

**The FIRST BOOK  
OF CHRONICLES 1 CHRONICLES 1**

*Genealogy from Adam to the sons of Abraham by Keturah*

**CHAPTER 1**

1 Adam, Seth, Enosh,  
2 Kenan, Mahalaleel, Jered,  
3 Henoch, 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 begot Nimrod;  
he began to be a mighty one in the  
earth.  
11 And Mizraim begot Ludim,  
and Anamim, and Lehabim, and  
Naphtuhim,  
12 And Pathrusim, and  
Casluhim (out of whom came the  
Palestinians), and Caphthorim.  
13 And Canaan begot Zidon,  
his firstborn, and Heth,  
14 And the Jebusite, 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 begot  
Shelah, and Shelah begot Eber.

19 And to Eber were born  
two sons: the name of the one *was*  
Peleg, because in his days the earth  
was divided, and his brother's  
name *was* Joktan.

20 And Joktan begot  
Almodad, and Sheleph, and  
Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,

21 And Hadoram, 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; he *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, they *are* the sons  
of Ishmael.

32 And 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.

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

34 And Abraham begot 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 son 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 And 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 Bela died, and Jobab, the son of Zerah of Bozrah, reigned in his place.

45 And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of the Temanites reigned in his place.

46 And Husham died, and Hadad, the son of Bedad, whom Midian struck in the field of Moab, reigned in his place; and the name of his city *was* Avith.

47 And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his place.

48 And Samlah died, and Shaul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in his place.

49 And Shaul died, and Baal Hanan, the son of Achbor, reigned in his place.

50 And Baal Hanan died, and 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 And Hadad died. 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.

3 The sons of Judah: Er, and Onan, and Shelah; three were born to him of the daughter of Shua, the Canaanitess. And Er *was* the first-born of Judah; *he was* evil in the

eyes of Jehovah, and he killed him.

4 And Tamar, his daughter in law, bore to 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: Achan, the Troubler of Israel, who covered up in the devoted thing.

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8 And the sons of Ethan: Azariah.

9 And the sons of Hezron, who were born to him: Jerahmeel, and Ram, and Chelubai.

10 And Ram begot Amminadab, and Amminadab begot Nahshon, prince of the children of Judah;

11 And Nahshon begot Salma, and Salma begot Boaz,

12 And Boaz begot Obed, and Obed begot Jesse,

13 And Jesse begot his first-born Eliab, and Abinadab, the second, and Shimma, the third,

14 Nethaneel, the fourth, Raddai, the fifth,

15 Ozem, the sixth, David, the seventh;

16 And their 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 begot *children* of Azubah *his* wife, and of Jerioth; her sons

*are* these: Jeshur, and Shobab, and Ardon.

19 And Azubah died, and Caleb took to him Ephrath, and she bore him Hur.

20 And Hur begot Uri, and Uri begot Bezaleel.

21 And afterward Hezron went in to the daughter of Machir, the father of Gilead, and he took *her*; and he *was* a son sixty years; and she bore him Segub.

22 And Segub begot Jair, and to him were twenty-three cities in the land of Gilead.

23 And he took Geshur, and Aram, with the villages of Jair, from them, with Kenath, and its villages, sixty cities. All these *were* to the sons of Machir, the father of Gilead.

24 And after Hezron died in Caleb Ephrathah, and 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 And to Jerahmeel was another wife, and her 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 him Ahban, and Molid.

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30 And the sons of Nadab: Seled, and Appaim; and Seled died, no children.

31 And the son of Appaim: Ishi; and the son of Ishi: Sheshan; and the son of Sheshan: Ahlai.

32 And the sons of Jada, the brother of Shammai: Jether, and Jonathan: and Jether died, no children.

33 And the sons of Jonathan: Peleth, and Zaza. These were the sons of Jerahmeel.

34 And to Sheshan were no sons, but daughters. And to Sheshan *was* a servant, an Egyptian, and his name *was* Jarha.

35 And Sheshan gave his daughter to Jarha, his servant, as wife, and she bore him Attai.

36 And Attai begot Nathan, and Nathan begot Zabad,

37 And Zabad begot Ephlal, and Ephlal begot Obed,

38 And Obed begot Jehu, and Jehu begot Azariah,

39 And Azariah begot Helez, and Helez begot Eleasah,

40 And Eleasah begot Sisamai, and Sisamai begot Shallum,

41 And Shallum begot Jekamiah, and Jekamiah begot Elishama.

42 And the sons of Caleb, the brother of Jerahmeel *were*, Mesha, his firstborn; he *was* the father of Ziph; and the son of Mareshah: the father of Hebron.

43 And the sons of Hebron: Korah, and Tappuah, and Rekem, and Shema.

44 And Shema begot Raham, the father of Jorkoam, and Rekem begot Shammai.

45 And the son of Shammai *was* Maon, and Maon *was* the father of Bethzur.

46 And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bore Haran, and Moza, and Gazez, and Haran begot Gazez.

47 And the sons of Jahdai: Regem, and Jotham, and Geshan, and Pelet, and Ephah, and Shaaph.

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

49 And she bore Shaaph, the father of Madmannah, Sheva, the father of Machbenah, and the father of Gibeon, and the daughter of Caleb *was* Achsah.

50 These were the sons of Caleb, the son of Hur, the firstborn of Ephrath: Shobal, the father of Kirjath Jearim,

51 Salma, the father of Bethlehem, Hareph, the father of Beth Gader.

52 And to Shobal, the father of Kirjath Jearim, were sons: Haroeh, and half of the Manahethites.

53 And the families of Kirjath Jearim: the Ithrites, and the Puhites, and the Shumathites, and the Mishraitites; out of them came the Zareathites, and the Eshtaulites.

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 dwelt at Jabez; the Tirathites, the Shimeathites, the Suchathites. They are the Kenites

who came out of Hemath, the father of the house of Rechab.

### CHAPTER 3

1 And 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 Six were born to him in Hebron, and there he reigned seven years and six new moons; 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 Bathsheba the daughter of Ammiel;

6 And Ibhar, 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, separate from 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,

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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 And Malchiram, and Pedaiah, and Shenazar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.

19 And the sons of Pedaiah: 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.

22 And the son 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: Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, 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, begot Jahath, and Jahath begot 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 to Ashur, the father of Tekoa, were two wives, Helah, and Naarah.

6 And Naarah bore him Ahuzam, and Hopher, and Temeni, and Haahashtari. These *were* the sons of Naarah.

7 And the sons of Helah: Zereth, and Jezoar, and Ethnan.

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

9 And Jabez was heavier in honor than his brothers, and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bore him with sorrow.

10 And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that kneeling down, you will kneel down with goodness to me, and enlarge my border, and that your hand will be with me, and that you will make *me free* from evil, that it does not grieve me! And God brought to him what he requested.

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11 And Chelub the brother of Shuah begot Mehir; he *was* the father of Eshton.

12 And Eshton begot Beth Rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah, the father of Ir Nahash. These *are* the men of Rechah.

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

14 And Meonothai begot Ophrah: and Seraiah begot Joab, the father of the valley of Craftsmen, because they were craftsmen.

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

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

17 And the sons of Ezra: Jether, and Mered, and Epher, and Jalon; and she bore Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah, the father of Eshtemoa.

18 And his wife, Jehudijah, bore Jered, the father of Gedor, and Heber, the father of Socho, and Jekuthiel, the father of Zanoah. And these *are* the sons of Bithiah, the daughter of Pharaoh, who Mered took.

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: Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben Hanan, and Tilon. And the sons of Ishi: Zoheth, and Ben Zoheth.

21 The sons of Shelah, the son of Judah: Er, the father of Lecah, and Laadah, the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of them who worked fine linen, of the house of Ashbea,

22 And Jokim, and the men of Chozeba, and Joash, and Saraph, who *was* lord in Moab, and Jashubilehem. And the words *are* ancient.

23 They *were* the potters, and those who dwelt among Netaiym, and Gederah; there they dwelt with the king for his work.

24 The sons of Simeon: 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 to Shimei *were* sixteen sons and six daughters, and to his brothers were not many children, and all their family did not multiply *like* the children of Judah.

28 And they dwelt at Beer Sheba, 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 Beth Marcaboth, and Hazar Susim, and at Beth Birei, and at Shaaraim. These *were* their cities to 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 these cities, to Baal. These *were* their habitations, 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 going by their names *were* princes in their families, and the house of their fathers broke out in abundance.

39 And they walked to the entrance of Gedor, to the east side of the valley, to seek pasture for their flocks.

40 And they found pasture, robust and good, and the land was broad-handed, and quiet, and peaceable, because *they* of Ham dwelt there in the past.

41 And these written by name came in the days of Hezekiah, king of Judah, and struck their tents, and the habitations that were found there, and devoted them *to destruction* to this day, and dwelt in their place, because *there was* pasture there for their flocks.

42 And some of them of the sons of Simeon, five hundred men, walked to Mount Seir; their heads *were* Pelatiah, and Neariah, and

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Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.

43 And they struck what is left of the Amalekites who had escaped, and dwelt there to this day.

**CHAPTER 5**

1 And the sons of Reuben, the firstborn of Israel: (for he *was* the firstborn; and since he defiled his father's bed, his right as firstborn was given to the sons of Joseph, the son of Israel; and the genealogy is not reckoned after the right of the firstborn,

2 Because Judah prevailed above his brothers, and of him came the commander; and the right of the firstborn *was* Joseph's.)

3 The sons of Reuben, the firstborn of Israel: 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 Tilgath Pileser, king of Assyria carried away as a stripped captive; he *was* prince of the Reubenites.

7 And his brothers by their families, in the genealogy of their generations: their head *was* Jeiel, and Zechariah,

8 And Bela, the son of Azaz, the son of Shema, the son of Joel, who dwelt in Aroer, and to Nebo, and Baalmeon;

9 And eastward he inhabited to the entering in of the desert 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 dwelt in their tents throughout all the face of the east of Gilead.

11 And the children of Gad dwelt opposite them, in the land of Bashan to Salcah;

12 Joel, the head, and Shapham, the second, and Jaanai, and Shaphat in Bashan.

13 And their brothers of the house of their fathers: 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, head of the house of their fathers.

16 And they dwelt in Gilead in Bashan, and in her villages, and in all the pasture lands of Sharon, upon their borders.

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

18 The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh, *consisting* of men of resources, men lifting up shield, and sword, and to tread down with bow, and trained in war, were forty-four thousand, seven hundred and sixty, who went out in the host.

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



20 And they were surrounded with help against them, and the Hagarites were given into their hand, and all with them, because they cried to God in the battle, and he received their perfumed incense, because they trusted in him.

21 And they led away captive their livestock: their camels, fifty thousand, and sheep, two hundred and fifty thousand, and donkeys, two thousand, and souls of men, a hundred thousand,

22 Because there fell down many polluted, because the war *was* of God, and they dwelt in their places until the captivity.

23 And the children of the half tribe of Manasseh dwelt in the land: they increased from Bashan to Baal Hermon, and Senir, and to Mount Hermon.

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

25 And they covered up against the God of their fathers, and went a whoring after the gods of the people of the land, whom God desolated before their face.

26 And the God of Israel woke up the spirit of Pul, king of Assyria, and the spirit of Tilgath Pileser, king of Assyria, and he carried them away as stripped captives, 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; and the sons of Aaron: Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

4 Eleazar begot Phinehas, Phinehas begot Abishua,

5 And Abishua begot Bukki, and Bukki begot Uzzi,

6 And Uzzi begot Zerariah, and Zerariah begot Meraioth,

7 Meraioth begot Amariah, and Amariah begot Ahitub,

8 And Ahitub begot Zadok, and Zadok begot Ahimaaz,

9 And Ahimaaz begot Azariah, and Azariah begot Johanan,

10 And Johanan begot Azariah, (he *it is* who officiated in the priest's office in the house that Solomon built in Jerusalem)

11 And Azariah begot Amariah, and Amariah begot Ahitub,

12 And Ahitub begot Zadok, and Zadok begot Shallum,

13 And Shallum begot Hilkiah, and Hilkiah begot Azariah,

14 And Azariah begot Seraiah, and Seraiah begot Jehozadak,

15 And Jehozadak walked *captive* when Jehovah carried away Judah, and Jerusalem as stripped captives by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.

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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: 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, Uziah, his son, and Shaul, his son.

25 And the sons of Elkanah: Amasai, and Ahimoth.

26 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 they* whom David stood over the hands of song in the house of Jehovah, after the ark rested.

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32 And they ministered before the face of the dwelling place of the tent of meeting with singing, until Solomon had built the house of Jehovah in Jerusalem, and they stood in their judged responsibility in their work.

33 And these *are* they who stood 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,

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, 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 Hilkiah,

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

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

48 And their brothers, the Levites, were given for all *the* work of the tabernacle of the house of God.

49 And Aaron, and his sons burned perfumed incense on the altar of burnt offering, and on the altar of incense, and were appointed for all the work of the holy place, and to make a covering 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, Zerariah, his son,

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

53 Zadok, his son, Ahimaaz, his son.

54 And these *are* their dwelling places in their walled fortresses in their borders, of the sons of Aaron, of the families of the Kohathites, because it was their lot.

55 And they gave them Hebron in the land of Judah, and its pasture lands all around it.

56 And 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 refuge, Hebron, and Libnah with her pasture lands, and Jattir, and Eshtemoa, with their pasture lands,

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58 And Hilen, with her pasture lands, Debir, with her pasture lands,

59 And Ashan, with her pasture lands, and Beth Shemesh, with her pasture lands;

60 And out of the tribe of Benjamin: Geba, with her pasture lands, and Alemeth, with her pasture lands, and Anathoth, with her pasture lands; 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.

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 pasture lands.

65 And they gave by lot out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, and out of the tribe of the children of Benjamin, these cities, which are called by their names.

66 And to the families of the sons of Kohath were cities of their borders out of the tribe of Ephraim.

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67 And they gave to them, of the cities of refuge, Shechem in Mount Ephraim, with her pasture lands, and Gezer, with her pasture lands,

68 And Jokmeam, with her pasture lands, and Beth Horon, with her pasture lands,

69 And Aijalon, with her pasture lands, and Gath Rimmon, with her pasture lands:

70 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh: Aner, with her pasture lands, and Bileam, with her pasture lands, for the family of the remnant of the sons of Kohath.

71 To the sons of Gershom: out of the family of the half tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan, with her pasture lands, and Ashtaroth, with her pasture lands;

72 And out of the tribe of Issachar: Kedesh, with her pasture lands, Daberath, with her pasture lands,

73 And Ramoth, with her pasture lands, and Anem, with her pasture lands:

74 And out of the tribe of Asher: Mashal, with her pasture lands, and Abdon, with her pasture lands,

75 And Hukok, with her pasture lands, and Rehob, with her pasture lands:

76 And out of the tribe of Naphtali: Kedesh in Galilee, with her pasture lands, and Hammon, with her pasture lands, and Kirjathaim, with her pasture lands.

77 To what is left of the children of Merari out of the tribe of Zebulun: Rimmon, with her pasture lands, Tabor, with her pasture lands;

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78 And on the region across Jordan by Jericho, on the sunrise side of Jordan, out of the tribe of Reuben: Bezer in the desert, with her pasture lands, and Jahzah with her pasture lands,

79 And Kedemoth, with her pasture lands, and Mephaath, with her pasture lands;

80 And out of the tribe of Gad: Ramoth in Gilead, with her pasture lands, and Mahanaim, with her pasture lands,

81 And Heshbon, with her pasture lands, and Jazer, with her pasture lands.

**CHAPTER 7**

1 And the sons of Issachar: 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 (of Tola); mighty men of resources in their generations, whose number in the days of David *was* twenty-two thousand, six hundred.

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

4 And with them, by their generations, after the house of their fathers, *were* a host of armies for war, thirty-six thousand, because to them *were* many wives and sons.

5 And their brothers among all the families of Issachar *were* mighty men of resources, recorded by genealogies, eighty-seven thousand in all.

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 resources; and were recorded 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 their record of genealogy by their generations, heads of the house of their fathers, mighty men of resources, *was* twenty thousand, two hundred.

10 And the son 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 resources, *were* seventeen thousand, two hundred, to go out in the host for battle.

12 And Shuppim, 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; his concubine the Aramitess bore Machir the father of Gilead;

15 And Machir took as wife, *the sister* of Huppim, and Shuppim, whose sister's name *was* Maachah;

and the name of the second was Zelophehad; and to Zelophehad were 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 son 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.

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 born in that land struck fatally, 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 he went in to his wife, and she conceived, and bore a son, and he called his name Beriah,<sup>23</sup> because it was evil with his house.

24 And his daughter *was* Sherah, and she built Beth Horon the the lower, and the upper, and Uzzen Sherah.

<sup>23</sup> 7:23 **Beriah**, in trouble. Beriah is interpreted in the next phrase, because it was evil with him.

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*Genealogy of the sons of Asher and Benjamin*

25 And Rephah *was* his son, and Resheph, and Telah, his son, and Taha, his son,

26 Laada his son, Ammihud, his son, Elishama, his son,

27 Non his son, Jehoshua, his son.

28 And their possessions, and habitations *were* Bethel, and its villages, and toward the sunrise, Naaran, and westward Gezer, with its villages; Shechem also and its villages, to Gaza, and its villages;

29 And by the hands of the children of Manasseh, Beth Shean, and her villages, Taanach and her villages, Megiddo, and her villages, Dor, and her villages. In these dwelt the children of Joseph the son of Israel.

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 begot 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.

40 All these *were* the children of Asher, heads of *their* father's house, chosen mighty men of resources, heads of the princes. And their record of genealogy to *go out in* battle in the host *was* twenty-six thousand men.

## CHAPTER 8

1 And Benjamin begot 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 - they are the heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Geba, and they carried them away as stripped captives to Manahath;

7 And Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he carried them away as stripped captives, and begot Uzza, and Ahihud.

8 And Shazaraim begot *children* in the field of Moab, after he had sent them away; Hushim, and Baara *were* his wives.

9 And he begot of 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 begot Abitub, and Elpaal.

12 The sons of Elpaal: Eber, and Misham, and Shamed; he built Ono, and Lod, with its villages;

13 And Beriah, and Shema; they *were* heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Aijalon; they drove away the inhabitants of Gath;

14 And Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth,

15 And Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader,

16 And Michael, and Ispah, and Joha, the sons of Beriah;

17 And Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hezeki, and Heber,

18 And Ishmerai, 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, heads. These dwelt in Jerusalem.

29 And at Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon, and his 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.

32 And Mikloth begot Shimeah. And these also dwelt with their brothers in Jerusalem, over opposite them.

33 And Ner begot Kish, and Kish begot Saul, and Saul begot Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.

34 And the son of Jonathan *was* Meribbaal; and Meribbaal begot Micah.

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

36 And Ahaz begot Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begot Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begot Moza,

37 And Moza begot Binea; Rapha, his son, Eleasah, his son, Azel, his son:

38 And to Azel *were* six sons, and these *are* their names: 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: Ulam, his firstborn, Jehush, the second, and Eliphelet, the third.

40 And the sons of Ulam were mighty men of resources, archers,<sup>40</sup> and many sons, and sons' sons, a hundred and fifty. All these *are* of the sons of Benjamin.

<sup>40</sup> 8:40 archers, is two words, *darak qesheth*, to tread down by bending the bow, to conquer by the bow.

**CHAPTER 9**

1 And all Israel were recorded by genealogies, and behold, they were written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah, those carried away as stripped captives to Babylon for their transgression.

2 And the first inhabitants who *were* in their possessions in their cities *were*: the Israelites, the priests, Levites, and the servants given to the temple.

3 And in Jerusalem dwelt of the children of Judah, and of the children of Benjamin, and of the children of Ephraim, and Manasseh:

4 Uthai, the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the children of 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* heads 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 Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the commander of the house of God;

12 And Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchijah, and Maasiai, the son of Adiel, the son of Jahzerah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Meshillemith, the son of Immer;

13 And their brothers, heads of the house of their fathers, a thousand. seven hundred and sixty; mighty men of resources for the work of the service of the house 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, that dwelt in the villages of the Netophathites.

17 And the porters: Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and their brothers; Shallum was the head;

18 Up to now, in the king's gate toward the sunrise, they *were* porters in the camp 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,



those hedging about the vestibule of the tent; and their fathers, over the camp of Jehovah, hedged about the entry.

20 And Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, was the commander over them in time past; Jehovah *was* with him.

21 Zechariah, the son of Meshelemiah, was porter of the door of the tent of meeting.

22 All these chosen to be porters in the gates were two hundred and twelve. These were recorded by their genealogy in their towns; they were set by David, and Samuel, the seer, in their faithful trust.

23 And they, and their children *were* over the gates of the house of Jehovah, the house of the tent, by guard duty.

24 In four quarters were the porters, toward the east, west, north, and south.

25 And their brothers, in their towns, *were* to come after seven days from time to time with them.

26 Because the four mighty porters in their faithful trust *were* Levites, and were over the rooms, and over the storehouses of the house of God.

27 And they *were* permanent *guards* all around the house of God, because upon them *was* the guard duty, and they were over the opening dawn by dawn.

28 And certain of them were over the implements of the ministry, because by number they brought them in, and by number they brought them out.

29 And they were weighed out *to be* over the implements, and all the implements of the holy place, and over the flour, and the wine, and the oil, and the frankincense, and the spices.

30 And some of the sons of the priests compounded the ointment of the spices.

31 And Mattithiah of the Levites, who *was* the firstborn of Shallum, the Korahite, was entrusted over the baking pans.

32 And of the sons of the Kohathites, of their brothers, *were* over the arranged bread, to set it up Sabbath by Sabbath.

33 And these *are* the singers, heads of the fathers of the Levites, in the rooms *were* free *from all taxes*, because day and night they were over the work. Ezra 7:24

34 These head fathers of the Levites *were* heads throughout their generations; these dwelt at Jerusalem.

35 And in Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon, Jehiel, and his wife's name was Maachah;

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

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

38 And Mikloth begot Shimeam. And they also dwelt with their brothers at Jerusalem, in front of their brothers.

39 And Ner begot Kish; and Kish begot Saul, and Saul begot Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.

## 1 CHRONICLES 10

*Saul's sons killed in war with Palestinians; Saul wounded, falls on his sword*

40 And the son of Jonathan was Meribbaal, and Meribbaal begot Micah.

41 And the sons of Micah: Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, and Ahaz.

42 And Ahaz begot Jarah, and Jarah begot Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri, and Zimri begot Moza;

43 And Moza begot Binea; and Rephaiah, his son, Eleasah, his son, Azel, his son.

44 And to Azel *were* six sons, and these *are* their names: Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan; these *were* the sons of Azel.

### CHAPTER 10

1 And the Palestinians devoured against Israel, and the men of Israel fled from the face of the Palestinians, and fell down polluted in Mount Gilboa.

2 And the Palestinians pursued hard after Saul and after his sons, and the Palestinians struck Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchishua, the sons of Saul.

3 And the battle was heavy against Saul, and the archers found him, and he was twisting *in pain* from the archers.

4 And Saul said to his armorbearer, Draw your sword, and thrust me through with it lest these uncircumcised come and glean me. And his armorbearer did not breathe in agreement, because he was extremely afraid. And Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.

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

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

7 And all the men of Israel who *were* in the valley saw that they fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, and they left their cities and fled; and the Palestinians came and dwelt in them.

8 And it was on the next day, and the Palestinians came to strip those polluted, and they found Saul and his sons fallen in Mount Gilboa.

9 And they stripped him, and they lifted his head and his armor, and sent into the land of the Palestinians all around to announce good tidings to their idolatrous images and the people.

10 And they put his armor in the house of their gods, and drove a pin through his skull in the temple of Dagon.

11 And all Jabesh Gilead attentively heard all that the Palestinians had done to Saul,

12 And they rose, all the men of resources, and lifted 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.

13 And Saul died for his cover up which he covered up against Jehovah, against the word of Jehovah, which he did not hedge about, and also for inquiring of one who channels - to tread seeking *her*; 1 Sam chapters 15 and 28

14 And did not tread seeking Jehovah, and he killed him; and the kingdom revolved around to David, the son of Jesse.

### CHAPTER 11

1 And all Israel gathered themselves to David to Hebron, saying, Behold, we *are* your bone and your flesh.

2 And also in time past, even when Saul was king, you *were* he who led out and brought in Israel, and Jehovah, your God, said to you, You shall shepherd my people, Israel, and you shall be commander over my people, Israel.

3 And all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and David cut a covenant with them in Hebron before the face of Jehovah; and they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of Jehovah by the hand of Samuel.

4 And David and all Israel walked to Jerusalem - that is Jebus, where the Jebusites dwelt in the land.

5 And the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, You shall not come in here. And David captured the stronghold of Zion - that *is* the city of David.

6 And David said, Whoever strikes the Jebusites first shall be head and chief ruler. And Joab, the son of Zeruiah, went up first, and was head.

7 And David dwelt in the citadel; therefore they called it the city of David.

8 And he built the city all around, from Millo and all around, and Joab caused what is left of the

city to live.

9 And David walked, walking, and increasing, and Jehovah of hosts was with him.

10 And these *are* the heads of the mighty men who *were* to David, who made themselves strong with him in his kingdom, and with all Israel, to make him king, according to the word of Jehovah concerning Israel.

11 And this *is* the number of the mighty men who *were* to David: Jashobeam, son of Hachmoni, the head of the thirty; he woke up his spear against three hundred *who were* polluted *by him* at one time.

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12 And after him *was* Eleazar, the son of Dodo, the Ahohite; he *was one* of the three mighty warriors.

13 He was with David at Pasdammim, and there the Palestinians were gathered together to battle, and there was an allotment of field full of barley; and the people fled from the face of the Palestinians.

14 And they placed themselves in the midst of the allotment, and snatched it out, and struck the Palestinians; and Jehovah saved *them* by a great deliverance.

15 And three of the thirty heads went down to the strong rock to David, into the cave of Adullam; and the camp of the Palestinians pitched in the valley of Rephaim.

16 And David *was* then in the stronghold, and the Palestinians' military post *was* then at Bethlehem.

## 1 CHRONICLES 11

*All Israel gathers to David to Hebron; David takes Jerusalem, his mighty men*

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

18 And the three broke through the host of the Palestinians, and drew water out of the well that was by the gate of Bethlehem, and lifted it, and brought it to David; and David did not breathe in agreement to drink of it, and poured it out to Jehovah,

19 And said, Forbid it to me, my God, that I should do this; shall I drink the blood of these men with their souls? Because with their souls they brought it. And he did not breathe in agreement to drink it. These *things* the three mightiest did.

20 And Abishai, the brother of Joab, was head of the three; and he woke up his spear against three hundred, he pierced through *them*, and to him *was* a name among the three.

21 Out of the three, by the two, he was heavy in honor, and he became their chief ruler; and to the *first* three he did not come. Note

2 Sam 23:18

22 Benaiah, the son of Jehoiada, the son of a man of resources of Kabzeel, *who had done* many acts, struck two lionlike *men* of Moab, and he went down and struck a lion in the midst of a pit in a snowy day.

23 And he struck an Egyptian, a man of height, five cubits; 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 off the spear out of the

Egyptian's hand, and struck him fatally with his own spear.

24 These *things* Benaiah, the son of Jehoiada, did, and to him *was* a name among the three mighties.

25 Among the thirty, behold, he was heavy in honor, and to the *first* three he did not come; and David put him over his royal court.

26 And the mighty men of the resources *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, Abi-ezer, 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, that pertained to the children of Benjamin, Benaiah, the Pirathonite,

32 Hurai of the streams 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, Eliphaz, the son of Ur,

36 Hopher, the Mecherathite, Ahijah, the Pelonite,

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

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

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

40 Ira, the Ithrite, Gareb, the Ithrite,

41 Uriah, the Hittite, Zabad, the son of Ahlai,

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

43 Hanan, the son of Maachah, and Joshaphat, the Mithnite,

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

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

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

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

## CHAPTER 12

1 And these *were* those coming to David to Ziklag, while he yet enclosed himself from the face of Saul, the son of Kish, and they *were* among the mighty men surrounding him with help in the war,

2 Armed with bows, and were right handed and left handed in *hurling* stones and *causing* arrows to flow, with bows of Saul's brothers of Benjamin.

3 The head *was* Ahiezer, then Joash, the sons of Shemaah, the Gibeathite; and Jeziel, and Pelet, the sons of Azmaveth; and Berachah, and Jehu, the Antothite,

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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 desert mighty men of resources, and men of the host for the battle, who could arrange shield and spear, whose faces were the faces of lions, and flowed like gazelles upon the mountains:

9 Ezer, the head, 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, heads of the host - one of the least *was* over a hundred and the greatest over a thousand.

15 These *are* they who crossed over Jordan in the first new moon, and it was full over all its banks; and they put to flight all them of the valleys, both toward the east and toward the west.

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*David's mighty men who came to him in Ziklag*

16 And there came of the children of Benjamin and Judah to the stronghold to David.

17 And David went out to face them, and answered, and said to them, If you have come peaceably to me to surround me with help, my heart shall be one unit with you; and if to betray me to my oppressors, no wrong *being* in my palms, the God of our fathers sees, and makes it right.

18 And the Spirit clothed Amasai, who was head of the thirty, and he said, *We* belong to you, David, and *are* with you, son of Jesse; peace, peace to you, and peace to those surrounding you with help, because your God surrounds you with help. And David received them, and made them heads of the armies.

19 And there fell to David of Manasseh, when he came with the Palestinians against Saul to battle - and they did not surround them with help, because upon counsel the lords of the Palestinians sent him away, saying, He will fall to his lord, Saul, *endangering* our heads -

20 As he walked to Ziklag, there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jediahel, and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and Zilthai, heads of the thousands who *were* of Manasseh.

21 And they surrounded David with help against the army, because they were all mighty men of resources, and were chief rulers in the host,

22 Because at that time day by day there came to David to surround him with help until *it was* a

great camp, like the camp of God.

23 And these *are* the numbers of the heads<sup>23</sup> equipped with arms for the host who came to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul around to him, according to the mouth of Jehovah:

24 The children of Judah who bore shield and spear *were* six thousand and eight hundred, equipped with arms for the host.

25 Of the children of Simeon, mighty men of resources for the host, seven thousand, and one hundred.

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

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

28 And Zadok, a young man mighty of resources, and of his father's house twenty-two chief rulers.

29 And of the children of Benjamin, the brothers of Saul, three thousand, and until now the greater part of them had hedged about the guard duty of the house of Saul.

30 And of the children of Ephraim, twenty thousand and eight hundred mighty men of resources with names throughout the house of their fathers.

31 And of the half tribe of Manasseh, eighteen thousand, which were punctured out by name, to come to make David king.

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<sup>23</sup> 12:23 heads, *rosh*, the regular word for head. Apparently here it refers not to individual head officers over troops but to the different bands of troops, which are also at times called heads. See 1 Sam 11:11; 13:17,18..

32 And of the children of Issachar who knew discernment of the times, to know by seeing what Israel ought to do; the heads of them *were* two hundred and all their brothers *obeyed* at their mouth.

33 Of Zebulun who went out in the host, arranged for war with all implements of war, fifty thousand, who could set in order *for war*, not of double heart.

34 And of Naphtali, a thousand chief rulers, and with them thirty-seven thousand with shield and spear.

35 And of the Danites arranged twenty-eight thousand, six hundred for war.

36 And of Asher who went out in the host, arranged forty thousand for war.

37 And in the region across Jordan, of the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and of the half tribe of Manasseh, with all implements for the host for war, a hundred and twenty thousand.

38 All these men of war who could muster in military array with a complete heart came to Hebron to make David king over all Israel, and also all those left of Israel *were of one heart* to make David king.

39 And they were there with David three days, eating and drinking because their brothers had set it up for them.

40 And also they who were near to them, to Issachar, and Zebulun, and Naphtali brought food on donkeys, and on camels, and on mules, and on oxen, and food of flour, cakes of figs, and bunches of raisins, and wine, and oil, and

oxen, and flock animals in abundance, because of joy in Israel.

### CHAPTER 13

1 And David consulted with the chief rulers of thousands and hundreds, with all commanders.

2 And David said to all the congregation of Israel, If *it is* good to you, and it *is* of Jehovah, our God, let us send abroad to our brothers left in all the land of Israel, and with them the priests and Levites in their cities *and* pasture lands, and gather them to us;

3 And let us bring again the ark of our God to us, because we did not tread to seek *God* at it in the days of Saul.

4 And all the congregation said to do so, because the word was right in the eyes of all the people.

5 And David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt and to the entering of Hamath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjath Jearim.

6 And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah (to Kirjath Jearim, which *is* to Judah) to bring up from there the ark of God Jehovah who dwells *above* the cherubs where his name is called.

7 And they rode 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 the face of God with all *their* might, and with singing, and with harps, and with lyres, and with tambourines, and with cymbals, and with trumpets.

## 1 CHRONICLES 14

*Uzza struck; Ark left with Obed Edom; David's family; war with Palestinians*

9 And they came to the threshingfloor of Chidon, and Uzza sent out his hand to catch the ark, because the oxen stumbled.

10 And the nostrils of Jehovah burned against Uzza, and he struck him, because he sent out his hand upon the ark; and there he died before the face of God.

11 And David burned with anger, because Jehovah had broken out a break upon Uzza, and that place is called Perez<sup>1</sup> Uzza to this day.

12 And David feared God that day, saying, How shall I bring the ark of God to me?

13 And David did not move the ark to himself to the city of David, and turned it aside into the house of Obed Edom, the Gittite.

14 And the ark of God sat down with the house of Obed Edom in his house three new moons. And Jehovah bowed down with goodness to the house of Obed Edom and to all his.

### CHAPTER 14

1 And Hiram, king of Tyre, sent messengers to David, and timber of cedars, and wall fabricators, and wood fabricators, to build him a house.

2 And David knew by seeing that Jehovah had set him up as 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 begot more sons and daughters.

<sup>1</sup> 13:11 Perez Uzza, the Break of Uzza.

4 And these *are* the names of those begotten who *were* to him 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 the Palestinians heard attentively that David was anointed king over all Israel, and all the Palestinians went up to seek David. And David attentively heard, and went out to face them.

9 And the Palestinians came, and spread out in the valley of Rephaim.

10 And David inquired of God, saying, Shall I go up against the Palestinians? And will you give them into my hand? And Jehovah said to him, Go up, and I will give them into your hand.

11 And they came up to Baal Perazim, and David struck them there. And David said, God has broken out upon those hating me by my hand like the breaking forth of waters; therefore they called the name of that place Baal Perazim.<sup>1</sup>

12 And they left there their gods, even as David said to, and they were burned with fire.

13 And the Palestinians yet again spread out in the valley.

14 And David inquired again of God, and God said to him, Do not go up after them; revolve around from them, and come upon

<sup>1</sup> 14:11 Baal Perazim, Lord of Breaks.



them opposite the weeping trees.

15 And it shall be, when you shall attentively hear a sound of marching in the heads of the weeping trees, at that time you shall go out to battle, because God has gone forth before your face to strike the camp of the Palestinians.

16 And David did what God commanded him, and they struck the camp of the Palestinians from Gibeon to Gazer.

17 And the name of David went out into all lands, and Jehovah gave the fear of him upon all.

### CHAPTER 15

1 And David made him houses in the city of David, and set up a place for the ark of God, and spread out for it a tent.

2 At that time David said, None should carry the ark of God but the Levites, because 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 Jehovah to his place, which he had set up for it.

4 And David assembled the children of Aaron and the Levites;

5 Of the sons of Kohath: Uriel, the chief ruler, and his brothers, a hundred and twenty;

6 Of the sons of Merari: Asaiah, the chief ruler, and his brothers, two hundred and twenty;

7 Of the sons of Gershom: Joel, the chief ruler, and his brothers, a 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 ruler, and his brothers, eighty;

10 Of the sons of Uzziel: Amminadab, the chief ruler, and his brothers a 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 heads of the fathers of the Levites; sanctify yourselves and your brothers, and you shall bring up the ark of Jehovah God of Israel to *the place* that I have set up for it;

13 Since you *did* not at the first, Jehovah, our God, broke through upon us, because we did not tread seeking him according to *God's* judgment.

14 And the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of Jehovah God of Israel.

15 And the sons of the Levites bore the ark of God upon their shoulders with the poles upon it, what Moses commanded according to the word of Jehovah.

16 And David said to the chief ruler of the Levites to stand their brothers, the singers, with instruments of song, lyres, and harps, and cymbals, to cause *them* to be heard by raising the voice with joy.

**1 CHRONICLES 16** *David assembles the Levites and Israel and they bring up the Ark*

17 And the Levites stood 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;

18 And with them their brothers of the second *order*, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed Edom, and Jeiel, the porters.

19 And the singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, were to cause cymbals of bronze to be heard;

20 And Zechariah, and Aziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with lyres upon soprano voices;

21 And Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed Edom, and Jeiel, and Azaziah, with harps upon the octaves to give light as directors.

22 And Chenaniah, chief ruler of the Levites, *was* for burden;<sup>2,2</sup> he was disciplined in burden, because he was understanding. Note Isa 13:1.

23 And Berechiah, and Elkanah *were* porters 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 face of the ark of God, and Obed Edom and Jehiah *were* porters for the ark.

25 And it was, David, and the elders of Israel, and the chief rulers over thousands walked to bring up the ark of the covenant of Jehovah out of the house of Obed Edom with joy.

26 And it was, God surrounded the Levites with help who bore the ark of the covenant of Jehovah, and they sacrificed seven bullocks and seven rams.

27 And David was clothed with a robe of fine linen, and all the Levites who bore the ark, and the singers, and Chenaniah, the chief ruler of burden for the singers; and upon David *was* an ephod of linen.

Note 15:22

28 And all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of Jehovah with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, causing the lyres and harps to be heard.

29 And it was, the ark of the covenant of Jehovah came to the city of David, and Michal, the daughter of Saul, leaning out at a window saw King David jumping *for joy* and playing; and she despised him in her heart.

**CHAPTER 16**

1 And they brought the ark of God, and placed it in the midst of the tent that David had stretched out for it, and they brought near burnt sacrifices, and peace offerings before the face of God.

<sup>22</sup> **15:22 burden**, *massa*, refers to burdens of divine utterances given in worship and song under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. *Massa* was the responsibility of Chenaniah, chief ruler of the Levites. He was disciplined in, or chastised under, burdens from God, and he was discerning in Holy Spirit given revelations, or burdens which God gave in worship and in song. See verse 27. See Note Isa 13:1

2 And David ended offering up the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, and he blessed the people in the name of Jehovah.

3 And he allotted to every man<sup>3</sup> of Israel, even to man and woman, to every man a loaf of bread, and a measured portion of food, and a cake of raisins.

4 And he gave out of the Levites to minister before the face of the ark of Jehovah, and to remember,<sup>4</sup> and to raise the hands, and boast in Jehovah God of Israel;

5 Asaph the head, and second to him Zechariah; Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed Edom, and Jeiel, with instruments, lyres, and harps; and Asaph caused the cymbals to be heard;

6 And Benaiah. and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually before the face of the ark of the covenant of God.

7 Then on that day David gave the head *position* into the hand of Asaph, and his brothers, to raise the hands to Jehovah.

8 Riase *your* hands to Jehovah; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the people.

<sup>3</sup> 16:3 man...woman, *ish...ishah*. Notice the use of the words man and woman in this sentence. Notice that man by itself includes both man and woman. When man is used with woman it is used to distinguish male from female, but man is used generically to include both male and female. You must understand this meaning, because this is the way God arranged it from the beginning. Gen 2:20-24.

<sup>4</sup> 16:4 remember, *zakar*; to mark, to remember. Apparently the use of *zakar* here means to remember the music, how it is marked out, and to direct the music and praise.

9 Sing to him; play, and sing to him; ponder all his wondrous works.

10 Boast in his holy name; let the heart of them rejoice who seek Jehovah.

11 Tread seeking<sup>11</sup> Jehovah and his strength; seek his face continually.

12 Remember his wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the judgments of his mouth;

13 Oh, you seed of Israel, his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

14 He *is* Jehovah, our God; his judgments *are* in all the earth.

15 Remember always his covenant; the word he commanded to a thousand generations,

16 Which he cut with Abraham, and of his oath to Isaac;

17 And has caused it to stand to Jacob for an enactment, to Israel, an everlasting covenant,

18 Saying, To you I will give the land of Canaan, measured by line for your inheritance;

19 When you were few adult men in number, and lodging in it.

20 And they walked from people to people, and from one kingdom to another people;

21 He did not leave a man to oppress them, and he set kings right for their sakes, Gen 20:16

<sup>11</sup> 16:11 Tread seeking, *darash*, to rub, to beat, to tread, to trample with the feet, to beat a path to. An idea connected with *radah*, Gen 1:26, and *kabash*, Gen 1:28, to tread down, to subjugate, all things under your dominion under God. You tread seeking God for strength and wisdom to subjugate for God and yourself. Note Gen 1:26, 28. Note Num 32:22.

**1 CHRONICLES 16** *David's song of praise; the ministry of Asaph, Obed Edom, Zadok*

22 Do not touch my anointed, and do not do evil to my prophets.

23 Sing to Jehovah, all the earth; announce good tidings of his salvation from day to day.

24 Tally up his heavy glory among the peoples, his wondrous works among all peoples.

25 Because great *is* Jehovah, and to be boasted in exceedingly; and he is to be feared above all gods,

26 Because all the gods of the people are good for nothing idols, and Jehovah made the heavens.

27 Glorious authority and magnificence are in his face; strength and rejoicing are in his place.

28 Give to Jehovah, families of the people, give to Jehovah heavy glory and strength.

29 Give to Jehovah the heavy glory of his name; lift up a food offering, and come before his face; prostrate yourselves to Jehovah in the beauty of holiness.

30 Twist around before his face, all the earth; the world also is set up that it cannot waver.

31 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth spin around with emotion; and let the peoples say, Jehovah reigns.

32 Let the sea be violently agitated, and its fullness; let the fields jump for joy, and all that *is* in them.

33 Then shall the trees of the forest shout before the face of Jehovah, because he comes to judge the earth.

34 Raise your hands to Jehovah for his goodness, for his mercy *is* forever.

35 And say, Save us, Oh, God of our salvation, and gather us together; and snatch us from the peoples, that we may raise our hands to your holy name, to be loud in your praise.

36 Blessed *is* Jehovah God of Israel forever and forever. And all the people said, Amen, and boasted in Jehovah.

37 And he left Asaph and his brothers there before the face of the ark of the covenant of Jehovah to minister before the face of the ark continually, by the word, day to day;

38 And Obed Edom, and their brothers, sixty-eight, and Obed Edom, the son of Jeduthun, and Hosah *to be* porters;

39 And Zadok, the priest, and his brothers, the priests, before the face of the tabernacle of Jehovah in the high place that *was* at Gibeon,

40 To offer up burnt offerings to Jehovah upon the altar of the burnt offering continually, dawn and dusk, and to do according to all that is written in the law of Jehovah which he commanded upon Israel;

41 And with them Heman, and Jeduthun, and those left who were chosen, who were punctured out by name, to raise their hands to Jehovah, because his mercy *is* forever;

42 And with them *were* Heman and Jeduthun *with* trumpets and cymbals and God's instruments of song to cause them to be heard. And the sons of Jeduthun *were* porters.

43 And all the people walked, every man to his house, and David circled around to bless his house.

### CHAPTER 17

1 And it was, that David sat in his house, and David said to Nathan, the prophet, Lo, I dwell in a house of cedars, but the ark of the covenant of Jehovah *is* under curtains.

2 And Nathan said to David, Do all that *is* in your heart, because God *is* with you.

3 And it was, that night the word of God was to Nathan, saying,

4 Walk, and say to David my servant, Thus says Jehovah, You shall not build me a house to dwell in,

5 Because I have not dwelt in a house since the day that I brought up Israel to this day; and have been from tent to tent and tabernacle.

6 Wherever I have walked with all Israel, did I speak a word to anyone of those judging Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people, saying, Why have you not built for me a house of cedars?

7 And now, thus you shall say to my servant, David, Thus says Jehovah of hosts, I took you from *your* place of rest, from after the flocks, to be commander over my people Israel;

8 And I have been with you wherever you have walked, and have cut off all those hating you from before your face, and have made you a name like the name of

the great who *are* in the earth.

9 Also I will put a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, and they shall reside in their place, and shall not be agitated any more; and the children of evil shall not continue to waste them as at first,

10 And since the day that I commanded judges over my people Israel. And I will cause all those hating you to bend their knees to you. And I cause to stand out boldly to you that Jehovah will build you a house.

11 And it shall be, when your days are full that you must walk with your fathers, that I will raise up your seed after you, which shall be of your sons, and I will set up his kingdom.

12 He shall build for me a house, and I will set up his throne forever.

13 I will be his father, and he shall be my son; and I will not turn my mercy away from him, as I turned it from him who was before you;

14 And I will stand him in my house and in my kingdom forever, and his throne shall be set up forever.

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

16 And David the king came and sat before the face of Jehovah, and said, Who *am* I, Oh Jehovah God, and what is my house, that you have brought me to here?

## 1 CHRONICLES 18

*David praises God for His promises; David's wars*

17 And this is a small thing in your eyes, Oh God, and you have spoken of your servant's house for a great while to come, and have seen me according to the order of a man of high degree, Oh Jehovah God.

18 What can David add more to you for the heavy glory of your servant? And you know by seeing your servant.

19 Oh Jehovah, for your servant's sake, and according to your own heart, you have done all this greatness in making known all *these* great things.

20 Oh Jehovah, *there is* none like you, and no God beside you, according to all that we have attentively heard with our ears.

21 And what one people in the earth is like your people Israel, whom God walked to redeem for his own people, to make you a name of greatness and fearfulness, by driving out peoples from before the face of your people, whom you have redeemed out of Egypt?

22 And you have given your people Israel for yourself forever, and you, Jehovah, became their God.

23 And now, Jehovah, let the word that you have spoken concerning your servant and concerning his house be believed forever, and do what you have spoken.

24 And let it be believed, and your name be great forever, saying, Jehovah of hosts *is* the God of Israel, God to Israel, and let the house of David, your servant, be set up before your face.

25 Because you, Oh my God, have revealed in the ear of your servant that you will build him a house; therefore your servant has come forth to judge in prayer before your face.

26 And now, Jehovah, you *are* he - the God - and have spoken this goodness to your servant;

27 And now, yield *assent* to bless the house of your servant that it may be before your face forever, because you blessed, Oh Jehovah, and it shall be blessed forever.

## CHAPTER 18

1 And it was after this, and David struck the Palestinians, and caused them to bend their knees, and took Gath and her villages out of the hand of the Palestinians.

2 And he struck Moab; and the Moabites were David's servants, and bore gifts *to him*.

3 And David struck Hadarezer, king of Zobah, to Hamath, as he walked to station his hand by the Euphrates River.

4 And David captured from him a thousand chariots, and seven thousand horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen; David also destroyed all the chariots, and reserved of them a hundred chariots.

5 And the Syrians of Damascus came to surround Hadarezer, king of Zobah, with help, and David struck of the Syrians twenty-two thousand men.

6 And David put a *military post*<sup>6</sup> in Damascus, Syria, and the Syrians were David's servants, and

<sup>6</sup> 18:6 *military post* is understood because the word, *netsiyb*, a military post, is used in 18:13.

bore gifts *to him*. And Jehovah saved David wherever he walked.

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

8 From Tibhath and from Chun, cities of Hadarezer, David took very much bronze, with which Solomon made the bronze sea, and the columns, and the vessels of bronze.

9 And Tou, king of Hamath, heard attentively that David had struck all the resources of Hadarezer, king of Zobah,

10 And he sent Hadoram, his son, to King David, to inquire of his peace, and to bless him, because he had devoured against Hadarezer, and struck him (because Hadarezer was a man at war with Tou) and with him all kinds of vessels of gold, and silver, and bronze.

11 And King David sanctified them to Jehovah, with the silver and the gold that he lifted from all these peoples, from Edom, and from Moab, and from the children of Ammon, and from the Palestinians, and from Amalek.

12 And Abishai, the son of Zeruiah, struck of the Edomites in the valley of salt eighteen thousand.

13 And he put a military post in Edom, and all the Edomites were David's servants. And Jehovah saved David wherever he walked.

14 And David reigned over all Israel, and judgment and righteousness was done 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 bodyguards and the official couriers, and the sons of David *were* first in rank about the king.

### CHAPTER 19

1 And it was after this, Nahash, the king of the children of Ammon, died, and his son reigned in his place.

2 And David said, I will do mercy to Hanun, the son of Nahash, because his father did mercy to me. And David sent messengers to comfort him over his father. And the servants of David came into the land of the children of Ammon to Hanun to comfort him.

3 And the chief rulers of the children of Ammon said to Hanun, *Is it* to your eye that David gives heavy glory to your father, that he has sent these to comfort you? Have not his servants crossed over to you to search, and to walk to spy out the land, and to overthrow it?

4 And Hanun took David's servants, and shaved them, and cut off their garments in the middle up to their crotch, and sent them away.

5 And *one* walked, and caused it to stand out boldly to David concerning the men, and he sent to meet them, because the men

**1 CHRONICLES 19** *David's kindness rebuffed by Ammon; war with Ammon and Syria*

were greatly reproached. And the king said, Sit down at Jericho until your beards have grown out, and return.

6 And the children of Ammon saw that they stunk to David, and Hanun and the children of Ammon sent a thousand talents of silver to hire them chariots and horsemen out of Mesopotamia,<sup>6</sup> and out of Syria Ma'achah, and out of Zobah.

7 And they hired thirty-two thousand chariots, the king of Maachah and his people, and came, and pitched before the face of Medeba. And the children of Ammon gathered themselves together from their cities, and came to battle.

8 And David attentively heard of it, and he sent Joab and all the host of the mighty men.

9 And the children of Ammon came out, and arranged the battle at the gate of the city; and the kings who were coming *were* separate in the field.

10 And Joab saw that the battle was faced against him to his face and to his rear, and he chose out of all the choice of Israel, and arranged them to meet the Syrians.

11 And what is left of the people he gave into the hand of Abishai, his brother, and they arranged themselves to meet the children of Ammon.

12 And he said, If the Syrians are too strong for me, then you shall rescue me, and if the children of

Ammon are too strong for you, then I will save you.

13 Seize strength, and be strong for our people, and for the cities of our God, and let Jehovah do good in his eyes.

14 And Joab and the people who *were* with him drew near before the face of the Syrians to the battle; and they fled before his face.

15 And the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians had fled, and they also fled before the face of Abishai, his brother, and entered into the city; and Joab came to Jerusalem.

16 And the Syrians saw that they were pushed back before the face of Israel, and they sent messengers, and drew forth the Syrians who were beyond the river; and Shophach, the chief ruler of the host of Hadarezer, *went* before their face.

17 And it was caused to stand out boldly to David; and he gathered all Israel, and crossed over Jordan, and came upon them, and arranged the battle to meet them. And David arranged the battle against the Syrians, and they devoured against him.

18 And the Syrians fled before the face of Israel, and David fatally struck of the Syrians seven thousand chariots and forty thousand footmen, and killed Shophach, the chief ruler of the host.

19 And the servants of Hadarezer saw that they were pushed back before the face of Israel, and they completed peace with David, and served him; and the Syrians did not breathe in

<sup>6</sup> **19:6 Mesopotamia**, *Aram Naharayim*, Aram of the Two Rivers, meaning the Tigris and Euphrates, called Mesopotamia.



*Ammon, the Palestinians defeated; Satan prods David to number Israel* **1 CHRONICLES 21**  
agreement to help the children of Ammon any more.

### CHAPTER 20

1 And it was after the year came around, at the time that kings go out *to battle*, and Joab led out the resources of the host, and destroyed the land of the children of Ammon, and came and besieged Rabbah; and David sat down in Jerusalem; and Joab struck Rabbah, and pulled it down.

2 And David took the crown of their king from off his head, and found it to weigh a talent of gold, and *there were* precious stones in it; and it was upon David's head; and he brought exceeding much spoil out of the city.

3 And he brought out the people who *were* in it, and sawed *them* with saws, and with harrows of iron, and with saws. And so David did with all the cities of the children of Ammon. And David and all the people returned to Jerusalem.

4 And it was after this, and war stood at Gezer with the Palestinians; at that time Sibbechai, the Hushathite, struck Sippai, born of the giant, and they bent the knee.

5 And there was war again with the Palestinians, and Elhanan, the son of Jair, struck Lahmi, the brother of Goliath, the Gittite, and the wood handle of his spear *was* like a weaver's beam.

6 And there was yet again war at Gath, and there was a tall man, and his fingers and toes *were* six and six, twenty-four *in all*, and he also was born of the giant.

7 And he reproached Israel, and Jonathan, the son of Shimea, David's brother, struck him.

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

### CHAPTER 21

1 And Satan stood up against Israel, and prodded David to weigh out *the number of* Israel.

2 And David said to Joab and to the chief rulers of the people, Walk, tally up Israel from Beer Sheba even to Dan, and bring the number of them to me that I may know by seeing it.

3 And Joab said, May Jehovah multiply them, his people, a hundred times; my lord, the king, are they not all my lord's servants? Why does my lord require this? Why will he be a cause of trespass to Israel?

4 And the king's word seized upon Joab, and Joab went out, and walked throughout all Israel, and came to Jerusalem.

5 And Joab gave the number of the commanded census of the people to David. And all Israel were a thousand thousand,<sup>5</sup> and a hundred thousand men who drew sword, and Judah *was* four hundred *and* seventy thousand men who drew sword.

6 And he did not visit Levi and Benjamin among them, because the king's word was detestable to Joab.

<sup>5</sup> 21:5 a thousand thousand is one million.

**1 CHRONICLES 21** *David sins in numbering Israel; the Messenger of Jehovah destroys many*

7 And it was evil in the eyes of God over this word, and he struck Israel.

8 And David said to God, I have sinned greatly, because I have done this word; and now, please, cross over the iniquity of your servant, because I have done very foolishly.

9 And Jehovah spoke to Gad, the one who gazed at visions for David, saying,

10 Walk, and speak to David, saying, Thus says Jehovah, Three *choices* I spread out before you; choose for yourself one of them, and I will do it to you.

11 And Gad came to David, and said to him, Thus says Jehovah, Choose for yourself;

12 Either three years of famine, or three new moons to be scraped off before the face of your oppressors and the sword of those who hate you reaching you; or three days the sword of Jehovah, even the pestilence in the land, and the Messenger of Jehovah destroying throughout all the borders of Israel. And now see what word I shall return to him who sent me.

13 And David said to Gad, I *am* in a great strait; let me fall, please, into the hand of Jehovah, because his compassions *are* very abundant, and let me not fall into the hand of man.

14 And Jehovah gave a pestilence upon Israel, and seventy thousand men of Israel fell.

15 And God sent *the* Messenger to Jerusalem to destroy it, and as he was destroying, Jehovah

saw, and he comforted himself over the evil, and said to the Messenger who destroyed, Enough now! Slack off your hand. And the Messenger of Jehovah stood by the threshingfloor of Ornan, the Jebusite.

16 And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the Messenger of Jehovah standing between the earth and the heavens, and his drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem; and David and the elders, clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces.

17 And David said to God, *Is it* not I who commanded the people to be weighed out *in number*? And it is I who has sinned, and doing evil have done evil; but as for these sheep, what have they done? Let your hand, please, Oh, Jehovah, my God, be on me, and on my father's house; and the pestilence not be on your people

18 And the Messenger of Jehovah said to Gad to say to David that David should go up, and raise an altar to Jehovah in the threshingfloor of Ornan, the Jebusite.

19 And David went up at the word of Gad, which he spoke in the name of Jehovah.

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

21 And David came to Ornan, and Ornan looked, and saw David, and went out of the threshingfloor, and prostrated himself to David, his nostrils to the ground.

22 And David said to Ornan, Give me the place of the threshingfloor, and I will build an altar there to Jehovah; you shall give it to me for the full silver, and the plague shall be held back from the people.

23 And Ornan said to David, Take it for yourself, and let my lord, the king, do good in his eyes; see, I give you the oxen for burnt offerings, and the threshing instruments for wood, and the wheat for the food offering; I give it all.

24 And King David said to Ornan, No, because erecting it, I will erect it for the full silver, because I will not lift up what is yours for Jehovah, nor offer burnt offerings without cost.

25 And David gave to Ornan for the place six hundred shekels of gold by weight.

26 And David built there an altar to Jehovah, and offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings, and called upon Jehovah; and he answered him from the heavens by fire upon the altar of burnt offering.

27 And Jehovah said *a word* to the Messenger, and he returned his sword into its sheath.

28 At that time David saw that Jehovah had answered him in the threshingfloor of Ornan, the Jebusite, and he sacrificed there.

29 And the tabernacle of Jehovah which Moses made in the desert and the altar of the burnt offering *were* at that time in the high place at Gibeon.

30 And David was not able to walk before its face to tread seeking God, because he was afraid before the face of the sword of the Messenger of Jehovah.

## CHAPTER 22

1 And David said, This *is* that house of Jehovah God, and this *is* the altar of the burnt offering for Israel.

2 And David said to gather together those who lodged in the land of Israel, and he stood stone cutters to cut finished stones to build the house of God.

3 And David set up iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the braces, and bronze in abundance without weight;

4 And cedar trees without number, because the Zidonians and the Tyrians brought abundant cedar wood to David.

5 And David said, Solomon, my son, is young and tender, and the house to be built for Jehovah *will be* exceeding great of name and of beauty throughout all lands; I will now set things up for it; and David set up in abundance facing his death.

6 And he called for Solomon, his son, and commanded him to build a house for Jehovah God of Israel.

7 And David said to Solomon, his son, As for me, it was in my heart to build a house to the name of Jehovah, my God;

8 And the word of Jehovah was to me, saying, You have spilled blood in abundance, and have made

**1 CHRONICLES 23** *David charges Solomon/rulers in building the Temple; Solomon made king*

great wars; you shall not build a house to my name, because you have spilled blood in abundance upon the earth before my face.

9 Behold, a son shall be born to you; he shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all those hating him all around, because his name shall be Solomon,<sup>9</sup> and I will give peace and tranquility to Israel in his days.

10 He shall build a house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I *shall be* his father; and I will set up the throne of his kingdom over Israel forever.

11 Now, my son, Jehovah be with you; and prosper you, and build the house of Jehovah, your God, what he has spoken of you.

12 Only Jehovah give you intelligent success and understanding, and command you over Israel, that you may hedge about the law of Jehovah, your God.

13 Then you shall prosper, if you hedge about to do the enactments and judgments which Jehovah commanded Moses concerning Israel; be strong and powerfully alert; do not fear, and do not break down.

14 And, behold, in my affliction I have set up for the house of Jehovah a hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver; and of bronze and iron without weight, because it is in abundance; and I have set up timber and stone, and you may add to it;

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<sup>9</sup> **22:9** **Solomon**, a form of the word *shalom*, meaning peaceful.

15 And workmen in abundance, cutters and fabricators of stone and timber, and all manner of wise *men* for all kinds of work.

16 *There is* no number of the gold, the silver, and the bronze, and the iron. Rise, and do, and Jehovah be with you.

17 And David commanded all the chief rulers of Israel to surround Solomon, his son, with help, saying,

18 *Is not* Jehovah, your God, with you, and has he not given you rest on every side, because he has given the inhabitants of the land into my hand; and the land is treaded down before the face of Jehovah, and before the face of his people.

Gen 1:28

19 Now give your heart and your soul to tread seeking Jehovah, your God, and rise, and build the sanctuary of Jehovah God to bring the ark of the covenant of Jehovah and the holy vessels of God into the house that is to be built to the name of Jehovah.

**CHAPTER 23**

1 And David was old and full of days, and he made Solomon, his son, king over Israel.

2 And he gathered together all the chief rulers of Israel, and the priests, and the Levites.

3 And the Levites were tallied up from a son of thirty years, and upward, and their number by their polls,<sup>3</sup> by man, *was* thirty-eight thousand.

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<sup>3</sup> **23:3** **polls**, *gulgoleth*, the skull. The word poll in English means the head or the skull, as in the individual registering for government purposes.

4 Of these, twenty-four thousand were to give light as superintendents over the work of the house of Jehovah, and six thousand were officers and to judge;

5 And four thousand were porters, and four thousand boasted in<sup>5</sup> Jehovah with the instruments which I made for boasting, *David said*.

6 And David apportioned them by sections among the sons of Levi: Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

7 Of the Gershonites: Laadan, and Shimei.

8 The sons of Laadan: the head *was* Jehiel; and Zetham, and Joel, three.

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

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

11 And Jahath was the head, and Zizah, the second: and Jeush, and Beriah did not increase many sons, and they according to their father's house were visited as one.

12 The sons of Kohath: Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four.

13 The sons of Amram: Aaron, and Moses; and Aaron was separated to sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons forever, to burn perfumed incense before the

face of Jehovah, to minister to him, and to bless in his name forever.

14 And concerning Moses, the man of God, his sons were called after the tribe of Levi.

15 The sons of Moses: Gershom, and Eliezer.

16 The sons of Gershom: Shebuel *was* the head.

17 And the sons of Eliezer were: Rehabiah, the head; and to Eliezer were no other sons; and the sons of Rehabiah were very many.

18 The sons of Izhar: Shelomith, the head.

19 The sons of Hebron: Jeriah, the head, Amariah, the second, Jahaziel, the third, and Jekameam, the fourth.

20 The sons of Uzziel: Michah, the head, and Jesiah, the second.

21 The sons of Merari: Mahli, and Mushi. The sons of Mahli: Eleazar, and Kish.

22 And Eleazar died, and to him were no sons, but daughters; and their brothers, the sons of Kish took them up.

23 The sons of Mushi: Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three.

24 These *were* the sons of Levi after the house of their fathers, the heads of the fathers as they were visited by number of names by their polls, who did the work for the service of the house of Jehovah, from a son of twenty years, and upward.

25 Because David said, Jehovah God of Israel has given rest to his people, and he dwells in Jerusalem forever;

<sup>5</sup> 23:5 **boasted in**, *halal*, to shine, to be clear, to make a show, to boast. They made their boast in Jehovah. **Boasting** at the end of the verse is the same word. Rom 5:11; 1 Cor 1:29,31; 2 Cor 10:17, etc.

**1 CHRONICLES 24** *The Levites and their responsibilities; the portions of the house of Aaron*

26 And also to the Levites; they shall not bear the tabernacle, and not *bear* any vessels for its service.

27 Because by the last words of David they, the Levites, were numbered from a son of twenty years and above;

28 Because their position *was* at the hand of the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of Jehovah in the courts, and in the rooms, and in the purifying of all holy things, and the work of the service of the house of God;

29 And for the bread for the arrangement, and for the flour for food offering, and for the thin unleavened cakes, and for the baking pan, and for that fried, and for all liquid measure, and dry measure;

30 And to stand dawn by dawn to raise their hands and boast in Jehovah, and likewise at dusk;

31 And to offer up all burnt sacrifices to Jehovah in the Sabbaths, in the new moons, and on the appointed feasts, by number, according to the continual judgment to them before the face of Jehovah:

32 And they hedged about the guard duty of the tent of meeting, and the guard duty of the holy place, and the guard duty of the sons of Aaron, their brothers, in the service of the house of Jehovah.

**CHAPTER 24**

1 And the sons of Aaron - the divisions of the sons of Aaron: The sons of Aaron: Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

2 And Nadab and Abihu died before the face of their father, and to them were no children; and Eleazar and Ithamar officiated as priests.

3 And David apportioned to them, to Zadok of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, according to their visitation in their service.

4 And there were more mighty head men of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar, and thus they were apportioned. Among the sons of Eleazar *there were* sixteen head men of the house of their fathers, and eight among the sons of Ithamar according to the house of their fathers.

5 And they were apportioned by lot, these with those, because the chief rulers of the sanctuary and chief rulers of the house of God were of the sons of Eleazar and of the sons of Ithamar.

6 And Shemaiah, the son of Nethaneel, the scribe of the Levites, wrote them before the face of the king and the chief rulers, and Zadok, the priest, and Ahimelech, the son of Abiathar, and the heads of the fathers of the priests, and Levites. One father's house was taken for Eleazar, and one taken for Ithamar.

7 And 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,

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 Apses,

16 The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehzekel,

17 The twenty-first to Jachin, the twenty-second to Gamul,

18 The twenty-third to Delaiah, the twenty-fourth to Maaziah.

19 These *were* the visitation of them in their service to come into the house of Jehovah, according to their judgment under Aaron, their father, what Jehovah God of Israel commanded him.

20 And the sons of Levi: what is left *were these*: Of the sons of Amram, Shubael; of the sons of Shubael, Jehdeiah.

21 Concerning Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the head *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: Mahli and Mushi; of the sons of Jaaziah, Beno.

27 The sons of Merari: by Jaaziah: Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ibri.

28 Of Mahli, Eleazar; to him were 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 And these likewise caused lots to fall with their brothers, the sons of Aaron, before the face of David, the king, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and the heads of the fathers of the priests, and Levites, the head fathers over their younger brothers.

## CHAPTER 25

1 And David, and the chief rulers of the host separated to the service of the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun, to prophesy with harps, with lyres, and with cymbals, and the number of the workmen was according to their service;

2 Of the sons of Asaph: Zaccur, and Joseph, and Nethaniah, and Asarelah, the sons of Asaph under the hands of Asaph, who prophesied under the hands 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 raise the hands

**1 CHRONICLES 25** *The sons of Asaph to gaze at visions and prophesy in music; 24 orders*

and to boast in Jehovah.

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

5 All these *were* the sons of Heman, those gazing at visions for the king, in the words of God, to lift up the horn. And God gave to Heman fourteen sons, and three daughters.

6 All these *were* under the hands of their father for song in the house of Jehovah, with cymbals, lyres, and harps, for the service of the house of God, under the king's hand to Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman.

7 And the number of them, with their brothers who were instructed in the songs of Jehovah, all who were understanding, *were* two hundred *and* eighty-eight.

8 And they caused lots to fall for guard duty, the small as the great, the understanding as the pupil.

9 And the first lot came forth for Asaph to Joseph; the second to Gedaliah, he, and his brothers, and sons *were* twelve;

10 The third to Zaccur; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

11 The fourth to Izri; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve:

12 The fifth to Nethaniah; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

13 The sixth to Bukkiah; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

14 The seventh to Jesharelah; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

15 The eighth to Jeshaiah; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

16 The ninth to Mattaniah; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

17 The tenth to Shimei; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve:

18 The eleventh to Azareel; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

19 The twelfth to Hashabiah; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve:

20 The thirteenth to Shubael; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

21 The fourteenth to Mattithiah; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

22 The fifteenth to Jeremoth; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

23 The sixteenth to Hananiah; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

24 The seventeenth to Joshbekashah; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

25 The eighteenth to Hanani; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

26 The nineteenth to Mallothi; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve:

27 The twentieth to Eliathah; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

28 The twenty-first to Hothir; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve;

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



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

31 The twenty-fourth to Romantiezer; his sons, and his brothers *were* twelve.

### CHAPTER 26

1 Concerning the divisions of the porters: Of the Korhites *was* Meshelemiah, the son of Kore, of the sons of Asaph.

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

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

4 And the sons of Obed Edom *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 resources.

7 The sons of Shemaiah: Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad; his brothers were men of resources: Elihu, and Semachiah.

8 All these *were* of the sons of Obed Edom; they, and their sons, and their brothers, men of resources, powerful for the service, *were* sixty-two of Obed Edom.

9 And to Meshelemiah *were* sons and brothers, men of resources, eighteen.

10 Also to Hosah, of the children of Merari, *were* sons: Simri, the head (for he was not the firstborn, and his father put him the head),

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 porters, among the valiant head men, *having* guard duty with their brothers, to minister in the house of Jehovah.

13 And they caused lots to fall, to the small as to the great, according to the house of their fathers, for every gate.

14 And the lot eastward fell to Shelemiah. And for Zechariah, his son, an intelligently successful counselor, they caused lots to fall, and his lot came out northward.

15 To Obed Edom southward; and to his sons the storehouse.

16 To Shuppim and Hosah, westward, with the gate Shallecheth, by the causeway of the going up, guard beside guard.

17 Eastward *were* six Levites; northward, four a day, southward, four a day, and the storehouse two *and* two.

18 At Parbar, westward, four at the causeway; two at Parbar.

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

20 And of the Levites, Ahijah was over the storehouses of the house of God, and over the storehouses of the sanctuary.

**1 CHRONICLES 27** *The Levites over the storehouses; the chief rulers who served the king*

21 The sons of Laadan: the sons of the Gershonite, Laadan, heads of the fathers, of Laadan the Gershonite, Jehieli.

22 The sons of Jehieli: Zetham, and Joel, his brother, over the storehouses of the house of Jehovah.

23 Of the Amramites, for the Izharites, for the Hebronites, for the Uzzielites;

24 And Shebuel, the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, was commander of the storehouses.

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 He, Shelomith, and his brothers, *were* over all the storehouses of the sanctuary, which David the king, and the heads of the fathers, the chief rulers over thousands and hundreds, and the chief rulers of the host, had sanctified.

27 They sanctified out of the spoils out of the battles to make strong the house of Jehovah.

28 And all Samuel, the seer, sanctified, and Saul, the son of Kish, and Abner, the son of Ner, and Joab, the son of Zeruiah - all who sanctified *any thing*, it was under the hand of Shelomith, and of his brothers.

29 Of the Izharites, Chenaniah, and his sons *were* for the outside work over Israel, for officers, and to judge.

30 Of the Hebronites: Hashabiah, and his brothers, men of resources, a thousand, seven hundred, were to visit among them

of Israel on the region across Jordan westward in all the work of Jehovah, and in the service of the king.

31 Among the Hebronites *was* Jerijah, the head, among the Hebronites, according to the generations of his fathers. In the fortieth year of the reign of David they treaded seeking them, and there were found among them mighty men of resources at Jazer of Gilead.

32 And his brothers, men of resources, *were* two thousand, seven hundred heads of fathers, and King David visited them over the Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, for every word of God and *every* word of the king.

**CHAPTER 27**

1 And the children of Israel after their number, the heads of fathers, and the chief rulers of thousands, and hundreds, and their officers who served the king in every word, the divisions who came in and went out new moon by new moon all the new moons of the year, *were* twenty-four thousand in one division.

2 Over the first division for the first new moon was Jashobeam, the son of Zabdiel, and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

3 Of the children of Perez *was* the head of all the chief rulers of the host for the first new moon.

4 And over the division of the second new moon *was* Dodai, an Ahohite, and of his division *was* Mikloth also the commander; and

in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

5 The third chief ruler of the host for the third new moon was Benaiah, the son of Jehoiada, a head priest, and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

6 This Benaiah *was* mighty among the thirty, and over the thirty; and in his division *was* Ammizabad, his son.

7 The fourth for the fourth new moon *was* Asahel, the brother of Joab, and Zebadiah, his son after him; and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

8 The fifth for the fifth new moon *was* Shamhuth, the Izrahite, and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

9 The sixth for the sixth new moon *was* Ira, the son of Ikkesh, the Tekoite, and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

10 The seventh for the seventh new moon *was* Helez, the Pelonite, of the children of Ephraim, and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

11 The eighth for the eighth new moon *was* Sibbecai, the Hushathite, of the Zarhites, and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

12 The ninth for the ninth new moon *was* Abiezer, the Anetothite, of the Benjamites, and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

13 The tenth for the tenth new moon *was* Maharai, the Netophathite, of the Zarhites, and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

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14 The eleventh for the eleventh new moon *was* Benaiah, the Pirathonite, of the children of Ephraim, and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

15 The twelfth for the twelfth new moon *was* Heldai, the Netophathite, of Othniel, and in his division *were* twenty-four thousand.

16 And over the tribes of Israel: the commander 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;

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 chief rulers of the tribes of Israel.

23 And David did not lift the number of them from sons of twenty years and under, because Jehovah had said he would increase Israel as the stars of the heavens.

24 Joab, the son of Zeruiah, began to weigh out *the number*, and he did not finish, and there was wrath for it upon Israel; and the number did not arise in the number

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of the words of the days of King David.

25 And over the king's storehouses *was* Azmaveth, the son of Adiel, and over the storehouses in the fields, in the cities, and in the villages, and in the towers, *was* Jehonathan, the son of Uzziah;

26 And over them who did the work of the field for the work of the soil *was* Ezri, the son of Chelub;

27 And over the vineyards *was* Shimei, the Ramathite; over the vineyards for the storehouses of wine *was* Zabdi, the Shiphmite;

28 And over the olive trees and the sycamore trees that *were* in the coastal slopes *was* Baalhanan, the Gederite, and over the storehouses of oil *was* Joash;

29 And over the cattle that fed in Sharon *was* Shitrai, the Sharonite, and over the herds in the valleys *was* Shaphat, the son of Adlai;

30 And over the camels *was* Obil, the Ishmaelite, and over the donkeys *was* Jehdeiah, the Meronothite;

31 And over the flocks *was* Jaziz, the Hagerite. All these *were* the chief rulers of the property which *was* King David's.

32 And Jonathan, David's uncle, *was* a counselor, a discerning man, and a scribe; he, and Jehiel, the son of Hachmoni, *were* with the king's sons;

33 And Ahithophel *was* the king's counselor, and Hushai, the Archite, *was* the king's friend;

34 And after Ahithophel *was* Jehoiada, the son of Benaiah, and Abiathar; and the chief ruler of the

king's host *was* Joab.

**CHAPTER 28**

1 And David assembled all the chief rulers of Israel, the chief rulers of the tribes, and the chief rulers of the divisions who ministered to the king, and the chief rulers over the thousands, and chief rulers over the hundreds, and the chief rulers over all the property and livestock of the king, and of his sons, with the eunuchs, and the mighty men, and all the mighty men of resources, to Jerusalem.

2 And David, the king, stood upon his feet, and said, Hear me attentively, my brothers, and my people: I *had it* in my heart to build a house of rest for the ark of the covenant of Jehovah, and for the footstool of our God, and had set up to build;

3 And God said to me, You shall not build a house for my name, because you *have been* a man of war and have spilled blood.

4 And 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 commander, and of the house of Judah, the house of my father; and among the sons of my father he was pleased with me to make me king over all Israel;

5 And of all my sons - because Jehovah has given me many sons - he has chosen Solomon, my son, to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of Jehovah over Israel.

6 And he said to me, Solomon, your son, shall build my house and my courts, because I

have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his father.

7 And I will set up his kingdom forever, if he is strong to do my commandments and my judgments, as *he is* this day.

8 And now in the eyes of all Israel, the congregation of Jehovah, and in the ears of our God, hedge about and tread to seek all the commandments of Jehovah, your God, so that you may possess the good land, and cause your children after you to inherit it forever.

9 And you, Solomon, my son, know by seeing the God of your father, and serve him with a complete heart, and with a soul yielded in pleasure *toward him*, because Jehovah treads seeking out all hearts, and understands every form of devices *in their hearts*; if you tread seeking him, he will come forth to you; and if you leave him, he will push you aside forever.

Gen 6:5

10 See now, because Jehovah has chosen you to build a house for the sanctuary, be strong, and do *it*.

11 And David gave to Solomon, his son, the structure of the porch, and of its houses, and of its treasuries, and of its upper rooms, and its apartments, and of the house of the mercy seat,

12 And the structure of all that was *given* to him by the Spirit of the courts of the house of Jehovah, and of all the rooms all around, of the storehouses of the house of God, and of the storehouses of the sanctified things;

13 And for the divisions of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the house of Jehovah, and for all the vessels of service in the house of Jehovah.

14 Of gold by weight of the gold, for all instruments of all work, and service; for all instruments of silver by weight, for all instruments of every work and service;

15 And the weight for the lampstands of gold, and for their lamps of gold, by weight for every lampstand, and for its lamps; and for the lampstands of silver by weight, both for the lampstand, and also for its lamps, according to the work of every lampstand.

16 And gold by weight for the tables of arranged *bread*, for every table; and silver for the tables of silver;

17 Also pure gold for the forks, and the sprinkling bowls, and the cups; and for the golden covers, gold by weight for every cover; silver by weight, cover by cover;

18 And refined gold by weight for the altar of incense; and gold for the structure of the chariot of the cherubs, that spread out *their wings*, and entwined the ark of the covenant of Jehovah.

19 Jehovah made me intelligently successful in writing all by his hand upon me, all the works of the structure.

20 And David said to Solomon, his son, Be strong, and powerfully alert, and do *it*; do not fear, and do not break down, because Jehovah God, my God, *is* with you; he will not slack off from you, and he will not forsake you,

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until you have finished all the work for the service of the house of Jehovah.

21 And behold, the divisions of the priests and the Levites *are* for all the service of the house of God, and every generous wise *person is* with you for all workmanship for all service; and the chief rulers and all the people *are* wholly at your word.

**CHAPTER 29**

1 And David, the king, said to all the congregation, Solomon, my son, whom God alone has chosen, *is* young and tender, and the work *is* great, because the palace *is* not for man, but for Jehovah God.

2 And I have set up with all my power for the house of my God the gold for things of gold, and the silver for things of silver, and the bronze for things of bronze, the iron for things of iron, and wood for things of wood; beryl stones, and stones to be set, glistening stones, and of variegated colors, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance.

3 And yet more, since I have set my affection to the house of my God, there are of my own wealth, gold and silver, I have given to the house of my God above all that I have set up for the holy house,

4 Three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the houses;

5 The gold for things of gold, and the silver for things of silver, and for all manner of work by the

hands of fabricators. And who is willing to fill his service this day to Jehovah?

6 And the chief rulers of the fathers, and chief rulers of the tribes of Israel, and the chief rulers of thousands, and of hundreds, with the chief rulers of the king's work, offered willingly,

7 And gave for the service of the house of God of gold five thousand talents, and ten thousand darics,<sup>7</sup> and ten thousand talents of silver, and eighteen thousand talents of bronze, and one hundred thousand talents of iron.

8 And they with whom stones were found gave to the storehouse of the house of Jehovah by the hand of Jehiel, the Gershonite.

9 And the people rejoiced over offering willingly, because they offered willingly to Jehovah with a complete heart, and David, the king, also rejoiced with great joy.

10 And David blessed Jehovah in the eyes of all the congregation, and David said, Blessed *are* you, Jehovah God of Israel our father, forever and ever.

11 Yours, Oh Jehovah, *are* the greatness, and the might, and the splendor, and the victory, and the glorious authority, because all in the heavens and in the earth *are* yours; yours *is* the kingdom, Oh Jehovah, and you are exalted as head above all.

12 And wealth and heavy glory *are* before your face, and you rule over all; and in your hand *is* power and might; and *it is* in your hand to make great, and to give

<sup>7</sup> 29:7 darics, a persian coin.

strength to all.

13 And now, our God, we raise our hand to you, and boast in your shining name.

14 But who *am* I, and what *is* my people, that we should have power to offer this so willingly, because all things *are* of you, and we have given to you from your own hand.

15 Because we are strangers before your face, and temporary residents, as were all our fathers; our days on the earth are as a shadow, and there is none abiding.

16 Oh Jehovah, our God, all this wealth that we have set up to build you a house for your holy name *is* from your hand, and *is* all your own.

17 And I know by seeing, my God, that you test the heart, and have pleasure in uprightness. I have willingly offered all these things in the uprightness of my heart, and now I have seen your people with joy, who have come forth here to offer willingly to you.

18 Oh Jehovah God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, hedge this about forever in the forming of the devices of the heart of your people, and set up their heart to you;

19 And give to Solomon, my son, a complete heart, to hedge about your commandments, your testimonies, and your enactments, and to do all, and to build the palace, for which I have set up.

20 And David said to all the congregation, Now bless Jehovah, your God. And all the congregation blessed Jehovah God of their

fathers, and bowed down, and prostrated themselves to Jehovah and the king.

21 And they sacrificed sacrifices to Jehovah, and offered up burnt offerings to Jehovah on the next day after that a thousand bullocks, a thousand rams, a thousand lambs, with their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel;

22 And ate and drank before the face of Jehovah on that day with great joy. And they made Solomon, the son of David, king the second time, and anointed him to Jehovah to be the commander and Zadok to be priest.

23 And Solomon sat on the throne of Jehovah as king in place of David, his father, and prospered, and all Israel heard him attentively.

24 And all the chief rulers, and the mighty men, and also all the sons of King David, gave their hand to Solomon, the king.

25 And Jehovah made Solomon great from above in the eyes of all Israel, and gave upon him glorious royal authority as had not existed upon any king before him in Israel.

26 And David, the son of Jesse, reigned over all Israel.

27 And the days that he reigned over Israel *were* forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and he reigned thirty-three in Jerusalem.

28 And he died in a good old age, full of days, wealth, and heavy glory, and Solomon, his son, reigned in his place.

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*The prophets who wrote the words of David*

29 And the words of David, the king, first and last, behold, they are written in the words of Samuel, the seer, and in the words of Nathan, the prophet, and in the words of Gad, the one who gazes at visions,<sup>29</sup>

30 With all his reign, and his might, and the times that crossed over him, and over Israel, and over all the kingdoms of the lands.

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<sup>29</sup> **29:29** In this verse are three different words defining how the prophet of God received divine communication from God. Samuel is called a **seer**, the regular word, to see, *ra'ah*, to see with the natural eyes as all humans see who have sight, as well as to see mentally, and spiritually. Nathan is called **the prophet**, *nabiy*, from *naba*, to speak under divine inspiration, to bubble over by divine power. And Gad is called **the one who gazes at visions**, *chozeh*, the active participle of *chazah*, to gaze at, to have a vision. The noun is *machazeh*, vision, used first when the word of Jehovah was to Abram in a vision, *machezeh*.