkub and Johanan and Dalaiah and Anani, seven.

## Chapter 4

### *Sons of Judah*

**1** ¶ The sons of Judah were <sup>a</sup>Perez, Hezron and Carmi and Hur and Shobal.

**2** And Reaiah the son of Shobal begot Jahas, and Jahas begot Ahumai and Lahad. These are the families of the Zorathites.

**3** And these were the sons of the father of Etam: Jezreel and Ishma and Idbash. And the name of their sister was Hazelelponi.

**4** And Penuel was the father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah. These were the sons of <sup>b</sup>Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah, the father of Bethlehem.

**5** And <sup>c</sup>Ashur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah.

**6** And Naarah bore him Ahuzam and

Hepher and Temeni and Haahashtari. These were the sons of Naarah.

**7** And the sons of Helah were Zereth and Jezoar and Ethnan.

**8** And Coz begot Anub and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the son of Harum.

**9** ¶ And Jabez was <sup>d</sup>more honorable than his brethren. And his mother called his name Jabez, saying, "Because I bore him with sorrow."

**10** And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, "Oh that You would bless me indeed and enlarge my borders, and that Your hand might be with me, and that You would keep me from evil so that it may not grieve me!" And God granted him what he requested.

**11** ¶ And Chelub the brother of <sup>e</sup>Shuah begot Mehir who was the father of Eshton.

**12** And Eshton begot Bethrapha and Paseah and Tehinnah, the father of Irnahash. These are the men of Rechah.

**13** And the sons of Kenaz were <sup>f</sup>Othniel and Seraiah. And the son of Othniel were Hasath

**14** and Meonothai begot Ophrah. And Seraiah begot Joab, the father of the <sup>g</sup>Ge Harashim, for they were craftsmen.

**15** And the sons of <sup>h</sup>Caleb the son of Jephunneh were Iru, Elah and Naam, and the son of Elah was Kenaz.

**16** And the sons of Jehaleleel were Ziph and Ziphah, Tiria and Asareel.

**17** And the sons of Ezra were Jether and Mered and Ephraim and Jalon. And

q Er 8:2 Chapter 4: a Gn 38:29; 46:12 b 1 Ch 2:50 c 1 Ch 2:24 d Gn 34:19 e Jb 8:1 f Ja 15:17 g Ne 11:35 h 1 Ch 6:56

she bore Miriam and Shammai and Ishbah, the father of Eshtemoa.

**18** And his wife Jehudijah bore 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 whom Mered took.

**19** And the sons of *his* wife Hodiah the sister of Naham, the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the <sup>i</sup>Maachasite.

**20** And the sons of Shimon *were* Amnon and Rinnah, Benhanan and Tilon. And the sons of Ishi *were* Zoheth and Benzoheth.

**21** The sons of <sup>j</sup>Shelah the <sup>k</sup>son of Judah *were* Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the father of Maresah, and the families of the house of those who worked fine linen of the house of Ashbea,

**22** and Jokim, and the men of Chozeba and Joash and Saraph, who had the dominion in Moab, and Jashubilehem. And *these are* ancient things.

**23** These *were* the potters and those who dwelt at Netaim and Gederah. They dwelt there with the king for his work.

#### *Sons of Simeon*

**24** ¶ The <sup>l</sup>sons of Simeon *were* Nemuel and Jamin, Jarib, Zerah and Shaul;

**25** Shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son.

**26** And the sons of Mishma *were* Hamuel his son, Zacchur his son, Shimei his son.

**27** And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters, but his brethren did not have many children, <sup>m</sup>nor did all their family multiply like the children of Judah.

**28** ¶ And they dwelt at Beersheba and Moladah and Hazarshual

**29** and at Bilhah and at Ezem and at Tolad

**30** and at Bethuel and at Hormah and at Ziklag

**31** and at Bethmarcaboth and Hazar-susim and at Bethbirei and at Shaaraim. These *were* their cities until the reign of David.

**32** And their villages *were* Etam and Ain, Rimmon and Tochen and Ashan, five cities.

**33** And all their villages *were* around the same cities as far as Baal. These *were* their settlements and their genealogy.

**34** And Meshobab and Jamlech and Joshah, the son of Amaziah

**35** and Joel and Jehu the son of Josibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of Asiel,

**36** and Elioenai and Jaakobah and Jeshohaiah and Asaiah and Adiel and Jesimiel and Benaiah

**37** and Ziza the son of Shiphi, the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the son of Shemaiah.

**38** These mentioned by *their* names *were* princes in their families. And the house of their fathers increased greatly.

**39** ¶ And they went to the entrance of Gedor, *even* to the east side of the valley to seek pasture for their flocks.

**40** And they found good pasture, and the land *was* wide and quiet and peaceful, for *those* who formerly lived there were Hamites.

**41** And these written by name came in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and <sup>a</sup>attacked their tents and the habitations that were found there. And they <sup>o</sup>utterly destroyed them to this day. And they dwelt in their place because *there was* pasture there for their flocks.

**42** And *some* of them, even of the sons of Simeon, five hundred men, went to Mount Seir with Pelatiah, Neariah, Rephaiah and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi, as their captians.

**43** And they struck the <sup>p</sup>rest of the Amalekites who had escaped. And they dwell there to this day.

## Chapter 5

### *Sons of Reuben*

**1** ¶ Now the sons of Reuben the first-born of Israel (<sup>a</sup>for he *was* the first-born, but because he <sup>b</sup>defiled his father's bed, <sup>c</sup>his birthright was given to the sons of Joseph the son of Israel, so that he is not enrolled in the genealogy according to the birthright;

**2** for <sup>d</sup>Judah prevailed above his brothers, and from him *came* the <sup>e</sup>chief ruler, though the birthright was Joseph's),

**3** the sons of <sup>f</sup>Reuben the firstborn of Israel *were* Hanoch and Pallu, Hezron and Carmi.

**4** The sons of Joel *were* Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son,

**5** Micah his son, Reaia his son, Baal his son,

**6** Beerah his son, whom Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria <sup>g</sup>carried away *captive*. He was prince of the Reubenites.

**7** And his relatives by their families, <sup>h</sup>when the genealogy of their generations was enrolled, *were* Jeiel the chief and Zechariah

**8** and Bela the son of Azaz, the son of Shema, the son of Joel, who dwelt in <sup>i</sup>Aroer, even to Nebo and Baal-meon.

**9** And eastward he inhabited to the entrance of the wilderness from the River Euphrates, because their livestock had increased <sup>j</sup>in the land of Gilead.

**10** And in the days of Saul they made war <sup>k</sup>with the Hagarites who fell by their hand. And they dwelt in their tents throughout all the east *land* of Gilead.

### *Sons of Gad*

**11** ¶ And the <sup>l</sup>sons of Gad dwelt opposite them in the land of <sup>m</sup>Bashan to <sup>n</sup>Salcah.

**12** Joel *was* the chief, and Shapham the second, and Jaanai and Shaphat in Bashan.

**13** And their relatives of the house of their fathers *were* Michael and Meshullam and Sheba and Jorai and Jachan and Zia and Heber, seven.

**14** These *were* the children of Abihail the son of Huri, the son of Jaroah, the son of Gilead, the son of

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Michael, the son of Jeshishai, the son of Jahdo, the son of Buz;

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

**16** And they dwelt in Gilead in Bashan, and in its towns and in all the pasture lands of °Sharon, as far as their borders.

**17** All these were enrolled by genealogies in the days of °Jotham king of Judah, and in the days of °Jeroboam king of Israel.

**18** ¶ The sons of Reuben and the Gadites and half the tribe of Manasseh, of valiant men, men able to bear shield and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skillful in war, *were* 44,760 who went out to the war.

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

**20** And °they were helped against them and the Hagarites were delivered into their hand and all who *were* with them, for they °cried out to God in the battle and He answered them because they °put their trust in Him.

**21** And they took away their livestock, 50,000 camels, 250,000 sheep and 2,000 donkeys and 100,000 men.

**22** For there fell down many slain because the war °was of God. And they dwelt in their place until °the captivity.

#### *Half Tribe of Manasseh*

**23** ¶ And the children of the half tribe of Manasseh dwelt in the land. They

increased from Bashan to Baalhermon and °Senir and to Mount Hermon.

**24** And these *were* the heads of the house of their fathers, even Epher and Ishi, and Eliel and Azriel and Jeremiah and Hodaviah and Jahdiel, mighty men of valor, famous men *and* heads of the house of their fathers.

**25** ¶ And they transgressed against the God of their fathers and °played the harlot after the gods of the people of the land, whom God destroyed before them.

**26** And the God of Israel stirred up the spirit of °Pul king of Assyria, even 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 he brought them to °Halah and Habor and Hara and to the River Gozan to this day.

### Chapter 6

#### *Sons of Levi*

**1** ¶ The sons of Levi *were* °Gershon, Kohas and Merari.

**2** And the sons of Kohas *were* Amram, °Izhar and Hebron and Uzziel.

**3** And the children of Amram *were* Aaron and Moses and Miriam. The sons also of Aaron *were* °Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar.

**4** Eleazar begot Phinehas, Phinehas begot Abishua,

**5** and Abishua begot Bukki, and

o 1 Ch 27:29 p 2 Kg 15:5,32 q 2 Kg 14:16,28 r Gn 25:15 s 1 Ch 5:22 t 2 Ch 14:11-13 u Ps 9:10; 20:7,8; 22:4,5 v Ja 23:10 w 2 Kg 15:29; 17:6 x Dt 3:9 y 2 Kg 17:7 z 2 Kg 15:19 a 2 Kg 15:29 b 2 Kg 17:6; 18:11 **Chapter 6:** a Ex 6:16 b 1 Ch 6:18,22 c Lv 10:1,2

Bukki begot Uzzi,  
**6** and Uzzi begot Zerariah, and Zerariah begot Meraioth,  
**7** Meraioth begot Amariah, and Amariah begot Ahitub,  
**8** and <sup>d</sup>Ahitub begot <sup>e</sup>Zadok, and Zadok begot Ahimaaz,  
**9** and Ahimaaz begot Azariah, and Azariah begot Johanan,  
**10** and Johanan begot Azariah (it was he who <sup>f</sup>executed the priest's office in the <sup>g</sup>temple that Solomon built in Jerusalem).  
**11** And <sup>h</sup>Azariah begot <sup>i</sup>Amariah, and Amariah begot Ahitub,  
**12** and Ahitub begot Zadok, and Zadok begot Shallum,  
**13** and Shallum begot Hilkiah, and Hilkiah begot Azariah,  
**14** and Azariah begot <sup>j</sup>Seraiah, and Seraiah begot Jehozadak,  
**15** and Jehozadak went *into captivity* <sup>k</sup>when the LORD carried away Judah and Jerusalem by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.  
**16** ¶ The sons of Levi were <sup>l</sup>Gershom, Kohas and Merari.  
**17** And these *are* the names of the sons of Gershom: Libni and Shimei.  
**18** And the sons of Kohas were Amram and Izhar and Hebron and Uzziel.  
**19** The sons of Merari were Mahli and Mushi. And these *are* the families of the Levites according to their fathers.  
**20** Of Gershom were Libni his son, Jahas his son, <sup>m</sup>Zimmah his son,  
**21** Joah his son, Iddo his son, Zerah his son, Jeaterai his son.

**22** The sons of Kohas were Amminadab his son, <sup>n</sup>Korah his son, Assir his son,  
**23** Elkanah his son, and Ebiasaph his son, and Assir his son,  
**24** Tahas his son, Uriel his son, Uziah his son and Shaul his son.  
**25** And the sons of Elkanah were <sup>o</sup>Amasai and Ahimoth.  
**26** *As for* Elkanah, the sons of Elkanah: Zophai his son and Nahas his son,  
**27** Eliab his son, Jeroham his son, Elkanah his son.  
**28** And the sons of Samuel were the firstborn Vashni, and Abiah.  
**29** The sons of Merari were Mahli, Libni his son, Shimei his son, Uzza his son,  
**30** Shimea his son, Haggiah his son, Asaiah his son.

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**31** ¶ And these *are those* <sup>p</sup>whom David set over the service of song in the house of the LORD. After this the <sup>q</sup>ark had rest.  
**32** And they ministered before the dwelling place of the tabernacle of the assembly with singing until Solomon had built the house of the LORD in Jerusalem. And *then* they waited on their office according to their order.  
**33** ¶ And these *are those* who waited with their children. Of the sons of the <sup>r</sup>Kohasites were Heman a singer, the son of Joel, the son of Shemuel,  
**34** the son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Eliel, the son of Toah,

d 2 Sm 8:17 e 2 Sm 15:27 f 2 Ch 26:17,18 g 1 Kg 6:1 h Er 7:3 i 2 Ch 19:11 j Ne 11:11 k 2 Kg 25:21 l Ex 6:16 m 1 Ch 6:42 n Nm 16:1 o 1 Ch 6:35,36 p 1 Ch 5:16-22,27; 16:4-6 q 1 Ch 15:25-16:1 r Nm 26:57

**35** the son of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mahas, the son of Amasai,

**36** the son of Elkanah, the son of Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah,

**37** the son of Tahas, the son of Assir, the son of <sup>s</sup>Ebiasaph, the son of Korah,

**38** the son of Izhar, the son of Kohas, the son of Levi, the son of Israel.

**39** And his brother <sup>'</sup>Asaph who stood on his right hand, *even* Asaph the son of Berachiah, the son of Shimea,

**40** the son of Michael, the son of Baaseiah, the son of Malchiah,

**41** the son of <sup>"</sup>Ethni, the son of Zerah, the son of Adaiah,

**42** the son of Ethan, the son of Zimamah, the son of Shimei,

**43** the son of Jahas, the son of Gershon, the son of Levi.

**44** ¶ And their associates, the sons of Merari, *who stood* on the left hand, *were* Ethan the son of Kishi, the son of Abdi, the son of Malluch,

**45** the son of Hashabiah, the son of Amaziah, the son of Hilkiah,

**46** the son of Amzi, the son of Bani, the son of Shamer,

**47** the son of Mahli, the son of Mushi, the son of Merari, the son of Levi.

**48** Their associates, also the Levites, *were* appointed to <sup>v</sup>all manner of service for the tabernacle of the house of God.

**49** ¶ <sup>w</sup>But Aaron and his sons offered <sup>x</sup>on the altar of the burnt offering and <sup>y</sup>on the altar of incense. *And*

*they were appointed* for all the work of the most holy place, and to make atonement for Israel according to all that Moses the servant of God had commanded.

**50** And these *are* the <sup>z</sup>sons of Aaron: Eleazar his son, Phinehas his son, Abishua his son,

**51** Bukki his son, Uzzi his son, Zerahiah his son,

**52** Meraioth his son, Amariah his son, Ahitub his son,

**53** Zadok his son, Ahimaaz his son.

**54** ¶ <sup>a</sup>Now these *are* their dwelling places throughout their camps in their borders, of the sons of Aaron, of the families of the Kohasites (for theirs was the lot):

**55** <sup>b</sup>and they gave them Hebron in the land of Judah and the pasture lands around it.

**56** <sup>c</sup>But the fields of the city and its villages, they gave to Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

**57** And <sup>d</sup>to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of Judah, *namely*, Hebron, *the city* of refuge, and Libnah with its pasture lands, and Jattir and Eshtemoa, with their pasture lands,

**58** and Hilen with its pasture lands, Debir with its pasture lands,

**59** and Ashan with its pasture lands, and Bethshemesh with its pasture lands;

**60** and out of the tribe of Benjamin, Geba with its pasture lands, and Alemeth with its pasture lands, and Anathoth with its pasture lands. All their cities throughout their families

s Ex 6:24 t 2 Ch 5:12 u 1 Ch 6:21 v 1 Ch 9:14-34 w 2 Nm 18:1-8 x Lv 1:8,9 y Ex 30:7 z 1 Ch 6:4-8 a Ja 21 b Ja 14:13; 21:11,12 c Ja 14:13; 15:13 d Ja 21:2,13,19

were thirteen cities.

**61** ¶ <sup>e</sup>And they gave to the sons of Kohas who were left from the family of that tribe, were cities given by lot out of the half tribe, *namely*, <sup>f</sup>out of the half *tribe* of Manasseh, ten cities.

**62** And they gave to the sons of Gershon 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.

**63** To 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, <sup>g</sup>twelve cities.

**64** And the children of Israel gave to the Levites *these* cities with their pasture lands.

**65** 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 that are called by *their* names.

**66** ¶ And *the* <sup>h</sup>remainder of the families of the sons of Kohas were given cities of their territory from the tribe of Ephraim.

**67** <sup>i</sup>And they gave to them, *of* the cities of refuge, Shechem in Mount Ephraim with its pasture lands. They gave also Gezer with its pasture lands,

**68** <sup>j</sup>and Jokmeam with its pasture lands, and Bethoron with its pasture lands,

**69** and Aijalon with its pasture lands,

and Gathrimmon with its pasture lands;

**70** and out of the half tribe of Manasseh, Aner with its pasture lands, and Bileam with its pasture lands, for the family of the remnant of the sons of Kohas.

**71** ¶ To the sons of Gershon were given out of the family of the half tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with its pasture lands, and Ashtaroth with its pasture lands;

**72** and out of the tribe of Issachar, Kedesh with its pasture lands, Daberath with its pasture lands,

**73** and Ramoth with its pasture lands, and Anem with its pasture lands;

**74** and out of the tribe of Asher, Mashal with its pasture lands, and Abdon with its pasture lands,

**75** and Hukok with its pasture lands, and Rehob with its pasture lands;

**76** and out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with its pasture lands, and Hammon with its pasture lands, and Kirjathaim with its pasture lands.

**77** ¶ To the rest of the children of Merari were given from the tribe of Zebulun, Rimmon with its pasture lands, Tabor with its pasture lands;

**78** and on the other side of the Jordan by Jericho, on the east side of the Jordan, were given to them from the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the wilderness with its pasture lands, and Jahzah with its pasture lands,

**79** Kedemoth also with its pasture lands, and Mephaath with its pasture lands;

**80** and out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with its pasture lands, and Mahanaim with its pasture lands,

**81** and Heshbon with its pasture lands, and Jazer with its pasture lands.

### Chapter 7

#### *Sons of Issachar*

**1** ¶ Now the sons of Issachar were <sup>a</sup>Tola and Puah, Jashub and Shimrom, four.

**2** And the sons of Tola were Uzzi and Rephaiah and Jeriel and Jahmai and Jibsamand Shemuel, heads of their fathers' households. The sons of Tola were mighty men of valor in their generations, <sup>b</sup>whose number in the days of David was 22,600.

**3** And the son of Uzzi was Izrahiah, and the sons of Izrahiah were Michael and Obadiah and Joel, Ishiah, five. All of them were chief men.

**4** And with them by their generations, after the house of their fathers, were 36,000 soldiers of the army for war, for they had many wives and sons.

**5** And their brothers among all the families of Issachar were valiant men of might, enrolled in all by their genealogies, 87,000.

#### *Sons of Benjamin*

**6** ¶ The sons of <sup>c</sup>Benjamin were Bela and Becher and Jediahel, three.

**7** And the sons of Bela were Ezbon and Uzzi and Uzziel and Jerimoth and Iri, five. These were heads of the

house of *their* fathers, mighty men of valor. And they were enrolled by their genealogies, 22,034.

**8** And the sons of Becher were Zemirah, Joash, Eliezer, Elioenai, Omri, Jeremoth, Abijah, Anathoth and Alemeth. All these were the sons of Becher.

**9** And their number after their genealogy by their generations, heads of the house of their fathers, mighty men of valor, was 20,200.

**10** The son of Jediahel was Bilhan. And the sons of Bilhan were Jeush, Benjamin, Ehud, Chenaanah, Zethan, Tarshish and Ahishahar.

**11** All these sons of Jediahel by the heads of their fathers, mighty men of valor, were 17,200 soldiers, fit to go out for war and battle.

**12** Shuppim also, and Huppim, the children of Ir, and Hushim, the sons of Aher.

#### *Sons of Naphtali*

**13** ¶ The <sup>d</sup>sons of Naphtali were Jahziel, Guni, Jezer and Shallum, the sons of Bilhah.

#### *Sons of Manasseh*

**14** ¶ The <sup>e</sup>descendants of Manasseh: his Syrian concubine bore <sup>f</sup>Machir the father of Gilead, the father of Ashriel.

**15** 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 <sup>g</sup>Zelophehad had daughters.

**16** And Maachah the wife of Machir

Chapter 7: a Nm 26:23-25 b 2 Sm 24:1-9 c Gn 46:21 d Nm 26:48-50 e Nm 26:29-34 f 1 Ch 2:1 g Nm 26:29-34

bore a son and she called his name Peresh. And the name of his brother was Sheresh. And his sons were Ulam and Rakem.

**17** And the sons of Ulam was<sup>h</sup> Bedan. These were the sons of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh.

**18** And his sister Hammoleketh bore Ishod and Abiezer and Mahalah.

**19** And the sons of Shemidah were Ahian and Shechem and Likhi and Aniam.

#### *Sons of Ephraim*

**20** ¶<sup>i</sup> And the sons of Ephraim were Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahas his son, and Eladah his son, and Tahas his son,

**21** and Zabad his son, and Shuthelah his son, and Ezer and Elead, whom the men of Gath, who were born in that land, slew because they came down to take away their livestock.

**22** And Ephraim their father mourned many days, and his brothers came to comfort him.

**23** And when he went in to his wife, she conceived and bore a son. And he called his name Beriah because misfortune had come upon his house.

**24** And his daughter was Sherah who built lower and upper <sup>j</sup>Bethhoron, and Uzzenherah.

**25** And Rephah was his son, also Resheph, and Telah his son, and Tahan his son,

**26** Laadan his son, Ammihud his son, <sup>k</sup>Elishama his son,

**27** Nun his son, <sup>l</sup>Joshua his son.

**28** ¶ And their <sup>m</sup>possessions and ha-

bitations were Bethel and its towns, and eastward Naaran, and westward Gezer, with its towns, Shechem and its towns, to Gaza and its towns;

**29** and by the borders of the children of <sup>n</sup>Manasseh, Bethshean and its towns, Taanach and its towns, <sup>o</sup>Megiddo and its towns, Dor and its towns. In these dwelt the children of Joseph the son of Israel.

#### *Sons of Asher*

**30** ¶<sup>p</sup> The sons of Asher were Imnah and Isuah and Ishuai and Beriah and Serah their sister.

**31** And the sons of Beriah were Heber and Malchiel who is the father of Birzavith.

**32** And Heber begot Japhlet and Shomer and Hotham and Shua their sister.

**33** And the sons of Japhlet were Pasach and Bimhal and Ashvath. These are the children of Japhlet.

**34** And the sons of <sup>q</sup>Shamer were Ahi and Rohgah Jehubbah and Aram.

**35** And the sons of his brother Helem were Zophah and Imna and Shelesh and Amal.

**36** The sons of Zophah were Suah and Harnepher and Shual and Beri and Imrah,

**37** Bezer and Hod and Shamma and Shilshah and Ithran and Beera.

**38** And the sons of Jether were Jephunneh and Pispah and Ara.

**39** And the sons of Ulla were Arah and Haniel and Rezia.

**40** All these were the children of Asher, heads of their father's house,

h 1 Ch 2:21 i Nm 26:35-37 j Ja 16:3-5 k Nm 10:22 l Ex 17:9,14; 24:13; 33:11 m Ja 16:1-10 n Ja 17:7 o Ja 17:11 p Nm 26:44-47 q 1 Ch 7:32

choice *and* mighty men of valor, chief of the princes. And the number throughout the genealogy of those who were able for war and to battle was 26,000.

## Chapter 8

### *Genealogy of Saul*

**1** ¶ Now Benjamin begot <sup>a</sup>Bela his firstborn, Ashbel the second and Aharah the third,

**2** Nohah the fourth and Rapha the fifth.

**3** And the sons of Bela *were* Addar and Gera and Abihud

**4** and Abishua and Naaman and Ahoah

**5** and Gera and Shephuphan and Huram.

**6** Now these *were* the sons of Ehud. These *were* the heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of <sup>b</sup>Geba. And they carried them into captivity to <sup>c</sup>Manahas,

**7** namely, Naaman and Ahiah and Gera; he carried them into captivity, and he became the father of Uzza and Ahihud.

**8** And Shaharaim begot *children* in the country of Moab after he had sent away Hushim and Baara his wives.

**9** And by Hodesh his wife he became the father of Jobab, Zibia, Mesha and Malcham

**10** and Jeuz and Shachia and Mirma. These *were* his sons, heads of the fathers.

**11** And of Hushim he begot Abitub and Elpaal.

**12** The sons of Elpaal *were* Eber and Misham and Shamed, who built Ono and Lod, with its towns;

**13** and Beriah and <sup>d</sup>Shema, who *were* heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Aijalon who drove away the inhabitants of Gath.

**14** And Ahio, Shashak and Jeremoth

**15** and Zebadiah and Arad and Ader

**16** and Michael and Ispah and Joha, the sons of Beriah.

**17** and Zebadiah and Meshullam and Hezeki and Heber,

**18** Ishmerai also, and Jeziah and Jobab *were* the sons of Elpaal.

**19** And Jakim and Zichri and Zabdi

**20** and Elienai and Zillthai and Eliel

**21** and Adaiah and Beraiah and Shimrath *were* the sons of Shimhi.

**22** And Ishpan and Heber and Eliel

**23** and Abdon and Zichri and Hanan

**24** and Hananiah and Elam and An-tothijah

**25** and Iphedeiah and Penuel *were* the sons of Shashak.

**26** And Shamsherai and Shehariah and Athaliah

**27** and Jaresiah and Eliah and Zichri *were* the sons of Jeroham.

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

**29** ¶ And at Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon <sup>e</sup>whose wife's name was Maachah.

**30** And his firstborn son was Abdon, then Zur and Kish and Baal and Nadab

**31** and Gedor and Ahio and Zacher.

**32** And Mikloth begot Shimeah. And

these also dwelt near their relatives in Jerusalem.

**33** And <sup>e</sup>Ner begot Kish, and Kish begot Saul, and Saul begot Jonathan and Malchishua and Abinadab and Eshbaal.

**34** And the son of Jonathan *was* Meribbaal. And Meribbaal begot <sup>e</sup>Micah.

**35** And the sons of Micah *were* Pithon and Melech and Tarea and Ahaz.

**36** And Ahaz begot Jehoadah. And Jehoadah begot Alemeth and Azmaveth and Zimri, and Zimri begot Moza,

**37** and Moza begot Binea. Rapha *was* his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son.

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

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

**40** And the sons of Ulam *were* mighty men of valor, archers. And he had many sons and grandsons, 150 of them. All these *were* of the sons of Benjamin.

## Chapter 9

### *Resettled People*

**1** ¶ So <sup>a</sup>all Israel was enrolled by genealogies. And behold, they *were* written in the book of the kings of Israel. And Judah was carried away to Babylon for their transgression.

**2** <sup>b</sup>Now the first inhabitants who *dwelt* in their possessions in their cit-

ies were Israel, the priests, the Levites, and the <sup>c</sup>temple servants.

**3** ¶ And in <sup>d</sup>Jerusalem dwelt of the children of Judah and of the children of Benjamin and of the children of Ephraim and Manasseh,

**4** Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the children of Perez the son of Judah.

**5** And of the Shilonites *were* Asaiah the firstborn and his sons.

**6** And of the sons of Zerah *were* Jeuel and their brethren, 690 of them.

**7** And of the sons of Benjamin *were* Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Hodaviah, the son of Hassenuah,

**8** and Ibneiah the son of Jeroham, and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the son of Shephasiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibnijah;

**9** and their relatives according to their generations, 956. All these men *were* chiefs of the fathers in the house of their fathers.

**10** ¶ <sup>e</sup>And of the priests *were* Jedaiah and Jehoiarib and Jachin

**11** and Azariah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the <sup>f</sup>ruler of the house of God;

**12** 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;

**13** and their brethren, heads of the

f 1 Sm 14:51 g 2 Sm 9:12 **Chapter 9:** a Ez 2:59 b Ne 7:73 c Er 2:43; 8:20 d Ne 11:1,2 e Ne 11:10-14 f Jr 20:1

house of their fathers, 1,760 very able men for the work of the service of the house of God.

**14** And of the Levites *were* Shemiah the son of Hasshub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, of the sons of Merari;

**15** and Bakbakkar, Heresh and Galal and Mattaniah the son of Micah, the son of <sup>s</sup>Zichri, the son of Asaph,

**16** and <sup>h</sup>Obadiah the son of <sup>i</sup>Shemiah, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah the son of Asa, the son of Elkanah, who dwelt in the villages of the Netophasites.

**17** ¶ And the gatekeepers *were* Shallum and Akkub and Talmon and Ahiman and their brethren. Shallum was the chief,

**18** who until now, *waited* in the king's gate eastward. They *were* the gatekeepers for the camp of the children of Levi.

**19** 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 army of the LORD, *were* keepers of the entrance.

**20** And <sup>j</sup>Phinehas the son of Eleazar was the ruler over them in the past. And the LORD *was* with him.

**21** <sup>k</sup>Zechariah the son of Meshele-miah *was* gatekeeper of the door of the tabernacle of the assembly.

**22** All these *who were* chosen to be gatekeepers in the gates *were* 212. <sup>r</sup>These were enrolled by their gene-

alogy in their villages, whom David and Samuel the <sup>m</sup>seer ordained in their trusted office.

**23** So they and their children *had* the oversight of the gates of the house of the LORD, *namely*, the house of the tabernacle as guards.

**24** On four sides were the gate-keepers toward the east, west, north and south.

**25** And their brethren *who were* in their villages were to come after <sup>n</sup>seven days from time to time with them.

**26** For these Levites, the four chief gatekeepers, were in *their* trusted office and were over the chambers and treasuries of the house of God.

**27** And they lodged around the house of God because the watch *was* <sup>o</sup>committed to them. And they were in charge of opening it every morning.

**28** ¶ And *some* of them had charge of the ministering vessels so that they should bring them in and out by count.

**29** *Some* of them also *were* appointed to oversee the vessels and all the instruments of the sanctuary, and the <sup>p</sup>fine flour and the wine and the oil and the frankincense and the spices.

**30** And *some* of the sons of the priests made the <sup>q</sup>ointment of the spices.

**31** And Mattithiah, *one* of the Levites, who *was* the firstborn of Shallum the Korahite, had responsibility <sup>r</sup>over the things that were made in the pans.

g Ne 11:17 h Ne 11:17 i Ne 11:17 j Nm 25:6-13; 31:6 k 1 Ch 26:2,14 l 1 Ch 26:1,2 m 1 Sm 9:9 n 2 Kg 11:4-7 o 1 Ch 23:30-32 p 1 Ch 23:29 q Ex 30:22-25 r Lv 2:5; 6:21

**32** And *some* of their brothers of the sons of the <sup>s</sup>Kohasites *were* over the showbread, to prepare it every Sabbath.

**33** ¶ And these *are* <sup>t</sup>the singers, chief of the fathers of the Levites, *who dwelt* in the chambers and were free from other service, for they were employed in *that* work day and night.

**34** These chief fathers of the Levites *were* chief throughout their generations. These dwelt at Jerusalem.

#### *Genealogy of Saul*

**35** ¶ And in Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon, Jehiel, whose wife's name *was* <sup>u</sup>Maachah.

**36** And his firstborn son *was* Abdon, then Zur and Kish and Baal and Ner and Nadab

**37** and Gedor and Ahio and Zechariah and Mikloth.

**38** And Mikloth begot Shimeam. And they also dwelt near their relatives in Jerusalem.

**39** <sup>v</sup>And Ner begot Kish, and Kish begot Saul, and Saul begot Jonathan, and Malchishua and Abinadab and Eshbaal.

**40** And the son of Jonathan *was* Meribbaal. And Meribbaal begot Micah.

**41** And the sons of Micah were Pithon and Melech and Tahrea <sup>w</sup>and Ahaz.

**42** And Ahaz begot Jarah. And Jarah begot Alemeth and Azmaveth and Zimri, and Zimri begot Moza,

**43** and Moza begot Binea, and Rephaiah his son, Eleasah his son, Azel

his son.

**44** And Azel had six sons whose names *were* these: Azrikam, Bocheru and Ishmael and Sheariah and Obadiah and Hanan. These *were* the sons of Azel.

## Chapter 10

### *Death of Saul*

**1** ¶ Now the <sup>a</sup>Philistines fought against Israel. And the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines and fell down slain in Mount Gilboa.

**2** And the Philistines followed hard after Saul and after his sons. And the Philistines slew Jonathan and Abinadab and Malchishua, the sons of Saul.

**3** And the battle went sore against Saul. And the archers hit him and he was wounded by the archers.

**4** Then Saul said to his armorbearer, "Draw your sword and thrust me through with it, lest these uncircumcised come and abuse me." But his armorbearer would not, for he was very afraid. So Saul took a sword and fell on it.

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

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

**7** Now when all the men of Israel who *were* in the valley saw that they had fled and that Saul and his sons were dead, they forsook their cities and fled. And the Philistines came and dwelt in them.

**8** ¶ Then it came to pass on the next

day when the Philistines came to strip the slain that they found Saul and his sons fallen on Mount Gilboa.

**9** And when they had stripped him they took his head and his armor and sent messengers around the land of the Philistines to carry tidings to their idols and to the people.

**10** <sup>b</sup>And they put his armor in the house of their gods and fastened his head on the house of Dagon.

**11** ¶ And when all Jabesh Gilead heard all that the Philistines had done to Saul,

**12** all the <sup>c</sup>valiant men arose and took away the body of Saul and the bodies of his sons and brought them to <sup>d</sup>Jabesh. And they buried their bones under the oak in Jabesh and fasted seven days.

**13** ¶ So Saul died for his transgression that he committed against the LORD, even against the word of the LORD <sup>e</sup>that he did not keep, and also because he <sup>f</sup>consulted a medium for guidance.

**14** And he did not inquire of the LORD. Therefore, He slew him and <sup>g</sup>turned the kingdom to David the son of Jesse.

## Chapter 11

### *Reign of David*

**1** ¶ Then <sup>a</sup>all Israel gathered themselves to David to Hebron, saying, "Behold, we *are* your bone and your flesh.

**2** "Even in the past when Saul was king you were the one who led out and brought in Israel. And the LORD

your <sup>b</sup>God said to you, 'You will <sup>c</sup>feed My people Israel and you will be ruler over My people Israel.'"

**3** Therefore, all the elders of Israel came to Hebron to the king. And David made a covenant with them in Hebron before the LORD. And <sup>d</sup>they anointed David king over Israel according to the word of the LORD by <sup>e</sup>Samuel.

### *David Takes Jebus*

**4** ¶ Then David and all Israel <sup>f</sup>went to Jerusalem, that is Jebus, <sup>g</sup>where the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land, *were dwelling*.

**5** And the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, "You will not come here." Nevertheless, David took the stronghold of Zion, that is, the city of David.

**6** And David said, "Whoever strikes the Jebusites first will be chief and captain." So Joab the son of Zeruiah went up first and was chief.

**7** And David dwelt in the stronghold. Therefore, they called it the city of David.

**8** And he built the city all around, from Millo to the surrounding areas. And Joab repaired the rest of the city.

**9** So David <sup>h</sup>became greater and greater because the LORD of hosts *was* with <sup>i</sup>him.

### *Mighty Men of David*

**10** ¶ <sup>j</sup>These also *are* the chief of the mighty men whom David had, who strengthened themselves with him in

b 1 Sm 31:10 c 1 Sm 14:52 d 2 Sm 21:12 e 1 Sm 13:13,14; 15:22-26 f 1 Sm 28:7 g 1 Sm 15:28  
**Chapter 11:** a 2 Sm 5:1 b Ps 78:70-72 c 2 Sm 7:7 d 2 Sm 5:3 e 1 Sm 16:1,4,12,13 f 2 Sm 5:6 g Jg 1:21; 19:10,11 h 2 Sm 3:1 i 1 Sm 16:18 j 2 Sm 23:8

his kingdom, *and* with all Israel, to make him king according to the <sup>k</sup>word of the LORD concerning Israel.

**11** And this *is* the number of the mighty men whom David had: <sup>l</sup>Jashobeam, a Hachmonite, the <sup>m</sup>chief of the captains. He lifted up his spear against three hundred *who were slain by him* at one time.

**12** ¶ And after him *was* Eleazar the son of <sup>n</sup>Dodo, the Ahohite, who *was one* of the three mighty men.

**13** He was with David at Pasdamim. And there the Philistines were gathered together to battle where there was a parcel of ground full of barley. And the people fled from before the Philistines.

**14** Now they set themselves in the middle of *that* parcel and delivered it. And they slew the Philistines. And the LORD saved *them* by a great deliverance.

**15** ¶ Now three of the thirty captains <sup>o</sup>went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam. And the army of the Philistines camped <sup>p</sup>in the valley of Rephaim.

**16** And David *was* then in the stronghold and the Philistines' garrison *was* then at Bethlehem.

**17** And David said with longing, "Oh that one would give me a drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem that *is* at the gate!"

**18** And the three broke through the army of the Philistines and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem that *was* by the gate. And they took

it and brought it to David. But David would not drink of it, but poured it out to the LORD.

**19** Then he said, "Be it far from me before my God that I should do this thing. Will I drink the blood of these men who 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 the three mighty men.

**20** ¶ <sup>q</sup>And Abishai the brother of Joab, he was chief of the three for lifting up his spear against three hundred. He slew them and gained a name among the three.

**21** <sup>r</sup>Of the three, he was more honorable than the two, for he was their captain. However, he did not attain to the *first* three.

**22** ¶ Benaiah, the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, who had done many acts, <sup>s</sup>slew two lionlike men of Moab. He also went down and slew a lion in a pit on a snowy day.

**23** 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.

**24** These *things* did Benaiah, the son of Jehoiada, and he gained a name among the three mighty men.

**25** Behold, he was honorable among the thirty, but did not attain to the *first* three. And David set him over his guard.

**26** ¶ Also the valiant men of the armies *were* <sup>1</sup>Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Bethlehem,

**27** Shammoth the Harorite, <sup>2</sup>Helez the Pelonite,

**28** <sup>3</sup>Ira the son of Ikkesheh the Tekoite, <sup>4</sup>Abiezer the Antothite,

**29** Sibbecai the Hushasite, Ilai the Ahoite,

**30** <sup>5</sup>Maharai the Netophasite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophasite,

**31** Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah, *who belonged* to the children of Benjamin, <sup>6</sup>Benaiah the Pirathonite,

**32** Hurai of the brooks of Gaash, Abiel the Arbathite,

**33** Azmaveth the Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite,

**34** the sons of Hashem the Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shage the Hararite,

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

**36** Hopher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite,

**37** Hezro the Carmelite, Naarai the son of Ezbai,

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

**39** Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armorbearer of Joab the son of Zeruiah,

**40** Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,

**41** <sup>7</sup>Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai,

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

**43** Hanan the son of Maachah, and

Joshaphat the Mithnite,

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

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

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

**47** Eliel and Obed and Jasiel the Mesobaite.

## Chapter 12

### *David's Army*

**1** ¶ Now <sup>a</sup>these *are* those who came to David to <sup>b</sup>Ziklag while he was still restricted because of Saul the son of Kish. And they were among the mighty men, helpers of the war.

**2** *They were* armed with bows and could use both the right hand and the <sup>c</sup>left in *hurling* stones and *shooting* arrows out of a bow. They were of Saul's relatives of Benjamin.

**3** 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,

**4** and Ismaiah the Gibeonite, a mighty man among the thirty, and over the thirty, and Jeremiah and Jahaziel and Johanan and Josabad the Gederathite,

**5** Eluzai and Jerimoth and Bealiah and Shemariah and Shephatiah the Haruphite,

**6** Elkanah and Jessiah and Azareel and Joezer and Jashobeam, the Korhites,

**7** and Joelah and Zebadiah, the sons

of Jeroham of Gedor.

**8** ¶ And from the Gadites there came over to David in the stronghold in the wilderness mighty men of war *fit* for the battle, who could handle shield and spear, whose faces *were like* the faces of lions. And they *were* as <sup>d</sup>swift as the gazelles on the mountains.

**9** Ezer *was* the first, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third,

**10** Mishmannah the fourth, Jeremiah the fifth,

**11** Attai the sixth, Eliel the seventh,

**12** Johanan the eighth, Elzabad the ninth,

**13** Jeremiah the tenth, Machbanai the eleventh.

**14** These *were* of the sons of Gad, captains of the army. One of the least *was* over one hundred and the greatest over a <sup>e</sup>thousand.

**15** These *are* those who went over the Jordan in the first month, when it had overflowed all its <sup>f</sup>banks. And they put to flight all *those* of the valleys, *both* toward the east and toward the west.

**16** ¶ Then there came some of the children of Benjamin and Judah to the stronghold to David.

**17** And David went out to meet them. And he answered and said to them, "If you have come peaceably to me to help me, my heart will be united with you. But if *you have come* to betray me to my enemies, seeing there is no wrong in my hands, the God of our fathers look *on it* and decide."

**18** Then the Spirit came on <sup>g</sup>Amasai *who was* chief of the captains. And *he said*, "We *are* yours, David, and on your side, son of Jesse. Peace, peace *be* to you and peace be to your helpers, for your God helps you." Then David received them and made them captains of the band.

**19** ¶ And of Manasseh defected to David <sup>h</sup>when he was going with the Philistines against Saul to battle. But they did not help them, for after consultation, the lords of the Philistines sent him away, saying, <sup>i</sup>"He will defect to his master Saul to *the jeopardy* of our heads."

**20** As he went to Ziklag, there defected to him from Manasseh, Adnah and Jozabad and Jedaiel and Michael and Jozabad and Elihu and Zilthai, captains of the thousands who *were* of Manasseh.

**21** And they helped David against the <sup>j</sup>band *of the raiders*, for they *were* all mighty men of valor and were captains in the army.

**22** For from day to day men came to David to help him, until *it was* a great army, <sup>k</sup>like the army of God.

**23** ¶ And these are the numbers of the heads of those *who were* armed for war, who <sup>l</sup>came to David to <sup>m</sup>Hebron, to <sup>n</sup>turn the kingdom of Saul to him <sup>o</sup>according to the word of LORD.

**24** The children of Judah who bore shield and spear *were* 6,800, equipped for the war:

**25** of the children of Simeon, mighty men of valor for the war, 7,100;

d 2 Sm 2:18 e 1 Sm 18:13 f Ja 3:15; 4:18,19 g 2 Sm 17:25 h 1 Sm 29:2 i 1 Sm 29:4 j 1 Sm 30:1,9,10 k Ja 5:13-15 l 2 Sm 2:1-4 m 1 Ch 11:1 n 1 Ch 10:14 o 1 Sm 16:1-4

**26** of the children of Levi, 4,600;  
**27** and Jehoiada *was* the leader of the Aaronites, and with him *were* 3,700;

**28** and <sup>p</sup>Zadok, a young man mighty of valor, and of his father's house, twenty-two captains;

**29** and of the children of Benjamin, the kinsmen of Saul, 3,000 (for until now the <sup>q</sup>greatest part of them had kept their allegiance to the house of Saul);

**30** and of the children of Ephraim, 20,800, mighty men of valor, famous throughout the house of their fathers;

**31** and of the half tribe of Manasseh, 18,000, who were designated by name to come and make David king;

**32** and of the children of Issachar *who were men* <sup>r</sup>who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel should do, the heads of those who *were* two hundred. And all their brethren were at their command;

**33** of Zebulun, such as went forth to battle, experts in war with all instruments of war, 50,000 who could keep rank; *they were* not of an <sup>s</sup>undivided heart;

**34** and of Naphtali, 1,000 captains, and with them with shield and spear, 37,000;

**35** and of the Danites who were experts in war, 28,600;

**36** and of Asher, such as went forth to battle, experts in war, 40,000;

**37** and on the other side of the Jordan, of the Reubenites and the Gadites, and of the half tribe of Manasseh, with all manner of instru-

ments of war for the battle, 120,000.

**38** ¶ All these men of war who could keep rank came with a perfect heart to Hebron in order to make David king over all Israel. And all the rest also of Israel *were* of <sup>t</sup>one heart to make David king.

**39** And there they were with David three days, eating and drinking, for their brethren had made preparations for them.

**40** Furthermore, those who were near them, *even* to Issachar and Zebulun and Naphtali, brought bread on donkeys and on camels and on mules and on oxen, *with* 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

### *Return of the Ark*

**1** ¶ And David consulted with the <sup>a</sup>captains of thousands and hundreds *and* with every leader.

**2** Then David said to all the assembly of Israel, "If *it seems* good to you, and *if it is* from the LORD our God, let us send to our brethren everywhere *who are* <sup>b</sup>left in all the land of Israel, and with them also to the priests and Levites *who are* in their cities *and* pasture lands so that they may gather themselves to us.

**3** "And let us bring again the ark of our God to us, <sup>c</sup>for we did not seek it in the days of Saul."

**4** And all the assembly said that they would do so, for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people.

5 ¶ So <sup>d</sup>David gathered all Israel together from <sup>e</sup>Shihor of Egypt even to the entrance of Hemath, to bring the ark of God <sup>f</sup>from Kirjath Jearim.

6 And David and all Israel went up to <sup>g</sup>Baalah, *that is*, to Kirjath Jearim that *belongs* to Judah, to bring up from there the ark of God the LORD <sup>h</sup>who dwells *between* the cherubims, that is called by the Name.

7 And they carried the ark of God in a <sup>i</sup>new cart out of the <sup>j</sup>house of Abinadab. And Uzza and Ahio drove the cart.

8 And <sup>k</sup>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.

9 ¶ And when they came to the threshing floor of Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the ark, for the oxen stumbled.

10 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzza, and he struck him <sup>l</sup>because he put out his hand to the ark. And there he <sup>m</sup>died before God.

11 And David was displeased because the LORD had burst out upon Uzza. Therefore, that place is called Perezuzza to this day.

12 Now David was afraid of God that day, saying, "How will I bring the ark of God *home* to me?"

13 ¶ So David did not bring the ark *home* to himself to the city of David, but carried it aside into the house of Obbededom the Gittite.

14 <sup>n</sup>And the ark of God remained with the family of Obbededom in his house three months. And the LORD blessed the <sup>o</sup>house of Obbededom and all that he had.

## Chapter 14

### *House of David*

1 ¶ Now <sup>a</sup>Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and timber of cedars, with masons and carpenters, to build him a house.

2 And David perceived that the LORD had confirmed him king over Israel, for his kingdom was <sup>b</sup>lifted up on high because of His people Israel.

3 Then David took more wives at Jerusalem. And David begot more sons and daughters.

4 Now <sup>c</sup>these *are* the names of *his* children whom he had in Jerusalem: Shammua and Shobab, Nathan and Solomon

5 and Ibhar and Elishua and Elpalet

6 and Nogah and Nepheg and Japhia

7 and Elishama and Beeliada and Eliphalet.

### *Defeat of the Philistines*

8 ¶ Now when the Philistines heard that <sup>d</sup>David was anointed king over all Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek David. And *when* David heard this he went out against them.

9 And the Philistines came and spread themselves in the <sup>e</sup>valley of Rephaim.

10 Then David <sup>f</sup>inquired of God, saying, "Shall I go up against the Philistines? And will You deliver them

d 1 Sm 7:5 e Ja 13:3 f 1 Sm 6:21; 7:1,2 g Ja 15:9,60 h Ex 25:22 i 1 Sm 6:7 j 1 Sm 7:1 k 2 Sm 6:5 l Nm 4:15 m Lv 10:2 n 2 Sm 6:11 o 1 Ch 26:4-8 **Chapter 14:** a 2 Sm 5:11 b Nm 24:7 c 1 Ch 3:5-8 d 2 Sm 5:17-21 e 1 Ch 11:15; 14:13 f 1 Sm 23:2,4; 30:8

into my hand?" And the LORD said to him, "Go up, for I will deliver them into your hand."

**11** So they came up to Baal-perazim, and David struck them there. Then David said, "God has broken in on my enemies by my hand like the breaking forth of waters." Therefore, they called the name of that place Baalperazim.

**12** And when they had abandoned their gods there, David gave an order and they were burned with fire.

**13** ¶ Then the Philistines again made a raid on the valley.

**14** Therefore, David inquired again of God. And God said to him, "Do not go up after them. Turn away from them and <sup>b</sup>come upon them in front of the mulberry trees.

**15** "And it will be when you hear a sound of marching in the tops of the mulberry trees, then you will go out to battle, for God will have gone out before you to strike the army of the Philistines."

**16** David therefore did as God commanded him. And they struck the army of the Philistines from Gibeon even to Gazer.

**17** So the <sup>i</sup>fame of David went out into all lands. And the LORD brought the fear of him on all nations.

## Chapter 15

*Ark Brought to Jerusalem*

**1** ¶ Now David made for himself houses in the city of David and prepared a place for the ark of God. And <sup>a</sup>he pitched a tent for it.

**2** Then David said, "No one should

carry the <sup>b</sup>ark of God but the Levites. For the <sup>c</sup>LORD chose them to carry the ark of God and to minister to Him forever.

**3** So David <sup>d</sup>gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem in order to bring up the ark of the LORD to its place that he had prepared for it.

**4** And David assembled the children of Aaron and the Levites:

**5** of the sons of Kohas, Uriel the chief, and 120 of his brethren;

**6** of the sons of Merari, Asaiah the chief, and 220 of his brethren;

**7** of the sons of Gershom, Joel the chief, and 130 of his brethren;

**8** of the sons of <sup>e</sup>Elizaphan, Shemaiah the chief, and 200 of his brethren;

**9** of the sons of <sup>f</sup>Hebron, Eliel the chief, and 80 of his brethren;

**10** of the sons of Uzziel, Amminadab the chief, and 112 of his brethren.

**11** Then David called for <sup>g</sup>Zadok and <sup>h</sup>Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah and Joel Shemaiah and Eliel and Amminadab.

**12** And he said to them, "You *are* the chief of the fathers of the Levites. Sanctify yourselves, *both* you and your brethren so that you may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel to *the place that I have prepared for it.*

**13** <sup>i</sup>"Because *you did* not carry it at the first, the <sup>j</sup>LORD our God burst out upon us, for we did not consult Him according to the proper order."

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

g 2 Sm 5:22-25 h 2 Sm 5:23 i Ja 6:27 j Dt 2:25; 11:25 Chapter 15: a 1 Ch 16:1 b Nm 4:15 c Dt 10:8; 31:9 d 1 Kg 8:1 e Ex 6:22 f Ex 6:18 g 1 Ch 12:28 h 1 Kg 2:22,26,27 i 2 Sm 6:3 j 1 Ch 13:7-11

**15** And the children of the Levites bore the ark of God on their shoulders with the poles, as <sup>k</sup>Moses commanded according to the word of the LORD.

**16** ¶ Then David spoke to the chief of the Levites to appoint their brethren to be the singers with instruments of music, psalteries and harps and cymbals, by lifting up the voice with resounding joy.

**17** So the Levites appointed <sup>h</sup>Heman the son of Joel, and of his brethren, <sup>m</sup>Asaph the son of Berechiah, and of the sons of Merari their brethren, <sup>n</sup>Ethan the son of Kushaiah,

**18** and with them their brethren of the second *rank*, Zechariah, Ben and Jaaziel and Shemiramoth and Jehiel and Unni, Eliab and Benaiah and Maaseiah and Mattithiah and Elipheleh and Mikneiah and Obedom and Jeiel the gatekeepers.

**19** So the singers, Heman, Asaph and Ethan, were appointed to sound with cymbals of bronze,

**20** and Zechariah and Aziel and Shemiramoth and Jehiel and Unni and Eliab and Maaseiah and Benaiah with psalteries according to <sup>o</sup>Alamoth,

**21** and Mattithiah and Elipheleh and Mikneiah and Obedom and Jeiel and Azaziah with harps on the <sup>p</sup>Sheminith.

**22** And Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, was in charge of the singing. He instructed concerning singing because he was skillful.

**23** And Berechiah and Elkanah were

gatekeepers for the ark.

**24** And Shebaniah and Jehoshaphat and Nethaneel and Amasai and Zechariah and Benaiah and Eliezer, the priests, <sup>q</sup>blew with the trumpets before the ark of God. And <sup>r</sup>Obedom and Jehiah were gatekeepers for the ark.

**25** ¶ So <sup>s</sup>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 Obedom with joy.

**26** Now it came to pass when God helped the Levites who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD, that they offered seven bulls and seven rams.

**27** And David was clothed with a robe of <sup>t</sup>fine linen, as all the Levites who bore the ark and the singers and Chenaniah the master of the song with the singers. David also had on him an ephod of linen.

**28** Thus <sup>u</sup>all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD with shouting, and with sound of the ram's horn and with trumpets and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps.

**29** ¶ Now it came to pass <sup>v</sup>as the ark of the covenant of the LORD came to the city of David, that Michal the daughter of Saul looked out of the window and saw King David dancing and playing. And she despised him in her heart.

## Chapter 16

**1** ¶ So <sup>w</sup>they brought the ark of God and set it inside the tabernacle that

k Ex 25:14 l 1 Ch 6:33; 25:1 m 1 Ch 6:39 n 1 Ch 6:44 o Ps 46 (title) p Ps 6 (title) q Nm 10:8 r 1 Ch 13:13,14 s 1 Kg 8:1 t 1 Sm 2:18,28 u 1 Ch 13:8 v 2 Sm 3:13,14; 6:16,20-23 **Chapter 16:** a 2 Sm 6:17

David had pitched for it. And they offered burnt sacrifices and peace offerings before God.

**2** Then when David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, <sup>b</sup>he blessed the people in the name of the LORD.

**3** And he distributed to everyone of Israel, both man and woman, to everyone a loaf of bread and a portion of meat and a cake of raisins.

**4** ¶ And he appointed *some* of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD and to commemorate, and <sup>c</sup>to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel.

**5** Asaph *was* the chief, and next to him Zechariah, <sup>d</sup>Jeiel and Shemiramoth and Jehiel and Mattithiah and Eliab and Benaiah and Obedom; and Jeiel with psalteries and with harps. But Asaph made a sound with cymbals.

**6** Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests blew trumpets continually before the ark of the covenant of God.

#### *Song of Thanksgiving*

**7** ¶ Then on that day <sup>e</sup>David delivered <sup>f</sup>first *this psalm* to thank the LORD into the hand of Asaph and his brethren:

**8** <sup>g</sup>“Give thanks to the LORD. Call on His name. Make known His deeds among the people.

**9** “Sing to Him. Sing psalms to Him. Talk of all His wondrous works.

**10** “Glory in His holy name. Let the heart of those rejoice who seek the LORD.

**11** “Seek the LORD and His strength. Seek His face continually.

**12** “Remember His marvellous works that He has done, His wonders and the judgments of His mouth,

**13** “O you seed of Israel His servant, you children of Jacob, His chosen ones.

**14** “He is the LORD our God. <sup>h</sup>His judgments *are* in all the earth.

**15** “Be mindful always of His covenant, the word that He commanded to a thousand generations,

**16** “*even of the <sup>i</sup>covenant* that He made with Abraham, and of His oath to Isaac,

**17** “and <sup>j</sup>confirmed the same to <sup>k</sup>Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant,

**18** “saying, ‘To you I will give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance,’

**19** “when you were but few, even a <sup>l</sup>few, and foreigners in it.

**20** “And *when* they went from nation to nation, and from *one* kingdom to another people,

**21** “He permitted no man to do them wrong. Yes, He <sup>m</sup>reproved kings for their sakes,

**22** “*saying*, <sup>n</sup>“Do not touch My anointed, and do not harm My prophets.’

**23** ¶ <sup>o</sup>“Sing to the LORD, all the earth. Show forth from day to day His salvation.

**24** “Declare His glory among the heathen, His marvellous works among all nations.

**25** “For great is the LORD, and

b 1 Kg 8:14 c Ps 38 (title); 70 (title) d 1 Ch 15:18 e 2 Sm 22:1; 23:1 f Ps 105:1-15 g Ps 105:1-15 h Is 26:9 i Gn 17:2; 26:3; 28:13; 35:11 j Gn 35:11,12 k Gn 28:10-15 l Gn 34:30 m Gn 12:17; 20:3 n Gn 20:7 o Ps 96:1-13

greatly to be praised. He also is to be feared above all gods.

**26** “For all the gods <sup>p</sup>of the people *are* idols. But the LORD made the heavens.

**27** “Glory and honor *are* in His presence. Strength and gladness are in His place.

**28** “Give to the LORD, you kindreds of the people. Give to the LORD glory and strength.

**29** “Give to the LORD the glory *due* to His name. Bring an offering and come before Him. Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

**30** “Fear before Him, all the earth. The world also will be stable so that it be not moved.

**31** “Let the heavens be glad and let the earth rejoice. And let *men* say among the nations, ‘The LORD reigns.’

**32** “Let the sea roar, and all it contains. Let the fields rejoice and all that is in them.

**33** “Then will the <sup>q</sup>trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD because <sup>r</sup>He comes to judge the earth.

**34** “<sup>s</sup>O give thanks to the LORD, for *He* is good, for His mercy *endures* forever.

**35** “And say, ‘Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together. And deliver us from the nations so that we may give thanks to Your holy name *and* glory in Your praise.’

**36** “<sup>t</sup>“Blessed *is* the LORD God of Israel forever and ever.” And all <sup>u</sup>the people said, “Amen,” and praised the LORD.

**37** ¶ So he left there before the ark of the covenant of the LORD <sup>v</sup>Asaph and his associates, to minister before the ark continually, as every day’s work <sup>w</sup>required,

**38** and <sup>x</sup>Obededom with his sixty-eight associates, Obededom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah *to be* gatekeepers.

**39** And He left Zadok the priest and his fellow priests <sup>y</sup>before the tabernacle of the LORD <sup>z</sup>at the high place that *was* at Gibeon,

**40** to offer burnt offerings to the LORD on the altar of the burnt offering continually <sup>a</sup>morning and evening, and *to do* according to all that is written in the law of the LORD that He commanded Israel.

**41** And with them *were* Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest who were chosen, who were designated by name, to give thanks to the LORD, <sup>b</sup>because His mercy *endures* forever.

**42** And with them *were* Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those who should make a sound with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun *were* to be at the gate.

**43** <sup>c</sup>And all the people departed, each to his house. And David returned to bless his house.

## Chapter 17

### *God’s Promise to David*

**1** ¶ Now <sup>d</sup>it came to pass as David sat in his house that he said to Nathan the prophet, “Lo, I dwell in a house

p Lv 19:4 q Is 55:12,13 r Mt 25:31-46 s Ps 106:1; 107:1; 118:1; 136:1 t Ps 106:47,48 u 1 Kg 8:15,56 v Dt 27:15 w 1 Ch 16:4,5 x Er 3:5 y 1 Ch 13:14 z 2 Ch 1:3 a 1 Kg 3:4 b Ex 29:38-42 c 2 Ch 5:13; 7:3 d 2 Sm 6:18-20 Chapter 17: a 2 Sm 7:1

of cedars but the ark of the covenant of the LORD *remains* under curtains.”

**2** Then Nathan said to David, “Do all that is in your heart, for God is with you.”

**3** Now it came to pass the same night that the word of God came to Nathan, saying,

**4** “Go and tell David My servant, ‘Thus says the LORD, “You will <sup>b</sup>not build Me a house to dwell in,

**5** “for I have not dwelt in a house since the day that I brought up Israel to this day, but have gone from tent to tent and from *one* tabernacle *to another*.

**6** “Wherever I have walked with all Israel, have I spoken a word to any of the judges of Israel whom I commanded to feed My people, saying, ‘Why have you not built Me a house of cedars?’”

**7** “Now therefore thus will you say to My servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD of armies, “I took you <sup>c</sup>from the sheepfold, *even* from following the sheep so that you should be ruler over My people Israel.

**8** “And I have been with you wherever you have walked. And I have cut off all your enemies from before you and have made you a name like the name of the great men who *are* on the earth.

**9** “Also I will ordain a place for My people Israel, and will <sup>d</sup>plant them. And they will dwell in their place and will be moved no more, nor will the children of wickedness waste them anymore as in the beginning,

**10** “since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over My people Israel. I will also subdue all your enemies. Furthermore, I tell you that the LORD will build a house for you.

**11** “Now it will come to pass <sup>e</sup>when your days have ended when you must go *to be* with your fathers, that I will raise up your <sup>f</sup>seed after you, who will be of your sons. And I will establish his kingdom.

**12** <sup>g</sup>“He will build Me a house and I will establish his throne forever.

**13** <sup>h</sup>“I will be his father and he will be My son. And I will not take My mercy away from him <sup>i</sup>as I took it from *him* who was before you.

**14** “But <sup>j</sup>I will settle him in My house and in My kingdom forever. And his throne will be established forever.””

**15** According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so Nathan spoke to David.

#### Prayer of David

**16** ¶ <sup>k</sup>And David the king came and sat before the LORD and said, “Who *am* I, O LORD God? And what *is* my house that You have brought me this far?”

**17** “And *yet* this was a small thing in Your eyes, O God, for You have *also* spoken of your servant’s house for a great while to come, and have regarded me according to the rank of a man of high degree, O LORD God.

**18** “What can David *speak* more to You for the honor of Your servant? For You know Your servant.

**b** 1 Ch 28:2,3 **c** 1 Sm 16:11-13 **d** Am 9:14 **e** 1 Kg 2:10 **f** 1 Ch 22:9-13; 28:20; Mt 1:6; Lk 3:31 **g** Ps 89:20-37; Lk 1:33 **h** Hb 1:5 **i** 1 Sm 15:23-38 **j** Mt 19:28; 25:31; Lk 1:31-33; At 2:30 **k** 2 Sm 7:18

19 “O LORD, for Your servant’s sake and according to Your own heart You have done all this greatness in making known all *these* great things.

20 “O LORD, *there* is none like You, nor *is there any* God beside You, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

21 <sup>1c</sup>“And what one nation on the earth is like Your people Israel, whom God went to redeem *to be* His own people, to make You a name of greatness and terribleness, by driving out nations from before Your people whom You have redeemed out of Egypt?

22 “For Your people Israel You made Your own people forever, and You, LORD, became their God.

23 ¶ “Therefore now, LORD, let the thing that You have spoken concerning Your servant and concerning his house be established forever, and do as You have said.

24 “Let it even be established so that Your name may be magnified forever, saying, ‘The LORD of armies is the God of Israel, *even* a God to Israel. And let the house of David Your servant *be* established before You.’

25 “For You, O my God, have told Your servant that You will build him a house. Therefore, Your servant has found it *in his heart* to pray before You.

26 “And now, LORD, You are God, and have promised this goodness to Your servant.

27 “Now therefore let it please You to bless the house of Your servant so

that it may be before You. For You, O LORD, have blessed and *it is* blessed forever.”

## Chapter 18

### Victories of David

1 ¶ Now after this <sup>a</sup>it came to pass that David attacked the Philistines and subdued them. And he took Gath and its towns out of the hand of the Philistines.

2 He also attacked <sup>b</sup>Moab. And the Moabites became David’s ‘servants *and* brought tribute.

3 ¶ And <sup>d</sup>David attacked Hadarezer king of Zobah unto Hamath, as he went to establish his dominion by the River Euphrates.

4 Then David took from him 1,000 chariots and 7,000 horsemen and 20,000 foot soldiers. And David hamstringed all the chariot *horses*, but reserved enough of them for 100 chariots.

5 ¶ And when the <sup>e</sup>Syrians of Damascus came to help Hadarezer king of Zobah, David slew 22,000 men of the Syrians.

6 Then David put *garrisons* among the Syrians of Damascus, and the Syrians became David’s servants *and* brought tribute. Thus the LORD preserved David wherever he went.

7 Then David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadarezer and brought them to Jerusalem.

8 Likewise from Tibhas and from Chun, cities of Hadarezer, David brought much <sup>f</sup>bronze by which

<sup>e</sup>Solomon made the bronze sea and the pillars and the vessels of bronze.

**9** ¶ Now when Tou king of Hamath heard how David had smitten all the army of Hadarezer king of Zobah,

**10** he sent Hadoram his son to King David, to inquire of his welfare and to congratulate him because he had fought against Hadarezer and smote him because Hadarezer had fought with Tou. And he brought *with him* all kinds of <sup>h</sup>vessels of gold and silver and bronze.

**11** Them also King David dedicated to the LORD, with the silver and the gold that he brought from all *these* nations, from Edom and from Moab and from the <sup>i</sup>children of Ammon and from the <sup>j</sup>Philistines and from <sup>k</sup>Amalek.

**12** ¶ Furthermore, <sup>l</sup>Abishai the son of Zeruiah slew <sup>m</sup>18,000 of the Edomites in the valley of salt.

**13** <sup>n</sup>And he put garrisons in Edom, and all the Edomites became David's servants. Thus the LORD preserved David wherever he went.

#### *Officials of David*

**14** ¶ So David reigned over all Israel and executed judgment and justice among all his people.

**15** And Joab the son of Zeruiah *was* over the army, and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud *was* the recorder.

**16** And Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Abimelech the son of Abiathar, *were* the priests. And Shavsha *was* the scribe.

**17** And <sup>o</sup>Benaiah the son of Jehoiada

*was* over the Cherethites and the Pelethites. And the sons of David *were* chief ministers at the king's side.

## Chapter 19

### *War with the Ammonites*

**1** ¶ Now it came to pass after this that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon died and his son reigned in his place.

**2** And David said, "I will show kindness to Hanun the son of Nahash because his father showed kindness to me." And David sent messengers to comfort him concerning his father. So the servants of David came into the land of the children of Ammon to Hanun to comfort him.

**3** But the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun, "Do you think that David is honoring your father in that he has sent comforters to you? Have not his servants come to you to search and to overthrow and to spy out the land?"

**4** Therefore, Hanun took David's servants and shaved them. And he cut off their garments in the middle close <sup>b</sup>by their buttocks and sent them away.

**5** Then *certain* persons went and told David about the men. And he sent to meet them, for the men were greatly embarrassed. And the king said, "Stay at Jericho until your beards are grown and *then* return."

**6** ¶ Now when the children of Ammon saw that they had made themselves repulsive to David, Hanun and the children of Ammon sent 1,000 tal-

g 1 Kg 7:15,23 h 2 Sm 8:10-12 i 2 Sm 10:14 j 2 Sm 5:17-25 k 2 Sm 1:1 l 2 Sm 23:18 m 2 Sm 8:13 n 2 Sm 8:14 o 2 Sm 8:18 **Chapter 19:** a 2 Sm 10:1-19 b 1s 20:4

ents of silver to hire for themselves chariots and horsemen out of Mesopotamia and out of Arammaacah and out of Zobah.

**7** So they hired 32,000 chariots and the king of Maachah and his people, who came and pitched before Medeba. And the children of Ammon gathered themselves together from their cities and came to battle.

**8** Then when David heard of it, he sent Joab and all the army of the mighty men.

**9** And the children of Ammon came out and put the battle in array before the gate of the city. And the kings who had come were by themselves in the field.

**10** ¶ Now when Joab saw that the battle was set against him before and behind, he chose out of all the choice men of Israel and put them in array against the Syrians.

**11** And the rest of the people he delivered to the hand of Abishai his brother. And they set themselves in array against the children of Ammon.

**12** And he said, "If the Syrians are too strong for me, then you will help me. But if the children of Ammon are too strong for you, then I will help you.

**13** "Be of good courage and let us behave ourselves valiantly for our people and for the cities of our God. And let the LORD do what is good in His sight."

**14** So Joab and the people who were with him drew near before the Syrians to the battle. But they fled before him.

**15** Now when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians had fled, they likewise fled before Abishai his brother and entered into the city. Then Joab came to Jerusalem.

**16** ¶ Now when the Syrians saw that they were defeated before Israel, they sent messengers and brought out the Syrians who were beyond the River. And Shophach the captain of the army of Hadarezer went before them.

**17** When it was told David, he gathered all Israel and passed over the Jordan. And he came on them and set the battle in array against them. So when David had put the battle in array against the Syrians, they fought with him.

**18** But the Syrians fled before Israel. And David slew of the Syrians 7,000 men who fought in chariots and 40,000 footmen. And he killed Shophach the captain of the army.

**19** Now when the servants of Hadarezer saw that they were defeated before Israel, they made peace with David and became his servants. And the Syrians were not willing to help the people of Ammon anymore.

## Chapter 20

### Conquest of Rabbah

**1** ¶<sup>a</sup> Now it came to pass that after the year had expired, at the time when kings go out to battle, Joab led forth the power of the army and wasted the country of the children of Ammon. Then he came and besieged Rabbah. But <sup>b</sup>David stayed at Jerusalem. And <sup>c</sup>Joab struck Rabbah and destroyed it.

2 Then David <sup>d</sup>took the crown of their king from off his head and found it to weigh a talent of gold. And *there were* precious stones in it. And it was set on David's head. And he brought also a great deal of spoil out of the city.

3 Then he brought out the people who *were* in it and put *them to work* with saws and with harrows of iron and with axes. Even so David did thus with all the cities of the children of Ammon. Then David and all the people returned to Jerusalem.

#### War with the Philistines

4 ¶ Now it came to pass after this that there <sup>c</sup>arose war at Gezer with the Philistines. At that time <sup>f</sup>Sibbechai the Hushasite slew Sippai *who was* from the children of the giant. And they were subdued.

5 Then there was war again with the Philistines. And Elhanan the son of Jair slew Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, whose spear shaft was like a weaver's <sup>s</sup>beam.

6 And yet again <sup>h</sup>there was war at Gath where there was a man of great stature whose fingers and toes *were* twenty-four, six *on each hand* and six *on each foot*. And he also was the son of the giant.

7 But when he defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimea, David's brother, slew him.

8 These were born to the giant in Gath, and they fell by the hand of David and by the hand of his servants.

## Chapter 21

### Confidence in Numbers

1 ¶ Then <sup>a</sup>Satan stood up against Israel and moved David to number Israel.

2 And David said to Joab and to the rulers of the people, "Go. Number Israel from Beersheba even to Dan, and <sup>b</sup>bring the number of them to me so that I may know it."

3 But Joab answered, "The LORD makes His people a hundred times more than they *are*. But, my lord the king, *are* they not all my lord's servants? Why then does my lord require this thing? Why will he be a cause of guilt to Israel?"

4 Nevertheless, the king's word prevailed against Joab. Therefore, Joab departed and went throughout all Israel and *then* came to Jerusalem.

5 Then Joab gave the sum of the number of the people to David. And all *those of* Israel were 1,100,000 men who drew the sword. And Judah *was* 470,000 men who drew the sword.

6 <sup>c</sup>But he did not number Levi and Benjamin among them, for the king's word was abhorrent to Joab.

7 Now God was displeased with this thing. Therefore, He struck Israel.

8 Then David said to God, <sup>d</sup>"I have sinned greatly because I have done this thing. <sup>e</sup>But now, I beseech you, do away *with* the iniquity of your servant, for I have done very foolishly."

9 ¶ Then the LORD spoke to Gad, David's <sup>f</sup>seer, saying,

d 2 Sm 12:30,31 e 2 Sm 21:18 f 1 Ch 11:29 g 1 Sm 17:7 h 2 Sm 21:20 Chapter 21: a 2 Sm 24:1-25 b 1 Ch 27:23,24 c 1 Ch 27:24 d 2 Sm 24:10

**10** “Go and tell David, <sup>s</sup>saying, ‘Thus says the LORD, “I offer you three *things*. Choose for yourself one of them which I will do to you.”’”

**11** So Gad came to David and said to him, “Thus says the LORD, ‘Choose for yourself

**12** ‘<sup>h</sup>either three years’ famine, or three months to be destroyed before your enemies, while the sword of your enemies overtakes *you*, or else three days of the sword of the LORD, even the plague in the land and the angel of the LORD destroying throughout all the borders of Israel.’ Now therefore advise yourself what word I will bring again to Him who sent me.”

**13** Then David said to Gad, “I am in great distress. Let me fall now into the hand of the LORD, for great *are* His <sup>i</sup>mercies. But do not let me fall into the hand of man.”

**14** ¶ So the LORD sent <sup>a</sup>a plague on Israel, and there fell of Israel 70,000 men.

**15** Then God sent an <sup>k</sup>angel to Jerusalem to destroy it. And as he was destroying, the LORD <sup>l</sup>restrained from the disaster. And He said to the angel who destroyed, “It is enough, restrain now your hand.” And the angel of the LORD stood by the <sup>m</sup>threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite.

**16** Then David lifted up his eyes and <sup>n</sup>saw the angel of the LORD standing between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and the elders *of Israel who*

*were* clothed in sackcloth, fell on their faces.

**17** And David said to God, “*Is it not I who* commanded the people to be numbered? Even I it is who have sinned and done evil indeed. But *as for* <sup>o</sup>these sheep, what have they done? Let Your hand, I beg You, O LORD my God, be on me and on my father’s house, but not on Your people that they should be plagued.”

**18** ¶ Then the <sup>p</sup>angel of the LORD commanded Gad to say to David that David should go up and set up an altar to the LORD on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite.

**19** And David went up at the saying of Gad that he spoke in the name of the LORD.

**20** And Ornan turned back and saw the angel. And his four sons with him hid themselves. Now Ornan was threshing wheat.

**21** Now as David came to Ornan, Ornan looked and saw David. And he went out of the threshing floor and bowed himself to David with his face to the ground.

**22** Then David said to Ornan, “Grant me the place *of this* threshing floor so that I may build an altar on it to the LORD. You will grant it to me for the full price so that the plague may be restrained from the people.”

**23** Then Ornan said to David, “Take it for yourself and let my lord the king do *what* is good in his eyes. Lo, I give *you* the oxen also for burnt offerings and the threshing instruments for wood and the wheat for the grain

e 2 Sm 12:13 f 1 Sm 9:9 g 2 Sm 24:12-14 h 2 Sm 14:13 i Ps 51:1; 130:4,7 j 1 Ch 27:24 k 2 Sm 24:16 l Gn 6:6 m 2 Ch 3:1 n 2 Ch 3:1 o 2 Sm 7:8 p 2 Ch 3:1

offering, I give it all.”

**24** And King David said to Ornan, “No. But I will surely buy it for the full price. For I will not take for the LORD what is yours, nor offer burnt offerings without cost.”

**25** So <sup>a</sup>David gave to Ornan for the place 600 shekels of gold by weight.

**26** Then David built there an altar to the LORD. And he offered burnt offerings and peace offerings, and called on the LORD. And <sup>t</sup>He answered him from heaven by fire on the altar of burnt offering.

**27** Then the LORD commanded the angel, and he put up his sword again into its sheath.

**28** ¶ At that time when David saw that the LORD had answered him on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite, he sacrificed there.

**29** <sup>s</sup>For the tabernacle of the LORD that Moses made in the wilderness, and the altar of the burnt offering, *were* at that time in the high place at <sup>g</sup>Gibeon.

**30** But David could not go before it to inquire of God, for he was afraid because of the sword of the angel of the LORD.

## Chapter 22

### *Plans for the Temple*

**1** ¶ Then David said, <sup>a</sup>“This *is* the house of the LORD God and this *is* the altar of the burnt offering for Israel.”

**2** And David commanded to gather together the <sup>b</sup>aliens who *were* in the

land of Israel. And he set stonecutters <sup>c</sup>to cut out stones to build the house of God.

**3** And David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates and for the clamps, and more bronze <sup>d</sup>than could be weighed,

**4** also cedar trees in abundance, for the <sup>e</sup>Sidonians and those of Tyre brought much cedar wood to David.

**5** And David said, <sup>f</sup>“Solomon my son is young and tender. And the house *that is* to be built for the LORD *must* be exceedingly magnificent, famous and glorious throughout all lands. I will now, *therefore*, make preparation for it.” So David prepared abundantly before his death.

**6** ¶ Then he called for Solomon his son and charged him to build a house for the LORD God of Israel.

**7** And David said to Solomon, “My son, as for me, <sup>g</sup>it was in my mind to build a house <sup>h</sup>to the name of the LORD my God.

**8** “But the word of the LORD came to me, saying, <sup>i</sup>“You have shed blood abundantly and have made great wars. You will not build a house to My name because you have shed much blood on the earth in My sight.

**9** <sup>j</sup>“Behold, a son will be born to you who will be a man of peace. And I will give him <sup>k</sup>peace from all his enemies all around, for his name will be Solomon and I will give peace and quietness to Israel in his days.

**10** <sup>l</sup>“He will build a house for My name. And <sup>m</sup>he will be My son and I

q 2 Sm 24:24 r Lv 9:24 s 1 Kg 3:4 t 1 Ch 16:39 Chapter 22: a Dt 12:5 b 1 Kg 9:20,21 c 1 Kg 5:17,18 d 1 Kg 7:47 e 1 Kg 5:6-10 f 1 Ch 29:1,2 g 2 Sm 7:1,2 h Dt 12:5,11 i 1 Ch 28:3 j 1 Ch 28:5 k 1 Kg 4:20,25; 5:4 l 1 Ch 17:12,13; 28:6 m Mt 1:6; Hb 1:5

will be his father. And I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel forever.’

**11** “Now, my son, the <sup>n</sup>LORD be with you and prosper you. And you build the house of the LORD your God as He has said of you.

**12** “Only the LORD <sup>o</sup>give you wisdom and understanding, and give you charge concerning Israel so that you may keep the law of the LORD your God.

**13** <sup>p</sup>“Then you will prosper if you take heed to fulfill the statutes and judgments that the LORD charged Moses concerning Israel. <sup>q</sup>Be strong and of good courage. Do not despair, nor be dismayed.

**14** “Now behold, with great pains I have prepared for the house of the LORD 100,000 talents of gold and 1,000,000 talents of silver and of bronze and iron <sup>r</sup>beyond measure, for it is in abundance. I have prepared timber also and stone, and you may add to them.

**15** “Furthermore, *there are* workmen with you in abundance, hewers and workers of stone and timber, and all types of skillful men for every kind of work.

**16** “There is no limit of the gold, the silver and the bronze and the iron. Arise therefore and work, and <sup>s</sup>the LORD be with you.”

**17** ¶ David also commanded all the <sup>t</sup>princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, *saying*,

**18** “Is not the LORD your God with

you? <sup>u</sup>And has He *not* given you peace on every side? For He has given the inhabitants of the land into my hand. And the land is subdued before the LORD and before His people.

**19** “Now set your heart and your soul to seek the LORD your God. Arise therefore, and build the sanctuary of the LORD God in order to <sup>v</sup>bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and the holy vessels of God, into the house that is to be built <sup>w</sup>to the name of the LORD.”

## Chapter 23

### *The Levites*

**1** ¶ So when David was old and full of days he made <sup>a</sup>Solomon his son king over Israel.

**2** ¶ And he gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the priests and the Levites.

**3** Now the Levites were numbered from the age of <sup>b</sup>thirty years and upward. And the number of individual males was 38,000.

**4** Of these, 24,000 *were* to <sup>c</sup>oversee the work of the house of the LORD. And 6,000 *were* <sup>d</sup>officers and judges.

**5** Furthermore, 4,000 were gatekeepers and 4,000 <sup>e</sup>praised the LORD with the instruments <sup>f</sup>*that David* made for giving praise.

**6** And <sup>g</sup>David divided them into courses among the sons of Levi, *namely*, Gershon, Kohath and Merari.

n 1 Ch 22:16 o 1 Kg 3:9-12 p 1 Ch 28:7 q Ja 1:6,7,9 r 1 Ch 22:3 s 1 Ch 22:11 t 1 Ch 28:1-6 u Ja 22:4 v 2 Ch 5:2-14 w 1 Kg 5:3 **Chapter 23:** a 1 Kg 1:33-40 b Nm 4:1-3 c Er 8:8,9 d Dt 16:18-20 e 1 Ch 15:16 f 2 Ch 29:25-27 g Ex 6:16

*The Gershonites*

7 ¶ Of the <sup>b</sup>Gershonites were Laadan and Shimei.

8 The sons of Laadan were Jehiel the first and Zetham and Joel, three.

9 The sons of Shimei were Shelomith and Haziel and Haran, three. These were the heads of the fathers of Laadan.

10 And the sons of Shimei were Jahas, Zina and Jeush and Beriah. These four were the sons of Shimei.

11 And Jahas was the first and Zizah the second. But Jeush and Beriah did not have many sons, therefore they were in one accounting, according to *their father's house*.

*The Kohathites*

12 ¶ <sup>i</sup>The sons of Kohath were Amram, Izhar, Hebron and Uzziel, four.

13 The sons of <sup>j</sup>Amram were Aaron and Moses. And <sup>k</sup>Aaron was separated so that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons forever, <sup>l</sup>to burn incense before the LORD, <sup>m</sup>to minister to Him and <sup>n</sup>to bless in His name forever.

14 Now concerning Moses the man of God, <sup>o</sup>his sons were named among the tribe of Levi.

15 <sup>p</sup>The sons of Moses were Gershom and Eliezer.

16 Of the sons of Gershom, <sup>q</sup>Shebuel was the first.

17 And the sons of Eliezer were <sup>r</sup>Rehabiah the first. And Eliezer had no other sons, but the sons of Rehabiah were many.

18 Of the son of Izhar was <sup>s</sup>Shelomith the first.

19 <sup>t</sup>Of the sons of Hebron were Jehriah the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth.

20 Of the sons of Uzziel were Micah the first and Jesiah the second.

*The Merarites*

21 ¶ <sup>u</sup>The sons of Merari were Mahli and Mushi. The sons of Mahli were Eleazar and <sup>v</sup>Kish.

22 And Eleazar died and <sup>w</sup>had no sons, but daughters. And their relatives, the sons of Kish, <sup>x</sup>took them.

23 <sup>y</sup>The sons of Mushi were Mahli and Eder and Jeremoth, three.

24 ¶ These were the sons of <sup>z</sup>Levi after the house of their fathers, *even* the chief of the fathers as they were counted by number of names by their polls, who did the work for the service of the house of the LORD from the age of <sup>a</sup>twenty years and upward.

25 For David said, "The LORD God of Israel <sup>b</sup>has given peace to His people so that they may dwell in Jerusalem forever.

26 "And also to the Levites, they will no longer <sup>c</sup>carry the tabernacle, nor any vessels of it for its service."

27 For by the <sup>d</sup>last words of David the Levites were numbered from twenty years old and above.

28 For 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 puri-

h 1 Ch 26:21 i Ex 6:18 j Ex 6:20 k Hb 5:4 l 1 Sm 2:28 m Dt 21:5 n Nm 6:23 o 1 Ch 26:30-24 p Ex 18:3,4 q 1 Ch 26:24 r 1 Ch 26:35 s 1 Ch 24:22 t 1 Ch 24:23 u 1 Ch 24:26 v 1 Ch 24:29 w 1 Ch 24:28 x Nm 36:6 y 1 Ch 24:30 z Nm 10:17,21 a Er 3:8 b 1 Ch 22:18 c Nm 4:5,15; 7:9 d 2 Sm 23:1

fying of all holy things, and the work of the service of the house of God;

**29** both for the <sup>c</sup>showbread and for the <sup>f</sup>fine flour for grain offerings and for the <sup>s</sup>unleavened cakes, and for <sup>h</sup>what is baked in the pan, and for what is fried, and for all kinds of <sup>i</sup>measure and size;

**30** and to stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD, and likewise at evening,

**31** and to offer all burnt sacrifices to the LORD <sup>j</sup>on the Sabbaths, on the new moons and on the <sup>k</sup>set feasts by number, according to the order commanded to them, continually before the LORD.

**32** And that they should <sup>l</sup>attend to the <sup>m</sup>needs of the tabernacle of the assembly and the needs of the holy *place* and the <sup>n</sup>needs of the sons of Aaron their brethren, in the service of the house of the LORD.

## Chapter 24

### *Divisions of the Priests*

**1** ¶ Now *these* are the divisions of the sons of Aaron. The <sup>a</sup>sons of Aaron: Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar.

**2** But <sup>b</sup>Nadab and Abihu died before their father and had no children. Therefore, Eleazar and Ithamar executed the priest's office.

**3** And David, with Zadok of the sons of Eleazar and <sup>c</sup>Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, divided them according to their offices for their ministry.

**4** And there were more chief men

found among the sons of Eleazar than among the sons of Ithamar, and *thus* they were 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.

**5** Thus they were divided by lot, the one as the other. For the governors of the sanctuary and governors of *the house* of God were from the sons of Eleazar and from the sons of Ithamar.

**6** And Shemaiah the son of Nethaneel the scribe, *one* of the Levites, recorded them in the presence of the king and the princes and Zadok the priest and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, and in the presence of the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites, one principal household taken for Eleazar and *one* taken for Ithamar.

**7** ¶ Now the first lot came out for Jehoiarib, the second for Jedaiah,

**8** the third for Harim, the fourth for Seorim,

**9** the fifth for Malchijah, the sixth for Mijamin,

**10** the seventh for Hakkoz, the eighth for <sup>d</sup>Abijah,

**11** the ninth for Jeshuah, the tenth for Shecaniah,

**12** the eleventh for Eliashib, the twelfth for Jakim,

**13** the thirteenth for Huppah, the fourteenth for Jeshebeab,

**14** the fifteenth for Bilgah, the sixteenth for Immer,

**15** the seventeenth for Hezir, the eighteenth for Aphses,

e Ex 25:30 f Lv 6:20 g Lv 2:1,4 h Lv 2:5,7 i Lv 19:35 j Nm 10:10 k Lv 23:2-4 l 2 Ch 13:10,11 m Nm 1:53 n Nm 3:6-9,38 **Chapter 24:** a Lv 10:1-6 b Nm 3:1-4; 26:61 c 1 Ch 18:16 d Lk 1:5

**16** the nineteenth for Pethahiah, the twentieth for Jehezekel,

**17** the twenty-first for Jachin, the twenty-second for Gamul,

**18** the twenty-third for Delaiah, the twenty-fourth for Maaziah.

**19** These *were* the offices of those in their service <sup>e</sup>to come into the house of the LORD, according to the ordinance under Aaron their father as the LORD God of Israel had commanded him.

#### *Rest of the Levites*

**20** ¶ And the rest of the sons of Levi *were these*: of the sons of Amram, Shubael; of the sons of Shubael, Jehdeiah.

**21** Concerning <sup>f</sup>Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first *was* Isshiah;

**22** of the Izharites, Shelomoth; of the sons of Shelomoth, Jahas.

**23** And the sons of <sup>g</sup>Hebron, Jariah *was the first*, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth.

**24** The son of Uzziel *was* Michah; of the sons of Michah, Shamir.

**25** The brother of Michah *was* Isshiah; of the sons of Isshiah, Zechariah.

**26** <sup>h</sup>The sons of Merari *were* Mahli and Mushi; the son of Jaaziah, Beno.

**27** The sons of Merari by Jaaziah *were* Beno and Shoham and Zaccur and Ibri.

**28** Of Mahli *came* Eleazar, <sup>i</sup>who had no sons.

**29** Concerning Kish: the son of Kish *was* Jerahmeel.

**30** The <sup>j</sup>sons also of Mushi *were* Mahli and Eder and Jerimoth. These *were* the sons of the Levites after the house of their fathers.

**31** These also cast lots just as their brothers 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 just as their younger brothers.

## Chapter 25

### *Singers of David*

**1** ¶ Furthermore, David and the captains of the army separated to the service of the sons of <sup>a</sup>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:

**2** Of the sons of Asaph, Zaccur and Joseph and Nethaniah and Asarelah, the sons of Asaph under the hands of Asaph who prophesied according to the order of the king.

**3** Of <sup>b</sup>Jeduthun: the sons of Jeduthun, Gedaliah and Zeri and Jeshaiah, Hashabiah and Mattithiah, six, under the hands of their father Jeduthun who prophesied in giving thanks and praising the LORD.

**4** Of Heman: the sons of Heman: Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti and Romantiezor, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir and Mahazioth.

**5** All these *were* the sons of Heman

e 1 Ch 9:25 f 1 Ch 23:17 g 1 Ch 23:19; 26:31 h Ex 6:19 i 1 Ch 23:22 j 1 Ch 23:23 Chapter 25: a 1 Ch 6:30,33,39,44 b 1 Ch 16:41,42

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

**6** All these *were* under the hands of their father for music in the house of the LORD, with cymbals, psalteries and <sup>d</sup>harps, for the service of the house of God according <sup>e</sup>to the king's order to Asaph, Jeduthun and Heman.

**7** So the <sup>f</sup>number of them with their brethren who were instructed in the songs of the LORD, *even* all who were skilled, was 288.

**8** And they cast lots for their duties, the small as well as the great, the <sup>g</sup>teacher as well as the student.

**9** ¶ Now the first lot came out for Asaph to Joseph, the second to Gedaliah, who with his brethren and sons *were* twelve;

**10** the third to Zaccur, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**11** the fourth to Izri, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**12** the fifth to Nethaniah, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**13** the sixth to Bukkiah, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**14** the seventh to Jesharelah, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**15** the eighth to Jeshaiiah, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**16** the ninth to Mattaniah, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**17** the tenth to Shimei, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**18** the eleventh to Azareel, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**19** the twelfth to Hashabiah, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**20** the thirteenth to Shubael, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**21** the fourteenth to Mattithiah, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**22** the fifteenth to Jeremoth, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**23** the sixteenth to Hananiah, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**24** the seventeenth to Joshbekashah, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**25** the eighteenth to Hanani, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**26** the nineteenth to Mallothi, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**27** the twentieth to Eliathah, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**28** the twenty-first to Hothir, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**29** The twenty-second to Giddalti, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**30** The twenty-third to Mahazioth, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve;

**31** The twenty-fourth to Romamtiezer, his sons and his brethren *were* twelve.

## Chapter 26

### *The Gatekeepers*

**1** ¶ Concerning the divisions of the gatekeepers: of the Korhites *was* Meshelemiah the son of <sup>a</sup>Kore, of the sons of Asaph.

**2** And the sons of Meshelemiah *were* <sup>b</sup>Zechariah the firstborn, Jediael the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth,

e 1 Ch 16:42 d 1 Ch 15:16 e 1 Ch 15:19; 25:2 f 1 Ch 23:5 g 2 Ch 23:13 **Chapter 26:** a Ps 42 (title)  
b 1 Ch 9:21

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

**4** Furthermore, the sons of °Obedom were Shemaiah the firstborn, Jehozabad the second, Joah the third and Sacar the fourth and Nethaneel the fifth,

**5** Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peulthai the eighth; for God blessed him.

**6** Also to Shemaiah his son were sons born who ruled throughout the house of their father, for they were mighty men of valor.

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

**8** All these of the sons of Obedom: they and their sons and their brethren, <sup>d</sup>able men for strength for the service, were sixty-two from Obedom.

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

**10** Also °Hosah, of the children of Merari, had a son, Simri the chief (*though he was not the firstborn, yet his father made him the chief*),

**11** Hilkiyah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth. All these sons and relatives of Hosah were thirteen.

**12** ¶ Among these were the divisions of the gatekeepers, even among the chief men were given duties like their relatives to minister in the house of the LORD.

**13** And they <sup>f</sup>cast lots, the small as well as the great, according to the

house of their fathers, for every gate.

**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.

**15** To Obedom *it fell* southward, and to his sons the store house.

**16** To Shuppim and Hosah *the lot came out* westward, with the Shallecheth Gate by the <sup>g</sup>ascending highway. Guard corresponded to guard.

**17** Eastward were six Levites, northward four daily, southward four daily, and toward Asuppim two by two.

**18** At Parbar westward, four at the highway and two at Parbar.

**19** These are the divisions of the gatekeepers among the sons of Kore and among the sons of Merari.

#### Government Officials

**20** ¶ And of the Levites, Ahijah was <sup>h</sup>over the treasuries of the house of God and over the treasuries of the <sup>i</sup>dedicated things.

**21** *As concerning* the sons of Laadan, the sons of the Gershonite Laadan, chief fathers, *even* of Laadan the Gershonite, were Jehieli.

**22** The sons of Jehieli: Zetham, and Joel his brother, *who were* over the treasuries of the house of the LORD.

**23** As for the <sup>j</sup>Amramites and the Izharites, the Hebronites and the Uzzielites;

**24** and <sup>k</sup>Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, *was* officer of the treasuries.

**25** And his relatives by Eliezer were

Rehabiah his son and Jeshaiah his son and Joram his son and Zichri his son and <sup>1</sup>Shelomith his son.

**26** This Shelomith and his relatives *were* over all the treasuries of the dedicated things <sup>m</sup>that David the king and the chief fathers, the captains over thousands and hundreds, and the captains of the army, had dedicated.

**27** Out of the spoils won in battles they dedicated to maintain the house of the LORD.

**28** And all that Samuel the <sup>n</sup>seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and Abner the son of Ner, and Joab the son of Zeruiah had dedicated, *and* whoever had dedicated *anything*, *it was* under the hand of Shelomith and his relatives.

**29** ¶ Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons <sup>o</sup>were <sup>p</sup>officers and judges over Israel outside Jerusalem.

**30** *And* of the Hebronites, <sup>q</sup>Hashabiah and his relatives, men of valor, 1,700, *who were* officers among those of Israel on this side of the Jordan westward in all the business of the LORD and in the service of the king.

**31** Among the Hebronites *was* <sup>r</sup>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, and there were found among them their mighty men of valor <sup>s</sup>at Jazer of Gilead.

**32** And his brethren, men of valor, *were* 2,700 chief fathers, whom King David made rulers over the Reu-

benites, the Gadites and the half tribe of Manasseh, for every matter pertaining to God and the <sup>t</sup>affairs of the king.

## Chapter 27

### *Divisions of the Army*

**1** ¶ Now this is the numbering of the sons of Israel, the heads of fathers' houses, the commanders of thousands and of hundreds, and their officers who served the king in all the affairs of the divisions that came in and went out month by month throughout all the months of the year, each division numbering 24,000.

**2** ¶ Over the first division for the first month *was* <sup>a</sup>Jashobeam the son of Zabdiel. And in his division *were* 24,000.

**3** Of the children of Perez, *was* the chief of all the captains of the army for the first month.

**4** And over the division of the second month *was* Dodai an Ahohite. And of his division Mikloth also *was* the ruler. And in his division *were* 24,000.

**5** The third captain of the army for the third month *was* <sup>b</sup>Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, a chief priest. And in his division *were* 24,000.

**6** This is *that* Benaiah *who was* <sup>c</sup>mighty *among* the thirty, and above the thirty. And in his division *was* Ammizabad his son.

**7** The fourth *captain* for the fourth month *was* <sup>d</sup>Asahel the brother of Joab, and Zebadiah his son after him. And in his division *were* 24,000.

l 1 Ch 23:18 m 2 Sm 8:11 n 1 Sm 9:9 o Ne 11:16 p 1 Ch 23:4 q 1 Ch 27:17 r 1 Ch 23:19 s Ja 21:39  
t 2 Ch 19:11 **Chapter 27:** a 1 Ch 11:1 b 1 Ch 18:17 c 2 Sm 23:20-23 d 1 Ch 11:26

**8** The fifth captain for the fifth month was Shamhuth the Izrahite. And in his division were 24,000.

**9** The sixth captain for the sixth month was <sup>e</sup>Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite. And in his division were 24,000.

**10** The seventh captain for the seventh month was <sup>f</sup>Helez the Pelonite, of the children of Ephraim. And in his division were 24,000.

**11** The eighth captain for the eighth month was <sup>g</sup>Sibbecai the Hushasite, of the Zarhites. And in his division were 24,000.

**12** The ninth captain for the ninth month was <sup>h</sup>Abiezer the Anetothite, of the Benjamites. And in his division were 24,000.

**13** The tenth captain for the tenth month was <sup>i</sup>Maharai the Netophasite, of the Zarhites. And in his division were 24,000.

**14** The eleventh captain for the eleventh month was <sup>j</sup>Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the children of Ephraim. And in his division were 24,000.

**15** The twelfth captain for the twelfth month was Heldai the Netophasite, of Othniel. And in his division were 24,000.

#### Tribal Officers

**16** ¶ Furthermore, over the tribes of Israel: the ruler of the Reubenites was Eliezer the son of Zichri; for the Simeonites, Shephatiah the son of Maachah;

**17** for the Levites, <sup>k</sup>Hashabiah the

son of Kemuel; for the Aaronites, Zadok;

**18** for Judah, <sup>l</sup>Elihu, one of the brothers of David; for Issachar, Omri the son of Michael;

**19** for Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah; for Naphtali, Jerimoth the son of Azriel.

**20** For the children of Ephraim was Hoshea the son of Azaziah; for the half tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiah;

**21** for the half tribe of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah; for Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner;

**22** for Dan, Azareel the son of Jeroham. These were the princes of the tribes of Israel.

**23** ¶ But David did not number those from twenty years old and under because the <sup>m</sup>LORD had said he would increase Israel like the <sup>n</sup>stars of the heavens.

**24** Joab the son of Zeruiah began to number, but he did not finish. Because of this, <sup>o</sup>wrath came upon Israel, and the number was not put in the account of the chronicles of King David.

#### The King's Overseers

**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.

**26** And over those who did the work of the field for cultivation of the

ground *was* Ezri the son of Chelub.

27 And over the vineyards *was* Shimei the Ramathite. Over the increase of the vineyards for the wine cellars *was* Zabdi the Shiphmite.

28 And over the olive trees and the sycamore trees that *were* in the low plains *was* Baalhanan the Gederite. And over the cellars of oil *was* Joash.

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.

30 Over the camels also *was* Obil the Ishmaelite. And over the donkeys *was* Jehdeiah the Meronothite.

31 And over the flocks *was* Jaziz the <sup>p</sup>Hagerite. All these *were* the rulers of the property that *was* King David's.

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.

33 And <sup>a</sup>Ahithophel *was* the king's counsellor. And <sup>h</sup>Hushai the Archite *was* the king's companion.

34 And after Ahithophel *was* Jehoia-da the son of Benaiah, and <sup>a</sup>Abiathar. And <sup>j</sup>Joab *was* the general of the king's army.

## Chapter 28

### *Plans for the Temple*

1 ¶ And David assembled at Jerusalem all the <sup>a</sup>princes of Israel, the princes of the tribes, and the <sup>b</sup>captains of the companies that ministered to

the king by division, and the captains over the thousands, and captains over the hundreds, and the <sup>c</sup>stewards over all the property and possession of the king and of his sons, with the officers, and with the <sup>d</sup>mighty men, and with all the valiant men.

2 Then David the king stood up on his feet and said, "Hear me, my brethren and my people. *As for me*, <sup>e</sup>I had in my heart to build a house of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD and for the <sup>f</sup>footstool of our God. And I had made ready for the building.

3 "But God said to me, <sup>g</sup>'You will not build a house for My name because you *have been* a man of war and have shed <sup>h</sup>blood.'

4 "However, the LORD God of Israel <sup>i</sup>chose me before all the house of my father to be king over Israel forever. For he has chosen <sup>j</sup>Judah to be the ruler, and of the house of Judah, the <sup>k</sup>house of my father. And <sup>l</sup>among the sons of my father he favored *me* to make me king over all Israel.

5 <sup>m</sup>"And of all my sons (for the LORD has given me many sons), <sup>n</sup>He has chosen Solomon my son to sit on the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel.

6 "And He said to me, <sup>o</sup>'Solomon your son will build My house and My courts. For I have chosen him to be My son, and I will be His father.

7 'Furthermore, I will establish his kingdom forever <sup>p</sup>if he continues to

p 1 Ch 5:10 q 2 Sm 15:12 r 2 Sm 15:32-37 s 1 Kg 1:7 t 1 Ch 11:6 Chapter 28: a 1 Ch 27:16 b 1 Ch 27:1,2 c 1 Ch 27:25 d 1 Ch 11:10-47 e 2 Sm 7:2 f Ps 99:5; 132:7 g 2 Sm 7:5,13 h 1 Ch 17:4; 22:8 i 1 Sm 16:6-13 j Gn 49:8-10 k 1 Sm 16:1 l 1 Sm 13:14; 16:12,13 m 1 Ch 3:1-9; 14:3-7; 23:1 n 1 Ch 22:9; 29:1 o 2 Sm 7:13,14 p 1 Ch 22:13

do My commandments and My judgments, as it is this day.’

**8** “Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the assembly of the LORD, and in the audience of our God, keep and seek all the commandments of the LORD your God so that you may possess this good land and leave it for an inheritance for your children after you forever.

**9** ¶ “And you, my son, Solomon, <sup>q</sup>know the God of your father and serve Him <sup>r</sup>with a perfect heart and with a willing mind, for the <sup>s</sup>LORD searches all hearts and understands all the imaginations of the thoughts. <sup>t</sup>If you seek Him, He will be found by you. But if you forsake Him, He will <sup>u</sup>cast you off forever.

**10** “Take heed now, <sup>v</sup>for the LORD has chosen you to build a house for the sanctuary. Be strong and do it.”

**11** ¶ Then David gave to Solomon his son the <sup>w</sup>plan for the porch of the temple, its buildings, its storehouses, its upper rooms, its inner rooms and the room for the mercy seat;

**12** and the <sup>x</sup>plan for all that he had in his mind, for the courts of the house of the LORD and for all the chambers all around, <sup>y</sup>for the treasury of the house of God and for the treasury of the dedicated things.

**13** *He gave plans* also for the divisions of the priests and the <sup>z</sup>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.

**14** *He gave* of gold by weight for the vessels 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;

**15** even the weight for the <sup>a</sup>candlesticks of gold and for their lamps of gold, by weight for every candlestick, and for its lamps; and for the candlesticks of silver by weight, both for the candlestick and also for its lamps, according to the use of every candlestick.

**16** And by weight *he gave* gold for the tables of showbread, for every <sup>b</sup>table and *likewise* silver for the tables of silver.

**17** Also *he gave* pure gold for the fleshhooks and the bowls and the cups. And for the golden basins *he gave gold* by weight for every basin, and *likewise silver* by weight for every basin of silver.

**18** And *he gave* for the <sup>c</sup>altar of incense refined gold by weight, and gold for the pattern of the chariot of the <sup>d</sup>cherubim that spread out *their wings* and covered the ark of the covenant of the LORD.

**19** “All *this*,” *David said*, “the LORD made me understand in writing by *His* hand on me, *even* all the works of this pattern.”

**20** ¶ And David said to Solomon his son, <sup>e</sup>“Be strong and of good courage, and do it. Do not fear, nor be dismayed, for the LORD God, *even* my God, *will be* with you. <sup>f</sup>He will

q Jn 17:3 r 2 Kg 20:3 s 1 Sm 16:7 t 2 Ch 15:2 u Dt 31:17 v 1 Ch 22:13; 28:6 w 1 Ch 28:19 x Hb 8:5 y 1 Ch 26:20,28 z 1 Ch 23:6 a Ex 25:31-39 b 1 Kg 7:48 c Ex 30:1-10 d Ex 25:18-22 e Ex 25:40 f 1 Ch 22:13 g Ja 1:5

not fail you, nor forsake you, until you have finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

**21** “And behold, the <sup>h</sup>divisions of the priests and the Levites, *even they will be with you* for all the service of the house of God. And *there will be with you* for all kinds of workmanship <sup>i</sup>every willing skillful man for any kinds of service. Also the princes and all the people *will be* wholly at your command.”

### Chapter 29

#### *Freewill Offerings*

**1** ¶ Furthermore, David the king said to all the assembly, “Solomon my son, whom alone God has <sup>a</sup>chosen, *is still* <sup>b</sup>young and tender, and the work is great, for the palace *is* not for man but for the LORD God.

**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 bronze for *things* of bronze, the iron for *things* of iron, and wood for *things* of wood; <sup>c</sup>onyx stones and *stones* to be set, glistening stones, and of different colors, and all kinds of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance.

**3** “Furthermore, in my delight in the house of my God, the treasure I have of gold and silver I give to the house of my God over and above all *that* I have prepared for the holy house,

**4** “3,000 talents of gold, of the gold of <sup>d</sup>Ophir, and 7,000 talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the

buildings;

**5** “the gold for *things* of gold and the silver for *things* of silver, and for all kinds of work *to be made* by the hands of craftsmen. And who *then* is <sup>e</sup>willing to consecrate his service this day to the LORD?”

**6** ¶ Then the <sup>f</sup>chief of the fathers and princes of the tribes of Israel, and the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the <sup>g</sup>rulers of the king’s work, <sup>h</sup>offered willingly.

**7** And they gave for the service of the house of God of gold 5,000 talents and 10,000 darics of gold, and 10,000 talents of silver, and 18,000 talents of bronze, and 100,000 talents of iron.

**8** And they with whom *precious* stones were found gave *them* to the treasury of the house of the LORD by the hand of <sup>i</sup>Jehiel the Gershonite.

**9** Then the people rejoiced for what they offered willingly, because with a whole heart they <sup>j</sup>offered willingly to the LORD. And David the king also rejoiced with great joy.

**10** ¶ Therefore, David blessed the LORD before all the assembly. And David said, “Blessed be the LORD God of Israel our father, forever and ever.

**11** <sup>k</sup>“Yours, 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 Yours*. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head above all.

**12** <sup>l</sup>“Both riches and honor *come*

h 1 Ch 24 – 26 i Ex 35:25-35; 36:1,2 Chapter 29: a 1 Ch 28:5 b 1 Kg 3:7 c Is 54:11,12 d 1 Kg 9:28 e 2 Co 8:5,12 f 1 Ch 27:1; 28:1 g 1 Ch 27:25-31 h Ex 35:21-35 i 1 Ch 23:8 j 2 Co 9:7 k 1 Tm 1:17 l Rm 11:36

from You. And You reign over all. And in Your hand *is* power and might. And in Your hand *it is* to make great and to give strength to all.

**13** ¶ “Now therefore, our God, we thank You and praise Your glorious name.

**14** “But who *am* I, and what are my people that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? For all things *come* from You and from Your hand we have given to You.

**15** “For <sup>m</sup>*we are* foreigners before you, and aliens, as *were* all our fathers. <sup>n</sup>Our days on the earth are as a shadow, and *there is* no abiding.

**16** ¶ “O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build You a house for Your holy name *comes* from Your hand and is all Your own.

**17** “I know also, my God, that You <sup>o</sup>try the heart and <sup>p</sup>have pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of my heart I have willingly offered all these things. And now I have seen with joy Your people who are present here to offer willingly to You.

**18** “O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac and of Israel, our fathers preserve this forever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of Your people and prepare their heart toward You.

**19** “And <sup>q</sup>give to Solomon my son a whole heart to keep Your commandments, Your testimonies and Your statutes, and to do all *these things*, and to build the palace *for* which <sup>r</sup>I have made provision.”

**20** And David said to all the assem-

bly, “Now bless the LORD your God.” And all the assembly blessed the LORD God of their fathers. And they bowed down their heads and did homage to the LORD and the king.

#### *Designation of Solomon*

**21** ¶ And on the next day they made sacrifices to the LORD and offered burnt offerings to the LORD, 1,000 bulls, 1,000 rams and 1,000 lambs, with their drink offerings and <sup>s</sup>sacrifices in abundance for all Israel.

**22** And they ate and drank before the LORD on that day with great gladness. And they made Solomon the son of David king the second time. And they <sup>t</sup>anointed *him* to the LORD *to be* the chief governor, and Zadok *to be* priest.

**23** Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of David his father. And he prospered, and all Israel obeyed him.

**24** And all the princes and the mighty men, and also all the sons of King David, <sup>u</sup>submitted themselves to Solomon the king.

**25** And the LORD magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel. And He <sup>v</sup>bestowed on him *such* royal majesty as had not been on any king before him in Israel.

#### *Death of David*

**26** ¶ Now David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel.

**27** <sup>w</sup>And the time that he reigned over Israel *was* forty years. He reigned <sup>x</sup>seven years in Hebron and

thirty-three *years* in Jerusalem.

**28** And he <sup>y</sup>died in a good old age, <sup>z</sup>full of days, riches and honor. And Solomon his son reigned in his place.

**29** Now the acts of David the king, from first to 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,

**30** with all his reign and his might and <sup>a</sup>the circumstances that came on him and on Israel, and on all the kingdoms of the lands.

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y Gn 25:8 z 1 Ch 23:1 a Dn 2:21; 4:23,25