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Chapter 1

(1) Adam, Sheth, Enosh,
(2) Kenan, Mahalaleel, Jered,
(3) Henoah, Methuselah, Lamech,
(4) Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.
(5) The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and
Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and
Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.
(6) And the sons of Gomer;
Ashchenaz, and Riphath, and
Togarmah.
(7) And the sons of Javan; Elishah,
and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.
(8) The sons of Ham; Cush, and
Mizraim, Put, and Canaan.
(9) And the sons of Cush; Seba, and
Havilah, and Sabta, and Raamah, and
Sabtecha. And the sons of Raamah;
Sheba, and Dedan.
(10) And Cush fathered Nimrod: he
began to be mighty upon the earth.
(11) And Mizraim fathered Ludim,
and Anamim, and Lehabim, and
Naphtuhim,
(12) And Pathrusim, and Casluhim,
(of whom the Philistines came,) and
Caphthorim.
(13) And Canaan fathered Zidon his
firstborn, and Heth,
(14) 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.

(17) The sons of Shem; Elam, and
Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and
Aram, and Uz, and Hul, and Gether,
and Meshech.
(18) And Arphaxad fathered Shelah,
and Shelah fathered Eber.
(19) And to Eber were born two sons:
the name of the one *was* Peleg
{division}^a; because in his days the
earth was divided: and his brother's
name *was* Joktan.
(20) And Joktan fathered 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) Shem, Arphaxad, Shelah,
(25) Eber, Peleg, Reu,
(26) Serug, Nahor, Terah,
(27) Abram; the same *is* Abraham.
(28) The sons of Abraham; Isaac, and
Ishmael.
(29) These *are* their generations: The
firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth; then
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 sons of Keturah,
Abraham's concubine: she bore
Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and
Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And
the sons of Jokshan; Sheba, and
Dedan.

1:19a – Peleg {פלג} – division – possibly born soon after the division of
languages and nations at the tower of Babel or possibly the division of
the continents as we know them – this latter is proposed by Dr. David
Cooper – see Appendix G: World Time Line of Biblical History
- See Genesis 10:25

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(33) And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Henoch, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these *are* the sons of Keturah.

(34) And Abraham fathered Isaac. The sons of Isaac; Esau and Israel.

(35) The sons of Esau; Eliphaz, Reuel, and Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.

(36) The sons of Eliphaz; Teman, and Omar, Zephi, and Gatam, Kenaz, and Timna, and Amalek.

(37) The sons of Reuel; Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.

(38) And the sons of Seir; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan.

(39) And the sons of Lotan; Hori, and Homam: and Timna *was* Lotan's sister.

(40) The sons of Shobal; Alian, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shephi, and Onam. And the sons of Zibeon; Aiah, and Anah.

(41) The sons of Anah; Dishon. And the sons of Dishon; Amram, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.

(42) The sons of Ezer; Bilhan, and Zavan, *and* Jakan. The sons of Dishan; Uz, and Aran.

(43) Now these *are* the 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 Temanites 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) And when Samlah was dead, Shaul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in his place.

(49) And when Shaul 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 dukes of Edom were; duke Timnah, duke Aliah, duke Jetheth,

(52) Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,

(53) Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,

(54) Duke Magdiel, duke Iram. These *are* the dukes of Edom.

Chapter 2

(1) These *are* the sons of Israel; Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun,

(2) Dan, Joseph, and Benjamin, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.

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(3) The sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah: *these* three were born to him of the daughter of Shua the Canaanitess. And Er, the firstborn of Judah, was evil in the sight of the LORD {Jehovah}; and He killed him.

(4) And Tamar his daughter-in-law bore him Pharez and Zerah. All the sons of Judah *were* five.

(5) The sons of Pharez; Hezron, and Hamul.

(6) And the sons of Zerah; Zimri, and Ethan, and Heman, and Calcol, and Dara: five of them in all.

(7) And the sons of Carmi; Achar, the troubler of Israel, who sinned in the thing accursed.^a

(8) And the sons of Ethan; Azariah.

(9) The sons also of Hezron, who were born to him; Jerahmeel, and Ram, and Chelubai.

(10) And Ram fathered Amminadab; and Amminadab fathered Nahshon, prince of the children of Judah;

(11) And Nahshon fathered Salma, and Salma fathered Boaz,

(12) And Boaz fathered Obed, and Obed fathered Jesse,

(13) And Jesse fathered his firstborn Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and Shimma the third,

(14) Nethaneel the fourth, Raddai the fifth,

(15) Ozem the sixth, David the seventh:

(16) Whose sisters *were* Zeruiah, and Abigail. And the sons of Zeruiah; Abishai, and Joab, and Asahel, three.

(17) And Abigail bore Amasa: and the father of Amasa *was* Jether the Ishmeelite.

(18) And Caleb the son of Hezron fathered *children* by Azubah *his* wife, and by Jerioth: her sons *are* these; Jeshur, and Shobab, and Ardon.

(19) And when Azubah was dead, Caleb took to himself Ephrath as his wife, who bore to him Hur.

(20) And Hur fathered Uri, and Uri fathered Bezaleel.

(21) And afterwards Hezron went in to the daughter of Machir the father of Gilead, whom he married when he *was* sixty years old; and she bore to him Segub.

(22) And Segub fathered Jair, who had twenty-three cities in the land of Gilead.

(23) And he took Geshur, and Aram, with the towns of Jair, from them, with Kenath, and its towns, *even* sixty cities. All these *belonged to* the sons of Machir the father of Gilead.

(24) And after Hezron was dead in Calebphratah, then Abiah Hezron's wife bore him Ashur the father of Tekoa.

(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; Nadab, and Abishur.

(29) And the name of the wife of Abishur *was* Abihail, and she bore to him Ahban, and Molid.

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(30) And the sons of Nadab; Seled, and Appaim: but Seled died without children.

(31) And the sons of Appaim; Ishi. And the sons of Ishi; Sheshan. And the children of Sheshan; Ahlai.

(32) And the sons of Jada the brother of Shammai; Jether, and Jonathan: and Jether died without children.

(33) And the sons of Jonathan; 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 to be his wife; and she bore to him Attai.

(36) And Attai fathered Nathan, and Nathan fathered Zabad,

(37) And Zabad fathered Ephlal, and Ephlal fathered Obed,

(38) And Obed fathered Jehu, and Jehu fathered Azariah,

(39) And Azariah fathered Helez, and Helez fathered Eleasah,

(40) And Eleasah fathered Sisamai, and Sisamai fathered Shallum,

(41) And Shallum fathered Jekamiah, and Jekamiah fathered Elishama.

(42) Now the sons of Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel *were*, Mesha his firstborn, who was the father of Ziph; and the sons of Mareshah the father of Hebron.

(43) And the sons of Hebron; Korah, and Tappuah, and Rekem, and Shema.

(44) And Shema fathered Raham, the father of Jorkoam: and Rekem fathered Shammai.

(45) And the son of Shammai *was* Maon: and Maon *was* the father of Bethzur.

(46) And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bore to Haran, and Moza, and Gazez: and Haran fathered Gazez.

(47) And the sons of Jahdai; Regem, and Jotham, and Geshan, and Pelet, and Ephah, and Shaaph.

(48) Maachah, Caleb's concubine, bore to Sheber, and Tirhanah.

(49) She bore also Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of Machbenah, and the father of Gibeaz: and the daughter of Caleb *was* Achsah.

(50) These were the sons of Caleb the son of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah; Shobal the father of Kirjathjearim,

(51) Salma the father of Bethlehem, Hareph the father of Bethgader.

(52) And Shobal the father of Kirjathjearim had sons; Haroeh, *and* half of the Manahethites.

(53) And the families of Kirjathjearim; the Ithrites, and the Puhites, and the Shumathites, and the Mishraites; of them came the Zareathites, and the Eshtaulites.

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(54) The sons of Salma; Bethlehem, and the Netophathites, Ataroth, the house of Joab, and half of the Manahethites, the Zorites.

(55) And the families of the scribes who lived at Jabez; the Tirathites, the Shimeathites, *and* Suchathites. These *are* the Kenites who came of Hemath, the father of the house of Rechab.

Chapter 3

(1) Now these were the sons of David, who were born to him in Hebron; the firstborn Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; the second Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitess:

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

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

(4) *These* six were born to him in Hebron;^a and there he reigned seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty-three years.

(5) And these were born to him in Jerusalem; Shimea, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, four, of Bathshua the daughter of Ammiel:

(6) Ibhara also, and Elishama, and Eliphelet,

(7) And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

(8) And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine.

(9) *These were* all the sons of David, besides the sons of the concubines, and Tamar their sister.

(10) And Solomon's son *was* 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*, the firstborn Johanan, the second Jehoiakim, the third Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum.

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

(17) And the sons of Jeconiah; Assir, Salathiel his son,

(18) Malchiram also, and Pedaiiah, and Shenazar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.

(19) And the sons of Pedaiiah *were*, Zerubbabel, and Shimei: and the sons of Zerubbabel; Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister:

(20) And Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Jushabhesed, five.

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

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

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

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

Chapter 4

(1) The sons of Judah; Pharez, Hezron, and Carmi, and Hur, and Shobal.

(2) And Reaiah the son of Shobal fathered Jahath; and Jahath fathered Ahumai, and Lahad. These *are* the families of the Zorathites.

(3) And these *were of* the father of Etam; Jezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash: and the name of their sister *was* Hazeleponi:

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

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

(6) And Naarah bore to him Ahuzam, and Hopher, 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 fathered Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the son of Harum.

(9) And Jabez was more honorable than his brothers and his mother called his name Jabez {sorrow}^a, 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 coast, and that Your hand might be with me, and that You would keep *me* from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.

(11) And Chelub the brother of Shuah fathered Mehir, who *was* the father of Eshton.

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

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

(14) And Meonothai fathered Ophrah: and Seraiah fathered Joab, the father of the valley of Charashim; because they were craftsmen.

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

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

(17) And the sons of Ezra *were*, Jether, and Mered, and Ephraim, and Jalon: and she bore Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa.

4:9a - Jabez {יעבֶז} - sorrow or grief

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(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 to be his wife.

(19) And the sons of *his* wife Hodiah the sister of Naham, the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maachathite.

(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 Shelah the son of Judah *were*, Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of those who worked in fine linen, of the house of Ashbea,

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

(23) These *were* the potters, and those who lived among plants and hedges: there they lived with the king for his work.

(24) The 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; Hamuel his son, Zacchur his son, Shimei his son.

(27) And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters; but his brothers did not have many children, neither did all their family multiply, like to the children of Judah.

(28) And they lived 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 Hazarsusim, 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 that *were* all around the same cities, to Baal. These *were* their houses, 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.

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(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 and lush pasture, and the land *was* wide, and quiet, and peaceable; because *those* of Ham had lived there from of old.

(41) And these written by name came in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and struck their tents, and the houses that were found there, and totally destroyed them to this day, and lived in their places: 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, having for their captains Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.

(43) And they struck the rest of the Amalekites who had escaped, and lived there to this day.

Chapter 5

(1) Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, (because he *was* the firstborn; but, because he defiled his father's bed, his birthright was given to the sons of Joseph the son of Israel: and the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright.

(2) Because Judah prevailed above his brothers, and of him *came* the chief ruler; but the birthright *was* Joseph's:)

(3) The sons, *I say*, of Reuben the firstborn of Israel *were*, Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi.

(4) The sons of Joel; Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son,

(5) Micah his son, Reaia his son, Baal his son,

(6) Beerah his son, whom Tilgathpilneser king of Assyria carried away *captive*: he *was* prince of the Reubenites.

(7) And his brothers by their families, when the genealogy of their generations was reckoned, *were* the chief, Jeiel, and Zechariah,

(8) And Bela the son of Azaz, the son of Shema, the son of Joel, who lived in Aroer, even to Nebo and Baalmeon:

(9) And eastward he inhabited to the entrance of the wilderness from the river Euphrates: because their cattle were multiplied in the land of Gilead.

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

(11) And the children of Gad lived opposite them, in the land of Bashan to Salchah:

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

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

(14) These *are* the children of Abihail the son of Huri, the son of Jaroah, the son of Gilead, the son of Michael, the son of Jeshishai, the son of Jahdo, the son of Buz;

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

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(16) And they lived in Gilead in Bashan, and in her towns, and in all the suburbs of Sharon, upon their borders.

(17) All these were reckoned 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 buckler and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skilful in war, *were* forty-four thousand seven hundred and sixty, 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: because they cried to God in the battle, and He was called upon by them; because they put their trust in Him.

(21) And they took away their cattle; of their camels fifty thousand, and of sheep two hundred and fifty thousand, and of donkeys two thousand, and of men an hundred thousand.

(22) Because there fell down many dead, because the war *was* of God. And they lived in their places until the captivity.

(23) And the children of the half tribe of Manasseh lived 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 Eiel, and Azriel, and Jeremiah, and Hodaviah, and Jahdiel, mighty men of valour, famous men, *and* heads of the house of their fathers.

(25) And they sinned against the God of their fathers, and went prostituting themselves 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, and the spirit of Tilgathpilneser king of Assyria, and he carried them away, even the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, and brought them to Halah, and Habor, and Hara, and to the river Gozan, to this day.

Chapter 6

(1) The sons of Levi; Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

(2) And the sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.

(3) And the children of Amram; Aaron, and Moses, and Miriam. The sons also of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

(4) Eleazar fathered Phinehas, Phinehas fathered Abishua,

(5) And Abishua fathered Bukki, and Bukki fathered Uzzi,

(6) And Uzzi fathered Zerahiah, and Zerahiah fathered Meraioth,

(7) Meraioth fathered Amariah, and Amariah fathered Ahitub,

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(8) And Ahitub fathered Zadok, and Zadok fathered Ahimaaz,
(9) And Ahimaaz fathered Azariah, and Azariah fathered Johanan,
(10) And Johanan fathered Azariah, (he *it is* who executed the priest's office in the temple that Solomon built in Jerusalem:)
(11) And Azariah fathered Amariah, and Amariah fathered Ahitub,
(12) And Ahitub fathered Zadok, and Zadok fathered Shallum,
(13) And Shallum fathered Hilkiah, and Hilkiah fathered Azariah,
(14) And Azariah fathered Seraiah, and Seraiah fathered Jehozadak,
(15) And Jehozadak went *into captivity*, when the LORD {Jehovah} carried away Judah and Jerusalem by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.
(16) The sons of Levi; Gershom, Kohath, and Merari.
(17) And these *are* the names of the sons of Gershom; Libni, and Shimei.
(18) And the sons of Kohath *were*, Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.
(19) The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. And these *are* the families of the Levites according to their fathers.
(20) Of Gershom; Libni his son, Jahath his son, Zimmah his son,
(21) Joah his son, Iddo his son, Zerah his son, Jeaterai his son.
(22) The sons of Kohath; Amminadab his son, Korah his son, Assir his son,
(23) Elkanah his son, and Ebiasaph his son, and Assir his son,

(24) Tahath his son, Uriel his son, Uzziah his son, and Shaul his son.
(25) And the sons of Elkanah; Amasai, and Ahimoth.
(26) *As for* Elkanah: the sons of Elkanah; Zophai his son, and Nahath his son,
(27) Eliab his son, Jeroham his son, Elkanah his son.
(28) And the sons of Samuel; the firstborn Vashni, and Abiah.
(29) The sons of Merari; Mahli, Libni his son, Shimei his son, Uzza his son,
(30) Shimea his son, Haggiah his son, Asaiah his son.
(31) And these *are those* whom David set over the service of song in the house of the LORD {Jehovah}, after the ark had rest.
(32) And they ministered before the house of the tabernacle of the congregation with singing, until Solomon had built the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah} 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 Kohathites: 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,
(35) The son of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mahath, the son of Amasai,
(36) The son of Elkanah, the son of Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah,

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(37) The son of Tahath, the son of Assir, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah,

(38) The son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, the son of Israel.

(39) And his brother 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 Ethni, the son of Zerah, the son of Adaiah,

(42) The son of Ethan, the son of Zimmah, the son of Shimei,

(43) The son of Jahath, the son of Gershom, the son of Levi.

(44) And their brothers the sons of Merari *stood* on the left hand: 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 Hilkiyah,

(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 brothers also the Levites *were* appointed to all manner of service of the tabernacle of the house {temple} of God.

(49) But Aaron and his sons offered upon the altar of the burnt offering, and on the altar of incense, *and were appointed* for all the work of the most holy place {*Holy of Holies*}, and to make an atonement for Israel, according to all that Moses the servant of God had commanded.

(50) And these *are* the 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) Now these *are* their houses throughout their castles in their coasts, of the sons of Aaron, of the families of the Kohathites: because theirs was the lot.

(55) And they gave them Hebron in the land of Judah, and its suburbs all around it.

(56) But the fields of the city, and its villages, they gave to Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

(57) And to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of Judah, *namely*, Hebron, *the city* of refuge, and Libnah with her suburbs, and Jattir, and Eshtemoa, with their suburbs,

(58) And Hilen with her suburbs, Debir with her suburbs,

(59) And Ashan with her suburbs, and Bethshemesh with her suburbs:

(60) And out of the tribe of Benjamin; Geba with her suburbs, and Alemeth with her suburbs, and Anathoth with her suburbs. All their cities throughout their families *were* thirteen cities.

(61) And to the sons of Kohath, *which were* left of the family of that tribe, *were cities given* out of the half tribe, *namely*, *out of* the half tribe of Manasseh, by lot, ten cities.

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(62) And to the sons of Gershom throughout their families out of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.

(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, twelve cities.

(64) And the children of Israel gave to the Levites *these* cities with their suburbs.

(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, which are called by *their* names.

(66) And *the remainder* of the families of the sons of Kohath had cities of their coasts out of the tribe of Ephraim.

(67) And they gave to them, *of* the cities of refuge, Shechem in mount Ephraim with her suburbs; *they gave* also Gezer with her suburbs,

(68) And Jokmeam with her suburbs, and Bethhoron with her suburbs,

(69) And Aijalon with her suburbs, and Gathrimmon with her suburbs:

(70) And out of the half tribe of Manasseh; Aner with her suburbs, and Bileam with her suburbs, for the family of the remnant of the sons of Kohath.

(71) To the sons of Gershom *were given* out of the family of the half tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, and Ashtaroth with her suburbs:

(72) And out of the tribe of Issachar; Kedesh with her suburbs, Daberath with her suburbs,

(73) And Ramoth with her suburbs, and Anem with her suburbs:

(74) And out of the tribe of Asher; Mashal with her suburbs, and Abdon with her suburbs,

(75) And Hukok with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs:

(76) And out of the tribe of Naphtali; Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, and Hammon with her suburbs, and Kirjathaim with her suburbs.

(77) To the rest of the children of Merari *were given* out of the tribe of Zebulun, Rimmon with her suburbs, Tabor with her suburbs:

(78) And on the other side Jordan by Jericho, on the east side of Jordan, *were given them* out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the wilderness with her suburbs, and Jahzah with her suburbs,

(79) Kedemoth also with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs:

(80) And out of the tribe of Gad; Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, and Mahanaim with her suburbs,

(81) And Heshbon with her suburbs, and Jazer with her suburbs.

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(1) Now the sons of Issachar *were*, Tola, and Puah, Jashub, and Shimron, four.

(2) And the sons of Tola; Uzzi, and Rephaiah, and Jeriel, and Jahmai, and Jibsam, and Shemuel, heads of their father's house, *to wit*, of Tola: *they were* valiant men of might in their generations; whose number *was* in the days of David twenty-two thousand and six hundred.

(3) And the sons of Uzzi; Izrahiah: and the sons of Izrahiah; Michael, and Obadiah, and Joel, Ishiah, five: all of them chief men.

(4) And with them, by their generations, after the house of their fathers, *were* bands of soldiers for war, thirty-six thousand *men*: because they had many wives and sons.

(5) And their brothers among all the families of Issachar *were* valiant men of might, reckoned in all by their genealogies eighty-seven thousand.

(6) *The sons* of Benjamin; Bela, and Becher, and Jediel, three.

(7) And the sons of Bela; Ezbon, and Uzzi, and Uzziel, and Jerimoth, and Iri, five; heads of the house of *their* fathers, mighty men of valour; and were reckoned by their genealogies twenty-two thousand and thirty-four.

(8) And the sons of Becher; Zemira, and Joash, and Eliezer, and Elioenai, and Omri, and Jerimoth, and Abiah, and Anathoth, and Alameth. All these *are* the sons of Becher.

(9) And the number of them, after their genealogy by their generations, heads of the house of their fathers, mighty men of valour, *was* twenty thousand and two hundred.

(10) The sons also of Jediel; Bilhan: and the sons of Bilhan; Jeush, and Benjamin, and Ehud, and Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and Ahishahar.

(11) All these the sons of Jediel, by the heads of their fathers, mighty men of valor, *were* seventeen thousand and two hundred *soldiers*, fit to go out for war *and* battle.

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

(13) The sons of Naphtali; Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shallum, the sons of Bilhah.

(14) The sons of Manasseh; Ashriel, whom she bore: (*but* his concubine the Aramitess bore Machir the father of Gilead:

(15) And Machir took to for himself a wife *the sister* of Huppim and Shuppim, whose sister's name *was* Maachah;) and the name of the second *was* Zelophehad: and Zelophehad had daughters.

(16) And Maachah the wife of Machir 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; 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.

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(19) And the sons of Shemida were, Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam.

(20) And the sons of Ephraim; Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahath his son, and Eladah his son, and Tahath 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 killed, because they came down to take away their cattle.

(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 {in trouble}^a, because evil went with his house.

(24) (And his daughter *was* Sherah, who built Bethhoron the lower, and the upper, and Uzzensherah.)

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

(26) Laadan his son, Ammihud his son, Elishama his son,

(27) Non his son, Jehoshua his son.

(28) And their possessions and houses *were*, Bethel and its towns, and eastward Naaran, and westward Gezer, with its towns; Shechem also and its towns, to Gaza and its towns:

(29) And by the borders of the children of Manasseh, Bethshean and her towns, Taanach and her towns, Megiddo and her towns, Dor and her towns. In these the children of Joseph the son of Israel lived.

(30) The sons of Asher; Imnah, and Isuah, and Ishuai, and Beriah, and Serah their sister.

(31) And the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel, who *is* the father of Birzavith.

(32) And Heber fathered Japhlet, and Shomer, and Hotham, and Shua their sister.

(33) And the sons of Japhlet; Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashvath. These *are* the children of Japhlet.

(34) And the sons of Shamer; Ahi, and Rohgah, Jehubbah, and Aram.

(35) And the sons of his brother Helem; Zophah, and Imna, and Shelesh, and Amal.

(36) The sons of Zophah; 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; Jephunneh, and Pispah, and Ara.

(39) And the sons of Ulla; Arah, and Haniel, and Rezia.

7:23a - Beriah {בריעה} - literally "in evil" or "in trouble"

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(40) All these *were* the children of Asher, heads of *their* father's house, choice *and* mighty men of valor, chief of the princes. And the number throughout their genealogy who were apt to the war *and* to battle *was* twenty-six thousand men.

Chapter 8

(1) Now Benjamin fathered 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) And these *are* the sons of Ehud: these are the heads of the fathers of those who live in Geba, and they removed them to Manahath:

(7) And Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he removed them, and fathered Uzza, and Ahihud.

(8) And Shaharaim fathered *children* in the country of Moab, after he had sent them away; Hushim and Baara *were* his wives.

(9) And he fathered by Hodesh his wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham,

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

(11) And of Hushim he fathered Abitub, and Elpaal.

(12) The sons of Elpaal; Eber, and Misham, and Shamed, who built Ono, and Lod, with its towns:

(13) Beriah also, and Shema, who *were* heads of the fathers of those who live in Aijalon, who drove away those who live in 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 Jezliah, and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal;

(19) And Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi,

(20) And Elienai, and Zilthai, and Eliel,

(21) And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sons of Shimhi;

(22) And Ishpan, and Heber, and Eliel,

(23) And Abdon, and Zichri, and Hanan,

(24) And Hananiah, and Elam, and Antothijah,

(25) And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak;

(26) And Shamsherai, and Shehariah, and Athaliah,

(27) And Jaresiah, and Eliah, and Zichri, the sons of Jeroham.

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

(29) And the father of Gibeon lived at Gibeon; whose wife's name *was* Maachah:

(30) And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,

(31) And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zacher.

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(32) And Mikloth begat Shimeah. And these also lived with their brothers in Jerusalem, opposit them.

(33) And Ner fathered Kish, and Kish fathered Saul, and Saul fathered Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.

(34) And the son of Jonathan *was* Meribbaal; and Meribbaal fathered Micah.

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

(36) And Ahaz fathered Jehoadah; and Jehoadah fathered Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri fathered Moza,

(37) And Moza fathered Binea: Rapha *was* his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son:

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

(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 had many sons, and sons' sons, one hundred and fifty. All these *are* of the sons of Benjamin.

Chapter 9

(1) So all Israel were reckoned by genealogies; and, indeed, they *were* written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah, *who* were carried away to Babylon because of their sin.

(2) Now the first who *lived* in their possessions in their cities *were*, the Israelites, the priests, Levites, and the Nethinims {temple servants}^a.

(3) And the children of Judah, and of the children of Benjamin, and of the children of Ephraim, and Manasseh lived in Jerusalem;

(4) Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the children of Pharez the son of Judah.

(5) And of the Shilonites; Asaiah the firstborn, and his sons.

(6) And of the sons of Zerah; Jeuel, and their brothers, six hundred and ninety.

(7) And of the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Hodaviah, the son of Hasenuah,

(8) And Ibneiah the son of Jeroham, and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the son of Shephathiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibnijah;

(9) And their brothers, according to their generations, nine hundred and fifty-six. All these men *were* chief of the fathers in the house of their fathers.

(10) And of the priests; Jedaiah, and Jehoiarib, and Jachin,

(11) And Azariah the son of Hilkiyah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the ruler of the house {temple} of God;

9:2a - the Nethinims {הַנְּתִינִים}- temple servants

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(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 brothers, heads of the house of their fathers, a thousand and seven hundred and sixty; very able men for the work of the service of the house {temple} of God.

(14) And of the Levites; Shemaiah 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 Zichri, the son of Asaph;

(16) And Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah the son of Asa, the son of Elkanah, who lived in the villages of the Netophathites.

(17) And the porters {door keepers} were, Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and their brothers: Shallum was the chief;

(18) Who before now waited in the king's gate eastward: they were porters {door keepers} in the companies of the children of Levi.

(19) And Shallum the son of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah, and his brothers, of the house of his father, the Korahites, were over the work of the service, keepers of the gates of the tabernacle: and their fathers, being over the host of the LORD {Jehovah}, were keepers of the entry.

(20) And Phinehas the son of Eleazar was the ruler over them in time past, and the LORD {Jehovah} was with him.

(21) And Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah was porter {door keeper} of the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

(22) All these who were chosen to be gate keepers in the gates were two hundred and twelve. These were reckoned by their genealogy in their villages, whom David and Samuel the seer ordained in their set office.

(23) So they and their children had the oversight of the gates of the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}, namely, the house {temple} of the tabernacle, by wards.

(24) In four quarters were the porters {door keepers}, towards the east, west, north, and south.

(25) And their brothers, who were in their villages, were to come after seven days from time to time with them.

(26) Because these Levites, the four chief porters {door keepers}, were in their set office, and were over the chambers and treasuries of the house {temple} of God.

(27) And they lodged all around the house {temple} of God, because the charge was upon them, and its opening every morning belonged to them.

(28) And certain of them had the charge of the ministering vessels, that they should bring them in and out by count.

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(29) *Some* of them also *were* appointed to oversee the vessels, and all the instruments of the sanctuary, and the fine flour, and the wine, and the oil, and the frankincense, and the spices.

(30) And *some* of the sons of the priests made the ointment of the spices.

(31) And Mattithiah, *one* of the Levites, who *was* the firstborn of Shallum the Korahite, had the set office over the things that were made in the pans.

(32) And *other* of their brothers, of the sons of the Kohathites, *were* over the holy bread, to prepare *it* every sabbath {Saturday}.

(33) And these *are* the singers, chief of the fathers of the Levites, *who remaining* in the chambers *were* free: because they were employed in *that* work day and night.

(34) These chief fathers of the Levites *were* chief throughout their generations; these lived at Jerusalem.

(35) And the father of Gibeon lived in Gibeon, Jehiel, whose wife's name *was* Maachah:

(36) And his firstborn son Abdon, then Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab,

(37) And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth.

(38) And Mikloth fathered Shimeam. And they also lived with their brothers at Jerusalem, opposit their brothers.

(39) And Ner fathered Kish; and Kish fathered Saul; and Saul fathered Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.

(40) And the son of Jonathan *was* Meribbaal: and Meribbaal fathered Micah.

(41) And the sons of Micah *were*, Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, *and Ahaz*.

(42) And Ahaz fathered Jarah; and Jarah fathered Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri fathered Moza;

(43) And Moza fathered Binea; and Rephaiah his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son.

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

Chapter 10

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

(2) And the Philistines followed hard after Saul, and after his sons; and the Philistines killed Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchishua, the sons of Saul.^a

(3) And the battle went bad against Saul, and the archers hit him, and he was wounded by the archers.^b

(4) Then Saul said to his armor-bearer, Draw your sword, and thrust me through with it; lest these uncircumcised come and abuse me. But his armor-bearer would not; because he was greatly afraid. So Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.

10:2a – I Sam. 31:2

10:3b – I Sam. 31:3

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(5) And when his armor-bearer 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) And when all the men of Israel who *were* in the valley saw that they fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, then they forsook their cities, and fled: and the Philistines came and lived in them.

(8) And it came to pass in the morning when the Philistines came to strip the dead, that they found Saul and his sons fallen in mount Gilboa.

(9) And when they had stripped him, they took his head, and his armor, and sent into the land of the Philistines all around, to carry news to their idols, and to the people.

(10) And they put his armor in the house of their gods, and fastened his head in the temple of Dagon {their god}.^c

(11) And when all Jabeshgilead heard all that the Philistines had done to Saul,

(12) All the valiant men arose, and took away the body of Saul, and the bodies of his sons, and brought them to Jabesh, and buried their bones under the oak in Jabesh, and fasted seven days.^d

(13) So Saul died for his sin which he committed against the LORD {Jehovah}, *even* against the word of the LORD {Jehovah}, which he did not keep, and also for asking *counsel* of *one who had* a familiar spirit, to inquire *of it*;

(14) And did not inquire of the LORD {Jehovah}: therefore He killed him, and turned the kingdom over to David the son of Jesse.

Chapter 11

(1) Then all Israel gathered themselves to David to Hebron, saying, Indeed, we *are* your bone and your flesh.

(2) And moreover in time past, even when Saul was king, you *were* the one who lead out and brought in Israel: and the LORD {Jehovah} your God said to you, **You shall feed My people Israel, and you shall be ruler over My people Israel.**^a

(3) Therefore all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and David made a covenant with them in Hebron before the LORD {Jehovah}; and they anointed David king over Israel {3063 A.H./C-979 B.C.}^b, according to the word of the LORD {Jehovah} by Samuel.

10:10c – I Sam. 31:10f

10:12d – I Sam. 31:13

11:2a – II Sam. 5:2

11:3b - David age 30 begins reign over Judah at Hebron - [3063 A.H./C-979 B.C.] See: [Appendix G: World Time Line of Biblical History](#)

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(4) And David and all Israel went to Jerusalem, which *is* Jebus; where the Jebusites *were*, those who lived in the land.

(5) And those who lived in Jebus said to David, You shall not come here. Nevertheless David took the castle of Zion, which *is* the city of David.^c

(6) And David said, Whoever strikes the Jebusites first shall be chief and captain. So Joab the son of Zeruiah went first up, and was chief.

(7) And David lived in the castle; therefore they called it the city of David.

(8) And he built the city all around, even from Millo all around: and Joab repaired the rest of the city.

(9) So David grew greater and greater: because the LORD {Jehovah} of hosts *was* with him.

(10) These also *are* the chief of the mighty men whom David had, who strengthened themselves with him in his kingdom, *and* with all Israel, to make him king, according to the word of the LORD {Jehovah} concerning Israel.

(11) And this *is* the number of the mighty men whom David had; Jashobeam, an Hachmonite, the chief of the captains: he lifted up his spear against three hundred killed *by him* at one time.

(12) And after him *was* Eleazar the son of Dodo, the Ahohite, who *was* one of the three mighties.

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

(14) And they set themselves in the midst of *that* parcel, and delivered it, and killed the Philistines; and the LORD {Jehovah} saved *them* by a great deliverance.

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

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

(17) And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, that *is* at the gate!^d

(18) And the three broke through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that *was* by the gate, and took *it*, and brought *it* to David: but David would not drink *of* it, but poured it out to the LORD,

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

11:5c – II Sam. 5:7

11:17d – II Sam. 23:15f

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

(21) Of the three, he was more honorable than the two; because 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; he killed two lion-like men of Moab: also he went down and killed a lion in a pit in a snowy day.

(23) And he killed an Egyptian, a man of *great* stature, five cubits {about 7.5 ft.; 2.29 m.}^e 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 killed him with his own spear.

(24) These *things* Benaiah the son of Jehoiada did, and had the name among the three mighties.

(25) Indeed, 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*, Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Bethlehem,

(27) Shammoth the Harorite, Helez the Pelonite,

(28) Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite, Abiezer the Antothite,

(29) Sibbecai the Hushathite, Ilai the Ahohite,

(30) Maharai the Netophathite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite,

(31) Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah, who *belonged* to the children of Benjamin, 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, Eliphai 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 armourbearer of Joab the son of Zeruiah,

(40) Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,

(41) 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.

11:23e – cubit - 1.5 feet or 0.46 m – see [AppendixJ: Bible Weights and Measures](#)

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Chapter 12

(1) Now these *are* those who came to David to Ziklag, while he yet kept himself close because of Saul the son of Kish: and they *were* among the mighty men, helpers of the war.

(2) *They were* armed with bows, and could use both the right hand and the left in *hurling* stones and *shooting* arrows out of a bow, *even* of Saul's brothers 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 Jesiah, and Azareel, and Joezer, and Jashobeam, the Korhites,

(7) And Joelah, and Zebadiah, the sons of Jeroham of Gedor.

(8) And of the Gadites there separated themselves to David into the stronghold to the wilderness men of might, *and* men of war *fit* for the battle, that could handle shield and spear, whose faces *were like* the faces of lions, and *were* as swift as the deer upon the mountains;

(9) Ezer 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 host {*army*}: one of the least *was* over an hundred, and the greatest over a thousand.

(15) These *are* those who went over the Jordan River in the first month {Nisan [Mar.-Apr]}, when it had overflowed all its banks; and they put to flight all *those* of the valleys, *both* towards the east, and towards the west.

(16) And there came of the children of Benjamin and Judah to the hold to David.

(17) And David went out to meet them, and answered and said to them, If you have come peaceably to me to help me, my heart shall be knit to you: but if *you have come* to betray me to my enemies, since *there is* no wrong in my hands, the God of our fathers looks *on*, and rebukes *it*.

(18) Then the spirit came upon Amasai, *who was* chief of the captains, *and he said*, We are yours, David, and on your side, you son of Jesse: peace, peace *be* to you, and peace *be* to your helpers; because your God helps you. Then David received them, and made them captains of the band.

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(19) And *some* of Manasseh fell to David, when he came with the Philistines against Saul to battle: but they did not help them: because the lords of the Philistines upon advisement sent him away, saying, He will fall to his master Saul to *the jeopardy* of our own heads.

(20) As he went to Ziklag, some of Manasseh fell to him, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jediahel, and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and Zilthai, captains of the thousands that *were* of Manasseh.

(21) And they helped David against the band *of the robbers*: because they *were* all mighty men of valor, and were captains in the host.

(22) Because at *that* time day by day there came to David to help him, until *there was* a great host, like the host of God.

(23) And these *are* the numbers of the bands *that were* ready armed to the war, *and* came to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul to him, according to the word of the LORD {Jehovah}.

(24) The children of Judah who carried shield and spear *were* six thousand and eight hundred, ready armed to the war.

(25) Of the children of Simeon, mighty men of valor for the war, seven thousand and one hundred.

(26) Of the children of Levi four thousand and six hundred.

(27) And Jehoiada *was* the leader of the Aaronites, and with him *were* three thousand and seven hundred;

(28) And Zadok, a young man mighty of valor, and of his father's house twenty-two captains.

(29) And of the children of Benjamin, the relatives of Saul, three thousand: because the greatest part of them had kept the ward of the house of Saul.

(30) And of the children of Ephraim twenty thousand and eight hundred, mighty men of valor, famous throughout the house of their fathers.

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

(32) And of the children of Issachar, *which were men* that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them *were* two hundred; and all their brothers *were* at their commandment.

(33) Of Zebulun, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, with all instruments of war, fifty thousand, which could keep rank: *they were* not of double heart.

(34) And of Naphtali a thousand captains, and with them with shield and spear thirty-seven thousand.

(35) And of the Danites expert in war twenty-eight thousand and six hundred.

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

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

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

(39) And there they were with David three days, eating and drinking: because their brothers had prepared 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, *and* meat, meal, cakes of figs, and bunches of raisins, and wine, and oil, and oxen, and sheep abundantly: because *there was* joy in Israel.

Chapter 13

(1) And David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds, *and* with every leader.

(2) And David said to all the congregation of Israel, If *it seems* good to you, and *that it be* of the LORD {Jehovah} our God, let us send abroad to our brothers everywhere, *who are* left in all the land of Israel, and with them *also* to the priests and Levites *who are* in their cities *and* suburbs, that they may gather themselves to us:

(3) And let us bring again the ark of our God to us: because we did not inquire at it in the days of Saul.

(4) And all the congregation said that they would do so: because the thing was right in the eyes of all the people.

(5) So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even to the entrance of Hemath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjathjearim.^a

(6) And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah, *that is*, to Kirjathjearim, which *belonged* to Judah, to bring up from there the ark of God the LORD {Jehovah}, Who lives *between* the cherubims, Whose Name is called *on it*.

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

(8) And David and all Israel played before God with all *their* might, and with singing, and with harps, and with psalteries {lyres, stringed instruments}, and with tambourines, 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; because the oxen stumbled.

(10) And the anger of the LORD {Jehovah} was kindled against Uzza, and He struck him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God^b.

(11) And David was displeased, because the LORD {Jehovah} had made a breach upon Uzza: therefore that place is called Perezuzza {breach of Uzza}^c to this day.

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

13:5a – II Sam. 6:1f

13:10b - David later realized that the Law of Moses was very clear as to how the ark of the covenant was to be carried on poles {not on a cart} by the Levites after they had properly cleansed and prepared themselves.

See II Sam. 6:6f; I Chr. 15:2, 13

13:11c - Perezuzza {פרץ עזא} - break or breach of Uzza

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

(14) And the ark of God remained with the family of Obededom in his house three months. And the LORD {Jehovah} blessed the house of Obededom, and all that he had.

Chapter 14

(1) Now Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and timber of cedars, with masons and carpenters, to build him a house.^a

(2) And David perceived that the LORD {Jehovah} had confirmed him king over Israel, because his kingdom was lifted up on high, because of his people Israel.

(3) And David took more wives at Jerusalem: and David fathered more sons and daughters.

(4) Now these *are* the names of *his* children which 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.

(8) And when the Philistines heard that David was anointed king over all Israel {3070 A.H./C-972 B.C.}^b, all the Philistines went up to seek David. And David heard *of it*, and went out against them.

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

(10) And David inquired of God, saying, Shall I go up against the Philistines? and will You deliver them into my hand? And the LORD {Jehovah} said to him, **Go up; because I will deliver them into your hand.**^c

(11) So they came up to Baalperazim; and David struck them there. Then David said, God has broken in upon my enemies by my hand like the breaking forth of waters: therefore they called the name of that place Baalperazim {possessor of breaches}.^d

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

(13) And the Philistines yet again spread themselves abroad in 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 come upon them opposite the mulberry trees.**^e

(15) **And it shall be, when you shall hear a sound of movement in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then you shall go out to battle: because God has gone forth before you to strike the host of the Philistines.**

(16) David therefore did as God commanded him: and they struck the host {army} of the Philistines from Gibeon even to Gazer.

14:1a – II Sam. 5:11f

14:8b - David age 37 begins reign over all Israel [3070 A.H./C-972 B.C.]

- See: [Appendix G: World Time Line of Biblical History](#)

14:10c – II Sam. 5:19

14:11d - Baalperazim {בעל פרצים} - possessor of breaches

14:14e – II Sam. 5:23f

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(17) And the fame of David went out into all lands; and the LORD {Jehovah} brought the fear of him upon all nations.

Chapter 15

(1) And *David* made for himself houses in the city of David, and prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched for it a tent.

(2) Then David said, No one should carry the ark of God except the Levites: because the LORD {Jehovah} has chosen them to carry the ark of God, and to minister to Him forever.

(3) And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the LORD {Jehovah} to his place, which he had prepared for it.

(4) And David assembled the children of Aaron, and the Levites:

(5) Of the sons of Kohath; Uriel the chief, and his brothers an hundred and twenty:

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

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

(8) Of the sons of Elizaphan; Shemaiah the chief, and his brothers two hundred:

(9) Of the sons of Hebron; Eliel the chief, and his brothers eighty:

(10) Of the sons of Uzziel; Amminadab the chief, and his brothers an hundred and twelve.

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

(12) And said to them, You *are* the chief of the fathers of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, *both* you and your brothers, that you may bring up the ark of the LORD {Jehovah} God of Israel to *the place that* I have prepared for it.

(13) Because you *did not do it* at the first, the LORD {Jehovah} our God made a breach upon us, because we did not seek Him after the proper order.^a

(14) So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the LORD {Jehovah} God of Israel.

(15) And the children of the Levites bore the ark of God upon their shoulders with the poles, as Moses commanded according to the word of the LORD {Jehovah}.

(16) And David spoke to the chief of the Levites to appoint their brothers *to be* the singers with instruments of music, psalteries {lyres, stringed instruments} and harps and cymbals, sounding, by lifting up the voice with joy.

(17) So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel; and of his brothers, Asaph the son of Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari their brothers, Ethan the son of Kushaiah;

15:13a - David realized that the reason for the Lord's striking Uzza {13:10} was that the proper method of carrying the ark of the covenant had not been followed. See also 15:2 and II Sam. 6:6f

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(18) And with them their brothers of the second *degree*, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obedom, and Jeiel, the porters.

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

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

(21) And Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obedom, and Jeiel, and Azariah, with harps on the Sheminith to excel.

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

(23) And Berechiah and Elkanah *were* doorkeepers for the ark.

(24) And Shebaniah, and Jehoshaphat, and Nethaneel, and Amasai, and Zechariah, and Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, blew with the trumpets before the ark of God: and Obedom and Jehiah *were* doorkeepers for the ark.

(25) So David, and the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands, went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD {Jehovah} out of the house of Obedom with joy.^b

(26) And it came to pass, when God helped the Levites who carried the ark of the covenant of the LORD {Jehovah}, that they offered seven bulls and seven rams.

(27) And David *was* clothed with a robe of fine linen, and all the Levites who carried the ark, and the singers, and Chenaniah the master of the song with the singers: David also *had* upon him an ephod {priestly robe} of linen.

(28) So all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD {Jehovah} with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries {lyres, stringed instruments} and harps.

(29) And it came to pass, *as* the ark of the covenant of the LORD {Jehovah} came to the city of David, that Michal the daughter of Saul looking out at a window saw king David dancing and playing: and she despised him in her heart.^c

Chapter 16

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

(2) And when David had made an end of offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the Name of the LORD {Jehovah}.

15:25b – II Sam. 6:11f

15:29c – II Sam. 6:16

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(3) And he gave to everyone of Israel, both man and woman, to everyone a loaf of bread, and a good piece of meat, and a container *of wine*.

(4) And he appointed *certain* of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD {Jehovah}, and to record, and to thank and praise the LORD {Jehovah} God of Israel:

(5) Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obededom: and Jeiel with psalteries {lyres, stringed instruments} and with harps; but Asaph made a sound with cymbals;

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

(7) Then on that day David delivered first *this psalm* to thank the LORD {Jehovah} into the hand of Asaph and his brothers.

(8) Give thanks to the LORD {Jehovah}, call upon His Name, make known His deeds among the people.

(9) Sing to Him, sing songs to Him, talk of all His wondrous works.

(10) Glory in His holy Name: let the heart of those who seek the LORD {Jehovah} rejoice.

(11) Seek the LORD {Jehovah} and His strength, seek His face continually.

(12) Remember His marvelous works that He has done, His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth;

(13) O you descendants of Israel His servant, you children of Jacob, His chosen ones.

(14) He *is* the LORD {Jehovah} our God; His judgments *are* in all the earth.

(15) Always remember His covenant; the word *which* He commanded to a thousand generations;

(16) *Even of the covenant* which He made with Abraham, and of His oath to Isaac;

(17) And has confirmed the same to 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 few, and strangers in it.

(20) And *when* they went from nation to nation, and from *one* kingdom to another people;

(21) He allowed no man to do them wrong: yes, He reproved kings for their sakes,

(22) *Saying*, Do not touch My anointed, and do My prophets no harm.

(23) Sing to the LORD {Jehovah}, all the earth; show forth from day to day His salvation.

(24) Declare His glory among the heathen {ungodly nations}; His marvelous works among all nations.

(25) Because great is the LORD {Jehovah}, and greatly to be praised: He also *is* to be feared above all gods.

(26) Because all the gods of the people *are* idols: but the LORD {Jehovah} made the heavens.

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(27) Glory and honor *are* in His presence; strength and gladness *are* in His place.

(28) Give to the LORD {Jehovah}, you families of the people, give to the LORD {Jehovah} glory and strength.

(29) Give to the LORD {Jehovah} the glory *due* to His Name: bring an offering, and come before Him: worship the LORD {Jehovah} in the beauty of holiness.

(30) Have fear before Him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it not be moved.

(31) Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let *men* say among the nations, The LORD {Jehovah} reigns.

(32) Let the sea roar, and its fullness: let the fields rejoice, and all that *is* in them.

(33) Then the trees of the wood shall sing out at the presence of the LORD {Jehovah}, because He comes to judge the earth.

(34) O give thanks to the LORD {Jehovah}; because *He is* good; because His mercy *endures* forever.

(35) And say, Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen {ungodly nations}, that we may give thanks to Your holy Name, *and* glory in Your praise.

(36) Blessed *is* the LORD {Jehovah} God of Israel forever and ever.

And all the people said, Amen {let it be}, and praised the LORD {Jehovah}.

(37) So he left there before the ark of the covenant of the LORD {Jehovah} Asaph and his brothers, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required:

(38) And Obededom with their brothers, sixty-eight; Obededom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah *to be* porters:

(39) And Zadok the priest, and his brothers the priests, before the tabernacle of the LORD {Jehovah} in the high place that *was* at Gibeon,

(40) To offer burnt offerings to the LORD {Jehovah} upon the altar of the burnt offering continually morning and evening, and *to do* according to all that is written in the law of the LORD {Jehovah}, which He commanded Israel;

(41) And with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest who were chosen, who were expressed by name, to give thanks to the LORD {Jehovah}, because His mercy *endures* forever;

(42) And with them Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those who should make a sound, and with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun *were* doorkeepers.

(43) And all the people departed each man to his house: and David returned to bless his house.

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Chapter 17

(1) Now it came to pass, as David sat in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, Look, I live in an house of cedar, but the ark of the covenant of the LORD {Jehovah} *remains* under curtains.

(2) Then Nathan said to David, Do all that *is* in your heart; because God *is* with you.

(3) And it came to pass the same night, that the word of God came to Nathan, saying,

(4) Go and tell David My servant, This is what the LORD {Jehovah} says, You shall not build Me a house {temple} to live in:^a

(5) Because I have not lived in an house {temple} 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, did I speak a word to any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to feed My people, saying, Why have you not built Me an house {temple} of cedar?

(7) Now therefore this is what you shall say to my servant David, This is what the LORD {Jehovah} of hosts {armies} says, I took your from the sheep pens, *even* from following the sheep, that you should be ruler over My people Israel:

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

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

(10) And since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over My people Israel. Moreover I will subdue all your enemies. Furthermore I tell you that the LORD {Jehovah} will build you an house.

(11) And it shall come to pass, when your days are expired that you must go *to be* with your fathers, that I will raise up your descendant after you, who shall be of your descendants; and I will establish His kingdom.

(12) He shall build Me a house {temple}, and I will establish his throne forever.

(13) I will be His father, and he shall be My son: and I will not take My mercy away from him, as I took *it* from *him* who was before you:

(14) But I will settle him in My house and in My kingdom forever: and his throne shall be established forevermore.

(15) According to all these words, and according to all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

(16) And David the king came and sat before the LORD {Jehovah}, and said, Who *am* I, O LORD {Jehovah} God, and what *is* my house, that You have brought me here?^b

17:4a – II Sam. 7:5f
17:16b – II Sam. 7:18f

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(17) And *yet* this was a small thing in Your eyes, O God; because You have *also* spoken of Your servant's house for a great while to come, and have regarded me according to the estate of a man of high degree, O LORD {Jehovah} God.

(18) What can David *speak* more to You for the honor of Your servant? because You know Your servant.

(19) O LORD {Jehovah}, for Your servant's sake, and according to Your own heart, have You done all this greatness, in making known all *these* great things.

(20) O LORD {Jehovah}, *there is* no one like You, neither *is there any* God besides You, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

(21) And what one nation in 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) Because Your people Israel You made to be Your own people forever; and You, LORD {Jehovah}, became their God.

(23) Therefore now, LORD {Jehovah}, 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, that Your Name may be magnified forever, saying, The LORD {Jehovah} of hosts {armies} *is* the God of Israel, *even* a God to Israel: and *let* the house of David Your servant *be* established before You.

(25) Because You, O my God, have told Your servant that You will build him a house: therefore Your servant has found *in his heart* to pray before You.

(26) And now, LORD {Jehovah}, 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, that it may be before You forever: because You bless, O LORD {Jehovah}, and *it shall be* blessed forever.

Chapter 18

(1) Now after this it came to pass, that David struck the Philistines, and subdued them, and took Gath and her towns out of the hand of the Philistines.^a

(2) And he struck Moab; and the Moabites became David's servants, *and* brought gifts.

(3) And David struck Hadarezer king of Zobah to Hamath, as he went to establish his kingdom by the river Euphrates.

18:1a – II Sam. 8:1

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(4) And David took from him a thousand chariots, and seven thousand horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: David also hamstringed all the chariot *horses*, but reserved of them an hundred chariots.

(5) And when the Syrians of Damascus came to help Hadarezer king of Zobah, David killed of the Syrians twenty-two thousand men.

(6) Then David put *garrisons* in Syriadamascus; and the Syrians became David's servants, *and* brought gifts. So the LORD {Jehovah} preserved David wherever he went.

(7) And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadarezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.^b

(8) Likewise from Tibhath, and from Chun, cities of Hadarezer, David brought very much brass, with which Solomon made the brass sea {great bowl; bath tub},^c and the pillars, and the vessels of brass.

(9) Now when Tou king of Hamath heard how David had struck all the host {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 struck him; (because Hadarezer had war with Tou;) and *with him* all manner of vessels of gold and silver and brass.

(11) King David also dedicated them to the LORD {Jehovah}, with the silver and the gold that he brought from all *these* nations; from Edom, and from Moab, and from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines, and from Amalek.

(12) Furthermore Abishai the son of Zeruiah killed of the Edomites in the valley of salt eighteen thousand.

(13) And he put garrisons in Edom; and all the Edomites became David's servants. So the LORD {Jehovah} preserved David wherever he went.

(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 host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, recorder.

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

(17) And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and the sons of David *were* chief around the king.

Chapter 19

(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.^a

18:7b – II Sam. 8:7

18:8c – brass sea – bath tub – I Ki. 7:23, 44; II Ki. 16:17

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(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 honors your father, 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 cut off their clothes in the middle next to their buttocks, and sent them away. ^b

(5) Then *certain ones* went, and told David how the men were served. And he sent to meet them: because the men were greatly ashamed. And the king said, Stay at Jericho until your beards have grown, and *then* return.

(6) And when the children of Ammon saw that they had made themselves a stench to David, Hanun and the children of Ammon sent a thousand talents of silver to hire for themselves chariots and horsemen out of Mesopotamia, and out of Syriamaachah, and out of Zobah.

(7) So they hired thirty-two thousand chariots, and the king of Maachah and his people; who came and camped before Medeba. And the children of Ammon gathered themselves together from their cities, and came to battle.

(8) And when David heard *of it*, he sent Joab, and all the host {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 that were 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 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 shall 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 {Jehovah} do *that which is good* in His sight.

(14) So Joab and the people that *were* with him drew near before the Syrians to the battle; and they fled before him.

(15) And 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) And when the Syrians saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they sent messengers, and drew forth the Syrians that *were* beyond the river: and Shophach the captain of the host of Hadarezer *went* before them.

19:1a – II Sam. 10:1f
19:4b – II Sam. 10:4

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(17) And it was told David; and he gathered all Israel, and passed over the Jordan River, and came upon 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 killed of the Syrians seven thousand *men who fought in chariots*, and forty thousand footmen, and killed Shophach the captain of the host {army}.

(19) And when the servants of Hadarezer saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they made peace with David, and became his servants: neither would the Syrians help the children of Ammon any more.

Chapter 20

(1) And it came to pass, that after the year had ended, at the time that kings go out *to battle*, Joab led forth the power of the army, and wasted the country of the children of Ammon, and came and besieged Rabbah. But David stayed at Jerusalem. And Joab struck Rabbah, and destroyed it.

(2) And David took the crown of their king from off his head, and found it to weigh a talent {about 75 lbs.; 34 kg.}^a of gold, and *there were* precious stones in it; and it was set upon David's head: and he also brought exceedingly much spoil out of the city.

(3) And he brought out the people that *were* in it, and cut *them* with saws, and with tools of iron, and with axes. Even so David dealt with all the cities of the children of Ammon. And David and all the people returned to Jerusalem.

(4) And it came to pass after this, that there arose war at Gezer with the Philistines; at which time Sibbechai the Hushathite killed Sippai, *who was* of the children of the giant: and they were subdued.

(5) And there was war again with the Philistines; and Elhanan the son of Jair killed Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, whose spear staff *was* like a weaver's beam.

(6) And yet again there was war at Gath, where 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 killed him.

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

Chapter 21

(1) And Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel.^a

(2) And David said to Joab and to the rulers of the people, Go, number Israel from Beersheba even to Dan; and bring the number of them to me, that I may know *it*.

20:2a - talent - about 75 pounds; 34.0 kilograms – see [AppendixJ: Bible Weights and Measures](#)

20:8b - Goliath whom David killed earlier had these three brothers who were also giants as well s their father. David when he killed Goliath had picked up five smooth stones. [I Sam. 17:40] It turned out he only had to use one of them.

21:1a – II Sam. 24:1f

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(3) And Joab answered, The LORD {Jehovah} make his people a hundred times so many more as 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 sin to Israel?

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

(5) And Joab gave the sum of the number of the people to David. And all *those of* Israel were one million and a hundred thousand men who drew the sword: and Judah *was* four hundred seventy thousand men who drew the sword.

(6) But Levi and Benjamin he did not count among them: because the king's word was abominable to Joab.

(7) And God was displeased with this thing; therefore He struck Israel.

(8) And David said to God, I have sinned greatly, because I have done this thing: but now, I beg You, do away with the sin of Your servant; because I have done very foolishly.

(9) And the LORD {Jehovah} spoke to Gad, David's seer, saying,

(10) **Go and tell David, saying, This is what the LORD {Jehovah} says, I offer you three *things*: choose one of the three, that I may do *it* to you.**^b

(11) So Gad came to David, and said to him, This is what the LORD {Jehovah} says, **Choose for yourself**

(12) **Either three years' famine; or three months to be destroyed before your enemies, while that the sword of your enemies overtakes you; or else three days the sword of the LORD {Jehovah}, even the pestilence, in the land, and the angel of the LORD {Jehovah} destroying throughout all the coasts of Israel.** Now therefore advise yourself what word I shall bring again to Him Who sent me.

(13) And David said to Gad, I am in a great strait: let me fall now into the hand of the LORD {Jehovah}; because very great *are* His mercies: but do not let me fall into the hand of man.

(14) So the LORD {Jehovah} sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men.

(15) And God sent an angel to Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD {Jehovah} looked, and He repented of the evil, and said to the angel who destroyed, **It is enough, stop your hand now.** And the angel of the LORD {Jehovah} stood by the threshing-floor of Ornan the Jebusite.^c

(16) And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of the LORD {Jehovah} stand 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 upon their faces.

21:10b – II Sam. 24:12f

21:15c – II Sam. 24:16f

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(17) And David said to God, *Is it* not I *who* commanded the people to be numbered? even I it is who has sinned and done evil indeed; but *as for* these sheep, what have they done? let Your hand, I beg You, O LORD {Jehovah} my God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on Your people, that they should be plagued.

(18) Then the angel of the LORD {Jehovah} commanded Gad to say to David, that David should go up, and set up an altar to the LORD {Jehovah} in the threshing-floor of Ornan the Jebusite.^d

(19) And David went up at the saying of Gad, which he spoke in the Name of the LORD {Jehovah}.

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

(21) And as David came to Ornan, Ornan looked and saw David, and 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, that I may build an altar in it to the LORD {Jehovah}: you shall grant it to me for the full price: that the plague may be stayed from the people.

(23) And Ornan said to David, Take *it* to yourself, and let my lord the king do *that which is* good in his eyes: look, I give *you* the oxen *also* for burnt offerings, and the threshing instruments for wood, and the wheat for the meat offering; I give it all.

(24) And king David said to Ornan, No; but I will surely buy it for the full price: because I will not take *that which is* yours for the LORD {Jehovah}, nor offer burnt offerings without cost.

(25) So David gave to Ornan for the place six hundred shekels {about 15 lbs.; 6.84 kg.} of gold by weight.^e

(26) And David built there an altar to the LORD {Jehovah}, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings, and called upon the LORD {Jehovah}; and he answered him from heaven by fire upon the altar of burnt offering.

(27) And the LORD {Jehovah} commanded the angel; and he put up his sword again into its sheath.

(28) At that time when David saw that the LORD {Jehovah} had answered him in the threshing-floor of Ornan the Jebusite, then he sacrificed there.

(29) Because the tabernacle of the LORD {Jehovah}, which Moses made in the wilderness, and the altar of the burnt offering, *were* at that season in the high place at Gibeon.

21:18d - threshing floor of Ornan [also known as Araunah (alt. Hebrew spelling) II Sam. 24:18] on Mount Moriah in Jerusalem [verse 15]
- where Solomon would build the temple - see II Chr. 3:1;
IKi. 6:1 - also the site where Abraham offered Isaac his son as a sacrifice to the Lord- Gen. 22:2,14

21:25e - 600 shekels of gold [for the threshing floor] - David also gave him 50 shekels of silver for the oxen - II Sam. 24:25

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(30) But David could not go before it to inquire of God: because he was afraid because of the sword of the angel of the LORD {Jehovah}.

Chapter 22

(1) Then David said, This is the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah} God, and this is the altar of the burnt offering for Israel.

(2) And David commanded to gather together the strangers who *were* in the land of Israel; and he set masons to cut stones to build the house {temple} of God.

(3) And David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the couplings; and brass in abundance without weight;

(4) Also cedar trees in abundance: for the Zidonians and those of Tyre brought much cedar wood to David.

(5) And David said, Solomon my son is young and tender, and the house {temple} *that is* to be built for the LORD {Jehovah} *must be* exceedingly magnificent, of fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will *therefore* now 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 {temple} for the LORD {Jehovah} God of Israel.

(7) And David said to Solomon, My son, as for me, it was in my mind to build a house {temple} to the Name of the LORD {Jehovah} my God:

(8) But the word of the LORD {Jehovah} came to me, saying, *You have shed blood abundantly, and have made great wars: you shall not build a house {temple} to My Name, because you have shed much blood upon the earth in My sight.*

(9) *Indeed, a son shall be born to you, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all his enemies all around: because his name shall be Solomon {peaceful}^a, and I will give peace and quietness to Israel in his days.*

(10) *He shall build a house {temple} for My Name; and he shall be My son, and I *will be* his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel forever.*

(11) Now, my son, the LORD {Jehovah} be with you; and prosper you, and build the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah} your God, as He has said of you.

(12) Only *may* the LORD {Jehovah} give you wisdom and understanding, and give you charge concerning Israel, that you may keep the law of the LORD {Jehovah} your God.

(13) Then you shall prosper, if you take heed to fulfill the laws and judgments which the LORD {Jehovah} charged Moses with concerning Israel: be strong, and of good courage; do not worry, nor be dismayed.

22:9a – Solomon {שלמה} – peaceful – II Sam. 7:5f

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(14) Now, look, in my trouble I have prepared for the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah} a hundred thousand talents {about 7.5 million lbs.; 3.4 million kg.}^b of gold, and a million talents {about 75 million lbs.; 34 million kg.} of silver; and of brass and iron without weight; because it is in abundance: timber also and stone I have prepared; and you may add to it.

(15) Furthermore *there are* workmen with you in abundance, cutters and workers of stone and timber, and all manner of cunning men for every manner of work.

(16) Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, *there is* no number. Arise *therefore*, and get to work, and the LORD {Jehovah} be with you.

(17) David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, *saying*,

(18) *Is not* the LORD {Jehovah} your God with you? and has He *not* given you rest on every side? because He has given those who live in the land into my hand; and the land is subdued before the LORD {Jehovah}, and before His people.

(19) Now set your heart and your soul to seek the LORD {Jehovah} your God; arise therefore, and build the sanctuary {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah} God, to bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD {Jehovah}, and the holy vessels of God, into the house {temple} that is to be built to the Name of the LORD {Jehovah}.

Chapter 23

(1) So when David was old and full of days, he made 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 thirty years and upward: and their number by their polls, man by man, was thirty-eight thousand.

(4) Of which, twenty-four thousand *were* to set forward the work of the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}; and six thousand *were* officers and judges:

(5) Moreover four thousand *were* doorkeepers; and four thousand praised the LORD {Jehovah} with the instruments which I made to praise *therewith*, *David said*.

(6) And David divided them into courses among the sons of Levi,^a *namely*, Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

(7) Of the Gershonites *were*, Laadan, and Shimei.

(8) The sons of Laadan; the chief *was* Jehiel, and Zetham, and Joel, three.

(9) The sons of Shimei; Shelomith, and Haziël, and Haran, three. These *were* the chief of the fathers of Laadan.

(10) And the sons of Shimei *were*, Jahath, Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four *were* the sons of Shimei.

(11) And Jahath was the chief, and Zizah the second: but Jeush and Beriah did not have many sons; therefore they were in one count, according to *their* father's house.

22:14b - talent - about 75 pounds; 34.0 kilograms – see [Appendix J: Bible Weights and Measures](#)

23:6 – II Chr. 8:14

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(12) The sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four.

(13) The sons of Amram; Aaron and Moses: and Aaron was separated, that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons forever, to burn incense before the LORD {Jehovah}, to minister to Him, and to bless in His Name forever.

(14) Now *concerning* Moses the man of God, his sons were named of the tribe of Levi.

(15) The sons of Moses *were*, Gershom, and Eliezer.

(16) Of the sons of Gershom, Shebuel *was* the chief.

(17) And the sons of Eliezer *were*, Rehabiah the chief. And Eliezer had no other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah were very many.

(18) Of the sons of Izhar; Shelomith the chief.

(19) Of the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth.

(20) Of the sons of Uzziel; Michah the first, and Jesiah the second.

(21) The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. The sons of Mahli; Eleazar, and Kish.

(22) And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters: and their brothers the sons of Kish took them.

(23) The sons of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three.

(24) These *were* the sons of Levi after the house of their fathers; *even* the chief of the fathers, as they were counted by number of names by their polls {numbers}, who did the work for the service of the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}, from the age of twenty years and upward.

(25) Because David said, The LORD {Jehovah} God of Israel has given rest to His people, that they may live in Jerusalem forever:

(26) And also to the Levites; they shall *no more* carry the tabernacle, nor any vessels of it for its service.

(27) Because by the last words of David the Levites *were* numbered from twenty years old and above:

(28) Because their office *was* to wait on the sons of Aaron for the service of the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}, in the courts, and in the chambers, and in the purifying of all holy things, and the work of the service of the house {temple} of God;

(29) Both for the holy bread, and for the fine flour for meat offering, and for the unleavened cakes, and for *that which is baked in* the pan, and for that which is fried, and for all manner of measure and size;

(30) And to stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD {Jehovah}, and likewise at evening;

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(31) And to offer all burnt sacrifices to the LORD {Jehovah} in the sabbaths {Saturdays}, in the new moons, and on the set feasts, by number, according to the order commanded to them, continually before the LORD {Jehovah}:

(32) And that they should keep the charge of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the charge of the holy *place*, and the charge of the sons of Aaron their brothers, in the service of the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}.

Chapter 24

(1) Now *these are* the divisions of the sons of Aaron. The sons of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

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

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

(4) And there were more chief men found of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar; and *so* were they divided. Among the sons of Eleazar *there were* sixteen chief men of the house of *their* fathers, and eight among the sons of Ithamar according to the house of their fathers.

(5) So were they divided by lot, one sort with another; for the governors of the sanctuary, and governors of *the house* {temple} of God, were of the sons of Eleazar, and of the sons of Ithamar.

(6) And Shemaiah the son of Nethaneel the scribe, *one* of the Levites, wrote them before the king, and the princes, and Zadok the priest, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, and *before* the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites: one principal household being taken for Eleazar, and *one* taken for Ithamar.

(7) Now the first lot came forth to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah,

(8) The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim,

(9) The fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin,

(10) The seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah^a,

(11) The ninth to Jeshua, the tenth to Shecaniah,

(12) The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim,

(13) The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab,

(14) The fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer,

(15) The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses,

(16) The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezkel,

(17) The twenty first to Jachin, the twenty second to Gamul,

(18) The twenty third to Delaiah, the twenty fourth to Maaziah.

24:10a - Abijah - eighth course - the course of Zechariah - father of John the Baptist - see Luke 1:5 - note: eight is the Lord's number - see [Use of Numbers in Scripture at www.TheWordNotes.com](http://www.TheWordNotes.com)

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(19) These *were* their orderings in their service to come into the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}, according to their manner, under Aaron their father, as the LORD {Jehovah} God of Israel had commanded him.

(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 Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first *was* Isshiah.

(22) Of the Izharites; Shelomoth: of the sons of Shelomoth; Jahath.

(23) And the sons *of Hebron*; Jeriah *the first*, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth.

(24) *Of* the sons of Uzziel; Michah: of the sons of Michah; Shamir.

(25) The brother of Michah *was* Isshiah: of the sons of Isshiah; Zechariah.

(26) The sons of Merari *were* Mahli and Mushi: the sons of Jaaziah; Beno.

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

(28) Of Mahli *came* Eleazar, who had no sons.

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

(30) The sons also of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jerimoth. These *were* the sons of the Levites after the house of their fathers.

(31) These likewise cast lots opposite 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 opposite their younger brothers.

Chapter 25

(1) Furthermore David and the captains of the host {army} separated to the service of the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun, who should prophesy with harps, with psalteries {lyres, stringed instruments}, 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 Jeduthun: the sons of Jeduthun; Gedaliah, and Zeri, and Jeshaiiah, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, six, under the hands of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp, to give thanks and to praise the LORD {Jehovah}.

(4) Of Heman: the sons of Heman; Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel, and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, and Romantiezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, *and* Mahazioth:

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

(6) All these *were* under the hands of their father for song *in* the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}, with cymbals, lyres, and harps, for the service of the house {temple} of God, according to the king's order to Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman.

(7) So the number of them, with their brothers who were instructed in the songs of the LORD {Jehovah}, *even* all who were cunning, was two hundred eighty-eight.

(8) And they cast lots, ward against ward, as well the small as the great, the teacher as the scholar.

(9) Now the first lot came forth for Asaph to Joseph: the second to Gedaliah, who with his brothers and sons *were* twelve:

(10) The third to Zaccur, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(11) The fourth to Izri, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(12) The fifth to Nethaniah, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(13) The sixth to Bukkiah, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(14) The seventh to Jesharelah, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(15) The eighth to Jeshaiiah, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(16) The ninth to Mattaniah, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(17) The tenth to Shimei, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(18) The eleventh to Azareel, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(19) The twelfth to Hashabiah, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(20) The thirteenth to Shubael, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(21) The fourteenth to Mattithiah, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(22) The fifteenth to Jeremoth, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(23) The sixteenth to Hananiah, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(24) The seventeenth to Joshbekashah, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(25) The eighteenth to Hanani, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(26) The nineteenth to Mallothi, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(27) The twentieth to Eliathah, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(28) The twenty first to Hothir, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(29) The twenty second to Giddalti, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(30) The twenty third to Mahazioth, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve:

(31) The twenty fourth to Romamtiezer, *he*, his sons, and his brothers, *were* twelve.

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(1) Concerning the divisions of the porters {door keepers}: Of the Korhites *was* Meshelemiah the son of Kore, of the sons of Asaph.

(2) And the sons of Meshelemiah *were*, Zechariah the firstborn, Jediel the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth,

(3) Elam the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Elioenai the seventh.

(4) Moreover the sons of Obededom *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: because God blessed him.

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

(7) The sons of Shemaiah; Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad, whose brothers *were* strong men, Elihu, and Semachiah.

(8) All these of the sons of Obededom: they and their sons and their brothers, able men for strength for the service, *were* sixty-two of Obededom.

(9) And Meshelemiah had sons and brothers, strong men, eighteen.

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

(11) Hilkiah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth: all the sons and brothers of Hosah *were* thirteen.

(12) Among these *were* the divisions of the doorkeepers, *even* among the chief men, *having* wards opposite one another, to minister in the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}.

(13) And they cast lots, as well the small 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 Obededom southward; and to his sons the house of Asuppim.

(16) To Shuppim and Hosah *the lot came forth* westward, with the gate Shallecheth, by the causeway of the going up, ward against ward.

(17) Eastward *were* six Levites, northward four a day, southward four a day, and toward Asuppim two *and* two.

(18) At Parbar westward, four at the causeway, *and* two at Parbar.

(19) These *are* the divisions of the doorkeepers among the sons of Kore, and among the sons of Merari.

(20) And of the Levites, Ahijah *was* over the treasures of the house {temple} of God, and over the treasures of the dedicated things.

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

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(22) The sons of Jehieli; Zetham, and Joel his brother, *which were* over the treasures of the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}.

(23) Of the Amramites, *and* the Izharites, the Hebronites, *and* the Uzzielites:

(24) And Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, *was* ruler of the treasures.

(25) And his brothers by Eliezer; Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiiah his son, and Joram his son, and Zichri his son, and Shelomith his son.

(26) Shelomith and his brothers *were* over all the treasures of the dedicated things, which David the king, and the chief fathers, the captains over thousands and hundreds, and the captains of the host {army}, had dedicated.

(27) Out of the spoils won in battles they dedicated to maintain the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}.

(28) And all that Samuel the seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and Abner the son of Ner, and Joab the son of Zeruiah, had dedicated; *and* whoever had dedicated *anything, it was* under the hand of Shelomith, and of his brothers.

(29) Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons *were* for the outward business over Israel, for officers and judges.

(30) *And* of the Hebronites, Hashabiah and his brothers, men of valor, a thousand and seven hundred, *were* officers among them of Israel on this side {west} of the Jordan River westward in all the business of the LORD {Jehovah}, and in the service of the king.

(31) Among the Hebronites *was* Jerijah the chief, *even* among the Hebronites, according to the generations of his fathers. In the fortieth year of the reign of David they were sought for, and there were found among them mighty men of valor at Jazer of Gilead.

(32) And his brothers, men of valor, *were* two thousand and seven hundred chief fathers, whom king David made rulers over the Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, for every matter pertaining to God, and affairs of the king.

Chapter 27

(1) Now the children of Israel after their number, *that is*, the chief fathers and captains of thousands and hundreds, and their officers that served the king in any matter of the courses, which came in and went out month by month throughout all the months of the year, of every course *were* twenty and four thousand.

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

(3) Of the children of Perez *was* the chief of all the captains of the host {army} for the first month.

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

(5) The third captain of the host {army} for the third month *was* Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, a chief priest: and in his course *were* twenty-four thousand.

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

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

(8) The fifth captain for the fifth month *was* Shamhuth the Izrahite: and in his course *were* twenty-four thousand.

(9) The sixth *captain* for the sixth month *was* Ira the son of Ikkes the Tekoite: and in his course *were* twenty-four thousand.

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

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

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

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

(14) The eleventh *captain* for the eleventh month *was* Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course *were* twenty-four thousand.

(15) The twelfth *captain* for the twelfth month *was* Heldai the Netophathite, of Othniel: and in his course *were* twenty-four thousand.

(16) Furthermore over the tribes of Israel: the ruler of the Reubenites *was* Eliezer the son of Zichri: of the Simeonites, Shephatiah the son of Maachah:

(17) Of the Levites, Hashabiah the son of Kemuel: of the Aaronites, Zadok:

(18) Of Judah, Elihu, *one* of the brothers of David: of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael:

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

(20) Of the children of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azaziah: of the half tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiiah:

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(21) Of the half *tribe* of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah: of Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner:

(22) Of Dan, Azareel the son of Jeroham. These *were* the princes of the tribes of Israel.

(23) But David did not count from twenty years old and under: because the LORD {Jehovah} had said He would increase Israel as the stars of the heavens.

(24) Joab the son of Zeruiah began to number, but he did not finish, because wrath fell against Israel; neither was the number put in the account of the chronicles of king David.

(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 Uzziah:

(26) And over those who did the work of the field for tillage 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) Obil the Ishmaelite *was also* over the camels: and Jehdeiah the Meronothite *was* over the donkeys:

(31) And Jaziz the Hagerite over *was* over the flocks. All these *were* the rulers of the things which *belonged to* king David.

(32) Also Jonathan David's uncle *was* a counselor, a wise man, and a scribe: and Jehiel the son of Hachmoni *was* with the king's sons:

(33) And Ahithophel *was* the king's counselor: and Hushai the Archite *was* the king's companion:

(34) And after Ahithophel *was* Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, and Abiathar: and the general of the king's army *was* Joab.

Chapter 28

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

(2) Then David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, Hear me, my brothers, and my people: *As for me*, I *had* in my heart to build a house {temple} of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD {Jehovah}, and for the footstool of our God, and have made ready for the building:

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(3) But God said to me, **You shall not build a house {temple} for My Name, because you *have been* a man of war, and have shed blood.**^a

(4) However the LORD {Jehovah} God of Israel chose me before all the house of my father to be king over Israel forever: because He has chosen Judah *to be* the ruler; and of the house of Judah, the house of my father; and among the sons of my father He liked me to make *me* king over all Israel:

(5) And of all my sons, (because the LORD {Jehovah} has given me many sons,) He has chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the LORD {Jehovah} over Israel.

(6) And He said to me, **Solomon your son, He shall build My house {temple} and My courts: because I have chosen him *to be* My son, and I will be his Father.**^b

(7) **Moreover I will establish his kingdom forever, if he is constant to do My commandments and My judgments, as at this day.**

(8) Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the congregation of the LORD {Jehovah}, and in the audience of our God, keep and seek for all the commandments of the LORD {Jehovah} your God: that you may possess this good land, and leave *it* for an inheritance for your children after you forever.

(9) And you, Solomon my son, know the God of your father, and serve Him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: because the LORD {Jehovah} searches all hearts, and understands all the imaginations of the thoughts: if you seek Him, He will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will cast you off forever.

(10) Take heed now; because the LORD {Jehovah} has chosen you to build a house {temple} for the sanctuary: be strong, and do *it*.

(11) Then David gave to Solomon his son the plans^c of the porch, and of its houses, and of its treasures, and of its upper chambers, and of its inner parlors, and of the place of the mercy seat,

(12) And the pattern of all that he had by the Spirit, of the courts of the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}, and of all the chambers all around, of the treasures of the house {temple} of God, and of the treasures of the dedicated things:

(13) Also for the courses of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}, and for all the vessels of service in the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}.

(14) *He gave* of gold by weight for *things* of gold, for all instruments of all manner of service; *silver also* for all instruments of silver by weight, for all instruments of every kind of service:

28:3a – II Sam. 7:5; I Chr. 17:4

28:6b – II Sam. 7:13

28:11c – the pattern; plans which David had seen by the Spirit [28:12] for the building of the temple – the materials had already been prepared [I Chr. 22:1-4]

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(15) Even the weight for the 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 holy bread, for every table; and *likewise* silver for the tables of silver:

(17) Also pure gold for the fleshhooks, and the bowls, and the cups: and for the golden bowls *he gave gold* by weight for every bowl; and *likewise silver* by weight for every bowl of silver:

(18) And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the chariot of the cherubims, that spread out *their wings*, and covered the ark of the covenant of the LORD {Jehovah}.

(19) All *this*, David said, the LORD {Jehovah} caused me to understand in writing by *His* hand upon me, *even* all the works of this pattern.

(20) And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do *it*: do not be afraid, nor be dismayed: because the LORD {Jehovah} God, *even* my God, *will be* with you; He will not fail you, nor forsake you, until you have finished all the work for the service of the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}.

(21) And, indeed, the courses of the priests and the Levites, *even they shall be with you* for all the service of the house {temple} of God: and *there shall be with you* for all manner of workmanship every willing skilful man, for any manner of service: also the princes and all the people *will be* wholly at your command.

Chapter 29

(1) Furthermore David the king said to all the congregation, Solomon my son, whom alone God has chosen, *is yet* young and tender, and the work *is* great: because the palace {temple} *is* not for man, but for the LORD {Jehovah} God.

(2) Now I have prepared with all my might for the house {temple} of my God the gold for *things to be made* of gold, and the silver for *things* of silver, and the brass for *things* of brass, the iron for *things* of iron, and wood for *things* of wood; onyx stones, and *stones* to be set, glistening stones, and of various colors, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance.^a

(3) Furthermore, because I have set my affection to the house {temple} of my God, I have of my own proper goods, of gold and silver, *which* I have given to the house {temple} of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house,

29:2a – I Chr. 22:1-4

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(4) *Even* three thousand talents {about 225,000 lbs; 102,000 kg.}^b of gold, of the gold of Ophir {India}, and seven thousand talents {about 515,000 lbs.; 233,600 kg.} of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the houses *with*:

(5) The gold for *things* of gold, and the silver for *things* of silver, and for all manner of work *to be made* by the hands of craftsmen. And who *then* is willing to consecrate his service this day to the LORD {Jehovah}?

(6) Then the chief of the fathers and princes of the tribes of Israel, and the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the rulers of the king's work, offered willingly,

(7) And gave for the service of the house {temple} of God of gold five thousand talents {about 375,000 lbs.; 170,097 kg.} and ten thousand drams {about 96.3 lbs.; 43.7 kg.},^c and of silver ten thousand talents {about 750,000 lbs.; 340,184 kg.} and of brass eighteen thousand talents {about 1.35 million lbs.; 612,350 kg.}, and one hundred thousand talents {about 7.5 million lbs.; 3.4 million kg.} of iron.

(8) And those with whom *precious* stones were found gave *them* to the treasure of the house {temple} of the LORD {Jehovah}, by the hand of Jehiel the Gershonite.

(9) Then the people rejoiced, because they offered willingly, because with perfect hearts they offered willingly to the LORD {Jehovah}: and David the king also rejoiced with great joy.

(10) Therefore David blessed the LORD {Jehovah} before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed *are* You, LORD {Jehovah} God of Israel our father, forever and ever.

(11) To You, O LORD {Jehovah}, *is* the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: because all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth *is Yours*; Yours *is* the kingdom, O LORD {Jehovah}, and You are exalted as head above all.

(12) Both riches and honor *come* from You, and You reign over all; and in Your hand *is* power and might; and *it is* in Your hand 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 who *are* my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? because all things *come* from You, and of Your own we have given You.

(15) Because we *are* strangers before You, and travelers, as *were* all our forefathers: our days on the earth *are* as a shadow, and *there is* none that remains.

(16) O LORD {Jehovah} our God, all this store that we have prepared to build You a house {temple} for Your holy Name *comes* from Your hand, and *is* all Your own.

29:4b - a talent is about 75 pounds or 34 kilograms - see [Appendix J: Bible Weights and Measures](#)

29:7c - dram - about 4.37 grams or about 0.154 ounces
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(17) I know also, my God, that You try the heart, and have pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of my heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy Your people, who are present here, to offer willingly to You.

(18) O LORD {Jehovah} God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our forefathers, keep this forever in the imagination of the thoughts of the hearts of Your people, and prepare their hearts to You:

(19) And give to Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep Your commandments, Your testimonies, and Your laws, and to do all *these things*, and to build the palace {temple}, *for* which I have made provision.

(20) And David said to all the congregation, Now bless the LORD {Jehovah} your God. And all the congregation blessed the LORD {Jehovah} God of their forefathers, and bowed down their heads, and worshiped the LORD {Jehovah}, and the king.

(21) And they sacrificed sacrifices to the LORD {Jehovah}, and offered burnt offerings to the LORD {Jehovah}, on the morning after that day, *even* a thousand bulls, a thousand rams, *and* a thousand lambs, with their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel:

(22) And ate and drank before the LORD {Jehovah} on that day with great gladness. And they made Solomon the son of David king the second time, and anointed *him* to the LORD {Jehovah} *to be* the chief governor, and Zadok *to be* priest.

(23) Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD {Jehovah} as king in the place of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him.

(24) And all the princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons likewise of king David, submitted themselves to Solomon the king.

(25) And the LORD {Jehovah} magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel, and bestowed upon him *such* royal majesty as had not been on any king before him in Israel.

(26) So David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel.

(27) And the time that he reigned over Israel *was* forty years; seven years he reigned in Hebron, and thirty-three *years* he reigned in Jerusalem.

(28) And he died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honor: and Solomon his son reigned in his place {3103 A.H./C-939 B.C.}^d.

(29) Now the acts of David the king, first and last, look, 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 the times that went over him, and over Israel, and over all the kingdoms of the countries.

29:28d - David's reign ends after 40 years; Solomon, his son, begins reign [3103 A.H./C-939 B.C.] - see [Appendix G: World Time Line of Biblical History](#)