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# THE FIRST BOOK OF MOSES, CALLED GENESIS.

n the beginning God created the heauen and the earth. 1 And the earth was without forme and void, and dark- 2  $^{\circ}_{\mathcal{L}}$  enesse was vpon the deepe, and the Spirit of God mooued vpon the waters. Then God said, Let there be light: 3 And there was light. And God saw the light that it was good, 4 and God separated the light from the darkenes. called the Light, Day, and the darkenes, he called Night. So the euening and the morning were the first day. Againe God 6 said. Let there be a firmament in the mids of the waters: and let it separate the waters from the waters. Then God made 7 the firmament, and separated the waters, which were vnder the firmament, from the waters which were aboue the firmament: and it was so. And God called the firmament Heauen. 8 So the Euening and the morning were the second day. God 9 said againe, Let the waters vnder the heauen be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appeare. and it was so. And 10 God called the dry land, Earth, and he called the gathering together of the waters, Seas: and God saw that it was good. Then God said, Let the earth bud forth the bud of the herbe, 11 that seedeth seed, the fruitfull tree, which beareth fruite according to his kinde, which hath his seede in it selfe vpon the earth: and it was so. And the earth brought foorth the bud 12 of the herbe, that seedeth seede according to his kind, also the tree that beareth fruit, which hath his seed in it selfe according to his kinde: and God saw that it was good. So the eu- 13 ening and the morning were the third day. And God said, 14 Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven, to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signes, and for seasons, and for dayes and yeeres. And let them be for 15 lights in the firmament of the heauen to give light vpon the earth: and it was so. God then made two great lights: the 16 greater light to rule the day, and the lesse light to rule the night: he made also the starres. And God set them in the fir18 mament of the heaven, to shine vpon the earth, And to rule in the day, and in the night, and to separate the light from 19 the darkenesse: and God saw that it was good. So the eu-20 ening and the morning were the fourth day. Afterward God said, Let the waters bring foorth in abundance euery creeping thing that hath life: and let the foule flie vpon the earth in the 21 open firmament of the heauen. Then God created the great whales, and euery thing liuing and mouing, which the waters brought foorth in abundance according to their kinde, and euery fethered foule according to his kinde: and God sawe that it 22 was good. Then God blessed them, saying, Bring foorth fruite and multiplie, and fill the waters in the seas, and let the foule 23 multiplie in the earth. So the euening and the morning were 24 the fifte day. Moreouer God said, Let the earth bring foorth the liuing thing according to his kinde, cattel, and that which creepeth, and the beast of the earth, according to his kinde. 25 and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth according to his kinde, and the cattell according to his kinde, and euery creeping thing of the earth according to his kind: and God saw 26 that it was good. Furthermore God said, Let vs make man in our image according to our likenes, and let them rule ouer the fish of the sea, and ouer the foule of the heaven, and ouer the beastes, and ouer all the earth, and ouer euery thing that 27 creepeth and moueth on the earth. Thus God created the man in his image: in the image of God created he him: he created 28 them male and female. And God blessed them, and God said to them, Bring forth fruite and multiplie, and fill the earth, and subdue it, and rule ouer the fish of the sea, and ouer the foule of the heaven, and over every beast that moueth vpon 29 the earth. And God said, Beholde, I haue given vnto you euery herbe bearing seede, which is vpon al the earth, and euery tree, wherein is the fruite of a tree bearing seede: that shall 30 be to you for meate. Likewise to euery beast of the earth, and to euery foule of the heaven, and to euery thing that moueth vpon the earth, which hath life in it selfe, euery greene herbe 31 shall be for meate. and it was so. And God sawe all that he had made, and loe, it was very good. So the euening and the morning were the sixt day.

2 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the 2 host of them. For in the seventh day GOD ended his worke

which he had made, and the seuenth day he rested from al his worke, which he had made. So God blessed the seuenth 3 day, and sanctified it, because that in it he had rested from all his worke, which God had created and made. These are the 4 generations of the heavens and of the earth, when they were created, in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heauens. And euery plant of the fielde, before it was in the 5 earth, and euery herbe of the field, before it grewe: for the Lord God had not caused it to raine vpon the earth, neither was there a man to till the ground, But a myst went vp from 6 the earth, and watered all the earth. The Lord God also made 7 the man of the dust of the grounde, and breathed in his face breath of life, and the man was a liuing soule. And the Lord 8 God planted a garden Eastward in Eden, and there he put the man whom he had made. (For out of the ground made the 9 Lord God to grow every tree pleasant to the sight, and good for meate: the tree of life also in the mids of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and of euill. And out of Eden went 10 a riuer to water the garden, and from thence it was deuided, and became into foure heads. The name of one is Pishon: the 11 same compasseth the whole land of Hauilah, where is golde. And the golde of that land is good: there is Bdelium, and the 12 Onix stone. And the name of the seconde river is Gihon: the 13 same compasseth the whole lande of Cush. The name also of 14 the third river is Hiddekel: this goeth toward the Eastside of Asshur: and the fourth river is Perath) Then the Lord God 15 tooke the man, and put him into the garden of Eden, that he might dresse it and keepe it. And the Lord God commanded 16 the man, saying, Thou shalt eate freely of euery tree of the garden, But of the tree of knowledge of good and euill, thou 17 shalt not eate of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof, thou shalt die the death. Also the Lord God saide, It is not 18 good that the man should be himself alone: I wil make him an helpe meete for him. So the Lord God formed of the earth 19 euery beast of the fielde, and euery foule of the heauen, and brought them vnto the man to see howe he would call them: for howsoeuer the man named the liuing creature, so was the name thereof. The man therefore gaue names vnto all cattell, 20 and to the foule of the heaven, and to every beast of the fielde: but for Adam founde he not an helpe meete for him. Therefore 21 the Lord God caused an heavie sleepe to fall vpon the man, and he slept: and he tooke one of his ribbes, and closed vp the flesh in steade thereof. And the ribbe which the Lord God had taken from the man, made he a woman, and brought her to the man. Then the man said, This now is bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh. She shalbe called woman, because she was taken out of man. Therefore shall man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife, and they shall be one flesh. And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

3 Now the serpent was more subtill then any beast of the fielde, which the Lord God had made: and he said to the woman, Yea, hath God in deede said, Ye shall not eate of euery tree of 2 the garden? And the woman said vnto the serpent. We eate 3 of the fruite of the trees of the garden, But of the fruite of the tree which is in the middes of the garden, God hath said, Ye 4 shall not eate of it, neither shall ve touche it, lest ve die. Then 5 the serpent said to the woman, Ye shall not die at all, But God doeth knowe, that when ye shall eate thereof, your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and eu-So the woman (seeing that the tree was good for meate, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to get knowledge) tooke of the fruite thereof, and did eate, and 7 gaue also to her husband with her, and he did eate. Then the eyes of them both were opened, and they knewe that they were naked, and they sewed figge tree leaues together, and made 8 them selues breeches. Afterward they heard the voyce of the Lord God walking in the garden in the coole of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselues from the presence of the 9 Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God 10 called to the man, and said vnto him, Where art thou? Who saide, I heard thy voyce in the garden, and was afraide: be-11 cause I was naked, therefore I hid my selfe. And he saide, Who tolde thee, that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eate? 12 Then the man saide, The woman which thou gauest to be with 13 me, she gaue me of the tree, and I did eate. And the Lord God saide to the woman, Why hast thou done this? And the woman 14 said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eate. Then the Lord God said to the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art

cursed aboue all cattell, and aboue euery beast of the fielde: vpon thy belly shalt thou goe, and dust shalt thou eate all the dayes of thy life. I will also put enimitie betweene thee and 15 the woman, and betweene thy seede and her seede. He shall breake thine head, and thou shalt bruise his heele. Vnto the 16 woman he said, I will greatly increase thy sorowes, and thy conceptions. In sorowe shalt thou bring foorth children, and thy desire shalbe subject to thine husband, and he shall rule ouer thee. Also to Adam he said. Because thou hast obeyed 17 the voyce of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, (whereof I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eate of it) cursed is the earth for thy sake: in sorowe shalt thou eate of it all the dayes of thy life. Thornes also, and thistles shall it bring foorth to 18 thee, and thou shalt eate the herbe of the fielde. In the sweate 19 of thy face shalt thou eate bread, till thou returne to the earth: for out of it wast thou taken, because thou art dust, and to dust shalt thou returne. (And the man called his wives name 20 Heuah, because she was the mother of all liuing) Vnto Adam 21 also and to his wife did the Lord God make coates of skinnes. and clothed them. And the Lord God said, Beholde, the man is 22 become as one of vs. to knowe good and euill. And nowe lest he put foorth his hand, and take also of ye tree of life and eate and liue for euer, Therefore the Lord God sent him foorth from the 23 garden of Eden, to till ye earth, whence he was taken. Thus 24 he cast out man, and at the East side of the garden of Eden he set the Cherubims, and the blade of a sworde shaken, to keepe the way of the tree of life.

Afterward the man knew Heuah his wife, which conceiued and bare Kain, and said, I have obteined a man by the Lord. And againe she brought foorth his brother Habel, and Habel was a keeper of sheepe, and Kain was a tiller of the ground. And in processe of time it came to passe, that Kain brought an oblation vnto the Lord of the fruite of the ground. And Habel also him selfe brought of the first fruites of his sheepe, and of the fat of them, and the Lord had respect vnto Habel, and to his offering, But vnto Kain and to his offering he had no regarde: wherefore Kain was exceeding wroth, and his countenance fell downe. Then ye Lord said vnto Kain, Why art 6 thou wroth? and why is thy countenance cast downe? If 7 thou do well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not

well, sinne lieth at the doore: also vnto thee his desire shalbe 8 subject, and thou shalt rule ouer him. Then Kain spake to Habel his brother. And when they were in the fielde, Kain rose 9 vp against Habel his brother, and slewe him. Then the Lord said vnto Kain, Where is Habel thy brother? Who answered, I 10 cannot tell. Am I my brothers keeper? Againe he said, What hast thou done? the voyce of thy brothers blood cryeth vnto 11 me from the earth. Now therefore thou art cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brothers 12 blood from thine hand. When thou shalt till the grounde, it shall not henceforth yeelde vnto thee her strength: a vagabond 13 and a runnagate shalt thou be in the earth. Then Kain said 14 to the Lord, My punishment is greater, then I can beare. Behold, thou hast cast me out this day from the earth, and from thy face shall I be hid, and shalbe a vagabond, and a runnagate in the earth, and whosoeuer findeth me, shall slav me. Then the Lord said vnto him, Doubtlesse whosoeuer slaveth Kain, he shalbe punished seue folde. And the Lord set a marke vpon 16 Kain, lest any man finding him should kill him. Then Kain went out from the presence of the Lord, and dwelt in the land of 17 Nod towarde the Eastside of Eden. Kain also knewe his wife. which conceived and bare Henoch: and he built a citie, and called the name of the citie by ve name of his sonne, Henoch. 18 And to Henoch was borne Irad, and Irad begate Mehuiael, and Mehuiael begate Methushael, and Methushael begate Lamech. 19 And Lamech tooke him two wives: the name of the one was 20 Adah, and the name of the other Zillah. And Adah bare Iabal, who was the father of such as dwell in the tents, and of such as 21 haue cattell. And his brothers name was Iubal, who was the 22 father of all that play on the harpe and organes. And Zillah also bare Tubal-kain, who wrought cunningly euery craft of brasse and of yron: and the sister of Tubal-kain was Naamah. 23 Then Lamech saide vnto his wives Adah and Zillah, Heare my voyce, ye wiues of Lamech: hearken vnto my speach: for I would slay a man in my wound, and a yong man in mine If Kain shalbe auenged seuen folde, truely Lamech, 25 seuentie times seuen folde. And Adam knewe his wife againe, and she bare a sonne, and she called his name Sheth: for God, saide she, hath appointed me another seede for Habel, because 26 Kain slewe him. And to ye same Sheth also there was borne

a sonne, and he called his name Enosh. Then beganne men to call vpon the name of the Lord.

This is the booke of the generations of Adam. In the day 5 that God created Adam, in the likenes of God made he him, Male and female created he them, and blessed them, and called 2 their name Adam in the day that they were created. Adam liued an hundred and thirtie yeeres, and begate a childe in his owne likenes after his image, and called his name Sheth. And the dayes of Adam, after he had begotten Sheth, were 4 eight hundreth yeeres, and he begate sonnes and daughters. So all the dayes that Adam lived, were nine hundreth and thir- 5 tie yeeres: and he died. And Sheth liued an hundreth and fiue 6 yeeres, and begate Enosh. And Sheth liued, after he begate 7 Enosh, eight hundreth and seuen veeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. So all the dayes of Sheth were nine hundreth 8 and twelue veeres: and he died. Also Enosh liued ninetie 9 veeres, and begate Kenan. And Enosh liued, after he begate 10 Kenan, eight hundreth and fifteene yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. So all the dayes of Enosh were nine hundreth 11 and fiue yeeres: and he died Likewise Kenan liued seuentie 12 yeeres, and begate Mahalaleel. And Kenan liued, after he be- 13 gate Mahalaleel, eight hundreth and fourtie yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. So all the dayes of Kenan were nine 14 hundreth and tenne yeeres: and he died. Mahalaleel also li- 15 ued sixtie and fiue yeres, and begate Iered. Also Mahalaleel 16 liued, after he begate Iered, eight hundreth and thirtie yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. So all the dayes of Maha- 17 laleel were eight hundreth ninetie and fiue veeres: and he died. And Iered liued an hundreth sixtie and two yeeres, and begate 18 Henoch. Then Iered liued, after he begate Henoch, eight hun- 19 dreth yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. So all the 20 dayes of Iered were nine hundreth sixtie and two yeeres: and he died. Also Henoch liued sixtie and fiue yeeres, and begate 21 Methushelah. And Henoch walked with God, after he begate 22 Methushelah, three hundreth yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. So all the dayes of Henoch were three hundreth 23 sixtie and fiue veeres. And Henoch walked with God, and he 24 was no more seene: for God tooke him away. Methushelah 25 also liued an hundreth eightie and seuen yeeres, and begate Lamech. And Methushelah liued, after he begate Lamech. 26 seuen hundreth eightie and two yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. So al the dayes of Methushelah were nine hundreth sixtie and nine yeeres: and he died. Then Lamech liued an hundreth eightie and two yeeres, and begate a sonne, And called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort vs concerning our worke and sorowe of our hands, as touching the earth, which the Lord hath cursed. And Lamech liued, after he begate Noah, fiue hundreth ninetie and fiue yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. So all the dayes of Lamech were seuen hundreth seuentie and seuen yeeres: and he died. And Noah was fiue hundreth yeere olde. And Noah begate Shem, Ham and Iapheth.

So when men began to be multiplied vpon the earth, and 2 there were daughters borne vnto them. Then the sonnes of God sawe the daughters of men that they were faire, and they 3 tooke them wives of all that they liked. Therefore the Lord saide, My Spirit shall not alway striue with man, because he is but flesh, and his dayes shalbe an hundreth and twentie 4 yeeres. There were gyants in the earth in those dayes: yea, and after that the sonnes of God came vnto the daughters of men, and they had borne them children, these were mightie 5 men, which in olde time were men of renoume. When the Lord sawe that the wickednesse of man was great in the earth, and all the imaginations of the thoughtes of his heart were onely 6 euill continually, Then it repented ye Lord, that he had made 7 man in the earth, and he was sorie in his heart. Therefore ye Lord said, I will destroy from the earth the man, whom I haue created, from man to beast, to the creeping thing, and to the foule of the heaven: for I repent that I have made them. 8,9 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord. These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a just and vpright man in his 10 time: and Noah walked with God. And Noah begate three 11 sonnes, Shem, Ham and Iapheth. The earth also was cor-12 rupt before God: for the earth was filled with crueltie. Then God looked vpon the earth, and beholde, it was corrupt: for all 13 flesh had corrupt his way vpon the earth. And God said vnto Noah, An ende of all flesh is come before me: for the earth is filled with crueltie through them: and beholde, I wil destroy 14 them with the earth. Make thee an Arke of pine trees: thou shalt make cabines in the Arke, and shalt pitch it within and

without with pitch. And thus shalt thou make it: The length 15 of the Arke shalbe three hundreth cubites, the breadth of it fiftie cubites, and the height of it thirtie cubites. A windowe 16 shalt thou make in the Arke, and in a cubite shalt thou finish it aboue, and the doore of the Arke shalt thou set in the side thereof: thou shalt make it with the lowe, seconde and third roume. And I, beholde, I will bring a flood of waters vpon the 17 earth to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life vnder the heaven: all that is in the earth shall perish. But with thee 18 will I establish my couenant, and thou shalt goe into the Arke, thou, and thy sonnes, and thy wife, and thy sonnes wiues with thee. And of euery liuing thing, of all flesh two of euery sort 19 shalt thou cause to come into the Arke, to keepe them aliue with thee: they shalbe male and female. Of the foules, after 20 their kinde, and of the cattell after their kind, of euery creeping thing of the earth after his kinde, two of euery sort shall come vnto thee, that thou mayest keepe them aliue. And take thou 21 with thee of all meate that is eaten: and thou shalt gather it to thee, that it may be meate for thee and for them. Noah there- 22 fore did according vnto all, that God commanded him: euen so did he.

And the Lord said vnto Noah, Enter thou and all thine 7 house into the Arke: for thee haue I seene righteous before me in this age. Of every cleane beast thou shalt take to thee 2 by seuens, the male and his female: but of vncleane beastes by couples, the male and his female. Of the foules also of 3 the heauen by seuens, male and female, to keepe seede aliue vpon the whole earth. For seuen dayes hence I will cause it 4 raine vpon the earth fourtie dayes and fourtie nightes, and all the substance that I have made, will I destroy from off the Noah therefore did according vnto all that the Lord 5 commanded him. And Noah was sixe hundreth yeeres olde, 6 when the flood of waters was vpon the earth. So Noah entred 7 and his sonnes, and his wife, and his sonnes wiues with him into the Arke, because of the waters of the flood. Of the cleane 8 beastes, and of the vncleane beastes, and of the foules, and of all that creepeth vpon the earth, There came two and two vnto 9 Noah into the Arke, male and female, as God had commanded Noah. And so after seuen dayes the waters of the flood were 10 vpon the earth. In the sixe hundreth yeere of Noahs life in 11

the second moneth, the seuetenth day of the moneth, in the same day were all the fountaines of the great deepe broken vp. 12 and the windowes of heauen were opened, And the raine was 13 vpon the earth fourtie dayes and fourtie nightes. In the selfe same day entred Noah with Shem, and Ham and Iapheth, the sonnes of Noah, and Noahs wife, and the three wives of his 14 sonnes with them into the Arke. They and euery beast after his kinde, and all cattell after their kinde, and euery thing that creepeth and moueth vpon the earth after his kinde, and euery 15 foule after his kinde, euen euery bird of euery fether. For they came to Noah into ye Arke, two and two, of all flesh wherein 16 is ye breath of life. And they entring in, came male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the Lord 17 shut him in. Then ye flood was fourtie dayes vpon the earth, and the waters were increased, and bare vp the Arke, which 18 was lift vp aboue the earth. The waters also waxed strong, and were increased exceedingly vpon the earth, and the Arke 19 went vpon the waters. The waters preuailed so exceedingly vpon the earth, that all the high mountaines, that are vnder 20 the whole heauen, were couered. Fifteene cubites vpwarde did the waters preuaile, when the mountaines were couered. 21 Then all flesh perished that moued vpon the earth, both foule and cattell and beast, and euery thing that creepeth and mou-22 eth vpon the earth, and euery man. Euery thing in whose nostrels the spirit of life did breathe, whatsoeuer they were in 23 the drie land, they died. So he destroyed euery thing that was vpon the earth, from man to beast, to ye creeping thing, and to the foule of the heauen: they were euen destroyed from the earth. And Noah onely remained; and they that were with 24 him in ye Arke. And the waters preuailed vpon the earth an hundreth and fiftie dayes.

Now God remembred Noah and euery beast, and all the cattell that was with him in the Arke: therefore God made a winde to passe vpon the earth, and the waters ceased. The fountaines also of the deepe and the windowes of heauen were stopped and the raine from heauen was restrained, And the waters returned from aboue the earth, going and returning: and after the ende of the hundreth and fiftieth day the waters abated. And in the seuenth moneth, in the seuenteenth day of the moneth, the Arke rested vpon the mountaines of

Ararat. And the waters were going and decreasing vntill the 5 tenth moneth: in the tenth moneth, and in the first day of the moneth were the toppes of the mountaines seene. fourtie dayes, Noah opened the windowe of the Arke, which he had made, And sent forth a rauen, which went out going forth 7 and returning, vntill the waters were dried vp vpon the earth. Againe he sent a doue from him, that he might see if the wa- 8 ters were diminished from off the earth. But the doue found 9 no rest for the sole of her foote: therefore she returned vnto him into the Arke (for the waters were vpon the whole earth) and he put forth his hand, and received her, and tooke her to him into the Arke. And he abode vet other seuen dayes, 10 and againe he sent forth the doue out of the Arke. And the 11 doue came to him in ve euening, and loe, in her mouth was an oliue leafe that she had pluckt: whereby Noah knewe that the waters were abated from off the earth. Notwithstanding he 12 wayted vet other seuen dayes, and sent forth the doue, which returned not againe vnto him any more. And in the sixe hun- 13 dreth and one yeere, in the first day of the first moneth the waters were dryed vp from off the earth: and Noah remoued the couering of the Arke and looked, and beholde, the vpper part of the ground was drie. And in the second moneth, in 14 the seuen and twentieth day of the moneth was the earth drie. Then God spake to Noah, saying, Goe forth of the Arke, thou 15, 16 and thy wife, and thy sonnes and thy sonnes wiues with thee. Bring forth with thee euery beast that is with thee, of all flesh, 17 both foule and cattell, and euery thing that creepeth and moueth vpon the earth, that they may breede abundantly in ve earth, and bring forth fruite and increase vpon ye earth. Noah came forth, and his sonnes, and his wife, and his sonnes wives with him. Every beast, every creeping thing, and every 19 foule, all that moueth vpon the earth after their kindes went Then Noah built an altar to the Lord and 20 out of the Arke. tooke of euery cleane beast, and of euery cleane foule, and offered burnt offerings vpon the altar. And the Lord smellled 21 a sauour of rest, and the Lord said in his heart, I will hencefoorth curse the ground no more for mans cause: for the imagination of mans heart is euill, euen from his youth: neither will I smite any more all things liuing, as I haue done. Hereafter 22 seede time and haruest, and colde and heate, and sommer and

winter, and day and night shall not cease, so long as ye earth remaineth.

9 And God blessed Noah and his sonnes, and said to them, Bring foorth fruite, and multiplie, and replenish the earth. 2 Also the feare of you, and the dread of you shalbe vpon euery beast of the earth, and vpon euery foule of the heauen, vpon all that moueth on the earth, and vpon all the fishes of the sea: 3 into your hand are they deliuered. Euery thing that moueth and liueth, shall be meate for you: as the greene herbe, haue I 4 giuen you all things. But flesh with the life thereof, I meane, 5 with the blood thereof, shall ye not eate. For surely I will require your blood, wherein your liues are: at the hand of euery beast will I require it: and at the hand of man, euen at the 6 hand of a mans brother will I require the life of man. Who so sheadeth mans blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the 7 image of God hath he made man. But bring ye forth fruite and multiplie: grow plentifully in the earth, and increase therein. 8 God spake also to Noah and to his sonnes with him, saying, 9 Behold, I, euen I establish my couenant with you, and with 10 your seede after you, And with euery liuing creature that is with you, with the foule, with the cattell, and with euery beast of the earth with you, from all that goe out of the Arke, vnto eu-11 ery beast of the earth. And my couenant will I establish with vou. that from henceforth all flesh shall not be rooted out by ye waters of the flood, neither shall there be a flood to destroy 12 the earth any more. Then God saide, This is the token of the couenant which I make betweene me and you, and betweene euery liuing thing, that is with you vnto perpetuall genera-13 tions. I have set my bowe in the cloude, and it shalbe for a 14 signe of the couenant betweene me and the earth. And when I shall couer the earth with a cloud, and the bowe shall be seene 15 in the cloude, Then will I remember my couenant, which is betweene me and you, and betweene euery liuing thing in all flesh, and there shalbe no more waters of a flood to destroy all Therefore the bowe shalbe in the cloude, that I may 16 flesh. see it, and remember the euerlasting couenant betweene God, 17 and euery liuing thing in all flesh that is vpon the earth. God said yet to Noah, This is the signe of the couenant, which I haue established betweene me and all flesh that is vpon the 18 earth. Nowe the sonnes of Noah going foorth of the Arke, were Shem and Ham and Iapheth. And Ham is the father of These are the three sonnes of Noah, and of them 19 was the whole earth ouerspred. Noah also began to be an 20 husband man and planted a vineyard. And he drunke of ye 21 wine and was drunken, and was vncouered in the middes of his tent. And when Ham the father of Canaan sawe the naked- 22 nesse of his father, he tolde his two brethren without. Then 23 tooke Shem and Iapheth a garment, and put it vpon both their shoulders, and went backwarde, and couered the nakednesse of their father with their faces backwarde: so they sawe not their fathers nakednesse. Then Noah awoke from his wine, 24 and knew what his yonger sonne had done vnto him, And 25 said. Cursed be Canaan: a seruant of seruants shall he be vnto his brethren. He said moreouer, blessed be the Lord God of 26 Shem, and let Canaan be his seruant. God perswade Iapheth, 27 that he may dwell in the tentes of Shem, and let Canaan be his seruant. And Noah lived after the flood three hundreth and 28 fiftie veeres. So all the dayes of Noah were nine hundreth and 29 fiftie veeres: and he died.

Now these are the generations of the sonnes of Noah, Shem, 10 Ham and Iapheth: vnto whom sonnes were borne after the The sonnes of Iapheth were Gomer and Magog, and 2 Madai, and Iauan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras. And 3 the sonnes of Gomer, Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah. Also the sonnes of Iauan, Elishah and Tarshish, Kittim, and 4 Dodanim. Of these were the yles of the Gentiles deuided in 5 their landes, euery man after his tongue, and after their families in their nations. Moreover, ve sonnes of Ham were Cush, 6 and Mizraim, and Put, and Canaan. And the sonnes of Cush, 7 Seba and Hauilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabtecha: also the sonnes of Raamah were Sheba and Dedan. And Cush 8 begate Nimrod, who began to be mightie in the earth. He was 9 a mightie hunter before the Lord. wherefore it is saide, As Nimrod the mightie hunter before the Lord. And the begin- 10 ning of his kingdome was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar. Out of that land came Asshur, 11 and builded Niniueh, and the citie Rehoboth, and Calah: Re- 12 sen also betweene Niniueh and Calah: this is a great citie. And Mizraim begate Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and 13 Naphtuhim. Pathrusim also, and Casluhim (out of whom 14

15 came the Philistims) and Caphtorims. Also Canaan begat Zi-16 don his first borne, and Heth, And Iebusi, and Emori, and 17, 18 Girgashi, And Hiui, and Arki, and Sini, And Aruadi, and Zemari, and Hamathi: and afterwarde were the families of the 19 Canaanites spred abroade. Then the border of the Canaanites was from Zidon, as thou commest to Gerar vntil Azzah, and as thou goest vnto Sodom, and Gomorah, and Admah, and 20 Zeboijm, euen vnto Lasha. These are the sonnes of Ham according to their families, according to their tongues in their 21 countries and in their nations. Vnto Shem also the father of all the sonnes of Eber, and elder brother of Iapheth were chil-22 dren borne. The sonnes of Shem were Elam and Asshur, and 23 Arpachshad, and Lud, and Aram. And the sonnes of Aram, 24 Vz and Hul, and Gether and Mash. Also Arpachshad begate 25 Shelah, and Shelah begate Eber. Vnto Eber also were borne two sonnes: the name of the one was Peleg: for in his dayes was 26 the earth divided: and his brothers name was Ioktan. Then Ioktan begate Almodad and Sheleph, and Hazarmaueth, and 27, 28 Ierah, And Hadoram, and Vzal, and Dicklah, And Obal, and 29 Abimael, and Sheba, And Ophir, and Hauilah, and Iobab: all 30 these were the sonnes of Ioktan. And their dwelling was from 31 Mesha, as thou goest vnto Sephar a mount of the East. These are the sonnes of Shem according to their families, according 32 to their tongues, in their countreis and nations. These are the families of the sonnes of Noah, after their generations among their people: and out of these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.

Then the whole earth was of one language and one speache.

And as they went from the East, they found a plaine in the land of Shinar, and there they abode. And they said one to another, Come, let vs make bricke, and burne it in the fire. So they had bricke for stone, and slime had they in steade of morter. Also they said, Goe to, let vs builde vs a citie and a towre, whose top may reache vnto the heauen, that we may get vs a name, lest we be scattered vpon the whole earth. But the Lord came downe, to see the citie and towre, which the sonnes of men builded. And the Lord said, Beholde, the people is one, and they all haue one language, and this they begin to doe, neither can they now be stopped from whatsoeuer they haue imagined to do. Come on, let vs goe downe, and there

confound their language, that every one perceive not anothers speache. So ye Lord scattered them from thence ypon all 8 the earth, and they left off to build the citie. Therefore the 9 name of it was called Babel, because the Lord did there confounde the language of all the earth: from thence then did the Lord scatter them vpon all the earth. These are the genera- 10 tions of Shem: Shem was an hundreth yeere olde, and begate Arpachshad two yeere after the flood. And Shem liued, af- 11 ter he begate Arpachshad, fiue hundreth yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. Also Arpachshad liued fiue and thir- 12 tie yeeres, and begate Shelah. And Arpachshad liued, after 13 he begate Shelah, foure hundreth and three yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. And Shelah liued thirtie yeeres, 14 and begat Eber. So Shelah liued, after he begat Eber, foure 15 hundreth and three yeeres, and begat sonnes and daughters. Likewise Eber liued foure and thirtie yeres, and begate Peleg. 16 So Eber liued, after he begate Peleg, foure hundreth and thir- 17 tie yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters And Peleg liued 18 thirtie veeres, and begate Reu. And Peleg liued, after he be- 19 gate Reu, two hundreth and nine yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. Also Reu liued two and thirtie yeeres, and be- 20 gate Serug. So Reu liued, after he begate Serug, two hundreth 21 and seuen veeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. ouer Serug liued thirtie yeeres, and begate Nahor. And Serug 23 liued, after he begate Nahor, two hundreth yeeres, and begate sonnes and daughters. And Nahor lived nine and twentie 24 yeeres, and begate Terah. So Nahor lived, after he begate 25 Terah, an hundreth and nineteene veeres, and begat sonnes and daughters. So Terah liued seuentie yeeres, and begate 26 Abram, Nahor, and Haran. Nowe these are the generations of 27 Terah: Terah begate Abram, Nahor, and Haran: and Haran begate Lot. Then Haran died before Terah his father in the land 28 of his natiuitie, in Vr of the Caldees. So Abram and Nahor 29 tooke them wives. The name of Abrams wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahors wife Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah. But Sarai was bar- 30 ren, and had no childe. Then Terah tooke Abram his sonne. 31 and Lot the sonne of Haran, his sonnes sonne, and Sarai his daughter in lawe, his sonne Abrams wife: and they departed together from Vr of the Caldees, to goe into the land of Canaan,

and they came to Haran, and dwelt there. So the dayes of Terah were two hundreth and fiue yeeres, and Terah died in Haran.

**12** For the Lord had said vnto Abram, Get thee out of thy countrey, and from thy kindred, and from thy fathers house vnto the 2 land that I will shewe thee. And I will make of thee a great nation, and will blesse thee, and make thy name great, and 3 thou shalt be a blessing. I will also blesse them that blesse thee, and curse them that curse thee, and in thee shall all fam-4 ilies of the earth be blessed. So Abram departed, euen as ye Lord spake vnto him, and Lot went with him. (And Abram was seuentie and fiue yeere olde, when he departed out of Ha-5 ran) Then Abram tooke Sarai his wife, and Lot his brothers sonne, and all their substance that they possessed, and the soules that they had gotten in Haran, and they departed, to goe to the land of Canaan: and to the land of Canaan they So Abram passed through the land vnto the place of Shechem, and vnto the plaine of Moreh (and the Canaanite 7 was then in ye land) And the Lord appeared vnto Abram, and said, Vnto thy seede will I giue this land. And there builded he 8 an altar vnto the Lord, which appeared vnto him. Afterward remouing thence vnto a moutaine Eastward from Beth-el, he pitched his tent hauing Beth-el on the Westside, and Haai on the East: and there he built an altar vnto the Lord, and called 9 on the Name of the Lord. Againe Abram went forth going and 10 iourneying toward the South. Then there came a famine in the land: therefore Abram went downe into Egypt to soiourne 11 there: for there was a great famine in the lande. And when he drewe neere to enter into Egypt, he said to Sarai his wife. Beholde nowe, I know that thou art a faire woman to looke 12 vpon: Therefore it will come to passe, that when the Egyptians see thee, they will say, She is his wife: so will they kill 13 me, but they will keepe thee aliue. Say, I pray thee, that thou art my sister, that I may fare well for thy sake, and that 14 my life may be preserued by thee. Nowe when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians behelde the woman: for she 15 was very faire. And the Princes of Pharaoh sawe her, and commended her vnto Pharaoh: so the woman was taken into 16 Pharaohs house: Who intreated Abram well for her sake, and he had sheepe, and beeues, and hee asses, and men seruants

and maide seruants, and shee asses, and camelles. But the 17 Lord plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues, because of Sarai Abrams wife. Then Pharaoh called Abram, and 18 saide, Why hast thou done this vnto me? Wherefore diddest thou not tell me, that she was thy wife? Why saidest thou, 19 She is my sister, that I should take her to be my wife? Nowe therefore beholde thy wife, take her and goe thy way. And 20 Pharaoh gaue men commandement concerning him: and they conueyed him forth, and his wife, and all that he had.

Then Abram went vp from Egypt, he, and his wife, and 13 all that he had, and Lot with him toward the South. And 3 Abram was very rich in cattell, in siluer and in golde. he went on his journey from ye South toward Beth-el, to the place where his tent had bene at ve beginning, betweene Bethel and Haai, Vnto the place of the altar, which he had made 4 there at the first: and there Abram called on the Name of the Lord. And Lot also, who went with Abram, had sheepe, and 5 cattell and tentes. So that the land coulde not beare them, 6 that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they coulde not dwell together. Also there was de-7 bate betweene ve heardmen of Abrams cattell, and the heardmen of Lots cattell. (and the Canaanites and the Perizzites dwelled at that time in the land.) Then saide Abram vnto 8 Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, betweene thee and me, neither betweene mine heardmen and thine heardmen: for we be brethren. Is not the whole land before thee? depart I pray 9 thee from me: if thou wilt take the left hand, then I will goe to the right: or if thou goe to the right hand, then I will take the left. So when Lot lifted vp his eyes, he saw that all the plaine 10 of Iorden was watered euery where: (for before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorah, it was as the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt, as thou goest vnto Zoar) Then Lot chose 11 vnto him all the plaine of Iorden, and tooke his journey from the East: and they departed the one from the other. Abram 12 dwelled in the lande of Canaan, and Lot abode in the cities of the plaine, and pitched his tent euen to Sodom. Now the men 13 of Sodom were wicked and exceeding sinners against the Lord. Then the Lord saide vnto Abram, (after that Lot was departed 14 from him) Lift vp thine eyes nowe, and looke from the place where thou art. Northward, and Southward, and Eastwarde.

and Westward: For all the land, which thou seest, will I giue
vnto thee and to thy seede for euer, And I will make thy seede, as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust
of the earth, then shall thy seede be numbred. Arise, walke through the land, in ye length thereof, and breadth thereof: for
I will giue it vnto thee. Then Abram remoued his tent, and came and dwelled in the plaine of Mamre, which is in Hebron, and builded there an altar vnto ye Lord.

And in the dayes of Amraphel King of Shinar, Arioch King 14 of Ellasar, Chedor-laomer King of Elam, and Tidal king of the 2 nations: These men made warre with Bera King of Sodom, and with Birsha King of Gomorah, Shinab King of Admah, and Shemeber King of Zeboiim, and the King of Bela, which 3 is Zoar. All these ioyned together in the vale of Siddim, which 4 is the salt Sea. Twelue yeere were they subject to Chedor-5 laomer, but in the thirteenth yeere they rebelled. And in the fourteenth veere came Chedor-laomer, and the Kings that were with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims in Shaueh Kiriathaim, 6 And the Horites in their mount Seir, vnto the plaine of Paran, 7 which is by the wildernesse. And they returned and came to En-mishpat, which is Kadesh, and smote all the countrey of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites that dwelled in Hazezon-8 tamar. Then went out the King of Sodom, and the King of Gomorah, and the King of Admah, and the King of Zeboiim, and the King of Bela, which is Zoar: and they ioyned battell 9 with them in the vale of Siddim: To wit, with Chedor-laomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations, and Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar: foure Kings against fiue. 10 Now the vale of Siddim was full of slime pits, and the Kings of Sodom and Gomorah fled and fell there: and ye residue 11 fled to the mountaine. Then they tooke all the substance of Sodom and Gomorah, and al their vitailes and went their way. 12 They tooke Lot also Abrams brothers sonne and his substance 13 (for he dwelt at Sodom) and departed. Then came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Ebrew, which dwelt in the plaine of Mamre ye Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother 14 of Aner, which were confederat with Abram. When Abram heard that his brother was taken, he brought forth of them that were borne and brought vp in his house, three hundreth

and eighteene, and pursued them vnto Dan. Then he, and 15 his seruants deuided them selues against them by night, and smote them and pursued them vnto Hobah, which is on the left side of Damascus, And he recouered all the substance, and 16 also brought againe his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also and the people. After that he returned from the 17 slaughter of Chedor-laomer, and of the Kings that were with him, came the King of Sodom foorth to meete him in the valley of Shaueh, which is the Kings dale. And Melchi-zedek King of 18 Shalem brought foorth bread and wine: and he was a Priest of the most high God. Therefore he blessed him, saving, Blessed 19 art thou, Abram, of God most high possessour of heauen and earth, And blessed be the most high God, which hath deli- 20 uered thine enemies into thine hand. And Abram gaue him tythe of all. Then the King of Sodom saide to Abram, Giue me 21 the persons, and take the goodes to thy selfe. And Abram said 22 to the King of Sodom, I have lift vp mine hand vnto the Lord the most hie God possessor of heaven and earth. That I will 23 not take of all that is thine, so much as a threde or shoolatchet, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram riche, Saue onely 24 that, which the vong men haue eaten, and the partes of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre: let them take their partes.

After these things, the worde of the Lord came vnto Abram 15 in a vision, saying, Feare not, Abram, I am thy buckler, and thine exceeding great reward. And Abram said, O Lord God, 2 what wilt thou give me, seeing I goe childlesse, and the steward of mine house is this Eliezer of Damascus? Againe Abram 3 saide, Beholde, to me thou hast given no seede: wherefore loe, a seruant of mine house shalbe mine heire. Then beholde, 4 the worde of the Lord came vnto him, saying, This man shall not be thine heire, but one that shall come out of thine owne bowels, he shalbe thine heire. Moreouer he brought him forth 5 and said, Looke vp nowe vnto heauen, and tell ye starres, if thou be able to number them: and he said vnto him, So shall thy seede be. And Abram beleeued the Lord, and he counted 6 that to him for righteousnesse. Againe he saide vnto him, I 7 am the Lord, that brought thee out of Vr of the Caldees, to giue thee this land to inherite it. And he said, O Lord God, 8 whereby shall I knowe that I shall inherite it? Then he said 9

vnto him, Take me an heifer of three yeeres olde, and a shee goate of three yeeres olde, and a ramme of three veeres olde. a 10 turtle doue also and a pigeon. So he tooke all these vnto him, and deuided them into the middes, and laid euery piece one 11 against an other: but the birdes deuided he not. Then foules 12 fell on the carkases, and Abram droue them away. And when the sunne went downe, there fell an heauie sleepe vpon Abram: 13 and loe, a very fearefull darkenes fell vpon him. Then he saide to Abram, Knowe for a suretie, that thy seede shalbe a stranger in a land, that is not theirs, foure hundreth yeeres, and shall 14 serue them: and they shall intreate them euill. Notwithstanding the nation, whom they shall serue, will I judge: and 15 afterward shall they come out with great substance. But thou shalt goe vnto thy fathers in peace, and shalt be buried in a 16 good age. And in the fourth generation they shall come hither 17 againe: for the wickednes of the Amorites is not yet full. Also when the sunne went downe, there was a darkenes: and behold, a smoking fornace, and a firebrand, which went betweene 18 those pieces. In that same day the Lord made a couenant with Abram, saying, Vnto thy seede haue I giuen this lande, from the riuer of Egypt vnto the great riuer, the riuer Euphrates. 19, 20 The Kenites, and the Kenizites, and the Kadmonites, And the 21 Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims, The Amorites also, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Iebusites.

Nowe Sarai Abrams wife bare him no children, and she had 16 2 a maide an Egyptian, Hagar by name. And Sarai said vnto Abram, Beholde now, the Lord hath restrained me from childe bearing. I pray thee goe in vnto my maide: it may be that I shall receive a childe by her. And Abram obeyed the voyce Then Sarai Abrams wife tooke Hagar her maide the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelled ten yeere in the land of Canaan, and gaue her to her husband Abram for his wife. 4 And he went in vnto Hagar, and she conceiued. and when she sawe that she had conceived, her dame was despised in 5 her eyes. Then Sarai saide to Abram, Thou doest me wrong. I have given my maide into thy bosome, and she seeth that she hath conceiued, and I am despised in her eyes: the Lord 6 iudge betweene me and thee. Then Abram saide to Sarai, Beholde, thy maide is in thine hand: doe with her as it pleaseth thee. Then Sarai dealt roughly with her: wherefore she fled from her. But the Angel of the Lord founde her beside a fountaine of water in the wildernesse by the fountaine in the way to Shur, And he saide, Hagar Sarais maide, whence commest 8 thou? and whither wilt thou goe? And she said, I flie from my dame Sarai. Then the Angel of the Lord saide to her, Returne 9 to thy dame, and humble thy selfe vnder her hands. Againe 10 the Angel of the Lord saide vnto her, I will so greatly increase thy seede, that it shall not be numbred for multitude. Also 11 the Angel of the Lord said vnto her, See, thou art with childe, and shalt beare a sonne, and shalt call his name Ishmael: for the Lord hath heard thy tribulation. And he shalbe a wilde 12 man: his hande shall be against euery man, and euery mans hand against him. and he shall dwell in the presence of all Then she called the name of the Lord, that 13 his brethren. spake vnto her, Thou God lookest on me: for she said, Haue I not also here looked after him that seeth me? Wherefore the 14 well was called. Beerlahai-roi. lo. it is betweene Kadesh and Bered. And Hagar bare Abram a sonne, and Abram called his 15 sonnes name, which Hagar bare, Ishmael. And Abram was 16 foure score and sixe yeere olde, when Hagar bare him Ishmael.

When Abram was ninetie yeere olde and nine, the Lord ap- 17 peared to Abram, and said vnto him, I am God all sufficient. walke before me, and be thou vpright, And I will make my 2 couenant betweene me and thee, and I will multiplie thee exceedingly. Then Abram fell on his face, and God talked with 3 him, saying, Beholde, I make my couenant with thee, and 4 thou shalt be a father of many nations. Neither shall thy 5 name any more be called Abram, but thy name shalbe Abraham: for a father of many nations haue I made thee. Also 6 I will make thee exceeding fruitfull, and will make nations of thee: yea, Kings shall proceede of thee. Moreouer I wil 7 establish my couenant betweene me and thee, and thy seede after thee in their generations, for an euerlasting couenant, to be God vnto thee and to thy seede after thee. And I will 8 giue thee and thy seede after thee the land, wherein thou art a stranger, euen all the land of Canaan, for an euerlasting possession, and I will be their God. Againe God said vnto Abra- 9 ham, Thou also shalt keepe my couenant, thou, and thy seede after thee in their generations. This is my couenant which ye 10

shall keepe betweene me and you, and thy seede after thee, Let 11 euery man childe among you be circumcised: That is, ye shall circumcise the foreskin of your flesh, and it shalbe a signe of 12 the couenant betweene me and you. And euery man childe of eight dayes olde among you, shalbe circumcised in your generations, aswell he that is borne in thine house, as he that is bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seede. 13 He that is borne in thine house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needes be circumcised: so my couenant shall 14 be in your flesh for an euerlasting couenant. But the vncircumcised man childe, in whose flesh the foreskin is not circumcised, euen that person shall be cut off from his people, 15 because he hath broken my couenant. Afterward God said vnto Abraham, Sarai thy wife shalt thou not call Sarai, but 16 Sarah shalbe her name. And I will blesse her, and will also giue thee a sonne of her, yea, I will blesse her, and she shall be the mother of nations: Kings also of people shall come of her. 17 Then Abraham fell vpon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a childe be borne vnto him, that is an hundreth yeere olde? and shall Sarah that is ninetie yeere olde beare? 18 And Abraham saide vnto God, Oh, that Ishmael might liue in 19 thy sight. Then God saide, Sarah thy wife shall beare thee a sonne in deede, and thou shalt call his name Izhak: and I will establish my couenant with him for an euerlasting couenant, 20 and with his seede after him. And as concerning Ishmael, I haue heard thee: loe, I haue blessed him, and will make him fruitfull, and will multiplie him exceedingly: twelue princes 21 shall he beget, and I will make a great nation of him. But my couenant will I establish with Izhak, which Sarah shall beare 22 vnto thee, the next yeere at this season. And he left off talking 23 with him, and God went vp from Abraham. Then Abraham tooke Ishmael his sonne and all that were borne in his house. and all that was bought with his money, that is, euery man childe among the men of Abrahams house, and he circumcised the foreskinne of their flesh in that selfe same day, as God had Abraham also himselfe was ninetie veere 24 comaunded him. olde and nine, when the foreskinne of his flesh was circum-25 cised. And Ishmael his sonne was thirteene yeere olde, when 26 the foreskinne of his flesh was circumcised. The selfe same 27 day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his sonne: And

all the men of his house, both borne in his house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

Againe the Lord appeared vnto him in the plaine of Mamre, 18 as he sate in his tent doore about the heate of the day. And 2 he lift vp his eyes, and looked: and lo, three men stoode by him, and when he sawe them, he ranne to meete them from the tent doore, and bowed himselfe to the grounde. And he 3 said, Lord, if I have now founde favour in thy sight, goe not, I pray thee, from thy seruant. Let a litle water, I pray you, be 4 brought, and wash your feete, and rest your selues vnder the tree. And I will bring a morsell of bread, that you may comfort 5 your hearts, afterward ye shall go your wayes: for therefore are ye come to your seruant. And they said, Do euen as thou hast Then Abraham made haste into the tent vnto Sarah, 6 said. and saide, Make ready at once three measures of fine meale: kneade it, and make cakes vpon the hearth. And Abraham 7 ranne to the beastes, and tooke a tender and good calfe, and gaue it to the servant, who hasted to make it ready. And he 8 tooke butter and milke, and the calfe, which he had prepared, and set before them, and stoode himselfe by them vnder the tree, and they did eate. Then they saide to him, Where is 9 Sarah thy wife? And he answered, Beholde, she is in the tent. And he saide, I will certainely come againe vnto thee according 10 to ye time of life: and loe, Sarah thy wife shall haue a sonne. and Sarah heard in the tent doore, which was behinde him. (Nowe Abraham and Sarah were old and striken in age, and 11 it ceased to be with Sarah after the maner of women) There- 12 fore Sarah laughed within her selfe, saying, After I am waxed olde, and my lord also, shall I haue lust? And ye Lord saide 13 vnto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah thus laugh, saying, Shall I certainely beare a childe, which am olde? (Shall any thing 14 be hard to the Lord? at the time appointed will I returne vnto thee, euen according to the time of life, and Sarah shall haue a sonne.) But Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not: for she 15 was afraide. And he said, It is not so: for thou laughedst. Af- 16 terwarde the men did rise vp from thence and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the And the Lord said, Shall I hide from Abraham that 17 thing which I doe, Seeing that Abraham shalbe in deede a 18 great and a mightie nation, and all the nations of the earth

19 shalbe blessed in him? For I knowe him that he will commande his sonnes and his houshold after him, that they keepe the way of the Lord, to doe righteousnesse and judgement, that the Lord may bring vpon Abraham that he hath spoken vnto 20 him. Then the Lord saide, Because the crie of Sodom and Gomorah is great, and because their sinne is exceeding grieuous. 21 I will goe downe nowe, and see whether they have done altogether according to that crie which is come vnto me: and if not, 22 that I may knowe. And the men turned thence and went to-23 ward Sodom: but Abraham stoode yet before the Lord. Then Abraham drewe neere, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the 24 righteous with the wicked? If there be fiftie righteous within the citie, wilt thou destroy and not spare the place for the fiftie 25 righteous that are therein? Be it farre from thee from doing this thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be euen as the wicked, be it farre from thee. 26 shall not the Iudge of all the worlde doe right? And the Lord answered, If I shall finde in Sodom fiftie righteous within the 27 citie, then will I spare all the place for their sakes. Then Abraham answered and said, Behold nowe, I have begun to speake 28 vnto my Lord, and I am but dust and ashes. If there shall lacke fiue of fiftie righteous, wilt thou destroy all the citie for fiue? And he saide, If I finde there fiue and fourtie, I will not 29 destroy it. And he yet spake to him againe, and saide, What if there shalbe found fourtie there? Then he answered, I will 30 not doe it for fourties sake. Againe he said, Let not my Lord nowe be angry, that I speake, What if thirtie be founde there? 31 Then he saide, I will not doe it, if I finde thirtie there. Moreouer he said, Behold, now I have begonne to speake vnto my Lord, What if twentie be founde there? And he answered, I 32 will not destroy it for twenties sake. Then he saide, Let not my Lord be nowe angrie, and I will speake but this once, What if tenne be found there? And he answered, I will not destroy 33 it for tennes sake. And the Lord went his way when he had left communing with Abraham, and Abraham returned vnto his place.

And in the euening there came two Angels to Sodom: and Lot sate at the gate of Sodom, and Lot sawe them, and rose vp to meete them, and he bowed himselfe with his face to the ground. And he saide, See my Lords, I pray you turne in nowe

into your seruants house, and tarie all night, and wash your feete, and ye shall rise vp early and goe your wayes. Who saide, Nay, but we will abide in the streete all night. he preassed vpon them earnestly, and they turned in to him, and came to his house, and he made them a feast, and did bake vnleauened bread, and they did eate. But before they went to 4 bed, the men of the citie, euen the men of Sodom compassed the house rounde about from the yong euen to the olde, all the people from all quarters. Who crying vnto Lot said to him, 5 Where are the men, which came to thee this night? bring them out vnto vs that we may knowe them. Then Lot went out at 6 the doore vnto them, and shut the doore after him. And said, 7 I pray you, my brethren, do not so wickedly. Beholde nowe, 8 I have two daughters, which have not knowen man: them will I bring out now vnto you, and doe to them as seemeth you good: onely vnto these men doe nothing: for therefore are they come vnder the shadowe of my roofe. Then they said, 9 Away hence, and they said, He is come alone as a stranger, and shall he judge and rule? we will now deale worse with thee then with them. So they preassed sore vpon Lot himselfe, and came to breake the doore. But the men put forth their 10 hand and pulled Lot into the house to them and shut to ve doore. Then they smote the men that were at the doore of the 11 house with blindnes both small and great, so that they were wearie in seeking the doore. Then the men said vnto Lot, 12 Whom hast thou yet here? either sonne in lawe, or thy sonnes, or thy daughters, or whatsoeuer thou hast in the citie, bring it out of this place. For we will destroy this place, because 13 the crye of them is great before the Lord, and the Lord hath sent vs to destroy it. Then Lot went out and spake vnto his 14 sonnes in lawe, which maried his daughters, and said, Arise, get you out of this place: for the Lord will destroy the citie: but he seemed to his sonnes in lawe as though he had mocked. And when the morning arose, the Angels hasted Lot, saying, 15 Arise, take thy wife and thy two daughters which are here, lest thou be destroyed in the punishment of the citie. And as 16 he prolonged the time, the men caught both him and his wife, and his two daughters by the hands (the Lord being mercifull vnto him) and they brought him foorth, and set him without the citie. And when they had brought them out, the Angel 17

said, Escape for thy life: looke not behinde thee, neither tarie thou in all the plaine: escape into ye mountaine, least thou 18 be destroyed. And Lot saide vnto them, Not so, I pray thee, 19 my Lord. Behold now, thy seruant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercie, which thou hast shewed vnto me in sauing my life: and I cannot escape in the 20 mountaine, least some euill take me, and I die. See nowe this citie hereby to flee vnto, which is a litle one: Oh let me escape 21 thither: is it not a litle one, and my soule shall liue? Then he said vnto him, Beholde, I have received thy request also concerning this thing, that I will not ouerthrow this citie, for the 22 which thou hast spoken. Haste thee, saue thee there: for I can doe nothing till thou be come thither. Therefore the name 23 of the citie was called Zoar. The sunne did rise vpon the earth, 24 when Lot entred into Zoar. Then the Lord rained vpon Sodom and vpon Gomorah brimstone, and fire from the Lord out of 25 heauen. And ouerthrewe those cities and all the plaine, and all the inhabitants of the cities; and that that grewe vpon the 26 earth. Now his wife behind him looked backe, and she became 27 a pillar of salt. And Abraham rising vp earely in ye morning 28 went to the place, where he had stand before the Lord, And looking towarde Sodom and Gomorah and toward all the land of the plaine, behold, he sawe the smoke of the lande mounting 29 vp as the smoke of a fornace. But yet when God destroyed the cities of the plaine, God thought vpon Abraham, and sent Lot out from the middes of the destruction, when he ouerthrewe 30 the cities, wherein Lot dwelled. Then Lot went vp from Zoar, and dwelt in the mountaine with his two daughters: for he feared to tarie in Zoar, but dwelt in a caue, he, and his two 31 daughters. And the elder saide vnto the yonger, Our father is old, and there is not a man in the earth, to come in vnto 32 vs after the maner of all ye earth. Come, wee will make our father drinke wine, and lie with him, that we may preserue 33 seede of our father. So they made their father drinke wine that night, and the elder went and lay with her father: but he perceiued not, neither whe she lay downe, neither when she 34 rose vp. And on the morowe the elder saide to the yonger, Behold, yester night lay I with my father: let vs make him drinke wine this night also, and goe thou and lie with him, that we 35 may preserue seede of our father. So they made their father

drinke wine that night also, and the yonger arose, and lay with him, but he perceiued not, when she lay downe, neither when she rose vp. Thus were both the daughters of Lot with childe 36 by their father. And the elder bare a sonne, and she called 37 his name Moab: the same is the father of the Moabites vnto this day. And the yonger bare a sonne also, and she called his 38 name Ben-ammi: the same is the father of the Ammonites vnto this day.

Afterward Abraham departed thence toward the South coun- 20 trey and dwelled betweene Cadesh and Shur, and soiourned in And Abraham said of Sarah his wife. She is my sis- 2 ter. Then Abimelech King of Gerar sent and tooke Sarah. But 3 God came to Abimelech in a dreame by night, and said to him, Beholde, thou art but dead, because of the woman, which thou hast taken: for she is a mans wife. (Notwithstanding Abim- 4 elech had not yet come neere her) And he said, Lord, wilt thou slav euen the righteous nation? Said not he vnto me, She 5 is my sister? yea, and she her selfe said. He is my brother: with an vpright minde, and innocent handes haue I done this. And God saide vnto him by a dreame, I knowe that thou did- 6 dest this euen with an vpright minde, and I kept thee also that thou shouldest not sinne against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touche her. Now then deliuer the man his wife 7 againe: for he is a Prophet, and he shall pray for thee that thou mayest liue: but if thou deliuer her not againe, be sure that thou shalt die the death, thou, and all that thou hast. Then Abimelech rising vp early in ye morning, called all his 8 seruants, and tolde all these things vnto them, and the men were sore afraid. Afterward Abimelech called Abraham, and 9 said vnto him, What hast thou done vnto vs? and what haue I offeded thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdome this great sinne? thou hast done things vnto me that ought not to be done. So Abimelech said vnto Abraham, What 10 sawest thou that thou hast done this thing? Then Abraham 11 answered, Because I thought thus, Surely the feare of God is not in this place, and they will slay me for my wives sake. Yet 12 in very deede she is my sister: for she is the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother, and she is my wife. Nowe when God caused me to wander out of my fathers house, 13 I said then to her, This is thy kindnes that thou shalt shewe

vnto me in all places where we come, Say thou of me, He is my
brother. Then tooke Abimelech sheepe and beeues, and men
seruants, and women seruants, and gaue them vnto Abraham,
and restored him Sarah his wife. And Abimelech saide, Beholde, my land is before thee: dwell where it pleaseth thee.
Likewise to Sarah he said, Beholde, I haue giuen thy brother a
thousand pieces of siluer: behold, he is the vaile of thine eyes
to all that are with thee, and to all others: and she was thus
reproued. Then Abraham prayed vnto God, and God healed
Abimelech, and his wife, and his women seruants: and they
bare children. For the Lord had shut vp euery wombe of the
house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abrahams wife.

Nowe the Lord visited Sarah, as he had saide, and did vnto 21 2 her according as he had promised. For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a sonne in his olde age, at the same season that 3 God tolde him. And Abraham called his sonnes name that was 4 borne vnto him, which Sarah bare him, Izhak. Then Abraham circumcised Izhak his sonne, when he was eight dayes olde, 5 as God had commanded him. So Abraham was an hundreth 6 yeere olde, when his sonne Izhak was borne vnto him. Then Sarah said, God hath made me to reiovce: all that heare will 7 reioyce with me. Againe she said, Who would have saide to Abraham, that Sarah shoulde haue giuen children sucke? for 8 I haue borne him a sonne in his olde age. Then the childe grewe and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the 9 same day that Izhak was weaned. And Sarah sawe the sonne of Hagar the Egyptian (which she had borne vnto Abraham) 10 mocking. Wherefore she saide vnto Abraham, Cast out this bond woman and her sonne: for ye sonne of this bonde woman 11 shall not be heire with my sonne Izhak. And this thing was 12 very grieuous in Abrahams sight, because of his sonne. But God said vnto Abraham, Let it not be grieuous in thy sight for the childe, and for thy bonde woman: in all that Sarah shall say vnto thee, heare her voyce: for in Izhak shall thy 13 seede be called. As for the sonne of the bond woman, I will 14 make him a nation also, because he is thy seede. So Abraham arose vp early in ye morning, and tooke bread, and a bottell of water, and gaue it vnto Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and the childe also, and sent her away: who departing wan-15 dred in the wildernesse of Beer-sheba. And when the water

of the bottell was spent, she cast the childe vnder a certaine tree. Then she went and sate her ouer against him a farre off 16 about a bowe shoote: for she said. I will not see the death of the child. and she sate downe ouer against him, and lift vp her voyce and wept. Then God heard the voyce of ye childe, and 17 the Angel of God called to Hagar from heauen, and said vnto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? feare not, for God hath heard the voyce of the childe where he is. Arise, take vp the childe, 18 and holde him in thine hand: for I will make of him a great people. And God opened her eyes, and she sawe a well of wa- 19 ter. so she went and filled the bottell with water, and gaue the boy drinke. So God was with the childe, and he grewe and 20 dwelt in the wildernesse, and was an archer. And he dwelt in 21 the wildernesse of Paran, and his mother tooke him a wife out of the land of Egypt. And at that same time Abimelech and 22 Phichol his chief captaine spake vnto Abraham, saying, God is with thee in all that thou doest. Nowe therefore sweare vnto 23 me here by God, that thou wilt not hurt me, nor my children. nor my childrens children: thou shalt deale with me, and with the countrey, where thou hast bene a stranger, according vnto the kindnesse that I have shewed thee. Then Abraham said, 24 I will sweare. And Abraham rebuked Abimelech for a well of 25 water, which Abimelechs seruants had violently taken away. And Abimelech saide, I knowe not who hath done this thing: 26 also thou toldest me not, neither heard I of it but this day. Then Abraham tooke sheepe and beeues, and gaue them vnto 27 Abimelech: and they two made a couenant. And Abraham set 28 seuen lambes of the flocke by themselues. Then Abimelech 29 said vnto Abraham, What meane these seuen lambes, which thou hast set by themselues? And he answered, Because thou 30 shalt receive of mine hand these seven lambes, that it may be a witnes vnto me, that I have digged this well. Where- 31 fore the place is called Beer-sheba, because there they both sware. Thus made they a couenant at Beer-sheba: afterward 32 Abimelech and Phichol his chiefe captaine rose vp, and turned againe vnto the land of the Philistims. And Abraham planted 33 a groue in Beer-sheba, and called there on the Name of ye Lord, the euerlasting God. And Abraham was a stranger in 34 the Philistims land a long season.

And after these things God did proue Abraham, and said 22

2 vnto him, Abraham. Who answered, Here am I. And he said, Take nowe thine onely sonne Izhak whom thou louest, and get thee vnto the land of Moriah, and offer him there for a burnt offering vpon one of the mountaines, which I will shewe thee. 3 Then Abraham rose vp early in the morning, and sadled his asse, and tooke two of his seruants with him, and Izhak his sonne, and cloue wood for the burnt offering, and rose vp and 4 went to the place, which God had tolde him. Then the third day Abraham lift vp his eyes, and sawe the place afarre off, 5 And said vnto his seruants, Abide you here with the asse: for I and the childe will go yonder and worship, and come againe 6 vnto vou. Then Abraham tooke the wood of the burnt offering, and layed it vpon Izhak his sonne, and he tooke the fire in 7 his hand, and the knife: and they went both together. Then spake Izhak vnto Abraham his father, and said, My father. And he answered, Here am I, my sonne. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood, but where is the lambe for ye burnt offring? Then Abraham answered, My sonne, God will prouide him a 9 lambe for a burnt offering: so they went both together. And when they came to the place which God had shewed him, Abraham builded an altar there, and couched ye wood, and bound 10 Izhak his sonne and laid him on the altar vpon the wood. And Abraham stretching forth his hand, tooke the knife to kill his 11 sonne. But the Angel of the Lord called vnto him from heauen, saying, Abraham, Abraham. And he answered, Here am I. 12 Then he said, Lay not thine hand vpon the childe, neither doe any thing vnto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, see-13 ing for my sake thou hast not spared thine onely sonne. And Abraham lifting vp his eyes, looked: and behold, there was a ramme behind him caught by the hornes in a bush. then Abraham went and tooke the ramme, and offered him vp for a burnt 14 offering in the steade of his sonne. And Abraham called the name of that place, Iehouah-ijreh. as it is said this day, In the 15 mount will the Lord be seene. And the Angel of the Lord cryed 16 vnto Abraham from heauen the second time, And saide, By my selfe haue I sworne (saith ye Lord) because thou hast done 17 this thing, and hast not spared thine onely sonne, Therefore will I surely blesse thee, and will greatly multiplie thy seede, as the starres of the heaven, and as the sand which is vpon the sea shore, and thy seede shall possesse the gate of his enemies.

And in thy seede shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, 18 because thou hast obeyed my voyce. Then turned Abraham 19 againe vnto his seruants, and they rose vp and went together to Beer-sheba: and Abraham dwelt at Beer-sheba. And after 20 these things one tolde Abraham, saying, Beholde Milcah, she hath also borne children vnto thy brother Nahor: To wit, Vz 21 his eldest sonne, and Buz his brother, and Kemuel the father of Aram, And Chesed and Hazo, and Pildash, and Iidlaph, 22 and Bethuel. And Bethuel begate Rebekah: these eight did 23 Milcah beare to Nahor Abrahams brother. And his concubine 24 called Reumah, she bare also Tebah, and Gahan, and Thahash and Maachah.

When Sarah was an hundreth twentie and seuen yeere olde 23 Then Sarah dved in Kiriath-arba: the 2 (so long liued she). same is Hebron in the land of Canaan. and Abraham came to mourne for Sarah and to weepe for her. Then Abraham 3 rose vp from the sight of his corps, and talked with the Hittites, saying, I am a stranger, and a forreiner among you, giue 4 me a possession of buriall with you, that I may burie my dead out of my sight. Then the Hittites answered Abraham, saying 5 vnto him. Heare vs. my lorde: thou art a prince of God among 6 vs: in the chiefest of our sepulchres bury thy dead: none of vs shall forbid thee his sepulchre, but thou mayest bury thy dead therein. Then Abraham stoode vp, and bowed him selfe be- 7 fore the people of the land of the Hittites. And he communed 8 with them, saying, If it be your minde, that I shall bury my dead out of my sight, heare me, and intreate for me to Ephron the sonne of Zohar. That he would give me ve caue of Mach- 9 pelah, which he hath in the ende of his field: that he would giue it me for as much money as it is worth, for a possession to bury in among you. (For Ephron dwelt among the Hittites) 10 Then Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the audience of all the Hittites that went in at the gates of his citie, saying, No, my Lord, heare me: the fielde giue I thee, and the 11 caue, that therein is, I giue it thee: euen in the presence of the sonnes of my people giue I it thee, to bury thy dead. Then 12 Abraham bowed himselfe before the people of the land, And 13 spake vnto Ephron in the audience of the people of the countrey, saying, Seeing thou wilt giue it, I pray thee, heare me, I will give the price of the fielde: receive it of me, and I will

14 bury my dead there. Ephron then answered Abraham, say-15 ing vnto him, My lord, hearken vnto me: ye land is worth foure hundreth shekels of siluer: what is that betweene me 16 and thee? bury therefore thy dead. So Abraham hearkened vnto Ephron, and Abraham weyed to Ephron the siluer, which he had named, in the audience of the Hittites, euen foure hun-17 dreth siluer shekels of currant money among marchants. So the fielde of Ephron which was in Machpelah, and ouer against Mamre, euen the field and the caue that was therein, and all the trees that were in the fielde, which were in all the borders 18 round about, was made sure Vnto Abraham for a possession. in ve sight of the Hittites, euen of all that went in at the gates 19 of his citie. And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the caue of the fielde of Machpelah ouer against Mamre: the 20 same is Hebron in the land of Canaan. Thus the fielde and the caue, that is therein, was made sure vnto Abraham for a possession of buriall by the Hittites.

Nowe Abraham was olde, and striken in yeeres, and the 24 2 Lord had blessed Abraham in all things. Therefore Abraham saide vnto his eldest seruant of his house, which had the rule ouer all that he had, Put nowe thine hand vnder my thigh, 3 And I will make thee sweare by ye Lord God of the heauen, and God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife vnto my sonne 4 of the daughters of the Canaanites among who I dwel. But thou shalt go vnto my countrey, and to my kinred, and take a 5 wife vnto my sone Izhak. And the seruant saide to him, What if the woman will not come with me to this land? shall I bring thy sonne againe vnto the lande from whence thou camest? 6 To whom Abraham answered, Beware that thou bring not my 7 sonne thither againe. The Lord God of heauen, who tooke me from my fathers house, and from the land where I was borne, and that spake vnto me, and that sware vnto me, saying, Vnto thy seede wil I giue this land, he shall send his Angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife vnto my sonne from Neuertheles if the woman wil not follow thee, then shalt thou bee discharged of this mine othe: onely bring not 9 my sonne thither againe. Then the seruant put his hand vnder the thigh of Abraham his master, and sware to him for this 10 matter. So the servant tooke ten camels of the camels of his master, and departed: (for he had all his masters goods in his hand:) and so he arose, and went to Aram Naharaim, vnto the citie of Nahor. And he made his camels to lye downe without 11 the citie by a well of water, at euentide about the time that the women come out to draw water. And he said, O Lord God of 12 my master Abraham, I beseech thee, send me good speede this day, and shew mercy vnto my master Abraham. Lo, I stand 13 by the well of water, whiles the mens daughters of this citie come out to drawe water. Graunt therefore that ve maide, to 14 whom I say, Bowe downe thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drinke: if she say, Drinke, and I will give thy camels drinke also: may be she that thou hast ordeined for thy seruant Izhak: and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed mercy on my master. And nowe yer he had left speaking, beholde, Rebekah 15 came out, the daughter of Bethuel, sonne of Milcah the wife of Nahor Abrahams brother, and her pitcher vpon her shoul-(And the maide was very faire to looke vpon, a virgine 16 and vnknowen of man) and she went downe to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came vp. Then the seruant ranne to 17 meete her, and said, Let me drinke, I pray thee, a litle water of thy pitcher. And she said, Drinke sir: and she hasted, and let 18 downe her pitcher vpon her hand and gaue him drinke. And 19 when she had given him drinke, she said, I will drawe water for thy camels also vntill they have drunken inough. she powred out her pitcher into the trough speedily; and ranne againe vnto the well to drawe water, and she drewe for all his So the man wondred at her, and helde his peace, to 21 knowe whether the Lord had made his journey prosperous or not. And when the camels had left drinking, the man tooke a 22 golden abillement of halfe a shekell weight, and two bracelets for her hands, of ten shekels weight of golde: And he said, 23 Whose daughter art thou? tell me, I pray thee, Is there roume in thy fathers house for vs to lodge in? Then she said to him, 24 I am the daughter of Bethuel the sonne of Milcah whom she bare vnto Nahor. Moreouer she said vnto him, We haue lit- 25 ter also and prouender ynough, and roume to lodge in. And 26 the man bowed himselfe and worshipped the Lord, And said, 27 Blessed be the Lord God of my master Abraham, which hath not withdrawen his mercie and his trueth from my master: for when I was in the way, the Lord brought me to my masters brethrens house. And the maide ranne and tolde them of her 28 29 mothers house according to these wordes. Now Rebekah had a brother called Laban, and Laban ranne vnto the man to the 30 well. For when he had seene the earings and the bracelets in his sisters hands, and when he heard the wordes of Rebekah his sister, saying, Thus said the man vnto me, then he went to 31 the man, and loe, he stoode by the camels at the well. he saide. Come in thou blessed of the Lord: wherefore standest thou without, seeing I haue prepared the house, and roume 32 for ve camels? Then the man came into the house, and he vnsadled the camels, and brought litter and prouender for the camels, and water to wash his feete, and the mens feete that 33 were with him. Afterward the meate was set before him: but he saide. I will not eate, vntill I haue saide my message: And 34 he said, Speake on. Then he said, I am Abrahams seruant, 35 And the Lord hath blessed my master wonderfully, that he is become great: for he hath given him sheepe, and beeues, and siluer, and golde, and men seruants, and maide seruants, and 36 camels, and asses. And Sarah my masters wife hath borne a sonne to my master, when she was olde, and vnto him hath he 37 giuen all that he hath. Now my master made me sweare, saying. Thou shalt not take a wife to my sonne of the daughters 38 of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell: But thou shalt go vnto my fathers house and to my kinred, and take a wife vnto 39 my sonne. Then I saide vnto my master, What if the woman 40 will not follow me? Who answered me, The Lord, before who I walke, will send his Angel with thee, and prosper thy journey, and thou shalt take a wife for my sonne of my kinred and my 41 fathers house. Then shalt thou be discharged of mine othe. when thou commest to my kinred: and if they give thee not 42 one, thou shalt be free from mine othe. So I came this day to the well, and said, O Lord, the God of my master Abra-43 ham, if thou nowe prosper my journey which I goe, Behold, I stand by the well of water: when a virgine commeth forth to drawe water, and I say to her, Giue me, I pray thee, a litle wa-44 ter of thy pitcher to drinke, And she say to me, Drinke thou, and I will also drawe for thy camels, let her be ye wife, which 45 the Lord hath prepared for my masters sonne. And before I had made an end of speaking in mine heart, beholde, Rebekah came foorth, and her pitcher on her shoulder, and she went downe vnto the well, and drewe water. Then I said vnto her,

Giue me drinke, I pray thee. And she made haste, and tooke 46 downe her pitcher from her shoulder, and said, Drinke, and I will give thy camels drinke also. So I dranke, and she gave the camels drinke also. Then I asked her, and said, Whose daugh- 47 ter art thou? And she answered. The daughter of Bethuel Nahors sonne, whom Milcah bare vnto him. Then I put the abillement vpon her face, and the bracelets vpon her hands: And I 48 bowed downe and worshipped the Lord, and blessed the Lord God of my master Abraham, which had brought me the right way to take my masters brothers daughter vnto his sone. Now 49 therefore, if ve will deale mercifully and truely with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me that I may turne me to the right hand or to the left. Then answered Laban and Bethuel. 50 and said. This thing is proceeded of the Lord: we cannot therefore say vnto thee, neither euill nor good. Beholde, Rebehak 51 is before thee, take her and goe, that she may be thy masters sonnes wife, euen as the Lord hath said. And when Abra- 52 hams seruant heard their wordes, he bowed himselfe toward the earth vnto the Lord. Then the servant tooke foorth iewels 53 of siluer, and iewels of golde, and raiment, and gaue to Rebekah: also vnto her brother and to her mother he gaue gifts. Afterward they did eate and drinke, both he, and the men that 54 were with him, and taried all night, and when they rose vp in the morning, he said, Let me depart vnto my master. her brother and her mother answered, Let the maide abide with vs, at the least ten dayes: then shall she goe. said vnto them, Hinder you me not, seeing the Lord hath prospered my iourney: send me away, that I may goe to my master. Then they said, We will call the maide, and aske her consent. 57 And they called Rebekah, and saide vnto her, Wilt thou go with 58 this man? And she answered, I will go. So they let Rebekah 59 their sister goe, and her nourse, with Abrahams seruant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah, and sayde vnto her, Thou 60 art our sister, growe into thousande thousands, and thy seede possesse the gate of his enemies. Then Rebekah arose, and 61 her maydes, and rode vpon the camels, and followed the man. and the servant tooke Rebekah, and departed. Nowe Izhak 62 came from the way of Beer-lahai-roi, (for he dwelt in the South countrey) And Izhak went out. to pray in the fielde toward 63 the euening: who lift vp his eves and looked, and behold, the

camels came. Also Rebekah lift vp her eyes, and when she
saw Izhak, she lighted downe from the camel. (For shee had sayde to the seruant, Who is yonder man, that commeth in the fielde to meete vs? and the seruant had said, It is my master)
So she tooke a vaile, and couered her. And the seruant tolde
Izhak all things, that he had done. Afterward Izhak brought her into the tent of Sarah his mother, and he tooke Rebekah, and she was his wife, and he loued her: So Izhak was comforted after his mothers death.

Nowe Abraham had taken him another wife called Ketu-25 2 rah, Which bare him Zimran, and Iokshan, and Medan, and 3 Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And Iokshan begate Sheba, and Dedan: And the sonnes of Dedan were Asshurim, and 4 Letushim, and Leummim. Also the sonnes of Midian were Ephah, and Epher, and Hanoch, and Abida, and Eldaah all 5 these were the sonnes of Keturah. And Abraham gaue all his 6 goods to Izhak, But vnto the sonnes of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gaue giftes, and sent them away from Izhak his sonne (while he vet liued) Eastward to the East coun-7 trey. And this is the age of Abrahams life, which he liued, an 8 hundreth seuentie and fiue yeere. Then Abraham yeelded the spirit, and died in a good age, an olde man, and of great yeeres, 9 and was gathered to his people. And his sonnes, Izhak and Ishmael buryed him in the caue of Machpelah, in the fielde 10 of Ephron sonne of Zohar the Hittite, before Mamre. Which fielde Abraham bought of the Hittites, where Abraham was 11 buryed with Sarah his wife. And after the death of Abraham God blessed Izhak his sonne, and Izhak dwelt by Beer-lahai-Nowe these are the generations of Ishmael Abrahams sonne, whome Hagar the Egyptian Sarahs handmayde bare 13 vnto Abraham. And these are the names of the sonnes of Ishmael, name by name, according to their kinreds; the eldest sonne of Ishmael was Nebaioth, then Kedar, and Adbeel, and 14, 15 Mibsam, And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa, Hadar, and 16 Tema, Ietur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are the sonnes of Ishmael, and these are their names, by their townes and 17 by their castles: to wit, twelue princes of their nations. (And these are the yeeres of the life of Ishmael, an hundreth thirtie and seuen yeere, and he yeelded the spirit, and dyed, and was 18 gathered vnto his people) And they dwelt from Hauilah vnto Shur, that is towardes Egypt, as thou goest to Asshur. Ishmael dwelt in the presence of all his brethren. Likewise these 19 are the generations of Izhak Abrahams sonne Abraham begate Izhak, And Izhak was fourtie yeere olde, when he tooke Re- 20 bekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Aramite of Padan Aram, and sister to Laban the Aramite. And Izhak prayed 21 vuto the Lord for his wife, because she was barren: and the Lord was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived. But the children stroue together within her: therefore shee 22 sayde, Seeing it is so, why am I thus? wherefore she went to aske the Lord. And the Lord sayd to her, Two nations are 23 in thy wombe, and two maner of people shalbe divided out of thy bowels, and the one people shall be mightier then the other, and the elder shall serue the yonger. Therefore when 24 her time of deliuerance was fulfilled, behold, twinnes were in her wombe. So he that came out first was red, and he was all 25 ouer as a rough garment, and they called his name Esau. And 26 afterward came his brother out, and his hande helde Esau by the heele: therefore his name was called Iaakob. Nowe Izhak was threescore yeere olde when Rebekah bare them. And the 27 boyes grew, and Esau was a cunning hunter, and liued in the fields: but Iaakob was a plaine man, and dwelt in tentes. And 28 Izhak loued Esau, for venison was his meate, but Rebekah loued Iaakob. Nowe Iaakob sod pottage, and Esau came from 29 the fielde and was wearie. Then Esau sayd to Iaakob, Let 30 me eate, I pray thee, of that pottage so red, for I am wearie. Therefore was his name called Edom. And Iaakob sayd, Sell 31 me euen nowe thy birthright. And Esau sayd, Lo, I am al- 32 most dead, what is then this birthright to me? Iaakob then 33 said, Sweare to me euen now. And he sware to him, and solde his birthright vnto Iaakob. Then Iaakob gaue Esau bread and 34 pottage of lentiles: and he did eate and drinke, and rose vp, and went his way: So Esau contemned his birthright.

And there was a famine in the lande besides the first famine 26 that was in the dayes of Abraham. Wherefore Izhak went to Abimelech King of the Philistims vnto Gerar. For the Lord 2 appeared vnto him, and sayde, Goe not downe into Egypt, but abide in the land which I shall shewe vnto thee. Dwell in 3 this lande, and I will be with thee, and will blesse thee: for to thee, and to thy seede I will giue all these countreys: and I

will performe the othe which I sware vnto Abraham thy father. 4 Also I wil cause thy seede to multiply as the starres of heauen, and will give vnto thy seede all these countreys: and in thy 5 seede shall all the nations of the earth be blessed. Because that Abraham obeyed my voyce and kept mine ordinance, my 6 commandements, my statutes, and my Lawes. So Izhak dwelt 7 in Gerar. And the men of the place asked him of his wife, and he sayd, She is my sister: for he feared to say, She is my wife, least, sayde he, the men of the place shoulde kill me, because 8 of Rebekah: for she was beautifull to the eye. So after hee had bene there long time, Abimelech King of the Philistims looked out at a windowe, and loe, he sawe Izhak sporting with 9 Rebekah his wife. Then Abimelech called Izhak, and sayde, Loe, shee is of a suertie thy wife, and why saydest thou, She is my sister? To whom Izhak answered, Because I thought 10 this, It may be that I shall dye for her. Then Abimelech said, Why hast thou done this vnto vs? one of the people had almost lien by thy wife, so shouldest thou have brought sinne 11 vpon vs. Then Abimelech charged all his people, saying, He 12 that toucheth this man, or his wife, shall die the death. Afterwarde Izhak sowed in that lande, and founde in the same yeere an hundreth folde by estimation: and so the Lord blessed 13 him. And the man waxed mightie, and stil increased, till he 14 was exceeding great, For he had flockes of sheepe, and heards of cattell, and a mightie housholde: therefore the Philistims 15 had enuy at him. In so much that the Philistims stopped and filled vp with earth all the welles, which his fathers seruantes 16 digged in his father Abrahams time. Then Abimelech sayde vnto Izhak, Get thee from vs, for thou art mightier then wee 17 a great deale. Therefore Izhak departed thence and pitched 18 his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there. And Izhak returning, digged the welles of water, which they had digged in the dayes of Abraham his father: for the Philistims had stopped them after the death of Abraham, and hee gaue them 19 the same names, which his father gaue them. Izhaks seruantes then digged in the valley, and found there a well of liu-20 ing water. But the herdmen of Gerar did striue with Izhaks herdmen, saying, The water is ours: therefore called he the name of the well Esek, because they were at strife with him. 21 Afterwarde they digged another well, and stroue for that also, and he called the name of it Sitnah. Then he removed thence, 22 and digged an other well, for the which they stroug not: therefore called hee the name of it Rehoboth, and sayde, Because the Lord hath nowe made vs roome, we shall increase vpon the So he went vp thence to Beer-sheba. And the Lord 23, 24 appeared vnto him the same night, and sayde, I am the God of Abraham thy father: feare not, for I am with thee, and wil blesse thee, and will multiplie thy seede for my seruant Abra-Then he builte an altar there, and called vpon 25 hams sake. the Name of the Lord, and there spred his tent: where also Izhaks seruauntes digged a well. Then came Abimelech to 26 him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friendes, and Phichol the captaine of his armie. To whom Izhak savd. Wherefore 27 come ye to me, seeing ye hate mee and haue put mee away from you? Who answered, Wee sawe certainely that the Lord 28 was with thee, and wee thought thus. Let there be nowe an othe betweene vs. euen betweene vs and thee, and let vs make a couenant with thee. If thou shalt do vs no hurt, as we have 29 not touched thee, and as we have done vnto thee nothing but good, and sent thee away in peace: thou nowe, the blessed of the Lord, doe this. Then hee made them a feast, and they dvd 30 eate and drinke. And they rose vp betimes in the morning, 31 and sware one to another: then Izhak let them go, and they departed from him in peace. And that same day Izhaks seru- 32 antes came and tolde him of a well, which they had digged, and said vnto him. We have found water. So hee called it Shibah: 33 therefore the name of the citie is called Beer-sheba vnto this day. Nowe when Esau was fourtie veere olde, he tooke to wife 34 Iudith, the daughter of Beeri an Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon an Hittite also. And they were a griefe of 35 minde to Izhak and to Rebekah.

And when Izhak was olde, and his eyes were dimme (so that 27 he coulde not see) he called Esau his eldest sonne, and sayde vnto him, My sonne. And he answered him, I am here. Then 2 he sayd, Beholde, I am nowe olde, and knowe not the day of my death: Wherefore nowe, I pray thee take thine instruments, thy quiuer and thy bowe, and get thee to the fielde, that thou mayest take mee some venison. Then make mee 4 sauourie meate, such as I loue, and bring it me that I may eat, and that my soule may blesse thee, before I die. (Nowe Re-

bekah heard, when Izhak spake to Esau his sonne) and Esau 6 went into the fielde to hunt for venison, and to bring it. Then Rebekah spake vnto Iaakob her sonne, saying, Beholde, I haue 7 heard thy father talking with Esau thy brother, saying, Bring mee vension, and make mee sauourie meate, that I may eate 8 and blesse thee before the Lord, afore my death. Nowe therefore, my sonne, heare my voyce in that which I command thee. 9 Get thee nowe to the flocke, and bring me thence two good kids of the goates, that I may make pleasant meate of them for thy 10 father, such as he loueth. Then shalt thou bring it to thy father, and he shall eate, to the intent that he may blesse thee 11 before his death. But Iaakob sayde to Rebekah his mother, 12 Beholde, Esau my brother is rough, and I am smoothe. My father may possibly feele me, and I shall seem to him to be a mocker: so shall I bring a curse vpon me, and not a blessing. 13 But his mother sayd vnto him, vpon me be thy curse, my sonne: 14 onely heare my voyce, and go and bring me them. So he went and set them, and brought them to his mother: and his mother 15 made pleasant meat, such as his father loued. And Rebekah tooke faire clothes of her elder sonne Esau, which were in her 16 house, and clothed Iaakob her vonger sonne: And she couered his hands and the smoothe of his necke with the skinnes of the 17 kiddes of the goates. Afterward she put the pleasant meate and bread, which she had prepared, in the hand of her sonne 18 Iaakob. And when he came to his father, he sayd, My father. 19 Who answered, I am here: who art thou, my sonne? And Iaakob sayde to his father, I am Esau thy first borne, I haue done as thou badest me, arise, I pray thee: sit vp and eate of my 20 venison, that thy soule may blesse me. Then Izhak said vnto his sonne, Howe hast thou founde it so quickly my sonne? Who sayde, Because the Lord thy God brought it to mine hande. 21 Againe sayde Izhak vnto Iaakob, Come neere nowe, that I may feele thee, my sonne, whether thou be that my sonne Esau or 22 not. Then Iaakob came neere to Izhak his father, and he felt him and sayd, The voyce is Iaakobs voyce, but the hands are 23 the hands of Esau. (For he knewe him not, because his hands were rough as his brother Esaus hands: wherefore he blessed 24 him) Againe he sayd, Art thou that my sonne Esau? Who an-25 swered, Yea. Then said he, Bring it me hither, and I will eate of my sonnes venison, that my soule may blesse thee. And he brought it to him, and he ate: also he brought him wine, and he dranke. Afterward his father Izhak sayd vnto him, Come 26 neere nowe, and kisse me, my sonne. And hee came neere and 27 kissed him. Then he smellled the sauour of his garmentes, and blessed him, and sayde, Behold, the smelll of my sonne is as the smelll of a fielde, which the Lord hath blessed. God give thee 28 therefore of the dewe of heauen, and the fatnesse of the earth, and plentie of wheate and wine. Let people bee thy seruantes, 29 and nations bowe vnto thee: be Lord ouer thy brethren, and let thy mothers children honour thee. cursed be he that curseth thee, and blessed be he that blesseth thee. And when Izhak 30 had made an ende of blessing Iaakob, and Iaakob was scarce gone out from the presence of Izhak his father, then came Esau his brother from his hunting. And hee also prepared sauourie 31 meate and brought it to his father, and sayd vnto his father, Let my father arise, and eat of his sonnes venison, that thy soule may blesse me. But his father Izhak sayde vnto him, Who art 32 thou? And he answered, I am thy sonne, euen thy first borne Esau. Then Izhak was stricken with a marueilous great feare. 33 and sayde, Who and where is hee that hunted venison, and brought it mee, and I have eate of all before thou camest? and I have blessed him, therefore he shalbe blessed. When Esau 34 heard the wordes of his father, he cryed out with a great crye and bitter, out of measure, and sayde vnto his father, Blesse me, euen me also, my father. Who answered, Thy brother 35 came with subtiltie, and hath taken away thy blessing. Then 36 he sayde, Was hee not iustly called Iaakob? for hee hath deceiued mee these two times: he tooke my birthright, and loe, nowe hath he taken my blessing. Also he sayd, Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me? Then Izhak answered, and sayd 37 vnto Esau, Beholde, I haue made him thy lorde, and all his brethre haue I made his seruants: also with wheate and wine haue I furnished him, and vnto thee now what shall I doe, my sonne? Then Esau sayde vnto his father, Hast thou but one 38 blessing my father? blesse mee, euen me also, my father: and Esau lifted vp his vovce, and wept. Then Izhak his father an- 39 swered, and sayde vnto him, Behold, the fatnesse of the earth shall be thy dwelling place, and thou shalt have of the dewe of heauen from aboue. And by thy sword shalt thou liue, and 40 shalt be thy brothers seruant. But it shall come to passe, when

thou shalt get the masterie, that thou shalt breake his yoke 41 from thy necke. Therefore Esau hated Iaakob, because of the blessing, wherewith his father blessed him. And Esau thought in his minde, The dayes of mourning for my father will come 42 shortly, then I will slay may brother Iaakob. And it was told to Rebekah of the wordes of Esau her elder sonne, and shee sent and called Iaakob her yonger sonne, and sayd vnto him, Beholde, thy brother Esau is comforted against thee, meaning 43 to kill thee: Now therefore my sonne, heare my voyce, arise, 44 and flee thou to Haran to my brother Laban, And tarie with 45 him a while vntill thy brothers fiercenesse be swaged, And till thy brothers wrath turne away from thee, and hee forget the thinges, which thou hast done to him: then will I sende and take thee from thence: why shoulde I bee depriued of you 46 both in one day? Also Rebekah said to Izhak, I am weary of my life, for the daughters of Heth. If Iaakob take a wife of the daughters of Heth like these of the daughters of the lande, what auaileth it me to liue?

Then Izhak called Iaakob and blessed him, and charged 28 him, and sayde vnto him, Take not a wife of the daughters 2 of Canaan. Arise, get thee to Padan Aram to the house of Bethuel thy mothers father, and thence take thee a wife of 3 the daughters of Laban thy mothers brother. And God all sufficient blesse thee, and make thee to encrease, and mul-4 tiplie thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people, And giue thee the blessing of Abraham, euen to thee and to thy seede with thee, that thou mayest inherite the lande (wherein 5 thou art a stranger,) which God gaue vnto Abraham. Izhak sent forth Iaakob, and he went to Padan Aram vnto Laban sonne of Bethuel the Aramite, brother to Rebekah, Iaakobs 6 and Esaus mother. When Esau sawe that Izhak had blessed Iaakob, and sent him to Padan Aram, to set him a wife thence, and giuen him a charge when he blessed him, saying, Thou 7 shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan, And that Iaakob had obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to 8 Padan Aram: Also Esau seeing that the daughters of Canaan 9 displeased Izhak his father, Then went Esau to Ishmael, and tooke vnto the wiues, which he had, Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael Abrahams sonne, the sister of Nabaioth, to be his 10 wife. Now Iaakob departed from Beer-sheba, and went to Haran, And he came vnto a certaine place, and taried there al 11 night, because the sunne was downe, and tooke of the stones of the place, and layde vnder his head and slept in the same Then he dreamed, and behold, there stoode a ladder 12 vpon the earth, and the top of it reached vp to heauen: and loe, the Angels of God went vp and downe by it. And behold, the 13 Lord stoode aboue it, and sayd, I am the Lord God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Izhak: the land, vpon the which thou sleepest, wil I giue thee and thy seede. And thy seede shall be 14 as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the West, and to the East, and to the North, and to the South, and in thee and in thy seede shall all the families of the earth be blessed. And lo, I am with thee, and wil keepe thee whither- 15 soeuer thou goest, and will bring thee againe into this lande: for I will not forsake thee vntill I have performed that, that I haue promised thee. Then Iaakob awoke out of his sleepe, and 16 sayde, Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware. And he was afraid, and said, How fearefull is this place! this is 17 none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven. Then Iaakob rose vp early in the morning, and tooke the stone 18 that hee had layde vnder his head, and set it vp as a pillar, and powred oyle vpon the top of it. And he called ye name of 19 that place Bethel: notwithstanding the name of the citie was at the first called Luz. Then Iaakob vowed a vowe, saying, If 20 God will be with me, and will keepe me in this iourney which I go, and wil give me bread to eate, and clothes to put on: So 21 that I come againe vnto my fathers house in safetie, then shall the Lord be my God. And this stone, which I have set vp as a 22 pillar, shall be Gods house: and of all that thou shalt give me, wil I giue the tenth vnto thee.

Then Iaakob lift vp his feete and came into the East countrey. And as he looked about, behold there was a well in the field, and lo, three flocks of sheepe lay thereby (for at that well were the flockes watered) and there was a great stone vpon the welles mouth. And thither were all the flockes gathered, and they rolled the stone from the welles mouth, and watered the sheepe, and put the stone againe vpon the welles mouth in his place. And Iaakob sayde vnto them, My brethren, whence be ye? And they answered, We are of Haran. Then he sayd vnto them, Know ye Laban the sonne of Nahor? Who said, We know

6 him. Againe he sayd vnto them, Is he in good health? And they answered, He is in good health, and beholde, his daugh-7 ter Rahel commeth with the sheepe. Then he sayd, Lo, it is yet hie day, neither is it time that the cattell shoulde be gath-8 ered together: water ye the sheepe and go feede them. But they sayde, We may not vntill all the flocks be brought together, and till men rolle the stone from the welles mouth, 9 that we may water the sheepe. While he talked with them, Rahel also came with her fathers sheepe, for she kept them. 10 And assoone as Iaakob saw Rahel ye daughter of Laban his mothers brother, and the sheepe of Laban his mothers brother, then came Iaakob neere, and rolled the stone from the welles mouth, and watered ye flocke of Laban his mothers brother. 11, 12 And Iaakob kissed Rahel, and lift vp his voyce and wept. (For Iaakob tolde Rahel, that he was her fathers brother, and that he was Rebekahs sonne) then she ranne and tolde her father. 13 And when Laban heard tell of Iaakob his sisters sonne, he ranne to meete him, and embraced him and kissed him, and brought him to his house: and he tolde Laban all these things. 14 To whome Laban sayd, Well, thou art my bone and my flesh. and he abode with him the space of a moneth. sayde vnto Iaakob, Though thou be my brother, shouldest thou therfore serue me for nought? tell me, what shalbe thy wages? 16 Now Laban had two daughters, the elder called Leah, and the 17 yonger called Rahel. And Leah was tender eyed, but Rahel 18 was beautifull and faire. And Iaakob loued Rahel, and sayde, I will serue thee seuen yeeres for Rahel thy yonger daughter. 19 Then Laban answered, It is better that I give her thee, then 20 that I should give her to another man: abide with me. And Iaakob serued seuen yeres for Rahel, and they seemed vnto 21 him but a few dayes, because he loued her. Then Iaakob sayde to Laban, Giue me my wife, that I may goe in to her: for my 22 terme is ended. Wherefore Laban gathered together all the 23 men of the place, and made a feast. But whe the euening was come, he tooke Leah his daughter and brought her to him, and 24 he went in vnto her. And Laban gaue his mayde Zilpah to 25 his daughter Leah, to be her seruant. But when the morning was come, behold, it was Leah. Then sayde he to Laban, Wherefore hast thou done thus to mee? did not I serue thee 26 for Rahel? wherfore then hast thou beguiled me? And Laban answered, It is not the maner of this place, to give the yonger before the elder. Fulfill seuen yeeres for her, and we 27 wil also give thee this for the seruice, which thou shalt serue me vet seuen veeres more. Then Iaakob did so, and fulfilled 28 her seuen yeeres, so he gaue him Rahel his daughter to be his wife. Laban also gaue to Rahel his daughter Bilhah his 29 mayde to be her seruant. So entred he in to Rahel also, and 30 loued also Rahel more then Leah, and serued him yet seuen When the Lord saw that Leah was despised, 31 veeres more. he made her fruitful: but Rahel was barren. And Leah con- 32 ceiued and bare a sonne, and she called his name Reuben: for she said, Because the Lord hath looked vpon my tribulation, now therefore mine husband will loue me. And she conceived 33 againe and bare a sonne, and sayde, Because the Lord heard that I was hated, he hath therefore given me this sonne also, and she called his name Simeon. And she conceived againe 34 and bare a sonne, and said, Now at this time wil my husband keepe mee company, because I have borne him three sonnes: therefore was his name called Leui. Moreover shee conceived 35 againe and bare a sonne, saying, Nowe will I prayse the Lord: therefore shee called his name Iudah, and left bearing.

And when Rahel saw that she bare Iaakob no children, Ra- 30 hel enuied her sister, and said vnto Iaakob, Giue me children, or els I dye. Then Iaakobs anger was kindled against Rahel, 2 and he sayde, Am I in Gods steade, which hath withholden from thee the fruite of the wombe? And she said, Behold my 3 maide Bilhah, goe in to her, and she shall beare vpon my knees, and I shall have children also by her. Then shee gave him 4 Bilhah her mayde to wife, and Iaakob went in to her. So Bil- 5 hah conceiued and bare Iaakob a sonne. Then said Rahel, 6 God hath given sentence on my side, and hath also heard my voyce, and hath giuen mee a sonne: therefore called shee his name, Dan. And Bilhah Rahels maide coceiued againe, and 7 bare Iaakob the second sonne. Then Rahel said, with excel- 8 lent wrestlings haue I wrestled with my sister, and haue gotten the vpper hande: and shee called his name, Naphtali. And 9 when Leah saw that she had left bearing, shee tooke Zilpah her mayde, and gaue her Iaakob to wife. And Zilpah Leahs mayde 10 bare Iaakob a sonne. Then sayd Leah, A companie commeth: 11 and she called his name, Gad. Againe Zilpah Leahs mayde 12

13 bare Iaakob another sonne. Then sayde Leah, Ah, blessed am I, for the daughters will blesse me. and she called his name, 14 Asher. Nowe Reuben went in the dayes of the wheateharuest, and founde mandrakes in the fielde and brought them vnto his mother Leah. Then sayde Rahel to Leah, Giue me, I pray thee, 15 of thy sonnes mandrakes. But shee answered her, Is it a small matter for thee to take mine husband, except thou take my sonnes mandrakes also? Then savde Rahel, Therefore he shall 16 sleepe with thee this night for thy sonnes mandrakes. Iaakob came from the fielde in the euening, and Leah went out to meete him, and sayde, Come in to mee, for I have bought and payed for thee with my sonnes mandrakes: and he slept with 17 her that night. And God heard Leah and shee conceived, and 18 bare vnto Iaakob the fift sonne. Then said Leah, God hath giuen me my reward, because I gaue my mayde to my hus-19 band, and she called his name Issachar. After, Leah conceiued 20 againe, and bare Iaakob the sixt sonne. Then Leah said, God hath endued me with a good dowrie: nowe will mine husband dwell with me, because I have borne him sixe sonnes: and she 21 called his name Zebulun. After that, shee bare a daughter, 22 and shee called her name Dinah. And God remembred Rahel, 23 and God heard her, and opened her wombe. So she conceived and bare a sonne, and said, God hath taken away my rebuke. 24 And shee called his name Ioseph, saying, The Lord wil giue me 25 yet another sonne. And assoone as Rahel had borne Ioseph, Iaakob said to Laban, Sende me away that I may go vnto my 26 place and to my countrey. Give me my wives and my children, for whom I have served thee, and let me go: for thou knowest 27 what seruice I have done thee. To whom Laban answered, If I have nowe found favour in thy sight tarie: I have perceived 28 that the Lord hath blessed me for thy sake. Also he said, Ap-29 poynt vnto me thy wages, and I will giue it thee. But he sayd vnto him, Thou knowest, what seruice I haue done thee, and in 30 what taking thy cattell hath bene vnder me. For the litle, that thou haddest before I came, is increased into a multitude: and the Lord hath blessed thee by my comming: but nowe when 31 shall I trauell for mine owne house also? Then he saide. What shall I giue thee? And Iaakob answered, Thou shalt giue mee nothing at all: if thou wilt doe this thing for mee, I will re-32 turne, feede, and keepe thy sheepe. I wil passe through all

thy flockes this day, and separate from them all the sheepe with litle spots and great spots, and al blacke lambes among the sheepe, and the great spotted, and litle spotted among the goates: and it shalbe my wages. So shall my righteousnesse 33 answere for me hereafter, when it shall come for my rewarde before thy face, and euery one that hath not litle or great spots among the goates, and blacke among the sheepe, the same shalbe theft with me. Then Laban sayde, Goe to, woulde God 34 it might be according to thy saying. Therefore he tooke out 35 the same day the hee goates that were partie coloured and with great spots, and all the shee goates with litle and great spots, and all that had white in them, and all the blacke among the sheepe, and put them in the keeping of his sonnes. And hee 36 set three dayes iourney betweene himselfe and Iaakob. And Iaakob kept the rest of Labans sheepe. Then Iaakob tooke 37 rods of greene popular, and of hasell, and of the chesnut tree. and pilled white strakes in them, and made the white appeare in the rods. Then he put the rods, which he had pilled, in the 38 gutters and watering troughes, when the sheepe came to drink, before the sheepe. (for they were in heate, when they came to drinke) And the sheepe were in heate before the rods, and af- 39 terward brought forth yong of partie colour, and with small and great spots. And Iaakob parted these lambes, and turned the 40 faces of the flocke towardes these lambes partie coloured and all maner of blacke, among the sheepe of Laban: so hee put his owne flockes by themselues, and put them not with Labans flocke. And in euery ramming time of the stronger sheepe, 41 Iaakob layde the rods before the eyes of the sheepe in the gutters, that they might conceiue before the rods. But when the 42 sheepe were feeble, hee put them not in: and so the feebler were Labans, and the stronger Iaakobs. So the man increased 43 exceedingly, and had many flockes, and maide seruantes, and men seruants, and camels and asses.

Now he heard the words of Labans sonnes, saying, Iaakob 31 hath taken away all that was our fathers, and of our fathers goods hath he gotten all this honour. Also Iaakob beheld the 2 countenance of Laban, that it was not towards him as in times past: And the Lord had said vnto Iaakob, Turne againe into 3 the lande of thy fathers, and to thy kinred, and I wilbe with thee. Therefore Iaakob sent and called Rahel and Leah to the 4

5 fielde vnto his flocke. Then sayde hee vnto them, I see your fathers countenance, that it is not towardes me as it was wont, 6 and the God of my father hath bene with me. And yee knowe 7 that I have served your father with all my might. But your father hath deceived me, and changed my wages tenne times: 8 but God suffred him not to hurt me. If he thus sayd, The spotted shall be thy wages, then all the sheepe bare spotted: and if he sayd thus, the party coloured shalbe thy rewarde, 9 then bare all the sheepe particoloured. Thus hath God taken 10 away your fathers substance, and given it me. For in ramming time I lifted vp mine eyes and saw in a dreame, and beholde, ye hee goates leaped vpon the shee goates, that were 11 partie coloured with litle and great spots spotted. And the Angel of God sayde to mee in a dreame, Iaakob. And I an-12 swered, Lo, I am here. And he sayde, Lift vp nowe thine eyes, and see all the hee goates leaping vpon ye shee goates that are partie coloured, spotted with litle and great spots: for I haue 13 seene all that Laban doeth vnto thee. I am the God of Beth-el. where thou anountedst the pillar, where thou vowedst a vowe vnto me. Nowe arise, get thee out of this countrey and returne 14 vnto ye land where thou wast borne. Then answered Rahel and Leah, and sayde vnto him, Haue wee any more porcion 15 and inheritance in our fathers house? Doeth not he count vs as strangers? for he hath solde vs, and hath eaten vp and con-16 sumed our money. Therefore all the riches, which God hath taken from our father, is ours and our childrens: nowe then 17 whatsoeuer God hath saide vnto thee, doe it. Then Iaakob 18 rose vp, and set his sonnes and his wives vpon camels. And he caried away all his flockes, and al his substance which he had gotten, to wit, his riches, which he had gotten in Padan Aram, to goe to Izhak his father vnto the land of Canaan. 19 Whe Laban was gone to shere his sheepe, Then Rahel stole Thus Iaakob stole away ye heart of La-20 her fathers idoles. 21 ban the Aramite: for he told him not that he fled. he with all that he had, and he rose vp, and passed the riuer, 22 and set his face towarde mount Gilead. And the third day 23 after was it told Laban, that Iaakob fled. Then he tooke his brethren with him, and followed after him seuen dayes iour-24 ney, and ouertooke him at mount Gilead. And God came to Laban the Aramite in a dreame by night, and sayde vnto him, Take heede that thou speake not to Iaakob ought saue good. Then Laban ouertooke Iaakob, and Iaakob had pitched his tent 25 in the mount: and Laban also with his brethren pitched vpon mount Gilead. Then Laban sayde to Iaakob, What hast thou 26 done? thou hast euen stolen away mine heart and caried away my daughters as though they had bene taken captiues with the sworde. Wherfore diddest thou flie so secretly and steale 27 away from me, and diddest not tel me, that I might have sent thee foorth with mirth and with songs, with timbrel and with harpe? But thou hast not suffered me to kisse my sonnes 28 and my daughters: nowe thou hast done foolishly in doing so. I am able to do you euill: but the God of your father spake 29 vnto me yesternight, saying, Take heed that thou speake not to Iaakob ought saue good. Nowe though thou wentest thy 30 way, because thou greatly longedst after thy fathers house, vet wherefore hast thou stollen my gods? Then Iaakob an- 31 swered, and said to Laban, Because I was afraid, and thought that thou wouldest have taken thy daughters from me. with whome thou findest thy gods, let him not liue. Search thou before our brethre what I have of thine, and take it to thee, (but Iaakob wist not that Rahel had stolen them) Then 33 came Laban into Iaakobs tent, and into Leahs tent, and into the two maides tentes, but founde them not. So hee went out of Leahs tent, and entred into Rahels tent. (Nowe Rahel had 34 taken the idoles, and put them in the camels litter and sate downe vpon them) and Laban searched al the tent, but found them not. Then said she to her father, My Lord, be not angrie 35 that I cannot rise vp before thee: for the custome of women is vpon me: so he searched, but found not the idoles. The Iaakob 36 was wroth, and chode with Laban: Iaakob also answered and sayd to Laban, What haue I trespassed? what haue I offended, that thou hast pursued after me? Seeing thou hast searched 37 all my stuffe, what hast thou foud of all thine houshold stuffe? put it here before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may iudge betweene vs both. This twenty yere I haue bin with 38 thee: thine ewes and thy goates have not cast their yong, and the rammes of thy flocke haue I not eaten. Whatsoeuer was 39 torne of beasts, I brought it not vnto thee, but made it good my selfe: of mine hand diddest thou require it, were it stollen by day or stollen by night. I was in the day consumed with heate, 40

and with frost in the night, and my sleepe departed from mine 41 eyes. Thus haue I bene twentie yeere in thine house, and serued thee fourteene yeeres for thy two daughters, and sixe yeeres for thy sheepe, and thou hast changed my wages tenne Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and the feare of Izhak had bene with me, surely thou haddest sent me away nowe emptie: but God behelde my tribulation, and the labour of mine hads, and rebuked thee vester Then Laban answered, and saide vnto Iaakob, These 43 night. daughters are my daughters, and these sonnes are my sonnes, and these sheepe are my sheepe, and all that thou seest, is mine, and what can I doe this day vnto these my daughters, 44 or to their sonnes which they have borne? Nowe therefore come and let vs make a couenant, I and thou, which may be 45 a witnes betweene me and thee. Then tooke Iaakob a stone, 46 and set it vp as a pillar: And Iaakob sayde vnto his brethren, Gather stones: who brought stones, and made an heape, and 47 they did eate there vpon the heape. And Laban called it Iegar-48 sahadutha, and Iaakob called it Galeed. For Laban sayd, This heape is witnesse betweene me and thee this day: therefore he 49 called the name of it Galeed. Also he called it Mizpah, because he said, The Lord looke betweene me and thee, when we shalbe 50 departed one from another. If thou shalt vexe my daughters. or shalt take wives beside my daughters: there is no man with 51 vs. beholde, God is witnesse betweene me and thee. Moreouer Laban sayd to Iaakob, Beholde this heape, and behold the pil-52 lar, which I have set betweene me and thee, This heape shall be witnesse, and the pillar shall be witnesse, that I will not come ouer this heape to thee, and that thou shalt not passe 53 ouer this heape and this pillar vnto me for euill. The God of Abraham, and the God of Nabor, and the God of their father be iudge betweene vs: But Iaakob sware by the feare of his fa-54 ther Izhak. Then Iaakob did offer a sacrifice vpon the mount, and called his brethren to eate bread. and they did eate bread, 55 and taried all night in the mount. And earely in the morning Laban rose vp and kissed his sonnes and his daughters, and blessed them, and Laban departing, went vnto his place againe.

Nowe Iaakob went forth on his iourney and the Angels of 2 God met him. And when Iaakob saw them, he said, This is

Gods hoste, and called the name of the same place Mahanaim. Then Iaakob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother. 3 vnto the land of Seir into the countrey of Edom: To whom he 4 gaue commandement, saying, Thus shall ye speake to my lorde Esau: thy seruant Iaakob sayeth thus, I haue bene a stranger with Laban, and taried vnto this time. I have beeues also and 5 Asses, sheepe, and men seruantes, and women seruantes, and haue sent to shew my lord, that I may find grace in thy sight. So ve messengers came againe to Iaakob, saying, We came vnto 6 thy brother Esau, and hee also commeth against thee and foure hundreth men with him. Then Iaakob was greatly afraid, and 7 was sore troubled, and deuided the people that was with him, and the sheepe, and the beeues, and the camels into two companies. For he said, If Esau come to ve one company and smite 8 it, the other companie shall escape. Moreouer Iaakob said, O 9 God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Izhak: Lord. which saydest vnto me, Returne vnto thy coutrey and to thy kinred, and I will do thee good, I am not worthy of the least 10 of all the mercies, and al the trueth, which thou hast shewed vnto thy seruant: for with my staffe came I ouer this Iorden, and now haue I gotte two bads. I pray thee, Deliuer me from 11 the hande of my brother, from the hande of Esau: for I feare him, least he will come and smite me, and the mother vpon the children. For thou saydest; I will surely doe thee good, and 12 make thy seede as the sande of the sea, which can not be nombred for multitude. And he tarved there the same night, and 13 tooke of that which came to had, a present for Esau his brother: Two hundreth shee goates and twenty hee goates, two hun- 14 dreth ewes and twentie rammes: Thirtie mylche camels with 15 their coltes, fourtie kine, and ten bullockes, twentie she asses and ten foles. So he delivered them into the hande of his 16 seruants, euery droue by themselues, and saide vnto his seruants, Passe before me, and put a space betweene droue and droue. And he commanded the formost, saying, If Esau my 17 brother meete thee, and aske thee, saying, Whose seruant art thou? And whither goest thou? And whose are these before thee? Then thou shalt say, They be thy seruant Iaakobs: it is 18 a present sent vnto my lord Esau: and beholde, he him selfe also is behinde vs. So likewise commanded he the seconde 19 and the thirde, and all that followed the droues, saying, Af-

ter this maner, ye shall speake vnto Esau, when ye finde him. 20 And ye shall say moreouer, Beholde, thy seruant Iaakob commeth after vs (for he thought, I will appease his wrath with the present that goeth before me, and afterwarde I will see his 21 face: it may be that he will accept me.) So went the present 22 before him: but he taried that night with the companie. And he rose vp the same night, and tooke his two wiues, and his two maides, and his eleuen children, and went ouer the forde 23 Iabbok. And he tooke them, and sent them ouer the riuer, and 24 sent ouer that he had. Now when Iaakob was left him selfe alone, there wrestled a man with him vnto the breaking of the 25 day. And he sawe that he could not preuaile against him: therefore he touched the holowe of his thigh, and the holowe 26 of Iaakobs thigh was loosed, as he wrestled with him. And he saide, Let me goe, for the morning appeareth. Who answered, 27 I will not let thee go except thou blesse me. Then said he vnto 28 him, What is thy name? And he said, Iaakob. Then said he, Thy name shalbe called Iaakob no more, but Israel: because thou hast had power with God, thou shalt also preuaile with 29 men. Then Iaakob demaded, saying, Tell me, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, Wherefore now doest thou aske my name? 30 and he blessed him there And Iaakob called the name of the place, Peniel: for, saide he, I have seene God face to face, and 31 my life is preserued. And the sunne rose vp to him as he 32 passed Peniel, and he halted vpon his thigh. Therefore the children of Israel eate not of the sinewe that shranke in the hollowe of the thigh, vnto this day: because he touched the sinew that shranke in the holow of Iaakobs thigh.

And as Iaakob lift vp his eyes, and looked, behold, Esau came, and with him foure hundreth men: and he deuided the children to Leah, and to Rahel, and to the two maides. And he put the maides, and their children formost, and Leah, and her children after, and Rahel, and Ioseph hindermost. So he went before them and bowed him selfe to the ground seuen times, vntill he came neere to his brother. Then Esau ranne to meete him, and embraced him, and fell on his necke, and kissed him, and they wept. And he lift vp his eyes, and sawe the women, and the children, and saide, Who are these with thee? And he answered, They are ye childre whome God of his grace hath given thy servant. Then came the maides neere,

they, and their children, and bowed themselues. Leah also 7 with her children came neere and made obeysance: and after Ioseph and Rahel drew neere, and did reuerence. Then he 8 said, What meanest thou by all this droue, which I met? Who answered, I have sent it, that I may finde favour in the sight of my lorde: And Esau said, I haue ynough, my brother: keepe 9 that thou hast to thy selfe. But Iaakob answered, Nay, I pray 10 thee: if I have found grace nowe in thy sight, then receive my present at mine hande: for I have seene thy face, as though I had seene the face of God, because thou hast accepted me. I pray thee take my blessing, that is brought thee: for God 11 hath had mercie on me, and therefore I have all things: so he compelled him, and he tooke it. And he saide, Let vs take our 12 iourney and go, and I will goe before thee. Then he answered 13 him, My lord knoweth, that the children are tender, and the ewes and kine with yong vnder mine hande: and if they should ouerdriue them one day, all the flocke would die. Let now my 14 lord go before his seruant, and I will drive softly, according to ve pase of ve cattel, which is before me, and as the children be able to endure, vntill I come to my lord vnto Seir. Then Esau 15 said, I will leave then some of my folke with thee. And he answered, what needeth this? let me finde grace in the sight of my lorde. So Esau returned, and went his way that same day 16 vnto Seir. And Iaakob went forwarde towarde Succoth, and 17 built him an house, and made boothes for his cattell: therefore he called the name of the place Succoth. Afterward, Iaakob 18 came safe to Sheche a citie, which is in the lande of Canaan, when he came from Padan Aram, and pitched before the citie. And there he bought a parcell of ground, where hee pitched his 19 tent, at the hande of the sonnes of Hamor Shechems father, for an hundreth pieces of money. And he set vp there an altar, 20 and called it, The mightie God of Israel.

Then Dinah the daughter of Leah, which she bare vnto Iaakob34 went out to see the daughters of that countrey. Whome when 2 Shechem the sonne of Hamor the Hiuite lorde of that countrey sawe, hee tooke her, and lay with her, and defiled her. So his heart claue vnto Dinah the daughter of Iaakob: and he 3 loued the maide, and spake kindely vnto the maide. Then 4 said Shechem to his father Hamor, saying, Get me this maide to wife. (Nowe Iaakob heard that he had defiled Dinah his 5

daughter, and his sonnes were with his cattell in the fielde: 6 therefore Iaakob helde his peace, vntill they were come.) Then Hamor the father of Shechem went out vnto Iaakob to com-And whe the sonnes of Iaakob were come 7 mune with him. out of the fielde and heard it, it grieued the men, and they were very angry, because he had wrought villenie in Israel, in that he had lyen with Iaakobs daughter: which thing ought 8 not to be done. And Hamor communed with them, saying, the soule of my sonne Shechem longeth for your daughter: giue her 9 him to wife, I pray you. So make affinitie with vs: giue your 10 daughters vnto vs., and take our daughters vnto you, And ye shall dwell with vs, and the lande shalbe before you: dwell, and doe your businesse in it, and haue your possessions therein. 11 Shechem also said vnto her father and vnto her brethren, Let me finde fauour in your eyes, and I will giue whatsoeuer ye 12 shall appoint me. Aske of me abundantly both dowrie and giftes, and I will give as ye appoint me, so that ye give me the maide to wife. Then the sonnes of Iaakob answered Shechem and Hamor his father, talking deceitfully, because he had de-14 filed Dinah their sister, And they said vnto them, We can not do this thing, to give our sister to an vncircumcised man: for 15 that were a reproofe vnto vs. But in this will we consent vnto you, if ye will be as we are, that euery man childe among you 16 be circumcised: Then will we give our daughters to you, and we will take your daughters to vs, and will dwell with you, and 17 be one people. But if ye will not hearken vnto vs to be circum-18 cised, then will we take our daughter and depart. Nowe their 19 wordes pleased Hamor, and Shechem Hamors sonne. And the yong man deferd not to doe the thing because he loued Iaakobs daughter: he was also the most set by of all his fathers house. 20 Then Hamor and Shechem his Sonne went vnto the gate of their citie, and communed with the men of their citie, saying, 21 These men are peaceable with vs: and that they may dwell in the land, and doe their affaires therin (for behold, the land hath roume ynough for them) let vs take their daughters to 22 wives, and give them our daughters. Onely herein will the men consent vnto vs for to dwell with vs, and to be one people, if all the men children among vs be circumcised as they are 23 circumcised. Shall not their flockes and their substance and all their cattell be ours? onely let vs consent herein vnto them,

and they will dwell with vs. And vnto Hamor, and Shechem 24 his sonne hearkened all that went out of the gate of his citie: and all the men children were circumcised, euen all that went out of the gate of his citie. And on the thirde day (when they 25 were sore) two of the sonnes of Iaakob. Simeon and Leui. Dinahs brethren tooke either of them his sworde and went into the citie boldly, and slue euery male. They slewe also Hamor 26 and Shechem his sonne with the edge of the sword, and tooke Dinah out of Shechems house, and went their way. Againe the 27 other sonnes of Iaakob came vpon the dead, and spoyled the citie, because they had defiled their sister. They tooke their 28 sheepe and their beeues, and their asses, and whatsoeuer was in the citie, and in the fieldes. Also they carved away captiue 29 and spoyled all their goods, and all their children and their wives, and all that was in the houses. Then Iaakob said to 30 Simeon and Leui. Ye have troubled me, and made me stinke among the inhabitats of the land, aswell the Canaanites, as the Perizzites, and and I being few in nomber, they shall gather theselues together against me, and slay me, and so shall I, and my house be destroied. And they answered, Shoulde hee 31 abuse our sister as a whore?

Then God sayde to Iaakob, Arise, goe vp to Beth-el and 35 dwell there, and make there an altar vnto God, that appeared vnto thee, when thou fleddest from Esau thy brother. Then 2 saide Iaakob vnto his houshold and to all that were with him, Put away the strange gods that are among you, and clense your selues, and change your garments: For we will rise and 3 goe vp to Beth-el, and I will make an altar there vnto God, which heard me in the day of my tribulation, and was with me in the way which I went. And they gaue vnto Iaakob all 4 the strange gods, which were in their hands, and all their earings which were in their eares, and Iaakob hidde them vnder an oke, which was by Shechem. Then they went on their 5 iourney, and the feare of God was vpon the cities that were roud about them: so that they did not follow after the sonnes So came Iaakob to Luz, which is in the land of 6 Canaan: (the same is Beth-el) hee and all the people that was And he built there an altar, and had called the 7 with him. place, The God of Beth-el, because that God appeared vnto him there, when he fled from his brother. Then Deborah Re- 8

bekahs nourse dyed, and was buried beneath Beth-el vnder 9 an oke: and he called the name of it Allon Bachuth. Againe God appeared vnto Iaakob, after he came out of Padan Aram, 10 and blessed him. Moreouer God said vnto him, Thy name is Iaakob: thy name shalbe no more called Iaakob, but Israel 11 shalbe thy name: and hee called his name Israel. God said vnto him, I am God all sufficient. growe, and multiplie. a nation and a multitude of nations shall spring of thee, 12 and Kings shall come out of thy loynes. Also I will give the lande, which I gaue to Abraham and Izhak, vnto thee: and 13 vnto thy seede after thee will I giue that land. So God ascended from him in the place where he had talked with him. 14 And Iaakob set vp a pillar in the place where he talked with him, a pillar of stone, and powred drinke offring thereon: also 15 hee powred oyle thereon. And Iaakob called the name of the 16 place, where God spake with him, Beth-el. Then they departed from Beth-el, and when there was about halfe a daies iourney of ground to come to Ephrath, Rahel trauailed, and 17 in trauailing she was in perill. And whe she was in paines of her labour, the midwife saide vnto her, Feare not: for thou 18 shalt have this sonne also. Then as she was about to yeelde vp the Ghost (for she died) she called his name Ben-oni, but 19 his father called him Beniamin. Thus died Rahel, and was 20 buried in the way to Ephrath, which is Beth-lehem. Iaakob set a pillar vpon her graue: This is the pillar of Ra-21 hels graue vnto this day. Then Israel went forwarde, and 22 pitched his tent beyond Migdal-eder. Now, when Israel dwelt in that land, Reuben went, and lav with Bilhah his fathers concubine, and it came to Israels eare. And Iaakob had twelue The sonnes of Leah: Reuben Iaakobs eldest sonne, and Simeon, and Leui, and Iudah, and Issachar, and Zebulun. 24, 25 The sonnes of Rahel: Ioseph and Beniamin. And the sonnes of 26 Bilhah Rahels maide: Dan and Naphtali. And the sonnes of Zilpah Leahs maide: Gad and Asher. These are the sonnes of 27 Iaakob, which were borne him in Padan Aram. Then Iaakob came vnto Izhak his father to Mamre a citie of Arbah: this is 28 Hebron, where Abraham and Izhak were strangers. And the 29 daies of Izhak were an hundreth and fourescore yeeres. And Izhak gaue vp the ghost and died, and was gathered vnto his people, being olde and full of daies: and his sonnes Esau and Iaakob buried him.

Nowe these are the generations of Esau, which is Edom. 36 Esau tooke his wives of the daughters of Canaan: Adah the 2 daughter of Elon an Hittite, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, the daughter of Zibeon an Hiuite, And tooke Basemath 3 Ishmaels daughter, sister of Nebaioth. And Adah bare vnto 4 Esau, Eliphaz: and Basemath bare Reuel. Also Aholibamah 5 bare Ieush, and Iaalam, and Korah: these are the sonnes of Esau which were borne to him in the land of Canaan. So Esau 6 tooke his wives and his sonnes, and his daughters, and all the soules of his house, and his flocks, and all his cattell, and all his substance, which he had gotten in the land of Canaan, and went into an other countrey from his brother Iaakob. For 7 their riches were so great, that they could not dwell together, and the lande, wherein they were strangers, coulde not receiue them because of their flockes. Therefore dwelt Esau 8 in mount Seir: this Esau is Edom. So these are the gen- 9 erations of Esau father of Edom in mount Seir. These are 10 the names of Esaus sonnes: Eliphaz, the sonne of Adah, the wife of Esau, and Reuel the sonne of Bashemath, the wife of Esau. And the sonnes of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zepho, 11 and Gatam, and Kenaz. And Timna was concubine to Elip- 12 haz Esaus sonne, and bare vnto Eliphaz, Amalek: these be the sonnes of Adah Esaus wife. And these are the sonnes 13 of Reuel: Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sonnes of Bashemath Esaus wife. And these were 14 the sonnes of Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, daughter of Zibeon Esaus wife: for she bare vnto Esau, Ieush, and Iaalam, and Korah. These were Dukes of the sonnes of Esau: the 15 sonnes of Eliphaz, the first borne of Esau: Duke Teman, Duke Omar, Duke Zepho, Duke Kenaz, Duke Korah, Duke Gatam, 16 Duke Amalek: these are the Dukes that came of Eliphaz in the land of Edom: these were the sonnes of Adah. And these 17 are the sonnes of Reuel Esaus sonne: Duke Nahath, Duke Zerah, Duke Shammah, Duke Mizzah: these are the Dukes that came of Reuel in the land of Edom: these are the sonnes of Bashemath Esaus wife. Likewise these were the sonnes of 18 Aholibamah Esaus wife: Duke Ieush, Duke Iaalam, Duke Korah: these Dukes came of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah Esaus wife. These are the children of Esau, and these are the 19

20 Dukes of them: This Esau is Edom. These are the sonnes of Seir the Horite, which inhabited the lande before, Lotan, and 21 Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah. And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these are the Dukes of the Horites, the sonnes of Seir 22 in the land of Edom. And the sonnes of Lotan were. Hori and 23 Hemam, and Lotans sister was Timna. And the sonnes of Shobal were these: Aluan, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shepho, 24 and Onam. And these are the sonnes of Zibeon: Both Aiah, and Anah: this was Anah that founde mules in the wilder-25 nesse, as he fedde his father Zibeons asses. And the children of Anah were these: Dishon and Aholibamah, the daugh-26 ter of Anah. Also these are the sonnes of Dishan: Hemdan, 27 and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran. The sonnes of Ezer 28 are these: Bilhan, and Zaauan, and Akan. The sonnes of 29 Dishan are these: Vz, and Aran. These are the Dukes of the Horites: Duke Lotan, Duke Shobal, Duke Zibeon, Duke 30 Anah, Duke Dishon, Duke Ezer, Duke Dishan: these bee the Dukes of the Horites, after their Dukedomes in the land of 31 Seir. And these are the Kings that reigned in the lande of Edom, before there reigned any King ouer the children of Is-Then Bela the sonne of Beor reigned in Edom, and the 33 name of his citie was Dinhabah. And when Bela dyed, Iobab 34 the sonne of Zerah of Bozra reigned in his steade. When Iobab also was dead, Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his 35 steade. And after the death of Husham, Hadad the sonne of Bedad, which slewe Midian in the field of Moab, reigned 36 in his steade, and the name of his citie was Auith. Hadad was dead, then Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his 37 steade. When Samlah was dead, Shaul of Rehoboth by the 38 riuer, reigned in his steade. When Shaul dyed, Baal-hanan 39 the sonne of Achbor reigned in his steade. And after the death of Baal-hanan the sonne of Achbor, Hadad reigned in his stead, and the name of his citie was Pau: and his wives name Mehetabel the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab. 40 Then these are the names of the Dukes of Esau according to their families, their places and by their names: Duke Timna, 41 Duke Aluah, Duke Ietheth, Duke Aholibamah, Duke Elah, 42, 43 Duke Pinon, Duke Kenaz, Duke Teman, Duke Mibzar, Duke Magdiel, Duke Iram: these bee the Dukes of Edom, according to their habitations, in the lande of their inheritance. This

Esau is the father of Edom.

Iaakob nowe dwelt in the lande, wherein his father was 37 a stranger, in the lande of Canaan. These are the genera- 2 tions of Iaakob, when Ioseph was seuenteene yeere olde: he kept sheepe with his brethren, and the childe was with the sonnes of Bilhah, and with the sonnes of Zilpah, his fathers wiues. And Ioseph brought vnto their father their euill saying. Nowe Israel loued Ioseph more then all his sonnes, be- 3 cause he begate him in his old age, and he made him a coat of many colours. So when his brethren sawe that their fa- 4 ther loued him more then all his brethren, then they hated him, and could not speake peaceably vnto him. And Ioseph 5 dreamed a dreame, and told his brethren, who hated him so much the more. For he saide vnto them, Heare, I pray you, 6 this dreame which I have dreamed. Beholde nowe, wee were 7 binding sheues in the middes of the field: and loe, my shefe arose and also stoode vpright, and behold, your sheues compassed rounde about, and did reuerence to my shefe. his brethren saide to him, What, shalt thou reigne ouer vs. and rule vs? or shalt thou have altogether dominion over vs? And they hated him so much the more, for his dreames, and for his wordes. Againe hee dreamed an other dreame, and 9 tolde it his brethren, and saide, Behold, I haue had one dreame more, and beholde, the Sunne and the Moone and eleuen starres did reuerence to me. Then he tolde it vnto his father and 10 to his brethren, and his father rebuked him, and saide vnto him, What is this dreame, which thou hast dreamed? shall I, and thy mother, and thy brethren come in deede and fall on the ground before thee? And his brethren enuied him, but his fa- 11 ther noted the saying. Then his brethren went to keepe their 12 fathers sheepe in Shechem. And Israel said vnto Ioseph, Doe 13 not thy brethren keepe in Shechem? come and I will send thee to them. And he answered him, I am here. Then he saide vnto 14 him, Goe now, see whether it bee well with thy brethren, and how the flocks prosper, and bring me word againe. so hee sent him from the vale of Hebron, and he came to Shechem. Then 15 a man found him: for lo, hee was wandring in the fielde, and the man asked him, saying, What seekest thou? And he an- 16 swered, I seeke my brethren: tell me, I pray thee, where they keepe sheepe. And the man said, they are departed hece: for 17

I heard them say, Let vs goe vnto Dothan. Then went Ioseph 18 after his brethren, and found them in Dothan. And when they sawe him a farre off, euen before he came at them, they con-19 spired against him for to slay him. For they sayd one to an-20 other, Behold, this dreamer commeth. Come now therefore, and let vs slay him, and cast him into some pitte, and wee will say, A wicked beast hath deuoured him: then wee shall see, 21 what will come of his dreames. But when Reuben heard that, he deliuered him out of their handes, and saide, Let vs not kill 22 him. Also Reuben saide vnto them, Shed not blood, but cast him into this pitte that is in the wildernesse, and lay no hande vpon him. Thus he said, that he might deliuer him out of their 23 hand, and restore him to his father againe. Now when Ioseph was come vnto his brethren, they stript Ioseph out of his coate, 24 his particoloured coate that was vpon him. And they tooke him, and cast him into a pit, and the pit was emptie, without 25 water in it. Then they sate them downe to eate bread: and they lift vp their eyes and looked, and behold, there came a companie of Ishmeelites from Gilead, and their camels laden with spicerie, and balme, and myrrhe, and were going to cary 26 it downe into Egypt. Then Iudah said vnto his brethren, What auaileth it, if we slay our brother, though wee keepe his blood 27 secret? Come and let vs sell him to the Ishmeelites, and let not our handes be voon him: for he is our brother and our flesh: 28 and his brethren obeyed. Then the Midianites marchant men passed by, and they drewe foorth, and lift Ioseph out of the pit, and solde Ioseph vnto the Ishmeelites for twentie pieces of 29 siluer: who brought Ioseph into Egypt. Afterwarde Reuben returned to the pit, and beholde, Ioseph was not in the pit: 30 then he rent his clothes, And returned to his brethren, and 31 said. The childe is not yonder, and I, whither shall I goe? And they tooke Iosephs coate, and killed a kidde of the goates, and 32 dipped the coate in the blood. So they sent that particoloured coat, and they brought it vnto their father, and saide, This haue we founde: see nowe, whether it be thy sonnes coate, 33 or no. Then he knewe it and said, It is my sonnes coate: a wicked beast hath deuoured him: Ioseph is surely torne in 34 pieces. And Iaakob rent his clothes, and put sackecloth about 35 his loynes, and sorowed for his sonne a long season. Then all his sonnes and all his daughters rose vp to comfort him, but

he woulde not be comforted, but said, Surely I will go downe into the graue vnto my sonne mourning: so his father wept for him. And the Midianites solde him into Egypt vnto Potiphar 36 an Eunuche of Pharaohs, and his chiefe stewarde.

And at that time Iudah went downe from his brethren, and 38 turned in to a man called Hirah an Adullamite. And Iudah 2 sawe there the daughter of a man called Suah a Canaanite: and he tooke her to wife, and went in vnto her. So she con- 3 ceiued and bare a sonne, and he called his name Er. And she 4 conceiued againe, and bare a sonne, and she called his name Onan. Moreouer she bare yet a sonne, whome she called She- 5 lah: and Iudah was at Chezib when she bare him. dah tooke a wife to Er his first borne sonne whose name was Now Er the first borne of Iudah was wicked in the 7 sight of the Lord: therefore the Lord slewe him. Then Iudah 8 said to Onan, Goe in vnto thy brothers wife, and do the office of a kinsman vnto her, and raise vp seede vnto thy brother. And Onan knewe that the seede should not be his: therefore 9 when he went in vnto his brothers wife, he spilled it on the grounde, least he should give seede vnto his brother. And it 10 was wicked in the eyes of the Lord, which he did: wherefore he slewe him also. Then said Iudah to Tamar his daughter in 11 lawe, Remaine a widowe in thy fathers house, till Shelah my sonne growe vp (for he thought thus, Least he die as well as his brethren.) So Tamar went and dwelt in her fathers house. And in processe of time also the daughter of Shuah Iudahs wife 12 dyed. Then Iudah, when he had left mourning, went vp to his sheepe sherers to Timnah, he, and his neighbour Hirah the Adullamite. And it was tolde Tamar, saying, beholde, thy fa- 13 ther in lawe goeth vp to Timnah, to shere his sheepe. Then 14 she put her widowes garments off from her, and couered her with a vaile, and wrapped her selfe, and sate downe in Pethahenaim, which is by the way to Timnah, because she sawe that Shelah was growen, and she was not given vnto him to wife. When Iudah sawe her, he iudged her an whore: for she had 15 couered her face. And he turned to the way towardes her, and 16 saide, Come, I pray thee, let me lie with thee. (for he knewe not that she was his daughter in lawe) And she answered, What wilt thou give me for to lie with me? Then said he, I will sende 17 thee a kid of the goates from the flocke, and she said. Well, if

18 thou wilt give me a pledge, till thou sende it. Then he saide, What is the pledge that I shall give thee? And she answered, Thy signet, and thy cloke, and thy staffe that is in thine hande. So he gaue it her, and lay by her, and she was with childe by 19 him. Then she rose, and went and put her vaile from her and 20 put on her widowes raiment. Afterwarde Iudah sent a kid of the goates by the hande of his neighbour the Adullamite, for to receive his pledge from the womans hand: but he found her Then asked he the men of that place, saying, Where is ye whore, that sate in Enaim by the way side? And they an-22 swered. There was no whore here. He came therefore to Iudah againe, and said, I can not finde her, and also the men of the 23 place said, There was no whore there. Then Iudah said, Let her take it to her, lest we be shamed: beholde, I sent this kid, 24 and thou hast not found her. Now after three moneths, one tolde Iudah, saying, Tamar thy daughter in law hath played the whore, and lo, with playing the whore, she is great with childe. Then Iudah saide, Bring ye her foorth and let her be 25 burnt. When she was brought foorth, she sent to her father in law, saying, By the man, vnto whom these things pertaine, am I with childe: and saide also, Looke, I pray thee, whose 26 these are, the seale, and the cloke, and the staffe. Then Iudah knewe them, and said, She is more righteous then I: for she hath done it because I gaue her not to Shelah my sonne. 27 So he lay with her no more. Now, when the time was come that she should be deliuered, beholde, there were twinnes in 28 her wombe. And when she was in trauell, the one put out his hand: and the midwife tooke and bound a red threde about his 29 hand, saying, This is come out first. But when he plucked his hand backe againe, loe, his brother came out, and the midwife said. How hast thou broken the breach vpon thee? and his 30 name was called Pharez. And afterward came out his brother that had the red threde about his hande, and his name was called Zarah.

Now Ioseph was brought downe into Egypt: and Potiphar an Eunuche of Pharaohs (and his chiefe stewarde an Egyptian) bought him at the hande of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him thither. And the Lord was with Ioseph, and he was a man that prospered and was in the house of his master the Egyptian. And his master sawe that the Lord was with

him, and that the Lord made all that hee did to prosper in his hande. So Ioseph founde fauour in his sight, and serued 4 him: and he made him ruler of his house, and put all that he had in his hand. And from that time that he had made 5 him ruler ouer his house and ouer all that he had, the Lord blessed the Egyptians house for Iosephs sake: and the blessing of the Lord was vpon all that he had in the house, and in the fielde. Therefore he left all that he had in Iosephs hand, 6 and tooke accompt of nothing, that was with him, saue onely of the bread, which he did eate. And Ioseph was a faire person, and well favoured. Nowe therefore after these thinges, his 7 masters wife cast her eyes vpon Ioseph, and saide, Lye with But he refused and said to his masters wife, Beholde, 8 my master knoweth not what he hath in the house with me, but hath committed all that he hath to mine hande. is no man greater in this house then I: neither hath he kept any thing from me, but only thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickednes and so sinne against God? And albeit she spake to Ioseph day by day, yet he hear- 10 kened not vnto her, to lye with her, or to be in her company. Then on a certaine day Ioseph entred into the house, to doe his 11 businesse: and there was no man of the houshold in the house: Therefore she caught him by his garmet, saving, Sleepe with 12 me: but he left his garment in her hand and fled, and got him out. Nowe when she sawe that he had left his garment in her 13 hand, and was fled out. She called vnto the men of her house, 14 and tolde them, saying, Beholde, he hath brought in an Ebrewe vnto vs to mocke vs: who came in to me for to haue slept with me: but I cryed with a loude voyce. And when he heard that 15 I lift vp my voice and cryed, he left his garment with me, and fled away, and got him out. So she layde vp his garment by 16 her, vntill her lord came home. Then she tolde him accord- 17 ing to these words, saying, The Ebrew seruat, which thou hast brought vnto vs, came in to me, to mocke me. But assoone as 18 I lift vp my voyce and cried, he left his garment with me, and fled out. Then when his master heard the wordes of his wife, 19 which she tolde him, saying, After this maner did thy seruant to me, his anger was kindled. And Iosephs master tooke him 20 and put him in prison, in the place, where the kings prisoners lay bounde: and there he was in prison. But the Lord was 21 with Ioseph, and shewed him mercie, and got him fauour in the sight of the master of the prison. And the keeper of the prison committed to Iosephs hande all the prisoners that were in the prison, and whatsoeuer they did there, that did he. And the keeper of the prison looked vnto nothing that was vnder his hande, seeing that the Lord was with him: for whatsoeuer he did, the Lord made it to prosper.

And after these things, the butler of the King of Egypt and **40** 2 his baker offended their lorde the King of Egypt. And Pharaoh was angrie against his two officers, against the chiefe butler, 3 and against the chiefe baker. Therefore he put them in ward in his chiefe stewardes house, in the prison and place where 4 Ioseph was bound. And the chiefe steward gaue Ioseph charge ouer them, and he serued them: and they continued a season 5 in warde. And they both dreamed a dreame, eyther of them his dreame in one night, eche one according to the interpretation of his dreame, both the butler and the baker of the King 6 of Egypt, which were bounde in the prison. And when Ioseph came in vnto them in the morning, and looked vpon them, be-7 holde, they were sad. And he asked Pharaohs officers, that were with him in his masters warde, saying, Wherefore looke 8 ve so sadly to day? Who answered him, We haue dreamed, eche one a dreame, and there is none to interprete the same. Then Ioseph saide vnto them, Are not interpretations of God? 9 tell them me nowe. So the chiefe butler tolde his dreame to Ioseph, and said vnto him, In my dreame, behold, a vine was 10 before me, And in the vine were three branches, and as it budded, her flowre came foorth: and the clusters of grapes waxed And I had Pharaohs cup in mine hande, and I tooke the grapes, and wrung the into Pharaohs cup, and I gaue the 12 cup into Pharaohs hand. Then Ioseph sayde vnto him, This is the interpretation of it: The three braunches are three dayes. 13 Within three dayes shall Pharaoh lift vp thine head, and restore thee vnto thine office, and thou shalt give Pharaohs cup into his hand after the olde maner, when thou wast his butler. 14 But haue me in remembrance with thee, when thou art in good case, and shew mercie, I pray thee, vnto me, and make mention of me to Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring me out of this 15 house. For I was stollen away by theft out of the land of the Ebrewes, and here also haue I done nothing, wherefore they should put mee in the dungeon. And when the chiefe baker 16 sawe that the interpretation was good, hee saide vnto Ioseph, Also mee thought in my dreame that I had three white baskets on mine head. And in the vppermost basket there was 17 of all maner baken meates for Pharaoh: and the birdes did eate them out of the basket vpon mine head. Then Ioseph an- 18 swered, and saide, This is the interpretation thereof: The three baskets are three dayes: Within three dayes shall Pharaoh 19 take thine head from thee, and shall hang thee on a tree, and the birdes shall eate thy flesh from off thee. And so the third 20 day, which was Pharaohs birthday, hee made a feast vnto all his seruants: and hee lifted vp the head of the chiefe butler, and the head of the chiefe baker among his seruants. And he 21 restored the chiefe butler vnto his butlershippe, who gaue the cup into Pharaohs hande, But he hanged the chiefe baker, as 22 Ioseph had interpreted vnto them. Yet the chiefe butler did 23 not remember Ioseph, but forgate him.

And two veeres after, Pharaoh also dreamed, and beholde, 41 he stoode by a riuer. And loe, there came out of the riuer seuen 2 goodly kine and fatfleshed, and they fedde in a medowe: And 3 loe, seuen other kine came vp after the out of the riuer, euill fauoured and leane fleshed, and stoode by the other kine vpon the brinke of the riuer. And the euilfauoured and leane 4 fleshed kine did eate vp the seuen welfauoured and fatte kine: so Pharaoh awoke. Againe he slept, and dreamed the second 5 time: and beholde, seuen eares of corne grewe vpon one stalke, ranke and goodly. And loe, seuen thinne eares, and blasted 6 with the east winde, sprang vp after them: And the thinne 7 eares devoured the seven ranke and full eares, then Pharaoh awaked, and loe, it was a dreame. Nowe when the morning 8 came, his spirit was troubled: therefore he sent and called all the soothsayers of Egypt, and all the wise men thereof, and Pharaoh tolde them his dreames: but none coulde interprete them to Pharaoh. Then spake the chiefe butler vnto Pharaoh, 9 saying, I call to minde my faultes this day. Pharaoh being 10 angrie with his seruantes, put me in ward in the chiefe stewards house, both me and the chiefe baker. Then we dreamed 11 a dreame in one night, both I, and he: we dreamed eche man according to the interpretation of his dreame. And there was 12 with vs a yong man, an Ebrew, seruant vnto the chiefe steward,

whome when we told, he declared our dreames to vs, to euery 13 one he declared according to his dreame. And as he declared vnto vs, so it came to passe: for he restored me to mine office, 14 and hanged him. Then sent Pharaoh, and called Ioseph, and they brought him hastily out of prison, and he shaued him, and 15 chaunged his rayment, and came to Pharaoh. Then Pharaoh sayde to Ioseph, I have dreamed a dreame, and no man can interprete it, and I have hearde say of thee, that when thou hear-16 est a dreame, thou canst interprete it. And Ioseph answered Pharaoh, saying, Without me God shall answere for the wealth 17 of Pharaoh. And Pharaoh sayde vnto Ioseph, In my dreame, 18 beholde, I stoode by the banke of the riuer: And lo, there came vp out of the riuer seuen fat fleshed, and welfauoured kine, 19 and they fedde in the medowe. Also loe, seuen other kine came vp after them, poore and very euilfauoured, and leanefleshed: I neuer sawe the like in all the lande of Egypt, for 20 euilfauoured. And the leane and euilfauoured kine did eate 21 vp the first seuen fat kine. And when they had eaten them vp, it could not be knowen that they had eaten them, but they were still as euilfauoured, as they were at the beginning: so 22 did I awake. Moreouer I sawe in my dreame, and beholde, 23 seuen eares sprang out of one stalke, full and faire. lo, seuen eares, withered, thinne, and blasted with the East 24 winde, sprang vp after them. And the thinne eares deuoured the seuen good eares. Nowe I have tolde the soothsayers, and 25 none can declare it vnto me. Then Ioseph answered Pharaoh, Both Pharaohs dreames are one. God hath shewed Pharaoh, 26 what he is about to doe. The seuen good kine are seuen yeres, and the seuen good eares are seuen yeeres: this is one dreame. 27 Likewise the seuen thinne and euilfauoured kine, that came out after them, are seuen yeeres: and the seuen emptie eares 28 blasted with the East winde, are seuen yeeres of famine. This is the thing which I have saide vnto Pharaoh, that God hath 29 shewed vnto Pharaoh, what he is about to doe. Beholde, there come seuen yeeres of great plentie in all the land of Egypt. 30 Againe, there shall arise after them seuen yeeres of famine, so that all the plentie shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt. and 31 the famine shall consume the land: Neither shall the plentie bee knowen in the land, by reason of this famine that shall 32 come after: for it shalbe exceeding great. And therefore the dreame was doubled vnto Pharaoh the second time, because the thing is established by God, and God hasteth to performe Nowe therefore let Pharaoh prouide for a man of vnder- 33 standing and wisedome, and set him ouer the land of Egypt. Let Pharaoh make and appoynt officers ouer the lande, and 34 take vp the fift part of the land of Egypt in the seuen plenteous yeeres. Also let them gather all the foode of these good yeeres 35 that come, and lay vp corne vnder the hand of Pharaoh for foode, in the cities, and let them keepe it. So the foode shall 36 be for the prouision of the lande, against the seuen veeres of famine, which shalbe in the lande of Egypt, that the land perish not by famine. And the saying pleased Pharaoh and all 37 his servants. Then saide Pharaoh vnto his servants. Can we 38 finde such a man as this, in whom is the Spirit of God? The 39 Pharaoh said to Ioseph, For as much as God hath shewed thee all this, there is no man of vnderstanding, or of wisedome like vnto thee. Thou shalt be ouer mine house, and at thy word 40 shall all my people be armed, onely in the kings throne will I be aboue thee. Moreouer Pharaoh said to Ioseph, Behold, I 41 haue set thee ouer all the land of Egypt. And Pharaoh tooke 42 off his ring from his hand, and put it vpon Iosephs hand, and arayed him in garments of fine linnen, and put a golden cheyne about his necke. So he set him vpon the best charet that hee 43 had, saue one: and they cryed before him, Abrech, and placed him ouer all the land of Egypt. Againe Pharaoh saide vnto 44 Ioseph, I am Pharaoh, and without thee shall no man lift vp his hand or his foote in all the land of Egypt. And Pharaoh 45 called Iosephs name Zaphnath-paaneah: and he gaue him to wife Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah prince of On. then went Ioseph abrode in the land of Egypt. And Ioseph was thir- 46 tie yeere old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt: and Ioseph departing from the presence of Pharaoh, went throughout all the land of Egypt. And in the seuen plenteous yeres 47 the earth brought foorth store. And hee gathered vp all the 48 foode of the seuen plenteous yeeres, which were in the lande of Egypt, and layde vp foode in the cities: the foode of the fielde, that was round about every citie, layde he vp in the same. So 49 Ioseph gathered wheate, like vnto the sand of the sea in multitude out of measure, vntill he left numbring: for it was without number. Now vnto Ioseph were borne two sonnes (before the 50

yeeres of famine came) which Asenath the daughter of Poti-51 pherah prince of On bare vnto him. And Ioseph called the name of the first borne Manasseh: for God, said he, hath made 52 me forget all my labour and al my fathers houshold. Also hee called the name of the second, Ephraim: For God, sayde 53 he hath made me fruitfull in the land of mine affliction. the seuen yeeres of the plentie that was in the land of Egypt 54 were ended. Then began the seuen yeeres of famine to come, according as Ioseph had saide: and the famine was in all lan-55 des, but in all the land of Egypt was bread. At the length all the lande of Egypt was affamished, and the people cryed to Pharaoh for bread. And Pharaoh said vnto all the Egyptians. 56 Goe to Ioseph: what he sayth to you, doe ye. When the famine was vpon all the land, Ioseph opened all places, wherein the store was, and solde vnto the Egyptians: for the famine waxed 57 sore in the land of Egypt. And all countries came to Egypt to bye corne of Ioseph, because the famine was sore in all landes.

Then Iaakob saw that there was foode in Egypt, and Iaakob 42 2 said vnto his sonnes, Why gaze ye one vpon an other? And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is foode in Egypt, Get you downe thither, and bie vs foode thence, that we may 3 liue and not die. So went Iosephs ten brethren downe to bye 4 corne of the Egyptians. But Beniamin Iosephs brother woulde not Iaakob send with his brethren: for he saide, Least death 5 should befall him. And the sonnes of Israel came to bye foode among them that came: for there was famine in the land of Now Ioseph was gouerner of the land, who solde to all the people of the lande: then Iosephs brethren came, 7 and bowed their face to the groud before him. Ioseph sawe his brethren, hee knewe them, and made himselfe straunge toward them, and spake to them roughly, and saide vnto them, Whence come yee? Who answered, Out of the land 8 of Canaan, to bye vitaile. (Now Ioseph knewe his brethren, 9 but they knew not him. And Ioseph remembred the dreames, which he dreamed of them) and he sayde vnto them, Ye are 10 spies, and are come to see the weaknesse of the land. But they sayde vnto him, Nay, my lorde, but to bye vitayle thy seruants Wee are all one mans sonnes: wee meane truely, 11 are come. 12 and thy seruants are no spies. But he saide vnto them, Nay, 13 but yee are come to see the weakenes of the land. And they said, We thy seruants are twelue brethren, the sonnes of one man in the lande of Canaan: and beholde, the yongest is this day with our father, and one is not. Againe Ioseph sayde vnto 14 them, This is it that I spake vnto you, saying, Ye are spies. Hereby ye shall be proued: by the life of Pharaoh, ye shall 15 not goe hence, except your yongest brother come hither. Send 16 one of you which may fet your brother, and ye shall be kept in prison, that your words may be proued, whether there bee trueth in you: or els by the life of Pharaoh ye are but spies. So he put them in warde three dayes. Then Ioseph said vnto 17, 18 them the third day, This do, and liue: for I feare God. If ye 19 be true men, let one of your brethren be bounde in your prison house, and goe ye, carie foode for the famine of your houses: But bring your yonger brother vnto me, that your wordes may 20 be tried, and that ye dye not: and they did so. And they said 21 one to another, We have verily sinned against our brother, in that we sawe the anguish of his soule, when he besought vs. and we would not heare him: therefore is this trouble come vpon vs. And Reuben answered them, saving, Warned I not 22 you, saying, Sinne not against the childe, and ye would not heare? and lo, his blood is now required. (And they were not 23 aware that Ioseph vnderstoode them: for he spake vnto them by an interpreter.) Then he turned from them, and wept, and 24 turned to them againe, and communed with them, and tooke Simeon from among them, and bounde him before their eyes. So Ioseph commanded that they should fill their sackes with 25 wheate, and put euery mans money againe in his sacke, and giue them vitaile for the iourney: and thus did he vnto them. And they layed their vitaile vpon their asses, and departed 26 thence. And as one of them opened his sacke for to give his 27 asse prouender in the ynne, he espyed his money: for lo, it was in his sackes mouth. Then he sayde vnto his brethren, My 28 money is restored: for loe, it is euen in my sacke. And their heart fayled them, and they were astonished, and sayde one to another, What is this, that God hath done vnto vs? And they 29 came vnto Iaakob their father vnto the lande of Canaan, and tolde him all that had befallen them, saving. The man, who 30 is Lord of the lande, spake roughly to vs, and put vs in prison as spyes of the countrey. And we sayd vnto him, We are true 31 men, and are no spies. We be twelve brethren, sonnes of our 32

father: one is not, and the yongest is this day with our father 33 in the land of Canaan. Then the Lord of the countrey sayde vnto vs, Hereby shall I knowe if ye be true men: Leaue one of your brethren with me, and take foode for the famine of your 34 houses and depart, And bring your yongest brother vnto me, that I may knowe that ye are no spies, but true men: so will I deliuer you your brother, and yee shall occupie in the land. 35 And as they emptied their sacks, behold, every mans bundel of money was in his sacke: and when they and their father sawe 36 the bundels of their money, they were afrayde. Then Iaakob their father said to them, Ye have robbed me of my children: Ioseph is not, and Simeon is not, and ye will take Beniamin: 37 all these things are against me. Then Reuben answered his father, saying, Slay my two sonnes, if I bring him not to thee againe: deliuer him to mine hand, and I will bring him to thee 38 againe. But he said, My sonne shall not go downe with you: for his brother is dead, and he is left alone: if death come vnto him by the way which ye goe, then ye shall bring my gray head with sorow vnto the graue.

Now great famine was in the land. And when they had **43**. 2 eaten vp the vitaile, which they had brought from Egypt, their father sayd vnto them, Turne againe, and bye vs a little foode. 3 And Iudah answered him, saying, The man charged vs by an othe, saying, Neuer see my face, except your brother be with 4 you. If thou wilt sende our brother with vs, we will goe downe, 5 and bye thee foode: But if thou wilt not send him, we wil not go downe: for the man said vnto vs, Looke me not in the face, 6 except your brother be with you. And Israel sayd, Wherefore delt ye so euill with me, as to tell the man, whether ye had yet a 7 brother or no? And they answered, The man asked straitly of our selues and of our kinred, saying, Is your father yet aliue? haue ye any brother? And wee tolde him according to these wordes: could we knowe certainely that he would say, Bring 8 your brother downe? Then sayde Iudah to Israel his father, Send the boy with mee, that we may rise and goe, and that we 9 may liue and not dye, both we, and thou, and our children. I wil be suertie for him: of mine hand shalt thou require him. If I bring him not to thee, and set him before thee, then let me 10 beare the blame for euer. For except we had made this tary-

11 ing. doutlesse by this we had returned the second time. Then

their father Israel sayd vnto them, If it must needes be so now, do thus: take of the best fruites of the lande in your vessels, and bring the man a present, a little rosen, and a little hony, spices and myrrhe, nuttes, and almondes: And take double 12 money in your hande, and the money, that was brought againe in your sackes mouthes: cary it againe in your hand, lest it were some ouersight. Take also your brother and arise, and 13 go againe to the man. And God almightie giue vou mercie 14 in the sight of the man, that hee may deliuer you your other brother, and Beniamin: but I shall be robbed of my childe, as I haue bene. Thus the men tooke this present, and tooke twise 15 so much money in their hande with Beniamin, and rose vp. and went downe to Egypt and stoode before Ioseph. And whe 16 Ioseph saw Beniamin with them, he sayde to his stewarde, Bring these men home and kill meate, and make ready: for the men shall eate with me at noone. And the man did as Ioseph 17 bad, and brought the men vnto Iosephs house. Nowe when the 18 men were brought into Iosephs house, they were afrayd, and sayd, Because of the money, that came in our sackes mouthes at the first time, are we brought, that hee may picke a quarrell against vs, and lay some thing to our charge, and bring vs in bondage and our asses. Therefore came they to Iosephs stewarde, and communed with him at the doore of ye house. And 20 said, Oh syr, we came in deede down hither at the first time to bye foode, And as wee came to an ynne and opened our 21 sackes, behold, euery mans money was in his sackes mouth, euen our money in full weight, but we haue brought it againe in our handes. Also other money haue we brought in our 22 handes to bye foode, but we cannot tell, who put our money in our sackes. And he said, Peace be vnto you, feare not: 23 your God and the God of your father hath given you that treasure in your sackes, I had your money: and he brought forth Simeon to them. So the man led them into Iosephs house, 24 and gaue them water to wash their feete, and gaue their asses prouender. And they made ready their present against Ioseph 25 came at noone, (for they heard say, that they should eate bread there) When Ioseph came home, they brought the present into 26 the house to him, which was in their handes, and bowed downe to the grounde before him. And he asked them of their pros- 27 peritie, and sayd, Is your father the olde man, of whome ye

28 tolde me, in good health? is he yet aliue? Who answered, Thy seruant our father is in good health, he is yet aliue: and 29 they bowed downe, and made obeysance. And he lifting vp his eyes, beheld his brother Beniamin his mothers sonne, and sayde, Is this your yonger brother, of whome ye tolde me? And 30 he said, God be merciful vnto thee, my sone. And Ioseph made haste (for his affection was inflamed towarde his brother, and sought where to weepe) and entred into his chamber, and wept 31 there. Afterward he washed his face, and came out, and re-32 frained himselfe, and sayd, Set on meate. And they prepared for him by himselfe, and for them by themselues, and for the Egyptians, which did eate with him, by themselues, because the Egyptians might not eate bread with the Ebrewes: for that 33 was an abomination vnto the Egyptians. So they sate before him: the eldest according vnto his age, and the yongest according vnto his youth. and the men marueiled among themselues. 34 And they tooke meases from before him, and sent to them: but Beniamins mease was five times so much as any of theirs: and they drunke, and had of the best drinke with him.

Afterward he commanded his steward, saying, Fill the mens 44 sackes with foode, as much as they can carry, and put euery 2 mans money in his sackes mouth. And put my cup, I meane the siluer cup, in the sackes mouth of the vongest, and his corne money. And he did according to the commandement that 3 Ioseph gaue him. And in the morning the men were sent 4 away, they, and their asses. And when they went out of the citie not farre off, Ioseph sayd to his stewarde, Vp, follow after the men: and when thou doest ouertake them, say vnto 5 them, Wherefore haue ye rewarded euill for good? Is that not the cuppe, wherein my Lord drinketh? and in the which he doeth deuine and prophecie? ye haue done euill in so do-And when he ouertooke them, he sayde those wordes 7 vnto them. And they answered him, Wherefore sayeth my lorde such wordes? God forbid that thy seruants should do 8 such a thing. Behold, the money which we found in our sackes mouthes, wee brought againe to thee out of the land of Canaan: how then should we steale out of thy lordes house siluer or 9 golde? With whomesoeuer of thy seruants it bee found, let 10 him dye, and we also will be my lordes bondmen. And he said, Now then let it be according vnto your wordes: he with whome it is found, shall be my seruant, and ye shalbe blamelesse. Then at once euery man tooke downe his sacke to the 11 grounde, and euery one opened his sacke. And he searched, 12 and began at the eldest and left at the yongest: and the cuppe was found in Benjamins sacke. Then they rent their clothes. 13 and laded euery man his asse, and went againe into the citie. So Iudah and his brethren came to Iosephs house (for he was 14 vet there) and they fel before him on the ground. Then Ioseph 15 sayd vnto them, What acte is this, which ye haue done? know ye not that such a man as I, can deuine and prophecie? Then 16 sayd Iudah, What shall we say vnto my lord? what shall we speake? and howe can we iustifie our selues? God hath found out the wickednesse of thy servants: beholde, we are servants to my Lord, both wee, and he, with whome the cuppe is founde. But he answered, God forbid, that I should doe so, but the man, 17 with whome the cuppe is founde, he shalbe my seruant, and go ve in peace vnto your father. Then Iudah drewe neere vnto 18 him, and sayde, O my Lord, let thy seruant nowe speake a worde in my lordes eares, and let not thy wrath be kindled against thy seruant: for thou art euen as Pharaoh. My Lord 19 asked his seruants, saying, Haue ye a father, or a brother? And we answered my Lord, We have a father that is olde, and 20 a young childe, which he begate in his age: and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother, and his father loueth him. Now thou saidest vnto thy seruants, Bring him vnto me, 21 that I may set mine eye vpon him. And we answered my lord, 22 The childe can not depart from his father: for if he leaue his father, his father would die. Then saydest thou vnto thy seru- 23 ants, Except your yonger brother come downe with you, looke in my face no more. So when we came vnto thy seruant our 24 father, and shewed him what my lord had sayd, And our fa- 25 ther sayde vnto vs, Goe againe, bye vs a litle foode, Then we 26 answered. We can not go downe: but if our yongest brother go with vs, then will we go downe: for we may not see the mans face, except our yongest brother be with vs. Then thy seru- 27 ant my father sayde vnto vs, Ye knowe that my wife bare me two sonnes, And the one went out from me, and I said, Of a 28 suretie he is torne in pieces, and I sawe him not since. Nowe 29 yee take this also away from me: if death take him, then yee shall bring my graye head in sorowe to the graue. Nowe there- 30 fore, when I come to thy seruant my father, and the childe be not with vs (seeing that his life dependeth on the childes life)

Then when hee shall see that the childe is not come, he will die: so shall thy seruants bring the graye head of thy seruant our father with sorowe to the graue. Doubtlesse thy seruant became suertie for the childe to my father, and said, If I bring him not vnto thee againe, then I will beare the blame vnto my father for euer. Nowe therefore, I pray thee, let me thy seruant bide for the childe, as a seruant to my Lord, and let the childe go vp with his brethren. For how can I go vp to my father, if the childe be not with me, vnlesse I woulde see the euil that shall come on my father?

Then Ioseph could not refraine him selfe before all that 45 stoode by him, but hee cryed, Haue forth euery man from me. And there taryed not one with him, while Ioseph vttered him-2 selfe vnto his brethren. And hee wept and cried, so that the 3 Egyptians heard: the house of Pharaoh heard also. Ioseph sayde to his brethren, I am Ioseph: doeth my father yet liue? But his brethren coulde not answere him, for they 4 were astonished at his presence. Againe, Ioseph sayde to his brethren, Come neere, I pray you, to mee. And they came neere. And he sayde, I am Ioseph your brother, whom ye sold 5 into Egypt. Nowe therefore be not sad, neither grieued with your selues, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me be-6 fore you for your preservation. For nowe two yeeres of famine haue bene through ye land, and fiue yeeres are behind, wherein 7 neither shalbe earing nor haruest. Wherefore God sent me before you to preserue your posteritie in this land, and to saue 8 you aliue by a great deliuerance. Now the you sent not me hither, but God, who hath made mee a father vnto Pharaoh, and lorde of all his house, and ruler throughout all the land 9 of Egypt. Haste you and go vp to my father, and tel him, Thus saieth thy sonne Ioseph, God hath made me lord of all 10 Egypt: come downe to me, tary not. And thou shalt dwel in ye land of Goshen, and shalt be neere me, thou and thy children, and thy childrens children, and thy sheepe, and thy beastes, 11 and all that thou hast. Also I will nourish thee there (for yet remaine fiue yeeres of famine) lest thou perish through pouer-12 tie, thou and thy houshold, and all that thou hast. And behold, your eyes doe see, and the eyes of my brother Beniamin,

that my mouth speaketh to you. Therefore tel my father of 13 al mine honour in Egypt, and of all that ye haue seene, and make haste, and bring my father hither. Then hee fell on his 14 brother Beniamins necke, and wept, and Beniamin wept on his necke. Moreouer, he kissed all his brethren, and wept vpon 15 them: and afterwarde his brethren talked with him. And the 16 tidinges came vnto Pharaohs house, so that they said, Iosephs brethre are come: and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his seru-Then Pharaoh said vnto Ioseph, Say to thy brethren, 17 This doe ve, lade your beastes and depart, go to the land of Canaan. And take your father, and your houshoulds, and come 18 to me, and I wil giue you the best of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eate of the fat of the land. And I commaund thee, 19 Thus doe ve, take you charets out of the lande of Egypt for your children, and for your wives, and bring your father and Also regarde not your stuffe: for the best of all the 20 land of Egypt is yours. And the children of Israel did so: and 21 Ioseph gaue them charets according to the commandement of Pharaoh: hee gaue them vitaile also for the journey. He gaue 22 them all, none except, change of raiment: but vnto Beniamin he gaue three hundreth pieces of siluer, and fiue sutes of rai-And vnto his father likewise hee sent ten hee asses 23 laden with the best things of Egypt, and ten shee asses laden with wheate, and bread and meate for his father by the way. So sent he his brethren away, and they departed: and he sayde 24 vnto them, Fall not out by the way. Then they went vp from 25 Egypt, and came vnto the land of Canaan vnto Iaakob their father, And tolde him, saving, Ioseph is yet aliue, and he also 26 is gouernour ouer all the lande of Egypt, and Iaakobs heart failed: for he beleeued them not. And they told him al the 27 words of Ioseph, which he had said vnto the: but when he saw the charets, which Ioseph had sent to cary him, then the spirit of Iaakob their father reuiued. And Israel said, I haue inough: 28 Ioseph my sonne is yet aliue: I will go and see him yer I die.

Then Israel tooke his iourney with all that he had, and 46 came to Beer-sheba, and offered sacrifice vnto the God of his father Izhak. And God spake vnto Israel in a vision by night, 2 saying, Iaakob, Iaakob. Who answered, I am here. Then 3 hee sayde, I am God, the God of thy father, feare not to goe downe into Egypt: for I will there make of thee a great na-

I wil go downe with thee into Egypt, and I will also bring thee vp againe, and Ioseph shall put his hand vpon thine Then Iaakob rose vp from Beer-sheba: and the sonnes of Israel caried Iaakob their father, and their children, and their wives in the charets, which Pharaoh had sent to cary 6 him. And they tooke their cattell and their goods, which they had gotten in the lande of Canaan, and came into Egypt, both 7 Iaakob and all his seede with him, His sonnes and his sonnes sonnes with him, his daughters and his sonnes daughters, and 8 al his seede brought he with him into Egypt. And these are the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt, 9 euen Iaakob and his sonnes: Reuben, Iaakobs first borne. And the sonnes of Reuben: Hanoch, and Phallu, and Hezron, and 10 Carmi. And the sonnes of Simeon: Iemuel, and Iamin, and Ohad, and Iachin, and Zohar; and Shaul the sonne of a Canaani-11 tish woman. Also the sonnes of Leui: Gershon, Kohath, and 12 Merari. Also the sonnes of Iudah: Er, and Onan, and Shelah. and Pharez, and Zerah: (but Er and Onan died in ye land of Canaan) And the sonnes of Pharez were Hezron and Hamul. 13 Also the sonnes of Issachar: Tola, and Phuuah, and Iob, and 14 Shimron. Also the sonnes of Zebulun: Sered, and Elon, and These bee the sonnes of Leah, which shee bare vnto 15 Iahleel. Iaakob in Padan Aram, with his daughter Dinah. All the soules 16 of his sonnes and his daughters were thirtie and three. Also the sonnes of Gad: Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and Ezbon, Eri, 17 and Arodi, and Areli. Also the sonnes of Asher: Iimnah, and Ishuah, and Isui, and Beriah, and Serah their sister. And the 18 sonnes of Beriah: Heber, and Malchiel. These are the children of Zilpah, whome Laban gaue to Leah his daughter: and these 19 shee bare vnto Iaakob, euen sixtene soules. The sonnes of Ra-20 hel Iaakobs wife were Ioseph and Beniamin. And vnto Ioseph in the lande of Egypt were borne Manasseh, and Ephraim, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah prince of On bare 21 vnto him. Also the sonnes of Beniamin: Belah, and Becher, and Ashbel, Gera, and Naaman, Ehi, and Rosh, Muppim, and 22 Huppim, and Ard. These are the sonnes of Rahel, which were 23 borne vnto Iaakob, fourteene soules in all. Also the sonnes 24 of Dan: Hushim. Also the sonnes of Naphtali: Iahzeel, and 25 Guni, and Iezer, and Shillem. These are the sonnes of Bilhah, which Laban gaue vnto Rahel his daughter, and shee bare

these to Iaakob, in all, seuen soules. Al the soules, that came 26 with Iaakob into Egypt, which came out of his loynes (beside Iaakobs sonnes wives) were in the whole, three score and sixe soules. Also the sonnes of Ioseph, which were borne him in 27 Egypt, were two soules: so that all the soules of the house of Iaakob, which came into Egypt, are seuentie. The he sent 28 Iudah before him vnto Ioseph, to direct his way vnto Goshen, and they came into the land of Goshen. Then Ioseph made 29 ready his charet and went vp to Goshen to meete Israel his father, and presented himselfe vnto him and fel on his necke, and wept vpon his necke a good while. And Israel sayde vnto 30 Ioseph, Now let me die, since I haue seene thy face, and that thou art vet aliue. Then Ioseph said to his brethren, and 31 to his fathers house, I wil go vp and shew Pharaoh, and tell him, My brethren and my fathers house, which were in the land of Canaan, are come vnto me, And the men are shep- 32 heardes, and because they are shepheardes, they have brought their sheepe and their cattell, and all that they have. And if 33 Pharaoh call you, and aske you, What is your trade? Then ye 34 shall say, Thy seruants are men occupied about cattell, from our childehood euen vnto this time, both we and our fathers: that yee may dwell in the lande of Goshen: for euery sheepe keeper is an abomination vnto the Egyptians.

Then came Ioseph and tolde Pharaoh, and sayde, My fa- 47 ther, and my brethren, and their sheepe, and their cattell, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Canaan, and behold, they are in the land of Goshen. And Ioseph tooke 2 part of his brethren, euen fiue men, and presented them vnto Pharaoh. Then Pharaoh said vnto his brethren, What is your 3 trade? And they answered Pharaoh, Thy seruants are shepheards, both we and our fathers. They sayde moreouer vnto 4 Pharaoh, For to soiourne in ve lande are we come: for thy seruants have no pasture for their sheepe, so sore is ye famine in the lande of Canaan. Nowe therefore, we pray thee, let thy seruants dwel in the land of Goshen. Then spake Pharaoh 5 to Ioseph, saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come vnto The lande of Egypt is before thee: in the best place 6 of the land make thy father and thy brethren dwel: let the dwel in the land of Goshen: and if thou knowest that there be men of activitie among them, make them rulers over my

Ioseph also brought Iaakob his father, and set him 7 cattell. 8 before Pharaoh. And Iaakob saluted Pharaoh. Then Pharaoh 9 sayde vnto Iaakob, Howe olde art thou? And Iaakob sayd vnto Pharaoh, The whole time of my pilgrimage is an hundreth and thirty yeeres: fewe and euill haue the dayes of my life bene, and I have not attayned vnto the yeeres of the life of my fa-10 thers, in the dayes of their pilgrimages. And Iaakob tooke leaue of Pharaoh, and departed from the presence of Pharaoh. 11 And Ioseph placed his father, and his brethren, and gaue them possession in the lande of Egypt, in the best of the land, euen 12 in the lande of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded. Ioseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his fa-13 thers houshold with bread, euen to the yong children. Now there was no bread in all the land: for the famine was exceeding sore: so that the land of Egypt, and the land of Canaan 14 were famished by reason of the famine. And Ioseph gathered all the money, that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the corne which they bought, and Ioseph 15 layd up the money in Pharaohs house. So when money fayled in the lande of Egypt, and in the lande of Canaan, then all the Egyptians came vnto Ioseph, and sayde, Giue vs bread: for why should we dye before thee? for our money is spent. Then saide Ioseph, Bring your cattell, and I will give you for your cattell, 17 if your money be spent. So they brought their cattell vnto Ioseph, and Ioseph gaue them bread for the horses, and for the flockes of sheepe, and for the heards of cattel, and for the asses: 18 so he fed them with bread for all their cattell that yeere. But when the yeere was ended, they came vnto him the next yeere, and sayd vnto him, We will not hide from my lord, that since our money is spent, and my lord hath the heards of the cattel, there is nothing left in the sight of my lorde, but our bodies 19 and our ground. Why shall we perish in thy sight, both we, and our land? bye vs and our land for bread, and we and our land will be bonde to Pharaoh: therefore give vs seede, that we may liue and not dye, and that the land go not to waste. 20 So Ioseph bought all the lande of Egypt for Pharaoh: for the Egyptians solde euery man his ground because the famine was 21 sore vpon the: so the land became Pharaohs. And he remoued the people vnto the cities, from one side of Egypt euen to the 22 other. Onely the lande of the Priestes bought he not: for the Priestes had an ordinarie of Pharaoh, and they did eate their ordinarie, which Pharaoh gaue them: wherefore they solde not their grounde. Then Ioseph sayd vnto the people, Behold, I 23 haue bought you this daye, and your lande for Pharaoh: lo, here is seede for you: sowe therefore the grounde. And of the 24 encrease ye shall give the fifth part vnto Pharaoh, and foure partes shalbe yours for the seede of the fielde, and for your meate, and for them of your housholdes, and for your children to eate. Then they answered, Thou hast saued our lives: let 25 vs finde grace in the sight of my Lord, and we will be Pharaohs servants. Then Ioseph made it a lawe over the land of Egypt 26 vnto this day, that Pharaoh should have the fift part, except the land of the priests only, which was not Pharaohs. Israel dwelt in the lande of Egypt, in the countrey of Goshen: and they had their possessions therein, and grewe and multiplied exceedingly. Moreover, Iaakob lived in the lande of 28 Egypt seuenteene veeres, so that the whole age of Iaakob was an hundreth fourtie and seuen yeere. Now when the time 29 drewe neere that Israel must dve, he called his sonne Ioseph, and sayde vnto him, If I have nowe founde grace in thy sight, put thine hand nowe vnder my thigh, and deale mercifully and truely with me: burie me not, I pray thee, in Egypt. when I shall sleepe with my fathers, thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and bury mee in their buryall. And he answered, I will doe as thou hast sayde. The he said, Sweare vnto me. And 31 he sware vnto him. And Israel worshipped towardes the beds head.

Againe after this, one sayd to Ioseph, Loe, thy father is sicke: then hee tooke with him his two sonnes, Manasseh and Ephraim. Also one told Iaakob, and said, Behold, thy sonne Ioseph is come to thee, and Israel tooke his strength vnto him and sate vpon the bed. Then Iaakob sayde vnto Ioseph, God almightie appeared vnto me at Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me. And he sayde vnto me, Behold, I wil make thee fruitefull, and will multiplie thee, and will make a great number of people of thee, and will giue this lande vnto thy seede after thee for an euerlasting possession. And now thy two sonnes, Manasseh and Ephraim, which are borne vnto thee in the lande of Egypt, before I came to thee into Egypt, shall be mine, as Reuben and Simeon are mine. But the linage, 6

which thou hast begotten after them, shalbe thine: they shall be called after the names of their brethren in their inheritance. 7 Nowe when I came from Padan, Rahel died vpon mine hande in the lande of Canaan, by the way when there was but halfe a dayes iourney of grounde to come to Ephrath: and I buryed her 8 there in the way to Ephrath: the same is Beth-lehem. Then 9 Israel beheld Iosephs sonnes and sayd, Whose are these? And Ioseph sayd vnto his father, They are my sonnes, which God hath given mee here. Then he sayd, I pray thee, bring them 10 to me, that I may blesse them: (For the eyes of Israel were dimme for age, so that hee coulde not well see) Then he caused them to come to him, and he kissed them and embraced them. 11 And Israel sayde vnto Ioseph, I had not thought to haue seene 12 thy face: yet lo, God hath shewed me also thy seede. Ioseph tooke them away from his knees, and did reuerence 13 downe to the ground. Then tooke Ioseph them both, Ephraim in his right hand towarde Israels left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward Israels right hand, so he brought them 14 vnto him. But Israel stretched out his right hand, and layde it on Ephraims head, which was the yonger, and his left hande vpon Manassehs head (directing his handes of purpose) for 15 Manasseh was the elder. Also he blessed Ioseph and sayde, The God, before whom my fathers Abraham and Izhak did walke, the God, which hath fed me al my life long vnto this day, 16 blesse thee. The Angel, which hath deliuered me from all euill, blesse the children, and let my name be named vpon them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Izhak, that they may 17 growe as fish into a multitude in the middes of the earth. But when Ioseph sawe that his father layde his right hande vpon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he stayed his fathers hand to remooue it from Ephraims head to Manassehs 18 head. And Ioseph sayde vnto his father, Not so, my father, for 19 this is the eldest: put thy right hand vpon his head. But his father refused, and sayd, I know well, my sonne, I know well: he shalbe also a people, and he shalbe great likewise: but his yonger brother shalbe greater then he, and his seede shall be 20 full of nations. So he blessed them that day, and sayde, In thee Israel shall blesse, and say, God make thee as Ephraim and as 21 Manasseh. and he set Ephraim before Manasseh. Then Israel said vnto Ioseph, Behold, I die, and God shall be with you, and bring you againe vnto the land of your fathers. Moreouer, I  $_{22}$  haue given vnto thee one portion aboue thy brethren, which I gate out of the hand of the Amorite by my sworde and by my bowe.

Then Iaakob called his sonnes, and sayde, Gather your selues 49 together, that I may tell you what shall come to you in the last dayes. Gather your selues together, and heare, ye sonnes of 2 Iaakob, and hearken vnto Israel vour father. Reuben mine el- 3 dest sonne, thou art my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellencie of dignitie, and the excellencie of power: Thou 4 wast light as water: thou shalt not be excellent, because thou wentest vp to thy fathers bed: then diddest thou defile my bed, thy dignitie is gone. Simeon and Leui, brethren in euill, the 5 instruments of crueltie are in their habitations. Into their se- 6 cret let not my soule come: my glory, be not thou ioyned with their assembly: for in their wrath they slew a man, and in their selfe will they digged downe a wall. Cursed be their wrath, 7 for it was fierce, and their rage, for it was cruell: I will deuide them in Iaakob, and scatter them in Israel. Thou Iudah, thy 8 brethre shall praise thee: thine hande shalbe in the necke of thine enemies: thy fathers sonnes shall bowe downe vnto thee. Iudah, as a Lions whelpe shalt thou come vp from the spoyle, 9 my sonne. He shall lye downe and couche as a Lion, and as a Lionesse: Who shall stirre him vp? The scepter shall not 10 depart from Iudah, nor a Lawegiuer from betweene his feete, vntill Shiloh come, and the people shall be gathered vnto him. He shall binde his Asse foale vnto ye vine, and his Asses colte 11 vnto the best vine. hee shall wash his garment in wine, and his cloke in the blood of grapes. His eyes shalbe red with wine, 12 and his teeth white with milke. Zebulun shall dwell by the 13 sea side, and he shalbe an hauen for shippes: and his border Issachar shalbe a strong asse, couching 14 shalbe vnto Zidon. downe betweene two burdens: And he shall see that rest is 15 good, and that the land is pleasant, and he shall bow his shoulder to beare, and shalbe subject vnto tribute. Dan shall judge 16 his people as one of the tribes of Israel. Dan shall be a serpent 17 by the way, an adder by the path, byting the horse heeles, so that his rider shall fall backward. O Lord, I have waited for 18 thy saluation. Gad, an hoste of men shall ouercome him, but 19 he shall ouercome at the last. Concerning Asher, his bread 20

21 shalbe fat, and he shall give pleasures for a king. Naphtali 22 shalbe a hinde let goe, giuing goodly wordes. Ioseph shalbe a fruitefull bough, euen a fruitful bough by the well side: the 23 small boughs shall runne vpon the wall. And the archers 24 grieued him, and shotte against him and hated him. But his bowe abode strong, and the hands of his armes were strengthened, by the handes of the mighty God of Iaakob, of whom was 25 the feeder appointed, by the stone of Israel, Euen by the God of thy father, who shall helpe thee, and by the almightie, who shall blesse thee with heauenly blessinges from aboue, with blessings of the deepe, that lyeth beneath, with blessings of 26 the brestes, and of the wombe. The blessings of thy father shalbe stronger then the blessings of mine elders: vnto the ende of the hilles of the worlde they shall be on the head of Ioseph, and on the top of the head of him that was separate 27 from his brethren. Benjamin shall raujne as a wolfe: in the morning he shall deuoure the pray, and at night he shall deuide 28 the spoyle. All these are the twelue tribes of Israel, and thus their father spake vnto them, and blessed them: euery one of 29 them blessed hee with a seuerall blessing. And he charged them and sayd vnto them, I am ready to be gathered vnto my people: burie mee with my fathers in the caue, that is in the 30 fielde of Ephron the Hittite. In the caue that is in the field of Machpelah besides Mamre in the land of Canaan: which caue Abraham bought with the fielde of Ephron the Hittite for a pos-31 session to burie in. There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife: there they buryed Izhak and Rebekah his wife: and there 32 I buried Leah. The purchase of the fielde and the caue that 33 is therein, was bought of the children of Heth. Thus Iaakob made an end of giuing charge to his sonnes, and plucked vp his feete into the bed and gaue vp the ghost, and was gathered to his people.

Then Ioseph fell vpon his fathers face and wept vpon him,
and kissed him. And Ioseph commanded his seruantes the
physicions, to enbaume his father, and the physicions enbaumed
Israel. So fourtie dayes were accomplished (for so long did
the dayes of them that were enbaumed last) and the Egyptians bewayled him seuentie dayes. And when the dayes of
his mourning were past, Ioseph spake to the house of Pharaoh,
saying, If I haue nowe found fauour in your eyes, speake, I

pray you, in the eares of Pharaoh, and say, My father made 5 me sweare, saying, Loe, I die, bury me in my graue, which I haue made me in the land of Canaan: now therefore let me go, I pray thee, and bury my father, and I wil come againe. Then Pharaoh said, Goe vp and bury thy father, as he made 6 thee to sweare. So Ioseph went vp to bury his father, and 7 with him went all the seruants of Pharaoh, both the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of Egypt. wise all the house of Ioseph, and his brethren, and his fathers house: onely their children, and their sheepe, and their cattell left they in the land of Goshen. And there went vp with 9 him both charets and horsemen: and they were an exceeding great company. And they came to Goren Atad, which is be- 10 vond Iorden, and there they made a great and exceeding sore lamentation: and he mourned for his father seuen dayes. And 11 when the Canaanites the inhabitants of the lande sawe the mourning in Goren Atad, they sayde, This is a great mourning vnto the Egyptians: wherefore the name thereof was called Abel Mizraim, which is beyond Iorden. So his sonnes did vnto 12 him, according as he had commanded them: For his sonnes 13 caried him into the lande of Canaan, and buried him in the caue of the fielde of Machpelah, which caue Abraham bought with the fielde, to be a place to bury in, of Ephron the Hittite besides Mamre. Then Ioseph returned into Egypt, he and his 14 brethren, and al that went vp with him to bury his father, after that he had buried his father. And when Iosephs brethren saw 15 that their father was dead, they sayde, It may be that Ioseph will hate vs, and will pay vs againe all the euill, which we did vnto him. Therefore they sent vnto Ioseph, saying, Thy father 16 commanded before his death, saying, Thus shall ye say vnto 17 Ioseph, Forgiue now, I pray thee, the trespasse of thy brethren, and their sinne: for they rewarded thee euil. And nowe, we pray thee, forgiue the trespasse of the seruants of thy fathers God. And Ioseph wept, when they spake vnto him. Also his 18 brethren came vnto him, and fell downe before his face, and sayde, Beholde, we be thy seruants. To whome Ioseph sayde, 19 Feare not: for am not I vnder God? When ye thought euill 20 against mee, God disposed it to good, that he might bring to passe, as it is this day, and saue much people aliue. Feare not 21 nowe therefore. I will nourish you, and your children: and hee

comforted them, and spake kindly vnto them. So Ioseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his fathers house: and Ioseph liued an hundreth and tenne yeere. And Ioseph saw Ephraims children, euen vnto the third generation: also the sonnes of Machir the
sonne of Manasseh were brought vp on Iosephs knees. And Ioseph sayd vnto his brethren, I am ready to dye, and God will surely visite you, and bring you out of this land, vnto ye land which hee sware vnto Abraham, vnto Izhak, and vnto Iaakob.
And Ioseph tooke an othe of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visite you, and ye shall cary my bones hence. So Ioseph died, when he was an hundreth and ten yere olde: and they enbaumed him and put him in a chest in Egypt.

## THE SECOND BOOK OF MOSES, CALLED EXODUS.

ow these are the names of the children of Israel, which 1 came into Egypt (euery man and his housholde came thither with Iaakob) Reuben, Simeon, Leui, and Iu-2 dah, Issachar, Zebulun, and Beniamin, Dan, and 3,4 Naphtali, Gad, and Asher. So al the soules, that came out 5 of the loines of Iaakob, were seuentie soules: Ioseph was in Egypt already. Nowe Ioseph died and all his brethren, and 6 that whole generation. And the children of Israel brought 7 foorth fruite and encreased in aboundance, and were multiplied, and were exceeding mightie, so that the land was full of Then there rose vp a newe King in Egypt, who knewe 8 not Ioseph. And he sayde vnto his people, Beholde, the peo- 9 ple of the children of Israel are greater and mightier then we. Come, let vs worke wisely with them, least they multiplie, and 10 it come to passe, that if there be warre, they iowne them selues also vnto our enemies, and fight against vs, and get them out of Therefore did they set taskemasters over them, to 11 keepe the vnder with burdens: and they built the cities Pithom and Raamses for the treasures of Pharaoh. But the more they 12 vexed them, the more they multiplied and grewe: therefore they were more grieued against the children of Israel. Where- 13 fore the Egyptians by crueltie caused the children of Israel Thus they made them weary of their liues by sore 14 labour in clay and in bricke, and in al worke in the fielde, with all maner of bondage, which they layde vpon them most cruelly. Moreover the King of Egypt commanded ye midwives of the 15 Ebrewe women, (of which the ones name was Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah) And sayde, When ye doe the of- 16 fice of a midwife to the women of the Ebrewes, and see them on their stooles, if it be a sonne, then yee shall kill him: but if it be a daughter, then let her liue. Notwithstanding ve midwiues 17 feared God, and did not as the King of Egypt commanded them, but preserved aliue the men children. Then the King of Egypt 18

called for the midwiues, and sayde vnto them, Why haue yee done thus, and haue preserved aliue the men children? And the midwiues answered Pharaoh, Because the Ebrewe women are not as the women of Egypt: for they are lively, and are deliuered yer the midwife come at them. God therefore prospered the midwiues, and the people multiplied and were very mightie. And because ye midwiues feared God, therefore he made them houses. Then Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Euery man childe that is borne, cast yee into the river, but reserve every maide childe alive.

Then there went a man of the house of Leui, and tooke to  $\mathbf{2}$ 2 wife a daughter of Leui, And the woman coceiued and bare a sonne: and when she saw that he was faire, she hid him 3 three moneths. But when she could no longer hide him, she tooke for him an arke made of reede, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and laide the childe therein, and put it among 4 the bulrushes by the rivers brinke. Now his sister stood a 5 farre off, to wit what would come of him. Then ye daughter of Pharaoh came downe to wash her in the riuer, and her maidens walked by the rivers side: and when shee sawe the arke among 6 the bulrushes, she sent her maide to fet it. Then she opened it, and sawe it was a childe: and beholde, the babe wept: so she had compassion on it, and sayde, This is one of the Ebrewes 7 children. Then said his sister vnto Pharaohs daughter, Shall I go and cal vnto thee a nurce of the Ebrew women to nurce 8 thee the childe? And Pharaohs daughter sayde to her, Goe. 9 So the maide went and called the childes mother. To whome Pharaohs daughter sayde, Take this childe away, and nurce it for me, and I wil reward thee. Then the woman tooke the childe 10 and nurced him. Nowe the childe grewe, and she brought him vnto Pharaohs daughter, and he was as her sonne, and she called his name Moses, because, said she, I drewe him out of 11 the water. And in those dayes, when Moses was growen, he went forth vnto his brethren, and looked on their burdens: also he sawe an Egyptian smiting an Ebrewe one of his brethren. 12 And he looked rounde about, and when he sawe no man, hee 13 slewe the Egyptian, and hid him in the sande. Againe he came forth the second day, and behold, two Ebrewes stroue: and he said vnto him that did the wrong, Wherefore smitest 14 thou thy fellowe? And hee answered, Who made thee a man

of authoritie, and a judge ouer vs? Thinkest thou to kill mee, as thou killedst the Egyptian? Then Moses feared and sayde, Certainly this thing is known. Now Pharaoh heard this matter, 15 and sought to slay Moses: therefore Moses fled from Pharaoh, and dwelt in the lande of Midian, and hee sate downe by a well. And the Priest of Midian had seue daughters, which came and 16 drewe water, and filled the troghes, for to water their fathers sheepe. Then the shepherds came and droue them away: but 17 Moses rose vp and defended them, and watered their sheepe. And whe they came to Reuel their father, he said, Howe are ye 18 come so soone to day? And they saide, A man of Egypt deli- 19 uered vs from the hand of the shepherdes, and also drew vs water ynough, and watered the sheepe. Then he saide vnto his 20 daughters, And where is he? why haue ye so left the man? call him that he may eate bread. And Moses agreed to dwell with 21 the man: who gaue vnto Moses Zipporah his daughter: And 22 she bare a sonne, whose name he called Gershom: for he said, I have bene a stranger in a strange lande. Then in processe of 23 time, the King of Egypt dyed, and the children of Israel sighed for the bondage and cryed: and their crie for the bondage came Then God heard their mone, and God remem- 24 vp vnto God. bred his couenant with Abraham, Izhak, and Iaakob. So God 25 looked vpon the children of Israel, and God had respect vnto them.

When Moses kept the sheepe of Iethro his father in lawe, 3 Priest of Midian, and droue the flocke to the backe side of the desert, and came to the Mountaine of God, Horeb, Then the 2 Angel of the Lord appeared vnto him in a flame of fire, out of the middes of a bush: and he looked, and behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. Therefore 3 Moses saide, I will turne aside nowe, and see this great sight, why the bush burneth not. And when the Lord sawe that 4 he turned aside to see, God called vnto him out of the middes of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he answered, I Then he saide, Come not hither, put thy shooes off 5 thy feete: for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground. Moreouer he saide, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abra- 6 ham, the God of Izhak, and the God of Iaakob. Then Moses hid his face: for he was afraid to looke vpon God. Then the Lord 7 said, I have surely seene the trouble of my people, which are

in Egypt, and haue heard their crie, because of their taske-8 masters: for I knowe their sorowes. Therefore I am come downe to deliuer them out of the hande of the Egyptians, and to bring them out of that lande into a good lande and a large, into a lande that floweth with milke and honie, euen into the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, 9 and the Perizzites, and the Hiuites, and the Iebusites. now lo, the crie of the children of Israel is come vnto me, and I have also seene ve oppression, wherewith the Egyptians op-10 presse them. Come now therefore, and I will send thee vnto Pharaoh, that thou maiest bring my people the children of Is-11 rael out of Egypt. But Moses said vnto God, Who am I, that I should go vnto Pharaoh, and that I should bring the chil-12 dren of Israel out of Egypt? And he answered, Certainely I will be with thee: and this shall be a token vnto thee, that I haue sent thee, After that thou hast brought the people out of 13 Egypt, ye shall serue God vpon this Mountaine. Then Moses said vnto God. Behold, when I shall come vnto the children of Israel, and shall say vnto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me vnto you: if they say vnto me, What is his Name? what 14 shall I say vnto them? And God answered Moses, I Am That I Am. Also he said, Thus shalt thou say vnto the children of 15 Israel, I Am hath sent me vnto you. And God spake further vnto Moses, Thus shalt thou say vnto the children of Israel, The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Izhak, and the God of Iaakob hath sent me vnto you: this is my 16 Name for euer, and this is my memoriall vnto all ages. Go and gather the Elders of Israel together, and thou shalt say vnto the, The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, Izhak, and Iaakob appeared vnto me, and said, I have surely remem-17 bred you, and that which is done to you in Egypt. Therefore I did say, I wil bring you out of the affliction of Egypt vnto the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hiuites, and the Iebusites, vnto a lande 18 that floweth with milke and honie. Then shall they obey thy voyce, and thou and the Elders of Israel shall go vnto the King of Egypt, and say vnto him, The Lord God of the Ebrewes hath met with vs: we pray thee nowe therefore, let vs goe three dayes iourney in the wildernesse, that we may sacrifice vnto 19 the Lord our God. But I know, that the King of Egypt wil not

let you goe, but by strong hande. Therefore will I stretch out 20 mine hande and smite Egypt with all my wonders, which I will doe in the middes thereof: and after that shall he let you goe. And I will make this people to be fauoured of the Egyptians: 21 so that when ye go, ye shall not goe emptie. For euery woman 22 shall aske of her neighbour, and of her that soiourneth in her house, iewels of siluer and iewels of gold and raiment, and ye shall put them on your sonnes, and on your daughters, and shall spoyle the Egyptians.

Then Moses answered, and said, But lo, they will not belieue 4 me, nor hearken vnto my voyce: for they will say, The Lord hath not appeared vnto thee. And the Lord said vnto him. 2 What is that in thine hande? And he answered, A rod. Then 3 said he, Cast it on the ground. So he cast it on the grounde, and it was turned into a serpent: and Moses fled from it. Againe 4 the Lord saide vnto Moses, Put foorth thine hand, and take it by the tayle. Then he put foorth his hande and caught it, and it was turned into a rod in his hand. Do this that they 5 may beleeue, that the Lord God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Izhak, and the God of Iaakob hath appeared vnto thee. And the Lord saide furthermore vnto him, 6 Thrust nowe thine hand into thy bosome. And he thrust his hand into his bosome, and when he tooke it out againe, behold, his hand was leprous as snowe. Moreouer he said, Put thine 7 hand into thy bosome againe. So he put his hande into his bosome againe, and pluckt it out of his bosome, and behold, it was turned againe as his other flesh. So shall it be, if they wil not 8 beleeue thee, neither obey the voyce of ve first signe, vet shall they believe for the voyce of the seconde signe. But if they will 9 not yet beleeue these two signes, neither obey vnto thy vovce, then shalt thou take of the water of the riuer, and powre it vpon the drie lande: so the water which thou shalt take out of the riuer, shalbe turned to blood vpon the drie land. But Moses said 10 vnto the Lord, Oh my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither at any time haue bene, nor yet since thou hast spoken vnto thy seruant: but I am slowe of speach and slowe of tongue. Then the 11 Lord said vnto him, Who hath given the mouth to man? or who hath made the domme, or the deafe, or him that seeth, or the blinde? haue not I the Lord? Therefore goe nowe, and I will be 12 with thy mouth, and will teach thee what thou shalt say. But 13

he saide, Oh my Lord, sende, I pray thee, by the hande of him, 14 whome thou shouldest sende. Then the Lord was verie angrie with Moses, and said, Doe not I know Aaron thy brother the Leuite, that he himselfe shall speake? for loe, he commeth also foorth to meete thee, and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in 15 his heart. Therefore thou shalt speake vnto him, and put the wordes in his mouth, and I will be with thy mouth, and with 16 his mouth, and will teach you what ve ought to doe. And he shall be thy spokesman vnto the people: and he shall be, euen he shall be as thy mouth, and thou shalt be to him as God. 17 Moreover thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, wherewith 18 thou shalt do miracles. Therefore Moses went and returned to Iethro his father in lawe, and said vnto him. I pray thee, let me goe, and returne to my brethren, which are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet aliue. Then Iethro said to Moses, Go 19 in peace. (For the Lord had said vnto Moses in Midian, Goe, returne to Egypt: for they are all dead which went about to 20 kill thee) Then Moses tooke his wife, and his sonnes, and put them on an asse, and returned towarde the lande of Egypt, and 21 Moses tooke the rod of God in his hand. And the Lord saide vnto Moses, When thou art entred and come into Egypt againe, see that thou doe all the wonders before Pharaoh, which I haue put in thine hand: but I will harden his heart, and he shall not 22 let the people goe. Then thou shalt say to Pharaoh, Thus saith 23 the Lord, Israel is my sonne, euen my first borne. Wherefore I say to thee, Let my sonne go, that he may serue me: if thou refuse to let him goe, beholde, I will slay thy sonne, euen thy 24 first borne. And as he was by the wave in the vnne, the Lord 25 met him, and would haue killed him. Then Zipporah tooke a sharpe knife, and cut away the foreskinne of her sonne, and cast it at his feete, and said, Thou art indeede a bloody hus-26 band vnto me. So he departed from him. Then she saide, O 27 bloodie husband (because of the circumcision) Then the Lord saide vnto Aaron, Goe meete Moses in the wildernesse. And he went and mette him in the Mount of God, and kissed him. 28 Then Moses tolde Aaron all the wordes of the Lord, who had sent him, and all the signes wherewith he had charged him. 29 So went Moses and Aaron, and gathered all the Elders of the 30 children of Israel. And Aaron told all the wordes, which the Lord had spoken vnto Moses, and he did the miracles in the sight of the people, And the people beleeued, and when they 31 heard that the Lord had visited the children of Israel, and had looked vpon their tribulation, they bowed downe, and worshipped.

Then afterwarde Moses and Aaron went and said to Pharaoh, 5 Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may celebrate a feast vnto me in the wildernesse. And Pharaoh 2 saide. Who is the Lord, that I should heare his voyce, and let Israel go? I knowe not the Lord, neither will I let Israel goe. And they saide, We worship the God of the Ebrewes: we pray 3 thee, let vs goe three daies iourney in the desert, and sacrifice vnto the Lord our God, least he bring vpon vs the pestilence or sword. Then saide the King of Egypt vnto them, Moses and 4 Aaron, why cause ve the people to cease from their workes? get you to your burdens. Pharaoh saide furthermore, Behold, 5 much people is nowe in the lande, and ve make them leave their burdens. Therefore Pharaoh gaue commandement the 6 same day vnto the taskemasters of the people, and to their officers, saying, Ye shall give the people no more strawe, to 7 make bricke ( as in time past) but let them goe and gather them strawe them selues: Notwithstanding lay vpon them 8 the nober of bricke, which they made in time past, diminish nothing thereof: for they be idle, therefore they crie, saying, Let vs go to offer sacrifice vnto our God. Lay more worke 9 vpon the men, and cause them to do it, and let the not regard vaine words. Then went the taskemasters of the people 10 and their officers out, and tolde the people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will giue vou no more strawe. Goe vour selues, 11 get you strawe where yee can finde it, yet shall nothing of your labour bee diminished. Then were the people scattered 12 abroade throughout all the land of Egypt, for to gather stubble in steade of strawe. And the taskemasters hasted them, say- 13 ing, Finish your dayes worke euery dayes taske, as ye did when ye had strawe. And the officers of the children of Israel, which 14 Pharaohs taskemasters had set ouer them, were beaten, and demanded, Wherefore haue ye not fulfilled your taske in making bricke yesterday and to daye, as in times past? Then the 15 officers of the children of Israel came, and cryed vnto Pharaoh, saying, Wherfore dealest thou thus with thy seruants? There 16 is no strawe given to thy servantes, and they say vnto vs. Make

bricke: and loe, thy seruants are beaten, and thy people is 17 blamed. But he said, Ye are to much idle: therfore ye say, 18 Let vs goe to offer sacrifice to the Lord. Goe therefore nowe and worke: for there shall no strawe be given you, yet shall 19 yee deliuer the whole tale of bricke. Then the officers of the children of Israel sawe them selues in an euill case, because it was saide, Ye shall diminish nothing of your bricke, nor of eu-20 ery dayes taske. And they met Moses and Aaron, which stood 21 in their way as they came out from Pharaoh, To whom they said, The Lord looke vpon you and iudge: for yee haue made our sauour to stinke before Pharaoh and before his seruants, in 22 that ye haue put a sword in their hand to slay vs. Wherefore Moses returned to the Lord, and saide, Lord, why hast thou 23 afflicted this people? wherefore hast thou thus sent me? For since I came to Pharaoh to speake in thy Name, he hath vexed this people, and yet thou hast not deliuered thy people.

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Then the Lord sayd vnto Moses, Nowe shalt thou see, what I will doe vnto Pharaoh: for by a strong hand shall he let them goe, and euen be constrained to driue them out of his land. Moreouer God spake vnto Moses, and sayd vnto him, I am the Lord, And I appeared vnto Abraham, to Izhak, and to Iaakob by the Name of Almightie God: but by my Name Iehouah was I not knowen vnto the. Furthermore as I made my couenant with them to give them ye land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers: So I have also hearde the groning of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keepe in bondage, and have remembred my couenant. Wherefore say thou vnto the children of Israel, I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from the burdens of the Egyptians, and will deliver you out of their bondage, and will redeeme

and I will bring you out from the burdens of the Egyptians, and will deliuer you out of their bondage, and will redeeme 7 you in a stretched out arme, and in great iudgements. Also I will take you for my people, and will be your God: then ye shall knowe that I the Lord your God bring you out from the 8 burdens of the Egyptians. And I will bring you into the land which I sware that I woulde giue to Abraham, to Izhak, and to Iaakob, and I will giue it vnto you for a possession: I am 9 the Lord. So Moses told the children of Israel thus: but they hearkened not vnto Moses, for anguish of spirit and for cruel 10, 11 bondage. Then the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Go speak to Pharaoh King of Egypt, that he let the children of Israel goe

out of his land. But Moses spake before the Lord, saying, Be- 12 holde, the children of Israel hearken not vnto me, howe then shall Pharaoh heare mee, which am of vncircumcised lippes? Then the Lord spake vnto Moses and vnto Aaron, and charged 13 them to goe to the children of Israel and to Pharaoh King of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the lande of Egypt. These bee the heades of their fathers houses: the sonnes of 14 Reuben the first borne of Israel are Hanoch and Pallu. Hezron and Carmi: these are ye families of Reuben. Also the sonnes 15 of Simeon: Iemuel and Iamin, and Ohad, and Iachin, and Zoar, and Shaul the sonne of a Canaanitish woman: these are the These also are the names of the sonnes 16 families of Simeon. of Leui in their generations: Gershon and Kohath and Merari (and the veres of the life of Leui were an hundreth thirtie and seuen yere) The sonnes of Gershon were Libni and Shimi by 17 their families. And the sonnes of Kohath, Amram and Izhar, 18 and Hebron, and Vzziel. (and Kohath liued an hundreth thirtie and three veere) Also the sonnes of Merari were Mahali and 19 Mushi: these are ve families of Leui by their kinreds. And 20 Amram tooke Iochebed his fathers sister to his wife, and shee bare him Aaron and Moses (and Amram liued an hundreth thirtie and seuen yeere) Also the sonnes of Izhar: Korah, and 21 Nepheg, and Zichri. And the sonnes of Vzziel: Mishael, and 22 Elzaphan, and Sithri. And Aaron tooke Elisheba daughter of 23 Amminadab, sister of Nahashon to his wife, which bare him Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. Also the sonnes of 24 Korah: Assir, and Elkanah, and Abiasaph: these are the families of the Korhites. And Eleazar Aarons sonne tooke him one 25 of the daughters of Putiel to his wife, which bare him Phinehas: these are the principall fathers of the Leuites throughout their families. These are Aaron and Moses to whom the Lord said, 26 Bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt, according to their armies. These are that Moses and Aaron, which spake 27 to Pharaoh King of Egypt, that they might bring the children of Israel out of Egypt. And at that time when the Lord spake 28 vnto Moses in the land of Egypt, When the Lord, I say, spake 29 vnto Moses, saying, I am the Lord, speake thou vnto Pharaoh the King of Egypt all that I say vnto thee, Then Moses said 30 before the Lord, Behold, I am of vncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaoh heare me?

Then the Lord saide to Moses, Behold, I have made thee Pharaohs God, and Aaron thy brother shall be thy Prophet. 2 Thou shalt speake all that I commanded thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speake vnto Pharaoh, that he suffer the children 3 of Israel to go out of his land. But I will harden Pharaohs heart, and multiplie my miracles and my wonders in the lande 4 of Egypt. And Pharaoh shall not hearken vnto you, that I may lay mine hand vpon Egypt, and bring out myne armies, euen my people, the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt, by 5 great iudgements. Then the Egyptians shall knowe that I am the Lord, when I stretch foorth mine hand vpon Egypt, and 6 bring out the children of Israel from among them. So Moses and Aaron did as the Lord commanded them, even so did they. 7 (Nowe Moses was foure score veere olde, and Aaron foure score 8 and three, when they spake vnto Pharaoh) And the Lord had 9 spoken vnto Moses and Aaron, saying, If Pharaoh speake vnto you, saying, Shewe a miracle for you, then thou shalt say vnto Aaron, Take thy rod, and cast it before Pharaoh, and it shalbe 10 turned into a serpent. Then went Moses and Aaron vnto Pharaoh, and did euen as the Lord had commanded: and Aaron cast forth his rod before Pharaoh and before his seruants, and 11 it was turned into a serpent. Then Pharaoh called also for the wise men and sorcerers: and those charmers also of Egypt did 12 in like maner with their enchantmens, For they cast downe euery man his rod, and they were turned into serpents: but 13 Aarons rodde deuoured their rods. So Pharaohs heart was hardened, and hee hearkened not to them, as the Lord had 14 saide. The Lord then saide vnto Moses, Pharaohs heart is ob-15 stinate, hee refuseth to let the people goe. Goe vnto Pharaoh in the morning, (loe, he will come forth vnto the water) and thou shalt stand and meete him by the rivers brinke, and the rod, which was turned into a serpent, shalt thou take in thine 16 hand. And thou shalt say vnto him, The Lord God of the Ebrewes hath sent me vnto thee, saying, Let my people goe, that they may serue mee in the wildernesse: and beholde, hith-17 erto thou wouldest not heare. Thus saith the Lord, In this shalt thou know that I am the Lord: behold. I wil smite with the rodde that is in mine hand vpon the water that is in the 18 riuer, and it shalbe turned to blood. And the fish that is in the riuer shall dye, and the riuer shall stinke, and it shall grieue the Egyptians to drinke of the water of the riuer. The Lord 19 then spake to Moses, Say vnto Aaron, Take thy rod, and stretch out thine hand ouer the waters of Egypt, ouer their streames, ouer their riuers, and ouer their pondes,, and ouer all pooles of their waters, and they shalbe blood, and there shalbe blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood, and of stone. So Moses and Aaron did euen as the Lord commanded: 20 and hee lift vp the rodde, and smote the water that was in the riuer in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his seruants: and all the water that was in the riuer, was turned into blood. And the fish that was in the rvuer dved, and the riuer stanke: 21 so that the Egyptians could not drinke of the water of the riuer: and there was blood throughout all the lande of Egypt. And 22 the enchanters of Egypt did likewise with their sorceries: and the heart of Phraoh was hardened: so that he did not hearken vnto them, as the Lord had savde. Then Pharaoh returned, 23 and went againe into his house, neither did this yet enter into his heart. All the Egyptians then digged rounde about the ri- 24 uer for waters to drinke: for they could not drinke of the water of the riuer. And this continued fully seuen dayes after the 25 Lord had smitten the riuer.

Afterward the Lord sayde vnto Moses, Goe vnto Pharaoh, 8 and tell him, Thus saith the Lord, Let my people goe, that they may serue me: And if thou wilt not let them goe, be- 2 holde, I will smite all thy countrey with frogges: And the ri- 3 uer shall scral ful of frogges, which shall goe vp and come into thine house, and into thy chamber, where thou sleepest, and vpon thy bed, and into the house of thy seruants, and vpon thy people, and into thine ouens, and into thy kneading troughes. Yea, the frogges shall climbe vp vpon thee, and on thy people, 4 and vpon all thy seruants. Also the Lord said vnto Moses, Say 5 thou vnto Aaron, Stretch out thine hande with thy rod vpon the streames, vpon the riuers, and vpon the ponds, and cause frogs to come vp vpon the land of Egypt. Then Aaron stretched out 6 his hand vpon the waters of Egypt, and the frogges came vp, and couered the land of Egypt. And the sorcerers did likewise 7 with their sorceries, and brought frogges vp vpon the land of Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, 8 Pray ye vnto the Lord, that hee may take away the frogges from mee, and from my people, and I will let the people goe,

9 that they may doe sacrifice vnto the Lord. And Moses said vnto Pharaoh, Concerning me, euen command when I shall pray for thee, and for thy seruants, and for thy people, to destroy the frogges from thee and from thine houses, that they 10 may remaine in the riuer only. Then he said, To morowe. And he answered, Be it as thou hast said, that thou maiest know, 11 that there is none like vnto the Lord our God. So the frogges shall depart from thee, and from thine houses, and from thy seruantes, and from thy people: onely they shall remaine in Then Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cryed vnto the Lord concerning the frogges, which 13 hee had sent vnto Pharaoh. And the Lord did according to the saying of Moses: so the frogges died in the houses, in the 14 townes, and in the fieldes. And they gathered the together 15 by heaps, and the land stanke of them. But when Pharaoh sawe that hee had rest given him, he hardened his heart, and 16 hearkened not vnto them, as the Lord had said. Againe the Lord sayd vnto Moses, Say vnto Aaron, Stretche out the rod, and smite the dust of the earth, that it may bee turned to lyce 17 throughout all the land of Egypt. And they did so: for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth: and lyce came vpon man and vpon beast: all the dust of 18 the earth was lyce throughout all the land of Egypt. Nowe the enchanters assaied likewise with their enchantments to bring forth lyce, but they could not. So the lyce were vpon man and 19 vpon beast. Then saide the enchanters vnto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God. But Pharaohs heart remained obstinate, and 20 hee hearkened not vnto them, as the Lord had said. Moreouer the Lord sayd to Moses, Rise vp earely in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh (lo, hee will come forth vnto the water) and say vnto him, Thus saith the Lord, Let my people go, that 21 they may serue me. Els, if thou wilt not let my people goe, behold, I will send swarmes of flies both vpon thee, and vpon thy seruants, and vpon thy people, and into thine houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shalbe full of swarmes of flies, and the 22 ground also whereon they are. But ye land of Goshe, where my people are, wil I cause to be wonderfull in that day, so that no swarmes of flies shalbe there, that thou maiest know that 23 I am the Lord in the middes of the earth. And I will make a deliuerance of my people from thy people: to morowe shall

this miracle be. And the Lord did so: for there came great 24 swarmes of flies into the house of Pharaoh, and into his seruants houses, so that through all the lande of Egypt, the earth was corrupt by the swarmes of flies. Then Pharaoh called for 25 Moses and Aaron, and saide, Goe, doe sacrifice vnto your God in this lande. But Moses answered, It is not meete to do so: 26 for then we shoulde offer vnto the Lord our God that, which is an abomination vnto the Egyptians. Loe, can we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, and they not stone vs? Let vs go three dayes iourney in the desert, and sac- 27 rifice vnto the Lord our God, as he hath commanded vs. And 28 Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice vnto the Lord your God in the wildernesse: but goe not farre away, pray for me. And Moses said, Behold, I will go out from thee, and 29 pray vnto the Lord, that the swarmes of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his seruants, and from his people to morowe: but let Pharaoh from hencefoorth deceiue no more, in not suffering the people to sacrifice vnto the Lord. So Moses went 30 out from Pharaoh and prayed vnto the Lord. And the Lord 31 did according to the saying of Moses, and the swarmes of flies departed from Pharaoh, from his seruants, and from his people, and there remained not one. Yet Pharaoh hardened his 32 heart at this time also, and did not let the people goe.

Then the Lord said vnto Moses, Go to Pharaoh, and tell him, 9 Thus saith the Lord God of the Ebrewes, Let my people go, that they may serue me. But if thou refuse to let them goe, 2 and wilt yet holde them still, Beholde, the hande of the Lord 3 is vpon thy flocke which is in the fielde: for vpon the horses, vpon the asses, vpon the camels, vpon the cattell, and vpon the sheepe shalbe a mightie great moraine. And the Lord 4 shall doe wonderfully betweene the beastes of Israel, and the beastes of Egypt: so that there shall nothing dye of all, that pertaineth to the children of Israel. And the Lord appointed 5 a time, saying, To morowe the Lord shall finish this thing in this lande. So the Lord did this thing on the morow, and all 6 the cattel of Egypt dyed: but of the cattell of the children of Israel dved not one. Then Pharaoh sent, and beholde, there 7 was not one of the cattell of the Israelites dead: and the heart of Pharaoh was obstinate, and hee did not let the people goe. And the Lord said to Moses and to Aaron, Take your handfull 8

of ashes of the fornace, and Moses shall sprinkle them towarde 9 the heauen in the sight of Pharaoh, And they shall be turned to dust in all the land of Egypt: and it shalbe as a scab breaking out into blisters vpon man, and vpon beast, thorow out all 10 the land of Egypt. Then they tooke ashes of the fornace, and stoode before Pharaoh: and Moses sprinkled them towarde the heauen, and there came a scab breaking out into blisters vpon 11 man, and vpon beast. And the sorcerers could not stande before Moses, because of the scab: for the scab was vpon the en-12 chanters, and vpon all the Egyptians. And the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not vnto them, as the 13 Lord had said vnto Moses. Also the Lord said vnto Moses. Rise vp early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Ebrewes, Let my peo-14 ple goe, that they may serue me. For I will at this time send all my plagues vpon thine heart, and vpon thy seruants, and vpon thy people, that thou mayest knowe that there is none like me 15 in all the earth. For nowe I will stretch out mine hande, that I may smite thee and thy people with the pestilence: and thou shalt perish from the earth. And in deede, for this cause haue I appointed thee, to shewe my power in thee, and to declare my 17 Name throughout all the world. Yet thou exaltest thy selfe 18 against my people, and lettest them not goe. Beholde, to morowe this time I will cause to raine a mightie great haile, such as was not in Egypt since the foundation thereof was laid vnto 19 this time. Send therefore nowe, and gather the cattell, and all that thou hast in the fielde: for vpon all the men, and the beastes, which are found in the field, and not brought home, 20 the haile shall fall vpon them, and they shall die. Such then as feared the word of the Lord among the seruants of Pharaoh, 21 made his seruants and his cattell flee into the houses: But such as regarded not the worde of the Lord, left his seruants, 22 and his cattell in the fielde. And the Lord saide to Moses, Stretche foorth thine hande towarde heauen, that there may be haile in all the land of Egypt, vpon man, and vpon beast, and vpon all the herbes of the fielde in the lande of Egypt. 23 Then Moses stretched out his rod towarde heauen, and the Lord sent thunder and haile, and lightening vpon the ground: 24 and the Lord caused haile to raine vpon the land of Egypt. So there was haile, and fire mingled with the haile, so grieuous, as there was none throughout all the lande of Egypt, since it was a nation. And the haile smote throughout al ye land of 25 Egypt all that was in the fielde, both man and beast: also ve haile smote all the herbes of ye field, and brake to pieces all the trees of the fielde. Onely in the lande of Goshen (where 26 the children of Israel were) was no haile. Then Pharaoh sent 27 and called for Moses and Aaron, and said vnto them. I have now sinned: the Lord is righteous, but I and my people are Pray ye vnto the Lord (for it is ynough) that there 28 be no more mightie thunders and haile, and I will let you goe, and vee shall tarie no longer. Then Moses saide vnto him. As- 29 soone as I am out of the citie, I will spreade mine hands vnto the Lord, and the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more haile, that thou mayest knowe that the earth is the As for thee and thy seruants, I knowe afore I pray 30 ve will feare before the face of the Lord God. (And the flaxe, 31 and the barley were smitten: for the barley was eared, and the flaxe was bolled. But the wheat and the rve were not smit- 32 ten, for they were hid in the grounde) Then Moses went out of 33 the citie from Pharaoh, and spred his hands to the Lord. and the thunder and the haile ceased, neither rained it vpon the earth. And when Pharaoh sawe that the raine and the haile 34 and the thunder were ceased, hee sinned againe, and hardened his heart, both he, and his seruants. So the heart of Pharaoh 35 was hardened: neither would he let the children of Israel goe, as the Lord had said by Moses.

Againe the Lord saide vnto Moses, Goe to Pharaoh: for I 10 haue hardened his heart, and the heart of his seruants, that I might worke these my miracles in the middes of his realme, And that thou maist declare in the eares of thy sonne, and 2 of thy sonnes sonne, what things I haue done in Egypt, and my miracles, which I haue done among them: that ye may knowe that I am the Lord. Then came Moses and Aaron vnto 3 Pharaoh, and they said vnto him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Ebrewes, Howe long wilt thou refuse to humble thy selfe before me? Let my people goe, that they may serue me. But if 4 thou refuse to let my people go, beholde, to morowe will I bring grashoppers into thy coastes. And they shall couer the face 5 of the earth, that a man can not see the earth: and they shall eate the residue which remaineth vnto you, and hath escaped

from the haile: and they shall eate all your trees that bud in 6 the fielde. And they shall fil thine houses, and all thy seruants houses, and the houses of all the Egyptians, as neither thy fathers, nor thy fathers fathers have seene, since the time they were vpon the earth vnto this day. So he returned, and 7 went out from Pharaoh. Then Pharaohs seruants saide vnto him, How long shall he be an offence vnto vs? let the men go, that they may serue the Lord their God: wilt thou first knowe 8 that Egypt is destroyed? So Moses and Aaron were brought againe vnto Pharaoh, and he saide vnto them, Goe, serue the 9 Lord your God, but who are they that shall goe? And Moses answered, We will go with our yong and with our olde, with our sonnes and with our daughters, with our sheepe and with our cattell will we goe: for we must celebrate a feast vnto the 10 Lord. And he said vnto them, Let the Lord so be with you, as I will let you goe and your children: beholde, for euill is be-11 fore your face. It shall not be so: nowe goe ye that are men, and serue the Lord: for that was your desire. Then they were 12 thrust out from Pharaohs presence. After, the Lord said vnto Moses, Stretch out thine hande vpon the lande of Egypt for the grashoppers, that they may come vpon the lande of Egypt, and eate all the herbes of the land, euen all that the haile hath left. 13 Then Moses stretched foorth his rod vpon the lande of Egypt: and the Lord brought an East winde vpon the land all that day, and al that night: and in the morning the East wind brought 14 the grashoppers. So the grashoppers went vp vpon all the land of Egypt, and remained in all quarters of Egypt: so grieuous Grashoppers, like to these were neuer before, neither after 15 them shalbe such. For they couered all the face of the earth, so that the lande was darke: and they did eate all the herbes of the lande, and all the fruites of the trees, which the haile had left, so that there was no greene thing left vpon the trees, nor among the herbes of the fielde throughout all the lande Therefore Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste, and sayde, I have sinned against the Lord your God, 17 and against you. And nowe forgiue mee my sinne onely this once, and pray vnto the Lord your God, that hee may take away 18 from me this death onely. Moses then went out from Pharaoh, 19 and prayed vnto the Lord. And the Lord turned a mightie strong West winde, and tooke away the grashoppers, and violently cast them into the red Sea, so that there remained not one grashopper in all the coast of Egypt. But the Lord hard- 20 ened Pharaohs heart, and hee did not let the children of Israel goe. Againe ye Lord said vnto Moses, Stretch out thine hand 21 toward heauen, that there may be voon the lande of Egypt darkenesse, euen darkenesse that may be felt. Then Moses 22 stretched forth his hande towarde heauen, and there was a blacke darkenesse in all the land of Egypt three daies. No 23 man saw an other, neither rose vp from ye place where he was for three dayes: but all the children of Israel had light where they dwelt. The Pharaoh called for Moses and said. Go. serue 24 the Lord: onely your sheepe and your cattel shall abide, and your children shall go with you. And Moses sayd, Thou must 25 giue vs also sacrifices, and burnt offrings that wee may doe sacrifice vnto the Lord our God. Therefore our cattell also shall 26 go with vs: there shall not an hoofe bee left, for thereof must we take to serue the Lord our God: neither doe wee knowe howe we shall serue the Lord, vntill we come thither. the Lord hardened Pharaohs heart, and he would not let them goe) And Pharaoh sayde vnto him, Get thee from mee: looke 28 thou see my face no more: for whensoeuer thou commest in my sight, thou shalt dye. Then Moses said, Thou hast said well: 29 from henceforth will I see thy face no more.

Now the Lord had saide vnto Moses, yet will I bring one 11 plague more vpon Pharaoh, and vpon Egypt: after that, he will let you go hence: when he letteth you goe, he shall at once chase you hence. Speake thou nowe to the people, that euery 2 man require of his neighbour, and euery woman of her neighbour iewels of siluer and iewels of gold. And the Lord gaue 3 the people fauour in the sight of the Egyptians: also Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaohs seruantes, and in the sight of the people.) Also Moses sayde, 4 Thus sayth the Lord, About midnight will I goe out into the middes of Egypt. And all the first borne in the lande of Egypt 5 shall die, from the first borne of Pharaoh that sitteth on his throne, vnto the first borne of the maide seruant, that is at the mille, and all the first borne of beastes. Then there shalbe a 6 great crie throughout all the land of Egypt, such as was neuer none like, nor shalbe. But against none of ye children of Is- 7 rael shall a dogge moue his tongue, neyther against man nor

beast, that ye may knowe that the Lord putteth a difference betweene the Egyptians and Israel. And all these thy seruants shall come downe vnto me, and fal before me, saying, Get thee out, and all the people that are at thy feete, and after this will I depart. So he went out from Pharaoh very angry. And the Lord saide vnto Moses, Pharaoh shall not heare you, that my wonders may bee multiplied in the land of Egypt. So Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: but the Lord hardened Pharaohs heart, and he suffred not the children of Israel to goe out of his lande.

Then the Lord spake to Moses and to Aaron in the land of **12** 2 Egypt, saying, This moneth shalbe vnto you the beginning of 3 moneths: it shalbe to you the first moneth of the yere. Speake ye vnto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth of this moneth let euery man take vnto him a lambe, according 4 to the house of the fathers, a lambe for an house. And if the housholde be too litle for the lambe, he shall take his neighbour, which is next vnto his house, according to the nomber of the persons: euery one of you, according to his eating shall 5 make your count for the lambes, Your lambe shalbe without blemish, a male of a yeere olde: ye shall take it of the lambes, 6 or of the kiddes. And yee shall keepe it vntill the fourteenth day of this moneth: then al the multitude of the Congrega-7 tion of Israel shall kill it at euen. After, they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two postes, and on the vpper 8 doore post of the houses where they shall eate it. And they shall eate the flesh the same night, roste with fire, and vn-9 leauened bread: with sowre herbes they shall eate it. Eate not thereof rawe, boyled nor sodden in water, but rost with 10 fire, both his head, his feete, and his purtenance. And ye shall reserve nothing of it vnto the morning: but that, which 11 remaineth of it vnto the morowe, shall ye burne with fire. And thus shall yee eate it, Your loynes girded, your shoes on your feete, and your staues in your handes, and yee shall eate it in 12 haste: for it is the Lords Passeouer. For I will passe through the lande of Egypt the same night, and will smite all the first borne in the land of Egypt, both man and beast, and I will execute iudgement vpon all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord. 13 And the blood shalbe a token for you vpon the houses where ye are: so when I see the blood, I will passe ouer you, and the

plague shall not be vpon you to destruction, when I smite the lande of Egypt. And this day shalbe vnto you a remembrance: 14 and ve shall keepe it an holie feast vnto the Lord, throughout your generations: yee shall keepe it holie by an ordinance for euer. Seuen daies shall ye eat vnleauened bread, and in any 15 case ye shall put away leauen the first day out of your houses: for whosoeuer eateth leauened bread from the first daie vntill the seventh day, that person shalbe cut off from Israel. And 16 in the first day shalbe an holie assemblie: also in the seuenth day shalbe an holy assemblie vnto you: no worke shalbe done in them, saue about that which euery man must eate: that onely may ye do. Ye shall keepe also the feast of vnleauened 17 bread: for that same daye I will bring your armies out of the lande of Egypt: therefore we shall observe this day, throughout your posteritie, by an ordinance for euer. In the first mon- 18 eth and the fourteenth day of the moneth at euen, yee shall eate vnleauened bread vnto the one and twentieth day of the moneth at euen. Seuen daies shall no leauen be founde in 19 your houses: for whosoeuer eateth leauened bread, that person shalbe cut off from the Congregation of Israel: whether he bee a stranger, or borne in the land. Ye shall eate no leauened 20 bread: but in all your habitations shall ye eate vnleauened bread. Then Moses called all the Elders of Israel, and saide 21 vnto them, Choose out and take you for euerie of your housholdes a lambe, and kill the Passeouer. And take a bunch of 22 hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the basen, and strike the lintell, and the doore cheekes with the blood that is in the basen, and let none of you goe out at the doore of his house, vntill the morning. For the Lord will passe by to smite the 23 Egyptians: and when he seeth the blood vpon the lintel and on the two doore cheekes, the Lord wil passe ouer the doore, and wil not suffer the destroyer to come into your houses to plague you. Therefore shall ye obserue this thing as an or- 24 dinance both for thee and thy sonnes for euer. And when ye 25 shall come into the land, which the Lord will give you as hee hath promised, then ye shall keepe this seruice. And when 26 your children aske you, What seruice is this ye keepe? Then 27 ve shall save. It is the sacrifice of the Lordes Passeouer, which passed ouer the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and preserved our houses. Then the

28 people bowed them selues, and worshipped. So the children of Israel went, and did as the Lord had commanded Moses and 29 Aaron: so did they. Nowe at midnight, the Lord smote all the first borne in the lande of Egypt, from the first borne of Pharaoh that sate on his throne, vnto the first borne of the captiue that was in prison, and all the first borne of beastes. 30 And Pharaoh rose vp in the night, he, and all his seruants and all the Egyptians: and there was a great crye in Egypt: for 31 there was no house where there was not one dead. And hee called to Moses and to Aaron by night, and saide, Rise vp, get you out from among my people, both yee, and the children of 32 Israel, and goe serue the Lord as ye haue sayde. Take also your sheepe and your cattell as yee haue sayde, and depart, 33 and blesse me also. And the Egyptians did force the people, because they would send them out of the land in haste: for they 34 said. We die all. Therfore the people tooke their dough before it was leauened, euen their dough bound in clothes vpon their 35 shoulders. And the children of Israel did according to the saying of Moses, and they asked of ye Egyptians iewels of siluer 36 and iewels of gold, and raiment. And the Lord gaue the people fauour in the sight of the Egyptians: and they graunted their 37 request: so they spoyled the Egyptians. Then the children of Israel tooke their journey from Rameses to Succoth about sixe 38 hundreth thousand men of foote, beside children. And a great multitude of sundrie sortes of people went out with them, and 39 sheepe, and beeues, and cattel in great abundance. And they baked the dough which they brought out of Egypt, and made vnleauened cakes: for it was not leauened, because they were thrust out of Egypt, neither coulde they tarie, nor yet prepare 40 themselues vitailes. So the dwelling of the children of Israel, while they dwelled in Egypt, was foure hundreth and thirtie 41 yeres. And when the foure hundreth and thirtie yeeres were expired, euen the selfe same day departed all the hostes of the 42 Lord out of the land of Egypt. It is a night to be kept holie to the Lord, because he brought them out of the lande of Egypt: this is that night of the Lord, which all the children of Israel 43 must keepe throughout their generations. Also the Lord said vnto Moses and Aaron, This is the Lawe of the Passeouer: no 44 stranger shall eate thereof. But euerie seruant that is bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him, then shall he eat

thereof. A stranger or an hyred seruant shall not eat thereof. 45 In one house shall it bee eaten: thou shalt carie none of ye flesh 46 out of the house, neither shall ye breake a bone thereof. All 47 the Congregation of Israel shall obserue it. But if a stranger 48 dwell with thee, and will obserue the Passeouer of the Lord, let him circumcise all the males, that belong vnto him, and then let him come and obserue it, and he shall be as one that is borne in the land: for none vncircumcised person shall eate thereof. One lawe shalbe to him that is borne in the land, and 49 to the stranger that dwelleth among you. Then all the children of Israel did as the Lord commanded Moses and Aaron: so did they. And the selfe same day did the Lord bring the 51 children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their armies.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saving, Sanctifie vnto me 13, 2 all the first borne: that is, every one that first openeth the wombe among the children of Israel, as well of man as of beast: for it is mine. Then Moses sayd vnto the people, Remember 3 this day in the which ye came out of Egypt, out of the house of bondage: for by a mightie hande the Lord brought you out from thence: therefore no leauened bread shall bee eaten. This day 4 come vee out in the moneth of Abib. Now when the Lord hath 5 brought thee into the land of the Canaanites, and Hittites, and Amorites, and Hiuites, and Iebusites (which he sware vnto thy fathers, that he woulde give thee, a land flowing with milke and honie) then thou shalt keepe this seruice in this mon-Seuen dayes shalt thou eate vnleauened bread, and the 6 seuenth day shall be the feast of the Lord. Vnleauened bread 7 shall bee eaten seuen dayes, and there shall no leauened bread be seene with thee, nor yet leauen be seene with thee in all thy quarters. And thou shalt shew thy sonne in that day, say- 8 ing, This is done, because of that which the Lord did vnto me, when I came out of Egypt. And it shalbe a signe vnto thee 9 vpon thine hande, and for a remembrance betweene thine eyes, that the Lawe of the Lord may be in thy mouth: for by a strong hand the Lord brought thee out of Egypt. Keepe therefore this 10 ordinance in his season appoynted from yeere to yeere. And 11 when the Lord shall bring thee into the lande of the Canaanites, as hee sware vnto thee and to thy fathers, and shall give it thee. Then thou shalt set apart vnto the Lord all that first 12 openeth the wombe: also every thing that first doeth open the

wombe, and commeth forth of thy beast: the males shalbe the 13 Lordes. But euery first foale of an asse, thou shalt redeeme with a lambe: and if thou redeeme him not, then thou shalt breake his necke: likewise all the first borne of man among 14 thy sonnes shalt thou bye out. And when thy sonne shall aske thee to morowe, saying, What is this? thou shalt then say vnto him, With a mightie hande the Lord brought vs out 15 of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. For when Pharaoh was harde hearted against our departing, the Lord then slewe all the first borne in the lande of Egypt: from the first borne of man euen to the first borne of beast: therefore I sacrifice vnto the Lord all the males that first open the wombe, but all the 16 first borne of my sonnes I redeeme. And it shalbe as a token vpon thine hand, and as frontlets betweene thine eyes, that the 17 Lord brought vs out of Egypt by a mightie hande. Nowe when Pharaoh had let the people go, God caried them not by the way of the Philistims countrey, though it were neerer: (for God sayd, Lest the people repent whe they see warre, and turne 18 againe to Egypt) But God made the people to go about by the way of the wildernesse of the red sea: and the children of Is-19 rael went vp armed out of the land of Egypt. (And Moses tooke the bones of Ioseph with him: for he had made the children of Israel sweare, saving, God will surely visite you, and 20 ye shall take my bones away hence with you) So they tooke their iourney from Succoth, and camped in Etham in the edge 21 of the wildernesse. And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of a cloude to leade them the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to giue them light, that they might go both by day 22 and by night. He tooke not away the pillar of ye cloude by day, nor the pillar of fire by night from before the people.

14, 2 Then the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake to the children of Israel, that they returne and campe before Pi-hahiroth, betweene Migdol and the Sea, ouer against Baal-zephon: about it shall ye campe by the Sea. For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, They are tangled in the land: the wildernesse hath shut them in. And I will harden Pharaohs heart that hee shall follow after you: so I will get mee honour vpon Pharaoh, and vpon all his hoste: the Egyptians also shall knowe that I am the Lord: and they did so. Then it was told the King of Egypt, that the people fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his

seruants was turned against the people, and they sayde, Why haue we this done, and haue let Israel go out of our seruice? And he made ready his charets, and tooke his people with him, 6 And tooke sixe hundreth chosen charets, and all the charets of 7 Egypt, and captaines ouer euery one of them. (For the Lord 8 had hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he followed after the children of Israel: but the children of Israel went out with an hie hand) And the Egyptians pursued af- 9 ter them, and all the horses and charets of Pharaoh, and his horsemen and his hoste ouertooke them camping by the Sea, beside Pi-hahiroth, before Baal-zephon. And when Pharaoh 10 drew nie, the children of Israel lift vp their eyes, and beholde, the Egyptians marched after them, and they were sore afrayde: wherefore the children of Israel cried vnto the Lord. And they 11 sayde vnto Moses, Hast thou brought vs to die in the wildernes, because there were no graues in Egypt? wherefore hast thou serued vs thus, to carie vs out of Egypt? Did not wee tell thee 12 this thing in Egypt, saying, Let vs be in rest, that we may serue the Egyptians? for it had bene better for vs to serue the Egyptians, then that wee shoulde dye in the wildernesse. Then 13 Moses sayde to the people, Feare ye not, stand still, and beholde the saluation of the Lord which he will shew to you this day. For the Egyptians, whome ye haue seene this day, ye shall neuer see them againe. The Lord shall fight for you: therefore 14 hold you your peace. And the Lord sayd vnto Moses, Where- 15 fore cryest thou vnto me? speake vnto the children of Israel that they go forward: And lift thou vp thy rod, and stretche 16 out thine hand vpon the Sea and deuide it, and let the children of Israel goe on drie ground thorow the middes of the Sea. And 17 I, beholde, I will harden the heart of the Egyptians, that they may follow them, and I wil get me honour vpon Pharaoh, and vpon all his host, vpon his charets, and vpon his horsemen. Then the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I 18 haue gotten me honour vpon Pharaoh, vpon his charets, and vpon his horsemen. (And the Angel of God, which went before 19 the hoste of Israel, remoued and went behinde them: also the pillar of the cloude went from before them, and stoode behinde them. And came between the campe of the Egyptians and the 20 campe of Israel: it was both a cloude and darkenes, yet gaue it light by night, so that all the night long the one came not at the

21 other) And Moses stretched forth his hande vpon the Sea, and the Lord caused the sea to runne backe by a strong East winde all the night, and made the Sea dry land: for the waters were 22 deuided. Then the children of Israel went through the middes of the Sea vpon the drie ground, and the waters were a wall 23 vnto them on their right hand, and on their left hand. And the Egyptians pursued and went after them to the middes of the Sea, euen all Pharaohs horses, his charets, and his horse-24 men. Nowe in the morning watche, when the Lord looked vnto the hoste of the Egyptians, out of the firie and cloudie pillar, he 25 strooke the host of the Egyptians with feare. For he tooke off their charet wheeles, and they draue them with much a doe: so that the Egyptians euery one sayd, I wil flee from the face of Israel: for the Lord fighteth for them against the Egyptians. 26 Then the Lord sayde to Moses, Stretche thine hand vpon the Sea, that the waters may returne vpon the Egyptians, vpon 27 their charets and vpon their horsemen. Then Moses stretched forth his hand vpon the Sea, and the Sea returned to his force early in the morning, and the Egyptians fled against it: but 28 the Lord ouerthrew the Egyptians in the mids of the Sea. So the water returned and couered the charets and the horsemen, euen all the hoste of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them: there remained not one of them. But the children of Israel walked vpon dry land thorowe the middes of the Sea, and the waters were a wall vnto them on their right hande, and 30 on their left. Thus the Lord saued Israel the same day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel sawe the Egyptians dead 31 vpon the Sea banke. And Israel saw the mightie power, which the Lord shewed vpon the Egyptians: so the people feared the Lord, and beleeued the Lord, and his seruant Moses.

Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song vnto the Lord, and sayd in this maner, I will sing vnto the Lord: for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and him that rode vpon him hath he ouerthrowen in the Sea. The Lord is my strength and praise, and he is become my saluation. He is my God, and I will prepare him a tabernacle. he is my fathers God, and I will exalt him. The Lord is a man of warre, his Name is Iehouah. Pharaohs charets and his host hath he cast into the Sea: his chosen captaines also were drowned in the red Sea.

The depths haue couered them, they sanke to the bottome as a

stone. Thy right hande, O Lord, is glorious in power: thy right 6 hand, O Lord, hath brused the enemie. And in thy great glo-7 rie thou hast ouerthrowen them that rose against thee: thou sentest forth thy wrath, which consumed them as the stub-And by the blast of thy nostrels the waters were gath- 8 ered, the floods stoode still as an heape, the depthes congealed together in the heart of the Sea. The enemie sayd, I wil pur- 9 sue, I wil ouertake them, I will deuide the spoyle, my lust shall bee satisfied vpon them, I will drawe my sworde, mine hand shall destroy them. Thou blewest with thy winde, the 10 Sea couered them, they sanke as leade in the mightie waters. Who is like vnto thee, O Lord, among the Gods! who is like 11 thee so glorious in holinesse, fearefull in prayses, doing wonders! Thou stretchedst out thy right hande, the earth swal- 12 lowed them. Thou wilt by thy mercie cary this people, which 13 thou deliueredst: thou wilt bring them in thy strength vnto thine holy habitation. The people shall heare and be afraide: 14 sorow shall come vpon the inhabitants of Palestina. Then the 15 dukes of Edom shalbe amased, and trembling shall come vpon the great men of Moab: all the inhabitantes of Canaan shall Feare and dread shall fall vpon them: 16 waxe faint hearted. because of the greatnesse of thine arme, they shalbe stil as a stone, till thy people passe, O Lord: til this people passe, which thou hast purchased. Thou shalt bring them in, and plant 17 them in the mountaine of thine inheritance, which is the place that thou hast prepared, O Lord, for to dwell in, euen the sanctuarie, O Lord, which thine hands shall establish. The Lord 18 shall reigne for euer and euer. For Pharaohs horses went with 19 his charets and horsemen into the Sea, and the Lord brought the waters of the Sea vpon them: but the children of Israel went on drie land in the middes of the Sea. And Miriam the 20 prophetesse, sister of Aaron tooke a timbrell in her hande, and all the women came out after her with timbrels and daunces. And Miriam answered the men, Sing yee vnto the Lord: for he 21 hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath hee ouerthrowen in the Sea. Then Moses brought Israel from the 22 redde Sea, and they went out into the wildernesse of Shur: and they went three dayes in the wildernesse, and found no waters. And whe they came to Marah, they could not drinke of the wa- 23 ters of Marah, for they were bitter: therefore the name of the

place was called Marah. Then the people murmured against
Moses, saying, What shall we drinke? And he cried vnto the Lord, and the Lord shewed him a tree, which when he had cast into the waters, the waters were sweete: there he made them
an ordinance and a law, and there he proued them, And sayd, if thou wilt diligently hearken, O Israel, vnto the voyce of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that, which is right in his sight, and wilt giue eare vnto his commandements, and keepe all his ordinances, then will I put none of these diseases vpon thee, which I brought vpon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee. And they came to Elim, where were twelue fountaines of water, and seuentie palme trees, and they camped thereby the waters.

Afterward all the Congregation of the children of Israel de-16 parted from Elim, and came to the wildernes of Sin, (which is betweene Elim and Sinai) the fiftenth day of the second mon-2 eth after their departing out of ye land of Egypt. whole Congregation of the children of Israel murmured against 3 Moses and against Aaron in the wildernesse. For the children of Israel sayde to them, Oh that we had dyed by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when wee sate by the flesh pots, when wee ate bread our bellies full: for yee haue brought vs out into this wildernesse, to kill this whole company with famine. 4 Then sayd the Lord vnto Moses, Behold, I wil cause bread to rayne from heauen to you, and the people shall goe out, and gather that that is sufficient for euery day, that I may proue 5 them, whether they wil walke in my Law or no. But the sixt daye they shall prepare that, which they shall bring home, and 6 it shalbe twise as much as they gather dayly. Then Moses and Aaron sayde vnto all the children of Israel, At euen ye shall 7 know, that the Lord brought you out of the land of Egypt: And in the morning ye shall see the glorie of the Lord: for he hath heard your grudgings against the Lord: and what are we that 8 ye haue murmured against vs? Againe Moses sayd, At euen shall the Lord giue you flesh to eate, and in the morning your fil of bread: for the Lord hath heard your murmurings, which ye murmure against him: for what are we? your murmurings 9 are not against vs, but against the Lord. And Moses sayd to Aaron, Say vnto all the Congregation of the children of Israel,

Draw neere before the Lord: for he hath heard your murmur-

Now as Aaron spake vnto the whole Congregation of 10 the children of Israel, they looked toward the wildernesse, and beholde, the glory of the Lord appeared in a cloude. (For the 11 Lord had spoken vnto Moses, saying, I have heard the mur- 12 murings of the children of Israel: tell them therefore, and say, At euen ye shall eate flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread, and ye shall knowe that I am the Lord your God) And so at euen the quailes came and couered the campe: and 13 in the morning the dewe lay round about the hoste. And when 14 the dewe that was fallen was ascended, beholde, a small round thing was vpon the face of the wildernes, small as the hoare frost on the earth. And when the children of Israel sawe it, 15 they sayde one to another, It is MAN, for they wist not what it was. And Moses sayd vnto them, This is the breade which the Lord hath given you to eate. This is the thing which the 16 Lord hath commanded: gather of it euery man according to his eating an Omer for a man according to the number of your persons: euery man shall take for them which are in his tent. And the children of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, 17 some lesse. And when they did measure it with an Omer, hee 18 that had gathered much, had nothing ouer, and he that had gathered litle, had no lacke: so euery man gathered according to his eating. Moses then said vnto them, Let no man 19 reserve thereof till morning. Notwithstanding they obeyed 20 not Moses: but some of them reserved of it till morning, and it was full of wormes, and stanke: therefore Moses was angrie with them. And they gathered it euery morning, euery 21 man according to his eating: for when the heate of the sunne came, it was melted. And the sixt day they gathered twise 22 so much bread, two Omers for one man: then all the rulers of the Congregation came and told Moses. And he answered 23 them, This is that, which the Lord hath sayde, To morowe is the rest of the holy Sabbath vnto the Lord: bake that to day which ye wil bake, and seethe that which ye wil seethe, and all that remaineth, lay it vp to be kept till the morning for you. And they laied it vp till the morning, as Moses bade, and 24 it stanke not, neyther was there any worme therein. Then 25 Moses sayde, Eate that to day: for to day is the Sabbath vnto the Lord: to day ye shall not finde it in the fielde. Sixe dayes 26 shall yee gather it, but in the seuenth day is the Sabbath: in

27 it there shalbe none. Notwithstanding, there went out some of the people in ye seuenth day for to gather, and they found 28 none. And the Lord sayde vnto Moses, Howe long refuse yee 29 to keepe my commandements, and my lawes? Beholde, howe the Lord hath given you the Sabbath: therefore he giveth you the sixt day bread for two dayes: tary therefore euery man in 30 his place: let no man goe out of his place the seuenth day. So 31 the people rested the seuenth day. And the house of Israel called the name of it, MAN. and it was like to coriander seede, but white: and the taste of it was like vnto wafers made with 32 hony. And Moses said, This is that which the Lord hath commanded, Fill an Omer of it, to keepe it for your posteritie: that they may see the bread wherewith I haue fed you in wilder-33 nesse, when I brought you out of the land of Egypt. also said to Aaron, Take a pot and put an Omer full of MAN therein, and set it before the Lord to be kept for your posteri-34 tie. As the Lord commanded Moses, so Aaron laied it vp be-35 fore the Testimonie to be kept. And the children of Israel did eate MAN fourtie yeres, vntill they came vnto a land inhabited: they did eate MAN vntill they came to the borders of the 36 land of Canaan. The Omer is the tenth part of the Ephah.

And all the Congregation of the children of Israel departed 17 from the wildernesse of Sin, by their iourneyes at the commandement of the Lord, and camped in Rephidim, where was 2 no water for the people to drinke. Wherefore the people contended with Moses, and sayde, Giue vs water that we may drinke. And Moses sayde vnto them, Why contende yee with 3 me? wherefore do ye tempt the Lord? So the people thirsted there for water, and the people murmured against Moses, and said, Wherefore hast thou thus brought vs out of Egypt to kill 4 vs and our children and our cattel with thirst? And Moses cried to the Lord, saying, What shall I do to this people? for 5 they be almost ready to stone me. And ye Lord answered to Moses, Goe before the people, and take with thee of the Elders of Israel: and thy rod, wherewith thou smotest the riuer, take 6 in thine hand, and go: Behold, I will stand there before thee vpon the rocke in Horeb, and thou shalt smite on the rocke, and water shall come out of it, that the people may drinke. 7 And Moses did so in the sight of the Elders of Israel. And he called the name of the place, Massah and Meribah, because

of the contention of the children of Israel, and because they had tempted the Lord, saying, Is the Lord among vs, or no? Then came Amalek and fought with Israel in Rephidim. And 8,9 Moses sayde to Ioshua, Chuse vs out men, and go fight with Amalek: to morowe I will stande on the toppe of the hill with the rod of God in mine hand. So Ioshua did as Moses bad 10 him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur, went vp to the top of the hill. And when Moses helde vp his 11 hande, Israel preuailed: but when he let his hande downe, Amalek preuailed. Nowe Moses handes were heavy: there- 12 fore they tooke a stone and put it vnder him, and hee sate vpon it: and Aaron and Hur staved vp his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side: so his hands were steady vntill the going downe of the sunne. And Ioshua 13 discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword. And the Lord sayde to Moses, Write this for a remembrance in 14 the booke, and rehearse it to Ioshua: for I will vtterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from vnder heauen. (And Moses 15 builte an altar and called the name of it, Iehouah-nissi) Also 16 he said, The Lord hath sworne, that he will have warre with Amalek from generation to generation.

When Jethro the Priest of Midian Moses father in lawe heard 18 all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, and howe the Lord had brought Israel out of Egypt, Then Iethro 2 the father in lawe of Moses, tooke Zipporah Moses wife, (after he had sent her away) And her two sonnes, (whereof the 3 one was called Gershom: for he sayd, I haue bene an aliant in a strange land: And the name of the other was Eliezer: 4 for the God of my father, said he, was mine helpe, and deliuered me from the sword of Pharaoh) And Iethro Moses fa- 5 ther in law came with his two sonnes, and his wife vnto Moses into the wildernes, where he camped by ye mout of God. And 6 he said to Moses, I thy father in law Iethro am come to thee, and thy wife and her two sonnes with her. And Moses went 7 out to meete his father in law, and did obeisance and kissed him, and eche asked other of his welfare: and they came into the tent. Then Moses told his father in law all that the Lord 8 had done vnto Pharaoh, and to the Egyptians for Israels sake. and all the trauaile that had come vnto them by the way, and howe the Lord deliuered them. And Iethro rejoyced at all 9

the goodnesse, which the Lord had shewed to Israel, and because he had deliuered them out of the hande of the Egyp-Therfore Iethro sayd, Blessed be the Lord who hath 10 tians. deliuered you out of the hande of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh: who hath also deliuered the people from vn-11 der the hand of the Egyptians. Now I know that the Lord is greater then all the gods: for as they have dealt proudly with 12 them, so are they recompensed. Then Iethro Moses father in lawe tooke burnt offerings and sacrifices to offer vnto God. And Aaron and all the Elders of Israel came to eat bread with Moses 13 father in law before God. Now on the morow, when Moses sate to judge the people, the people stoode about Moses from morn-14 ing vnto euen. And when Moses father in law saw all that he did to the people, he sayde, What is this that thou doest to the people? why sittest thou thy selfe alone, and all the people 15 stande about thee from morning vnto euen? And Moses sayd vnto his father in law, Because the people come vnto me to 16 seeke God. When they have a matter, they come vnto me, and I judge betweene one and another, and declare the ordinances 17 of God, and his lawes. But Moses father in law said vnto him, 18 The thing which thou doest, is not well. Thou both weariest thy selfe greatly, and this people that is with thee: for the thing is too heavie for thee: thou art not able to doe it thy selfe 19 alone. Heare nowe my voyce, (I will give thee counsell, and God shalbe with thee) be thou for the people to Godwarde, and 20 report thou the causes vnto God, And admonish them of the ordinances, and of the lawes, and shew them the way, wherein 21 they must walke, and the worke that they must do. Moreouer, prouide thou among al the people men of courage, fearing God, men dealing truely, hating couetousnesse: and appoynt such ouer them to be rulers ouer thousandes, rulers ouer hundreths, 22 rulers ouer fifties, and rulers ouer tennes. And let them iudge the people at all seasons: but every great matter let them bring vnto thee, and let them iudge all small causes: so shall it be easier for thee, when they shall beare the burden with thee. 23 If thou do this thing, (and God so command thee) both thou shalt be able to endure, and all this people shall also go qui-24 etly to their place. So Moses obeyed the voyce of his father in 25 law, and did all that he had sayd: And Moses chose men of courage out of all Israel, and made them heads ouer the people, rulers ouer thousandes, rulers ouer hundreths, rulers ouer fifties, and rulers ouer tennes. And they iudged the people at 26 all seasons, but they brought the hard causes vnto Moses: for they iudged all small matters themselues. Afterward Moses 27 let his father in law depart, and he went into his countrey.

In the third moneth, after the children of Israel were gone 19 out of the lande of Egypt, the same day came they into the wildernes of Sinai. For they departed from Rephidim, and 2 came to the desart of Sinai, and camped in the wildernesse: euen there Israel camped before the mount. But Moses went 3 vp vnto God, for ye Lord had called out of the mount vnto him, saving, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Iaakob, and tell the children of Israel, Ye haue seene what I did vnto the 4 Egyptians, and how I carved you vpon eagles wings, and haue brought you vnto me. Now therefore if ye wil heare my voyce 5 in deede, and keepe my couenant, then ye shalbe my chiefe treasure aboue all people, though all the earth be mine. Yee 6 shall be vnto mee also a kingdome of Priestes, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speake vnto the children of Israel. Moses then came and called for the El- 7 ders of the people, and proposed vnto them all these things, which the Lord commanded him. And the people answered 8 all together, and sayd, All that the Lord hath commanded, we will doe. And Moses reported the wordes of the people vnto the Lord. And the Lord sayd vnto Moses, Lo, I come vnto 9 thee in a thicke cloude, that the people may heare, whiles I talke with thee, and that they may also beleeue thee for euer. (for Moses had tolde the wordes of the people vnto the Lord) Moreouer, the Lord sayd vnto Moses, Goe to the people, and 10 sanctifie them to day and to morow, and let them wash their clothes. And let them be ready on the third day: for the thirde 11 day the Lord will come downe in the sight of all the people vpon mount Sinai: And thou shalt set markes vnto the people 12 rounde about, saying, Take heede to your selues that ye goe not vp the mount, nor touche the border of it: whosoeuer toucheth the mount, shall surely die. No hand shall touche it, but he 13 shalbe stoned to death, or striken through with darts: whether it be beast or man, he shall not liue: when the horne bloweth long, they shall come vp into the mountaine. Then Moses 14 went downe from ye mount vnto the people, and sanctified the

15 people, and they washed their clothes. And he said vnto the people, Be ready on the third day, and come not at your wives. 16 And the thirde day, when it was morning, there was thunders and lightnings, and a thicke cloude vpon the mount, and the sounde of the trumpet exceeding loude, so that all the people, 17 that was in the campe, was afrayde. Then Moses brought the people out of the tents to meete with God, and they stoode 18 in the nether part of the mount. And mount Sinai was all on smoke, because the Lord came downe vpon it in fire, and the smoke therof ascended, as the smoke of a fornace, and all 19 the mount trembled exceedingly. And when the sound of the trumpet blew long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, 20 and God answered him by voyce. (For the Lord came downe vpon mount Sinai on the toppe of the mount) and when the Lord called Moses vp into the top of the mount, Moses went 21 vp. Then the Lord said vnto Moses, Go down, charge the people, that they breake not their boundes, to go vp to the Lord 22 to gaze, least many of them perish. And let the Priestes also which come to the Lord be sanctified, least the Lord destroy And Moses sayde vnto the Lord, The people can not 23 them. come vp into the mount Sinai: for thou hast charged vs, say-24 ing. Set markes on the mountaine, and sanctifie it. And the Lord sayd vnto him, Go, get thee downe, and come vp, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the Priestes and the people breake their boundes to come vp vnto the Lord, least he de-25 stroy them. So Moses went downe vnto the people, and tolde them.

20, 2 Then God spake all these wordes, saying, I am the Lord thy God, which haue brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt haue none other Gods before me. Thou shalt make thee no grauen image, neither any similitude of things that are in heauen aboue, neither that are in the earth beneath, nor that are in the waters vnder the earth. Thou shalt not bowe downe to them, neither serue them: for I am the Lord thy God, a ielous God, visiting the iniquitie of the fathers vpon the children, vpon the third generation and vpon the fourth of them that hate me: And shewing mercie vnto thousandes to them that loue me, and keepe my commandemets. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vaine: for the Lord will not hold him guiltles that

taketh his Name in vayne. Remember the Sabbath day, to 8 keepe it holy. Sixe dayes shalt thou labour, and doe all thy 9 worke, But the seuenth day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy 10 God: in it thou shalt not do any worke, thou, nor thy sonne, nor thy daughter, thy man seruant, nor thy mayde, nor thy beast, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates. For in sixe 11 dayes the Lord made the heauen and the earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seuenth day: therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it. Honour thy 12 father and thy mother, that thy dayes may be prolonged vpon the land, which the Lord thy God giueth thee. Thou shalt 13 Thou shalt not commit adulterie. Thou shalt not 14, 15 not kill. Thou shalt not beare false witnes against thy neigh- 16 steale. Thou shalt not couet thy neighbours house, neither 17 bour. shalt thou couet thy neighbours wife, nor his man seruant, nor his mayde, nor his oxe, nor his asse, nevther any thing that is thy neighbours. And all the people sawe the thunders, and 18 the lightnings, and the sound of the trumpet, and the mountaine smoking and when the people saw it they fled and stoode afare off, And sayde vnto Moses, Talke thou with vs, and we 19 will heare: but let not God talke with vs, lest we die. Moses sayde vnto the people, Feare not: for God is come to proue you, and that his feare may be before you, that ye sinne So the people stoode afarre off, but Moses drew neere 21 vnto the darkenes where God was. And the Lord sayde vnto 22 Moses, Thus thou shalt say vnto the children of Israel, Ye haue seene that I have talked with you from heaven. Ye shall not 23 make therefore with me gods of siluer, nor gods of golde: vou shall make you none. An altar of earth thou shalt make vnto 24 me, and thereon shalt offer thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheepe, and thine oxen: in all places, where I shall put the remembrance of my Name, I will come vnto thee, and blesse thee. But if thou wilt make mee an altar of stone. 25 thou shalt not buylde it of hewen stones: for if thou lift vp thy toole vpon them, thou hast polluted them. Neither shalt thou 26 goe vp by steppes vnto mine altar, that thy filthines be not discovered thereon.

Now these are the lawes, which thou shalt set before them: **21** If thou bye an Ebrewe seruant, he shall serue sixe yeres, and in the seuenth he shall go out free, for nothing. If he came him-

selfe alone, he shall goe out himselfe alone: if hee were mar-4 ried, then his wife shall go out with him. If his master haue giuen him a wife, and she hath borne him sonnes or daughters, he wife and her children shalbe her masters, but he shall 5 goe out himselfe alone. But if the seruant saye thus, I loue my master, my wife and my children, I will not goe out free, 6 Then his master shall bring him vnto the Iudges, and set him to the dore, or to the poste, and his master shall bore his eare 7 through with a nawle, and he shall serue him for euer. Likewise if a man sell his daughter to be a seruant, she shall not 8 goe out as the men servantes doe. If shee please not her master, who hath betrothed her to him selfe, then shall hee cause to buy her: hee shall have no power to sell her to a strange 9 people, seeing he despised her. But if he hath betrothed her vnto his sonne, he shall deale with her according to the cus-10 tome of the daughters. If he take him another wife, he shall not diminish her foode, her rayment, and recompence of her 11 virginitie. And if he do not these three vnto her, the shall she 12 go out free, paying no money. He that smiteth a man, and he 13 die, shall dye the death. And if a man hath not layed wayte, but God hath offered him into his hande, then I wil appoynt 14 thee a place whither he shall flee. But if a man come presumptuously vpon his neighbour to slay him with guile, thou 15 shalt take him from mine altar, that he may die. Also hee that 16 smiteth his father or his mother, shall die the death. And he that stealeth a man, and selleth him, if it be founde with him, 17 shall die the death. And hee that curseth his father or his 18 mother, shall die the death. When men also striue together, and one smite another with a stone, or with the fist, and he 19 die not, but lieth in bed, If hee rise againe and walke without vpon his staffe, then shall he that smote him go quite, saue onely hee shall beare his charges for his resting, and shall pay 20 for his healing. And if a man smite his seruant, or his maide with a rod, and he die vnder his hande, he shalbe surely pun-21 ished. But if he continue a day, or two dayes, hee shall not 22 be punished: for he is his money. Also if men striue and hurt a woman with childe, so that her childe depart from her, and death follow not, hee shall bee surely punished according as the womans husband shall appoynt him, or he shall pay as the 23 Iudges determine. But if death follow, then thou shalt paye

life for life, Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hande for hand, foote 24 for foote, Burning for burning, wound for wounde, stripe for 25 stripe. And if a man smite his seruant in the eie, or his maide 26 in the eye, and hath perished it, hee shall let him goe free for his eye. Also if he smite out his seruants tooth, or his maides 27 tooth, he shall let him goe out free for his tooth. If an oxe 28 gore a man or a woman, that he die, the oxe shalbe stoned to death, and his flesh shall not be eaten, but the owner of the oxe shall goe quite. If the oxe were wont to push in times 29 past, and it hath bene tolde his master, and hee hath not kept him, and after he killeth a man or a woman, the oxe shall be stoned, and his owner shall die also. If there be set to him 30 a summe of mony, then he shall pay the raunsome of his life, whatsoeuer shalbe laied vpon him. Whether he hath gored 31 a sonne or gored a daughter, he shalbe judged after the same If the oxe gore a seruant or a mayde, hee shall give 32 vnto their master thirtie shekels of siluer, and the oxe shalbe stoned. And when a man shall open a well, or when he shall 33 dig a pit and couer it not, and an oxe or an asse fall therein, The owner of the pit shall make it good, and give money to the 34 owners thereof, but the dead beast shalbe his. And if a mans 35 oxe hurt his neighbours oxe that he die, then they shall sel the liue oxe, and deuide the money thereof, and the dead oxe also they shall deuide. Or if it bee knowen that the oxe hath vsed 36 to push in times past, and his master hath not kept him, he shall pay oxe for oxe, but the dead shall be his owne.

If a man steale an oxe or a sheepe, and kill it or sell it, he shall restore fiue oxen for the oxe, and foure sheepe for the sheepe. If a thiefe bee founde breaking vp, and be smitten that he dye, no blood shall be shed for him. But if it be in the day light, blood shall be shed for him: for he should make full restitution: if he had not wherewith, then shoulde he bee solde for his theft. If the theft bee founde with him, aliue, (whether the does not have fielde, or sheepe) he shall restore the double. If a man doe hurt fielde, or vineyarde, and put in his beast to feed in an other mans fielde, he shall recompence of the best of his owne fielde, and of the best of his owne vineyard. If fire breake out, and catche in ye thornes, and the stackes of corne, or the standing corne, or the fielde be consumed, he that kindled the fire shall make full restitution. If a man deliuer his neighbour 7

money or stuffe to keepe, and it be stollen out of his house, if 8 the thiefe be found, he shall pay the double. If the thiefe be not founde, then the master of the house shalbe brought vnto the Iudges to sweare, whether he hath put his hande vnto his 9 neighbours good, or no. In all maner of trespasse, whether it bee for oxen, for asse, for sheepe, for raiment, or for any maner of lost thing, which an other chalengeth to be his, the cause of both parties shall come before the judges, and whom the Iudges condemne, he shall pay the double vnto his neighbour. 10 If a man deliuer vnto his neighbour to keepe asse, or oxe, or sheepe, or any beast, and it die, or be hurt, or taken away by 11 enemies, and no man see it, An othe of the Lord shalbe betweene the twaine, that hee hath not put his hande vnto his neighbours good, and the owner of it shall take the othe, and 12 he shall not make it good: But if it be stollen from him, he 13 shall make restitution vnto the owner thereof. If it be torne in pieces, he shall bring recorde, and shall not make that good, 14 which is deuoured. And if a man borow ought of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or els die, the owner thereof not being by, 15 he shall surely make it good. If the owner thereof bee by, hee shall not make it good: for if it be an hired thing, it came for 16 his hire. And if a man entise a maide that is not betrothed, and lie with her, hee shall endowe her, and take her to his wife. 17 If her father refuse to give her to him, hee shall pay money, ac-18 cording to ye dowry of virgins. Thou shalt not suffer a witch to 19.20 liue. Whosoeuer lieth with a beast, shall dye the death. Hee that offereth vnto any gods, saue vnto the Lord onely, shalbe 21 slaine. Moreouer, thou shalt not do iniurie to a stranger, neither oppresse him: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt. 22, 23 Ye shall not trouble any widowe, nor fatherlesse childe. thou vexe or trouble such, and so he call and cry vnto me, I 24 will surely heare his cry. Then shall my wrath be kindled, and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall be wid-25 owes, and your children fatherlesse. If thou lende money to my people, that is, to the poore with thee, thou shalt not bee as 26 an vsurer vnto him: yee shall not oppresse him with vsurie. If thou take thy neighbours rayment to pledge, thou shalt restore 27 it vnto him before the sunne go downe: For that is his couering only, and this is his garment for his skin: wherin shall he sleepe? therefore when he crieth vnto mee, I will heare him:

for I am mercifull. Thou shalt not raile vpon the Iudges, nei- 28 ther speake euil of the ruler of thy people. Thine abundance 29 and thy licour shalt thou not keepe backe. The first borne of thy sonnes shalt thou giue me. Likewise shalt thou do with 30 thine oxen and with thy sheepe: seuen dayes it shall bee with his damme, and the eight day thou shalt giue it me. Ye shall 31 be an holy people vnto me, neither shall ye eate any flesh that is torne of beastes in the fielde: ye shall cast it to the dogge.

Thou shalt not receive a false tale, neyther shalt thou put 23 thine hande with the wicked, to be a false witnes. Thou shalt 2 not follow a multitude to do euil, neither agree in a controuersie to decline after many and ouerthrowe the trueth. shalt not esteeme a poore man in his cause. If thou meete 4 thine enemies oxe, or his asse going astray, thou shalt bring him to him againe. If thou see thine enemies asselying vnder 5 his burden, wilt thou cease to helpe him? thou shalt helpe him vp againe with it. Thou shalt not ouerthrowe the right of thy 6 poore in his sute. Thou shalt keepe thee farre from a false 7 matter, and shalt not slave the innocent and the righteous: for I will not justifie a wicked man. Thou shalt take no gift: for 8 the gift blindeth the wise, and peruerteth the wordes of the righteous. Thou shalt not oppresse a stranger: for ye knowe 9 the heart of a stranger, seeing yee were strangers in the land of Egypt. Moreouer, sixe yeres thou shalt sowe thy land, and 10 gather the fruites thereof, But the seuenth yeere thou shalt 11 let it rest and lie still, that the poore of thy people may eat, and what they leave, the beastes of the fielde shall eate. In like maner thou shalt doe with thy vineyard, and with thine oliue trees. Sixe dayes thou shalt do thy worke, and in the seuenth 12 day thou shalt rest, that thine oxe, and thine asse may rest, and the sonne of thy maide and the stranger may be refreshed. And ye shall take heede to all things that I have sayde vnto 13 you: and ye shall make no mention of the name of other gods, neither shall it be heard out of thy mouth. Three times thou 14 shalt keepe a feast vnto me in the yeere. Thou shalt keepe the 15 feast of vnleauened bread: thou shalt eate vnleauened bread seue dayes, as I commanded thee, in the season of the moneth of Abib: for in it thou camest out of Egypt: and none shall appeare before me emptie: The feast also of the haruest of the 16 first fruites of thy labours, which thou hast sowen in the fielde:

and the feast of gathering fruites in the ende of the yere, when 17 thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the fielde. three times in the yeere shall all thy men children appeare 18 before the Lord Iehouah. Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leauened bread: neyther shall the fatte of 19 my sacrifice remayne vntill the morning. The first of the first fruites of thy lande thou shalt bring into the house of the Lord thy God: yet shalt thou not seeth a kid in his mothers milke. 20 Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keepe thee in the way, 21 and to bring thee to the place which I have prepared. Beware of him, and heare his voyce, and prouoke him not: for he will 22 not spare your misdeedes, because my name is in him. if thou hearken vnto his voyce, and do all that I speake, the I wil be an enemie vnto thine enemies, and will afflict them that 23 afflict thee. For mine Angel shall go before thee, and bring thee vnto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hiuites, and the Iebusites, and I will 24 destroy them. Thou shalt not bow downe to their gods, neither serue them, nor doe after the workes of them: but vtterly 25 ouerthrowe them, and breake in pieces their images. For ye shall serue the Lord your God, and he shall blesse thy bread and thy water, and I will take all sickenes away from the mid-26 des of thee. There shall none cast their fruite nor be baren in 27 thy lande: the number of thy dayes will I fulfill. I will send my feare before thee, and will destroy all the people among whome thou shalt go: and I will make all thine enemies turne 28 their backes vnto thee: And I will sende hornets before thee, which shall driue out the Hiuites, the Canaanites, and the Hit-29 tites from thy face. I will not cast them out from thy face in one yeere, least the land grow to a wildernes: and the beasts of 30 the field multiplie against thee. By litle and litle I will drive them out from thy face, vntill thou increase, and inherite the 31 lande. And I will make thy coastes from the red sea vnto the sea of the Philistims, and from the desert vnto the Riuer: for I will deliuer the inhabitants of the lande into your hande, and 32 thou shalt drive them out from thy face. Thou shalt make no 33 couenant with them, nor with their gods: Neither shall they dwell in thy lande, least they make thee sinne against me: for if thou serue their gods, surely it shall be thy destruction.

24 Now hee had said vnto Moses, Come vp to the Lord, thou,

and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seuentie of the Elders of Israel, and yee shall worship a farre off. And Moses himselfe 2 alone shall come neere to the Lord, but they shall not come neere, neither shall the people goe vp with him. Afterwarde 3 Moses came and told the people all the wordes of the Lord, and all the lawes: and all the people answered with one voyce, and said, All the things which the Lord hath said, will we doe. And Moses wrote all the wordes of the Lord, and rose vp early, 4 and set vp an altar vnder the mountaine, and twelue pillars according to the twelue tribes of Israel. And he sent young men 5 of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offrings of bieues. and sacrificed peace offrings vnto the Lord. Then Moses tooke 6 halfe of the blood, and put it in basens, and halfe of the blood he sprinckled on the altar. After he tooke the booke of the 7 couenant, and read it in the audience of the people: who said, All that the Lord hath said, we will do, and be obedient. Then 8 Moses tooke the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold, the blood of the couenant, which the Lord hath made with you concerning all these things. Then went vp Moses 9 and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seuentie of the Elders of Israel. And they saw the God of Israel, and vnder his feete was 10 as it were a worke of a Saphir stone, and as the very heauen when it is cleare. And vpon the nobles of the children of Israel 11 he laide not his hande: also they sawe God, and did eate and drinke. And the Lord said vnto Moses, Come vp to me into the 12 mountaine, and be there, and I will give thee tables of stone, and the law and the commandement, which I have written, for to teach them. Then Moses rose vp, and his minister Ioshua, 13 and Moses went vp into the mountaine of God, And said vnto 14 the Elders, Tary vs here, vntill we come againe vnto you: and beholde, Aaron, and Hur are with you: whosoeuer hath any matters, let him come to them. Then Moses went vp to the 15 mount, and the cloude couered the mountaine, And the glorie 16 of the Lord abode vpon mount Sinai, and the cloude couered it sixe dayes: and the seuenth day he called vnto Moses out of the middes of the cloude. And the sight of the glorie of the Lord 17 was like consuming fire on the top of the moutaine, in the eyes of the children of Israel. And Moses entred into the middes of 18 the cloude, and went vp to the mountaine: and Moses was in the mount fourtie dayes and fourty nightes.

Then the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the **25**. 2 children of Israel, that they receive an offring for me: of every man, whose heart giueth it freely, ye shall take the offring for 3 me. And this is the offring which ye shall take of them, golde, 4 and siluer, and brasse, And blewe silke, and purple, and skar-5 let, and fine linnen, and goates heare, And rammes skinnes coloured red, and the skinnes of badgers, and the wood Shit-6 tim, Oyle for the light, spices for anounting oyle, and for the 7 perfume of sweete sauour, Onix stones, and stones to be set 8 in the Ephod, and in the brest plate. Also they shall make 9 me a Sanctuarie, that I may dwell among them. According to all that I shewe thee, euen so shall ve make the forme of the Tabernacle, and the facion of all the instruments thereof. 10 They shall make also an Arke of Shittim wood, two cubites and an halfe long, and a cubite and an halfe broade, and a cubite 11 and an halfe hie. And thou shalt ouerlay it with pure golde: within and without shalt thou ouerlay it, and shalt make vpon 12 it a crowne of golde rounde about. And thou shalt cast foure rings of golde for it, and put them in the foure corners thereof: that is, two rings shalbe on the one side of it, and two rings on 13 the other side thereof. And thou shalt make barres of Shit-14 tim wood, and couer them with golde. Then thou shalt put the barres in the rings by the sides of the Arke, to beare the 15 Arke with them. The barres shalbe in the rings of the Arke: 16 they shall not be taken away from it. So thou shalt put in the 17 Arke the Testimonie which I shall give thee. Also thou shalt make a Mercie seate of pure golde, two cubites and an halfe 18 long, and a cubite and an halfe broade. And thou shalt make two Cherubims of golde: of worke beaten out with the hammer 19 shalt thou make the at ye two endes of the Merciseate. And the one Cherub shalt thou make at the one ende, and the other Cherub at the other ende: of the matter of the Mercieseate 20 shall ye make the Cherubims, on the two endes thereof. And the Cherubims shall stretche their winges on hie, couering the Mercie seate with their winges, and their faces one to another: to the Mercie seate warde shall the faces of the Cherubims be. 21 And thou shalt put the Mercieseate aboue vpon the Arke, and in the Arke thou shalt put the Testimonie, which I will give 22 thee, And there I will declare my selfe vnto thee, and from aboue ye Mercieseate betweene ye two Cherubims, which are

vpon ye Arke of ye Testimonie, I wil tel thee al things which I wil giue thee in comandement vnto ye children of Israel. Thou 23 shalt also make a Table of Shittim wood, of two cubites long, and one cubite broade, and a cubite and an halfe hie: And 24 thou shalt couer it with pure gold, and make thereto a crowne of golde round about. Thou shalt also make vnto it a border of 25 foure fingers roud about and thou shalt make a golden crowne round about the border thereof. After, thou shalt make for it 26 foure ringes of golde, and shalt put the rings in the foure corners that are in the foure feete thereof: Ouer against the bor- 27 der shall the rings be for places for barres, to beare the Table. And thou shalt make the barres of Shittim wood, and shalt 28 ouerlay them with golde, that the Table may be borne with Thou shalt make also dishes for it, and incense cup- 29 pes for it, and couerings for it, and goblets, wherewith it shall be couered, euen of fine golde shalt thou make them. thou shalt set vpon the Table shewe bread before me continually. Also thou shalt make a Candlesticke of pure golde: of 31 worke beaten out with the hammer shall the Candlesticke be made, his shaft, and his branches, his boules, his knops: and his floures shalbe of the same. Six braunches also shall come 32 out of the sides of it: three branches of the Candlesticke out of the one side of it, and three branches of the Candlesticke out of the other side of it. Three boules like vnto almondes. 33 one knop and one floure in one braunch: and three boules like almondes in the other branch, one knop and one floure: so throughout the sixe branches that come out of the Candlesticke. And in the shaft of the Candlesticke shalbe foure 34 boules like vnto almondes, his knops and his floures. there shalbe a knop vnder two branches made thereof: and a knop vnder two branches made thereof: and a knop vnder two branches made thereof, according to the sixe branches comming out of the Candlesticke. Their knops and their branches 36 shall bee thereof. all this shalbe one beaten worke of pure And thou shalt make the seuen lampes thereof: and 37 the lampes thereof shalt thou put thereon, to give light toward that is before it. Also the snuffers and snuffedishes 38 thereof shalbe of pure golde. Of a talent of fine gold shalt 39 thou make it with all these instruments. Looke therefore that 40 thou make them after their facion, that was shewed thee in the

mountaine.

26 Afterwarde thou shalt make the Tabernacle with tenne curtaines of fine twined linen, and blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet: and in them thou shalt make Cherubims of broydered The length of one curtaine shalbe eight and twentie cubites, and the bredth of one curtaine, foure cubites: euery 3 one of the curtaines shall have one measure. Five curtaines shalbe coupled one to an other: and the other five curtaines 4 shall be coupled one to another. And thou shalt make stringes of blew silke vpon the edge of the one curtaine, which is in the seluedge of the coupling: and likewise shalt thou make in the edge of the other curtaine in the seluedge, in the second cou-5 pling. Fiftie strings shalt thou make in one curtaine, and fiftie stringes shalt thou make in the edge of the curtaine, which is in the second coupling: ye stringes shalbe one right against an-Thou shalt make also fiftie taches of gold, and couple the curtaines one to another with the taches, and it shalbe one 7 tabernacle. Also thou shalt make curtaines of goates heare. to be a couering vpon the Tabernacle: thou shalt make them to 8 the number of eleuen curtaines. The length of a curtaine shall be thirtie cubites, and the breadth of a curtaine foure cubites: 9 the eleuen curtaines shalbe of one measure. And thou shalt couple fiue curtaynes by themselues, and the sixe curtaines by themselues: but thou shalt double the sixt curtaine vpon the 10 forefront of the couering. And thou shalt make fifty stringes in the edge of one curtayne, in the seluedge of the coupling, and fifty stringes in the edge of the other curtaine in the second 11 coupling. Likewise thou shalt make fifty taches of brasse, and fasten them on the strings, and shalt couple the couering to-12 gether, that it may be one. And the remnant that resteth in ye curtaines of the couering, euen the halfe curtaine that resteth, 13 shalbe left at the backeside of the Tabernacle, That the cubite on the one side, and the cubite on the other side of that which is left in the legth of the curtaines of ye couering, may remaine on either side of the Tabernacle to couer it. Moreover, for that couering thou shalt make a couering of rammes skinnes died 15 red, and a couering of badgers skinnes aboue. Also thou shalt make boards for the Tabernacle of Shittim wood to stand vp. 16 Ten cubites shalbe the length of a boarde, and a cubite and an 17 halfe cubite the breadth of one boarde. Two tenons shalbe in one boarde set in order as the feete of a ladder, one against an other: thus shalt thou make for all the boardes of the Tabernacle. And thou shalt make boardes for the Tabernacle, euen 18 twenty boardes on the South side, euen full South. And thou 19 shalt make fourty sockets of siluer vnder the twentie boardes, two sockets vnder one boarde for his two tenons, and two sockets vnder an other boarde for his two tenons. In like maner on 20 the other side of the Tabernacle towarde the North side shalbe twentie boardes. And their fourtie sockets of siluer, two sock- 21 ets vnder one boarde, and two sockets vnder another board. And on the side of the Tabernacle, toward the West shalt thou 22 make sixe boards. Also two boardes shalt thou make in the 23 corners of the Tabernacle in the two sides. Also they shalbe 24 iovned beneath, and likewise they shalbe iovned aboue to a ring: thus shall it be for them two: they shalbe for ye two cor-So they shalbe eight boardes having sockets of silver. 25 euen sixteene sockets, that is, two sockets vnder one board, and two sockets vnder an other boarde. The thou shalt make 26 five barres of Shittim wood for the boardes of one side of the Tabernacle, And fiue barres for the boardes of the other side 27 of the Tabernacle: also five barres for the boardes of the side of the Tabernacle toward the Westside. And the middle barre 28 shall goe through the middes of the boards, from ende to ende. And thou shalt couer the boards with golde, and make their 29 rings of golde, for places for the barres, and thou shalt couer the barres with golde. So thou shalt reare vp the Tabernacle, 30 according to the facion thereof, which was shewed thee in the mount. Moreover, thou shalt make a vaile of blewe silke, and 31 purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linen: thou shalt make it of broydred worke with Cherubims. And thou shalt hang it 32 vpon foure pillars of Shittim wood couered with gold, (whose hookes shalbe of gold) stading vpon foure sockets of siluer. Af- 33 terward thou shalt hang the vaile on the hookes, that thou mayest bring in thither, that is (within the vaile) the arke of the Testimonie: and the vaile shall make you a separation betweene the Holy place and the most holy place. Also thou 34 shalt put ye Mercy seate vpon the Arke of the testimonie in the most Holy place. And thou shalt set the Table without 35 the vaile, and the Candlesticke ouer against the Table on the Southside of the Tabernacle, and thou shalt set the Table on

the Northside. Also thou shalt make an hanging for the dore of ye Tabernacle of blew silke, and purple, and skarlet, and fine
 twined linen wrought with needle. And thou shalt make for the hanging fiue pillars of Shittim, and couer them with gold: their heads shalbe of golde, and thou shalt cast fiue sockets of brasse for them.

27 Moreover thou shalt make the altar of Shittim wood, five cubites long and fiue cubites broade (the altar shall be foure 2 square) and the height thereof three cubites. And thou shalt make it hornes in the foure corners thereof: the hornes shalbe 3 of it selfe, and thou shalt couer it with brasse. shalt make his ashpannes for his ashes and his besoms, and his basens, and his flesh-hookes, and his censers: thou shalt 4 make all the instruments thereof of brasse. And thou shalt make vnto it a grate like networke of brasse: also vpon that grate shalt thou make foure brasen rings vpon the foure cor-5 ners thereof. And thou shalt put it vnder the compasse of the altar beneath, that the grate may be in the middes of the al-6 tar. Also thou shalt make barres for the altar, barres, I say, 7 of Shittim wood, and shalt couer them with brasse. And the barres thereof shalbe put in the rings, the which barres shalbe 8 vpon the two sides of the altar to beare it. Thou shalt make the altar holowe betweene the boardes: as God shewed thee in the mount, so shall they make it. Also thou shalt make the court of the Tabernacle in the Southside, euen full South: the court shall have curtaines of fine twined linnen, of an hundreth 10 cubites long, for one side, And it shall have twentie pillars, with their twentie sockets of brasse: the heades of the pillars, 11 and their filets shalbe siluer. Likewise on the Northside in length there shalbe hangings of an hundreth cubites long, and the twentie pillars thereof with their twentie sockets of brasse: 12 the heades of the pillars and the filets shalbe siluer. And the breadth of the court on the Westside shall have curtaines of 13 fiftie cubites, with their ten pillars and their ten sockets. And the breadth of the court, Eastwarde full East shall have fiftie 14 cubites. Also hangings of fifteene cubites shalbe on the one 15 side with their three pillars and their three sockets. Likewise on the other side shalbe hangings of fifteene cubites, with their 16 three pillars and their three sockets. And in the gate of the court shalbe a vaile of twentie cubites, of blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linen wrought with needle, with the foure pillars thereof and their foure sockets. All the 17 pillars of the court shall have filets of silver round about, with their heads of siluer, and their sockets of brasse. The length 18 of the court shalbe an hundreth cubites, and the breadth fiftie at either ende, and the height flue cubites, and the hangings of fine twined linen, and their sockets of brasse. Al the vessels of 19 the Tabernacle for al maner seruice thereof, and all the pinnes thereof, and all the pinnes of the court shalbe brasse. thou shalt commande the children of Israel, that they bring vnto thee pure oyle oliue beaten, for the light, that the lampes may alway burne. In the Tabernacle of the Congregation 21 without the vaile, which is before the Testimony, shall Aaron and his sonnes dresse them from euening to morning before the Lord, for a statute for euer vnto their generations, to be observed by the children of Israel.

And cause thou thy brother Aaron to come vnto thee and 28 his sonnes with him, from among the children of Israel, that he may serue me in the Priestes office: I meane Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar Aarons sonnes. Also thou 2 shalt make holy garments for Aaron thy brother, glorious and beautifull. Therefore thou shalt speake vnto al cunning men, 3 whome I have filled with the spirite of wisedome, that they make Aarons garments to consecrate him, that he may serue me in the Priestes office. Nowe these shall be the garments, 4 which they shall make, a brest plate, and an Ephod, and a robe, and a broydred coate, a miter, and a girdle. so these holy garments shall they make for Aaron thy brother, and for his sonnes, that he may serue me in the Priests office. Therefore 5 they shall take golde, and blew silke, and purple, and skarlet, and fine linnen, And they shall make the Ephod of gold, 6 blewe silke, and purple, skarlet, and fine twined linen of broydred worke. The two shoulders thereof shalbe ioyned together 7 by their two edges: so shall it be closed. And the embroydred 8 garde of the same Ephod, which shalbe vpon him, shall be of the selfe same worke and stuffe, euen of golde, blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linen. And thou shalt 9 take two onix stones, and graue vpon them the names of the children of Israel: Sixe names of them vpon the one stone, 10 and the sixe names that remaine, vpon the seconde stone, ac-

11 cording to their generations. Thou shalt cause to graue the two stones according to the names of the children of Israel by a grauer of signets, that worketh and graueth in stone, and 12 shalt make them to be set and embossed in golde. And thou shalt put the two stones vpon the shoulders of the Ephod, as stones of remebrance of the children of Israel: for Aaron shall beare their names before the Lord vpon his two shoulders for 13, 14 a remembrance. So thou shalt make bosses of golde, And two cheynes of fine golde at the ende, of wrethed worke shalt thou make them, and shalt fasten the wrethed cheynes vpon Also thou shalt make the brest plate of judge-15 the bosses. ment with broydred worke: like the worke of the Ephod shalt thou make it: of gold, blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet, 16 and fine twined linen shalt thou make it. Foure square it shall be and double, an hand bredth long and an hand bredth 17 broade. Then thou shalt set it full of places for stones, euen foure rowes of stones: the order shalbe this, a rubie, a topaze, 18 and a carbuncle in the first rowe. And in the seconde rowe 19 thou shalt set an emeraude, a saphir, and a diamonde. And in 20 the third rowe a turkeis, an achate, and an hematite. in the fourth rowe a chrysolite, an onix, and a iasper: and 21 they shall be set in golde in their embossements. stones shall be according to the names of the children of Israel, twelue, according to their names, grauen as signets, euerve one after his name, and they shall bee for the twelue tribes. 22 Then thou shalt make vpon the breast plate two cheines at the 23 endes of wrethen worke of pure golde. Thou shalt make also vpon the brest plate two rings of golde, and put the two rings 24 on the two endes of the brest plate. And thou shalt put the two wrethen chaynes of golde in the two rings in the endes of 25 the brest plate. And the other two endes of the two wrethen cheines, thou shalt fasten in ye two embossements, and shalt put them vpon the shoulders of the Ephod on the foreside of 26 it. Also thou shalt make two rings of gold, which thou shalt put in the two other endes of the brest plate, vpon the border 27 thereof, towarde the inside of the Ephod. And two other rings of golde thou shalt make, and put them on the two sides of the Ephod, beneath in the forepart of it ouer against the coupling 28 of it vpon the broydred garde of the Ephod. Thus they shall binde the brest plate by his rings vnto the rings of the Ephod, with a lace of blewe silke, that it may be fast vpon the broydred garde of the Ephod, and that the brest plate be not loosed from the Ephod. So Aaron shall beare the names of the chil- 29 dren of Israel in the brest plate of judgement vpon his heart, when he goeth into the holy place, for a remembrance continually before the Lord. Also thou shalt put in the brest plate 30 of judgement the Vrim and the Thummim, which shalbe vpon Aarons heart, when he goeth in before the Lord: and Aaron shall beare the judgement of the children of Israel vpon his heart before the Lord continually. And thou shalt make the 31 robe of the Ephod altogether of blewe silke. And the hole for 32 his head shalbe in the middes of it, having an edge of wouen woorke rounde about the coller of it: so it shalbe as the coller of an habergeon that it rent not. And beneath vpon the skirtes 33 thereof thou shalt make pomegranates of blew silke, and purple, and skarlet, round about the skirts thereof, and belles of gold betweene them round about: That is, a golden bell and 34 a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate rounde about vpon the skirtes of the robe. So it shalbe vpon Aaron, when 35 he ministreth, and his sound shalbe heard, when he goeth into the holy place before the Lord, and when he commeth out, and he shall not dye. Also thou shalt make a plate of pure golde, 36 and graue thereon, as signets are grauen, Holines To The Lord, And thou shalt put it on a blew silke lace, and it shalbe vpon 37 the miter: euen vpon the fore front of the miter shall it be. So it shalbe vpon Aarons forehead, that Aaron may beare the 38 iniquitie of the offrings, which the children of Israel shall offer in all their holy offrings: and it shall be alwayes vpon his forehead, to make them acceptable before the Lord. Likewise 39 thou shalt embroyder the fine line coat, and thou shalt make a miter of fine line, but thou shalt make a girdell of needle worke. Also thou shalt make for Aarons sonnes coates, and thou shalt 40 make the girdels, and bonets shalt thou make them for glorie and comelinesse. And thou shalt put them vpon Aaron thy 41 brother, and on his sonnes with him, and shalt anoint them, and fill their handes, and sanctifie them, that they may minister vnto me in the Priestes office. Thou shalt also make them 42 linen breeches to couer their priuities: from the loynes vnto the thighs shall they reache. And they shalbe for Aaron and 43 his sonnes when they come into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, or whe they come vnto the altar to minister in the holy place, that they commit not iniquitie, and so die. This shalbe a lawe for euer vnto him and to his seede after him.

29 This thing also shalt thou do vnto them whe thou consecratest them to be my Priestes, Take a yong calfe, and two 2 rams without blemish, And vnleauened bread and cakes vnleauened tempered with oyle, and wafers vnleauened anoynted 3 with oyle: (of fine wheate flowre shalt thou make them) Then thou shalt put them in one basket, and present them in the 4 basket with the calfe and the two rammes, And shalt bring Aaron and his sonnes vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the 5 Congregation, and wash them with water. Also thou shalt take the garments, and put vpon Aaron the tunicle, and the robe of the Ephod, and the Ephod, and the brest plate, and shalt close them to him with the broidred garde of the Ephod. 6 Then thou shalt put the miter vpon his head, and shalt put the 7 holy crowne vpon ve miter. And thou shalt take the anount-8 ing oyle, and shalt powre vpon his head, and anoynt him. And 9 thou shalt bring his sonnes, and put coates vpon them, And shalt girde them with girdles, both Aaron and his sonnes: and shalt put the bonets on them, and the Priestes office shalbe theirs for a perpetuall lawe: thou shalt also fill the hands of 10 Aaron, and the hands of his sonnes. After, thou shalt present the calfe before the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and Aaron and his sonnes shall put their handes vpon the head of the 11 calfe. So thou shalt kill the calfe before the Lord, at the doore 12 of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. Then thou shalt take of the blood of the calfe, and put it vpon the hornes of the altar with thy finger, and shalt powre al the rest of the blood 13 at the foote of the altar. Also thou shalt take all the fat that couereth the inwardes, and the kall, that is on the liuer, and the two kidneis, and the fat that is vpon them, and shalt burne 14 them vpon the altar. But the flesh of the calfe, and his skin, and his doung shalt thou burne with fire without the hoste: 15 it is a sinne offring. Thou shalt also take one ramme, and Aron and his sonnes shall put their hands vpon the head of the 16 ramme. Then thou shalt kill the ramme, and take his blood, 17 and sprinkle it round about vpon the altar, And thou shalt cut the ramme in pieces, and wash the inwards of him and his legges, and shalt put them vpon the pieces thereof, and vpon his head. So thou shalt burne the whole ram vpon the altar: 18 for it is a burnt offering vnto the Lord for a sweete sauour: it is an offering made by fire vnto the Lord. And thou shalt take 19 the other ramme, and Aaron and his sonnes shall put their handes vpon the head of the ramme. Then thou shalt kill 20 the ramme, and take of his blood and put it vpon the lappe of Aarons eare, and vpon the lappe of the right eare of his sonnes, and vpon the thumbe of their right hand, and vpon the great toe of their right foote, and shalt sprinkle the blood vpon ye altar roud about. And thou shalt take of the blood that is 21 vpon the altar, and of the anovnting ovle, and shalt sprinkle it vpon Aaron, and vpon his garments, and vpon his sonnes, and voon the garments of his sonnes with him: so he shall be halowed, and his clothes, and his sonnes, and the garments of his sonnes with him. Also thou shalt take of the rammes ye 22 fatte and the rumpe, even the fat that covereth the inwards. and the kall of the liuer, and the two kidneis, and the fat that is vpon them, and the right shoulder, (for it is the ramme of consecration) And one loafe of bread, and one cake of bread 23 tempered with oyle, and one wafer, out of the basket of the vnleauened bread that is before the Lord. And thou shalt put al 24 this in the handes of Aaron, and in the handes of his sonnes, and shalt shake them to and from before the Lord. Againe, 25 thou shalt receyue them of their handes, and burne them vpon the altar besides the burnt offring for a sweete sauour before ye Lord: for this is an offering made by fire vnto the Lord. Likewise thou shalt take the brest of the ram of the consecra- 26 tion, which is for Aaron, and shalt shake it to and from before the Lord and it shalbe thy part. And thou shalt sanctifie the 27 brest of the shaken offering, and the shoulder of the heave offering, which was shaken to and from, and which was heaued vp of the ramme of the consecration, which was for Aaron, and which was for his sonnes. And Aaron and his sonnes shall 28 haue it by a statute for euer, of the children of Israel: for it is an heave offering, and it shall be an heave offering of the children of Israel, of their peace offerings, euen their heaue offering to the Lord. And the holy garmets, which appertaine to 29 Aaron, shall bee his sonnes after him, to bee anounted therein, and to bee consecrate therein. That sonne that shalbe Priest 30 in his steade, shall put them on seuen dayes, when he commeth

into the Tabernacle of the Congregation to minister in the holy So thou shalt take the ram of the consecration, and 32 seeth his flesh in the holy place. And Aaron and his sonnes shall eate the flesh of the ram, and the bread that is in the bas-33 ket, at the doore of ye Tabernacle of ye Congregation. So they shall eate these thinges, whereby their attonement was made, to consecrate them, and to sanctifie them: but a stranger shall 34 not eate thereof, because they are holy things. Now if ought of the flesh of the consecration, or of the bread remaine vnto the morning, then thou shalt burne the rest with fire: it shall 35 not be eaten, because it is an holie thing. Therefore shalt thou doe thus vnto Aaron and vnto his sonnes, according to all things, which I have commanded thee: seven dayes shalt 36 thou consecrate them. And shalt offer euery day a calfe for a sinne offring, for reconciliation: and thou shalt cleanse the altar, when thou hast offred vpon it for reconciliation, and shalt 37 annoynt it, to sanctifie it. Seuen dayes shalt thou cleanse the altar, and sanctifie it, so the altar shalbe most holy: and 38 whatsoeuer toucheth the altar, shalbe holy. Nowe this is that which thou shalt present vpon the altar: euen two lambes of 39 one yere olde, day by day continually. The one lambe thou shalt present in the morning, and the other lambe thou shalt 40 present at euen. And with the one lambe, a tenth part of fine floure mingled with the fourth part of an Hin of beaten oyle, and the fourth part of an Hin of wine, for a drinke offring. 41 And the other lambe thou shalt present at euen: thou shalt doe thereto according to the offring of the morning, and according to the drinke offring thereof, to be a burnt offring for a sweete 42 sauour vnto, the Lord. This shalbe a continuall burnt offring in your generations at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation before the Lord, where I wil make appoyntment with 43 you, to speake there vnto thee. There I will appoynt with the children of Israel, and the place shall bee sanctified by my glo-And I will sanctifie the Tabernacle of the Congregation and the altar: I will sanctifie also Aaron and his sonnes to be 45 my Priests, And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and 46 will bee their God. Then shall they knowe that I am ye Lord their God, that brought them out of the lande of Egypt, that I might dwell among them: I am the Lord their God.

Fvrthermore thou shalt make an altar for sweete perfume,

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of Shittim wood thou shalt make it. The length therof a cubite 2 and the breadth thereof a cubite (it shalbe foure square) and the height thereof two cubites: the hornes thereof shalbe of the same, And thou shalt ouerlay it with fine golde, both the 3 toppe therof and the sides thereof round about, and his hornes: also thou shalt make vnto it a crowne of gold round about. Besides this thou shalt make vnder this crowne two golden 4 rings on either side: euen on euery side shalt thou make them, that they may be as places for the barres to beare it withall. The which barres thou shalt make of Shittim wood, and shalt 5 couer them with golde. After thou shalt set it before the vaile. 6 that is neere the Arke of Testimonie, before the Merciseate that is vpon the Testimonie, where I will appoynt with thee. And Aaron shall burne thereon sweete incense euery morn- 7 ing: when hee dresseth the lampes thereof, shall he burne it. Likewise at eue, when Aaron setteth vp the lampes thereof, he 8 shall burne incense: this perfume shalbe perpetually before ve Lord, throughout your generations. Ye shall offer no strange 9 incense thereon, nor burnt sacrifice, nor offring, neither powre any drinke offring thereon. And Aaron shall make reconcil- 10 iation vpon the hornes of it once in a yere with the blood of the sinne offring in the day of reconciliation: once in the yeere shall hee make reconciliation vpon it throughout your generations: this is most holy vnto the Lord. Afterward the Lord 11 spake vnto Moses, saying, When thou takest the summe of the 12 children of Israel after their nomber, then they shall give every man a redemption of his life vnto the Lord, when thou tellest them, that there bee no plague among the when thou countest them. This shall every man give, that goeth into the nomber, 13 halfe a shekel, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie: (a shekel is twentie gerahs) the halfe shekel shalbe an offring to the Lord. All that are nombred from twentie yeere olde and aboue, shall 14 giue an offring to the Lord. The rich shall not passe, and the 15 poore shall not diminish from halfe a shekel, when ye shall giue an offring vnto the Lord, for the redemption of your li-So thou shalt take the money of the redemption of the 16 children of Israel, and shalt put it vnto the vse of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, that it may be a memoriall vnto the children of Israel before the Lord for the redemption of your liues. Also the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Thou shalt 17, 18

also make a lauer of brasse, and his foote of brasse to wash, and shalt put it betweene the Tabernacle of the Congregation 19 and the Altar, and shalt put water therein. For Aaron and his 20 sonnes shall wash their hands and their feete thereat. When they go into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, or when they goe vnto the Altar to minister and to make the perfume of ye burnt offring to the Lord, they shall wash themselues with wa-21 ter, lest they die. So they shall wash their handes and their feete that they die not: and this shall be to them an ordinance for euer, both vnto him and to his seede throughout their gen-22, 23 erations. Also the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Take thou also vnto thee, principall spices of the most pure myrrhe fiue hundreth shekels, of sweete cinamon halfe so much, that is, two hundreth and fiftie, and of sweete calamus, two hundreth, 24 and fiftie: Also of cassia fiue hundreth, after the shekel of 25 the Sanctuarie, and of oyle oliue an Hin. So thou shalt make of it the oyle of holie oyntment, euen a most precious oyntment after the arte of the Apothecarie: this shalbe the oyle 26 of holy oyntment. And thou shalt anount the Tabernacle of the Congregation therewith, and the Arke of the Testimonie: 27 Also the Table, and al the instruments thereof, and the Candlesticke, with all the instruments thereof, and the altar of 28 incense: Also the Altar of burnt offring with al his instru-29 ments, and the lauer and his foote. So thou shalt sanctifie them, and they shalbe most holy: all that shall touch them, Thou shalt also anoint Aaron and his sonnes, 30 shalbe holv. and shalt consecrate them, that they may minister vnto me in 31 the Priests office. Moreover thou shalt speake vnto the children of Israel, saying, This shalbe an holy oynting oyle vnto 32 me, throughout your generations. None shall anount, mans flesh therewith, neither shall ye make any composition like 33 vnto it: for it is holy, and shalbe holy vnto you. Whosoeuer shall make the like oyntment, or whosoeuer shall put any of it 34 vpon a stranger, euen he shalbe cut off from his people. And the Lord sayd vnto Moses, Take vnto thee these spices, pure myrrhe and cleare gumme and galbanum, these odours with 35 pure frankincense, of eche like weight: Then thou shalt make of them perfume composed after the arte of the apothecarie, 36 mingled together, pure and holy. And thou shalt beate it to pouder, and shalt put of it before the Arke of the Testimonie

in the Tabernacle of ye Cogregatio, where I wil make appointmet with thee: it shalbe vnto you most holy. And ye shall not 37 make vnto you any composition like this perfume, which thou shalt make: it shalbe vnto thee holy for the Lord. Whosoeuer 38 shall make like vnto that to smelll thereto, euen he shalbe cut off from his people.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Behold, I haue 31, 2 called by name, Bezaleel the sonne of Vri, the sonne of Hur of the tribe of Iudah, Whom I have filled with the Spirit of God, 3 in wisedome, and in vnderstanding and in knowledge and in all workmanship: To finde out curious workes to worke in 4 golde, and in siluer, and in brasse, Also in the arte to set 5 stones, and to carue in timber, and to worke in all maner of workmaship. And behold, I have iovned with him Aholiab the 6 sonne of Ahisamach of the tribe of Dan, and in the hearts of all that are wise hearted, haue I put wisdome to make all that I have commanded thee: That is, the Tabernacle of the Con-7 gregation, and the Arke of the Testimonie, and the Merciseate that shalbe therevoon, with all instruments of the Tabernacle: Also the Table and the instruments thereof, and the pure 8 Candlesticke with all his instruments, and the Altar of perfume: Likewise the Altar of burnt offring with al his instru- 9 ments, and the Lauer with his foote: Also the garments of the 10 ministration, and ye holy garments for Aaron ye Priest, and the garmets of his sonnes, to minister in the Priestes office, And the anounting oyle, and sweete perfume for the Sanctu- 11 arie: according to all that I have commanded thee, shall they do. Afterwarde the Lord spake vnto Moses, saving, Speake 12, 13 thou also vnto the children of Israel, and say, Notwithstanding keepe yee my Sabbaths: for it is a signe betweene me and you in your generations, that ye may know that I the Lord do sanctifie you. Ye shall therefore keepe the Sabbath: for it is 14 holy vnto you: he that defileth it, shall die the death: therefore whosoeuer worketh therin, the same person shalbe euen cut off from among his people. Sixe dayes shall men worke, but 15 in the seuenth day is the Sabbath of the holy rest to the Lord: whosoeuer doeth any worke in the Sabbath day, shall dye the Wherfore the children of Israel shall keepe the Sab- 16 death. bath, that they may observe the rest throughout their generations for an euerlasting couenant. It is a signe betweene me 17

and the children of Israel for euer: for in sixe dayes the Lord made the heauen and the earth, and in the seuenth day he ceased, and rested. Thus (when the Lord had made an ende of communing with Moses vpon mount Sinai) he gaue him two Tables of the Testimonie, euen tables of stone, written with the finger of God.

Byt when the people sawe, that Moses taryed long or he 32 came downe from the mountaine, the people gathered themselues together against Aaron, and sayde vnto him, Vp, make vs gods to goe before vs: for of this Moses (the man that brought vs out of the land of Egypt) we knowe not what is become of And Aaron said vnto them, Plucke off the golden earings, which are in the eares of your wiues, of your sonnes, and 3 of your daughters, and bring them vnto me. Then all ye people pluckt from them selues the golden earings, which were 4 in their eares, and they brought them vnto Aaron. Who receiued them at their handes, and facioned it with the grauing toole, and made of it a molte calfe: then they said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee out of ve lad of Egypt 5 When Aaron sawe that, he made an Altar before it: and Aaron proclaimed, saying, To morow shalbe the holy day of the Lord. 6 So they rose vp the next day in the morning, and offred burnt offerings, and brought peace offrings: also the people sate them 7 downe to eate and drinke, and rose vp to play. Then the Lord said vnto Moses, Go, get thee downe: for thy people which thou hast brought out of the land of Egypt, hath corrupted their They are soone turned out of the way, which I com-8 waves. manded them: for they have made them a molten calfe and haue worshipped it, and haue offered thereto, saying, These be thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee out of the lande 9 of Egypt. Againe the Lord said vnto Moses, I haue seene this 10 people, and beholde, it is a stiffe necked people. Nowe therefore let mee alone, that my wrath may waxe hote against them, for I wil consume the: but I wil make of thee a mighty people. 11 But Moses praied vnto the Lord his God, and said, O Lord, why doeth thy wrath waxe hote against thy people, which thou hast brought out of the lande of Egypt, with great power and with 12 a mightie hand? Wherefore shall the Egyptians speake, and say, He hath brought them out maliciously for to slay them in the mountaines, and to consume them from the earth? turne

from thy fearce wrath, and change thy minde from this euill towarde thy people. Remember Abraham, Izhak, and Israel 13 thy seruants, to whom thou swarest by thine owne selfe, and saydest vnto them, I wil multiply your seede, as the starres of the heauen, and all this land, that I have spoken of, wil I give vnto your seede, and they shall inherit it for euer. Then the 14 Lord changed his minde from the euil, which he threatned to do vnto his people. So Moses returned and went downe from 15 the mountaine with the two Tables of the Testimonie in his hande: the Tables were written on both their sides, euen on the one side and on the other were they written. And these Tables 16 were the worke of God, and this writing was the writing of God grauen in the Tables. And when Ioshua heard the noyse of the 17 people, as they shouted, he said vnto Moses, There is a noyse of warre in the hoste. Who answered, It is not the noyse of them 18 that have the victorie, nor the novse of them that are overcome: but I do heare ve novse of singing. Nowe, as soone as 19 he came neere vnto the hoste, he sawe the calfe and the dancing: so Moses wrath waxed hote, and he cast the Tables out of his handes, and brake them in pieces beneath the mountaine. After, he tooke the calfe, which they had made, and burned it 20 in the fire, and ground it vnto powder, and strowed it vpon the water, and made the children of Israel drinke of it. Also Moses 21 said vnto Aaron, What did this people vnto thee, that thou hast brought so great a sinne vpon them? Then Aaron answered, 22 Let not the wrath of my Lord waxe fearce: Thou knowest this people, that they are euen set on mischiefe. And they sayde 23 vnto me. Make vs gods to go before vs: for we knowe not what is become of this Moses (the man that brought vs out of the land of Egypt.) Then I sayde to them, Ye that have golde, 24 plucke it off: and they brought it me, and I did cast it into the fire, and thereof came this calfe. Moses therefore sawe that 25 the people were naked (for Aaron had made them naked vnto their shame among their enemies) And Moses stoode in ye 26 gate of the campe, and sayde, Who pertaineth to the Lord? let him come to mee. And all the sonnes of Leui gathered themselues vnto him. Then he said vnto them, Thus savth ve Lord 27 God of Israel, Put euery man his sworde by his side: go to and from, from gate to gate, through the hoste, and slay euery man his brother, and euery man his companion, and euery man his

So the children of Leui did as Moses had com-28 neighbour. manded: and there fel of the people the same day about three (For Moses had said, Cosecrate your hands 29 thousand men. vnto the Lord this day, euen euery man vpon his sonne, and vpon his brother, that there may be given you a blessing this 30 day) And when the morning came, Moses sayde vnto the people, Yee haue committed a grieuous crime: but now I wil goe 31 vp to the Lord, if I may pacifie him for your sinne. therefore went againe vnto ye Lord, and said, Oh, this people haue sinned a great sinne, and haue made them gods of golde. 32 Therefore now if thou pardon their sinne, thy mercy shall appeare: but if thou wilt not, I pray thee, rase me out of thy 33 booke, which thou hast written. Then the Lord sayd to Moses, Whosoeuer hath sinned against me, I will put out of my booke. 34 Go nowe therefore, bring the people vnto the place which I commanded thee: behold, mine Angel shall goe before thee, but yet in the day of my visitation I wil visite their sinne vpon them. 35 So the Lord plagued the people, because they caused Aaron to

make ye calfe which he made.

Afterward the Lord sayd vnto Moses, Depart, goe vp from 33 hence, thou, and the people (which thou hast brought vp out of lande of Egypt) vnto the lande which I sware vnto Abraham, to Izhak and to Iaakob, saying, Vnto thy seede will I 2 giue it. And I will send an Angel before thee and will cast out the Canaanites, the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the 3 Perizzites, the Hiuites, and the Iebusites: To a lande, I say, that floweth with milke and hony: for I will not goe vp with thee, because thou art a stiffe necked people, least I consume 4 thee in the way. And when the people heard this euill tvd-5 ings, they sorowed, and no man put on his best rayment. (For the Lord had said to Moses, Say vnto the children of Israel, Ye are a stiffe necked people, I wil come suddenly vpon thee, and consume thee: therefore now put thy costly rayment from 6 thee, that I may know what to do vnto thee) So the children of Israel layed their good raiment from them, after Moses came 7 downe from the mount Horeb. Then Moses tooke his tabernacle, and pitched it without the host farre off from the hoste, and called it Ohel-moed. And whe any did seeke to the Lord, he went out vnto the Tabernacle of the Congregation, which 8 was without the hoste. And when Moses went out vnto the

Tabernacle, all the people rose vp, and stood euery man at his tent doore, and looked after Moses, vntil he was gone into the Tabernacle. And assoone as Moses was entred into the Taber- 9 nacle, the cloudie pillar descended and stood at the doore of the Tabernacle, and the Lord talked with Moses. Nowe when 10 all the people saw the cloudie pillar stand at the Tabernacle doore, all the people rose vp, and worshipped euery man in his tent doore. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, face to face, as a 11 man speaketh vnto his friende. After he turned againe into the hoste, but his seruant Ioshua the sonne of Nun a yong man, departed not out of the Tabernacle. Then Moses sayde vnto 12 the Lord, See, thou sayest vnto me, Leade this people forth, and thou hast not shewed me whom thou wilt sende with mee: thou hast sayde moreouer, I knowe thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight. Nowe therefore, I pray 13 thee, if I have founde favour in thy sight, shewe mee nowe thy way, that I may knowe thee, and that I may finde grace in thy sight: consider also that this nation is thy people. And he an- 14 swered, My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest. Then he sayd vnto him, If thy presence go not with vs, 15 cary vs not hence. And wherein nowe shall it be knowen, that 16 I and thy people haue found fauour in thy sight? shall it not be when thou goest with vs? so I, and thy people shall have preeminence before all the people that are vpon the earth. And 17 the Lord sayde vnto Moses, I will doe this also that thou hast saide: for thou hast founde grace in my sight, and I knowe thee by name. Againe he sayde, I beseech thee, shewe me 18 thy glory. And he answered, I wil make all my good go before 19 thee, and I wil proclaime the Name of the Lord before thee: for I will shewe mercy to whom I will shewe mercy, and will haue compassion on whom I will have compassion. Furthermore he 20 sayde, Thou canst not see my face, for there shall no man see me, and liue. Also the Lord sayd, Behold, there is a place by 21 me, and thou shalt stand vpon the rocke: And while my glory 22 passeth by, I will put thee in a cleft of the rocke, and will couer thee with mine hand whiles I passe by. After I will take away 23 mine hande, and thou shalt see my backe parts: but my face shall not be seene.

And the Lord saide vnto Moses, Hewe thee two Tables of **34** stone, like vnto the first, and I will write vpon the Tables the

wordes that were in the first Tables, which thou brakest in 2 pieces. And be ready in ye morning, that thou mayest come vp earely vnto the mount of Sinai, and waite there for me in 3 the top of the mount. But let no man come vp with thee, neither let any man be seene throughout all the mount, neyther 4 let the sheepe nor cattell feede before this mount. Then Moses hewed two Tables of stone like vnto the first, and rose vp earely in the morning, and went vp vnto the mount of Sinai, as the Lord had commanded him, and tooke in his hande two Ta-5 bles of stone. And the Lord descended in the cloude, and stoode with him there, and proclaimed the name of the Lord. 6 So the Lord passed before his face, and cried, The Lord, the Lord, strong, mercifull, and gracious, slowe to anger, and abun-7 dant in goodnesse and trueth, Reserving mercy for thousands, forgiuing iniquitie, and transgression and sinne, and not making the wicked innocent, visiting the iniquitie of the fathers vpon ye children, and vpon childrens children, vnto the third 8 and fourth generation. Then Moses made haste and bowed 9 him selfe to the earth, and worshipped. And sayde, O Lord, I pray thee, If I have founde grace in thy sight, that the Lord woulde nowe goe with vs (for it is a stiffe necked people) and pardon our iniquitie and our sinne, and take vs for thine in-10 heritance. And he answered, Behold, I will make a couenant before all thy people, and will do marueiles, such as haue not bene done in all the worlde, neyther in all nations: and all the people among whom thou art, shall see the worke of the 11 Lord: for it is a terrible thing that I will do with thee. Keepe diligently that which I commande thee this day: Beholde, I will cast out before thee the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Hiuites, and the 12 Iebusites. Take heede to thy selfe, that thou make no compact with ye inhabitantes of the land whither thou goest, least they 13 be the cause of ruine among you: But yee shall ouerthrowe their altars, and breake their images in pieces, and cut downe 14 their groues, (For thou shalt bow downe to none other god, 15 because the Lord, whose Name is Ielous, is a ielous God) Lest thou make a compact with the inhabitantes of the lande, and when they goe a whoring after their gods, and doe sacrifice vnto their gods, some man call thee, and thou eate of his sacrifice: 16 And least thou take of their daughters vnto thy sonnes, and their daughters goe a whoring after their gods, and make thy sonnes goe a whoring after their gods. Thou shalt make thee 17 The feast of vnleauened bread shalt thou 18 no gods of metall. keepe: seuen dayes shalt thou eate vnleauened bread, as I commanded thee, in ye time of the moneth of Abib: for in the moneth of Abib thou camest out of Egypt. Euery male, that first 19 openeth the wombe, shalbe mine: also all the first borne of thy flocke shalbe rekoned mine, both of beeues and sheepe. But 20 ve first of ve asse thou shalt bie out with a lambe: and if thou redeeme him not, then thou shalt breake his necke: all the first borne of thy sonnes shalt thou redeeme, and none shall appeare before me emptie. Six dayes shalt thou worke, and 21 in the seventh day thou shalt rest: both in earing time, and in the haruest thou shalt rest. Thou shalt also observe the feast 22 of weekes in the time of ye first fruits of wheate haruest, and the feast of gathering fruites in the ende of the yere. in a vere shall all your men children appeare before the Lord Iehouah God of Israel. For I wil cast out the nations before 24 thee, and enlarge thy coasts, so that no man shall desire thy land, whe thou shalt come vp to appeare before the Lord thy God thrise in the yeere. Thou shalt not offer the blood of my 25 sacrifice with leauen, neither shall ought of the sacrifice of the feast of Passeouer be left vnto the morning. The first ripe 26 fruites of thy land thou shalt bring vnto the house of the Lord thy God: yet shalt thou not seethe a kid in his mothers milke. And the Lord said vnto Moses, Write thou these words: for af- 27 ter the tenour of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel. So hee was there with the Lord fourtie dayes 28 and fourtie nights, and did neither eat bread nor drinke water: and hee wrote in the Tables the wordes of the couenant, euen the tenne commandements. So when Moses came downe from 29 mount Sinai, the two Tables of the Testimonie were in Moses hande, as hee descended from the mount: (nowe Moses wist not that the skinne of his face shone bright, after that God had talked with him. And Aaron and all the children of Is- 30 rael looked vpon Moses, and beholde, the skin of his face shone bright, and they were afraid to come neere him) But Moses 31 called them: and Aaron and all the chiefe of the congregation returned vnto him: and Moses talked with them. And after- 32 warde all the children of Israel came neere, and he charged

them with al that the Lord had said vnto him in mount Sinai.

So Moses made an end of comuning with them, and had put

a couering vpon his face. But, when Moses came before the
Lord to speake with him, he tooke off the couering vntill he
came out: then he came out, and spake vnto the children of

Israel that which he was commanded. And the children of Israel sawe the face of Moses, howe the skin of Moses face shone
bright: therefore Moses put the couering vpon his face, vntill
he went to speake with God.

Then Moses assembled all the Congregation of the children 35 of Israel, and sayd vnto them, These are the wordes which the 2 Lord hath commanded, that ye should do them: Six dayes thou shalt work, but the seuenth day shall bee vnto you the holy Sabbath of rest vnto the Lord: whosoeuer doth any worke 3 therein, shall die. Ye shall kindle no fire throughout all your 4 habitations vpon the Sabbath day. Againe, Moses spake vnto all the Congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This is 5 the thing which the Lord commandeth, saying, among you an offering vnto the Lord: whosoeuer is of a willing heart, let him bring this offring to the Lord, namely golde, and 6 siluer, and brasse: Also blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet, 7 and fine linen, and goates heare, And rams skins died red, 8 and badgers skins with Shittim wood: Also ovle for light, and 9 spices for the anointing oyle, and for the sweete incense, And onix stones, and stones to be set in the Ephod, and in the brest And all the wise hearted among you, shall come and 11 make all that the Lord hath commanded: That is, the Tabernacle, that pauilion thereof, and his couering, and his taches 12 and his boards, his barres, his pillars and his sockets, The Arke, and the barres thereof ye Merci-seate, and the vaile that 13 couereth it, The Table, and the barres of it, and all the instru-14 ments thereof, and the shewe bread: Also the Candlesticke of light and his instruments, and his lampes with the oyle for the 15 light: Likewise the Altar of perfume and his barres, and the anoynting oyle, and the sweete incense, and the vaile of the 16 doore at the entring in of the Tabernacle, The Altar of burnt offering with his brasen grate, his barres and all his instru-17 ments, the Lauer and his foote, The hangings of the court, his pillars and his sockets, and the vaile of the gate of the court, 18 The pinnes of the Tabernacle, and the pinnes of the court with

their cordes, The ministring garments to minister in the holy 19 place, and the holy garments for Aaron the Priest, and the garmentes of his sonnes, that they may minister in the Priests office. Then all the Congregation of the children of Israel de- 20 parted from the presence of Moses. And euery one, whose 21 heart encouraged him, and euery one, whose spirit made him willing, came and brought an offring to the Lord, for the worke of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and for all his vses, and for the holy garments. Both men and women, as many as 22 were free hearted, came and brought taches and earings, and rings, and bracelets, all were iewels of golde: and euery one that offered an offring of gold vnto the Lord: Euery man also, 23 which had blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet, and fine linen, and goates heare, and rammes skinnes died red, and badgers skins, brought them. All that offered an oblation of siluer and 24 of brasse, brought the offring vnto the Lord: and euery one, that had Shittim wood for any maner worke of the ministration, brought it. And all the women that were wise hearted. 25 did spin with their hands, and brought ve spun worke, euen the blewe silke, and the purple, the skarlet, and the fine linen. Likewise al the women, whose hearts were moued with knowl- 26 edge. spun goates heare. And ye rulers brought onix stones, 27 and stones to be set in the Ephod, and in the brest plate: Also 28 spice, and oyle for light, and for the anounting oyle, and for the sweete perfume. Euery man and woman of the children of 29 Israel, whose hearts moued the willingly to bring for all the worke which the Lord had commanded the to make by the hand of Moses, brought a free offring to the Lord. Then Moses 30 sayde vnto the children of Israel, Beholde, the Lord hath called by name Bezaleel the sonne of Vri, the sonne of Hur of the tribe of Iudah. And hath filled him with an excellent spirit of wis- 31 dome, of vnderstanding, and of knowledge, and in all maner worke, To finde out curious workes, to worke in golde, and in 32 siluer, and in brasse, And in grauing stones to set them, and 33 in karuing of wood, euen to make any maner of fine worke. And he hath put in his heart that hee may teach other: both 34 hee, and Aholiab the sonne of Ahisamach of the tribe of Dan: Them hath he filled with wisdome of heart to worke all maner 35 of cunning and broidred, and needle worke: in blewe silke, and in purple, in skarlet, and in fine linnen and weauing, euen to

do all maner of worke and subtill inuentions.

36 Then wrought Bezaleel, and Aholiab, and all cunning men, to whome the Lord gaue wisedome, and vnderstanding, to knowe howe to worke all maner worke for the seruice of the Sanc-2 tuarie, according to all that the Lord had commanded. Moses had called Bezaleel, and Aholiab, and all the wise hearted men, in whose heartes the Lord had given wisedome, euen as many as their hearts encouraged to come vnto that worke to 3 worke it. And they received of Moses all the offering which the children of Israel had brought for the worke of the seruice of the Sanctuary, to make it: also they brought still vnto him 4 free giftes euery morning. So all the wise men, that wrought all the holy worke, came euery man from his worke which they 5 wrought, And spake to Moses, saying, The people bring too much, and more then ynough for the vse of the worke, which 6 the Lord hath commanded to be made. Then Moses gaue a commandement, and they caused it to be proclaymed throughout the hoste, saying, Let neither man nor woman prepare any more worke for the oblation of the Sanctuarie. So the people 7 were stayed from offring. For the stuffe they had, was suffi-8 cient for all the worke to make it, and too much. All the cunning men therefore among the workemen, made for the Tabernacle ten curtaines of fine twined linnen, and of blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet: Cherubims of broydred worke made 9 they vpon them. The length of one curtaine was twentie and eight cubits, and the breadth of one curtaine foure cubites: and 10 the curtaines were all of one cise. And he coupled fiue cur-11 taines together, and other five coupled he together. And he made strings of blewe silke by the edge of one curtaine, in the seluedge of the coupling: likewise he made on the side of the 12 other curtaine in the seluedge in the second coupling. Fiftie strings made he in the one curtaine, and fiftie strings made he in the edge of the other curtaine, which was in the second 13 coupling: the strings were set one against another. After, he made fiftie taches of golde, and coupled the curtaines one to an-14 other with the taches: so was it one Tabernacle. Also he made curtaines of goates heare for the couering vpon the Taberna-15 cle: he made them to the nomber of eleuen curtaines. length of one curtaine had thirtie cubites, and the bredth of one curtaine foure cubites: the eleven curtaines were of one

And hee coupled fiue curtaines by themselues, and sixe 16 curtaines by themselues: Also he made fiftie strings vpon the 17 edge of one curtaine in the seluedge in the coupling, and fiftie strings made hee vpon the edge of the other curtaine in the second coupling. He made also fiftie taches of brasse to couple 18 the couering that it might be one. And he made a couering 19 vpon the paulion of rams skinnes dyed red, and a couering of badgers skinnes aboue. Likewise he made the boards for the 20 Tabernacle, of Shittim wood to stand vp. The length of a board 21 was ten cubites, and the bredth of one board was a cubite, and an halfe. One board had two tenons, set in order as the feete of 22 a ladder, one against another: thus made he for all the boardes of the Tabernacle. So he made twentie boardes for the South 23 side of the Tabernacle, euen full South. And fourtie sockets of 24 siluer made he vnder the twentie boardes, two sockets vnder one board for his two tenons, and two sockets vnder another board for his two tenons. Also for the other side of the Taber- 25 nacle toward the North, he made twentie boards. And their 26 fourtie sockets of siluer, two sockets vnder one board, and two sockets vnder another boarde. Likewise toward the Westside 27 of the Tabernacle he made sixe boardes. And two boardes 28 made he in the corners of the Tabernacle, for either side, And 29 they were joyned beneath, and likewise were made sure aboue with a ring: thus he did to both in both corners. So there were 30 eight boards and their sixteene sockets of siluer, vnder euery board two sockets. After, he made barres of Shittim wood, flue 31 for the boards in ye one side of ye Tabernacle, And fiue barres 32 for the boardes in the other side of the Tabernacle, and fiue barres for the boards of the Tabernacle on the side toward the West. And he made the middest barre to shoote through the 33 boards, from the one end to ye other. He ouerlayd also the 34 boards with gold, and made their rings of gold for places for the barres, and couered the barres with golde. Moreover he 35 made a vaile of blew silke, and purple, and of skarlet, and of fine twined linen: with Cherubims of broydred worke made he it: And made thereunto four pillars of Shittim, and ouerlayd 36 them with golde: whose hookes were also of golde, and hee cast for them foure sockets of siluer. And he made an hanging for 37 the Tabernacle doore, of blew silke, and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linnen, and needle worke, And the fiue pil- 38 lars of it with their hookes, and ouerlayde their chapiters and their filets with golde, but their fiue sockets were of brasse.

**37** After this, Bezaleel made the Arke of Shittim wood, two cubites and an halfe long and a cubite and an halfe broade, and 2 a cubite and an halfe hie: And ouerlayde it with fine golde within and without, and made a crowne of golde to it rounde 3 about, And cast for it foure rings of golde for the foure corners of it: that is, two rings for the one side of it, and two rings for 4 the other side thereof. Also he made barres of Shittim wood, 5 and couered them with golde, And put the barres in the rings 6 by the sides of the Arke, to beare the Arke. And he made the Merciseate of pure golde: two cubites and an halfe was the length thereof, and one cubite and an halfe the breadth thereof. 7 And he made two Cherubims of gold, vpon the two endes of the Merciseate: euen of worke beaten with the hammer made he 8 them. One Cherub on the one ende, and another Cherub on the other ende: of the Merciseate made he the Cherubims, at 9 ye two endes thereof. And the Cherubims spread out their wings on hie, and couered the Merciseat with their wings, and their faces were one towards another: towarde the Merciseat 10 were the faces of the Cherubims. Also he made ve Table of Shittim wood: two cubites was the length thereof, and a cubite the breadth thereof, and a cubite and an halfe the height of 11 it. And hee ouerlayde it with fine golde, and made thereto a 12 crowne of golde round about. Also he made thereto a border of an hand breadth round about, and made vpon the border a 13 crowne of golde round about. And he cast for it foure rings of gold, and put the rings in the foure corners that were in 14 the foure feete thereof. Against the border were the rings, 15 as places for the barres to beare the Table. And he made the barres of Shittim wood, and couered them with golde to 16 beare the Table. Also he made the instruments for the Table of pure golde: dishes for it, and incense cuppes for it, and goblets for it, and couerings for it, wherewith it should be couered. 17 Likewise he made the Candlesticke of pure golde: of worke beaten out with the hammer made he the Candlesticke: and his shaft, and his branche, his bolles, his knops, and his floures 18 were of one piece. And sixe branches came out of the sides thereof: three branches of the Candlesticke out of the one side of it, and three branches of the Candlesticke out of the other

side of it. In one branche three bolles made like almondes, a 19 knop and a floure: and in another branch three bolles made like almondes, a knop and a floure: and so throughout the sixe branches that proceeded out of the Candlesticke. vpon the Candlesticke were foure bolles after the facion of almondes, the knoppes thereof and the floures thereof: That is, 21 vnder euery two branches a knop made thereof, and a knop vnder the second branch thereof, and a knop vnder the thirde branche thereof, according to the sixe branches comming out of it. Their knops and their branches were of the same: it was 22 all one beaten worke of pure gold. And he made for it seuen 23 lampes with the snuffers, and snufdishes thereof of pure golde. Of a talent of pure golde made he it with all the instruments 24 thereof. Furthermore he made the perfume altar of Shittim 25 wood: the length of it was a cubite, and the breadth of it a cubite (it was square) and two cubites hie, and the hornes thereof were of ye same. And he couered it with pure gold, both the 26 top and the sides thereof rounde about, and the hornes of it. and made vnto it a crowne of golde round about. And he made 27 two rings of gold for it, vnder the crowne thereof in the two corners of the two sides thereof, to put barres in for to beare it therewith. Also he made the barres of Shittim wood, and 28 ouerlayde them with golde. And he made the holy anointing 29 ovle, and the sweete pure incense after ye apothecaries arte.

Also he made the altar of the burnt offering of Shittim wood: 38 fiue cubites was the length therof, and fiue cubites the breadth thereof: it was square and three cubites hie. And hee made 2 vnto it hornes in the foure corners thereof: the hornes thereof were of the same, and he ouerlayd it with brasse. made al the instruments of the altar: the ashpans, and the besoms, and the basins, the fleshhookes, and the censers: all the instruments thereof made he of brasse. Moreouer he made a 4 brasen grate wrought like a net to the Altar, vnder the compasse of it beneath in the middes of it, And cast foure rings of 5 brasse for the foure endes of the grate to put barres in. And 6 he made the barres of Shittim wood, and couered them with The which barres he put into the rings on the sides 7 of the altar to beare it withall, and made it hollow within the Also he made the Lauer of brasse, and the foote of 8 it of brasse of the glasses of the women that did assemble and

came together at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congrega-9 tion. Finally he made the court on the South side full South: the hangings of the court were of fine twined linnen, having 10 an hundreth cubites. Their pillars were twentie, and their brasen sockets twentie: the hookes of the pillars, and their 11 filets were of siluer. And on the Northside the hanginges were an hundreth cubites: their pillars twentie, and their sockets of brasse twentie, the hookes of the pillars and their filets of On the Westside also were hangings of fiftie cubites, 12 siluer. their ten pillars with their ten sockets: the hookes of the pil-13 lars and their filets of siluer. And toward ve Eastside, full 14 East were hangings of fiftie cubites. The hangings of the one side were fifteene cubites, their three pillars, and their three 15 sockets: And of the other side of the court gate on both sides were hangings of fifteene cubites, with their three pillars and 16 their three sockets. All the hangings of the court round about 17 were of fine twined linen: But the sockets of ye pillars were of brasse: the hookes of the pillars and their filets of siluer, and the couering of their chapiters of siluer: and all the pillars of 18 the court were hooped about with siluer. He made also the hanging of the gate of the court of needle worke, blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linen euen twentie cubites long, and fiue cubites in height and bredth, like the 19 hangings of the court. And their pillars were foure with their foure sockets of brasse: their hookes of siluer, and the couering 20 of their chapiters, and their filets of siluer. But all the pins of the Tabernacle and of the court round about were of brasse. 21 These are the parts of the Tabernacle, I meane, of the Tabernacle of the Testimonie, which was appovnted by the commandement of Moses for the office of the Leuites by the hande of 22 Ithamar sonne to Aaron the Priest. So Bezaleel the sonne of Vri the sonne of Hur of the tribe of Iudah, made all that 23 the Lord commanded Moses. And with him Aholiab sonne of Ahisamach of the tribe of Dan, a cunning workeman and an embroiderer and a worker of needle work in blew silke, and 24 in purple, and in skarlet, and in fine linen. All ye gold that was occupied in all ye worke wrought for the holy place (which was the gold of the offring) was nine and twentie talents, and seuen hundreth and thirtie shekels, according to the shekel of 25 the Sanctuarie. But the silver of them that were numbred in the Congregation, was an hundreth talents, and a thousand seuen hundreth seuentie and fiue shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie. A portion for a man, that is, halfe a shekel 26 after ye shekel of the Sanctuarie, for all them that were numbred from twentie yeere olde and aboue, among sixe hundreth thousande, and three thousand, and fiue hundreth and fiftie men. Moreouer there were an hundreth talentes of siluer, to 27 cast ve sockets of ve Sanctuary, and the sockets of the vaile: an hundreth sockets of an hundreth talents, a talent for a socket. But he made the hookes for the pillars of a thousande seuen 28 hundreth and seuentie and fiue shekels, and ouerlayde their chapiters, and made filets about them. Also the brasse of the 29 offering was seventie talents, and two thousande, and foure hundreth shekels. Whereof he made the sockets to the doore 30 of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the brasen altar, and the brasen grate which was for it, with all the instruments of the Altar. And the sockets of the court round about, and the 31 sockets for the court gate, and all the pins of the Tabernacle. and all the pins of the court round about.

Moreouer they made garments of ministration to minister 39 in the Sanctuarie of blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet: they made also the holy garments for Aaron, as the Lord had comanded Moses. So he made the Ephod of gold, blewe silke, 2 and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linen. And they 3 did beate the golde into thinne plates, and cut it into wiers, to worke it in ye blewe silke and in the purple, and in the skarlet, and in the fine linen, with broydred worke. For the which 4 they made shoulders to couple together: for it was closed by the two edges thereof. And the broydred garde of his Ephod 5 that was vpon him, was of the same stuffe, and of like worke: euen of golde, of blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linen, as the Lord had commanded Moses. And they 6 wrought two Onix stones closed in ouches of golde, and graued, as signets are grauen, with the names of the children of Israel, And put them on the shoulders of the Ephod, as stones 7 for a remembrance of the children of Israel, as the Lord had commanded Moses. Also he made the brestplate of broydred 8 worke like the worke of the Ephod: to wit, of gold, blewe silke, and purple, and skarlet, and fine twined linen. They made 9 the brest plate double, and it was square, an hand breadth

10 long, and an hand breadth broad: it was also double. And they filled it with foure rowes of stones. The order was thus, a 11 Rubie, a Topaze, and a Carbuncle in the first rowe: And in the 12 seconde rowe, an Emeraude, a Saphir, and a Diamond: Also in 13 the thirde rowe, a Turkeis, an Achate, and an Hematite: Likewise in the fourth rowe, a Chrysolite, an Onix, and a Iasper: 14 closed and set in ouches of golde. So the stones were according to the names of the children of Israel, euen twelue after their names, grauen like signets euery one after his name ac-15 cording to the twelue tribes. After, they made vpon the brest plate cheines at the endes, of wrethen worke and pure golde. 16 They made also two bosses of golde, and two golde rings, and 17 put the two rings in the two corners of the brest plate. And they put ye two wrethe cheines of gold in the two rings, in the 18 corners of the brest plate. Also the two other endes of the two wrethen chaines they fastened in the two bosses, and put the 19 on the shoulders of the Ephod vpon the forefront of it. Likewise they made two rings of gold, and put them in the two other corners of the brest plate vpon the edge of it, which was 20 on the inside of the Ephod. They made also two other golden rings, and put them on the two sides of the Ephod, beneath on the foreside of it, and ouer against his coupling aboue the 21 broydered garde of the Ephod. Then they fastened the brest plate by his rings vnto the rings of the Ephod, with a lace of blewe silke, that it might bee fast vpon the broydered garde of the Ephod, and that the brest plate should not be loosed from 22 the Ephod, as the Lord had commanded Moses. he made the robe of the Ephod of wouen worke, altogether of 23 blewe silke. And the hole of the robe was in the middes of it, as the coller of an habergeon, with an edge about the coller, 24 that it shoulde not rent. And they made vpon the skirts of the robe pomegranates, of blewe silke, and purple, and skar-25 let, and fine linen twined. They made also belles of pure gold and put the belles betweene the pomegranates vpon the skirtes 26 of the robe rounde about betweene the pomegranates. A bel and a pomegranate, a bel and a pomegranate round about the skirts of the robe to minister in, as the Lord had commanded 27 Moses. After, they made coates of fine linen, of wouen worke 28 for Aaron and for his sonnes. And the miter of fine linen, and goodly bonnets of fine linen, and linen breeches of fine twined linen, And the girdle of fine twined linen, and of blew silke, 29 and purple, and skarlet, euen of needle worke, as the Lord had commanded Moses. Finally they made the plate for the holy 30 crowne of fine golde, and wrote vpon it a superscription like to the grauing of a signet, HOLINES TO THE LORD. And they 31 tied vnto it a lace of blewe silke to fasten it on hie vpon the miter, as the Lord had commanded Moses. Thus was all the 32 worke of the Tabernacle, euen of the Tabernacle of the Congregation finished: and the children of Israel did according to al that the Lord had commanded Moses: so dyd they. After- 33 warde they brought the Tabernacle vnto Moses, the Tabernacle and al his instruments, his taches, his boards, his barres, and his pillars, and his sockets. And the couering of rammes 34 skinnes died red, and the couerings of badgers skinnes, and the couering vaile. The Arke of the Testimony, and the barres 35 thereof, and the Merciseate, The Table, with all the instruments thereof, and the shewebread. The pure Candlesticke, 37 the lampes thereof, euen the lampes set in order, and all the instruments thereof, and the ovle for light: Also the golden 38 Altar and the anounting oyle, and the sweete incense, and the hanging of the Tabernacle doore, The brasen Altar with his 39 grate of brasse, his barres and all his instruments, the Lauer and his foote. The curtaines of the court with his pillars, and 40 his sockets, and the hanging to the court gate, and his cordes. and his pinnes, and all the instruments of the seruice of the Tabernacle, called the Tabernacle of the Congregation. nally, the ministring garmentes to serue in the Sanctuarie, and the holy garmentes for Aaron the Priest, and his sonnes garmentes to minister in the Priestes office. According to euery 42 poynt that the Lord had commanded Moses, so the children of Israel made all the worke. And Moses beheld al the worke, 43 and behold, they had done it as the Lord had commanded: so had they done: and Moses blessed them.

Then the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, In the first day of 40, 2 the first moneth in the very first of the same moneth shalt thou set vp the Tabernacle, called ye Tabernacle of the Congregation: And thou shalt put therein the Arke of the Testimonie, 3 and couer the Arke with the vaile. Also thou shalt bring in 4 the Table, and set it in order as it doth require: thou shalt also bring in the Candlesticke, and light his lampes, And thou 5

shalt set ye incense Altar of gold before the Arke of the Testimonie, and put the hanging at the doore of the Tabernacle. 6 Moreouer, thou shalt set the burnt offering Altar before the doore of the Tabernacle, called the Tabernacle of the Congrega-7 tion. And thou shalt set the Lauer betweene the Tabernacle of 8 the Congregation and the Altar, and put water therein. Then thou shalt appoynt the courte round about, and hang vp the 9 hanging at the courte gate. After, thou shalt take the anoynting oyle, and anoynt the Tabernacle, and all that is therein, and halowe it with all the instruments thereof, that it may be 10 holy. And thou shalt anount the Altar of the burnt offring, and all his instruments, and shalt sanctifie the Altar, that it may 11 bee an altar most holie. Also thou shalt anount the Lauer, and 12 his foote, and shalt sanctifie it. Then thou shalt bring Aaron and his sonnes vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congre-13 gation, and wash them with water. And thou shalt put vpon Aaron the holy garmentes, and shalt anount him, and sanctifie him, that he may minister vnto me in the Priestes office. 14 Thou shalt also bring his sonnes, and clothe them with gar-15 ments, And shalt anount them as thou diddest anount their father, that they may minister vnto mee in the Priestes office: for their anounting shall be a signe, that the Priesthood shall be euerlasting vnto them throughout their generations. 16 So Moses did according to all that ye Lord had commanded 17 him: so did he. Thus was the Tabernacle reared vp the first Then Moses 18 day of the first moneth in the seconde yeere. reared vp the Tabernacle and fastened his sockets, and set vp the boardes thereof, and put in the barres of it, and reared 19 vp his pillars. And he spred the couering ouer the Tabernacle, and put the couering of that couering on hie aboue it, as 20 the Lord had commanded Moses. And he tooke and put the Testimonie in the Arke, and put the barres in the ringes of 21 the Arke, and set the Merciseate on hie vpon the Arke. brought also the Arke into the Tabernacle, and hanged vp the couering vaile, and couered the Arke of the Testimonie, as the 22 Lord had commanded Moses. Furthermore he put the Table in the Tabernacle of the Congregation in the Northside of the 23 Tabernacle, without the vaile, And set the bread in order be-24 fore the Lord, as the Lord had commanded Moses. Also he put the Candlesticke in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, ouer against the Table toward ye Southside of the Tabernacle. And he lighted the lampes before the Lord, as the Lord had 25 Moreouer he set the golden Altar in the 26 commanded Moses. Tabernacle of the Congregation before the vayle, And burnt 27 sweete incense thereon, as the Lord had commanded Moses. Also he hanged vp the vavle at the doore of the Tabernacle. 28 After, he set the burnt offring Altar without the doore of the 29 Tabernacle, called the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and offered the burnt offering and the sacrifice thereon, as the Lord had commanded Moses. Likewise he set the Lauer betweene 30 the Tabernacle of the Congregation and the Altar, and powred water therein to wash with. So Moses and Aaron, and his 31 sonnes washed their handes and their feete thereat. When 32 they went into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and when they approched to the Altar, they washed, as the Lord had Finally, he reared up the court rounde 33 commanded Moses. about the Tabernacle and the Altar, and hanged vp the vaile at the court gate: so Moses finished the worke. Then the cloud 34 couered the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the glorie of the Lord filled the Tabernacle. So Moses could not enter into 35 the Tabernacle of the Congregation, because the cloude abode thereon, and the glorie of the Lord filled the Tabernacle. Nowe 36 when the cloude ascended vp from the Tabernacle, the children of Israel went forward in all their iourneyes. But if the cloude 37 ascended not, then they iourneyed not till the day that it as-For the cloude of the Lord was vpon the Tabernacle 38 by day, and fire was in it by night in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their iourneves.

## THE THIRD BOOK OF MOSES, CALLED LEVITICUS.

owe the Lord called Moses, and spake vnto him out of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, saying, Speake vnto the children of Israel, and thou shalt say vnto them, If any of you offer a sacrifice vnto the Lord, ye shall offer your sacrifice of cattell, as of beeues and of the If his sacrifice be a burnt offering of the heard, he shall offer a male without blemish, presenting him of his owne voluntarie will at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congre-4 gation before the Lord. And he shall put his hande vpon the head of the burnt offering, and it shalbe accepted to the Lord, 5 to be his atonement. And he shall kill the bullocke before the Lord, and the Priestes Aarons sonnes shall offer the blood, and shall sprinckle it round about vpon the altar, that is by the 6 doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. Then shall he 7 fley the burnt offering, and cut it in pieces. So the sonnes of Aaron the Priest shall put fire vpon the altar, and lay the wood 8 in order vpon the fire. Then the Priestes Aarons sonnes shall lay the parts in order, the head and the kall vpon the wood 9 that is in the fire which is vpon the altar. But the inwardes thereof and the legges thereof he shall wash in water, and the Priest shall burne all on the altar: for it is a burnt offering, an oblation made by fire, for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. 10 And if his sacrifice for the burnt offering be of the flocks (as of the sheepe, or of the goats) he shall offer a male without blem-11 ish, And he shall kill it on the Northside of the altar before the Lord, and the Priestes Aarons sonnes shall sprinckle the 12 blood thereof rounde about vpon the altar. And he shall cut it in pieces, separating his head and his kall, and the Priest shall lay them in order vpon the wood that lyeth in the fire which is 13 on the altar: But he shall wash the inwardes, and the legges with water, and the Priest shall offer the whole and burne it vpon the altar: for it is a burnt offering, an oblation made by 14 fire for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. And if his sacrifice be

a burnt offring to the Lord of ye foules, then he shall offer his sacrifice of the turtle doues, or of the yong pigeons. And the 15 Priest shall bring it vnto the altar, and wring the necke of it asunder, and burne it on the altar: and the blood thereof shall bee shed vpon the side of the altar. And he shall plucke out 16 his maw with his fethers, and cast them beside the altar on the East part in the place of the ashes. And he shall cleaue it 17 with his wings, but not deuide it asunder: and the Priest shall burne it vpon the altar vpon the wood that is in the fire: for it is a burnt offering, an oblation made by fire for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord.

And when any will offer a meate offering vnto the Lord, his 2 offering shall be of fine floure, and he shall powre oyle vpon it, and put incense thereon. And shall bring it vnto Aarons 2 sonnes the Priestes, and he shall take thence his handfull of the flowre, and of the oyle with al the incense, and the Priest shall burne it for a memoriall vpon the altar: for it is an offering made by fire for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. But the 3 remnant of the meate offering shalbe Aarons and his sonnes: for it is most holy of the Lordes offrings made by fire. thou bring also a meate offring baken in the ouen, it shalbe an vnleauened cake of fine floure mingled with oyle, or an vnleauened wafer anointed with ovle. But if thy meate offring 5 be an oblation of the frying pan, it shall be of fine flowre vnleauened, mingled with oyle. And thou shalt part it in pieces, 6 and power oyle thereon: for it is a meate offring. And if thy 7 meate offring be an oblation made in the caldron, it shalbe made of fine floure with oyle. After, thou shalt bring the meate 8 offering (that is made of these things) vnto the Lord, and shalt present it vnto the Priest, and he shall bring it to the altar, And the Priest shall take from the meate offring a memoriall of 9 it, and shall burne it vpon the altar: for it is an oblation made by fire for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. But that which is 10 left of the meate offring, shalbe Aarons and his sonnes: for it is most holy of the offrings of the Lord made by fire. All the 11 meate offrings which ye shall offer vnto the Lord, shalbe made without leauen: for ye shall neither burne leauen nor honie in any offring of the Lord made by fire. In the oblation of the 12 first fruits ye shall offer them vnto the Lord, but they shall not be burnt vpon the altar for a sweete sauour. (All the meate 13 offrings also shalt thou season with salt, neither shalt thou suffer the salt of the couenant of thy God to be lacking from thy meate offring, but vpon all thine oblations thou shalt offer salt) If then thou offer a meate offring of thy first fruites vnto the Lord, thou shalt offer for thy meate offering of thy first fruites eares of corne dryed by the fire, and wheate beaten out of the greene eares. After, thou shalt put oyle vpon it, and lay incense thereon: for it is a meate offring. And the Priest shall burne the memoriall of it, euen of that that is beaten, and of the oyle of it, with all the incense thereof: for it is an offring vnto the Lord made by fire.

Also if his oblation be a peace offering, if he will offer of the droue (whether it be male or female) he shall offer such as 2 is without blemish, before the Lord, And shall put his hande vpon the head of his offering, and kill it at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and Aarons sonnes the Priestes 3 shall sprinkle the blood vpon the altar rounde about. shall offer part of the peace offerings as a sacrifice made by fire vnto the Lord, euen the fat that couereth the inwardes, 4 and all the fat that is vpon the inwardes. He shall also take away the two kidneis, and the fat that is on them, and vpon 5 the flankes, and the kall on the liuer with the kidneis. And Aarons sonnes shall burne it on the altar, with the burnt offering, which is vpon the wood, that is on the fire: this is a 6 sacrifice made by fire for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. Also if his oblation be a peace offring vnto the Lord out of ye flocke, whether it be male or female, he shall offer it without blemish. 7 If he offer a lambe for his oblation, then he shall bring it be-8 fore the Lord, And lay his hand vpon the head of his offring, and shall kill it before the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and Aarons sonnes shall sprinckle the blood thereof round about 9 vpon the altar. After, of the peace offrings he shall offer an offring made by fire vnto the Lord: he shall take away the fat therof, and the rump altogether, hard by the backe bone, and the fat that couereth the inwardes, and all the fat that is vpon 10 the inwards. Also hee shall take away the two kidneis, with the fat that is vpon them, and vpon the flankes, and the kall 11 vpon the liuer with the kidneis. Then the Priest shall burne it vpon the altar, as the meat of an offring made by fire vnto 12 the Lord. Also if his offring be a goate, then shall he offer it

before the Lord, And shall put his hande vpon the head of it, 13 and kill it before the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the sonnes of Aaron shall sprinkle the blood thereof vpon the altar round about. Then he shall offer thereof his offring, euen an 14 offring made by fire vnto the Lord, the fat that couereth the inwardes, and all the fatte that is vpon the inwardes. Also 15 hee shall take away the two kidneis, and the fat that is vpon them, and vpon ye flankes, and the kall vpon the liuer with the kidneis. So the Priest shall burne them vpon the altar, 16 as the meate of an offering made by fire for a sweete sauour: all the fatte is the Lordes. This shalbe a perpetual ordinance 17 for your generations, throughout al your dwellings, so that ye shall eate neither fatte nor blood.

Moreouer the Lord spake vnto Moses, saving. Speake vnto 4, 2 the children of Israel, saying, If any shall sinne through ignorance, in any of the commandementes of the Lord, (which ought not to be done) but shall doe contrary to any of them, If the Priest that is anointed doe sinne (according to the sinne 3 of the people) then shall he offer, for his sinne which hee hath sinned, a yong bullocke without blemish vnto the Lord for a sinne offring. And hee shall bring the bullocke vnto the dore of 4 the Tabernacle of the Congregation before the Lord, and shall put his hande vpon the bullocks head, and kill the bullocke before the Lord. And the Priest that is anointed shall take of 5 the bullocks blood, and bring it into the Tabernacle of the Congregation. Then the Priest shall dippe his finger in the blood, 6 and sprinkle of the blood seuen times before the Lord, before the vaile of the Sanctuarie. The Priest also shall put some of 7 the blood before the Lord, vpon the hornes of the altar of sweete incense, which is in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, then shall hee powre all the rest of the blood of the bullocke at the foote of the altar of burnt offring, which is at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. And hee shall take away all 8 the fat of the bullocke for the sinne offring: to wit, the fat that couereth the inwardes, and all the fatte that is about the inwardes. He shall take away also the two kidneis, and the fat 9 that is vpon them, and vpon the flankes, and the kall vpon the liuer with the kidneis, As it was taken away from the bullock 10 of the peace offrings, and the Priest shall burne them vpon the altar of burnt offring. But the skinne of the bullocke, and all 11

his flesh, with his heade, and his legs, and his inwardes, and 12 his dung shall he beare out. So he shall cary the whole bullocke out of the host vnto a cleane place, where the ashes are powred, and shall burne him on ye wood in the fire: where 13 ye ashes are cast out, shall he be burnt. And if the whole Congregation of Israel shall sinne through ignorance, and the thing be hid from the eyes of the multitude, and haue done against any of the commandements of the Lord which should 14 not be done, and haue offended: When the sinne which they haue committed shalbe knowen, then the Congregation shall offer a yong bullocke for the sinne, and bring him before the 15 Tabernacle of the Congregation, And the Elders of the Congregation shall put their handes vpon the head of the bullocke before the Lord, and he shall kill the bullocke before the Lord. 16 Then the Priest that is anointed, shall bring of the bullockes 17 blood into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, And the Priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle it seuen times be-18 fore the Lord, euen before the vaile. Also he shall put some of ve blood vpon the hornes of the altar, which is before the Lord, that is in the Tabernacle of the Congregation: then shall he powre all the rest, of the blood at ye foote of the altar of burnt offring, which is at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congre-19 gation. And he shall take all his fat from him, and burne it 20 vpon the altar. And the Priest shall doe with this bullocke, as he did with the bullocke for his sinne: so shall he do with this: so the Priest shall make an atonement for them, and it 21 shalbe forgiuen them. For he shall carie the bullocke without the hoste, and burne him as he burned the first bullock: for it 22 is an offring for the sinne of the Congregation. When a ruler shall sinne, and do through ignorance against any of the commandements of the Lord his God, which should not be done, 23 and shall offend, If one shewe vnto him his sinne, which he hath committed, the shall he bring for his offring an hee goat 24 without blemish, And shall lay his hand vpon the heade of the he goate, and kill it in the place where he should kill the burnt 25 offring before the Lord: for it is a sinne offring. Priest shall take of the blood of the sinne offring with his finger, and put it vpon the hornes of the burnt offring altar, and shall powre the rest of his blood at the foote of the burnt offring al-26 tar, And shall burne all his fat vpon the altar, as the fat of the

peace offring: so the Priest shall make an atonement for him, concerning his sinne, and it shalbe forgiuen him. Likewise if 27 any of the people of ye lande shall sinne through ignoraunce in doing against any of the commandements of the Lord, which should not be done, and shall offend. If one shewe him his 28 sinne which he hath committed, then he shall bring for his offring, a shee goate without blemish for his sinne which he hath committed. And he shall lay his hand vpon the head of the 29 sinne offring, and slay the sinne offring in the place of burnt Then the Priest shall take of the blood thereof with 30 his finger, and put it voon the hornes of the burnt offring altar. and powre all the rest of the blood thereof at the foote of the altar, And shall take away all his fat, as the fat of the peace 31 offringes is taken away, and the Priest shall burne it vpon the altar for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord, and the Priest shall make an atonement for him, and it shalbe forgiuen him. And 32 if he bring a lambe for his sinne offring, he shall bring a female without blemish, And shall lay his hand vpon the head 33 of the sinne offring, and hee shall slav it for a sinne offring in the place where hee shoulde kill the burnt offring. Then the 34 Priest shall take of the blood of the sinne offring with his finger, and put it vpon the hornes of the burnt offring altar, and shall powre al the rest of the blood thereof at the foote of the altar. And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fatte of the 35 lambe of the peace offrings is taken away: then the Priest shall burne it vpon the altar with the oblations of the Lord made by fire, and the Priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his sinne that he hath committed, and it shalbe forgiuen him.

Also if any haue sinned, that is, If he haue heard the voyce of an othe, and hee can be a witnes, whether he hath seene or knowen of it, if hee doe not vtter it, he shall beare his iniquitie: Either if one touche any vncleane thing, whether it be a 2 carion of an vncleane beast, or a carion of vncleane cattel, or a carion of vncleane creeping things, and is not ware of it, yet he is vncleane, and hath offended: Eyther if hee touche any 3 vncleannesse of man (whatsoeuer vncleannes it be, that hee is defiled with) and is not ware of it, and after commeth to the knowledge of it, he hath sinned: Either if any sweare and pronounce with his lippes to do euill, or to doe good (whatsoeuer

it bee that a man shall pronounce with an othe) and it be hid from him, and after knoweth that he hath offended in one of 5 these poyntes, Whe he hath sinned in any of these things, 6 then he shall confesse that he hath sinned therein. fore shall he bring his trespasse offring vnto the Lord for his sinne which he hath committed, euen a female from ye flocke, be it a lambe or a she goat for a sinne offring, and the Priest 7 shall make an atonement for him, concerning his sinne. But if he be not able to bring a sheepe, he shall bring for his trespas which he hath committed, two turtle doues, or two yong pigeons vnto the Lord, one for a sinne offring, and the other for 8 a burnt offring. So he shall bring them vnto the Priest, who shall offer the sinne offring first, and wring the necke of it a 9 sunder, but not plucke it cleane off. After he shall sprinkle of the blood of the sinne offring vpon the side of the altar, and the rest of the blood shall be shed at the foote of the altar: for it 10 is a sinne offering. Also he shall offer the seconde for a burnt offring as the maner is: so shall the Priest make an atonement for him (for his sinne which hee hath committed) and it shalbe 11 forgiuen him. But if he be not able to bring two turtle doues, or two yong pigeons, then he that hath sinned, shall bring for his offring, the tenth parte of an Ephah of fine floure for a sinne offring, he shall put none oyle thereto, neither put any incense 12 thereon: for it is a sinne offering. Then shall hee bring it to the Priest, and the Priest shall take his handfull of it for the remembrance thereof, and burne it vpon the altar with the of-13 frings of the Lord made by fire: for it is a sinne offring. the Priest shall make an atonement for him, as touching his sinne that he hath committed in one of these poyntes, and it shall bee forgiuen him: and the remnant shalbe the Priests, as 14, 15 the meate offring. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, If any person transgresse and sinne through ignorance by taking away things consecrated vnto the Lord, hee shall then bring for his trespasse offring vnto the Lord a ramme without blemish out of the flocke, worth two shekels of siluer by thy estimation after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, for a trespasse offring. 16 So hee shall restore that wherein hee hath offended, in taking away of the holy thing, and shall put the fift part more thereto, and giue it vnto the Priest: so the Priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of ye trespasse offring, and

it shalbe forgiuen him. Also if any sinne and doe against any 17 of the commandements of the Lord, which ought not to be done, and knowe not and sinne and beare his iniquitie, Then shall 18 he bring a ramme without blemishe out of the flocke, in thy estimation worth two shekels for a trespasse offring vnto ye Priest: and the Priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his ignorance wherein he erred, and was not ware: so it shalbe forgiuen him. This is the trespasse offring for the 19 trespasse committed against the Lord.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, If any sinne and 6, 2 commit a trespasse against the Lord, and denie vnto his neighbour that, which was take him to keepe, or that which was put to him of trust, or doth by robberie, or by violence oppresse his neighbour, Or hath found that which was lost, and denieth it, 3 and sweareth falsely, for any of these things that a man doeth, wherein he sinneth: When, I say, he thus sinneth and trespas- 4 seth, he shall then restore the robbery that he robbed, or the thing taken by violence which hee tooke by force, or the thing which was deliuered him to keepe, or the lost thing which he founde, Or for whatsoeuer he hath sworne falsely, he shall 5 both restore it in the whole summe, and shall adde the fift parte more thereto, and giue it vnto him to whome perteyneth, the same day that he offreth for trespasse. Also he shall bring 6 for his trespasse vnto the Lord, a ramme without blemish out of the flocke in thy estimation worth two shekels for a trespasse offring vnto the Priest. And the Priest shall make an 7 atonement for him before the Lord, and it shall be forgiuen him, whatsoeuer thing he hath done, and trespassed therein. Then the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Commaund Aaron 8,9 and his sonnes, saying, This is the lawe of the burnt offring. (it is the burnt offring because it burneth vpon the altar al the night vnto the morning, and the fire burneth on the altar) And the Priest shall put on his linen garment, and shall put 10 on his linen breeches vpon his flesh, and take away the ashes when the fire hath consumed the burnt offring vpon the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar. After, he shall put 11 off his garments, and put on other raiment, and cary the ashes foorth without the hoste vnto a cleane place. But the fire vpon 12 the altar shall burne thereon and neuer be put out: wherefore the Priest shall burne wood on it euery morning, and lay the

burnt offering in order vpon it, and he shall burne thereon the 13 fat of the peace offrings. The fire shall euer burne vpon the 14 altar, and neuer go out. Also this is the lawe of the meate offring, which Aarons sonnes shall offer in the presence of the 15 Lord, before the altar. He shall euen take thence his handfull of fine flowre of the meate offring and of the oyle, and all the incense which is vpon the meat offring, and shall burne it vpon the altar for a sweete sauour, as a memoriall there-16 fore vnto the Lord: But the rest thereof shall Aaron and his sonnes eate: it shalbe eaten without leauen in the holy place: in the court of the Tabernacle of the Congregation they shall 17 eate it. It shall not be baken with leauen: I have given it for their portion of mine offrings made by fire: for it is as the sinne 18 offering and as the trespasse offring. All the males among the children of Aaron shall eate of it: It shalbe a statute for euer in your generations concerning the offrings of the Lord, made 19 by fire: whatsoeuer toucheth them shall be holy. Agayne the 20 Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, This is the offering of Aaron and his sonnes, which they shall offer vnto the Lord in the day when he is anointed: the tenth part of an Ephah of fine floure, for a meate offering perpetuall: halfe of it in ye morning, and 21 halfe thereof at night. In the frying panne it shalbe made with oyle: thou shalt bring it fryed, and shalt offer the baken pieces of the meate offering for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. 22 And the Priest that is anointed in his steade, among his sonnes shall offer it: It is the Lordes ordinance for euer, it shall be 23 burnt altogether. For every meate offring of the Priest shall 24 be burnt altogether, it shall not be eaten. Furthermore, the 25 Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto Aaron, and vnto his sonnes, and say, This is the Lawe of the sinne offering, In the place where the burnt offring is killed, shall the sinne of-26 fring be killed before the Lord, for it is most holy. The Priest that offreth this sinne offring, shall eate it: in the holy place shall it be eaten, in the court of ye Tabernacle of the Congre-27 gation. Whatsoeuer shall touch the flesh thereof shalbe holy: and when there droppeth of the blood thereof vpon a garment, thou shalt wash that whereon it droppeth in the holy place. 28 Also the earthen pot that it is sodden in, shalbe broken, but if it be sodden in a brasen pot, it shall both be scoured and 29 washed with water. All the males among the Priestes shall eate thereof, for it is most holy. But no sinne offering, whose 30 blood is brought into the Tabernacle of the Congregation to make reconciliation in the holy place, shalbe eaten, but shalbe burnt in the fire.

Likewise this is the lawe of the trespasse offering, it is most 7 In the place where they kill the burnt offering, shall 2 they kill the trespasse offering, and the blood thereof shall he sprinkle rounde about vpon the altar. All the fat thereof 3 also shall he offer, the rumpe, and the fat that couereth the inwardes. After he shall take away the two kidneis, with the 4 fat that is on them and vpon the flankes, and the kall on the liuer with the kidneis. Then the Priest shall burne them vpon 5 the altar, for an offring made by fire vnto the Lord: this is a trespasse offring. All the males among the Priestes shall 6 eate thereof, it shalbe eaten in the holy place, for it is most holy. As the sinne offring is, so is the trespasse offring, one 7 lawe serueth for both: that wherewith the Priest shall make atonement, shalbe his. Also the Priest that offereth any mans 8 burnt offring, shall have the skinne of the burnt offring which he hath offered. And all the meate offring that is baken in 9 the ouen, and that is dressed in the pan, and in the frying pan, shall be the Priestes that offereth it. And euery meate of- 10 fering mingled with oyle, and that is dry, shall pertaine vnto all the sonnes of Aaron, to all alike. Furthermore, this is 11 the lawe of the peace offrings, which he shall offer vnto the Lord. If he offer it to give thankes, then he shall offer for his 12 thankes offering, vnleauened cakes mingled with oyle, and vnleauened wafers anointed with ovle, and fine floure fryed with the cakes mingled with oyle. He shall offer also his offring 13 with cakes of leauened bread, for his peace offrings, to give thankes. And of all the sacrifice he shall offer one cake for an 14 heaue offering vnto the Lord, and it shalbe the Priestes that sprinckleth the blood of the peace offrings. Also the flesh of 15 his peace offerings, for thankesgiuing, shalbe eaten the same day that it is offered: he shall leave nothing thereof vntill the morning. But if the sacrifice of his offring be a vow, or a free 16 offering, it shalbe eaten the same day that he offreth his sacrifice: and so in the morning the residue thereof shalbe eaten. But as much of the offered flesh as remaineth vnto the third 17 day, shalbe burnt with fire. For if any of the flesh of his peace 18

offrings be eaten in the third day, he shall not be accepted that offereth it, neither shall it be reckoned vnto him, but shalbe an abomination: therefore ye person that eateth of it shall beare 19 his iniquitie. The flesh also that toucheth any vncleane thing, shall not be eaten, but burnt with fire: but of this flesh all that 20 be cleane shall eate thereof. But if any eate of the flesh of the peace offerings that pertaineth to the Lord, having his vncleannesse vpon him, euen the same person shalbe cut off from 21 his people. Moreouer, whe any toucheth any vncleane thing, as the vncleannesse of man, or of an vncleane beast, or of any filthie abomination, and eate of the flesh of the peace offrings, which pertaineth vnto the Lord, euen that person shalbe cut 22 off from his people. Againe ye Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, 23 Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say, Ye shall eate no fat 24 of beeues, nor of sheepe, nor of goates: Yet the fat of the dead beast, and the fat of that, which is torne with beastes, shalbe 25 occupied to any vse, but ye shall not eate of it. For whosoeuer eateth the fat of the beast, of the which he shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord, euen the person that eateth, 26 shalbe cut off from his people. Neither shall ye eate any blood, 27 either of foule, or of beast in all your dwellings. Euery person that eateth any blood, euen the same person shall be cut 28 off from his people. And the Lord talked with Moses, saying, 29 Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say, Hee that offereth his peace offerings vnto the Lord, shall bring his gifte vnto the 30 Lord of his peace offerings: His handes shall bring the offerings of the Lord made by fire: euen the fatte with the breast shall he bring, that the breast may be shaken to and from be-31 fore the Lord. Then the Priest shall burne the fatte vpon the 32 Altar, and the breast shall be Aarons and his sonnes. And the right shoulder shall ye give vnto the Priest for an heave offer-33 ing, of your peace offrings. The same that offreth the blood of ye peace offrings, and the fatte, among the sonnes of Aaron, 34 shall have the right shoulder for his parte. For the breast shaken to and from, and the shoulder lifted vp, haue I taken of the children of Israel, euen of their peace offrings, and haue giuen them vnto Aaron the Priest and vnto his sonnes by a 35 statute for euer from among the children of Israel. This is the anointing of Aaron, and the anointing of his sonnes, concerning the offerings of the Lord made by fire, in the day when he

presented them to serue in the Priestes office vnto the Lord. The which portions the Lord commanded to give them in the 36 day that he anointed them from among the children of Israel, by a statute for euer in their generations. This is also the 37 lawe of the burnt offring of the meate offring, and of the sinne offring, and of the trespasse offring, and of the consecrations, and of the peace offrings, Which the Lord commanded Moses 38 in the mount Sinai, when he commanded the children of Israel to offer their giftes vnto the Lord in the wildernesse of Sinai.

Afterwarde the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Take Aaron 8, 2 and his sonnes with him, and the garments and the anointing oyle, and a bullocke for the sinne offring, and two rammes, and a basket of vnleauened bread. And assemble all the company 3 at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. So Moses 4 did as the Lord had commanded him, and the companie was assembled at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. Then Moses said vnto the company, This is the thing which the 5 Lord hath commanded to doe. And Moses brought Aaron and 6 his sonnes, and washed them with water. And put vpon him 7 the coate, and girded him with a girdle, and clothed him with the robe, and put the Ephod on him, which he girded with the broydred garde of the Ephod, and bounde it vnto him there-After he put the brest plate thereon, and put in the 8 breast plate the Vrim and the Thummim. Also he put the 9 miter vpon his head, and put vpon the miter on the fore front the golden plate, and the holy crowne, as the Lord had commanded Moses. (Nowe Moses had taken the anointing oyle, 10 and anounted the Tabernacle, and al that was therein, and sanctified them, And sprinkled thereof vpon the altar seuen 11 times, and anointed the altar and all his instruments, and the lauer, and his foote, to sanctifie them) And he powred of the 12 anointing oyle vpon Aarons head, and anointed him, to sanctifie him. After, Moses brought Aarons sonnes, and put coates 13 vpon them, and girded them with girdles, and put bonets vpon their heades, as the Lord had commanded Moses. brought the bullocke for the sinne offring, and Aaron and his sonnes put their handes vpon the head of the bullocke for the sinne offring. And Moses slew him, and tooke the blood, which 15 he put vpon the hornes of the Altar roud about with his finger, and purified the altar, and powred the rest of the blood at the

foote of ye altar: so he sanctified it, to make reconciliation vpon 16 it. Then he tooke all the fatte that was vpon the inwardes, and the kall of the liuer and the two kidneis, with their fat, which 17 Moses burned vpon the Altar. But the bullocke and his hide. and his flesh, and his doung, hee burnt with fire without the 18 host as the Lord had commanded Moses. Also hee brought the ram for the burnt offring, and Aaron and his sonnes put their 19 hands vpon the head of the ramme. So Moses killed it, and 20 sprinkled the blood vpon the Altar round about, And Moses cut the ram in pieces, and burnt the head with the pieces, and 21 the fat, And washed the inwardes and the legges in water: so Moses burnt the ram euery whit vpon ye Altar: for it was a burnt offring for a sweete sauour, which was made by fire 22 vnto the Lord, as the Lord had commanded Moses. After, he brought the other ram, the ram of consecrations, and Aaron and his sonnes layed their handes vpon the head of the ram, 23 Which Moses slewe, and tooke of the blood of it, and put it vpon the lappe of Aarons right eare, and vpon the thumbe of 24 his right hand, and vpon the great toe of his right foote. Then Moses brought Aarons sonnes, and put of the blood on the lap of their right eares, and vpon the thumbes of their right handes, and vpon the great toes of their right feete, and Moses sprinckled the rest of the blood vpon the Altar round about. 25 And he tooke the fat and the rumpe and all the fat that was vpon the inwards, and the kall of the liuer, and the two kid-26 neis with their fat, and the right shoulder. Also he tooke of ye basket of ye vnleauened bread that was before the Lord, one vnleauened cake and a cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and 27 put them on the fat, and vpon the right shoulder. So hee put all in Aarons handes, and in his sonnes handes, and shooke 28 it to and from before the Lord. After, Moses tooke the out of their hands, and burnt them vpon the altar for a burnt offring: for these were consecrations for a sweete sauour which were 29 made by fire vnto the Lord. Likewise Moses tooke the breast of the ram of consecrations, and shooke it to and from before the Lord: for it was Moses portion, as the Lord had commanded Also Moses tooke of the anointing oyle, and of the blood which was vpon the Altar, and sprinkled it vpon Aaron, vpon his garments, and vpon his sonnes, and on his sonnes garments with him: so hee sanctified Aaron, his garments, and

his sonnes, and his sonnes garments with him. Afterward 31 Moses saide vnto Aaron and his sonnes. Seethe the flesh at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and there eate it with the bread that is in the basket of consecrations, as I commanded, saving, Aaron and his sonnes shall eate it. But that 32 which remaineth of the flesh and of the bread, shall ve burne with fire. And ye shall not depart from the doore of the Taber- 33 nacle of the Congregation seuen dayes, vntill the dayes of your consecrations bee at an ende: for seuen dayes, saide the Lord. shall hee consecrate you. As hee hath done this day: so the 34 Lord hath commanded to doe, to make an atonement for you. Therefore shall vee abide at the doore of the Tabernacle of the 35 Congregation day and night, seuen dayes, and shall keepe the watch of the Lord, that ve dve not: for so I am commanded. So Aaron and his sonnes did all thinges which the Lord had 36 commanded by the hand of Moses.

And in the eight day Moses called Aaron and his sonnes, 9 and the Elders of Israel: Then hee sayde vnto Aaron, Take 2 thee a yong calfe for a sinne offring, and a ram for a burnt offring, both without blemish, and bring them before the Lord. And vnto the children of Israel thou shalt speake, saying, Take 3 yee an hee goate for a sinne offring, and a calfe, and a lambe, both of a veere olde, without blemish for a burnt offring: Also 4 a bullock, and a ramme for peace offringes, to offer before the Lord, and a meate offring mingled with oyle: for to day the Lord will appeare vnto you. Then they brought that which 5 Moses commanded before the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and all the assembly drewe neere and stood before the Lord. (For Moses had sayde, This is the thing, which the Lord com- 6 manded that ye should do, and the glory of the Lord shall appeare vnto you) Then Moses sayd vnto Aaron, Draw neere to 7 the Altar, and offer thy sinne offering, and thy burnt offring, and make an attonement for thee and for the people: offer also the offring of the people, and make an atonement for them, as the Lord hath commanded. Aaron therefore went vnto the 8 Altar, and killed the calfe of the sinne offring, which was for himselfe. And the sonnes of Aaron brought ye blood vnto him, 9 and he dipt his finger in the blood, and put it vpon the hornes of the Altar, and powred the rest of the blood at the foote of the Altar. But the fat and the kidneis and the kall of the li- 10

uer of the sinne offring, he burnt vpon the Altar, as the Lord 11 had commanded Moses. The flesh also and the hide hee burnt 12 with fire without the hoste. After, he slewe the burnt offering, and Aarons sonnes brought vnto him the blood, which he 13 sprinckled round about vpon the Altar. Also they brought the burnt offring vnto him with the pieces thereof, and the head, 14 and he burnt them vpon the Altar. Likewise he did wash the inwardes and the legs, and burnt them vpon the burnt offring 15 on the Altar. Then he offred the peoples offring, and tooke a goate, which was the sinne offring for the people, and slewe it: 16 and offred it for sinne, as the first: So he offred the burnt of-17 fring, and prepared it, according to the maner. He presented also the meate offring, and filled his hand thereof, and beside the burnt sacrifice of the morning he burnt this vpon the Al-He slewe also the bullock, and the ram for the peace offrings, that was for the people, and Arons sonnes brought vnto him the blood, which he sprinkled vpon the Altar round 19 about, With the fat of the bullocke, and of the ram, the rumpe, and that which couereth the inwards and the kidneis, and the 20 kall of the liuer. So they layed the fat vpon the breasts, and 21 he burnt the fat vpon the Altar. But the breastes and the right shoulder Aaron shooke to and from before the Lord, as 22 the Lord had commanded Moses. So Aaron lift vp his hand toward the people, and blessed them, and came downe from offring of the sinne offring, and the burnt offring, and the peace 23 offrings. After, Moses and Aaron went into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and came out, and blessed the people, and 24 the glorie of the Lord appeared to all the people. And there came a fire out from the Lord and consumed vpon the Altar the burnt offring and the fatte: which when all the people sawe, they gaue thankes, and fell on their faces.

But Nadab and Abihu, the sonnes of Aaron, tooke either of them his censor, and put fire therein, and put incense thereupon, and offred strange fire before the Lord, which hee had not commanded them. Therefore a fire went out from the Lord, and deuoured them: so they dyed before the Lord. Then Moses sayde vnto Aaron, This is it that the Lord spake, saying, I will bee sanctified in the that come neere me, and before all the people I will be glorified: but Aaron held his peace. And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan the sonnes of Vzziel, the

vncle of Aaron, and saide vnto them, Come neere, cary your brethre from before the Sanctuarie out of the hoste. Then 5 they went, and caried them in their coates out of the host, as Moses had comaunded. After, Moses saide vnto Aaron and 6 vnto Eleazar and Ithamar his sonnes, Vncouer not your heads, neither rent your clothes, least ye dye, and least wrath come vpon all ye people: but let your brethren, all the house of Israel bewayle the burning which the Lord hath kindled. And go not 7 yee out from the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, least ye dye: for the anointing oyle of the Lord is vpon you: and they did according to Moses commandement. Lord spake vnto Aaron, saying, Thou shalt not drinke wine 9 nor strong drinke, thou, nor thy sonnes with thee, when yee come into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, lest ve die: this is an ordinance for euer throughout your generations, That 10 ye may put difference betweene the holy and the vnholy, and betweene the cleane and the vncleane. And that ye may teach 11 the children of Israel all the statutes which the Lord hath commanded them by the hand of Moses. Then Moses saide vnto 12 Aaron and vnto Eleazar and to Ithamar his sonnes that were left, Take the meate offring that remaineth of the offrings of the Lord, made by fire, and eate it without leauen beside ye altar: for it is most holy: And ye shall eate it in the holy 13 place, because it is thy duetie and thy sonnes duety of the offringes of the Lord made by fire: for so I am commanded. Also 14 the shaken breast and the heave shoulder shall yee eate in a cleane place: thou, and thy sonnes, and thy daughters with thee: for they are given as thy duetie and thy sonnes duety, of the peace offringes of the children of Israel. The heave shoul- 15 der, and the shaken breast shall they bring with the offringes made by fire of the fat, to shake it to and from before the Lord, and it shalbe thine and thy sonnes with thee by a lawe for euer, as the Lord hath commanded. And Moses sought the 16 goate that was offred for sinne, and lo, it was burnt: therefore he was angrie with Eleazar and Ithamar the sonnes of Aaron, which were left aliue, saying, Wherfore haue ye not eaten the 17 sinne offring in the holy place, seeing it is most Holie? and God hath given it you, to beare the iniquitie of the Congregation, to make an atonement for them before the Lord. Be- 18 holde, the blood of it was not brought within the holy place: ye

should have eaten it in the holy place, as I commanded. And Aaron said vnto Moses, Behold, this day have they offred their sinne offring, and their burnt offring before the Lord, and such things as thou knowest are come vnto mee: If I had eaten the sinne offring to day, should it have bene accepted in the sight of the Lord? So when Moses heard it, he was content.

After, the Lord spake vnto Moses and to Aaron, saying vnto 11 2 them, Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say, These are the beastes which yee shall eate, among all the beasts that are 3 on the earth. Whatsoeuer parteth the hoofe, and is clouen footed, and cheweth the cudde, among the beastes, that shall 4 ye eate. But of them that chewe the cud, or deuide the hoofe onely, of them yee shall not eate: as the camel, because he cheweth the cud, and deuideth not ye hoofe, he shall be vn-5 cleane vnto you. Likewise the conie, because he cheweth the cud and deuideth not the hoofe, he shall bee vncleane to you. 6 Also the hare, because he cheweth the cud, and deuideth not 7 the hoofe, he shalbe vncleane to you. And the swine, because he parteth ve hoofe and is clouen footed, but cheweth not the 8 cud, he shalbe vncleane to you. Of their flesh shall vee not eate, and their carkeise shall yee not touch: for they shall bee 9 vncleane to you. These shall ye eate, of all that are in the waters: whatsoeuer hath finnes and skales in ve waters, in the 10 seas, or in the rivers, them shall ye eate. But all that have not finnes nor skales in the seas, or in the rivers, of all that moueth in the waters, and of al liuing things that are in the 11 waters, they shalbe an abomination vnto you. They, I say, shalbe an abomination to you: ye shall not eate of their flesh, 12 but shall abhorre their carkeis. Whatsoeuer hath not fins nor 13 skales in the waters, that shalbe abomination vnto you. These shall ye haue also in abomination among the foules, they shall not be eaten: for they are an abomination, the eagle, and the 14 goshauke, and the osprey: Also the vultur, and the kite after 15, 16 his kinde, And all rauens after their kinde: The ostrich also, and the night crowe, and the seameaw, and the hauke after his 17 kinde: The litle owle also, and the connorant, and the great 18 owle. Also the redshanke and the pelicane, and the swanne: 19 The storke also, the heron after his kinde, and the lapwing, 20 and the backe: Also euery foule that creepeth and goeth vpon 21 all foure, such shalbe an abomination vnto you. Yet these shall ye eate: of euery foule that creepeth, and goeth vpon all foure which have their feete and legs all of one to leape withal vpon the earth, Of them ye shall eate these, the grashopper 22 after his kinde, and the solean after his kinde, the hargol after his kinde, and the hagab after his kind. But al other foules 23 that creepe and haue foure feete, they shalbe abomination vnto you. For by such ye shalbe polluted: whosoeuer toucheth their 24 carkeis, shalbe vncleane vnto the euening. Whosoeuer also 25 beareth of their carkeis, shall wash his clothes, and be vncleane vntil euen. Euery beast that hath clawes deuided, and 26 is not clouen footed, nor cheweth the cud, such shalbe vncleane vnto you: euery one that toucheth them, shalbe vncleane. And 27 whatsoeuer goeth vpon his pawes among all maner beastes that goeth on all foure, such shalbe vncleane vnto vou: who so doth touch their carkeis shalbe vncleane vntil the euen. And 28 he that beareth their carkeis, shall wash his clothes, and be vncleane vntill the euen: for such shalbe vncleane vnto vou. Also these shalbe vncleane to you amog the things that creepe 29 and moue vpon the earth, the weasell, and the mouse, and the frog, after his kinde: Also the rat, and the lizard, and the 30 chameleon, and the stellio, and the molle. These shall be vn- 31 cleane to you among all that creepe: whosoeuer doeth touch them when they be dead, shalbe vncleane vntil the euen. Also 32 whatsoeuer any of the dead carkeises of them doth fall vpon, shalbe vncleane, whether it be vessel of wood, or rayment, or skinne, or sacke: whatsoeuer vessel it be that is occupied, it shalbe put in the water as vncleane vntil the euen, and so be But euery earthen vessel, whereinto any of them 33 falleth, whatsoeuer is within it shalbe vncleane, and ye shall breake it. Al meate also that shalbe eaten, if any such wa- 34 ter come vpon it, shalbe vncleane: and all drinke that shalbe drunke in al such vessels shalbe vncleane. And euery thing 35 that their carkeis fall vpon, shalbe vncleane: the fornais or the pot shalbe broken: for they are vncleane, and shalbe vncleane vnto you. Yet the fountaines and welles where there is plentie 36 of water shalbe cleane: but that which toucheth their carkeises shalbe vncleane. And if there fal of their dead carkeis vpon 37 any seede, which vseth to be sowe, it shalbe cleane. any water be powred vpon ye seede, and there fal of their dead carkeis thereon, it shall be vncleane vnto you. If also any 39

beast, whereof ye may eate, die, he that toucheth the carkeis 40 thereof shall be vncleane vntil the euen. And he that eateth of the carkeis of it, shall wash his clothes and be vncleane vntil the euen: he also that beareth the carkeis of it, shall wash 41 his clothes, and be vncleane vntil the euen. Euery creeping thing therefore that creepeth vpon the earth shalbe an 42 abomination, and not be eaten. Whatsoeuer goeth vpon the breast, and whatsoeuer goeth vpon al foure, or that hath many feete among all creeping thinges that creepe vpon the earth, 43 ye shall not eate of them, for they shalbe abomination. shall not pollute your selues with any thing that creepeth, neither make your selues vncleane with them, neither defile your 44 selues thereby: ye shall not, I say, be defiled by them, For I am the Lord your God: be sanctified therefore, and be holy, for I am holy, and defile not your selues with any creeping thing, 45 that creepeth vpon the earth. For I am the Lord that brought you out of the lande of Egypt, to be your God, and that you 46 should be holy, for I am holy. This is the law of beasts, and of foules, and of euery liuing thing that moueth in the waters, 47 and of euery thing that creepeth vpon the earth: That there may be a difference betweene the vncleane and cleane, and betweene the beast that may be eaten, and the beast that ought not to be eaten.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the **12**. 2 children of Israel, and say, When a woman hath brought forth seede, and borne a manchilde, shee shalbe vncleane seuen dayes, like as she is vncleane when she is put apart for her disease. 3 (And in the eight day, the foreskin of the childes flesh shalbe 4 circumcised) And she shall continue in the blood of her purifying three and thirtie dayes: she shall touch no halowed thing, nor come into the Sanctuarie, vntil the time of her purifying 5 be out. But if she beare a mayde childe, then shee shalbe vncleane two weekes, as when shee hath her disease: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying three score and 6 sixe dayes. Nowe when the dayes of her purifying are out, (whether it be for a sonne or for a daughter) shee shall bring to the Priest a lambe of one yeere olde for a burnt offering, and a yong pigeon or a turtle doue for a sinne offring, vnto the doore 7 of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, Who shall offer it before the Lord, and make an atonement for her: so she shalbe

purged of the issue of her blood this is the law for her that hath borne a male or female. But if she bee not able to bring 8 a lambe, she shall bring two turtles, or two yong pigeons: the one for a burnt offring, and the other for a sinne offring: and the Priest shall make an atonement for her: so she shall be cleane.

Moreouer the Lord spake vnto Moses, and to Aaron, saying, 13 The man that shall have in the skin of his flesh a swelling or a 2 skab, or a white spot, so that in the skinne of his flesh it be like the plague of leprosie, then he shalbe brought vnto Aaron the Priest, or vnto one of his sonnes the Priestes. And the Priest 3 shall looke on the sore in the skinne of his flesh: if the heare in the sore be turned into white, and the sore seeme to be lower then the skinne of his flesh, it is a plague of leprosie. therefore the Priest shall looke on him, and pronounce him vncleane: But if the white spot be in the skinne of his flesh, and seeme 4 not to bee lower then the skin, nor the heare thereof be turned vnto white, then the Priest shall shut vp him that hath the plague, seuen dayes. After, the Priest shall looke vpon him 5 the seuenth day: and if the plague seeme to him to abide still, and the plague growe not in the skin, the Priest shall shut him vp yet seuen dayes more. Then the Priest shall looke on him 6 againe the seuenth day, and if the plague be darke, and the sore grow not in the skinne, then the Priest shall pronounce him cleane, for it is a skab: therefore he shall washe his clothes and be cleane. But if the skab growe more in the skinne, after 7 that he is seene of ye Priest for to be purged, he shall be seene of the Priest vet againe. Then the Priest shall consider, and 8 if the skab growe in the skin, then the Priest shall pronounce him vncleane: for it is leprosie. When the plague of leprosie 9 is in a man, he shalbe brought vnto the Priest, And the Priest 10 shall see him: and if the swelling be white in ye skin, and haue made ye heare white, and there be rawe flesh in the swelling, It is an old leprosie in the skin of his flesh: and the Priest shall 11 pronounce him vncleane, and shall not shut him vp, for he is vncleane. Also if the leprosie breake out in the skin, and the 12 leprosie couer all the skin of the plague, from his head euen to his feete, wheresoeuer the Priest looketh, Then the Priest 13 shall consider: and if the leprosie couer all his flesh, he shall pronounce the plague to bee cleane, because it is all turned into

14 whitenesse: so he shalbe cleane. But if there be raw flesh on 15 him when he is seene, he shalbe vncleane. For the Priest shall see the rawe flesh, and declare him to be vncleane: for the rawe 16 flesh is vncleane, therefore it is the leprosie. Or if the rawe flesh change and be turned into white, then he shall come to 17 the Priest, And the Priest shall beholde him and if the sore be changed into white, then the Priest shall pronounce the plague 18 cleane, for it is cleane. The flesh also in whose skin there is a 19 bile and is healed, And in ye place of the bile there be a white swelling, or a white spot somewhat reddish, it shall be seene 20 of the Priest. And when the Priest seeth it, if it appeare lower then the skinne, and the heare thereof bee changed into white, ye Priest then shall pronounce him vncleane: for it is a plague 21 of leprosie, broken out in the bile. But if the Priest looke on it, and there be no white heares therein, and if it bee not lower then the skin, but be darker, then the Priest shall shut him vp 22 seuen dayes. And if it spred abroad in the flesh, ye Priest shall 23 pronounce him vncleane, for it is a sore. But if the spot continue in his place, and growe not, it is a burning bile: therefore 24 the Priest shall declare him to be cleane. If there be any flesh, in whose skin there is an hote burning, and the quick flesh of 25 ye burning haue a white spot, somewhat reddish or pale, Then the Priest shall looke vpon it: and if the heare in that spot be changed into white, and it appeare lower then the skin, it is a leprosie broken out in the burning therefore the Priest shall 26 pronounce him vncleane: for it is the plague of leprosie. But if the Priest looke on it, and there be no white heare in the spot, and be no lower then the other skinne, but be darker, then the 27 Priest shall shut him vp seuen dayes. After, the Priest shall looke on him the seuenth day: if it be growen abroad in the skinne, then the Priest shall pronounce him vncleane: for it is 28 the plague of leprosie. And if the spot abide in his place, not growing in the skin, but is darke, it is a rising of the burning: the Priest shall therefore declare him cleane, for it is the dry-29 ing vp of the burning. If also a man or woman hath a sore on 30 the head or in the beard, Then the Priest shall see his sore: and if it appeare lower then the skin, and there be in it a small yellow haire, then the Priest shall pronouce him vncleane: for it is a blacke spot, and leprosie of the head or of the beard. 31 And if the Priest looke on the sore of the blacke spotte, and if it

seeme not lower then the skinne, nor haue any blacke heare in it, then the Priest shall shut vp him, that hath the sore of the blacke spot, seuen dayes. After, in the seuenth day the Priest 32 shall looke on the sore: and if the blacke spot growe not, and there be in it no yelowe heare, and the blacke spot seeme not lower then the skinne, Then he shalbe shauen, but the place 33 of the blacke spot shall he not shaue: but the Priest shall shut vp him, that hath the blacke spot, seuen dayes more. And the 34 seuenth day the Priest shall looke on the blacke spot: and if the blacke spot growe not in the skinne, nor seeme lower then the other skinne, then the Priest shall clense him, and hee shall wash his clothes, and be cleane. But if the blacke spot 35 growe abroad in the flesh after his clensing. Then the Priest 36 shall looke on it: and if the blacke spot grow in the skin, the Priest shall not seeke for the velowe heare: for he is vncleane. But if ye blacke spot seeme to him to abide, and that blacke 37 heare growe therein, the blacke spot is healed, he is cleane, and the Priest shall declare him to be cleane. Furthermore if 38 there bee many white spots in the skin of the flesh of man or woman, Then the Priest shall consider: and if the spots in the 39 skin of their flesh be somewhat darke and white withall, it is but a white spot broken out in the skin: therefore he is cleane. And the man whose heare is fallen off his head, and is balde, is 40 cleane. And if his head lose the heare on the forepart, and be 41 balde before, he is cleane. But if there be in the balde head, 42 or in the balde forehead a white reddish sore, it is a leprosie springing in his balde head, or in his balde forehead. There- 43 fore the Priest shall looke vpon it, and if the rising of the sore bee white reddish in his balde head, or in his bald forehead, appearing like leprosie in the skin of the flesh, He is a leper 44 and vncleane: therefore the Priest shall pronounce him altogether vncleane: for the sore is in his head. The leper also in 45 whom the plague is, shall have his clothes rent, and his head bare, and shall put a couering vpon his lips, and shall cry, I am vncleane, I am vncleane. As long as the disease shall be 46 vpon him, he shalbe polluted, for he is vncleane: he shall dwell alone, without the campe shall his habitation be. Also the gar- 47 ment that the plague of leprosie is in, whether it be a wollen garment or a linen garment, Whether it bee in the warpe or in 48 ve woofe of linen or of wollen, either in a skin, or in any thing

49 made of skin, And if the sore be greene or somewhat reddish in the garment or in ye skin, or in the warpe, or in the woofe, or in any thing that is made of skin, it is a plague of leprosie 50 and shalbe shewed vnto the Priest. Then the Priest shall see the plague, and shut vp it that hath the plague, seuen dayes, 51 And shall looke on the plague the seuenth day: if the plague growe in the garment or in the warpe, or in the woofe, or in the skinne, or in any thing that is made of skin, that plague 52 is a fretting leprosie and vncleane. And hee shall burne the garment, or the warpe, or the woofe, whether it bee wollen or linen, or any thing that is made of skin, wherein the plague is: for it is a freating leprosie, therefore it shalbe burnt in the fire. 53 If the Priest yet see that the plague grow not in the garment, 54 or in the woofe, or in whatsoeuer thing of skin it be, Then the Priest shall commaund them to wash the thing wherein the 55 plague is, and he shall shut it vp seuen dayes more. Againe ye Priest shall looke on the plague, after it is washed: and if the plague haue not changed his colour, though the plague haue spred no further, it is vncleane: thou shalt burne it in the fire. for it is a fret inwarde, whether the spot bee in the bare place of the whole, or in part thereof. And if the Priest see that the plague bee darker, after that it is washed, he shall cut it out of the garment, or out of the skin, or out of the warpe, or out of 57 the woofe. And if it appeare stil in ye garment or in the warpe, or in the woofe, or in any thing made of skin, it is a spreading leprie: thou shalt burne the thing wherein the plague is, in 58 the fire. If thou hast washed ye garment or ye warpe, or ye woofe, or whatsouer thing of skin it be, if the plague be departed therefrom, then shall it be washed the second time, and be cleane. This is the lawe of the plague of leprosie in a garment of wollen or linnen, or in the warpe, or in the woofe, or in any thing of skin, to make it cleane or vncleane.

14, 2 And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, This is the law of the leper in the day of his clensing: that is, he shall be brought vnto the Priest, And the Priest shall go out of the campe, and the Priest shall consider him: and if the plague of leprosie be
4 healed in the leper, Then shall the Priest commaund to take for him that is clensed, two sparrowes aliue and cleane, and
5 cedar wood and a skarlet lace, and hyssope. And the Priest shall commaund to kill one of the birdes ouer pure water in an

earthen vessell. After, he shall take the liue sparowe with the 6 cedar wood, and the skarlet lace, and the hyssope, and shall dip them and the liuing sparowe in the blood of the sparowe slaine. ouer the pure water, And hee shall sprinkle vpon him, that 7 must be clensed of his leprosie, seuen times, and clense him, and shall let goe the liue sparowe into the broad fielde. Then 8 he that shall be clensed, shall wash his clothes, and shaue off all his heare, and wash himselfe in water, so he shalbe cleane: after that shall he come into the host, but shall tary without his tent seuen dayes. So in the seuenth day hee shall shaue 9 off all his heare, both his head, and his beard, and his eye browes: euen all his heare shall he shaue, and shall wash his clothes and shall wash his flesh in water: so he shalbe cleane. Then in the eight day he shall take two hee lambes without 10 blemish, and an ewe lambe of a yere olde without blemish, and three tenth deales of fine flower for a meate offering, mingled with oyle, and a pint of oyle. And the Priest that maketh him 11 cleane shall bring the man which is to bee made cleane, and those things, before the Lord, at the doore of the Tabernacle Then the Priest shall take one lambe, 12 of the Congregation. and offer him for a trespasse offering, and the pint of oyle, and shake the to and from before the Lord. And hee shall kill the 13 lambe in the place where the sinne offring and the burnt offring are slaine, euen in the holy place: for as the sinne offring is the Priests, so is the trespasse offring: for it is most holy. So the Priest shall take of the blood of the trespasse offring, 14 and put it vpon the lappe of the right eare of him that shalbe clensed, and vpon the thumbe of his right hand, and vpon the great toe of his right foote. The Priest shall also take of ye 15 pint of oyle, and powre it into the palme of his left hand, And 16 the Priest shall dip his right finger in the oyle that is in his left hand, and sprinkle of the oyle with his finger seuen times before the Lord. And of the rest of the oyle that is in his hand, 17 shall the Priest put vpon the lap of the right eare of him that is to bee clensed, and vpon the thumbe of his right hand, and vpon the great toe of his right foote, where the blood of the trespasse offring was put. But the remnant of the oyle that 18 is in the Priests hand, he shall powre vpon the head of him that is to be clensed: so the Priest shall make an atonement for him before the Lord. And the Priest shall offer the sinne 19

offring and make an atonement for him that is to bee clensed of his vncleannesse: then after shall he kill the burnt offring. 20 So the Priest shall offer ye burnt offring and the meat offring vpon ye altar and the Priest shall make an atonement for him: 21 so he shalbe cleane. But if he be poore, and not able, then he shall bring one lambe for a trespasse offring to be shaken, for his reconciliation, and a tenth deale of fine flower mingled 22 with oyle, for a meate offring, with a pinte of oyle. Also two turtle doues, or two yong pigeons, as he is able, whereof the one 23 shalbe a sinne offering, and the other a burnt offring, And he shall bring them the eight day for his clensing vnto the Priest at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation before ye The the Priest shall take the lambe of the trespasse offring, and the pint of oyle, and the Priest shall shake them 25 to and from before the Lord. And he shall kill the lambe of the trespasse offering, and the Priest shall take of the blood of the trespasse offring, and put it vpon the lap of his right eare that is to be clensed, and vpon ye thumbe of his right hande, 26 and vpon the great toe of his right foote. Also the Priest shall 27 powre of the oyle into the palme of his owne left hand. So ye Priest shall with his right finger sprinkle of the oyle that is in 28 his left hand, seuen times before the Lord. Then the Priest shall put of the oyle that is in his hande, vpon the lap of the right eare of him that is to bee clensed, and vpon the thumbe of his right hande, and vpon the great toe of his right foote: 29 vpon the place of the blood of the trespasse offring. But ye rest of the oyle that is in the Priests hand, he shall put vpon the head of him that is to be clensed, to make an atonement 30 for him before the Lord. Also hee shall present one of the 31 turtle doues, or of the yong pigeons, as he is able: Such, I say, as he is able, the one for a sinne offring, and the other for a burnt offring with the meate offring: so the Priest shall make an atonement for him that is to bee clensed before the 32 Lord. This is the lawe of him which hath the plague of lep-33 rosie, who is not able in his clensing to offer the whole. 34 Lord also spake vnto Moses and to Aaron, saying, When ye be come vnto the land of Canaan which I giue you in possession, if I sende the plague of leprosie in an house of the land of your 35 possession, Then he that oweth the house, shall come and tell the Priest, saying, Me thinke there is like a plague of leprosie

in the house. Then the Priest shall commande them to emptie 36 the house before the Priest goe into it to see the plague, that all that is in the house be not made vncleane, and then shall the Priest goe in to see the house, And hee shall marke the 37 plague: and if the plague be in the walles of the house, and that there be deepe spots, greenish or reddish, which seeme to be lower then the wall, Then the Priest shall goe out of 38 the house to the doore of the house, and shall cause to shut vp the house seuen dayes. So the Priest shall come againe ye 39 seuenth day: and if he see that the plague bee increased in the walles of the house. Then the Priest shall commande them to 40 take away the stones wherein the plague is, and they shall cast them into a foule place without the citie. Also hee shall cause 41 to scrape the house within rounde about, and powre the dust, that they have pared off, without the citie in an vncleane place. And they shall take other stones, and put them in the places of 42 those stones, and shall take other mortar, to plaister the house with. But if the plague come againe and breake out in the 43 house, after that he hath taken away ye stones, and after that hee hath scraped and playstered the house. Then the Priest 44 shall come and see: and if the plague growe in the house, it is a freating leprosie in the house: it is therefore vncleane. And 45 hee shall breake downe the house, with the stones of it, and the timber thereof, and all the mortar of the house, and hee shall carie them out of the citie vnto an vncleane place. Moreouer 46 he that goeth into the house all the while that it is shut vp, hee shall bee vncleane vntill the euen. Hee also that sleepeth in 47 the house shall wash his clothes: he likewise that eateth in the house, shall wash his clothes. But if the Priest shall come and 48 see, that the plague hath spread no further in the house, after the house be plaistered, the Priest shall pronounce that house cleane, for the plague is healed. Then shall he take to purifie 49 the house, two sparrowes, and cedar wood, and skarlet lace. and hyssope. And hee shall kill one sparowe ouer pure water 50 in an earthen vessell, And shall take the cedar wood, and the 51 hyssope, and the skarlet lace with the liue Sparrow, and dip them in the blood of the slayne Sparrow, and in the pure water, and sprinkle the house seuen times: So shall hee clense 52 the house with ye blood of the sparowe, and with the pure water, and with the liue sparowe, and with the cedar wood, and

with the hyssope, and with the skarlet lace. Afterwarde he shall let go the liue sparowe out of the towne into the broad fieldes: so shall he make atonement for the house, and it shall be cleane. This is the law for euery plague of leprosie and blacke spot, And of the leprosie of the garment, and of the house, And of the swelling, and of the skab, and of the white spot. This is the lawe of the leprosie to teache when a thing is vncleane, and when it is cleane.

Moreouer the Lord spake vnto Moses, and to Aaron, say-15 2 ing, Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, Whosoeuer hath an issue from his flesh, is vncleane, because 3 of his issue. And this shalbe his vncleannes in his issue: when his flesh auovdeth his issue, or if his flesh be stopped from his 4 issue, this is his vncleannes. Euery bed whereon he lyeth that hath the issue, shall be vncleane, and euery thing whereon he 5 sitteth, shalbe vncleane. Whosoeuer also toucheth his bed. shall wash his clothes, and wash himselfe in water, and shall 6 be vncleane vntill the euen. And he that sitteth on any thing, whereon he sate that hath the issue, shall wash his clothes, and wash himselfe in water, and shalbe vncleane vntill the Also he that toucheth the flesh of him that hath the issue, shall wash his clothes, and wash himselfe in water, and 8 shalbe vncleane vntil the euen. If he also, that hath the issue, spit vpon him that is cleane, he shall wash his clothes, and wash himselfe in water, and shalbe vncleane vntill the 9 euen. And what saddle soeuer he rideth vpon, that hath the 10 issue, shalbe vncleane, And whosoeuer toucheth any thing that was vnder him, shall be vncleane vnto the euen: and he that beareth those things, shall wash his clothes, and wash 11 himselfe in water, and shall be vncleane vntill the euen. Likewise whomesoeuer hee toucheth that hath the issue (and hath not washed his handes in water) shall wash his clothes and wash himselfe in water, and shalbe vncleane vntill the euen. 12 And the vessel of earth that he toucheth, which hath the issue, shalbe broken: and euery vessel of wood shalbe rinsed in wa-13 ter. But if he that hath an issue, be cleansed of his issue, then shall he count him seuen dayes for his cleansing, and wash his clothes, and wash his flesh in pure water: so shall he be cleane. 14 Then the eight day he shall take vnto him two Turtle doues or two yong pigeons, and come before the Lord at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and shall give them vnto the Priest. And the Priest shall make of the one of them a 15 sinne offring, and of the other a burnt offering: so the Priest shall make an atonement for him before the Lord, for his issue. Also if any mans issue of seede depart from him, he shall 16 wash all his flesh in water, and be vncleane vntill the euen. And euery garment, and euery skinne whereupon shalbe issue 17 of seede, shall be euen washed with water, and be vncleane vnto the euen. If he that hath an issue of seede, do lie with 18 a woman, they shall both wash themselues with water, and be vncleane vntill the euen. Also when a woman shall haue an 19 issue, and her issue in her flesh shalbe blood, she shalbe put apart seuen dayes: and whosoeuer toucheth her, shalbe vncleane vnto the euen. And whatsoeuer she lieth vpon in her 20 separation, shalbe vncleane, and euery thing that she sitteth vpon, shalbe vncleane. Whosoeuer also toucheth her bedde. 21 shall wash his clothes, and wash himselfe with water, and shalbe vncleane vnto the euen. And whosoeuer toucheth any 22 thing that she sate vpon, shall wash his clothes, and wash him selfe in water, and shalbe vncleane vnto the euen: So that 23 whether he touche her bed, or any thing whereon shee hath sit, he shalbe vncleane vnto the euen. And if a man lye with 24 her, and the flowers of her separation touch him, he shalbe vncleane seuen dayes, and all the whole bed whereon he lieth, shalbe vncleane. Also when a womans issue of blood runneth 25 long time besides the time of her floures, or when she hath an issue, longer then her floures, all the dayes of the issue of her vncleannesse shee shalbe vncleane, as in the time of her Euery bed whereon shee lyeth (as long as her issue 26 lasteth) shalbe to her as her bed of her separation: and whatsoeuer she sitteth vpon, shalbe vncleane, as her vncleannes whe she is put apart. And whosoeuer toucheth these things, 27 shall be vncleane, and shall wash his clothes, and wash him selfe in water, and shalbe vncleane vnto the euen. But if she 28 be clensed of her issue, then shee shall count her seuen dayes, and after, shee shall be cleane. And in the eight day shee shall 29 take vnto her two Turtles or two yong pigeons, and bring them vnto the Priest at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. And the Priest shall make of ye one a sinne offring, and 30 of the other a burnt offring, and the Priest shall make an atonement for her before the Lord, for the issue of her vncleannes.

Thus shall yee separate the children of Israel from their vncleannes, that they dye not in their vncleannesse, if they defile my Tabernacle that is among them. This is the lawe of him that hath an issue, and of him from whome goeth an issue of seede whereby he is defiled: Also of her that is sicke of her floures, and of him that hath a running issue, whether it bee man or woman, and of him that lyeth with her which is vncleane.

Fyrthermore the Lord spake vnto Moses, after the death of 16 the two sonnes of Aaron, whe they came to offer before the 2 Lord, and dyed: And the Lord sayd vnto Moses, Speake vnto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all times into the Holy place within the vayle, before the Merciseate, which is vpon the Arke, that he dye not: for I wil appeare in the cloude vpon the After this sort shall Aaron come into the Holy 3 Merciseate. place: euen with a yong bullocke for a sinne offring, and a 4 ramme for a burnt offring. He shall put on the holy linnen coate, and shall haue linnen breeches vpon his flesh, and shall be girded with a linnen girdle, and shall couer his head with a linnen miter: these are the holy garments: therefore shall 5 hee wash his flesh in water, when he doeth put them on. And hee shall take of the Congregation of the children of Israel, two hee goates for a sinne offring, and a ramme for a burnt 6 offring. Then Aaron shall offer the bullocke for his sinne offring, and make an atonement for himselfe, and for his house. 7 And he shall take the two hee goates, and present them before the Lord at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. 8 Then Aaron shall cast lots ouer the two hee goates: one lot for 9 the Lord, and the other for the Scape goate. And Aaron shall offer the goat, vpon which the Lords lot shall fal, and make 10 him a sinne offring. But the goate, on which the lot shall fall to be the Scape goate, shalbe presented aliue before the Lord, to make reconciliation by him, and to let him go (as a Scape 11 goate) into the wildernes. Thus Aaron shall offer the bullocke for his sinne offring, and make a reconciliation for himselfe, and for his house, and shall kill the bullocke for his sinne of-12 fring. And he shall take a censer full of burning coles from off the altar before the Lord, and his handfull of sweete in-13 cense beaten small, and bring it within the vayle, And shall

put the incense vpon the fire before the Lord, that the cloude of the incense may couer the Merciseat that is vpon the Testimonie: so he shall not dye. And hee shall take of the blood of 14 the bullocke, and sprinkle it with his finger vpon the Merciseat Eastward: and before the Merciseate shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seuen times. Then shall he kill the goate 15 that is the peoples sinne offring, and bring his blood within the vaile, and doe with that blood, as he did with the blood of the bullocke, and sprinckle it vpon the Merciseate, and before the Merciseate. So he shall purge the Holy place from the vn- 16 cleannes of the children of Israel, and from their trespasses of all their sinnes: so shall he do also for the Tabernacle of the Cogregation placed with them, in the middes of their vncleannesse. And there shalbe no man in the Tabernacle of the Con- 17 gregation, when he goeth in to make an atonement in the Holy place, vntill hee come out, and haue made an atonement for himselfe, and for his housholde, and for all the Congregation of Israel. After, he shall goe out vnto the altar that is before the 18 Lord and make a reconciliation vpon it, and shall take of the blood of the bullocke, and of the blood of the goate, and put it vpon the hornes of the Altar round about: So shall hee sprin- 19 kle of the blood vpon it with his finger seuen times, and clense it, and halowe it from the vncleannes of the children of Israel. When he hath made an ende of purging the Holy place, and the 20 Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the altar, then he shall bring the liue goate: And Aaron shall put both his handes 21 vpon the head of the liue goate, and confesse ouer him al the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their trespasses, in all their sinnes, putting them vpon the head of the goate, and shall sende him away (by the hand of a man appointed) into the wildernes. So the goate shall beare vpon him all their in- 22 iguities into the land that is not inhabited, and he shall let the goate go into the wildernesse. After, Aaron shall come into the 23 Tabernacle of the Congregation, and put off the linnen clothes, which he put on when he went into the Holy place, and leaue them there. Hee shall wash also his flesh with water in the 24 Holy place, and put on his owne rayment, and come out, and make his burnt offring, and the burnt offring of the people, and make an atonement for himselfe, and for the people. Also the 25 fatte of the sinne offring shall he burne vpon the altar. And he 26

that caried forth the goat, called the Scape goat, shall wash his clothes, and wash his flesh in water, and after that shall come 27 into the hoste. Also the bullocke for the sinne offring, and the goate for the sinne offring (whose blood was brought to make a reconciliation in the Holy place) shall one carie out without the hoste to be burnt in the fire, with their skinnes, and with their 28 flesh, and with their doung. And hee that burneth them shall wash his clothes, and wash his flesh in water, and afterward 29 come into the hoste. So this shalbe an ordinance for euer vnto you: the tenth day of the seuenth moneth, yee shall humble your soules, and do no worke at all, whether it be one of the 30 same countrey or a strager that soiourneth among you. For that day shall ye Priest make an atonement for you to clense you: ye shalbe cleane from all your sinnes before the Lord. 31 This shall be a Sabbath of rest vnto you, and ye shall humble 32 your soules, by an ordinance for euer. And the Priest whom he shall anount, and whom he shall cosecrate (to minister in his fathers steade) shall make the atonement, and shall put on 33 the linnen clothes and Holy vestments, And shall purge the Holy Sanctuarie and the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and shall clense the altar, and make an atonement for the Priests 34 and for all the people of the Congregation. And this shalbe an euerlasting ordinance vnto you, to make an atonement for the children of Israel for all their sinnes once a yeere: and as the Lord commanded Moses, he did.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto Aaron, **17**. 2 and to his sonnes, and to all the children of Israel, and say vnto them, This is the thing which the Lord hath commanded, 3 saying, Whosoeuer he be of the house of Israel that killeth a bullocke, or lambe, or goate in the hoste, or that killeth it out of 4 the hoste, And bringeth it not vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation to offer an offring vnto the Lord before the Tabernacle of the Lord, blood shalbe imputed vnto that man: he hath shed blood, wherefore that man shall be 5 cut off from among his people. Therefore the children of Israel shall bring their offrings, which they would offer abroad in the fielde, and present the vnto ye Lord at the doore of the Tabernacle of ye Congregation by ye Priest, and offer them for 6 peace offrings vnto the Lord. Then the Priest shall sprinkle the blood vpon the Altar of the Lord before the doore of the

Tabernacle of the Congregation, and burne the fat for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. And they shall no more offer their of- 7 ferings vnto deuils, after whom they have gone a whoring: this shalbe an ordinance for euer vnto them in their generations. Also thou shalt say vnto them, whosoeuer he be of the house 8 of Israel, or of the strangers which soiourne among them, that offreth a burnt offring or sacrifice, And bringeth it not vnto ye 9 doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation to offer it vnto the Lord, euen that man shall be cut off from his people. Likewise 10 whosoeuer he be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that soiourne among them, that eateth any blood. I will euen set my face against that person that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people. For the life of the flesh is in the blood, 11 and I have given it vnto you to offer vpon the altar, to make an atonement for your soules: for this blood shall make an atonement for the soule. Therefore I saide vnto ve children of 12 Israel. None of vou shall eate blood: neither the stranger that soiourneth among you, shall eate blood. Moreouer whosoeuer 13 he be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that soiourne among the, which by hunting taketh any beast or foule that may be eaten, he shall powre out the blood thereof, and couer it with dust: For ye life of all flesh is his blood, it is ioyned 14 with his life: therefore I savd vnto the children of Israel, Ye shall eate the blood of no flesh; for the life of al flesh is the blood thereof: whosoeuer eateth it, shalbe cut off. And eu- 15 ery person that eateth it which dyeth alone, or that which is torne with beastes, whether it be one of the same countrey or a stranger, he shall both wash his clothes, and wash himselfe in water, and be vncleane vnto the euen: after he shalbe cleane. But if he wash them not, nor wash his flesh, then he shall beare 16 his iniquitie.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, I am the Lord your God. After ye doings of the land of Egypt, wherin ye dwelt, shall ye not doe: and after the maner of the land of Canaan, whither I will bring you, shall ye not do, neither walke in their ordinances, But do after my iudgements, and keepe mine ordinances, to walke therein: I am the Lord your God. Ye shall keepe therefore my statutes, and my iudgements, which if a man doe, he shall then liue in them: I am the Lord. None 6

shall come neere to any of ye kinred of his flesh to vncouer her 7 shame: I am the Lord. Thou shalt not vncouer the shame of thy father, nor the shame of thy mother: for she is thy mother, 8 thou shalt not discouer her shame. The shame of thy fathers 9 wife shalt thou not discouer: for it is thy fathers shame. Thou shalt not discouer the shame of thy sister the daughter of thy father, or the daughter of thy mother, whether shee bee borne at home, or borne without: thou shalt not discouer their shame. 10 The shame of thy sonnes daughter, or of thy daughters daughter, thou shalt not, I say, vncouer their shame: for it is thy 11 shame. The shame of thy fathers wives daughter, begotten of thy father (for she is thy sister) thou shalt not, I say, discouer 12 her shame. Thou shalt not vncouer the shame of thy fathers 13 sister: for she is thy fathers kinswoman. Thou shalt not discouer the shame of thy mothers sister: for she is thy mothers 14 kinsewoman. Thou shalt not vncouer the shame of thy fathers brother: that is, thou shalt not goe in to his wife, for she is 15 thine aunte. Thou shalt not discouer the shame of thy daughter in lawe: for she is thy sonnes wife: therefore shalt thou not 16 vncouer her shame. Thou shalt not discouer the shame of thy 17 brothers wife. for it is thy brothers shame. Thou shalt not discouer the shame of the wife and of her daughter, neither shalt thou take her sonnes daughter, nor her daughters daughter, to vncouer her shame: for they are thy kinsfolkes, and it were 18 wickednesse. Also thou shalt not take a wife with her sister, during her life, to vexe her, in vncouering her shame vpon her. 19 Thou shalt not also go vnto a woman to vncouer her shame, as 20 long as she is put apart for her disease. Moreouer, thou shalt not give thy selfe to thy neighbours wife by carnall copulation, 21 to be defiled with her. Also thou shalt not give thy children to offer them vnto Molech, neither shalt thou defile the name of 22 thy God: for I am the Lord. Thou shalt not lie with ye male as 23 one lieth with a woman: for it is abomination. Thou shalt not also lie with any beast to bee defiled therewith, neither shall any woman stand before a beast, to lie downe thereto: for it is 24 abomination. Yee shall not defile your selues in any of these things: for in al these the nations are defiled, which I will cast 25 out before you: And the land is defiled: therefore I wil visit the wickednesse thereof vpon it, and the lande shall vomit out 26 her inhabitants. Ye shall keepe therefore mine ordinances,

and my iudgements, and commit none of these abominations, aswell hee that is of the same countrey, as the straunger that soiourneth among you. (For all these abominations have the 27 men of the land done, which were before you, and the land is defiled: And shall not the lande spue you out if ye defile it, as 28 it spued out the people that were before you?) For whosoeuer 29 shall commit any of these abominations, the persons that doe so, shall bee cut off from among their people. Therefore shall 30 yee keepe mine ordinances that ye do not any of the abominable customes, which have bene done before you, and that yee defile not your selues therein: for I am the Lord your God.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto all 19, 2 the Congregation of the children of Israel, and say vnto them, Ye shalbe holy, for I the Lord your God am holy. Yee shall 3 feare euery man his mother and his father, and shall keepe my Sabbaths: for I am the Lord your God. Ye shall not turne 4 vnto idoles, nor make you molten gods: I am the Lord your God. And when yee shall offer a peace offering vnto the Lord, 5 ve shall offer it freely. It shall be eaten the day vee offer it, 6 or on the morowe: and that which remaineth vntill the third day, shalbe burnt in the fire. For if it be eaten the third day, 7 it shall be vncleane, it shall not be accepted. Therefore he 8 that eateth it, shall beare his iniquitie, because he hath defiled the halowed thing of the Lord, and that person shalbe cut off from his people. When yee reape the haruest of your land, 9 ye shall not reape euery corner of your field, neither shalt thou gather the glainings of thy haruest. Thou shalt not gather the 10 grapes of thy vinevarde cleane, nevther gather euery grape of thy vineyarde, but thou shalt leave them for the poore and for the straunger: I am the Lord your God. Ye shall not steale, 11 neither deale falsely, neither lie one to another. Also yee shall 12 not sweare by my name falsely, neither shalt thou defile the name of thy God: I am the Lord. Thou shalt not do thy neigh- 13 bour wrong, neither rob him. The workemans hire shall not abide with thee vntil the morning. Thou shalt not curse the 14 deafe, neither put a stumbling blocke before the blinde, but shalt feare thy God: I am the Lord. Ye shall not doe vniustly 15 in judgement. Thou shalt not fauour the person of the poore, nor honour the person of the mightie, but thou shalt iudge thy neighbour iustly. Thou shalt not walke about with tales 16

among thy people. Thou shalt not stand against the blood of 17 thy neighbour: I am the Lord. Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart, but thou shalt plainely rebuke thy neighbour, 18 and suffer him not to sinne. Thou shalt not auenge, nor be mindful of wrong against ye childre of thy people, but shalt 19 loue thy neighbour as thy selfe: I am the Lord. Yee shall keepe mine ordinances. Thou shalt not let thy cattel gender with others of diuers kindes. Thou shalt not sowe thy fielde with mingled seede, neyther shall a garment of divers thinges, 20 as of linen and wollen come vpon thee. Whosoeuer also lyeth and medleth with a woman that is a bonde mayde, affianced to a husband, and not redeemed, nor freedome given her, she shalbe scourged, but they shall not die, because she is not 21 made free. And he shall bring for his trespasse offring vnto the Lord, at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, 22 a ramme for a trespasse offering. Then the Priest shall make an atonement for him with the ramme of the trespasse offering before the Lord, concerning his sinne which he hath done, and pardon shalbe given him for his sinne which he hath commit-23 ted. Also when ye shall come into the land, and haue planted euery tree for meate, ye shall count the fruite thereof as vncircumcised: three yeere shall it be vncircumcised vnto you, it 24 shall not be eaten: But in the fourth yere all the fruite thereof 25 shalbe holy to the praise of the Lord. And in the fifth yeere shall ye eate of the fruite of it that it may yeelde to you the en-26 crease thereof: I am the Lord your God. Ye shall not eat the flesh with the blood, ye shall not vse witchcraft, nor obserue 27 times. Ye shall not cut rounde the corners of your heades, nei-28 ther shalt thou marre the tuftes of thy beard. Ye shall not cut your flesh for the dead, nor make any print of a marke vpon 29 you: I am the Lord, Thou shalt not make thy daughter common, to cause her to be a whore, least the lande also fall to 30 whoredome, and the lande bee full of wickednesse. Ye shall keepe my Sabbaths and reuerence my Sanctuarie: I am the 31 Lord. Ye shall not regarde them that worke with spirites, neither soothsayers: ye shall not seeke to them to be defiled by 32 them: I am the Lord your God. Thou shalt rise vp before the horehead, and honour the person of the old man, and dread 33 thy God: I am the Lord. And if a stranger soiourne with thee 34 in your lande, ye shall not vexe him. But the stranger that

dwelleth with you, shalbe as one of your selues, and thou shalt loue him as thy selfe: for ye were strangers in the lad of Egypt: I am the Lord your God. Ye shall not doe vniustly in iudge- 35 ment, in line, in weight, or in measure. You shall haue iust 36 ballances, true weightes, a true Ephah, and a true Hin. I am the Lord your God, which haue brought you out of the lande of Egypt. Therefore shall ye observe all mine ordinances, and 37 all my iudgements, and doe them: I am the Lord.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Thou shalt say 20, 2 also to the children of Israel, Whosoeuer he be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that dwell in Israel, that giueth his children vnto Molech, he shall die the death, ye people of ye land shall stone him to death. And I will set my face against 3 that man and cut him off from among his people, because he hath giuen his children vnto Molech, for to defile my Sanctuarie, and to pollute mine holy Name. And if the people of the 4 lande hide their eyes, and winke at that man when he giueth his children vnto Molech, and kill him not, Then will I set my 5 face against that man, and against his familie, and will cut him off, and all that go a whoring after him to comit whoredome with Molech, from among their people. If any turne after such 6 as worke with spirits, and after soothsayers, to go a whoring after them, then will I set my face against that person, and will cut him off from among his people. Sanctifie your selues 7 therefore, and be holie, for I am the Lord your God. Keepe ye 8 therefore mine ordinances, and doe them. I am the Lord which doeth sanctifie you. If there be any that curseth his father 9 or his mother, he shall die the death: seeing hee hath cursed his father and his mother, his blood shalbe vpon him. the man that committeth adulterie with another mans wife, because he hath comitted adulterie with his neighbours wife. the adulterer and the adulteresse shall die the death. the man that lyeth with his fathers wife, because hee hath vncouered his fathers shame, they shall both dye: their blood shalbe vpon them. Also the man that lyeth with his daugh- 12 ter in lawe, they both shall dye the death, they have wrought abomination, their blood shalbe vpon them. The man also 13 that lyeth with the male, as one lyeth with a woman, they haue both committed abomination: they shall dye the death, their blood shalbe vpon them. Likewise he that taketh a wife 14

and her mother, committeth wickednesse: they shall burne him and them with fire, that there be no wickednes among Also the man that lyeth with a beast, shall dye the 16 death, and ye shall slay the beast. And if a woman come to any beast, and lye therewith, then thou shalt kill the woman and the beast: they shall die the death, their blood shalbe vpon 17 them. Also the man that taketh his sister, his fathers daughter, or his mothers daughter, and seeth her shame and she seeth his shame, it is villenie: therefore they shall be cut off in the sight of their people, because he hath vncouered his sis-18 ters shame, he shall beare his iniquitie. The man also that lyeth with a woman hauing her disease, and vncouereth her shame, and openeth her fountaine, and she open the foutaine of her blood, they shall bee euen both cut off from among their Moreouer thou shalt not vncouer the shame of thy 19 people. mothers sister, nor of thy fathers sister: because he hath vn-20 couered his kin, they shall beare their iniquitie. Likewise the man that lyeth with his fathers brothers wife, and vncouereth his vncles shame: they shall beare their iniquitie, and shall die 21 childlesse. So the man that taketh his brothers wife, committeth filthines, because he hath vncouered his brothers shame: 22 they shalbe childles. Ye shall keepe therefore all mine ordinances and all my iudgements, and doe them, that the land, 23 whither I bring you to dwel therein, spue you not out. Wherefore ye shall not walke in the maners of this nation which I cast out before you: for they have committed all these things, there-24 fore I abhorred them. But I haue saide vnto you, ye shall inherite their land, and I will give it vnto you to possesse it, euen a land that floweth with milke and honie: I am the Lord your 25 God, which have separated you from other people. Therefore shall ye put difference betweene cleane beastes and vncleane, and betweene vncleane foules and cleane: neither shall ye defile your selues with beastes and foules, nor with any creeping thing, that ye ground bringeth forth, which I have separated 26 from you as vncleane. Therefore shall ye be holie vnto me: for I the Lord am holy, and I have separated you from other peo-27 ple, that ye shoulde be mine. And if a man or woman haue a spirite of diuination, or soothsaying in them, they shall die the death: they shall stone them to death, their blood shalbe vpon them.

And the Lord said vnto Moses, Speake vnto the Priestes the 21 sonnes of Aaron, and say vnto them, Let none be defiled by the dead among his people, But by his kinseman that is neere 2 vnto him: to wit, by his mother, or by his father, or by his sonne, or by his daughter, or by his brother, Or by his sister a 3 maid, that is neere vnto him, which hath not had a husband: for her he may lament. He shall not lament for the Prince 4 among his people, to pollute him selfe. They shall not make 5 balde partes vpon their head, nor shaue off the locks of their beard, nor make any cuttings in their flesh. They shalbe holy 6 vnto their God, and not pollute the name of their God; for the sacrifices of the Lord made by fire, and the bread of their God they doe offer: therefore they shalbe holie. They shall not take 7 to wife an whore, or one polluted, neither shall they marrie a woman diuorced from her husband: for such one is holy vnto his God. Thou shalt sanctifie him therefore, for he offereth 8 the bread of thy God: he shall be holy vnto thee: for I the Lord, which sanctifie you, am holy. If a Priestes daughter fall to 9 play the whore, she polluteth her father: therefore shall she be burnt with fire. Also ye hie Priest among his brethren, 10 (vpon whose head the anointing oyle was powred, and hath consecrated his hand to put on the garments) shall not vncouer his head, nor rent his clothes. Neither shall he goe to any 11 dead bodie, nor make him selfe vncleane by his father or by his mother, Neither shall be goe out of the Sanctuarie, nor pollute 12 the holy place of his God: for the crowne of the anounting oyle of his God is vpon him: I am the Lord. Also he shall take a 13 maide vnto his wife: But a widowe, or a diuorced woman, or a 14 polluted, or an harlot, these shall he not marrie, but shall take a maide of his owne people to wife: Neyther shall he defile 15 his seede among his people: for I am the Lord which sanctifie him. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto 16, 17 Aaron, and say, Whosoeuer of thy seede in their generations hath any blemishes, shall not prease to offer the bread of his God: For whosoeuer hath any blemish, shall not come neere: 18 as a man blinde or lame, or that hath a flat nose, or that hath any misshapen member, Or a man that hath a broken foote, 19 or a broken hande, Or is crooke backt, or bleare eyed, or hath 20 a blemish in his eye, or be skiruie, or skabbed, or haue his stones broken. None of the seede of Aaron the Priest that 21

hath a blemish, shall come neere to offer the sacrifices of the Lord made by fire, hauing a blemish: he shall not prease to offer the bread of his God. The bread of his God, euen of the most holie, and of the holy shall he eate: But he shall not goe in vnto the vaile, nor come neere the altar, because hee hath a blemish, least he pollute my Sanctuaries: for I am the Lord that sanctifie them. Thus spake Moses vnto Aaron, and to his sonnes, and to all the children of Israel.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto Aaron, **22**, 2 and to his sonnes, that they be separated from the holy thinges of the children of Israel, and that they pollute not mine holy name in those things, which they hallowe vnto me: I am the 3 Lord. Say vnto them, Whosoeuer he be of all your seede among your generations after you, that toucheth the holy things which the children of Israel hallowe vnto the Lord, hauing his vncleannesse vpon him, euen that person shall be cut off from my 4 sight: I am the Lord. Whosoeuer also of the seede of Aaron is a leper, or hath a running issue, he shall not eate of the holy things vntill he be cleane: and who so toucheth any that is vncleane, by reason of the dead, or a man whose issue of seede 5 runneth from him, Or the man that toucheth any creeping thing, whereby he may be made vncleane, or a man, by whom he may take vncleannesse, whatsoeuer vncleannesse he hath, 6 The person that hath touched such, shall therefore be vncleane vntill the euen, and shall not eat of ye holy things, except he 7 haue washed his flesh with water. But when the Sunne is downe, hee shalbe cleane, and shall afterward eate of the holy 8 things: for it is his foode. Of a beast that dyeth, or is rent with beasts, whereby he may be defiled, hee shall not eate: I am the Lord. Let them keepe therefore mine ordinance, least they beare their sinne for it, and die for it, if they defile it: I 10 the Lord sanctifie them. There shall no stranger also eate of the holie thing, neither the ghest of the Priest, neither shall 11 an hired seruant eat of the holie thing: But if the Priest bye any with money, he shall eate of it, also he that is borne in his 12 house: they shall eate of his meate. If the Priests daughter also be maried vnto a stranger, she may not eate of the holy 13 offrings. Notwithstanding if the Priests daughter be a widowe or diuorced, and haue no childe, but is returned vnto her fathers house shee shall eate of her fathers bread, as she did in

her youth but there shall no stranger eate thereof. If a man 14 eate of the holie thing vnwittingly, he shall put the fift part thereunto, and giue it vnto the Priest with the halowed thing. So they shall not defile the holy things of the children of Israel, 15 which they offer vnto the Lord, Neither cause the people to 16 beare the iniquitie of their trespas, while they eate their holy thing: for I the Lord do halowe them. And the Lord spake vnto 17 Moses, saying, Speake vnto Aaron, and to his sonnes, and to 18 all the children of Israel, and say vnto them, Whosoeuer he be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers in Israel, that will offer his sacrifice for all their vowes, and for all their free offrings, which they vse to offer vnto the Lord for a burnt offring, Yee shall offer of your free minde a male without blemish of 19 the beeues, of the sheepe, or of the goates. Ye shall not offer 20 any thing that hath a blemish: for that shall not be acceptable for you. And whosoeuer bringeth a peace offring vnto ye Lord 21 to accomplish his vowe, or for a free offring, of the beeues, or of the sheepe, his free offring shall bee perfect, no blemish shalbe in it. Blinde, or broken, or maimed, or having a wenne, or 22 skiruie, or skabbed: these shall yee not offer vnto the Lord nor make an offring by fire of these vpon the altar of the Lord. Yet 23 a bullocke, or a sheepe that hath any member superfluous, or lacking, such mayest thou present for a free offring, but for a vowe it shall not be accepted. Ye shall not offer vnto ye Lord 24 that which is bruised or crusshed, or broken, or cut away, neither shall ye make an offring thereof in your land, Neither of 25 ye hand of a strager shall ye offer ye bread of your God of any of these, because their corruption is in them, there is a blemish in them: therefore shall they not be accepted for you. And the 26 Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, When a bullocke, or a sheepe, 27 or a goate shall be brought foorth, it shalbe euen seuen daies vnder his damme: and from the eight day forth, it shalbe accepted for a sacrifice made by fire vnto the Lord. As for the 28 cowe or the ewe, yee shall not kill her, and her yong both in one day. So when ye will offer a thanke offring vnto the Lord, ye 29 shall offer willingly. The same day it shalbe eaten, yee shall 30 leaue none of it vntill the morowe: I am the Lord. Therefore 31 shall ve keepe my commandements and do them: for I am the Lord. Neither shall ye pollute mine holy Name, but I will be 32 halowed among the children of Israel. I the Lord sanctifie you,

Which have brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am the Lord.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the **23**. 2 children of Israel, and say vnto them, The feastes of ye Lord which yee shall call ye holie assemblies, euen these are my 3 feasts. Six daies shall worke be done, but in the seuenth day shalbe the Sabbath of rest, an holie conuocation: ye shall do no worke therein, it is the Sabbath of the Lord, in all your 4 dwellings. These are the feastes of the Lord, and holie con-5 uocations, which yee shall proclaime in their seasons. In the first moneth, and in the fourteenth day of the moneth at eu-6 ening shalbe ye Passeouer of the Lord. And on the fifteenth day of this moneth shalbe the feast of vnleauened bread vnto 7 the Lord: seuen dayes ye shall eate vnleauened bread. In the first day yee shall have an holy convocation: ye shall do no 8 seruile worke therein. Also ye shall offer sacrifice made by fire vnto the Lord seuen daies, and in the seuenth day shalbe an 9 holie conuocation: ye shall do no seruile worke therein. And 10 the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, When ye be come into ye land which I giue vnto you, and reape the haruest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheafe of the first fruites of your haruest vnto the 11 Priest, And hee shall shake the sheafe before the Lord, that it may be acceptable for you: the morowe after the Sabbath, 12 the Priest shall shake it. And that day when yee shake the sheafe, shall yee prepare a lambe without blemish of a yeere 13 olde, for a burnt offring vnto the Lord: And the meate offring thereof shalbe two tenth deales of fine floure mingled with oyle, for a sacrifice made by fire vnto ye Lord of sweete sauour. and the drinke offring thereof the fourth part of an Hin of wine. 14 And ye shall eat neither bread nor parched corne, nor greene eares vntill the selfe same day that ye haue brought an offring vnto your God: this shalbe a lawe for euer in your gen-15 erations and in all your dwellings. Ye shall count also to you from the morowe after the Sabbath, euen from the day that yee shall bring the sheafe of the shake offring, seuen Sabbaths, 16 they shalbe complete. Vnto ye morow after the seuenth Sabbath shall ye nomber fiftie dayes: then yee shall bring a newe 17 meate offring vnto the Lord. Ye shall bring out of your habitations bread for the shake offring: they shalbe two loaues of two tenth deales of fine floure, which shalbe baken with leauen for first fruites vnto the Lord. Also yee shall offer with the 18 bread seuen lambes without blemish of one yeere olde, and a yong bullocke and two rams: they shalbe for a burnt offring vnto the Lord, with their meate offrings and their drinke offrings, for a sacrifice made by fire of a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. Then ye shall prepare an hee goate for a sinne offring, 19 and two lambes of one yeere olde for peace offrings. And the 20 Priest shall shake them to and from with the bread of the first fruits before the Lord, and with the two lambes: they shalbe holy to the Lord, for the Priest. So ye shall proclayme the 21 same day, that it may be an holie conuocation vnto you: ye shall doe no seruile worke therein: it shalbe an ordinance for euer in al vour dwellinges, throughout your generations. And 22 when you reape the haruest of your land, thou shalt not rid cleane the corners of thy field when thou reapest, neither shalt thou make any aftergathering of thy haruest, but shalt leaue them vnto the poore and to the stranger: I am the Lord your God. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saving, Speake vnto 23, 24 the children of Israel, and say, In the seuenth moneth, and in the first day of the moneth shall ve haue a Sabbath, for the remembrance of blowing the trumpets, an holy conuocation. Ye 25 shall do no seruile worke therein, but offer sacrifice made by fire vnto the Lord. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, 26 The tenth also of this seuenth moneth shalbe a day of reconcil- 27 iation: it shalbe an holie conuocation vnto you, and yee shall humble your soules, and offer sacrifice made by fire vnto the Lord. And ve shall doe no worke that same day: for it is a 28 day of reconciliation, to make an atonement for you before the Lord your God. For every person that humbleth not himselfe 29 that same day, shall even be cut off from his people. And eu- 30 ery person that shall doe any work that same day, the same person also will I destroy from among his people. Ye shall do 31 no maner worke therefore: this shalbe a law for euer in your generations, throughout all your dwellings. This shalbe vnto 32 you a Sabbath of rest, and ye shall humble your soules: in the ninth day of the moneth at euen, from euen to euen shall ye celebrate your Sabbath. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, 33 saying, Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say, In the fif- 34 teenth day of this seueth moneth shalbe for seuen dayes the

35 feast of Tabernacles vnto the Lord. In the first day shalbe an 36 holie conuocation: ye shall do no seruile worke therein. Seuen daies ye shall offer sacrifice made by fire vnto the Lord, and in the eight day shalbe an holy conuocation vnto you, and ye shall offer sacrifices made by fire vnto the Lord: it is the solemne as-37 semblie, yee shall doe no seruile worke therein. These are the feastes of the Lord (which ye shall call holie conuocations) to offer sacrifice made by fire vnto the Lord, as burnt offring, and meate offring, sacrifice, and drinke offrings, euery one vpon 38 his day, Beside the Sabbaths of the Lord, and beside your giftes, and beside all your vowes, and beside all your free of-39 frings, which ye shall give vnto the Lord. But in the fifteenth day of the seueth moneth, when ye have gathered in the fruite of the land, ye shall keepe an holie feast vnto the Lord seuen daies: in the first day shalbe a Sabbath: likewise in the eight 40 day shalbe a Sabbath. And yee shall take you in the first day the fruite of goodly trees, branches of palme trees, and the boughes of thicke trees, and willowes of the brooke, and 41 shall reioyce before the Lord your God seuen daies. shall keepe this feast vnto the Lord seuen daies in the yere, by a perpetuall ordinance through your generations: in the 42 seuenth moneth shall you keepe it. Ye shall dwell in boothes seuen daies: all that are Israelites borne, shall dwel in boothes. 43 That your posterity may know that I have made the children of Israel to dwell in boothes, when I brought them out of the 44 lande of Egypt: I am the Lord your God. So Moses declared vnto the children of Israel the feastes of the Lord.

24, 2 And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Commande the children of Israel that they bring vnto thee pure oyle oliue beaten, for the light, to cause ye lampes to burne continually. Without the vaile of the Testimonie, in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, shall Aaron dresse them, both euen and morning before the Lord alwayes: this shalbe a lawe for euer through your generations. He shall dresse the lampes vpon the pure Candlesticke before the Lord perpetually. Also thou shalt take fine floure, and bake twelue cakes thereof: two tenth deales shalbe in one cake. And thou shalt set them in two rowes, six in a rowe vpon the pure table before the Lord.
7 Thou shalt also put pure incense vpon the rowes, that in steade

of the bread it may bee for a remembrance, and an offering

made by fire to the Lord. Euery Sabbath hee shall put them 8 in rowes before the Lord euermore, receiuing them of the children of Israel for an euerlasting couenant. And the bread 9 shalbe Aarons and his sonnes, and they shall eate it in the holie place: for it is most holie vnto him of the offrings of the Lord made by fire by a perpetual ordinance. And there went 10 out among the children of Israel the sonne of an Israelitish woman, whose father was an Egyptian: and this sonne of the Israelitish woman, and a man of Israel stroue together in the hoste. So the Israelitish womans sonne blasphemed the name 11 of the Lord, and cursed, and they brought him vnto Moses (his mothers name also was Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri, of the tribe of Dan) And they put him in warde, till he tolde them 12 the minde of the Lord. Then the Lord spake vnto Moses, say- 13 ing, Bring the blasphemer without the hoste, and let all that 14 heard him, put their handes vpon his head, and let all the Congregation stone him. And thou shalt speake vnto the children 15 of Israel, saying, Whosoeuer curseth his God, shall beare his sinne. And he that blasphemeth the name of the Lord, shalbe 16 put to death: all the Congregation shall stone him to death: aswell the stranger, as he that is borne in the lande: when he blasphemeth the name of the Lord, let him beslaine. He also 17 that killeth any man, he shall be put to death. And he that 18 killeth a beast, he shall restore it, beast for beast. Also if a 19 man cause any blemish in his neighbour: as he hath done, so shall it be done to him. Breache for breach, eye for eye, tooth 20 for tooth: such a blemish as he hath made in any, such shalbe repayed to him. And he that killeth a beast shall restore it: 21 but he that killeth a man shall be slaine. Ye shall have one 22 lawe: it shalbe aswel for the stranger as for one borne in the countrey: for I am the Lord your God. Then Moses tolde the 23 children of Israel, and they brought the blasphemer out of the hoste, and stoned him with stones: so the children of Israel did as the Lord had commanded Moses.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses in mount Sinai, saying, **25** Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, When 2 ye shall come into the lande which I giue you, the lande shall keepe Sabbath vnto the Lord. Sixe yeeres thou shalt sowe thy 3 field, and sixe yeeres thou shalt cut thy vineyarde, and gather the fruite thereof. But the seuenth yeere shalbe a Sabbath 4

of rest vnto the lande: it shall be the Lordes Sabbath: thou 5 shalt neither sowe thy fielde, nor cut thy vineyarde. which groweth of it owne accorde of thy haruest, thou shalt not reape, neither gather the grapes that thou hast left vn-6 laboured: for it shalbe a yeere of rest vnto the land. And the rest of the lande shall be meate for you, euen for thee, and for thy seruant, and for thy mayde, and for thy hired seru-7 ant, and for the stranger that soiourneth with thee: And for thy cattell, and for the beastes that are in thy lande shall all 8 the encrease thereof be meate. Also thou shalt number seuen Sabbaths of yeeres vnto thee, euen seuen times seuen yeere: and the space of the seuen Sabbaths of yeeres will be vnto thee 9 nine and fourtie yeere. Then thou shalt cause to blow the trumpet of the Iubile in the tenth day of the seuenth moneth: euen in the day of the reconciliation shall ye make the trum-10 pet blowe, throughout all your lande. And ye shall halowe that yeere, euen the fiftieth yeere, and proclaime libertie in the lande to all the inhabitants thereof: it shalbe the Iubile vnto you, and ye shall returne euery man vnto his possession, 11 and euery man shall returne vnto his familie. This fiftieth yeere shalbe a yeere of Iubile vnto you: ye shall not sowe, neither reape that which groweth of it selfe, neither gather the 12 grapes thereof, that are left vnlaboured. For it is the Iubile, it shall be holy vnto you: ye shall eate of the encrease thereof out 13 of the fielde. In the yeere of this Iubile, ye shall returne eu-14 ery man vnto his possession. And when thou sellest ought to thy neighbour, or byest at thy neighbours hande, ye shall not 15 oppresse one another: But according to the nomber of yeeres after the Iubile thou shalt bye of thy neighbour: also according to the nomber of the yeeres of the reuenues, he shall sell vnto 16 thee. According to the multitude of yeeres, thou shalt increase the price thereof, and according to the fewnesse of yeeres, thou shalt abate the price of it: for the nomber of fruites doeth he 17 sell vnto thee. Oppresse not ye therefore any man his neighbour. but thou shalt feare thy God: for I am the Lord your God. 18 Wherefore ye shall obey mine ordinances, and keepe my lawes, 19 and do them, and ye shall dwell in the land in safetie. And the lande shall give her fruite, and ye shall eate your fill, and 20 dwell therein in safetie. And if ye shall say, What shall we eate the seuenth yeere, for we shall not sowe, nor gather in our increase? I will sende my blessing vpon you in the sixt 21 yeere, and it shall bring foorth fruite for three yeeres. And 22 ye shall sowe the eight yeere, and eate of the olde fruite vntill the ninth yeere: vntill the fruite thereof come, ye shall eate the olde. Also the lande shall not be solde to be cut off from 23 the familie: for the land is mine, and ye be but strangers and soiourners with me. Therefore in all the land of your posses- 24 sion ye shall graunt a redemption for the lande. If thy brother 25 be impouerished, and sell his possession, then his redeemer shall come, euen his neere kinsman, and bye out that which his brother solde. And if he have no redeemer, but hath gotten 26 and founde to bye it out, Then shall he count the yeeres of his 27 sale, and restore the ouerplus to the man, to whome he solde it: so shall he returne to his possession. But if he can not get suf- 28 ficient to restore to him, then that which is solde, shall remaine in the hande of him that hath bought it, vntill the yere of the Iubile: and in the Iubile it shall come out, and he shall returne vnto his possession. Likewise if a man sell a dwelling house 29 in a walled citie, he may bye it out againe within a whole veere after it is solde: within a yeere may he bye it out. But if it be 30 not bought out within ye space of a ful yeere, then the house that is in the walled citie, shalbe stablished, as cut off from the familie, to him that bought it, throughout his generations: it shall not goe out in the Iubile. But the houses of villages, 31 which have no walles round about them, shalbe esteemed as the fielde of the countrey: they may be bought out againe, and shall goe out in the Iubile. Notwithstanding, the cities of the 32 Leuites, and the houses of the cities of their possession, may the Leuites redeeme at all seasons. And if a man purchase of 33 the Leuites, the house that was solde, and the citie of their possession shall goe out in the Iubile: for the houses of the cities of the Leuites are their possession among the children of Israel. But the fielde of the suburbes of their cities, shall not be solde: 34 for it is their perpetual possession. Moreover, if thy brother 35 be impouerished, and fallen in decay with thee, thou shalt relieue him, and as a stranger and soiourner, so shall he liue with thee. Thou shalt take no vsurie of him, nor vantage, but 36 thou shalt feare thy God, that thy brother may liue with thee. Thou shalt not give him thy money to vsurie, nor lende him 37 thy vitailes for increase. I am the Lord your God, which haue 38

brought you out of the lande of Egypt, to give you the lande of 39 Canaan, and to be your God. If thy brother also that dwelleth by thee, be impouerished, and be sold vnto thee, thou shalt 40 not compel him to serue as a bond seruant, But as an hired seruant, and as a soiourner he shalbe with thee: he shall serue 41 thee vnto the yeere of the Iubile. Then shall he depart from thee, both hee, and his children with him, and shall returne vnto his familie, and vnto the possession of his fathers shall 42 he returne: For they are my seruants, whom I brought out of the lande of Egypt: they shall not be solde as bondmen are 43 solde. Thou shalt not rule ouer him cruelly, but shalt feare thy 44 God. Thy bond seruant also, and thy bond maid, which thou shalt haue, shalbe of the heathen that are rounde about you: 45 of them shall ye bye seruants and maydes. And moreouer of the children of the stragers, that are soiourners among you, of them shall ye bye, and of their families that are with you, which they begate in your lande: these shall be your posses-46 sion. So ye shall take them as inheritance for your children after you, to possesse them by inheritance, ye shall vse their labours for euer: but ouer your brethren the children of Israel 47 ye shall not rule one ouer another with crueltie. If a soiourner or a stranger dwelling by thee get riches, and thy brother by him be impouerished, and sell him selfe vnto the stranger or soiourner dwelling by thee, or to the stocke of the strangers 48 familie, After that he is solde, he may be bought out: one of his 49 brethren may bye him out, Or his vncle, or his vncles sonne may bye him out, or any of the kindred of his flesh among his familie, may redeeme him: either if he can get so much, he 50 may bye him selfe out. Then he shall recken with his byer from the yeere that he was solde to him, vnto the yere of Iubile: and the money of his sale shalbe according to the number of yeeres: according to the time of an hyred seruant shall he be 51 with him. If there be many yeeres behind, according to them he shall give againe for his deliuerance, of the money that he If there remaine but fewe yeeres vnto the 52 was bought for. yeere of Iubile, then he shall count with him, and according 53 to his yeeres give againe for his redemption. He shalbe with him yeere by yeere as an hired seruant: he shall not rule cru-54 elly ouer him in thy sight. And if he be not redeemed thus, he shall go out in the yeere of Iubile, he, and his children with

him. For vnto me the children of Israel are seruants: they are 55 my seruants, who I have brought out of the land of Egypt: I am ye Lord your God.

Ye shall make you none idoles nor grauen image, neither 26 reare you vp any pillar, neither shall ye set any image of stone in your land to bow downe to it: for I am the Lord your God. Ye shall keepe my Sabbaths, and reuerence my Sanctuarie: I 2 am the Lord. If ye walke in mine ordinances, and keepe my 3 commandements, and doe them, I will then sende you raine in 4 due season, and the land shall yelde her increase, and the trees of the fielde shall give her fruite. And your threshing shall 5 reache vnto the vintage, and the vintage shall reache vnto sowing time, and you shall eate your bread in plenteousnesse, and dwell in your land safely. And I will sende peace in the land, 6 and ye shall sleepe and none shall make you afraid: also I will rid euill beastes out of the lande, and the sworde shall not go through your lande. Also ye shall chase your enemies, and 7 they shall fall before you vpon the sworde. And fiue of you 8 shall chase an hundreth, and an hundreth of you shall put ten thousande to flight, and your enemies shall fall before you vpon the sworde. For I will have respect vnto you, and make you 9 encrease, and multiplie you, and establish my couenant with you. Ye shall eate also olde store, and cary out olde because of 10 the newe. And I will set my Tabernacle among you, and my 11 soule shall not lothe you. Also I will walke among you, and I 12 wil be vour God, and ve shalbe my people. I am the Lord your 13 God which haue brought you out of the lande of Egypt, that vee should not be their bondmen, and I haue broken ve bonds of your yoke, and made you goe vpright. But if ye will not 14 obey me, nor do all these commandements, And if ye shall de- 15 spise mine ordinances, either if your soule abhorre my lawes, so that yee will not do all my commandements, but breake my couenant, Then wil I also do this vnto you, I wil appoint ouer 16 you fearefulnes, a consumption, and the burning ague to consume the eyes, and make the heart heavie, and you shall sowe your seede in vaine: for your enemies shall eate it: And I will 17 set my face against you, and ye shall fal before your enemies, and they that hate you, shall raigne ouer you, and yee shall flee when none pursueth you. And if ye wil not for these things 18 obev me, then wil I punish you seuen times more, according

19 to your sinnes, And I wil breake the pride of your power, and I will make your heauen as yron, and your earth as brasse: 20 And your strength shalbe spent in vaine: neither shall your lande giue her increase, neither shall the trees of the land giue 21 their fruite. And if ye walke stubburnly against me, and will not obey mee, I will then bring seuen times more plagues vpon 22 you, according to your sinnes. I will also sende wilde beastes vpon you, which shall spoyle you, and destroy your cattell, and make you fewe in number: so your hye waies shalbe desolate. 23 Yet if by these ye will not be reformed by me, but walke stub-24 burnly against me, Then wil I also walke stubburnly against 25 you, and I will smite you yet seuen times for your sinnes: And I wil send a sword vpon you, that shall auenge the quarel of my couenant: and when ye are gathered in your cities, I wil send the pestilence among you, and ye shall be deliuered into 26 the hand of the enemie. When I shall breake the staffe of your bread, then ten women shall bake your breade in one ouen, and they shall deliuer your bread againe by weight, and 27 ye shall eate, but not be satisfied. Yet if ye will not for this 28 obey mee, but walke against me stubburnly, Then will I walke stubburnly in mine anger against you, and I will also chastice 29 you seuen times more according to your sinnes. And ye shall eate ye flesh of your sonnes, and the flesh of your daughters 30 shall ye deuoure. I will also destroy your hye places, and cut away your images, and cast your carkeises vpon the bodies of 31 your idoles, and my soule shall abhorre you. And I will make your cities desolate, and bring your Sanctuarie vnto nought, 32 and will not smelll the sauour of your sweete odours. I will also bring the land vnto a wildernes, and your enemies, which 33 dwell therein, shalbe astonished thereat. Also I wil scatter you among the heathen, and will drawe out a sworde after you, and your land shalbe waste, and your cities shalbe des-Then shall the land iniov her Sabbaths, as long as it 34 olate. lieth voide, and yee shalbe in your enemies land: then shall 35 the land rest, and enioy her Sabbaths. All the dayes that it lieth voide, it shall rest, because it did not rest in your Sab-36 baths, when ye dwelt vpon it. And vpon them that are left of you, I will send euen a faintnes into their hearts in ye land of their enemies, and the sounde of a leafeshaken shall chase them, and they shall flee as fleeing from a sword, and they

shall fall, no man pursuing them. They shall fall also one 37 vpon another, as before a sword, though none pursue them, and ye shall not be able to stand before your enemies: And ye 38 shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your enemies shall eate you vp. And they that are left of you, shall pine 39 away for their iniquitie, in your enemies landes, and for the iniquities of their fathers shall they pine away with them also. Then they shall confesse their iniquitie, and the wickednes of 40 their fathers for their trespasse, which they have trespassed against mee, and also because they have walked stubburnly Therefore I wil walke stubburnly against them. 41 against me. and bring them into the land of their enemies: so then their vncircumcised hearts shalbe humbled, and then they shalt willingly beare the punishment of their iniquitie. Then I will re- 42 member my couenant with Iaakob, and my couenant also with Izhak, and also my couenant with Abraham will I remember, and will remember the land. The land also in the meane sea- 43 son shalbe left of them, and shall enjoye her Sabbaths while she lieth waste without them, but they shall willingly suffer the punishment of their iniquitie, because they despised my lawes, and because their soule abhorred mine ordinances. Yet 44 notwithstanding this, when they shalbe in the lande of their enemies, I wil not cast them away, neither will I abhorre them, to destroy them vtterly, nor to breake my couenant with them: for I am the Lord their God: But I will remember for them the 45 couenant of olde when I brought them out of ye land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen that I might be their God: I am the Lord. These are the ordinances, and the judgements, and the 46 lawes, which the Lord made betweene him, and the children of Israel in mount Sinai, by the hand of Moses.

Moreouer the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto 27, 2 the children of Israel, and say vnto them, If any man shall make a vowe of a person vnto the Lord, by thy estimation, Then thy estimation shall bee thus: a male from twentie yeere 3 olde vnto sixty yeere olde shalbe by thy estimation euen fifty shekels of siluer, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie. But if it 4 be a female, then thy valuation shall be thirtie shekels. And 5 from fiue yere old to twentie yere olde thy valuation shall be for the male twentie shekels, and for the female ten shekels. But from a moneth old vnto fiue yere old, thy price of the 6

male shall bee fiue shekels of siluer, and thy price of the fe-7 male, three shekels of siluer. And from sixty yeere olde and aboue, if he be a male, then thy price shalbe fifteene shekels, 8 and for the female ten shekels. But if he be poorer then thou hast esteemed him, then shall hee present himselfe before the Priest, and the Priest shall value him, according to the abilitie 9 of him that vowed, so shall the Priest value him. And if it be a beast, whereof men bring an offering vnto the Lord, all that one 10 giueth of such vnto the Lord, shalbe holy. He shall not alter it nor change it, a good for a badde, nor a badde for a good: and if hee change beast for beast, then both this and that, which was 11 changed for it, shall be holy. And if it be any vncleane beast, of which men do not offer a sacrifice vnto the Lord, hee shall then 12 present the beast before the Priest. And the Priest shall value it, whether it be good or bad: and as thou valuest it, which art 13 the Priest, so shall it bee. But if he will bye it againe, then hee 14 shall give the fift part of it more, aboue thy valuation. Also whe a man shall dedicate his house to be holy vnto the Lord, then the Priest shall value it, whether it be good or bad, and 15 as ye Priest shall prise it, so shall the value be. that sanctified it, will redeeme his house, then hee shall give thereto the fift part of money more then thy estimation, and 16 it shalbe his. If also a man dedicate to the Lord any grounde of his inheritance, then shalt thou esteeme it according to the seede therof: an Homer of barlie seede shalbe at fiftie shekels 17 of siluer. If he dedicate his field immediatly from the yeere of 18 Iubile, it shall bee worth as thou doest esteeme it. But if hee dedicate his fielde after the Iubile, then the Priest shall recken him the money according to ye yeeres that remaine vnto the 19 yere of Iubile, and it shalbe abated by thy estimation. And if he that dedicateth it, will redeeme the fielde, then he shall put the fift parte of the price, that thou esteemedst it at, there-20 unto, and it shall remaine his. And if he will not redeeme the fielde, but the Priest sell the fielde to another man, it shalbe re-21 deemed no more. But the field shalbe holy to the Lord, whe it goeth out in the Iubile, as a fielde separate from common vses: 22 the possession thereof shall be the Priests. If a man also dedicate vnto ye Lord a fielde which he hath bought, which is not 23 of the groud of his inheritance, Then the Priest shall set the price to him, as thou esteemest it, vnto the yeere of Iubile, and

he shall give thy price the same day, as a thing holy vnto the Lord. But in the yeere of Iubile, the fielde shall returne vnto 24 him, of whome it was bought: to him, I say, whose inheritance And all thy valuation shall bee according to 25 the land was. the shekel of the Sanctuarie: a shekel conteyneth twenty gerahs. Notwithstanding the first borne of the beastes, because 26 it is the Lordes first borne, none shall dedicate such, be it bullocke, or sheepe; for it is the Lords. But if it be an vncleane 27 beast, then he shall redeeme it by thy valuation, and give the fift part more thereto: and if it be not redeemed, then it shalbe solde, according to thy estimation. Notwithstanding, nothing 28 separate from the common vse that a man doeth separate vnto the Lord of all that he hath (whether it bee man or beast, or lande of his inheritance) may be solde nor redeemed: for euery thing separate from the common vse is most holy vnto the Lord. Nothing separate from the common vse, which shall be 29 separate from man, shalbe redeemed, but dve the death. Also 30 all the tithe of the lande both of the seede of the ground, and of the fruite of the trees is the Lords: it is holy to the Lord. But if 31 a man will redeeme any of his tithe, he shall adde the fift part thereto. And euery tithe of bullock, and of sheepe, and of all 32 that goeth vnder the rod, the tenth shalbe holy vnto the Lord. He shall not looke if it be good or bad, neither shall he change 33 it: els if he change it, both it, and that it was changed withall. shalbe holy, and it shall not be redeemed. These are the commandements which the Lord commanded by Moses vnto the children of Israel in mount Sinai.

## THE FOURTH BOOK OF MOSES, CALLED NUMBERS.

he Lord spake againe vnto Moses in the wildernesse of Sinai, in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, in the first day of the second moneth, in the second yere after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying, 2 Take ye the summe of all the Congregation of the children of Israel, after their families, and housholdes of their fathers with the nomber of their names: to wit, all the males, man 3 by man: From twentie yere olde and aboue, all that go forth to the warre in Israel, thou and Aaron shall number them, 4 throughout their armies. And with you shalbe men of euery 5 tribe, such as are the heads of the house of their fathers. And these are the names of the men that shall stand with you, of 6 the tribe of Reuben, Elizur, the sonne of Shedeur: Of Simeon, 7 Shelumiel the sonne of Zurishaddai: Of Iudah, Nahshon the 8 sonne of Amminadab: Of Issachar, Nethaneel, the sonne of Of Zebulun, Eliab, the sonne of Helon: Of the chil-9. 10 Zuar: dren of Ioseph: of Ephraim, Elishama the sonne of Ammihud: of Manasseh, Gamliel, the sonne of Pedahzur: Of Beiamin, 12 Abida the sonne of Gideoni: Of Dan, Ahiezer, the sonne of 13, 14 Ammishaddai: Of Asher, Pagiel, the sonne of Ocran: Of Gad, 15 Eliasaph, the sonne of Deuel: Of Naphtali, Ahira the sonne These were famous in the Congregation, princes of the tribes of their fathers, and heads ouer thousands in Israel. 17 The Moses and Aaron tooke these men which are expressed by 18 their names. And they called all the Congregation together, in the first day of the second moneth, who declared their kindreds by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the nomber of their names, from twentie yere olde and 19 aboue, man by man. As the Lord had commanded Moses, so 20 he nombred them in the wildernesse of Sinai. So were the sonnes of Reuben Israels eldest sonne by their generations, by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the nomber of their names, man by man euery male

from twentie yere olde and aboue, as many as went forth to warre: The nomber of them, I say, of the tribe of Reuben, 21 was sixe and fourtie thousande, and fiue hundreth. Of the 22 sonnes of Simeon by their generatios, by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, the summe therof by the nomber of their names, man by man, euery male from twentie yeere olde and aboue, all that went forth to warre: The summe of 23 them, I say, of the tribe of Simeon was nine and fiftie thousande, and three hundreth. Of the sonnes of Gad by their 24 generations, by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the number of their names, from twentie vere olde and aboue, all that went forth to warre: The num- 25 ber of them. I say, of the tribe of Gad was fiue and fourtie thousand, and six hundreth and fiftie. Of the sonnes of Iudah by 26 their generations, by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the number of their names, from twentie vere olde and aboue, all that went forth to warre: nomber of them. I say, of the tribe of Iudah was three score and fourteene thousande, and sixe hundreth. Of the sonnes 28 of Issachar by their generations, by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the nomber of their names, from twentie yeere olde and aboue, all that went forth to warre: The number of them also of the tribe of Issachar was foure and 29 fiftie thousande and foure hundreth. Of the sonnes of Zebu- 30 lun by their generations, by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the number of their names, from twentie yeere olde and aboue, all that went foorth to warre: The number of them also of the tribe of Zebulun was seven 31 and fiftie thousand and foure hundreth. Of the sonnes of 32 Ioseph, namely of the sonnes of Ephraim by their generations, by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the nomber of their names, from twentie yeere olde and aboue, all that went foorth to warre: The nomber of them 33 also of the tribe of Ephraim was fourtie thousande and fiue hundreth. Of the sonnes of Manasseh by their generations, 34 by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the nomber of their names, from twentie yeere olde and aboue, all that went foorth to warre: The nober of the also 35 of ye tribe of Manasseh was two and thirtie thousand and two hundreth. Of the sonnes of Beniamin by their generations, by 36

their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the nomber of their names, from twentie yeere olde and aboue, 37 all that went foorth to warre: The number of them also of the tribe of Benjamin was five and thirtie thousande and foure 38 hundreth. Of the sonnes of Dan by their generations, by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the nomber of their names, from twentie yeere olde and aboue, all 39 that went foorth to warre: The nomber of the also of ye tribe of Dan was three score and two thousand and seue hudreth. 40 Of the sonnes of Asher by their generations, by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the number of their names, from twentie yeere olde and aboue, all that went 41 foorth to warre: The nomber of them also of ve tribe of Asher 42 was one and fourtie thousand and fiue hudreth. Of the children of Naphtali, by their generations, by their families, and by the houses of their fathers, according to the nomber of their names, from twentie veere olde and aboue, all that went to the 43 warre: The nomber of them also of the tribe of Naphtali, was 44 three and fiftie thousand, and foure hundreth. These are the summes which Moses, and Aaron nombred, and the Princes of Israel, the twelue men, which were euery one for the house of 45 their fathers. So this was all the summe of the sonnes of Israel, by the houses of their fathers, from twenty yeere olde and 46 aboue, all that went to the warre in Israel, And all they were in nomber sixe hudreth and three thousande, fiue hundreth But the Leuites, after the tribes of their fathers 47 and fiftie. 48 were not nombred among them. For the Lord had spoken 49 vnto Moses, and said. Onely thou shalt not number the tribe of Leui, neither take the summe of them among the children of Israel: But thou shalt appoynt the Leuites ouer the Tabernacle of the Testimonie, and ouer all the instruments thereof, and ouer all things that belong to it: they shall beare the Tabernacle, and all the instruments thereof, and shall minister in it, 51 and shall dwell round about the Tabernacle. And when the Tabernacle goeth forth, the Leuites shall take it downe: and when the Tabernacle is to be pitched, ye Leuites shall set it 52 vp: for the stranger that commeth neere, shalbe slaine. Also the children of Israel shall pitch their tentes, euery man in his campe, and euery man vnder his standerd throughout their 53 armies. But the Leuites shall pitch rounde about the Tabernacle of the Testimonie, least vengeance come vpon the Congregation of the children of Israel, and the Leuites shall take the charge of the Tabernacle of the Testimonie. So the chil- 54 dren of Israel did according to all that ye Lord had comanded Moses: so did they.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, and to Aaron, saying, Eu- 2, 2 ery man of the children of Israel shall campe by his standerd, and vnder the ensigne of their fathers house: farre off about the Tabernacle of the Congregation shall they pitch. On the 3 East side towarde the rising of the sunne, shall they of the standerd of the hoste of Iudah pitch according to their armies: and Nahshon the sonne of Amminadab shalbe captaine of the sonnes of Iudah. And his hoste and the nomber of the were 4 seventie and foure thousande and sixe hundreth. Next vnto 5 him shall they of the tribe of Issachar pitch, and Nethaneel the sonne of Zuar shalbe the captaine of the sonnes of Issachar: And his hoste, and the nomber thereof were foure and fiftie 6 thousand, and foure hundreth. Then the tribe of Zebulun, 7 and Eliab the sonne of Helon, captaine ouer the sonnes of Zebulun: And his hoste, and the nomber thereof seuen and fiftie 8 thousand and foure hundreth: The whole nomber of the hoste 9 of Iudah are an hundreth fourescore and sixe thousande, and foure hundreth according to their armies: they shall first set foorth. On the South side shalbe ye standerd of the host of 10 Reuben according to their armies, and the captaine ouer the sonnes of Reuben shalbe Elizur the sonne of Shedeur. his host, and the nomber thereof sixe and fourty thousand and fiue hundreth. And by him shall the tribe of Simeon pitch, 12 and the captaiue ouer the sonnes of Simeon shall be Shelumiel the sonne of Zurishaddai: And his hoste, and the nomber of 13 them, nine and fiftie thousand and three hundreth. And the 14 tribe of Gad, and the captaine ouer the sonnes of Gad shall be Eliasaph the sonne of Deuel: And his host and the nomber 15 of the were fiue and fourtye thousande, sixe hundreth and fiftie. All the nomber of the campe of Reuben were an hun- 16 dreth and one and fiftie thousande, and foure hundreth and fiftie according to their armies, and they shall set foorth in the seconde place. Then the Tabernacle of the Congregation shall 17 goe with the host of the Leuites, in the mids of the campe as they have pitched, so shall they goe forwarde, every man in his

18 order according to their standerds. The standerd of the campe of Ephraim shalbe toward the west according to their armies: and ye captaine ouer the sonnes of Ephraim shall be Elishama 19 the sonne of Ammihud: And his host and the nomber of the 20 were fortie thousand and fiue hundreth. And by him shalbe the tribe of Manasseh, and the captaine ouer the sonnes of 21 Manasseh shalbe Gamliel the sonne of Pedahzur: hoste and the number of them were two and thirtie thousand 22 and two hundreth. And the tribe of Beniamin, and ye captaine ouer the sonnes of Beniamin shalbe Abidan the sonne of 23 Gideoni: And his host, and the nomber of the were fiue and 24 thirtie thousand and foure hundreth. All the nomber of the campe of Ephraim were an hundreth and eight thousande and one hundreth according to their armies, and they shall go in 25 the third place. The standard of the host of Dan shalbe toward the North according to their armies: and the captaine ouer the children of Dan shall be Ahiezer the sonne of Ammishaddai: 26 And his host and the number of them were two and threescore 27 thousand and seue hundreth. And by him shall the tribe of Asher pitch, and the captaine ouer the sonnes of Asher shalbe 28 Pagiel the sonne of Ocran. And his host and the nomber of 29 them were one and fourtie thousand and five hundreth. Then the tribe of Naphtali, and the captaine ouer the children of 30 Naphtali shall be Ahira the sonne of Enan: And his host and the nomber of them were three and fiftie thousand and foure 31 hundreth. All the number of the host of Dan was an hundreth. and seuen and fiftie thousand and sixe hundreth: they shall 32 goe hinmost with their standerdes. These are the summes of the childre of Israel by ye houses of their fathers, all the nomber of ye host, according to their armies, six hundreth and 33 three thousand, fiue hundreth and fiftie. But the Leuites were not nombred among the children of Israel, as the Lord had 34 commanded Moses. And the children of Israel did according to all that the Lord had commanded Moses: so they pitched according to their standards, and so they journeyed euery one with his families, according to the houses of their fathers.

These also were the generations of Aaron and Moses, in the day that the Lord spake with Moses in mount Sinai. So these are the names of the sonnes of Aaron, Nadab the first borne, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar. These are the names of the

sonnes of Aaron the anovnted Priests, whom Moses did consecrate to minister in the Priests office. And Nadab and Abihu 4 died before the Lord, when they offred strange fire before the Lord in the wildernesse of Sinai, and had no children: but Eleazar and Ithamar serued in ye Priestes office in the sight of Aaron their father. Then the Lord spake vnto Moses, saving, 5 Bring the tribe of Leui, and set the before Aaron the Priest 6 that they may serue him, And take the charge with him, euen 7 the charge of the whole Congregation before the Tabernacle of the Congregation to doe the seruice of the Tabernacle. shall also keepe all the instruments of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and have the charge of the children of Israel to doe the seruice of the Tabernacle. And thou shalt give the 9 Leuites vnto Aaron and to his sonnes: for they are given him freely from among the children of Israel. And thou shalt ap- 10 point Aaron and his sonnes to execute their Priestes office: and the stranger that commeth neere, shalbe slavne. Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Beholde, I haue euen taken 12 the Leuites from among the childre of Israel: for al the first borne that openeth the matrice among the children of Israel, and the Leuites shalbe mine. Because all the first borne are 13 mine: for the same day, that I smote all the first borne in the land of Egypt, I sanctified vnto me all the first borne in Israel, both man and beast: mine they shalbe: I am the Lord. More- 14 ouer, the Lord spake vnto Moses in the wildernesse of Sinai, saying, Nomber the children of Leui after the houses of their 15 fathers, in their families: euery male from a moneth olde and aboue shalt thou nomber. Then Moses nombred them according to the word of the Lord, as he was commanded. And these 17 are the sonnes of Leui by their names, Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari. Also these are the names of the sonnes of Ger- 18 shon by their families: Libni and Shimei. The sonnes also 19 of Kohath by their families: Amram, and Izehar, Hebron, and Vzziel. And the sonnes of Merari by their families: Mahli and 20 Mushi. These are the families of Leui, according to the houses of their fathers. Of Gershon came the familie of the Libnites, 21 and the familie of the Shimeites: these are the families of the Gershonites. The summe whereof (after the nomber of all 22 the males from a moneth olde and aboue) was counted seuen thousand and five hundreth. The families of the Gershonites 23 24 shall pitch behind the Tabernacle westward. The captaine and auncient of the house of the Gershonites shalbe Eliasaph 25 the sonne of Lael. And the charge of the sonnes of Gershon in the Tabernacle of the Congregation shall be the Tabernacle, and the paulion, the couering thereof, and the vaile of the dore 26 of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, And the hanging of the court, and the vaile of the doore of the court, which is neere the Tabernacle, and neere ve Altar round about, and the cordes of 27 it for all the service thereof. And of Kohath came the familie of the Amramites, and the familie of the Izeharites, and the familie of the Hebronites, and the familie of the Vzzielites: 28 these are the families of the Kohathites. The nomber of all the males from a moneth olde and aboue was eight thousand 29 and sixe hundreth, having the charge of the Sanctuarie. The families of the sonnes of Kohath shall pitch on the Southside The captaine and auncient of the house. 30 of the Tabernacle. and families of the Kohathites shall be Elizaphan the sonne of 31 Vzziel: And their charge shalbe the Arke, and the Table, and the Candlesticke, and the altars, and the instruments of the Sanctuarie that they minister with, and the vaile, and all that 32 serueth thereto. And Eleazar the sonne of Aaron the Priest shalbe chiefe captaine of the Leuites, having the oversight of 33 them that have the charge of the Sanctuarie. Of Merari came the familie of the Mahlites, and the familie of the Mushites: 34 these are the families of Merari. And the summe of them, according to the nomber of all the males, from a moneth olde and 35 aboue was sixe thousand and two hundreth. The captaine and the ancient of the house of the families of Merari shalbe Zuriel the sonne of Abihail: they shall pitche on the Northside of the Tabernacle. And in ye charge and custodie of the sonnes of Merari shall be the boardes of the Tabernacle, and the barres thereof, and his pillars, and his sockets, and al the instruments 37 therof, and al that serueth thereto, With the pillars of the court round about, with their sockets, and their pins and their Also on the forefront of the Tabernacle toward the East, before the Tabernacle, I say, of the Congregation Eastwarde shall Moses and Aaron and his sonnes pitch, hauing the charge of the Sanctuarie, and the charge of the children of Israel: but the stranger that commeth neere, shall be slayne. 39 The wholesumme of ve Leuites, which Moses and Aaron nombred at the commandement of the Lord throughout their families, euen al the males from a moneth olde and aboue, was two and twentie thousand. And the Lord said vnto Moses, 40 Nomber all the first borne that are Males among the children of Israel, from a moneth old and aboue, and take the nomber of their names. And thou shalt take ye Leuites to me for all 41 the first borne of the children of Israel (I am the Lord) and the cattell of the Leuites for all the first borne of the cattell of the children of Israel. And Moses nombred, as the Lord com- 42 manded him, all the first borne of the children of Israel. And 43 all the first borne males rehearsed by name (from a moneth olde and aboue) according to their nomber were two and twentie thousand, two hundreth seuentie and three. And the Lord 44 spake vnto Moses, saving. Take the Leuites for all the first 45 borne of the children of Israel, and the cattell of the Leuites for their cattel, and the Leuites shalbe mine. (I am the Lord) And for the redeeming of the two hundreth seuentie and three, 46 (which are moe then the Leuites) of the first borne of the children of of Israel. Thou shalt also take fiue shekels for euery 47 person: after the weight of the Sanctuarie shalt thou take it: ye shekel conteineth twenty gerahs. And thou shalt give the 48 money, wherwith the odde nomber of them is redeemed, vnto Aaron and to his sonnes. Thus Moses tooke the redemption of 49 the that were redeemed, being more then the Leuites: Of the 50 first borne of the children of Israel tooke he the mony: eue a thousand three hundreth three score and fine shekels after the shekel of the Sanctuarie. And Moses gaue the money of them 51 that were redeemed, vnto Aaron and to his sonnes according to the word of the Lord, as the Lord had commanded Moses.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, and to Aaron, saying, Take 4, 2 the summe of the sonnes of Kohath from among the sonnes of Leui, after their families, and houses of their fathers, From 3 thirtie yeere olde and aboue, euen vntill fiftie yeere olde, all that enter into the assemblie to do the worke in the Tabernacle of the Congregation. This shall be the office of the sonnes 4 of Kohath in the Tabernacle of the Congregation about the Holiest of all. When the hoste remoueth, then Aaron and his 5 sonnes shall come and take downe the couering vaile, and shall couer the Arke of the Testimonie therewith. And they shall 6 put thereon a couering of badgers skinnes, and shall spread

vpon it a cloth altogether of blewe silke, and put to the barres 7 thereof: And vpon ye table of shew bread they shall spread a cloth of blewe silke, and put thereon the dishes, and the incense cups, and goblets, and couerings to couer it with, and 8 the bread shall be thereon continually: And they shall spread vpon them a couering of skarlet, and couer the same with a couering of badgers skinnes, and put to the barres thereof. 9 Then they shall take a cloth of blewe silke, and couer the candlesticke of light with his lampes and his snuffers, and his snuffedishes, and al the oyle vessels thereof, which they oc-10 cupie about it. So they shall put it, and all the instruments thereof in a couering of badgers skinnes, and put it vpon the 11 barres. Also vpon the golden altar they shall spread a cloth of blewe silke, and couer it with a couering of badgers skinnes, 12 and put to the barres thereof. And they shall take all the instruments of the ministerie wherewith they minister in the Sanctuarie, and put them in a cloth of blew silke, and couer the with a couering of badgers skinnes, and put them on the bar-13 res. Also they shall take away the ashes from the altar, and 14 spread a purple cloth vpon it, And shall put vpon it all the instruments thereof, which they occupie about it: the censers, the fleshhookes and the besomes, and the basens, euen al the instruments of the altar and they shall spread vpon it a couer-15 ing of badgers skinnes, and put to the barres of it. And when Aaron and his sonnes haue made an ende of couering the Sanctuarie, and al the instruments of the Sanctuarie, at the remouing of the host, afterward the sonnes of Kohath shall come to beare it, but they shall not touch any holy thing, lest they dye. This is the charge of the sonnes of Kohath in the Taber-16 nacle of the Congregation. And to the office of Eleazar the sonne of Aaron the Priest pertaineth the oyle for the light, and the sweete incense and the dayly meat offring, and the anointing oyle, with the ouersight of all the Tabernacle, and of all that therein is, both in the Sanctuarie and in all the in-17 struments thereof. And the Lord spake vnto Moses and to 18 Aaron, saying, Ye shall not cut off the tribe of the families 19 of the Kohathites from among the Leuites: But thus do vnto them, that they may liue and not die, when they come neere to the most holy things: let Aaron and his sonnes come and ap-20 poynt them, euery one to his office, and to his charge. But let them not goe in, to see when the Sanctuarie is folden vp, lest they die. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Take also 21, 22 ve summe of the sonnes of Gershon, euery one by the houses of their fathers throughout their families: From thirtie vere old 23 and aboue, vntil fiftie vere old shalt thou nomber them, al that enter into the assemblie for to do service in the Tabernacle of the Congregation. This shall be the service of the families of 24 the Gershonites, to serue and to beare. They shall beare the 25 curtaines of the Tabernacle, and the Tabernacle of the Congregation, his couering, and the couering of badgers skinnes, that is on hie vpon it, and the vavle of the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation: The curtaines also of the court, and 26 the vaile of the entring in of the gate of the court, which is neere the Tabernacle and neere the altar round about, with their cordes, and all the instruments for their seruice, and all that is made for them: so shall they serue. At the comman- 27 dement of Aaron and his sonnes shall all the service of the sonnes of ve Gershonites bee done, in all their charges and in all their seruice, and ve shall appoint them to keepe all their This is the service of the families of the sonnes of 28 the Gershonites in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and their watch shall be vnder the hande of Ithamar the sonne of Aaron the Priest. Thou shalt nomber the sonnes of Merari 29 by their families, and by the houses of their fathers: From 30 thirty yere olde and aboue, euen vnto fiftie yere olde shalt thou nomber the, all that enter into the assemblie, to doe the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. And this is their office 31 and charge according to all their seruice in the Tabernacle of the Congregation: the boardes of the Tabernacle with the barres thereof, and his pillars, and his sockets, And the pillars 32 rounde about the court, with their sockets and their pinnes, and their cords, with all their instruments, euen for all their seruice: and by name ye shall recken the instruments of their office and charge. This is the service of the families of the 33 sonnes of Merari, according to all their seruice in the Tabernacle of the Congregation vnder the hand of Ithamar the sonne of Aaron the Priest. Then Moses and Aaron and the princes 34 of the Congregation nombred the sonnes of the Kohathites, by their families and by the houses of their fathers, From thirtie 35 yeere olde and aboue, euen vnto fiftie yere olde, all that en-

ter into the assemblie for the seruice of the Tabernacle of ye 36 Congregation. So the nombers of the throughout their fami-37 lies were two thousande, seuen hundreth and fiftie. These are the nombers of the families of the Kohathites, al that serue in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, which Moses and Aaron did nomber according to the commandement of the Lord by the 38 hand of Moses. Also the nombers of the sonnes of Gershon 39 throughout their families and houses of their fathers, From thirtie vere olde and vpwarde, euen vnto fiftie vere olde: all that enter into the assemblie for the seruice of the Tabernacle 40 of the Cogregation. So the numbers of them by their families, and by the houses of their fathers were two thousand sixe 41 hundreth and thirtie. These are the nombers of the families of the sonnes of Gershon: of all that did service in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, whom Moses and Aaron did nomber 42 according to the commandement of the Lord. The nombers also of the families of the sonnes of Merari by their families, 43 and by the houses of their fathers, From thirtie yeere olde and vpwarde, euen vnto fiftie yeere olde: all that enter into the assemblie for the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Congre-44 gation. So the nombers of them by their families were three 45 thousand, and two hundreth. These are the summes of ye families of the sonnes of Merari, whom Moses and Aaron nombred according to the commandement of the Lord, by the hand 46 of Moses. So all the nombers of the Leuites, which Moses, and Aaron, and the princes of Israel nombred by their families and 47 by the houses of their fathers, From thirtie yere olde and vpward, euen to fiftie veere olde, euery one that came to doe his duetie, office, seruice and charge in the Tabernacle of the Con-48 gregation. So the nombers of them were eight thousand, fiue 49 hundreth and foure score. According to the commandement of the Lord by the hand of Moses did Aaron nomber them, euery one according to his seruice, and according to his charge. Thus were they of that tribe nombred, as the Lord commanded Moses.

5, 2 And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Commaund the children of Israel that they put out of the hoste euery leper, and euery one that hath an issue, and whosoeuer is defiled 3 by the dead. Both male and female shall ye put out: out of the hoste shall yee put them, that they defile not their tentes

among whome I dwell. And the children of Israel did so, and 4 put them out of the host, euen as the Lord had commanded Moses, so did the children of Israel. And the Lord spake 5 vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the children of Israel, When 6 a man or woman shall commit any sinne that men commit, and transgresse against the Lord, when that person shall trespasse. Then they shall confesse their sinne which they have 7 done, and shall restore the domage thereof with his principall, and put the fift part of it more thereto, and shall give it vnto him, against whom he hath trespassed. But if the man haue 8 no kinseman, to whom he shoulde restore the domage, the domage shall be restored to the Lord for the Priests vse besides the ramme of the atonement, whereby hee shall make atone-And euery offring of all the holy thinges of 9 ment for him. the children of Israel, which they bring vnto the Priest, shalbe And euery mans halowed things shall bee his: that is. 10 whatsoeuer any man giueth the Priest, it shalbe his. the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the children 12 of Israel, and say vnto them, If any mans wife turne to euill, and commit a trespasse against him, So that an other man 13 lie with her fleshly, and it bee hid from the eyes of her husband, and kept close, and yet she be defiled, and there be no witnesse against her, neither she taken with the maner, If he 14 be moued with a ielous minde, so that he is ielous ouer his wife, which is defiled, or if he have a ielous minde, so that he is ielous ouer his wife, which is not defiled. Then shall the 15 man bring his wife to the Priest, and bring her offering with her, the tenth part of an Ephah of barly meale, but he shall not powre oyle vpon it, nor put incense thereon: for it is an offring of ielousie, an offring for a remembrance, calling the sinne to minde: And the Priest shall bring her, and set her before the 16 Lord. Then the Priest shall take the holy water in an earthen 17 vessel, and of the dust that is in the floore of the Tabernacle, euen the Priest shall take it and put it into the water. After, 18 the Priest shall set the woman before the Lord, and vncouer the womans head, and put the offring of the memorial in her hands: it is the ielousie offering, and the Priest shall have bitter and cursed water in his hand. And the Priest shall charge 19 her by an othe, and say vnto the woman, If no man haue lien with thee, neither thou hast turned to vncleannesse from thine

20 husband, be free from this bitter and cursed water. But if thou hast turned from thine husband, and so art defiled, and 21 some man hath lyen with thee beside thine husband, (Then the Priest shall charge the woman with an othe of cursing, and the Priest shall say vnto the woman) The Lord make thee to be accursed, and detestable for the othe among thy people, and 22 the Lord cause thy thigh to rot, and thy belly to swell: And that this cursed water may goe into thy bowels, to cause thy belly to swell, and thy thigh to rot. Then the woman shall an-23 swere, Amen, Amen. After, the Priest shall write these curses 24 in a booke, and shall blot them out with the bitter water, And shall cause the woman to drinke ye bitter and cursed water, and the cursed water, turned into bitternesse, shall enter into 25 her. Then the Priest shall take the ielousie offring out of the womans hand, and shall shake the offring before the Lord, and 26 offer it vpon ye altar. And the Priest shall take an handfull of the offring for a memorial thereof, and burne it vpon the al-27 tar, and afterwarde make the woman drinke the water. When vee haue made her drinke the water, (if she bee defiled and haue trespassed against her husband) then shall the cursed water, turned into bitternesse, enter into her, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall rot, and the woman shall be 28 accursed among her people. But if the woman bee not defiled, but bee cleane, she shalbe free and shall conceiue and 29 beare. This is the law of ielousie, when a wife turneth from 30 her husband and is defiled, Or when a man is moued with a ielous minde being ielous ouer his wife then shall he bring the woman before the Lord, and the Priest shall do to her accord-31 ing to al this lawe, And the man shalbe free from sinne, but this woman shall beare her iniquitie.

6, 2 And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, When a man or a woman doeth separate themselues to vowe a vowe of a Nazarite to separate himselfe vnto the Lord, He shall abstaine from wine and strong drinke, and shall drinke no sowre wine nor sowre drinke, nor shall drinke any licour of grapes, neither shall eate fresh grapes nor dryed. As long as his abstinence endureth, shall hee eat nothing that is made of the wine of the vine, neither the kernels, nor the huske. While hee is separate by his vowe, the rasor shall not come vpon his head, vntill the dayes

be out, in the which he separateth him selfe vnto the Lord, he shalbe holy, and shall let the lockes of the heare of his head growe. During the time that he separateth himselfe vnto the 6 Lord, he shall come at no dead body: Hee shall not make him-7 selfe vncleane at the death of his father, or mother, brother, or sister: for the consecration of his God is vpon his head. the dayes of his separation he shalbe holy to the Lord. And 9 if any dye suddenly by him, or hee beware, then the head of his consecration shall be defiled, and he shall shaue his head in the day of his clensing: in the seuenth day he shall shaue it. And in the eight day hee shall bring two turtles, or two yong 10 pigeons to the Priest, at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. Then the Priest shall prepare the one for a sinne 11 offering, and the other for a burnt offering, and shall make an atonement for him, because he sinned by the dead: so shall he halowe his head the same day. And he shall consecrate vnto 12 the Lord the dayes of his separation, and shall bring a lambe of a yeere olde for a trespasse offering, and the first dayes shalbe voide: for his consecration was defiled. This then is the lawe 13 of the Nazarite: When the time of his consecration is out, he shall come to the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, And hee shall bring his offering vnto the Lord, an hee lambe of 14 a veere olde without blemish for a burnt offering, and a shee lambe of a yere olde without blemish for a sinne offring, and a ramme without blemish for peace offrings, And a basket of 15 vnleauened bread, of cakes of fine floure, mingled with oyle, and wafers of vnleauened bread anointed with oile, with their meate offring, and their drinke offrings: The which the Priest 16 shall bring before the Lord, and make his sinne offering and his burnt offering. He shall prepare also the ram for a peace 17 offring vnto the Lord, with the basket of vnleauened bread, and the Priest shall make his meate offring, and his drinke offring. And the Nazarite shall shaue the head of his consecration at 18 the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and shall take the heare of the head of his consecration, and put it in the fire, which is vnder the peace offring. Then the Priest shall take 19 ve sodden shoulder of the ramme, and an vnleauened cake out of the basket, and a wafer vnleauened, and put them vpon the hands of the Nazarite, after he hath shauen his consecration. And the Priest shall shake them to and from before the Lord: 20 this is an holy thing for the Priest besides the shaken breast, and besides the heaue shoulder: so afterwarde the Nazarite may drinke wine. This is the Lawe of the Nazarite, which he hath vowed, and of his offering vnto the Lord for his consecration, besides that that hee is able to bring: according to the vowe which he vowed, so shall he do after the lawe of his consecration. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto Aaron and to his sonnes, saying, Thus shall ye blesse the childre of Israel, and say vnto them, The Lord blesse thee, and keepe thee, The Lord make his face shine vpon thee, and be merciful vnto thee, The Lord lift vp his coutenance vpon thee, and giue thee peace. So they shall put my Name vpon the children of Israel, and I wil blesse them.

Nowe when Moses had finished the setting vp of the Taber-7 nacle, and anointed it and sanctified it, and all the instruments thereof, and the altar with al the instruments thereof, and had 2 anounted them and sanctified them. Then the princes of Israel. heads ouer the houses of their fathers (they were the princes of the tribes, who were ouer them that were nombred) 3 offred, And brought their offring before the Lord, sixe couered charets, and twelue oxen: one charet for two princes, and for euery one an oxe, and they offred them before the Taberna-4.5 cle. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Take these of them, that they may be to doe the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and thou shalt give them vnto the Leuites, 6 to euery man according vnto his office. So Moses tooke the 7 charets and the oxen, and gaue them vnto the Leuites: Two charets and foure oxen hee gaue to the sonnes of Gershon, ac-8 cording vnto their office. And foure charets and eight oxen hee gaue to the sonnes of Merari according vnto their office, vnder 9 the hand of Ithamar the sonne of Aaron the Priest. But to the sonnes of Kohath he gaue none, because the charge of the Sanctuarie belonged to them, which they did beare vpon their 10 shoulders. The princes also offered in the dedication for the altar in the day that it was anounted: then the princes offered 11 their offering before the altar. And the Lord sayd vnto Moses, One prince one day, and an other prince an other day shall of-12 fer their offring, for the dedication of the altar. So then on the first day did Nahshon the sonne of Amminadab of ye tribe of 13 Iudah offer his offring. And his offring was a siluer charger

of an hundreth and thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuenty shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, both ful of fine floure, mingled with oyle, for a meate offring, An incense 14 cup of gold of tenne shekels, ful of incense, A yong bullocke, a 15 ram, a lambe of a yeere olde for a burnt offring. An hee goate 16 for a sinne offring, And for peace offrings, two bullockes, fiue 17 rams, fiue hee goates, and fiue lambes of a yeere olde: this was the offring of Nahshon the sonne of Amminadab. The 18 second day Nethaneel, the sonne of Zuar, prince of the tribe of Issachar did offer: Who offred for his offring a siluer charger 19 of an hundreth and thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuentie shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, both ful of fine floure, mingled with oyle, for a meat offring, An in- 20 cense cup of gold of ten shekels, ful of incense, A yong bul- 21 locke, a ram, a lambe of a yeere olde for a burnt offring, An 22 hee goate for a sinne offring, And for peace offrings, two bul- 23 lockes, fiue rammes, fiue hee goates, fiue lambes of a veere olde: this was the offring of Nethaneel the sonne of Zuar. The 24 third day Eliab the sonne of Helon prince of the children of Zebulun offred. His offring was a siluer charger of an hundreth 25 and thirty shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuentie shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, both ful of fine floure, mingled with oyle, for a meate offring, A golden incense cup of 26 ten shekels, ful of incense, A yong bullocke, a ram, a lambe of 27 a yeere olde for a burnt offring, An hee goate for a sinne offring, And for peace offrings, two bullockes, fiue rammes, fiue 29 hee goates, fiue lambes of a yeere olde: this was the offering of Eliab the sonne of Helon. The fourth day Elizur ye sonne of 30 Shedeur prince of the children of Reuben offred. His offring 31 was a siluer charger of an hundreth and thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuentie shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuary, both ful of fine floure, mingled with oyle, for a meate offring, A golden incense cup of ten shekels, full of incense, A 32, 33 yong bullocke, a ram, a lambe of a yere olde for a burnt offring, An hee goate for a sinne offring, And for a peace offring, two 34, 35 bullockes, fiue rammes, fiue hee goates, and fiue lambes of a yere olde: this was the offering of Elizur the sonne of Shedeur. The fifth day Shelumiel the sonne of Zurishaddai, prince of the 36 children of Simeon offered. His offring was a siluer charger 37 of an hundreth and thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of

seuentie shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuary, both ful of 38 fine floure, mingled with oyle, for a meate offring, A golden 39 incense cup of ten shekels, full of incense, A yong bullocke, a 40 ram, a lambe of a yeere olde for a burnt offring, An hee goate 41 for a sinne offring, And for a peace offring, two bullocks, fiue rammes, fiue hee goates, fiue lambes of a yere old: this was 42 the offering of Shelumiel the sonne of Zurishaddai. The sixt day Eliasaph the sonne of Deuel prince of the children of Gad 43 offred. His offring was a siluer charger of an hundreth and thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuentie shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, both ful of fine floure, mingled 44 with oyle, for a meate offring, A golden incense cup of ten 45 shekels, full of incense, A yong bullocke, a ram, a lambe of a 46 vere olde, for a burnt offring. An hee goate for a sinne offring, 47 And for a peace offering, two bullockes, fiue rammes, fiue hee goates, fiue lambes of a yere olde: this was the offring of Elias-48 aph the sonne of Deuel. The seuenth day Elishama the sonne 49 of Ammiud prince of the children of Ephraim offered. His offring was a siluer charger of an hundreth and thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuentie shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuary, both full of fine floure, mingled with oyle, for 50 a meate offering, A golden incense cup of ten shekels, full of 51 incense, A yong bullocke, a ram, a lambe of a yeere olde for 52,53 a burnt offring, An hee goate for a sinne offring, And for a peace offring, two bullockes, fiue rammes, fiue hee goates, fiue lambes of a yeere olde: this was the offring of Elishama the 54 sonne of Ammiud. The eight day offred Gamliel the sonne of 55 Pedazur, prince of the children of Manasseh. His offring was a siluer charger of an hundreth and thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuentie shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, both full of fine floure, mingled with oyle, for a meate 56, 57 offring, A golden incense cup of ten shekels, full of incense, A yong bullocke, a ram, a lambe of a yeere olde for a burnt offring, 58,59 An hee goate for a sinne offring, And for a peace offring, two bullockes, fiue rammes, fiue hee goates, fiue lambes of a yeere 60 olde: this was the offring of Gamliel the sonne of Pedazur. The ninth day Abidan the sonne of Gideoni prince of the children 61 of Beniamin offered. His offring was a siluer charger of an hundreth and thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuentie shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, both full of fine

floure, mingled with oyle, for a meate offring, A golden in- 62 cense cup of ten shekels, full of incense, A yong bullocke, a 63 ram, a lambe of a yeere olde for a burnt offring, An hee goate 64 for a sinne offring, And for a peace offring, two bullockes, fiue 65 rammes, fiue hee goates, fiue lambes of a yeere olde: this was the offring of Abidan the sonne of Gideoni. The tenth day 66 Ahiezer the sonne of Ammishaddai, prince of the children of Dan offred. His offring was a siluer charger of an hundreth 67 and thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuentie shekels. after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, both full of fine floure, mingled with oyle, for a meate offring, A golden incense cup of 68 ten shekels full of incense, A yong bullocke, a ram, a lambe 69 of a veere olde for a burnt offring, An hee goate for a sinne 70 offring. And for a peace offring, two bullocks, fiue rammes, 71 fiue hee goates, fiue lambes of a yeere olde: this was the offring of Ahiezer the sonne of Ammishaddai. The eleuenth day 72 Pagiel the sonne of Ocran, prince of the children of Asher offred. His offring was a siluer charger of an hundreth and 73 thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuentie shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, both full of fine floure, mingled with oyle, for a meate offring, A golden incense cup of ten 74 shekels, ful of incense, A yong bullocke, a ram, a lambe of 75 a yere olde for a burnt offring, An hee goate for a sinne of- 76 fring, And for a peace offring, two bullockes, fiue rams, fiue 77 he goates, fiue lambes of a yeere olde: this was the offring of Pagiel the sonne of Ocran. The twelfth day Ahira the sonne 78 of Enan, prince of the children of Naphtali offred, His offring 79 was a siluer charger of an hundreth and thirtie shekels weight, a siluer boule of seuentie shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, both full of fine floure, mingled with oyle, for a meate offring, A golden incense cup of ten shekels, ful of incense, A 80, 81 yong bullocke, a ram, a lambe of a yere olde for a burnt offring, An hee goate for a sinne offring, And for peace offerings, two 82,83 bullockes, fiue rammes, fiue hee goates, fiue lambes of a yeere olde: this was the offering of Ahira the sonne of Enan. was the dedication of the Altar by the princes of Israel, whe it was anointed: twelue chargers of siluer, twelue siluer boules, twelue incense cuppes of golde, Euery charger, conteining an 85 hundreth and thirtie shekels of siluer, and euery boule seuentie: all the silver vessell conteined two thousande and foure

hundreth shekels, after the shekell of the Sanctuarie. Twelue incense cups of gold ful of incense, conteining ten shekels euery cup, after the shekell of the Sanctuarie: all the gold of the incense cups was an hundreth and twentie shekels. All the bullockes for the burnt offering were twelue bullocks, the rams twelue, the lambs of a yeere olde twelue, with their meate offrings, and twelue hee goates for a sinne offring. And all the bullocks for the peace offrings were foure and twentie bullockes, the rammes sixtie, the hee goates sixtie, the lambes of a yeere olde sixtie: this was the dedication of the Altar, after that it was anointed. And when Moses went into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, to speake with God, he heard the voyce of one speaking vnto him from the Merciseat, that was vpon the Arke of the Testimonie betweene the two Cherubims, and he spake to him.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto Aaron, **8**. 2 and say vnto him, When thou lightest the lampes, the seuen lampes shall give light towarde the forefront of the Candle-3 sticke. And Aaron did so, lighting the lampes thereof towarde ye forefront of the Candlesticke, as the Lord had commanded 4 Moses. And this was the worke of the Candlesticke, euen of golde beaten out with the hammer, both the shafte, and the flowres thereof was beaten out with the hammer: according to the paterne, which the Lord had shewed Moses, so made 5 he the Candlesticke. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, 6 Take the Leuites from among the children of Israel, and purifie 7 them. And thus shalt thou doe vnto them, when thou purifiest them, Sprinckle water of purification vpon them, and let them shaue all their flesh, and wash their clothes: so they shalbe 8 cleane. Then they shall take a yong bullocke with his meate offring of fine floure, mingled with oyle, and another yong bul-9 locke shalt thou take for a sinne offring. Then thou shalt bring the Leuites before the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and as-10 seble all the Congregation of the children of Israel. Thou shalt bring the Leuites also before the Lord, and the children of Is-11 rael shall put their handes vpon the Leuites. And Aaron shall offer the Leuites before the Lord, as a shake offring of ye childre of Israel, that they may execute the seruice of the Lord. 12 And the Leuites shall put their handes vpon the heades of the bullockes, and make thou the one a sinne offring, and the other

a burnt offring vnto the Lord, that thou mayest make an atonement for the Leuites. And thou shalt set the Leuites before 13 Aaron and before his sonnes, and offer the as a shake offring to the Lord. Thus thou shalt separate the Leuites from among 14 the children of Israel, and the Leuites shall be mine. And af- 15 terwarde shall the Leuites goe in, to serue in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and thou shalt purifie them and offer them, as a shake offering. For they are freely given vnto me from 16 among the children of Israel, for such as open any wombe: for all the first borne of the children of Israel haue I taken them vnto me. For all the first borne of the children of Israel are 17 mine, both of man and of beast: since the day that I smote euery first borne in the land of Egypt, I sanctified them for my selfe. And I have taken the Leuites for all the first borne of the 18 children of Israel, And haue given the Leuites as a gift vnto 19 Aaron, and to his sonnes from among the children of Israel, to do the service of the children of Israel in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and to make an atonement for the children of Israel, that there be no plague among the children of Israel, when the children of Israel come neere vnto the Sanctuarie. Then Moses and Aaron and all the Cogregation of the children 20 of Israel did with the Leuites, according vnto all that the Lord had commanded Moses concerning the Leuites: so did the children of Israel vnto them. So the Leuites were purified, and 21 washed their clothes, and Aaron offred them as a shake offring before the Lord, and Aaron made an atonement for them, to purifie them. And after that, went the Leuites in to doe their 22 seruice in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, before Aaron and before his sonnes: as the Lord had commanded Moses concerning the Leuites, so they did vnto them. And the Lord 23 spake vnto Moses, saying, This also belongeth to the Leuites: 24 from fiue and twentie yeere olde and vpwarde, they shall goe in, to execute their office in the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. And after the age of fiftie yeere, they shall 25 cease from executing the office, and shall serue no more: But 26 they shall minister with their brethre in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, to keepe things committed to their charge, but they shall doe no seruice: thus shalt thou doe vnto the Leuites touching their charges.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses in the wildernes of Sinai, 9

in the first moneth of the second yeere, after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying, The children of Israel shall also celebrate the Passeouer at ye time appointed thereunto.

- 3 In the fourtenth day of this moneth at euen, ye shall keepe it in his due season: according to all the ordinances of it, and
- 4 according to all the ceremonies thereof shall ye keepe it. Then Moses spake vnto the children of Israel, to celebrate the Passeouer.
- 5 And they kept the Passeouer in the fouretenth day of the first moneth at euen in the wildernesse of Sinai: according to all that the Lord had comanded Moses, so did ye children of Is-
- 6 rael. And certaine men were defiled by a dead man, that they might not keepe the Passeouer the same day: and they
- 7 came before Moses and before Aaron the same day. And those men said vnto him, We are defiled by a dead man: wherefore are wee kept backe that we may not offer an offering vnto the Lord in the time thereunto appointed among the children of
- 8 Israel? Then Moses saide vnto them, Stande still, and I will
- 9 heare what the Lord will commande concerning you. And the
- 10 Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say, If any amog you, or of your posteritie shalbe vncleane by ye reason of a corps, or be in a log iourney, he shall
- 11 keepe the Passeouer vnto ye Lord. In the fourtenth day of the second moneth at euen they shall keepe it: with vnleauened
- 12 bread and sowre herbes shall they eate it. They shall leaue none of it vnto the morning, nor breake any bone of it: according to all the ordinance of the Passeouer shall they keepe
- it. But the man that is cleane and is not in a journey, and is negligent to keepe the Passeouer, the same person shalbe cut off from his people: because he brought not the offring of the
- Lord in his due season, that man shall beare his sinne. And if a stranger dwell among you, and wil keepe the Passeouer vnto the Lord, as the ordinance of the Passeouer, and as the maner thereof is, so shall he do: ye shall haue one lawe both for the stranger, and for him that was borne in the same lande.
- 15 And when the Tabernacle was reared vp, a cloude couered the Tabernacle, namely the Tabernacle of the Testimonie: and at euen there was vpon the Tabernacle, as the appearance of fire vntill the morning. So it was alway: the cloude couered it
- by day, and the appearance of fire by night. And when the cloude was taken vp from the Tabernacle, then afterwarde the

children of Israel iourneyed: and in the place where the cloude abode, there the children of Israel pitched their tents. At the 18 commandement of the Lord the children of Israel iourneved, and at the comandement of the Lord they pitched: as long as the cloude abode vpon the Tabernacle, they lay still. And 19 when the cloude taryed stil vpon the Tabernacle a long time, the childre of Israel kept the watch of the Lord, and iourneyed So when the cloud abode a few dayes vpon the Taber- 20 nacle, they abode in their tents according to the comandement of ve Lord: for they iourneyed at the commandement of the Lord. And though the cloud abode vpon the Tabernacle from 21 euen vnto the morning, vet if the cloude was taken vp in the morning, then they iourneyed: whether by daye or by night the cloude was taken vp. then they iourneved. Or if the cloude 22 tarved two dayes or a moneth, or a yeere vpon the Tabernacle, abiding thereon, the children of Israel abode still, and journeved not: but when it was taken vp, they iourneved. At the 23 commandement of the Lord they pitched, and at the commandement of the Lord they iourneyed, keeping the watch of the Lord at the commandement of the Lord by the hand of Moses.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Make thee two 10, 2 trumpets of siluer: of an whole piece shalt thou make the, that thou mayest vse them for the assembling of the Congregation, and for the departure of the campe. And when they shall 3 blowe with them, all the Congregation shall assemble to thee before the doore of the Tabernacle of the Cogregation. if they blowe with one, then the princes, or heades ouer the thousandes of Israel shall come vnto thee. But if ye blow an 5 alarme, then the campe of the that pitch on the East part, shall go forward. If ye blowe an alarme the second time, then the 6 hoste of them that lie on the Southside shall march: for they shall blowe an alarme when they remoue. But in assembling 7 the Congregation, ye shall blowe without an alarme. And the 8 sonnes of Aaron the Priest shall blowe the trumpets, and ye shall have them as a lawe for euer in your generations. And 9 when ye goe to warre in your lande against the enemie that vexeth you, ye shall blowe an alarme with the trumpets, and ye shall bee remembred before the Lord your God, and shalbe saued from your enemies. Also in the day of your gladnesse, 10 and in your feast dayes, and in the beginning of your moneths,

ye shall also blow the trumpets ouer your burnt sacrifices, and ouer your peace offrings, that they may be a remembrance for 11 you before your God: I am the Lord your God. And in the seconde yeere, in the seconde moneth, and in the twentieth day of the moneth the cloude was taken vp from the Taberna-12 cle of the Testimonie. And ye children of Israel departed on their iourneys out of the desart of Sinai, and the cloud rested 13 in the wildernesse of Paran. So they first tooke their journey 14 at the comandement of the Lord, by ye hand of Moses. In the first place went the standerd of the hoste of the children of Iudah, according to their armies: and Nahshon the sonne of Am-15 minabad was ouer his band. And ouer the band of the tribe of the children of Issachar was Nethaneel ve sonne of Zuar. 16 And ouer the band of the tribe of the children of Zebulun was 17 Eliab the sonne of Helon. When the Tabernacle was taken downe, then the sonnes of Gershon, and the sonnes of Mer-18 ari went forward bearing the Tabernacle. After, departed the standerd of the hoste of Reuben, according to their armies, and 19 ouer his band was Elizur the sonne of Shedeur. And ouer the band of the tribe of ye children of Simeon was Shelumiel the 20 sonne of Shurishaddai. And ouer the bande of the tribe of ye 21 children of Gad was Eliasaph the sonne of Deuel. The Kohathites also went forward and bare the Sanctuarie, and the 22 former did set vp the Tabernacle against they came. Then the standerd of the hoste of the children of Ephraim went forward according to their armies, and ouer his bande was Elishama 23 the sonne of Ammiud. And ouer the band of the tribe of ye 24 sonnes of Manasseh was Gamliel the sonne of Pedazur. And ouer the band of ye tribe of the sonnes of Beniamin was Abidan 25 the sonne of Gideoni. Last, the standerd of the hoste of the children of Dan marched, gathering all ye hostes according to their armies: and ouer his bande was Ahiezer the sonne of Am-26 mishaddai. And ouer the bande of the tribe of the children of 27 Asher was Pagiel the sonne of Ocran. And ouer the bande of the tribe of the children of Naphtali was Ahira ye sonne of 28 Enan. These were the remouings of the children of Israel ac-29 cording to their armies, whe they marched. After, Moses said vnto Hobab ye sonne of Reuel the Midianite, ye father in law of Moses, We go into the place, of which ye Lord said, I will giue it you: Come thou with vs, and we wil doe thee good: for

ye Lord hath promised good vnto Israel. And he answered 30 him, I will not goe: but I will depart to mine owne countrey, and to my kindred. Then he sayd, I pray thee, leaue vs not: 31 for thou knowest our camping places in the wildernesse: therefore thou mayest be our guide. And if thou go with vs, what 32 goodnes the Lord shall shew vnto vs, the same will we shewe vnto thee. So they departed from the mount of the Lord, three 33 dayes iourney: and the Arke of the couenant of the Lord went before them in the three dayes iourney, to searche out a resting place for them. And the cloude of the Lord was vpon the by 34 day, when they went out of the campe. And when the Arke 35 went forwarde, Moses saide, Rise vp, Lord, and let thine enemies bee scattered, and let them that hate thee, flee before thee. And when it rested, hee sayde, Returne, O Lord, to the 36 many thousands of Israel.

When the people became murmurers, it displeased the Lord: 11 and the Lord heard it, therefore his wrath was kindled, and the fire of the Lord burnt among them, and consumed the vtmost parte of the hoste. Then the people cryed vnto Moses: and 2 when Moses praied vnto the Lord, the fire was guenched. And 3 he called the name of that place Taberah, because the fire of the Lord burnt among them. And a nomber of people that was 4 amog them, fell a lusting, and turned away, and the children of Israel also wept, and saide, Who shall give vs flesh to eate? We remember the fish which we did eat in Egypt for nought, 5 the cucumbers, and the pepons, and the leekes, and the onions, and the garleke. But now our soule is dryed away, we can see 6 nothing but this Man. (The Man also was as coriander seede, 7 and his colour like the colour of bdelium. The people went 8 about and gathered it, and ground it in milles, or beat it in morters, and baked it in a cauldron, and made cakes of it, and the taste of it was like vnto the taste of fresh oyle. And when 9 the dewe fell downe vpon the hoste in the night, the Man fell with it) Then Moses heard the people weepe throughout their 10 families, euery man in the doore of his tent, and the wrath of the Lord was grieuously kindled: also Moses was grieued. And Moses saide vnto the Lord, Wherefore hast thou vexed thy 11 seruant? and why haue I not found fauour in thy sight, seeing thou hast put the charge of al this people vpon mee? Haue 12 I conceived al this people? or have I begotte them, that thou

shouldest say vnto me, Cary them in thy bosome (as a nurse beareth the sucking childe) vnto the lande, for the which thou 13 swarest vnto their fathers? Where should I haue flesh to give vnto al this people? for they weepe vnto me, saying, Giue vs 14 flesh that we may eate. I am not able to beare al this people 15 alone, for it is too heavie for me. Therefore if thou deale thus with mee, I pray thee, if I have founde favour in thy sight, 16 kill me, that I behold not my miserie. Then the Lord said vnto Moses, Gather vnto me seuetie men of ye Elders of Israel, whome thou knowest, that they are the Elders of the people, and gouernonrs ouer them, and bring them vnto the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and let them stand there with thee, 17 And I will come downe, and talke with thee there, and take of the Spirite, which is vpon thee, and put vpon them, and they shall beare the burthen of the people with thee: so thou shalt 18 not beare it alone. Furthermore thou shalt saye vnto the people, Bee sanctified against to morowe, and yee shall eate flesh: for you have wept in the eares of the Lord, saying, Who shall giue vs flesh to eate? for we were better in Egypt: therefore 19 the Lord will give you flesh, and ye shall eate. Ye shall not eat one day nor two daies, nor fiue daies, neither ten daies, nor 20 twentie dayes, But a whole moneth, vntill it come out at your nostrels, and bee lothesome vnto vou, because ve haue contemned the Lord, which is among you, and haue wept before 21 him, saying, Why came we hither out of Egypt? And Moses saide, Six hundreth thousande footemen are there of the people, among whom I am: and thou saiest, I will give them flesh, 22 that they may eate a moneth long. Shall the sheepe and the beeues be slaine for them, to finde them? either shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them to suffice them? 23 And the Lord saide vnto Moses, Is the Lordes hand shortened? thou shalt see now whether my word shall come to passe vnto 24 thee, or no. So Moses went out, and told the people the wordes of the Lord, and gathered seuentie men of the Elders of the 25 people, and set them round about the Tabernacle. Lord came downe in a cloude, and spake vnto him, and tooke of the Spirit that was vpon him, and put it vpon the seuentie Ancient men: and when the Spirit rested vpon them, then 26 they prophecied, and did not cease. But there remained two of the men in the hoste: the name of the one was Eldad, and

the name of the other Medad, and the Spirit rested vpon them, (for they were of them that were written, and went not out vnto the Tabernacle) and they prophecied in the hoste. Then 27 there ranne a yong man, and tolde Moses, and saide, Eldad and Medad doe prophesie in the hoste. And Ioshua the sonne 28 of Nun the seruant of Moses one of his yong men answered and said, My lord Moses, forbid them. But Moses saide vnto 29 him, Enuiest thou for my sake? yea, would God that all the Lordes people were Prophets, and that the Lord woulde put his Spirit vpon them. And Moses returned into the hoste, he 30 and the Elders of Israel. Then there went foorth a winde from 31 the Lord, and brought quailes from the Sea, and let them fall vpon the campe, a dayes iourney on this side, and a dayes iournev on the other side, round about the hoste, and they were about two cubites aboue the earth. Then the people arose, al 32 that day, and all the night, and all the next day, and gathered the quailes: he that gathered the least, gathered ten Homers full, and they spred them abroade for their vse round about the hoste. While the flesh was yet betweene their teeth, be- 33 fore it was chewed, euen the wrath of the Lord was kindled against the people, and the Lord smote the people with an exceeding great plague. So the name of the place was called, 34 Kibroth-hattaauah: for there they buried the people that fell a lusting. From Kibroth-hattaauah ye people tooke their iour- 35 ney to Hazeroth, and abode at Hazeroth.

Afterward Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses, because of the woman of Ethiopia whome hee had maried (for hee had married a woman of Ethiopia) And they saide, What? hath the Lord spoken but onely by Moses? hath he not spoken also by vs? and the Lord heard this. (But Moses was a verie meeke man, aboue all the men that were vpon the earth) And by and by the Lord sayd vnto Moses, and vnto Aaron, and vnto Miriam, come out yee three vnto the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and they three came forth. Then the Lord came downe in the pillar of the cloude, and stoode in the doore of the Tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam, and they both came forth. And hee saide, Heare nowe my wordes, If there he a Prophet of the Lord among you, I will be knowen to him by a vision, and will speake vnto him by dreame. My seruant Moses is not so, who is faithfull in all mine house. Vnto him

will I speake mouth to mouth, and by vision, and not in darke wordes, but hee shall see the similitude of the Lord. Wherefore then were ye not afraid to speake against my seruant, euen 9 against Moses? Thus the Lord was very angrie with them, 10 and departed. Also the cloude departed from the Tabernacle: and beholde, Miriam was leprous like snowe: and Aaron looked 11 vpon Miriam, and beholde, she was leprous. Then Aaron saide vnto Moses, Alas, my Lord, I beseech thee, lay not the sinne vpon vs, which we have foolishly committed and wherein we 12 haue sinned. Let her not, I pray thee, be as one dead, of whome the flesh is halfe consumed, when he commeth out of 13 his mothers wombe. Then Moses cryed vnto the Lord, saying, 14 O God, I beseech thee, heale her nowe. And the Lord said vnto Moses, If her father had spit in her face, shoulde she not haue bene ashamed seuen dayes? let her be shut out of the hoste 15 seuen dayes, and after she shall bee received. So Miriam was shut out of the hoste seuen dayes, and the people remooued not, till Miriam was brought in againe.

Then afterwarde the people remooued from Hazeroth, and 13 2 pitched in the wildernesse of Paran. And the Lord spake vnto 3 Moses, saying, Sende thou men out to search the lande of Canaan which I giue vnto the children of Israel: of euery tribe of their fathers shall ye sende a man, such as are all rulers 4 among them. Then Moses sent them out of the wildernesse of Paran at the commandement of the Lord: all those men 5 were heades of the children of Israel. Also their names are these: of the tribe of Reuben, Shammua the sonne of Zaccur: 6.7 Of the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat the sonne of Hori: Of the 8 tribe of Iudah, Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh: Of the tribe of 9 Issachar, Igal the sonne of Ioseph: Of the tribe of Ephraim, 10 Oshea the sone of Nun: Of the tribe of Beniamin, Palti the 11 sonne of Raphu: Of the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel the sone of 12 Sodi: Of the tribe of Ioseph, to wit, of the tribe of Manasseh, 13 Gaddi the sonne of Susi: Of the tribe of Dan, Ammiel the 14 sonne of Gemalli: Of the tribe of Asher, Sethur the sonne of 15 Michael: Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the sonne of Vophsi: 16, 17 Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel the sonne of Machi. These are the names of the men, which Moses sent to spie out the lande: and Moses called ye name of Oshea the sonne of Nun, Iehoshua. 18 So Moses sent them to spie out the lande of Canaan, and said

vnto them, Go vp this way toward the South, and go vp into the moutaines, And consider the land what it is, and the peo- 19 ple that dwel therein, whether they be strong or weake, either fewe or many, Also what the lande is that they dwell 20 in, whether it be good or bad: and what cities they be, that they dwell in, whether they dwell in tents, or in walled townes: And what the land is: whether it be fat or leane, whether there 21 be trees therein, or not. And be of good courage, and bring of the fruite of the lande (for then was the time of the first ripe grapes) So they went vp, and searched out the lande, from the 22 wildernesse of Zin vnto Rehob, to go to Hamath, And they as- 23 cended toward the South, and came vnto Hebron, where were Ahiman, Sheshai and Talmai, the sonnes of Anak, And Hebron was built seuen veere before Zoan in Egypt. Then they came 24 to the riuer of Eshcol, and cut downe thence a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bare it vpon a barre betweene two, and brought of the pomegranates and of the figges. That place 25 was called the river Eshcol, because of the cluster of grapes. which the children of Israel cut downe thence. Then after 26 fourtie dayes, they turned againe from searching of the land. And they went and came to Moses and to Aaron and vnto al 27 the Congregation of the children of Israel, in the wildernesse of Paran, to Kadesh, and brought to the, and to all the Congregation tydings, and shewed them the fruite of the lande. And 28 they tolde him, and saide, We came vnto the land whither thou hast sent vs, and surely it floweth with milke and honie: and here is of the fruite of it. Neuerthelesse the people be strong 29 that dwell in the land, and the cities are walled and exceeding great: and moreouer, we sawe the sonnes of Anak there. The 30 Amalekites dwell in the South countrey, and the Hittites, and the Iebusites, and the Amorites dwell in the mountaines, and the Canaanites dwell by the sea, and by the coast of Iorden. Then Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and saide, Let vs 31 go vp at once, and possesse it: for vndoubtedly we shall ouercome it. But the men, that went vp with him, saide, we be not 32 able to goe vp against the people: for they are stronger then we. So they brought vp an euill report of the land which they had 33 searched for the children of Israel, saying, The lande which we haue gone through to search it out, is a land that eateth vp the inhabitants thereof: for all the people that we sawe in it, are

34 men of great stature. For there we sawe gyants, the sonnes of Anak, which come of the gyants, so that we seemed in our sight like grashoppers: and so wee were in their sight.

Then all ye Congregation lifted vp their voice, and cryed: 14 2 and the people wept that night, And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron: and the whole assemblie said vnto them, Would God we had died in the land of Egypt, 3 or in this wildernesse: would God we were dead. Wherefore nowe hath the Lord brought vs into this lande to fall vpon the sworde? our wiues, and our children shall be a pray: were it 4 not better for vs to returne into Egypt? And they said one to another, Let vs make a Captaine and returne into Egypt. 5 Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the as-6 semblie of the Congregation of the children of Israel. Ioshua the sonne of Nun, and Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh 7 two of them that searched the lande, rent their clothes, And spake vnto all the assemblie of the childre of Israel, saying, The land which we walked through to search it, is a very good 8 lande. If the Lord loue vs, he will bring vs into this land, and giue it vs, which is a land that floweth with milke and honie. 9 But rebell not ye against the Lord, neither feare ye the people of the land: for they are but bread for vs: their shielde is departed from the, and the Lord is with vs, feare them not. 10 And all the multitude saide, Stone them with stones: but the glory of the Lord appeared in the Tabernacle of the Congre-11 gation, before all the children of Israel. And the Lord said vnto Moses, How long will this people prouoke me, and howe long will it be, yer they beleeue me, for al the signes which I 12 haue shewed among them? I will smite them with the pestilence and destroy them, and will make thee a greater nation 13 and mightier then they. But Moses saide vnto the Lord, When the Egyptians shall heare it, (for thou broughtest this people 14 by thy power from among them) Then they shall say to the inhabitants of this land, (for they have heard that thou, Lord, art among this people, and that thou, Lord, art seene face to face, and that thy cloude standeth ouer them, and that thou goest before them by day time in a pillar of a cloude, and in a 15 pillar of fire by night) That thou wilt kill this people as one man: so the heathen which have heard the fame of thee, shall 16 thus say, Because the Lord was not able to bring this people into the lande, which he sware vnto them, therefore hath he slaine them in the wildernesse. And now, I beseech thee, let 17 the power of my Lord be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying, The Lord is slowe to anger, and of great mercie, 18 and forgiuing iniquitie, and sinne, but not making the wicked innocent, and visiting the wickednes of the fathers vpon the children, in the thirde and fourth generation: Be mercifull, 19 I beseech thee, vnto the iniquitie of this people, according to thy great mercie, and as thou hast forgiuen this people from Egypt, euen vntill nowe. And the Lord said, I haue forgiuen 20 it, according to thy request. Notwithstanding, as I liue, all the 21 earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord. For all those 22 men which haue seene my glory, and my miracles which I did in Egypt, and in the wildernes, and haue tempted me this ten times, and haue not obeyed my voyce, Certainely they shall 23 not see the lande, whereof I sware vnto their fathers: neither shall any that prouoke me, see it. But my seruant Caleb, be- 24 cause he had another spirite, and hath followed me stil, euen him will I bring into the lande, whither he went, and his seede shall inherite it. Nowe the Amalekites and the Canaanites 25 remaine in the valley: wherefore turne backe to morowe, and get you into the wildernesse, by the way of the red Sea. Af- 26 ter, the Lord spake vnto Moses and to Aaron, saving, How 27 long shall I suffer this wicked multitude to murmure against me? I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmure against me. Tell them, As I liue (saith 28 the Lord) I wil surely do vnto you, euen as ye haue spoken in mine eares. Your carkeises shall fall in this wildernes, and all 29 you that were counted through all your nombers, from twentie yeere olde and aboue, which have murmured against me, Ye 30 shall not doubtles come into the land, for the which I lifted vp mine hande, to make you dwell therein, saue Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh, and Ioshua the sonne of Nun. But your chil- 31 dren, (which ye said shoulde be a pray) them will I bring in, and they shall knowe the lande which ye have refused: But 32 euen vour carkeises shall fall in this wildernes. And vour chil- 33 dren shall wander in the wildernesse, fourtie yeeres, and shall beare your whoredomes, vntill your carkeises be wasted in the After the number of the dayes, in the which 34 wildernesse. ye searched out the lande, euen fourtie dayes, euery day for

a yeere, shall ye beare your iniquity, for fourtie yeeres, and 35 ye shall feele my breach of promise. I the Lord haue said, Certainely I will doe so to all this wicked company, that are gathered together against me: for in this wildernesse they 36 shall be consumed, and there they shall die. And the men which Moses had sent to search the land (which, when they came againe, made all the people to murmure against him, and 37 brought vp a slander vpon the lande) Euen those men that did bring vp that vile slander vpon the land, shall die by a plague 38 before the Lord. But Ioshua the sonne of Nun, and Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh, of those men that went to search the land, 39 shall liue. Then Moses tolde these sayings vnto all the chil-40 dren of Israel, and the people sorowed greatly. And they rose vp earely in the morning, and gate them vp into the toppe of the mountaine, saying, Loe, we be readie, to goe vp to the place 41 which the Lord hath promised: for wee haue sinned. Moses said, Wherefore transgresse yee thus the commande-42 ment of the Lord? it will not so come well to passe. Goe not vp (for the Lord is not among you) lest ye be ouerthrowe be-43 fore your enemies. For the Amalekites and the Canaanites are there before you, and ye shall fall by the sworde: for in as much as ye are turned away from the Lord, the Lord also 44 will not be with you. Yet they presumed obstinately to goe vp to the top of the mountaine: but the Arke of the couenant 45 of the Lord, and Moses departed not out of the campe. Then the Amalekites and the Canaanites, which dwelt in that mountaine, came downe and smote them, and consumed them vnto Hormah.

15, 2 And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, Whe ye be come into the land of your habitations, which I giue vnto you, And will make an offring by fire vnto the Lord, a burnt offring or a sacrifice to fulfil a vowe, or a free offring, or in your feastes, to make a sweete sauour vnto the Lord of the hearde, or of the flocke.
4 Then let him that offreth his offring vnto the Lord, bring a meate offring of a tenth deale of fine flowre, mingled with the fourth part of an Hin of oyle. Also thou shalt prepare ye fourth part of an Hin of wine to be powred on a lambe, appointed for the burnt offring or any offring. And for a ram, thou shalt for a meat offring, prepare two tenth deales of fine floure, min-

gled with the third part of an Hin of oyle. And for a drinke- 7 offering, thou shalt offer the third part of an Hin of wine, for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. And when thou preparest a bul- 8 locke for a burnt offring, or for a sacrifice to fulfill a vowe or a peace offring to the Lord, Then let him offer with ye bullocke a 9 meate offring of three tenth deales of fine floure, mingled with halfe an Hin of oyle. And thou shalt bring for a drinke offring 10 halfe an Hin of wine, for an offring made by fire of a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. Thus shall it be done for a bullocke. 11 or for a ram, or for a lambe, or for a kid. According to the 12 nomber that yee prepare to offer, so shall yee doe to euery one according to their nomber. All that are borne of the countrey, 13 shall do these things thus, to offer an offring made by fire of sweete sauour vnto the Lord. And if a stranger soiourne with 14 you, or whosoeuer bee among you in your generations, and will make an offring by fire of a sweete sauour vnto the Lord, as ve do, so hee shall doe. One ordinance shalbe both for you of 15 the Congregation, and also for the stranger that dwelleth with you, euen an ordinance for euer in your generations: as you are, so shall the stranger bee before the Lord. One Lawe and 16 one maner shall serue both for you and for the stranger that soiourneth with you. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, 17 Speake vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, When 18 ye be come into the lande, to the which I bring you, And when 19 ye shall eate of the bread of the land, ye shall offer an heaue offring vnto ye Lord. Ye shall offer vp a cake of the first of your 20 dowe for an heave offring: as the heave offring of the barne, so ve shall lift it vp. Of the first of your dowe ve shall give vnto 21 the Lord an heave offring in your generations. And if ye have 22 erred, and not observed all these commandements, which the Lord hath spoken vnto Moses, Euen all that the Lord hath 23 commanded you by the hand of Moses, from the first day that the Lord commanded Moses, and hence forward among your generations: And if so be that ought be committed ignorantly 24 of the Congregation, then all ye Congregatio shall give a bullocke for a burnt offring, for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord, with the meat offring and drinke offring thereto, according to the maner, and an hee goate for a sinne offring. And the Priest 25 shall make an atonement for al the Congregation of the children of Israel, and it shalbe forgiuen them: for it is ignorance:

and they shall bring their offring for an offring made by fire vnto the Lord, and their sinne offering before the Lord for their 26 ignorance. Then it shalbe forgiuen all the Congregation of the children of Israel, and the stranger that dwelleth among them: 27 for all the people were in ignorance. But if any one person sinne through ignorance, then he shall bring a shee goate of a 28 yeere olde for a sinne offring. And the Priest shall make an atonement for the ignorant person, when hee sinneth by ignorance before the Lord, to make reconciliation for him: and it 29 shalbe forgiuen him. He that is borne among the children of Israel, and the stranger that dwelleth among them, shall haue 30 both one lawe, who so doth sinne by ignorance. But the person that doeth ought presumptuously, whether he be borne in the land, or a stranger, the same blasphemeth the Lord: therefore 31 that person shalbe cut off from among his people, Because he hath despised the worde of the Lord, and hath broken his commandement: that person shalbe vtterly cut off: his iniquitie 32 shalbe vpon him. And while the children of Israel were in the wildernesse, they found a man that gathered stickes vpon 33 the Sabbath day. And they that found him gathering sticks, brought him vnto Moses and to Aaron, and vnto all the Congre-34 gation, And they put him warde: for it was not declared what 35 should be done vnto him. Then the Lord said vnto Moses, This man shall dye the death: and let al the multitude stone 36 him with stones without the hoste. And all the Congregation brought him without the hoste, and stoned him with stones, 37 and he died, as the Lord had commanded Moses. 38 Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes vpon the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and put vpon the fringes of the borders a ryband of blewe silke. 39 And ye shall have the fringes, that when ye looke vpon them, ye may remember all the commandemets of the Lord, and do them: and that ye seeke not after your own heart, nor after 40 your owne eyes, after the which ye go a whoring; That yee may remember and doe all my commandements, and bee holy 41 vnto your God. I am the Lord your God, which brought you out of the lande of Egypt, to bee your God: I am the Lord your God.

16 Nowe Korah the sonne of Izhar, the sonne of Kohath, the

sonne of Leui went apart with Dathan, and Abiram the sonnes of Eliab, and On the sonne of Peleth, the sonnes of Reuben: And they rose vp against Moses, with certaine of the children 2 of Israel, two hundreth and fiftie captaines of the assemblie, famous in the Congregation, and men of renoume, Who gath- 3 ered themselues together against Moses, and against Aaron, and sayde vnto them, Ye take too much vpon you, seeing all the Congregation is holie, euery one of them, and the Lord is among them: wherfore then lift ye your selues aboue the Congregation of the Lord? But when Moses heard it, hee fell 4 vpon his face. And spake to Korah and vnto all his companie. 5 saying. To morow the Lord will shew who is his, and who is holy, and who ought to approche neere vnto him: and whom he hath chosen, hee will cause to come neere to him. This 6 doe therefore, Take you censers, both Korah, and all his companie, And put fire therein, and put incense in the before the 7 Lord to morowe: and the man whome the Lord doeth chuse, the same shalbe holie: ye take too much vpon you, ye sonnes of Leui. Againe Moses saide vnto Korah, Heare, I pray you, 8 ye sonnes of Leui. Seemeth it a small thing vnto you that 9 the God of Israel hath separated you from the multitude of Israel, to take you neere to himselfe, to doe the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Lord, and to stand before the Congregation and to minister vnto them? He hath also taken thee to him, 10 and all thy brethren the sonnes of Leui with thee, and seeke ye the office of the Priest also? For which cause, thou, and 11 all thy companie are gathered together against the Lord: and what is Aaron, that ve murmure against him? And Moses 12 sent to call Dathan, and Abiram the sonnes of Eliab: who answered, We will not come vp. Is it a small thing that thou hast 13 brought vs out of a lande that floweth with milke and honie, to kill vs in the wildernesse, except thou make thy selfe lord and ruler ouer vs also? Also thou hast not brought vs vnto a 14 land that floweth with milke and honie, neither given vs inheritance of fieldes and vineyardes: wilt thou put out the eyes of these men? we will not come vp. Then Moses waxed verie 15 angry, and saide vnto the Lord. Looke not vnto their offring: I haue not taken so much as an asse from them, neither haue I hurt any of them. And Moses said vnto Korah, Bee thou and 16 al thy companie before the Lord: both thou, they, and Aaron to

17 morowe: And take euery man his censor, and put incense in them, and bring ye euery man his censor before the Lord, two hundreth and fiftie censors: thou also and Aaron, euery one 18 his censor. So they tooke euery man his censor, and put fire in them, and laide incense thereon, and stoode in the doore of the 19 Tabernacle of the Congregation with Moses and Aaron. And Korah gathered all the multitude against them vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation: then the glorie of the 20 Lord appeared vnto all the Congregation. And the Lord spake 21 vnto Moses and to Aaron, saying, Separate your selues from among this Cogregation, that I may consume them at once. 22 And they fell vpon their faces and saide, O God the God of the spirits, of all fleshe, hath not one man onely sinned, and 23 wilt thou bee wroth with all the Congregation? And the Lord 24 spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the Congregation and say, Get you away from about the Tabernacle of Korah, Dathan 25 and Abiram. Then Moses rose vp, and went vnto Dathan and 26 Abiram, and the Elders of Israel followed him. And he spake vnto the Congregation, saying, Depart, I pray you, from the tentes of these wicked men, and touche nothing of theirs, lest 27 ye perish in all their sinnes. So they gate them away from the Tabernacle of Korah, Dathan and Abiram on euerie side: and Dathan, and Abiram came out and stood in the doore of their tentes with their wives, and their sonnes, and their lit-28 tle children. And Moses saide, Hereby yee shall knowe that the Lord hath sent me to do all these works: for I haue not 29 done them of mine owne minde. If these men die the common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation of all 30 men, the Lord hath not sent me. But if the Lord make a newe thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallowe them vp with all that they haue, and they goe downe quicke into ve pit. then ye shall vnderstand that these men haue prouoked the 31 Lord. And assoone as he had made an ende of speaking all these wordes, euen the ground claue asunder that was vnder 32 them, And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them vp, with their families, and all the men that were with Ko-33 rah, and all their goods. So they and all that they had, went down aliue into the pit, and the earth couered them: so they 34 perished from among the Congregation. And all Israel that were about them, fled at the crie of them: for they said, Let

vs flee, least the earth swalow vs vp. But there came out a 35 fire from the Lord, and consumed the two hundreth and fiftie men that offred the incense. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, 36 saying, Speake vnto Eleazar, the sonne of Aaron the Priest, 37 that he take vp the censers out of the burning, and scatter the fire beyond the altar: for they are halowed, The censers, I 38 say, of these sinners, that destroyed themselues: and let them make of them broade plates for a couering of the Altar: for they offered them before the Lord, therefore they shalbe holy, and they shall be a signe vnto the children of Israel. Eleazar the Priest tooke the brasen censers, which they that were burnt, had offred, and made broade plates of them for a couering of the Altar. It is a remembrance vnto the children 40 of Israel, that no stranger which is not of the seede of Aaron, come neere to offer incense before the Lord, that he be not like Korah and his company, as the Lord said to him by the hand of Moses. But on the morowe all the multitude of the children of 41 Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye haue killed the people of the Lord. And when the Congrega- 42 tion was gathered against Moses and against Aaron, then they turned their faces toward the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and beholde, the cloude couered it, and the glory of the Lord appeared. Then Moses and Aaron were come before the Taber- 43 nacle of the Congregation. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, 44 saying, Get you vp from among this Congregation: for I wil 45 consume them guickly: then they fell vpon their faces. And 46 Moses said vnto Aaron, Take the censer and put fire therein of the Altar, and put therein incense, and goe quickly vnto the Congregation, and make an atonement for them: for there is wrath gone out from the Lord: the plague is begunne. Then 47 Aaron tooke as Moses commanded him, and ranne into the middes of the Congregation, and beholde, the plague was begun among the people, and hee put in incense, and made an atonement for the people. And when hee stoode betweene the 48 dead, and them that were aliue, the plague was stayed. they died of this plague fourtene thousande and seuen hundreth, beside them that dyed in the conspiracie of Korah. And 50 Aaron went againe vnto Moses before the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the plague was stayed.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the 17, 2

children of Israel, and take of euery one of them a rod, after the house of their fathers, of all their princes according to the familie of their fathers, euen twelue rods: and thou shalt 3 write euery mans name vpon his rod. And write Aarons name vpon the rod of Leui: for euery rodde shalbe for the head of 4 the house of their fathers. And thou shalt put them in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, before the Arke of the Testi-5 monie, where I wil declare my selfe to you. And the mans rod, whome I chuse, shall blossome: and I will make cease from mee the grudgings of the children of Israel, which grudge Then Moses spake vnto the children of Israel, 6 against vou. and al their princes gaue him a rod, one rod for euery Prince, according to the houses of their fathers, euen twelue rods, and 7 the rod of Aaron was among their roddes. And Moses layde the rods before the Lord in the Tabernacle of the Testimonie. 8 And when Moses on the morow went into the Tabernacle of the Testimonie, beholde, the rod of Aaron for the house of Leui was budded, and brought forth buddes, and brought forth blossoms, 9 and bare ripe almondes. Then Moses brought out all the rods from before the Lord vnto all the children of Israel: and they 10 looked vpon them, and tooke euery man his rodde. After, the Lord said vnto Moses, Bring Aarons rod againe before the Testimonie to bee kept for a token to the rebellious children, and thou shalt cause their murmurings to cease from me, that they 11 dye not. So Moses did as the Lord had commanded him: so 12 did he. And the children of Israel spake vnto Moses, saying, 13 Behold, we are dead, we perish, we are all lost: Whosoeuer commeth neere, or approcheth to the Tabernacle of the Lord, shall dye: shall we be consumed and dye?

And the Lord sayd vnto Aaron, Thou, and thy sonnes and thy fathers house with thee, shall beare the iniquitie of the Sanctuarie: both thou and thy sonnes with thee shall beare the iniquitie of your Priestes office. And bring also with thee thy brethren of the tribe of Leui of ye familie of thy father, which shalbe ioyned with thee, and minister vnto thee: but thou, and thy sonnes with thee shall minister before the Tabernacle of the Testimonie: And they shall keepe thy charge, euen the charge of all the Tabernacle: but they shall not come neere the instruments of the Sanctuary, nor to the altar, lest they die, both they and you: And they shalbe ioyned with thee, and

keepe the charge of the Tabernacle of the Congregation for all the service of the Tabernacle: and no stranger shall come neere vnto you: Therefore shall ye keepe the charge of the Sanctu- 5 arie, and the charge of the altar: so there shall fall no more wrath vpon the children of Israel. For lo, I haue taken your 6 brethren the Leuites from among the children of Israel, which as a gift of yours, are given vnto the Lord, to do the service of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. But thou, and thy 7 sonnes with thee shall keepe your Priestes office for all things of the altar, and within the vaile: therefore shall ye serue: for I have made your Priestes office an office of service: therefore the stranger that cometh neere, shalbe slavne. Againe the 8 Lord spake vnto Aaron, Behold, I have given thee the keeping of mine offrings, of all the hallowed things of the children of Israel: vnto thee I have given them for the anountings sake, and to thy sonnes, for a perpetuall ordinance. This shalbe 9 thine of the most holy things, reserved from the fire: all their offering of all their meate offring, and of all their sinne offring, and of all their trespasse offring, which they bring vnto me, that shalbe most holy vnto thee, and to thy sonnes. In the 10 most holy place shalt thou eate it: euery male shall eate of it: it is holy vnto thee. This also shalbe thine: the heave offer- 11 ing of their gift, with all the shake offerings of the children of Israel: I have given them vnto thee and to thy sonnes and to thy daughters with thee, to be a duetie for euer al the cleane in thine house shall eate of it. All the fat of the oyle, and 12 all the fat of the wine, and of the wheate, which they shall offer vnto the Lord for their first fruites, I have given them vnto thee. And the first ripe of al that is in their land, which 13 they shall bring vnto Lord, shalbe thine: all the cleane in thine house shall eate of it. Euery thing separate from the common 14 vse in Israel, shalbe thine. All that first openeth the matrice 15 of any flesh, which they shall offer vnto the Lord, of man or beast, shalbe thine: but the first borne of man shalt thou redeeme, and the first borne of the vncleane beast shalt thou redeeme. And those that are to bee redeemed, shalt thou re- 16 deeme from the age of a moneth, according to thy estimation, for the money of fiue shekels, after the shekel of the Sanctuarie, which is twentie gerahs. But the first borne of a kow, or 17 the first borne of a sheepe, or the first borne of a goate shalt

thou not redeeme: for they are holy: thou shalt sprinkle their blood at the altar, and thou shalt burne their fat: it is a sac-18 rifice made by fire for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord. the flesh of them shalbe thine, as the shake breast, and as the 19 right shoulder shalbe thine. All the heave offrings of the holy things which the children of Israel shall offer vnto the Lord, haue I giuen thee, and thy sonnes, and thy daughters with thee, to be a duetie for euer: it is a perpetual couenant of salt 20 before the Lord, to thee, and to thy seede with thee. And the Lord sayde vnto Aaron, Thou shalt haue none inheritance in their lande, neyther shalt thou have any parte among them: I am thy part and thine inheritance among the children of Is-21 rael. For beholde, I have given the children of Leui all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their seruice which they 22 serue in the Tabernacle of the Congregation. Neyther shall the children of Israel any more come neere the Tabernacle of 23 the Congregation, lest they susteine sinne, and die. But the Leuites shall do the seruice in the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and they shall beare their sinne: it is a law for euer in your generations, that among the children of Israel they pos-24 sesse none inheritance. For the tythes of the children of Israel, which they shall offer as an offring vnto the Lord, I haue giuen the Leuites for an inheritance: therfore I haue said vnto them, Among the children of Israel ye shall possesse none in-25, 26 heritance. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake also vnto the Leuites and say vnto them, When ye shall take of the children of Israel the tithes, which I have given you of them for your inheritance, then shall ve take an heave offring of that 27 same for the Lord, even the tenth part of the tithe. And your heaue offering shalbe reckened vnto you, as the corne of the 28 barne, or as the abundance of the wine presse. So ye shall also offer an heave offring vnto the Lord of all your tithes, which ye shall receive of the children of Israel, and ye shall give thereof 29 the Lords heave offring to Aaron the Priest. Ye shall offer of all your gifts al the Lords heave offrings: of all the fat of the 30 same shall ye offer the holy things thereof. Therefore thou shalt say vnto them, When ye have offred the fat thereof, then it shalbe couted vnto the Leuites, as the encrease of the corne 31 floore, or as the encrease of the wine presse. And ye shall eate it in al places, ye, and your housholdes: for it is your wages for

your service in the Tabernacle of the Congregation. And ye 32 shall beare no sinne by the reason of it, when ye have offred the fatte of it: neither shall ye pollute the holy things of the children of Israel, lest ye die.

And the Lord spake to Moses, and to Aaron, saying, This 19, 2 is the ordinance of the lawe, which the Lord hath commanded, saving. Speake vnto the children of Israel that they bring thee a red kow without blemish, wherein is no spot, vpon the which neuer came yoke. And ye shall giue her vnto Eleazar ye Priest, 3 that hee may bring her without the hoste, and cause her to be slaine before his face. Then shall Eleazar the Priest take 4 of her blood with his finger, and sprinkle it before the Tabernacle of the Congregation seuen times, And cause the kow 5 to be burnt in his sight: with her skinne, and her flesh, and her blood, and her doung shall he burne her. Then shall the 6 Priest take cedar wood, and hyssope and skarlet lace, and cast them in the mids of the fire where the kow burneth. shall the Priest wash his clothes, and he shall wash his flesh in water, and then come into the hoste, and the Priest shalbe vncleane vnto the euen. Also he that burneth her, shall wash 8 his clothes in water, and wash his flesh in water, and be vncleane vntill euen. And a man, that is cleane, shall take vp 9 the ashes of the kow, and put them without the hoste in a cleane place: and it shalbe kept for the Congregation of the children of Israel for a sprinkling water: it is a sinne offring. Therefore he that gathereth the ashes of the kow, shall wash 10 his clothes, and remaine vncleane vntil euen: and it shalbe vnto the children of Israel, and vnto the stranger that dwelleth among them, a statute for euer. Hee that toucheth the dead 11 body of any man, shalbe vncleane euen seuen dayes. Hee shall 12 purifie himselfe therewith the third day, and the seuenth day he shall be cleane: but if he purifie not himselfe the thirde day, then the seuenth day he shall not be cleane. Whosoeuer 13 toucheth ye corps of any man that is dead, and purgeth not himselfe, defileth the Tabernacle of the Lord, and that person shall be cut off from Israel, because the sprinkling water was not sprinkled vpon him: he shall be vncleane, and his vncleannesse shall remaine still vpon him. This is the law, Whe a 14 man dieth in a tent, all that come into the tent, and all that is in the tent, shalbe vncleane seuen dayes. And all the vessels 15

that bee open, which have no covering fastened vpon them, 16 shall be vncleane. Also whosoeuer toucheth one that is slaine with a sworde in the fielde, or a dead person, or a bone of a 17 dead man, or a graue, shall be vncleane seuen dayes. Therfore for an vncleane person they shall take of the burnt ashes of the sinne offring, and pure water shalbe put thereto in a 18 vessel. And a cleane person shall take hyssope and dip it in the water, and sprinkle it vpon the tent, and vpon all the vessels, and on the persons that were therein, and vpon him that 19 touched ye bone, or the slayne, or the dead, or the graue. And the cleane person shall sprinkle vpon the vncleane the third day, and the seuenth day, and hee shall purifie him selfe the seuenth day, and wash his clothes, and wash himself in water, 20 and shalbe cleane at euen. But the man that is vncleane and purifieth not himselfe, that person shalbe cut off from among the Congregation, because hee hath defiled the Sanctuarie of the Lord: and the sprinkling water hath not bene sprinkled 21 vpon him: therefore shall he be vncleane. And it shalbe a perpetual lawe vnto them, that he that sprinkleth the sprinkling water, shall wash his clothes: also hee that toucheth the sprin-22 kling water, shalbe vncleane vntill euen. And whatsoeuer the vncleane person toucheth, shall be vncleane: and the person that toucheth him, shalbe vncleane vntill the euen.

Then the children of Israel came with ye whole Congrega-20 tion to the desert of Zin in the first moneth, and the people abode at Cadesh: where Miriam died, and was buried there. 2 But there was no water for the Congregation, and they assem-3 bled them selues against Moses and against Aaron. And the people chode with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God we 4 had perished, when our brethren died before the Lord. Why haue ye thus brought the Congregation of the Lord vnto his wildernesse, that both we, and our cattell should die there? 5 Wherefore nowe haue yee made vs to come vp from Egypt, to bring vs into this miserable place, which is no place of seede, nor figges, nor vines, nor pomegranates? neither is there any 6 water to drinke. Then Moses and Aaron went from the assemblie vnto the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and fell vpon their faces: and the glory of the Lord appeared 7,8 vnto them. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Take the rod, and gather thou and thy brother Aaron the Congregation together, and speake yee vnto the rocke before their eyes, and it shall give foorth his water, and thou shalt bring them water out of the rocke: so thou shalt give the Congregation, and their Then Moses tooke the rod from before the 9 beastes drinke. Lord, as he had commanded him. And Moses and Aaron gath- 10 ered the Congregation together before the rocke, and Moses sayd vnto them, Heare nowe, ye rebels: shall we bring you water out of this rocke? Then Moses lift vp his hande, and 11 with his rod he smote the rocke twise, and the water came out aboundantly: so the Congregation, and their beastes dranke. Againe the Lord spake vnto Moses, and to Aaron, Because ye 12 beleeued me not, to sanctifie mee in the presence of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this Congregation into the land which I have given them. This is the water of 13 Meribah, because the children of Israel stroue with the Lord, and hee was sanctified in them. Then Moses sent messen- 14 gers from Kadesh vnto the king of Edom, saving, Thus sayth thy brother Israel. Thou knowest all the trauaile that we have had. How our fathers went downe into Egypt, and we dwelt in 15 Egypt a long time, where the Egyptians handled vs euill and our fathers. But when we cried vnto the Lord, he heard our 16 voyce, and sent an Angel, and hath brought vs out of Egypt, and beholde, wee are in the citie Kadesh, in thine vtmost bor-I pray thee that we may passe through thy countrey: 17 we will not goe through the fieldes nor the vineyardes, neither will we drinke of the water of the welles: we will goe by the kings way, and neither turne vnto the right hand nor to the left, vntill we be past thy borders. And Edom answered him, 18 Thou shalt not passe by mee, least I come out against thee with the sword. Then the children of Israel said vnto him, 19 We will goe vp by the hie way: and if I and my cattell drinke of thy water, I will then pay for it: I will onely (without any harme) goe through on my feete. Hee answered againe, Thou 20 shalt not goe through. The Edom came out against him with much people, and with a mightie power. Thus Edom denyed 21 to giue Israel passage through his countrey: wherefore Israel turned away from him. And when the children of Israel with 22 al the Congregation departed from Kadesh, they came vnto the mount Hor. And the Lord spake vnto Moses and to Aaron in 23 the mount Hor neere the coast of the land of Edom, saying,

Aaron shall be gathered vnto his people: for hee shall not enter into the lande, which I haue giuen vnto the children of Israel, because ye disobeyed my commandement at the water of
Meribah. Take Aaron and Eleazar his sonne, and bring them
vp into the mount Hor, And cause Aaron to put off his garmentes and put them vpon Eleazar his sonne: for Aaron shall
be gathered to his fathers, and shall die there. And Moses did as the Lord had commanded: and they went vp into the
mount Hor, in the sight of all the Congregation. And Moses put off Aarons clothes, and put them vpon Eleazar his sonne: so Aaron dyed there in the top of the mount: and Moses and
Eleazar came downe from off the mount. When al the Congregation sawe that Aaron was dead, al the house of Israel wept for Aaron thirtie dayes.

When King Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt toward the 21 South, heard tel that Israel came by the way of the spies, then 2 fought hee against Israel, and tooke of them prysoners. So Israel vowed a vowe vnto the Lord, and said, If thou wilt deliuer and give this people into mine hand, then I wil vtterly destroy 3 their cities. And the Lord heard the voyce of Israel, and deliuered them the Canaanites: and they vtterly destroied them 4 and their cities, and called ye name of the place Hormah. After, they departed from the mount Hor by the way of the red Sea, to compasse the land of Edom: and the people were sore 5 grieued because of the way. And the people spake against God and against Moses, saying, Wherefore haue ye brought vs out of Egypt, to die in the wildernesse? for here is neither bread 6 nor water, and our soule lotheth this light bread. Wherefore the Lord sent fierie serpents among ye people, which stung 7 the people: so that many of the people of Israel died. Therefore the people came to Moses and said, We have sinned: for wee haue spoken against the Lord, and against thee: pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from vs: and Moses 8 prayed for the people. And the Lord said vnto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it vp for a signe, that as many 9 as are bitten, may looke vpon it, and liue. So Moses made a serpent of brasse, and set it vp for a signe: and when a serpent had bitten a man, then he looked to the serpent of brasse, 10 and liued. And ye children of Israel departed thence, and 11 pitched in Oboth. And they departed from Oboth, and pitched in lie-abarim, in the wildernesse, which is before Moab on the Eastside. They removed thence, and pitched vpon the river of 12 Thence they departed, and pitched on the other side 13 of Arnon, which is in the wildernesse, and commeth out of the coasts of the Amorites: (for Arnon is the border of Moab, betweene the Moabites and the Amorites) Wherefore it shall be 14 spoken in the booke of the battels of the Lord, what thing he did in the red sea, and in the rivers of Arnon. And at the 15 streame of the rivers that goeth downe to the dwelling of Ar. and lieth vpon the border of Moab. And from thence they 16 turned to Beer: the same is the well where the Lord said vnto Moses, Assemble the people, and I wil give them water. Then 17 Israel sang this song, Rise vp well, sing ye vnto it. The princes 18 digged this well, the captaines of the people digged it, euen the lawe giver, with their staues. And from the wildernesse they came to Mattanah. And from Mattanah to Nahaliel, and from 19 Nahaliel to Bamoth, And from Bamoth in the valley, that is 20 in the plaine of Moab, to the top of Pisgah that looketh toward Ieshimon. Then Israel sent messengers vnto Sihon, King of 21 the Amorites, saying. Let me goe through thy land: we wil 22 not turne aside into the fieldes, nor into the vinevardes, neither drinke of the waters of ye welles: we will goe by the kings way, vntill we be past thy countrey. But Sihon gaue Israel no 23 licence to passe through his countrey, but Sihon assembled all his people, and went out against Israel into the wildernesse: and he came to Iahoz, and fought against Israel. But Israel 24 smote him with the edge of the sword, and conquered his land, from Arnon vnto Iabok, euen vnto ve children of Ammon: for the border of the children of Ammon was strong. And Israel 25 tooke al these cities, and dwelt in all the cities of the Amorites in Heshbon and in all the villages thereof. For Heshbon was 26 the citie of Sihon the king of the Amorites, which had fought beforetime against the king of the Moabites, and had taken al his land out of his hand, euen vnto Arnon. Wherefore they 27 that speake in prouerbes, say, Come to Heshbon, let the citie of Sihon bee built and repaired: For a fire is gone out of Hes- 28 hbon, and a flame from the citie of Sihon, and hath consumed Ar of the Moabites, and the lords of Bamoth in Arnon. Wo be 29 to thee, Moab: O people of Chemosh, thou art vndone: he hath suffered his sonnes to be pursued, and his daughters to be in

captiuitie to Sihon the king of the Amorites. Their empire also is lost from Heshbon vnto Dibon, and wee haue destroyed
them vnto Nophah, which reacheth vnto Medeba. Thus Israel
dwelt in the lande of the Amorites. And Moses sent to searche out Iaazer, and they tooke the townes belonging thereto, and
rooted out the Amorites that were there. And they turned and went vp toward Bashan: and Og the King of Bashan came out against them, hee, and all his people, to fight at Edrei.
Then the Lord said vnto Moses, Feare him not: for I haue deliuered him into thine hand and all his people, and his land: and thou shalt do to him as thou diddest vnto Sihon the king of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon. They smote him therefore, and his sonnes, and all his people, vntill there was none left him: so they conquered his land.

After, the children of Israel departed and pitched in the 22 2 plaine of Moab on the other side of Iorden from Iericho. Now Balak the sonne of Zippor sawe all that Israel had done to the 3 Amorites. And the Moabites were sore afraide of the people, because they were many, and Moab fretted against the chil-4 dren of Israel. Therfore Moab said vnto the Elders of Midian, Nowe shall this multitude licke vp all that are round about vs, as an oxe licketh vp ye grasse of the fielde: and Balak the 5 sonne of Zippor was King of the Moabites at that time. Hee sent messengers therefore vnto Balaam the sonne of Beor to Pethor (which is by the riuer of the lande of the children of his folke) to call him, saying, Beholde, there is a people come out of Egypt, which couer the face of the earth, and lye ouer against 6 me. Come now therefore, I pray thee, and curse me this people (for they are stronger then I) so it may be that I shall be able to smite them, and to drive them out of the land: for I knowe that hee, whome thou blessest, is blessed, and he whom thou 7 cursest, shall be cursed. And the Elders of Moab, and the Elders of Midian departed, having the reward of the soothsaying in their hande, and they came vnto Balaam, and tolde him the 8 wordes of Balak. Who answered them, Tary here this night, and I will give you an answere, as the Lord shall say vnto mee. 9 So the princes of Moab abode with Balaam. Then God came 10 vnto Balaam, and sayde, What men are these with thee? And Baalam said vnto God, Balak ye sonne of Zippor, king of Moab

11 hath set vnto me, saying, Beholde, there is a people come out

of Egypt and couereth the face of the earth: come nowe, curse them for my sake: so it may be that I shalbe able to ouercome them in battell, and to drive them out. And God said vnto 12 Balaam, Go not thou with them, neither curse the people, for they are blessed. And Balaam rose vp in the morning, and 13 sayde vnto ye princes of Balak, Returne vnto your land: for the Lord hath refused to give me leave to go with you. So the 14 princes of Moab rose vp, and went vnto Balak, and sayd, Balaam hath refused to come with vs. Balak yet sent againe moe 15 princes, and more honourable then they. Who came to Bal- 16 aam, and sayde to him. Thus saith Balak the sonne of Zippor. Bee not thou staied, I pray thee, from comming vnto me. For 17 I wil promote thee vnto great honour, and wil do whatsoeuer thou sayest vnto me: come therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people. And Balaam answered, and sayde vnto the seruants 18 of Balak. If Balak woulde give me his house full of silver and golde, I can not goe beyonde the worde of the Lord my God, to doe lesse or more. But nowe, I pray you, tary here this night, 19 that I may wit, what the Lord will say vnto mee more. And 20 God came vnto Balaam by night, and sayd vnto him, If the men come to call thee, rise vp, and goe with them: but onely what thing I say vnto thee, that shalt thou doe. So Balaam rose vp 21 early, and sadled his asse, and went with the princes of Moab. And ye wrath of God was kindled, because he went: and the 22 Angel of the Lord stood in the way to be against him, as he rode vpon his asse, and his two seruants were with him. And 23 when the asse saw the Angel of the Lord stand in the way, and his sworde drawen in his hand, the asse turned out of the way and went into the field, but Balaam smote the asse, to turne her into the way. Againe the Angel of the Lord stood in a path 24 of the vineyardes, having a wall on the one side, and a wall on the other. And when the asse sawe the Angel of the Lord, she 25 thrust her selfe vnto the wall, and dasht Balaams foote against the wall: wherefore hee smote her againe. Then the Angel of 26 the Lord went further, and stoode in a narowe place, where was no way to turne, either to the right hand, or to the left. And when the asse sawe the Angell of the Lord, she lay downe 27 vnder Balaam: therefore Balaam was very wroth, and smote the asse with a staffe. Then the Lord opened the mouth of the 28 asse, and she saide vnto Balaam, What haue I done vnto thee,

29 that thou hast smitten me nowe three times? And Balaam saide vnto the asse. Because thou hast mocked me: I woulde there were a sworde in mine hand, for nowe would I kill thee. 30 And the asse saide vnto Balaam, Am not I thine asse, which thou hast ridden vpon since thy first time vnto this day? haue 31 I vsed at any time to doe thus vnto thee? Who said, Nav. And the Lord opened the eyes of Balaam, and he sawe the Angel of the Lord standing in the way with his sword drawen in his 32 hande: then he bowed him selfe, and fell flat on his face. And the Angel of the Lord said vnto him, Wherefore hast thou nowe smitten thine asse three times? beholde. I came out to with-33 stande thee, because thy way is not straight before me. But the asse sawe me, and turned from me now three times: for els, if she had not turned from me, surely I had euen nowe 34 slaine thee, and saued her aliue. Then Balaam saide vnto the Angel of the Lord, I have sinned: for I wist not that thou stoodest in the way against me: now therefore if it displease thee, 35 I will turne home againe. But the Angel said vnto Balaam, Go with the men: but what I say vnto thee, that shalt thou 36 speake. So Balaam went with ye princes of Balak. And when Balak heard that Balaam came, he went out to meete him vnto a citie of Moab, which is in the border of Arnon, euen in the vt-37 most coast. Then Balak saide vnto Balaam, Did I not sende for thee to call thee? Wherefore camest thou not vnto me? am 38 I not able in deede to promote thee vnto honour? And Balaam made answere vnto Balak, Lo, I am come vnto thee, and can I nowe say any thing at all? the worde that God putteth in 39 my mouth, that shall I speake. So Balaam went with Balak, 40 and they came vnto the citie of Huzoth. Then Balak offred bullockes, and sheepe, and sent thereof to Balaam, and to the 41 princes that were with him. And on the morowe Balak tooke Balaam, and brought him vp into the hie places of Baal, that thence hee might see the vtmost part of the people.

And Balaam sayd vnto Balak, Builde me here seuen altars, and prepare me here seuen bullockes, and seuen rammes.

And Balak did as Balaam sayd, and Balak and Balaam offred on euery altar a bullocke and a ramme. Then Balaam sayde vnto Balak, Stande by the burnt offring, and I will goe, if so be that the Lord will come and meete me: and whatsoeuer he sheweth me, I will tell thee: so he went forth alone. And

God met Balaam, and Balaam sayd vnto him, I haue prepared seuen altars, and haue offred vpon euery altar a bullocke and a ramme. And the Lord put an answere in Balaams mouth, 5 and sayde, Go againe to Balak, and say on this wise. So when 6 he returned vnto him, loe, hee stoode by his burnt offering, he, and all the princes of Moab. Then he vttered his parable, and 7 sayde, Balak the king of Moab hath brought mee from Aram out of the mountaines of the East, saving, Come, curse Iaakob for my sake: come, and detest Israel. How shall I curse, where 8 God hath not cursed? or howe shall I detest, where the Lord hath not detested? For from the top of the rocks I did see him. 9 and from the hils I did beholde him: lo, the people shall dwell by themselues, and shall not be reckened among the nations. Who can tell the dust of Iaakob, and the nomber of the fourth 10 part of Israel? Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last ende be like his. Then Balak saide vnto Balaam, What 11 hast thou done vnto mee? I tooke thee to curse mine enemies, and beholde, thou hast blessed them altogether. And he an- 12 swered, and said, Must I not take heede to speake that, which the Lord hath put in my mouth? And Balak sayde vnto him, 13 Come, I pray thee, with mee vnto another place, whence thou mayest see them, and thou shalt see but the vtmost part of them, and shalt not see them all: therefore curse them out of that place for my sake. And he brought him into Sede-sophim 14 to the top of Pisgah, and built seuen altars, and offred a bullocke, and a ramme on euery altar. After, he sayde vnto Balak, 15 Stande here by thy burnt offring, and I wil meete the Lord yonder. And the Lord mette Balaam, and put an answere in his 16 mouth, and sayd, Goe againe vnto Balak, and say thus. And 17 when he came to him, beholde, hee stoode by his burnt offering, and the princes of Moab with him: so Balak sayde vnto him, What hath the Lord sayd? And he vttered his parable, 18 and sayde, Rise vp, Balak, and heare: hearken vnto me, thou sonne of Zippor. God is not as man, that he should lie, neither 19 as the sonne of man that he shoulde repent: hath he sayde and shall he not do it? and hath he spoken, and shall he not accomplish it? Behold, I have received commandement to blesse: 20 for he hath blessed, and I cannot alter it. Hee seeth none in- 21 iquitie in Iaakob, nor seeth no transgression in Israel: the Lord his God is with him, and the joyfull shoute of a king is among

22 them. God brought them out of Egypt: their strength is as an 23 vnicorne. For there is no sorcerie in Iaakob, nor soothsaying in Israel: according to this time it shalbe sayde of Iaakob and of 24 Israel, What hath God wrought? Behold, the people shall rise vp as a lyon, and lift vp himselfe as a yong lyon: hee shall not lye downe, till he eate of the pray, and till he drinke the blood 25 of the slayne. Then Balak sayde vnto Balaam, Neither curse, 26 nor blesse them at all. But Balaam answered, and saide vnto Balak, Tolde not I thee, saying, All that the Lord speaketh, 27 that must I do? Againe Balak sayd vnto Balaam, Come, I pray thee, I wil bring thee vnto another place, if so be it wil please God, that thou mayest thence curse them for my sake. 28 So Balak brought Balaam vnto the top of Peor, that looketh 29 toward Ieshmon. Then Balaam sayde vnto Balak, Make me here seuen altars, and prepare me here seuen bullocks, and 30 seuen rammes. And Balak did as Balaam had sayd, and offred a bullocke and a ram on euery altar.

When Balaam saw that it pleased the Lord to blesse Israel, 24 then he went not, as certaine times before, to set diuinations, 2 but set his face toward the wildernesse. And Balaam lift vp his eyes, and looked vpon Israel, which dwelt according to their 3 tribes, and the Spirit of God came vpon him. And he vttered his parable, and sayd, Balaam the sonne of Beor hath 4 sayde, and the man, whose eyes were shut vp, hath sayd, He hath sayde, which heard the wordes of God, and sawe the vision of the Almightie, and falling in a traunce had his eyes 5 opened: How goodly are thy tentes, O Iaakob, and thine habi-6 tations, O Israel! As the valleis, are they stretched forth, as gardes by the rivers side, as the aloe trees, which the Lord hath 7 planted, as the cedars beside the waters. The water droppeth out of his bucket, and his seede shalbe in many waters, and his king shall be hier then Agag, and his kingdome shall bee 8 exalted. God brought him out of Egypt: his strength shalbe as an vnicorne: he shall eate the nations his enemies, and bruise 9 their bones, and shoote them through with his arrowes. coucheth and lieth downe as a yong lion, and as a lion: who shall stirre him vp? blessed is he that blesseth thee, and cursed 10 is he that curseth thee. Then Balak was very angry with Balaam, and smote his handes together: so Balak sayde vnto Balaam, I sent for thee to curse mine enemies, and beholde, thou hast blessed them nowe three times. Therefore nowe flee vnto 11 thy place: I thought surely to promote thee vnto honour, but loe, the Lord hath kept thee backe from honour. Then Balaam 12 answered Balak, Tolde I not also thy messengers, which thou sentest vnto me, saying, If Balak would give me his house ful 13 of siluer and gold, I can not passe the commandement of the Lord, to doe either good or bad of mine owne minde? what the Lord shall commaund, the same will I speake. And nowe be- 14 hold, I goe vnto my people: come, I will aduertise thee what this people shall doe to thy folke in the later dayes. And he 15 vttered his parable, and savd. Balaam the sonne of Beor hath sayde, and the man whose eyes were shut vp, hath sayd, He 16 hath said that heard the words of God, and hath the knowledge of the most High, and sawe the vision of the Almightie, and falling in a traunce had his eyes opened: I shall see him, but 17 not nowe: I shall behold him, but not neere: there shall come a starre of Iaakob, and a scepter shall rise of Israel, and shall smite the coastes of Moab, and destroy all the sonnes of Sheth. And Edom shalbe possessed, and Seir shall be a possession to 18 their enemies: but Israel shall do valiantly. He also that shall 19 haue dominion shall bee of Iaakob, and shall destroy the remnant of the citie. And when he looked on Amalek, he vttered 20 his parable, and sayd, Amalek was the first of the nations: but his latter ende shall come to destruction. And he looked on 21 the Kenites, and vttered his parable, and sayde, Strong is thy dwelling place, and put thy nest in the rocke. Neuerthelesse, 22 the Kenite shalbe spoyled vntill Asshur cary thee away captiue. Againe he vttered his parable, and sayd, Alas, who shall 23 liue when God doeth this? The ships also shall come from the 24 coastes of Chittim, and subdue Asshur, and shall subdue Eber, and he also shall come to destruction. Then Balaam rose vp, 25 and went and returned to his place: and Balak also went his way.

Nowe whiles Israel abode in Shittim, the people began to 25 commit whoredome with the daughters of Moab: Which called 2 the people vnto the sacrifice of their gods, and the people ate, and bowed downe to their gods. And Israel coupled himselfe 3 vnto Baal Peor: wherefore the wrath of the Lord was kindled against Israel: And the Lord sayde vnto Moses, Take 4 all the heades of the people, and hang them vp before the Lord

against ye sunne, that the indignation of the Lords wrath may 5 be turned from Israel. Then Moses sayd vnto the Iudges of Israel, Euery one slay his men that were ioyned vnto Baal Peor. 6 And behold, one of the children of Israel came and brought vnto his brethren a Midianitish woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the Congregation of the children of Israel, who wept before the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congrega-7 tion. And when Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar the sonne of Aaron the Priest sawe it, hee rose vp from the middes of the 8 Congregation, and tooke a speare in his hand, And followed ye man of Israel into the tent, and thrust them both through: to wit, the man of Israel, and the woman, through her belly: so 9 the plague ceased from the children of Israel. And there died 10 in that plague, foure and twentie thousand. Then the Lord 11 spake vnto Moses, saying, Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar, the sonne of Aaron the Priest, hath turned mine anger away from the children of Israel, while hee was zealous for my sake among them: therefore I have not consumed the children of Israel in 12 my ielousie. Wherefore say to him, Beholde, I giue vnto him 13 my couenant of peace, And he shall haue it, and his seede after him, euen the couenant of the priestes office for euer, because he was zealous for his God, and hath made an atonement 14 for the children of Israel. And the name of the Israelite thus slayne, which was killed with the Midianitish woman, was Zimri the sonne of Salu, prince of the familie of the Simeonites. 15 And the name of the Midianitish woman, that was slayne, was Cozbi the daughter of Zur, who was head ouer the people of his 16 fathers house in Midian. Againe ve Lord spake vnto Moses. 17, 18 saying, Vexe the Midianites, and smite them: For they trouble you with their wiles, wherewith they have beguiled you as concerning Peor, and as concerning their sister Cozbi ye daughter of a prince of Midian, which was slayne in the day of the plague because of Peor.

And so after the plague, the Lord spake vnto Moses, and to Eleazar the sonne of Aaron the Priest, saying, Take the nomber of all the Congregation of the children of Israel from twentie yeere olde and aboue throughout their fathers houses, all that go forth to warre in Israel. So Moses and Eleazar the Priest spake vnto them in the plaine of Moab, by Iorden towarde Iericho, saying, From twentie yeere olde and aboue ye

shall nomber the people, as the Lord had commanded Moses, and the childre of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt. Reuben the first borne of Israel: the children of Reube 5 were: Hanoch, of whom came the familie of the Hanochites, and of Pallu the familie of the Palluites: Of Hesron, the fam- 6 ilie of the Hesronites: of Carmi, the familie of the Carmites. These are the families of the Reubenites: and they were in 7 nomber three and fourtie thousand, seuen hundreth and thirtie. And the sonnes of Pallu, Eliab: And the sonnes of Eliab, 8,9 Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram: this Dathan and Abiram were famous in the Congregation, and stroug against Moses and against Aaron in the assemblie of Korah, when they stroue against the Lord. And the earth opened her mouth, and swalowed them vp with Korah, when the Congregation died, what time the fire consumed, two hundreth and fiftie men, who were for a signe. Notwithstanding, all the sonnes of Korah dyed not. 11 And the children of Simeon after their families were: Nemuel, 12 of whom came the familie of the Nemuelites: of Iamin, the familie of the Iaminites: of Iachin, the familie of the Iachinites: Of Zerah, the familie of the Zarhites: of Shaul, the familie of 13 These are the families of the Simeonites: two 14 the Shaulites. and twentie thousand and two hundreth. The sonnes of Gad 15 after their families were: Zephon, of whome came ve familie of the Zephonites: of Haggi, the familie of the Haggites: of Shuni, the familie of the Shunites: Of Ozni, the familie of 16 the Oznites: of Eri, the familie of the Erites: Of Arod, the 17 familie of the Arodites: of Areli, the familie of the Arelites. These are the families of the sonnes of Gad, according to their 18 nombers, fourtie thousand and fiue hundreth. The sonnes of 19 Iudah. Er and Onan: but Er and Onan died in the land of So were the sonnes of Iudah after their families: 20 of Shelah came the familie of ye Shelanites: of Pharez, the familie of the Pharzites, of Zerah, the familie of the Zarhites. And the sonnes of Pharez were: of Hesron, the familie of the 21 Hesronites: of Hamul, the familie of the Hamulites. are the families of Iudah, after their nombers, seuentie and sixe thousande and fiue hundreth. The sonnes of Issachar. 23 after their families were: Tola, of whom came the familie of the Tolaites: of Pua, the familie of the Punites: Of Iashub 24 the familie of the Iashubites: of Shimron, the familie of the

These are the families of Issachar, after their Shimronites. nombers, threescore and foure thousand and three hundreth. 26 The sonnes of Zebulun, after their families were: of Sered, the familie of the Sardites: of Elon, the familie of the Elonites: of 27 Iahleel, the familie of the Iahleelites. These are the families of the Zebulunites, after their nombers, three score thousande 28 and five hundreth. The sonnes of Ioseph, after their families 29 were Manasseh and Ephraim. The sonnes of Manasseh were: of Machir, the familie of the Machirites: and Machir begate 30 Gilead: of Gilead came the familie of the Gileadites. are the sonnes of Gilead: of Iezer, the familie of the Iezerites: 31 of Helek, the familie of the Helekites. Of Asriel, the familie 32 of the Asrielites: of Shechem, the familie of Shichmites. Shemida, the familie of the Shemidaites: of Hepher, the fam-33 ilie of the Hepherites. And Zelophehad the sonne of Hepher had no sonnes, but daughters: and the names of the daughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah and Tirzah. These are the families of Manasseh, and the nomber 35 of them, two and fiftie thousand and seuen hundreth. These are the sonnes of Ephraim after their families: of Shuthelah came the familie of the Shuthalhites: of Becher, the familie of 36 the Bachrites: of Tahan, the familie of the Tahanites. these are the sonnes of Shuthelah: of Eran the familie of the 37 Eranites. These are the families of the sonnes of Ephraim after their nombers, two and thirtie thousand and fiue hundreth. 38 these are the sonnes of Ioseph after their families. These are the sonnes of Benjamin after their families: of Bela came the familie of the Belaites: of Ashbel, the familie of the Ashbe-39 lites: of Ahiram, the familie of the Ahiramites: Of Shupham, the familie of the Suphamites: of Hupham, the familie of the 40 Huphamites. And the sonnes of Bela were Ard and Naaman: of Ard came the familie of the Ardites, of Naaman, the fami-41 lie of the Naamites. These are the sonnes of Benjamin after their families, and their nombers, fiue and fourtie thousand 42 and sixe hundreth. These are the sonnes of Dan after their families: of Shuham came the familie of the Shuhamites: these 43 are the families of Dan after their housholdes. All the families of the Shuhamites were after their nombers, threescore and 44 foure thousand, and foure hundreth. The sonnes of Asher after their families were: of Iimnah, the familie of the Iimnites:

of Isui, the familie of the Isuites: of Beriah, the familie of the The sonnes of Beriah were, of Heber the familie 45 of the Heberites: of Malchiel, the familie of the Malchielites. And the name of the daughter of Asher was Sarah. These are 46, 47 the families of the sonnes of Asher after their nombers, three and fifty thousand and foure hundreth. The sonnes of Naph- 48 tali, after their families were: of Iahzeel, the families of the Iahzeelites: of Guni, the familie of the Gunites. Of Iezer, the 49 familie of the Izrites: of Shillem, the familie of the Shillemites. These are the families of Naphtali according to their housh- 50 oldes, and their nomber, five and fourtie thousande and foure These are the nombers of the children of Israel: 51 sixe hundreth and one thousand, seuen hundreth and thirtie. And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Vnto these the land 52,53 shalbe deuided for an inheritance, according to the nomber of names. To many thou shalt give the more inheritance, and to 54 fewe thou shalt give lesse inheritance: to euery one according to his nomber shalbe given his inheritance. Notwithstand- 55 ing, the land shalbe deuided by lot: according to the names of the tribes of their fathers they shall inherite: According to 56 the lot shall the possession thereof be deuided between many and fewe. These also are the nobers of ye Leuites, after their 57 families: of Gershon came ve familie of the Gershonites: of Kohath, ye familie of the Kohathites: of Merari, the familie of the Merarites. These are the families of Leui, the familie of 58 the Libnites: the familie of the Hebronites: the familie of the Mahlites: the familie of the Mushites: the familie of the Korhites: and Kohath begate Amram. And Amrams wife was 59 called Iochebed the daughter of Leui, which was borne vnto Leui in Egypt: and she bare vnto Amram Aaron, and Moses, and Miriam their sister. And vnto Aaron were borne Nadab, 60 and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar. And Nadab and Abihu 61 dyed, because they offred strange fire before the Lord. And 62 their nombers were three and twentie thousand, all males from a moneth old and aboue: for they were not nombred among the children of Israel, because there was none inheritance giuen them among the children of Israel. These are the nombers 63 of Moses and Eleazar the Priest which nombred the children of Israel in the plaine of Moab, neere Iorden, towarde Iericho. And among these there was not a man of them, whome Moses 64

and Aaron the Priest nobred, when they tolde the children of Israel in the wildernes of Sinai. For the Lord said of them, They shall die in the wildernes: so there was not left a man of them, saue Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh, and Ioshua the sonne of Nun.

Then came the daughters of Zelophehad, the sonne of Hep-**27** her, the sonne of Gilead, the sonne of Machir, the sonne of Manasseh, of the familie of Manasseh, the sonne of Ioseph (and the names of his daughters were these, Mahlah, Noah and Hoglah, 2 and Milcah, and Tirzah) And stoode before Moses, and before Eleazar the Priest, and before the Princes, and all the assemblie, at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, say-3 ing, Our father dyed in the wildernes, and he was not among the assemblie of them that were assembled against the Lord in the companie of Korah, but died in his sinne, and had no Wherefore should the name of our father be taken 4 sonnes. away from among his familie, because he hath no sonne? giue 5 vs a possession among the brethren of our father. Then Moses 6 brought their cause before the Lord. And the Lord spake vnto 7 Moses, saying, The daughters of Zelophehad speake right: thou shalt give them a possession to inherite among their fathers brethren, and shalt turne the inheritance of their father 8 vnto them. Also thou shalt speake vnto the children of Israel, saying, If a man die and haue no sonne, then ye shall turne 9 his inheritaunce vnto his daughter. And if he haue no daugh-10 ter, ye shall giue his inheritance vnto his brethren. And if he haue no brethren, ye shall giue his inheritance vnto his fathers 11 brethren. And if his father haue no brethren, ye shall giue his inheritance vnto his next kinsman of his familie, and he shall possesse it: and this shall be vnto the children of Israel a law of 12 iudgement, as the Lord hath commanded Moses. Againe the Lord said vnto Moses, Go vp into this mount of Abarim, and behold ye lande which I haue giuen vnto the children of Israel. 13 And when thou hast seene it, thou shalt be gathered vnto thy 14 people also, as Aaron thy brother was gathered. For ye were disobedient vnto my worde in the desert of Zin, in the strife of the assemblie, to sanctifie me in the waters before their eves. That is the water of Meribah in Kadesh in the wildernesse of 15, 16 Zin. Then Moses spake vnto the Lord, saying, Let the Lord God of the spirits of all flesh appoint a man ouer the Congregation, Who may goe out and in before them, and leade them 17 out and in, that the Congregation of the Lord be not as sheepe, which haue not a shepheard. And the Lord said vnto Moses, 18 Take thee Ioshua the sonne of Nun, in whom is the Spirite, and put thine handes vpon him, And set him before Eleazar 19 the Priest, and before all the Congregation, and give him a charge in their sight. And give him of thy glory, that all the 20 Congregation of ve children of Israel may obey. And he shall 21 stande before Eleazar the Priest, who shall aske counsell for him by the iudgement of Vrim before the Lord: at his worde they shall goe out, and at his worde they shall come in, both he, and all the children of Israel with him and all the Congregation. So Moses did as the Lord had commanded him, and 22 he tooke Ioshua, and set him before Eleazar the Priest, and before all the Congregation. Then he put his handes vpon him, 23 and gaue him a charge, as the Lord had spoken by the hand of Moses.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Command the 28, 2 children of Israel, and say vnto them, Ye shall obserue to offer vnto me in their due season mine offering, and my bread, for my sacrifices made by fire for a sweete sauour vnto me. Also thou shalt say vnto them, This is the offring made by fire 3 which ve shall offer vnto the Lord, two lambes of a veere olde without spot, daily, for a continual burnt offring. One lambe 4 shalt thou prepare in the morning, and the other lambe shalt thou prepare at euen. And the tenth part of an Ephah of 5 fine floure for a meate offering mingled with the fourth part of an Hin of beaten oyle. This shalbe a daily burnt offering, 6 as was made in the mount Sinai for a sweete sauour: it is a sacrifice made by fire vnto the Lord. And the drinke offring 7 thereof the fourth part of an Hin for one lambe: in the holy place cause to powre the drinke offring vnto the Lord. And the 8 other lambe thou shalt prepare at euen: as the meate offring of the morning, and as the drinke offering thereof shalt thou prepare this for an offring made by fire of sweete sauour vnto the Lord. But on the Sabbath day ye shall offer two lambes 9 of a yere old, without spot, and two tenth deales of fine floure for a meate offring mingled with oyle, and the drinke offring thereof. This is ye burnt offring of euery Sabbath, beside the 10 continuall burnt offring, and drinke offring thereof. And in 11

the beginning of your moneths, ye shall offer a burnt offring vnto the Lord, two yong bullockes, and a ramme, and seuen 12 lambes of a yeere olde, without spot, And three tenth deales of fine floure for a meat offring mingled with oyle for one bullocke, and two tenth deales of fine floure for a meate offring, 13 mingled with oyle for one ramme, And a tenth deale of fine floure mingled with oyle for a meate offring vnto one lambe: for a burnt offring of sweete sauour: it is an offring made by 14 fire vnto the Lord. And their drinke offrings shalbe halfe an Hin of wine vnto one bullocke, and the thirde part of an Hin vnto a ram, and ye fourth part of an Hin vnto a labe: this is the burnt offring of euery moneth, throughout the moneths of 15 the yeere. And one hee goat for a sinne offring vnto the Lord shalbe prepared, besides the continuall burnt offring, and his 16 drinke offring. Also the fourtenth day of the first moneth is 17 the Passeouer of the Lord. And in ye fiftenth day of the same moneth is the feast: seuen dayes shall vnleauened bread be 18 eaten. In the first day shalbe an holy conuocation, ye shall do 19 no seruile worke therein. But ye shall offer a sacrifice made by fire for a burnt offring vnto the Lord, two yong bullocks, one ram, and seuen lambes of a yeere olde: see that they be with-20 out blemish. And their meate offering shalbe of fine floure mingled with oyle: three tenth deales shall ye prepare for a 21 bullocke, and two tenth deales for a ramme: One tenth deale shalt thou prepare for every lambe, even for the seven lambes. 22 And an hee goate for a sinne offering, to make an atonement 23 for you. Ye shall prepare these, beside the burnt offering in 24 the morning, which is a continual burnt sacrifice. After this maner ye shall prepare throughout all the seuen dayes, for the mainteining of the offring made by fire for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord: it shall be done beside the continuall burnt of-25 fring and drinke offring thereof. And in ye seuenth day ye shall have an holy convocation, wherein ye shall do no servile 26 work. Also in the day of your first fruits, when ye bring a newe meate offring vnto the Lord, according to your weekes ye shall haue an holy conuocation, and ye shall do no seruile worke in 27 it: But ye shall offer a burnt offering for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord, two yong bullocks, a ramme, and seuen lambes of a 28 yeere olde, And their meat offring of fine floure mingled with oyle, three tenth deales vnto a bullocke, two tenth deales to a

ram, And one tenth deale vnto every lambe throughout the 29 seven lambes, And an hee goate to make an atonement for 30 you: (Ye shall doe this besides the continuall burnt offring, 31 and his meate offring:) see they be without blemish, with their drinke offrings.

Moreouer, in the first day of the seuenth moneth ye shall 29 haue an holy conuocation: ye shall doe no seruile worke therein: it shall be a day of blowing the trumpets vnto you. And ye 2 shall make a burnt offering for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord: one yong bullocke, one ram, and seuen lambes of a yeere olde, without blemish. And their meat offring shalbe of fine floure 3 mingled with oyle, three tenth deales vnto the bullocke, and two tenth deales vnto the ramme, And one tenth deale vnto 4 one lambe, for the seuen lambes. And an hee goate for a sinne 5 offering to make an atonement for you, Beside the burnt of- 6 fring of the moneth, and his meat offring, and the continual burnt offring, and his meate offring and the drinke offrings of the same, according to their maner, for a sweete sauour: it is a sacrifice made by fire vnto ye Lord. And ye shall haue 7 in ye tenth day of the seuenth moneth, an holy conuocation: and ve shall humble your soules, and shall not doe any worke therein: But ye shall offer a burnt offring vnto the Lord for a 8 sweete sauour: one vong bullocke, a ramme, and seuen lambes of a yeere olde: see they be without blemish. And their meate 9 offering shall be of fine floure mingled with oyle, three tenth deales to a bullocke, and two tenth deales to a ramme, One 10 tenth deale vnto euery lambe, thoroughout the seuen lambes, An hee goate for a sinne offring, (beside ve sinne offring to 11 make the atonement and the continual burnt offring and the meat offring thereof) and their drinke offrings. And in the 12 fifteenth day of the seuenth moneth ye shall haue an holie conuocation: ye shall do no seruile worke therein, but yee shall keepe a feast vnto the Lord seuen daies. And ye shall offer a 13 burnt offring for a sacrifice made by fire of sweete sauour vnto the Lord, thirteene yong bullockes, two rammes, and fourtene lambes of a yeere olde: they shall bee without blemish. And 14 their meate offering shall bee of fine floure mingled with oyle, three tenth deales vnto euery bullocke of the thirteene bullockes, two tenth deales to either of the two rammes, And 15 one tenth deale vnto eche of ve fourteene lambes. And one hee 16

goate for a sinne offring, beside the continual burnt offring, his 17 meate offring, and his drinke offring. And the second day ye shall offer twelue yong bullockes, two rams, fourteene lambes 18 of a yeere olde without blemish, With their meate offring and their drinke offrings for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for 19 the lambes according to their nomber, after the maner, And an hee goate for a sinne offring, (beside the continuall burnt 20 offering and his meate offring) and their drinke offrings. Also the third day ye shall offer eleuen bullocks, two rams, and 21 fourteene lambes of a yeere olde without blemish, With their meate offring and their drinke offrings, for the bullockes, for the rams, and for the lambes, after their nomber according to 22 the maner, And an hee goat for a sinne offring, beside the continuall burnt offring, and his meate offring and his drinke 23 offring. And the fourth day ye shall offer tenne bullocks, two rammes, and fourteene lambes of a yeere olde without blemish. 24 Their meate offring and their drinke offrings, for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for the lambes according to their nomber, 25 after the maner, And an hee goate for a sinne offering beside the continual burnt offring, his meate offering and his drinke 26 offering. In the fifth day also ye shall offer nine bullockes, two rammes, and fourteene lambes of a yeere olde without blemish, 27 And their meat offering and their drinke offrings for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for the lambes according to their 28 nomber, after the maner, And an hee goat for a sinne offring, beside the continual burnt offring, and his meat offring and 29 his drinke offering. And in the sixt day ye shall offer eight bullockes, two rams, and fourteene lambes of a yeere olde without 30 blemish, And their meate offring, and their drinke offrings for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for the lambes accord-31 ing to their nomber, after the maner, And an hee goat for a sinne offring, beside the continuall burnt offring, his meate 32 offring and his drinke offrings. In the seuenth day also ye shall offer seuen bullocks, two rammes and fourteene lambes 33 of a yeere olde without blemish, And their meate offering and their drinke offrings for the bullockes, for the rammes, and for the lambes according to their nomber, after their maner, 34 And an hee goate for a sinne offring, beside the continuall 35 burnt offring, his meate offering and his drinke offring. In the eight day, yee shall haue a solemne assemblie: yee shall

doe no seruile worke therein, But yee shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire for a sweete sauour vnto the Lord, one bullocke, one ram, and seuen lambes of a yeere old without blemish, Their meate offring and their drinke offrings for the 37 bullocke, for the ramme, and for the lambes according to their nomber, after the maner, And an hee goat for a sinne offring, 38 beside the continuall burnt offring, and his meate offring, and his drinke offring. These things ye shall do vnto the Lord in 39 your feastes, beside your vowes, and your free offrings, for your burnt offrings, and for your meate offrings, and for your drinke offrings and for your peace offrings.

Then Moses spake vnto the children of Israel according to 30 all that the Lord had commanded him, Moses also spake vnto 2 the heads of ve tribes concerning the children of Israel, saving, This is the thing which the Lord hath commanded, Whosoeuer 3 voweth a vow vnto the Lord, or sweareth an othe to binde him selfe by a bonde, he shall not breake his promise, but shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth. If a woman 4 also vow a vow vnto the Lord, and binde her selfe by a bonde, being in her fathers house, in the time of her youth, And her 5 father heare her vowe and bonde, wherewith she hath bound her selfe, and her father hold his peace concerning her, then all her vowes shall stande, and euery bonde, wherewith she hath bound her selfe, shall stand. But if her father disallow her the 6 same day that he heareth all her vowes and bondes, wherewith she hath bound her selfe, they shall not bee of value, and the Lord will forgiue her, because her father disallowed her. And 7 if she have an husband when she voweth or pronounceth ought with her lips, wherewith she bindeth her selfe, If her husband 8 heard it, and holdeth his peace concerning her, the same day he heareth it, then her vowe shall stande, and her bondes wherewith she bindeth her selfe shall stand in effect. But if her 9 husband disallow her the same day that hee heareth it, then shall hee make her vowe which shee hath made, and that that shee hath pronounced with her lips, wherewith shee bound her selfe, of none effect: and the Lord will forgiue her. But euery 10 vowe of a widowe, and of her that is divorced (wherewith she hath bound her selfe) shall stand in effect with her. And if 11 she vowed in her husbands house, or bound her selfe streightly with an othe. And her husband hath heard it, and helde his 12

peace cocerning her, not disalowing her, then all her vowes shall stand, and euery bond, wherewith she bound her selfe, 13 shall stand in effect. But if her husband disanulled them, the same day that he heard them, nothing that proceeded out of her lippes concerning her vowes or concerning her bondes, shall stand in effect: for her husband hath disanulled them: 14 and the Lord will forgiue her. So euery vowe, and euery othe or bonde, made to humble the soule, her husband may stablish 15 it, or her husband may breake it. But if her husband holde his peace concerning her from day to day, then he stablisheth al her vowes and all her bondes which shee hath made: hee hath confirmed them because he held his peace concerning her 16 the same day that hee hearde them. But if he breake them after that he hath heard them, then shall he beare her iniquitie. 17 These are the ordinances which the Lord commanded Moses, betweene a man and his wife, and betweene the father and his daughter, being young in her fathers house.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Reuenge the chil-**31**. 2 dren of Israel of the Midianites, and afterwarde shalt thou be 3 gathered vnto thy people. And Moses spake to the people, saying, Harnesse some of you vnto warre, and let them goe against Midian, to execute the vengeance of the Lord against Midian. 4 A thousande of euery tribe throughout all the tribes of Israel. 5 shall ye sende to the warre. So there were taken out of the thousands of Israel, twelue thousande prepared vnto warre, of 6 euery tribe a thousand. And Moses sent them to the warre, euen a thousand of euery tribe, and sent them with Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar the Priest to the warre: and the holy instruments, that is, the trumpets to blow were in his hand. 7 And they warred against Midian, as the Lord had commanded 8 Moses, and slue all the males. They slue also the Kings of Midian among them that were slaine: Eui and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur and Reba fiue kings of Midian, and they slue 9 Balaam the sonne of Beor with the sworde: But the children of Israel tooke the women of Midian prisoners, and their children, and spoyled all their cattell, and all their flockes, and 10 all their goods. And they burnt all their cities, wherein they 11 dwelt, and all their villages with fire. And they tooke all the 12 spoyle and all the pray both of men and beastes. And they

brought the captiues and that which they had taken, and the

spoyle vnto Moses and to Eleazar the Priest, and vnto the Congregation of the children of Israel, into ye campe in the playne of Moab, which was by Iorden toward Iericho. Then Moses 13 and Eleazar the Priest, and all the princes of the Congregation went out of the campe to meete them. And Moses was 14 angry with the captaines of the hoste, with the captaines ouer thousands, and captaines ouer hundreds, which came from the warre and battel. And Moses sayde vnto them, What? haue 15 ye saued all the women? Behold, these caused the children 16 of Israel through the counsell of Balaam to commit a trespasse against the Lord, as concerning Peor, and there came a plague among the Congregation of the Lord. Now there- 17 fore, slay all the males among the children, and kill all the women that have knowen man by carnall copulation. all the women children that have not knowen carnall copulation, keepe aliue for your selues. And ye shall remaine with- 19 out the host seuen dayes, all that have killed any person, and all that have touched any dead, and purifie both your selues and your prisoners the third day and the seuenth. Also ve 20 shall purifie euery garment and all that is made of skins and al worke of goates heare, and all things made of wood. And 21 Eleazar ye Priest sayd vnto the men of warre, which went to the battel, This is the ordinance of the law which the Lord commanded Moses, As for gold, and siluer, brasse, yron, tynne, 22 and lead: Euen all that may abide the fire, yee shall make it 23 goe through the fire, and it shalbe cleane: yet, it shalbe purified with the water of purification: and all that suffereth not the fire, yee shall cause to passe by the water. Ye shall 24 wash also your clothes the seuenth day, and ye shalbe cleane: and afterward ye shall come into the Hoste. And the Lord 25 spake vnto Moses, saying, Take the summe of the praie that 26 was taken, both of persons and of cattell, thou and Eleazar the Priest, and the chiefe fathers of the Congregation. And deuide 27 the praye betweene the souldiers that went to the warre, and all the Congregation. And thou shalt take a tribute vnto ye 28 Lord of the men of warre, which went out to battel: one person of fiue hundreth, both of the persons, and of the beeues, and of the asses, and of the sheepe. Yee shall take it of their 29 halfe and giue it vnto Eleazar the Priest, as an heaue offring of the Lord. But of the halfe of the children of Israel thou 30

shalt take one, taken out of fiftie, both of the persons, of the beeues, of the asses, and of the sheepe, euen of all the cattel: and thou shalt give them vnto the Leuites, which have the 31 charge of the Tabernacle of the Lord. And Moses and Eleazar 32 the priest did as the Lord had commanded Moses. bootie, to wit, the rest of the praie which the men of warre had spoyled, was sixe hundreth seuentie and fiue thousand 33, 34 sheepe, And seventie and two thousand beeves. And three 35 score and one thousand asses. And two and thirtie thousande 36 persons in all, of women that had lyen by no man. And the halfe, to wit, the part of them that went out to warre touching the nomber of sheepe, was three hundreth seuen and thir-37 tie thousand, and fiue hundreth. And the Lordes tribute of 38 the sheepe was sixe hundreth and seuentie and fiue: And the beeues were six and thirty thousad, whereof the Lordes trib-39 ute was seventie and two. And the asses were thirtie thousande and fiue hundreth, whereof the Lordes tribute was three 40 score and one: And of persons sixtene thousand, whereof the 41 Lordes tribute was two and thirtie persons. And Moses gaue the tribute of the Lordes offring vnto Eleazar the Priest, as 42 the Lord had commanded Moses. And of the halfe of the children of Israel, which Moses deuided from the men of warre, 43 (For the halfe that perteined vnto the Congregation, was three hundreth thirtie and seuen thousand sheepe and fiue hun-44,45 dreth, And sixe and thirtie thousand beeues, And thirtie 46 thousand asses, and five hudreth, And sixteene thousande 47 persons) Moses, I say, tooke of the halfe that perteined vnto the children of Israel, one taken out of fiftie, both of the persons, and of the cattell, and gaue them vnto the Leuites, which haue the charge of the Tabernacle of the Lord, as the Lord had 48 commanded Moses. Then the captaines which were ouer thousandes of the hoste, the captaines ouer the thousandes, and 49 the captaines ouer the hundreds came vnto Moses: And saide to Moses. Thy seruants have taken the summe of the men of warre which are vnder our authoritie, and there lacketh not 50 one man of vs. We have therefore brought a present vnto the Lord, what euery man found of iewels of golde, bracelets, and cheines, rings, eare ringes, and ornaments of the legges, to 51 make an atonement for our soules before the Lord. And Moses and Eleazar the Priest tooke the golde of them, and all wrought

iewels, And all the golde of the offring that they offered vp to 52 the Lord (of the captaines ouer thousands and hundreds) was sixteene thousande seuen hundreth and fiftie shekels, (For 53 the men of warre had spoyled, euery man for him selfe) And 54 Moses and Eleazar the Priest tooke the golde of the captaines ouer the thousandes, and ouer the hundreds, and brought it into the Tabernacle of the Congregation, for a memorial of the children of Israel before the Lord.

Nowe the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad had 32 an exceeding great multitude of cattell: and they sawe the lande of Iazer, and the lande of Gilead, that it was an apt place for cattel. Then the children of Gad, and the childre of 2 Reuben came, and spake vnto Moses and to Eleazar the Priest. and vnto the princes of the Congregation, saying, The land of 3 Ataroth, and Dibon, and Iazer, and Nimrah, and Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Shebam, and Nebo, and Beon. Which countrey 4 the Lord smote before the Congregation of Israel, is a lande meete for cattell, and thy seruants have cattell: Wherefore, 5 said they, if we have foud grace in thy sight, let this lande be given vnto thy servants for a possession, and bring vs not ouer Iorde. And Moses said vnto the children of Gad, and to 6 the children of Reuben, Shall your brethren goe to warre, and ve tary heere? Wherefore now discourage ve the heart of the 7 children of Israel, to goe ouer into the lande, which the Lord hath given them? Thus did your fathers when I sent them 8 from Kadesh-barnea to see the lande. For when they went vp 9 euen vnto the riuer of Eshcol, and sawe the land: they discouraged the heart of the childre of Israel, that they woulde not goe into the lande, which the Lord had given them. And the 10 Lordes wrath was kindled the same day, and he did sweare, saying. None of the men that came out of Egypt from twen- 11 tie yeere olde and aboue, shall see the land for the which I sware vnto Abraham, to Izhak, and to Iaakob, because they haue not wholly followed me: Except Caleb the sonne of Ie- 12 phunneh the Kenesite, and Ioshua the sonne of Nun: for they haue constantly followed the Lord. And the Lord was very 13 angry with Israel, and made them wander in the wildernesse fourty yeeres, vntill all the generation that had done euill in the sight of the Lord were consumed. And behold, ye are risen 14 vp in your fathers steade as an encrease of sinfull men, still to

15 augment the fierce wrath of the Lord, toward Israel. For if ye turne away from following him, he will yet againe leaue the people in the wildernesse, and ye shall destroy all this 16 folke. And they went neere to him, and said, We will builde sheepe foldes here for our sheepe, and for our cattell, and cities 17 for our children. But we our selues will be readie armed to go before the children of Israel, vntill we have brought them vnto their place: but our childre shall dwell in the defenced 18 cities, because of the inhabitants of the lande. returne vnto our houses, vntil the children of Israel haue in-19 herited, euery man his inheritance. Neither wil we inherite with them beyond Iorden and on that side, because our inheri-20 tance is fallen to vs on this side Iorden Eastwarde. And Moses saide vnto them, If ye will doe this thing, and goe armed before 21 the Lord to warre: And will goe euery one of you in harnesse ouer Iorden before the Lord, vntill he hath cast out his ene-22 mies from his sight: And vntill the land be subdued before the Lord, then ye shall returne and be innocent toward the Lord, and toward Israel: and this land shalbe your possession 23 before the Lord. But if ye will not doe so, beholde, ye haue sinned against the Lord, and be sure, that your sinne will finde 24 you out. Builde you then cities for your children and folds for 25 your sheepe, and do that ye have spoke. Then the children of Gad and the children of Reuben spake vnto Moses, saying, Thy 26 seruats will doe as my lorde commandeth: Our childre, our wiues, our sheepe, and al our cattell shall remaine there in the 27 cities of Gilead, But thy seruants will goe euery one armed 28 to warre before the Lord for to fight, as my lorde saith. concerning them, Moses commanded Eleazar the Priest, and Ioshua the sonne of Nun, and the chiefe fathers of the tribes 29 of the children of Israel: And Moses said vnto them. If the children of Gad, and the children of Reuben, will go with you ouer Iorden, all armed to fight before the Lord, then when the land is subdued before you, ye shall give the the lad of Gilead 30 for a possessio: But if they will not goe ouer with you armed, then they shall have their possessions amog you in the land of 31 Canaan. And the children of Gad, and the children of Reuben answered, saying, As the Lord hath said vnto thy seruants, so 32 will we doe. We will goe armed before the Lord into the lande of Canaan: that the possession of our inheritance may be to

vs on this side Iorden. So Moses gaue vnto them, euen to the 33 children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and to halfe the tribe of Manasseh the sonne of Ioseph, the kingdome of Sihon King of the Amorites, and the kingdome of Og King of Bashan, the lande with the cities thereof and coastes, euen the cities of the countrey round about. Then the children of Gad built 34 Dibon, and Ataroth, and Aroer, And Atroth, Shophan, and 35 Iazer, and Iogbehah. And Beth-nimrah, and Beth-haran, defenced cities: also sheepe foldes. And the children of Reuben 37 built Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Kiriathaim, And Nebo, and 38 Baal-meon, and turned their names, and Shibmah: and gaue other names vnto the cities which they built. And the chil- 39 dren of Machir the sonne of Manasseh went to Gilead, and tooke it, and put out the Amorites that dwelt therein. Then 40 Moses gaue Gilead vnto Machir the sonne of Manasseh, and he dwelt therein. And Iair the sonne of Manasseh went and 41 tooke the small townes thereof, and called them Hauoth Iair. Also Nobah went and tooke Kenath, with the villages thereof 42 and called it Nobah, after his owne name.

These are the iourneyes of the children of Israel, which went 33 out of the land of Egypt according to their bands vnder the hand of Moses and Aaron. And Moses wrote their going out 2 by their iourneies according to ve commandement of the Lord: so these are ye iourneies of their going out. Nowe they de- 3 parted from Rameses the first moneth, euen the fifteenth day of the first moneth, on the morowe after the Passeouer: and the children of Israel went out with an hie hand in the sight of all the Egyptians. (For the Egyptians buried all their first 4 borne, which the Lord had smitten among them: vpon their gods also the Lord did execution.) And the children of Israel 5 remoued from Rameses, and pitched in Succoth. And they de- 6 parted from Succoth, and pitched in Etham, which is in the edge of the wildernesse. And they removed from Etham, and 7 turned againe vnto Pi-hahiroth, which is before Baal-zephon, and pitched before Migdol. And they departed from before 8 Hahiroth, and went through the middes of the Sea into the wildernesse, and went three dayes iourney in the wildernesse of Etham, and pitched in Marah. And they remoued from 9 Marah, and came vnto Elim, and in Elim were twelue fountaines of water, and seuentie palme trees, and they pitched

And they remoued from Elim, and camped by the red And they remoued from the red Sea, and lay in the 11 Sea. 12 wildernesse of Sin. And they tooke their journey out of the 13 wildernesse of Sin, and set vp their tentes in Dophkah. And 14 they departed from Dophkah, and lay in Alush. And they remoued from Alush, and lay in Rephidim, where was no water 15 for the people to drinke. And they departed from Rephidim, 16 and pitched in the wildernesse of Sinai. And they remoued from the desert of Sinai, and pitched in Kibroth Hattaauah. 17 And they departed from Kibroth Hattaauah, and lay at Haze-18 roth. And they departed from Hazeroth, and pitched in Rithmah. 19 And they departed from Rithmah, and pitched at Rimmon Parez. 20 And they departed from Rimmon Parez, and pitched in Libnah. 21, 22 And they remoued from Libnah, and pitched in Rissah. And 23 they iourneyed from Rissah, and pitched in Kehelathah. And they went from Kehelathah, and pitched in mount Shapher. 24 And they remoued from mount Shapher, and lay in Haradah. 25 And they remoued from Haradah, and pitched in Makheloth. 26, 27 And they remoued from Makheloth, and lay in Tahath. And 28 they departed from Tahath, and pitched in Tarah. And they 29 remoued from Tarah, and pitched in Mithkah. And they went 30 from Mithkah, and pitched in Hashmonah. And they departed 31 from Hashmonah, and lay in Moseroth. And they departed 32 from Moseroth, and pitched in Bene-iaakan. And they re-33 moued from Bene-iaakan, and lay in Hor-hagidgad. And they 34 went from Hor-hagidgad, and pitched in Iotbathah. And they 35 remoued from Iotbathah, and lay in Ebronah. And they de-36 parted from Ebronah, and lay in Ezion-gaber. And they remoued from Ezion-gaber, and pitched in the wildernesse of 37 Zin, which is Kadesh. And they remooued from Kadesh, and 38 pitched in mount Hor, in the edge of the land of Edom. (And Aaron the Priest went vp into mount Hor, at the commandement of the Lord, and died there, in the fourtieth yeere after the children of Israel were come out of the lande of Egypt, in 39 the first day of the fifth moneth. And Aaron was an hundreth, and three and twentie yeere olde, when hee dyed in mount 40 Hor. And King Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the South of the land of Canaan, heard of the comming of the children 41 of Israel) And they departed from mount Hor, and pitched in 42 Zalmonah. And they departed from Zalmonah, and pitched

And they departed from Punon, and pitched in 43 in Punon. And they departed from Oboth, and pitched in Iie- 44 abarim, in the borders of Moab. And they departed from Iim, 45 and pitched in Dibon-gad. And they removued from Dibon- 46 gad, and lay in Almon-diblathaim. And they remooued from 47 Almon-diblathaim, and pitched in the mountaines of Abarim before Nebo. And they departed from the mountaines of Abarim48 and pitched in the plaine of Moab, by Iorden toward Iericho. And they pitched by Iorden, from Bethieshimoth vnto Abel- 49 shittim in the playne of Moab. And the Lord spake vnto Moses 50 in the playne of Moab, by Iorden towarde Iericho, saying, Speake1 vnto the children of Israel, and say vnto them, When ye are come ouer Iorden to enter into the land of Canaan. Ye shall 52 then drive out all the inhabitants of the land before you, and destroy all their pictures, and breake asunder all their images of metall, and plucke downe all their hie places. And ye shall 53 possesse the lande and dwell therein: for I have give you ve land to possesse it. And ye shall inherite the land by lot ac- 54 cording to your families: to the more yee shall give more inheritance, and to the fewer the lesse inheritance. Where the lot shall fall to any man, that shall be his: according to the tribes of your fathers shall ye inherite. But if ye will not drive out 55 the inhabitants of the land before you, then those which vee let ramaine of them, shalbe prickes in your eyes, and thornes in your sides, and shall vexe you in the land wherein ye dwell. Moreover, it shall come to passe, that I shall doe vnto you, as I 56 thought to do vnto them.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Commande the children of Israel, and say vnto them, When yee come into the land of Canaan, this is the land that shall fall vnto your inheritance: that is, the land of Canaan with the coastes thereof. And your Southquarter shalbe from the wildernesse of Zin to the borders of Edom: so that your Southquarter shall be from the salt Sea coast Eastwarde: And the border shall compasse you from the South to Maaleh-akrabbim, and reach to Zin, and goe out from the South to Kadesh-barnea: thence it shall stretch to Hazar-addar, and go along to Azmon. And the border shall compasse from Azmon vnto the riuer of Egypt, and shall goe out to the Sea. And your Westquarter shall bee the great Sea: euen that border shalbe your Westcoast. And this

shall bee your Northquarter: yee shall marke out your border 8 from the great Sea vnto mount Hor. From mount Hor ye shall point out till it come vnto Hamath, and the end of the coast 9 shall be at Zedad. And the coast shall reach out to Ziphron, and goe out at Hazar-enan. this shalbe your Northquarter. 10 And ye shall marke out your Eastquarter from Hazar-enan to 11 Shepham. And the coast shall goe downe from Shepham to Riblah, and from the Eastside of Ain: and the same border shall descend and goe out at the side of the sea of Chinneereth 12 Eastward. Also that border shall goe downe to Iorden, and leaue at the salt Sea. this shalbe your land with the coastes 13 thereof round about. Then Moses commanded the children of Israel, saying, This is the lande which yee shall inherite by lot. which the Lord commanded to give vnto nine tribes and halfe 14 the tribe. For the tribe of the children of Reuben, according to the housholdes of their fathers, and the tribe of the children of Gad, according to their fathers housholdes, and halfe the tribe of Manasseh, haue received their inheritance. Two tribes and an halfe tribe haue received their inheritance on this side of 16 Iorden toward Iericho full East. Againe the Lord spake to 17 Moses, saying. These are the names of the men which shall deuide ye land vnto you: Eleazar the Priest, and Ioshua the 18 sonne of Nun. And ve shall take also a prince of euerie tribe 19 to deuide the land. The names also of the men are these: Of 20 the tribe of Iudah, Caleb ye sonne of Iephunneh. And of the tribe of the sonnes of Simeon, Shemuel the sonne of Ammihud. 21, 22 Of the tribe of Beniamin, Elidad the sonne of Chislon. Also of the tribe of the sonnes of Dan, the prince Bukki, the sonne 23 of Iogli. Of the sonnes of Ioseph: of the tribe of the sonnes of 24 Manasseh, the prince Hanniel the sonne of Ephod. And of the tribe of the sonnes of Ephraim, the prince Kemuel, the sonne 25 of Shiphtan. Of the tribe also of the sonnes of Zebulun, the 26 prince Elizaphan, the sonne of Parnach. So of the tribe of the 27 sonnes of Issachar, the prince Paltiel the sonne of Azzan. Of the tribe also of the sonnes of Asher, the prince Ahihud, the 28 sonne of Shelomi. And of the tribe of the sonnes of Naphtali, 29 the prince Pedahel, the sonne of Ammihud. These are they. whome the Lord commanded to deuide the inheritance vnto the children of Israel, in the land of Canaan.

And the Lord spake vnto Moses in the plaine of Moab by Ior-

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den, toward Iericho, saying, Commande ye children of Israel, 2 that they give vnto the Leuites of the inheritace of their possession, cities to dwell in: yee shall give also vnto the Leuites the suburbes of the cities round about them. So they shall 3 haue the cities to dwell in, and their suburbes shall be for their cattell, and for their substance, and for all their beasts. And the suburbes of the cities, which ye shall give vnto the 4 Leuites, from the wall of the citie outward, shalbe a thousand cubites round about. And yee shall measure without the citie 5 of the Eastside, two thousand cubites: and of the Southside, two thousand cubites: and of the Westside, two thousand cubites: and of ve Northside, two thousand cubites: and the citie shalbe in ve middes, this shalbe the measure of the suburbes of their cities. And of the cities which yee shall give vnto the 6 Leuites, there shalbe sixe cities for refuge, which ye shall appoint, that he which killeth, may flee thither: and to them yee shall adde two and fourtie cities more. All the cities which 7 vee shall give to the Leuites, shalbe eight and fourtie cities: them shall ve giue with their suburbes. And concerning the 8 cities which yee shall giue, of the possession of the children of Israel: of many ye shall take more, and of few ye shall take lesse: euery one shall giue of his cities vnto the Leuites, according to his inheritance, which hee inheriteth. Lord spake vnto Moses, saying, Speake vnto the children of 10 Israel, and say vnto them, When ye be come ouer Iorden into the land of Canaan, Ye shall appoint you cities, to bee cities 11 of refuge for you, that the slayer, which slayeth any person vnwares, may flee thither. And these cities shalbe for you a 12 refuge from the auenger, that he which killeth, die not, vntill he stand before the Congregation in judgement. And of the 13 cities which ye shall giue, sixe cities shall ye haue for refuge. Ye shall appoint three on this side Iorden, and ye shall ap- 14 point three cities in the lande of Canaan which shalbe cities of refuge. These six cities shalbe a refuge for the children of 15 Israel, and for the stranger, and for him that dwelleth among you, that euery one which killeth any person vnwares, may flee thither. And if one smite another with an instrument of vron 16 that hee die, hee is a murtherer, and the murtherer shall die the death. Also if hee smite him by casting a stone, where- 17 with hee may be slaine, and he die, hee is a murtherer, and

18 the murtherer shall die the death. Or if he smite him with an hand weapon of wood, wherewith he may be slaine, if he die, 19 he is a murtherer, and the murtherer shall die the death. The reuenger of the blood himselfe shall slay the murtherer: when 20 he meeteth him, he shall slay him. But if hee thrust him of 21 hate, or hurle at him by laying of wait, that he die, Or smite him through enimitie with his hand, that he die, he that smote him shall die ye death: for hee is a murtherer: the reuenger of 22 the blood shall slay the murtherer when he meeteth him. But if he pusshed him vnaduisedly, and not of hatred, or cast vpon 23 him any thing, without laying of waite, Or any stone (whereby he might be slaine) and sawe him not, or caused it to fall vpon him, and he die, and was not his enemie, neither sought him 24 any harme. Then the Congregation shall judge betweene the 25 slayer and the auenger of blood according to these lawes. And the Congregation shall deliuer the slayer out of the hande of the auenger of blood, and the Congregation shall restore him vnto the citie of his refuge, whither hee was fled: and hee shall abide there vnto the death of the hie Priest, which is anointed 26 with the holy oyle. But if the slayer come without the bor-27 ders of the citie of his refuge, whither he was fled, And the reuenger of blood finde him without the borders of the citie of his refuge, and the reueger of blood slav ve murtherer, he 28 shalbe giltles, Because he should have remained in the citie of his refuge, vntill the death of the hie Priest: and after the death of the hie Priest, the slaver shall returne vnto the land of 29 his possession. So these thinges shall be a lawe of iudgement vnto vou, throughout your generations in all your dwellings. 30 Whosoeuer killeth any person, the Iudge shall slay the murtherer, through witnesses: but one witnesse shall not testifie 31 against a person to cause him to die. Moreouer ye shall take no recompense for the life of the murtherer, which is worthy 32 to die: but he shalbe put to death. Also ye shall take no recompense for him that is fled to the citie of his refuge, that he should come againe, and dwell in the lande, before the death 33 of the hie Priest. So ye shall not pollute the land wherein ye shall dwell: for blood defileth the land: and the land cannot be clensed of the blood that is shed therein, but by the blood 34 of him that shed it. Defile not therefore the lande which yee shall inhabite. For I dwell in the middes thereof: for I the Lord

dwel among the children of Israel.

Then the chiefe fathers of the familie of the sonnes of Gilead. **36** the sonne of Machir, the sonne of Manasseh, of the families of the sones of Ioseph, came, and spake before Moses, and before the princes, the chiefe fathers of the children of Israel, And 2 saide. The Lord commanded my lord to give the land to inherit by lot to the children of Israel: and my lord was commanded by the Lord, to give the inheritance of Zelophehad our brother vnto his daughters. If they bee married to any 3 of the sonnes of the other tribes of the children of Israel, then shall their inheritance be taken away from the inheritance of our fathers, and shalbe put vnto the inheritance of the tribe whereof they shalbe: so shall it be taken away from the lot of our inheritance. Also when the Iubile of the children of Israel 4 commeth, then shall their inheritance be put vnto the inheritance of the tribe whereof they shall be: so shall their inheritance be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our Then Moses commanded the children of Israel, ac- 5 cording to the word of the Lord, saying. The tribe of the sonnes of Ioseph haue said well. This is the thing that the Lord hath 6 commanded, concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saving, They shall be wives, to whome they thinke best, onely to the familie of the tribe of their father shall they marry: So shall 7 not the inheritance of the children of Israel remoue from tribe to tribe, for euery one of the children of Israel shall iovne himselfe to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers. And euery 8 daughter that possesseth any inheritance of the tribes of the children of Israel, shalbe wife vnto one of the familie of the tribe of her father: that the children of Israel may enjoye euery man the inheritance of their fathers. Neither shall the inher- 9 itance go about from tribe to tribe: but euery one of the tribes of the childre of Israel shall sticke to his own inheritace. the Lord commanded Moses, so did the daughters of Zelophehad. For Mahlah, Tirzah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Noah 11 the daughters of Zelophehad were married vnto their fathers brothers sonnes, They were wives to certaine of the families 12 of the sonnes of Manasseh the sonne of Ioseph: so their inheritance remained in the tribe of the familie of their father. These are the commandements and lawes which the Lord commanded by the hand of Moses, vnto the children of Israel in the

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plaine of Moab, by Iorden toward Iericho.

## THE FIFTH BOOK OF MOSES, CALLED DEUTERONOMY.

hese bee the wordes which Moses spake vnto all Is-  $oldsymbol{1}$ rael, on this side Iorden in the wildernesse, in the plaine, ouer against the red Sea, betweene Paran and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazeroth, and Di-zahab. There are eleuen dayes iourney from Horeb vnto Kadesh-barnea, by the way of mout Seir. And it came to passe in the first day of 3 the eleuenth moneth, in the fourtieth veere that Moses spake vnto the children of Israel according vnto all that the Lord had giuen him in commandement vnto them, After that he had 4 slaine Sihon the king of the Amorites which dwelt in Heshbon, and Og king of Bashan, which dwelt at Ashtaroth in Edrei. On this side Iorden in the lande of Moab began Moses 5 to declare this lawe, saying, The Lord our God spake vnto 6 vs in Horeb, saying, Ye haue dwelt long ynough in this mount, Turne you and depart, and goe vnto the mountaine of the Amor-7 ites, and vnto all places neere thereunto in the plaine, in the mountaine, or in the valley: both Southwarde, and to the Sea side, to the land of the Canaanites, and vnto Lebanon: euen vnto the great riuer, the riuer Perath. Beholde, I haue set 8 the land before you: go in and possesse that land which the Lord sware vnto your fathers, Abraham, Izhak, and Iaakob, to giue vnto them and to their seede after them. And I spake 9 vnto you the same time, saying, I am not able to beare you my selfe alone: The Lord your God hath multiplied you: and 10 beholde, ye are this day as the starres of heauen in nomber: (The Lord God of your fathers make you a thousand times so 11 many moe as ye are, and blesse you, as he hath promised you) Howe can I alone beare your combrance and your charge, and 12 your strife? Bring you men of wisedome and of vnderstanding, 13 and knowen among your tribes, and I will make them rulers ouer you: Then ye answered me and said, The thing is good 14 that thou hast commanded vs to doe. So I tooke the chiefe of 15 your tribes wise and knowen men, and made them rulers ouer

you, captaines ouer thousands, and captaines ouer hundreds, and captaines ouer fiftie, and captaines ouer tenne, and offi-16 cers among your tribes. And I charged your judges that same time, saying, Heare the controuersies betweene your brethren, and iudge righteously betweene euery man and his brother, 17 and the stranger that is with him. Ye shall have no respect of person in iudgement, but shall heare the small aswell as the great: yee shall not feare the face of man: for the judgement is Gods: and the cause that is too hard for you, bring vnto me, 18 and I will heare it. Also I commanded you the same time 19 all the things which ye should doe. Then we departed from Horeb, and went through all that great and terrible wildernesse (as yee haue seene) by the way of the mountaine of the Amorites, as the Lord our God commanded vs: and we came to 20 Kadesh-barnea. And I saide vnto you, Yee are come vnto the mountaine of the Amorites, which the Lord our God doeth giue 21 vnto vs. Beholde, the Lord thy God hath layde the land before thee: go vp and possesse it, as the Lord the God of thy fathers 22 hath saide vnto thee: feare not, neither be discouraged. Then ye came vnto me euery one, and said, We wil send men before vs. to search vs out the land and to bring vs word againe, what 23 way we must go vp by, and vnto what cities we shall come. So the saying pleased me well, and I tooke twelue men of you, of 24 euery tribe one. Who departed, and went vp into the mountaine, and came vnto the riuer Eshcol, and searched out the 25 land. And tooke of the fruite of the land in their hands, and brought it vnto vs, and brought vs worde againe, and sayd, It is 26 a good land, which the Lord our God doeth give vs. Notwithstanding, ye would not go vp, but were disobedient vnto the 27 commandement of the Lord your God, And murmured in your tentes, and sayd, Because the Lord hated vs, therefore hath hee brought vs out of the land of Egypt, to deliuer vs into the 28 hand of the Amorites, and to destroy vs. Whither shall we go vp? our brethren haue discouraged our hearts, saying, The people is greater, and taller then we: the cities are great and walled vp to heauen: and moreouer we have seene the sonnes 29 of the Anakims there. But I sayd vnto you, Dread not, nor 30 be afrayd of them. The Lord your God, who goeth before you, he shall fight for you, according to all that he did vnto you in 31 Egypt before your eyes, And in the wildernesse, where thou

hast seene how the Lord thy God bare thee, as a man doeth beare his sonne, in all the way which ye haue gone, vntill ve came vnto this place. Yet for all this ye did not beleeue the 32 Lord your God, Who went in the way before you, to search 33 you out a place to pitch your tentes in, in fire by night, that ye might see what way to goe, and in a cloude by day. Then 34 the Lord heard the voyce of your wordes, and was wroth, and sware, saving. Surely there shall not one of these men of this 35 froward generation, see that good land, which I sware to give vnto your fathers, Saue Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh: he 36 shall see it, and to him will I give the land that he hath troden vpon, and to his children, because he hath constantly followed the Lord. Also the Lord was angry with me for your 37 sakes, saying, Thou also shalt not goe in thither, But Ioshua 38 the sonne of Nun which standeth before thee, he shall go in thither: incourage him: for he shall cause Israel to inherite it. Moreouer, your children, which ve sayd should be a praye, and 39 your sonnes, which in that day had no knowledge betweene good and euill, they shall go in thither, and vnto them wil I giue it, and they shall possesse it. But as for you, turne backe, 40 and take your iourney into the wildernesse by the way of the red Sea. Then ye answered and sayd vnto me, We have sinned 41 against the Lord, we wil go vp, and fight, according to all that the Lord our God hath commanded vs: and ye armed you euery man to the warre, and were ready to goe vp into the moun-But the Lord said vnto me, Say vnto them, Goe not 42 vp, neither fight, (for I am not among you) least ye fall before your enemies. And when I told you, ye would not heare, but 43 rebelled against the commandement of the Lord, and were presumptuous, and went vp into the mountaine. Then the Amor- 44 ites which dwelt in that mountaine came out against you, and chased you (as bees vse to doe) and destroied you in Seir, euen vnto Hormah. And when ye came againe, ye wept before the 45 Lord, but the Lord would not heare your voyce, nor incline his eares vnto you. So ye abode in Kadesh a long time, according 46 to the time that ye had remained before.

Then we turned, and tooke our iourney into the wildernes, **2** by the way of the red Sea, as the Lord spake vnto me: and we compassed mount Seir a long time. And the Lord spake vnto 2 me, saying, Ye haue compassed this mountaine long ynough: 3

4 turne you Northward. And warne thou the people, saying, Ye shall go through the coast of your brethren the children of Esau, which dwell in Seir, and they shall be afraide of you: take 5 ye good heede therefore. Ye shall not prouoke them: for I wil not give you of their land so much as a foot breadth, because 6 I haue given mount Seir vnto Esau for a possession. Ye shall buy meate of them for money to eate, and ye shall also procure 7 water of them for money to drinke. For the Lord thy God hath blessed thee in all the workes of thine hand: he knoweth thy walking through this great wildernes, and the Lord thy God hath bene with thee this fourtie yeere, and thou hast lacked 8 nothing. And when we were departed from our brethren the children of Esau which dwelt in Seir, through the way of the plaine, from Elath, and from Ezion-gaber, we turned and went 9 by the way of the wildernes of Moab. Then the Lord sayd vnto me, Thou shalt not vexe Moab, neither prouoke them to battel: for I wil not give thee of their land for a possession, because I haue giuen Ar vnto the children of Lot for a posses-10 sion. The Emims dwelt therein in times past, a people great 11 and many, and tall, as the Anakims. They also were taken for 12 gyants as the Anakims: whom the Moabites call Emims. The Horims also dwelt in Seir before time, whome the children of Esau chased out and destroyed them before them, and dwelt in their steade: as Israel shall doe vnto the land of his posses-13 sion, which the Lord hath given them. Now rise vp, sayd I, and get you ouer the riuer Zered: and we went ouer the riuer 14 Zered. The space also wherein we came from Kadesh-barnea, vntill we were come ouer the riuer Zered, was eight and thirtie yeeres, vntill all the generation of the men of warre were wasted out from among the hoste, as the Lord sware vnto them. 15 For in deede the hand of the Lord was against them, to destroy 16 them from among the hoste, till they were consumed. So when all the men of warre were consumed and dead from among the 17, 18 people: Then the Lord spake vnto me, saying, Thou shalt 19 goe through Ar the coast of Moab this day: And thou shalt come neere ouer against the children of Ammon: but shalt not lay siege vnto them, nor moue warre against them: for I will not give thee of the land of the children of Ammon any possession: for I haue giuen it vnto the children of Lot for 20 a possession. That also was taken for a land of gyants: for gyants dwelt therein afore time, whome the Ammonites called Zamzummims: A people that was great, and many, and tall, 21 as the Anakims: but the Lord destroyed them before them, and they succeeded them in their inheritance, and dwelt in their stead: As he did to the children of Esau which dwell in 22 Seir, when he destroyed the Horims before them, and they possessed them, and dwelt in their stead vnto this day. And the 23 Auims which dwelt in Hazarim euen vnto Azzah, the Caphtorims which came out of Caphtor destroyed them, and dwelt in their steade. Rise vp therefore, sayd the Lord: take your 24 iourney, and passe ouer the river Arnon: beholde. I have given into thy hand Sihon, the Amorite, King of Heshbon, and his land: begin to possesse it and prouoke him to battell. day wil I begin to send thy feare and thy dread, vpon all people vnder the whole heauen, which shall heare thy fame, and shall tremble and quake before thee. Then I sent messengers out of 26 the wildernes of Kedemoth vnto Sihon King of Heshbon, with wordes of peace, saying. Let me passe through thy land: I will 27 go by the hie way: I will neither turne vnto the right hand nor to the left. Thou shalt sell me meate for money, for to eate, 28 and shalt give me water for money for to drinke: onely I will go through on my foote, (As the children of Esau which dwell 29 in Seir, and the Moabites which dwell in Ar, did vnto me) vntill I be come ouer Iorden, into the land which the Lord our God giueth vs. But Sihon the King of Heshbon would not let vs 30 passe by him: for the Lord thy God had hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, because hee would deliuer him into thine hand, as appeareth this day. And the Lord sayd 31 vnto me, Beholde, I haue begun to giue Sihon and his land before thee: begin to possesse and inherite his land. Then 32 came out Sihon to meete vs, him selfe with all his people to fight at Iahaz. But the Lord our God deliuered him into our 33 power, and we smote him, and his sonnes, and all his people. And we tooke all his cities the same time, and destroyed euery 34 citie, men, and women, and children: we let nothing remaine. Onely the cattell we tooke to our selues, and the spoyle of the 35 cities which we tooke, From Aroer, which is by the banke of 36 the riuer of Arnon, and from the citie that is vpon the riuer, euen vnto Gilead: there was not one citie that escaped vs: for the Lord our God deliuered vp all before vs. Onely vnto the 37 land of the children of Ammon thou camest not, nor vnto any place of the riuer Iabbok, nor vnto the cities in the mountaines, nor vnto whatsoeuer the Lord our God forbade vs.

3 Then we turned, and went vp by the way of Bashan: and Og King of Bashan came out against vs, he, and all his people to 2 fight at Edrei. And the Lord sayde vnto me, Feare him not, for I will deliuer him, and all his people, and his land into thine hand, and thou shalt doe vnto him as thou diddest vnto Sihon 3 King of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon. So the Lord our God deliuered also vnto our hand, Og the King of Bashan, and all his people: and we smote him, vntill none was left him 4 aliue, And we tooke all his cities the same time, neither was there a citie which we tooke not from them, euen three score cities, and all ye countrey of Argob, the kingdome of Og in All these cities were fenced with hie walles, gates 6 and barres, beside vnwalled townes a great many. ouerthrewe them, as we did vnto Sihon King of Heshbon, de-7 stroying euery citie, with men, women, and children. But all the cattell and the spoyle of the cities we tooke for our selues. 8 Thus we tooke at that time out of the hand of two Kings of the Amorites, the land that was on this side Iorden from the riuer 9 of Arnon vnto mount Hermon: (Which Hermon the Sidonians 10 call Shirion, but the Amorites call it Shenir) All the cities of the plaine, and all Gilead, and all Bashan vnto Salchah, and 11 Edrei, cities of the kingdome of Og in Bashan. For onely Og King of Bashan remained of the remnant of the gyants, whose bed was a bed of yron: is it not at Rabbath among the children of Ammon? the length thereof is nine cubites, and foure 12 cubites the breadth of it, after the cubite of a man. And this land which we possessed at that time, from Aroer, which is by the riuer of Arnon, and halfe mount Gilead, and the cities 13 thereof, gaue I vnto the Reubenites and Gadites. And the rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, the kingdome of Og, gaue I vnto the halfe tribe of Manasseh: euen all the countrey of Argob with 14 all Bashan, which is called, The land of gyants. Iair the sonne of Manasseh tooke all the countrey of Argob, vnto the coastes of Geshuri, and of Maachathi: and called them after his owne 15 name, Bashan, Hauoth Iair vnto this day. And I gaue part 16 of Gilead vnto Machir. And vnto the Reubenites and Gadites I gaue the rest of Gilead, and vnto the riuer of Arnon, halfe

the riuer and the borders, euen vnto the riuer Iabbok, which is the border of the children of Ammon: The plaine also and 17 Iorden, and the borders from Chinneereth euen vnto the Sea of the plaine, to wit, the salt Sea vnder the springs of Pisgah Eastwarde. And I commanded you the same time, saying, The 18 Lord your God hath given you this lande to possesse it: ye shall goe ouer armed before your brethren the children of Israel, all men of warre. Your wives onely, and your children, and your 19 cattel (for I know that ye haue much cattel) shall abide in your cities, which I haue giuen you, Vntill the Lord haue giuen rest 20 vnto your brethren as vnto you, and that they also possesse the lande, which the Lord your God hath given them beyond Iorden: then shall ye returne euery man vnto his possession, which I have given you. And I charged Ioshua the same time, 21 saying, Thine eyes haue seene all that the Lord your God hath done vnto these two Kings: so shall the Lord doe vnto all the kingdomes whither thou goest. Ye shall not feare them: for 22 the Lord your God, he shall fight for you. And I besought the 23 Lord the same time, saying, O Lord God, thou hast begunne 24 to shewe thy seruant thy greatnesse and thy mightie hande: for where is there a God in heauen or in earth, that can do like thy workes, and like thy power? I pray thee let me go 25 ouer and see the good land that is beyond Iorden, that goodly mountaine, and Lebanon. But the Lord was angrie with me 26 for your sakes, and would not heare me: and the Lord said vnto me, Let it suffice thee, speake no more vnto me of this matter. Get thee vp into the top of Pisgah, and lift vp thine eyes West- 27 ward, and Northwarde, and Southward, and Eastward, and behold it with thine eyes, for thou shalt not goe ouer this Iorden: But charge Ioshua, and incourage him, and bolden him: 28 for hee shall goe before this people, and he shall deuide for inheritance vnto them, the land which thou shalt see. So wee 29 abode in the valley ouer against Beth-Peor.

Nowe therefore hearken, O Israel, vnto the ordinances and 4 to the lawes which I teache you to doe, that ye may liue and goe in, and possesse the lande, which the Lord God of your fathers giueth you. Ye shall put nothing vnto the word which I 2 command you, neither shall ye take ought there from, that ye may keepe the commandements of the Lord your God which I commande you. Your eyes haue seene what the Lord did be- 3

cause of Baal-Peor, for al the men that followed Baal-Peor the 4 Lord thy God hath destroyed euery one from among you. But ye that did cleaue vnto the Lord your God, are aliue euery one 5 of you this day. Behold, I have taught you ordinances, and lawes, as the Lord my God commanded me, that ye should doe euen so within the land whither ye goe to possesse it. 6 Keepe them therefore, and doe them; for that is your wisdome, and your vnderstanding in the sight of the people, which shall heare all these ordinances, and shall say, Onely this people is 7 wise, and of vnderstanding, and a great nation. For what nation is so great, vnto whome the gods come so neere vnto them, as the Lord our God is neere vnto vs, in all that we call vnto 8 him for? And what nation is so great, that hath ordinances and lawes so righteous, as all this Lawe, which I set before you 9 this day? But take heede to thy selfe, and keepe thy soule diligently, that thou forget not the thinges which thine eyes haue seene, and that they depart not out of thine heart, all the dayes of thy life: but teach them thy sonnes, and thy sonnes 10 sonnes: Forget not the day that thou stoodest before the Lord thy God in Horeb, when the Lord said vnto me, Gather me the people together, and I wil cause them heare my wordes, that they may learne to feare me all the dayes that they shall liue vpon the earth, and that they may teache their children: 11 Then came you neere and stoode vnder the mountaine, and the mountaine burnt with fire vnto the mids of heauen, and there 12 was darkenesse, cloudes and mist. And the Lord spake vnto you out of the middes of the fire, and ye heard the voyce of the 13 wordes, but sawe no similitude, saue a voyce. Then hee declared vnto you his couenant which he commanded you to doe, euen the ten commandements, and wrote them vpon two ta-14 bles of stone. And the Lord commanded me that same time, that I should teach you ordinances and lawes, which ye should 15 obserue in the lande, whither ye goe, to possesse it. therefore good heede vnto your selues: for ye sawe no image in the day that the Lord spake vnto you in Horeb out of the 16 middes of the fire: That ye corrupt not your selues, and make you a grauen image or representation of any figure: whither 17 it be the likenes of male or female, The likenes of any beast that is on earth, or the likenesse of any fethered foule that fli-18 eth in the aire: Or the likenesse of any thing that creepeth on the earth, or the likenesse of any fish that is in the waters beneath the earth, And lest thou lift vp thine eyes vnto 19 heauen, and when thou seest the sunne and the moone and the starres with all the host of heauen, shouldest bee driuen to worship them and serue them, which the Lord thy God hath distributed to all people vnder the whole heauen. Lord hath taken you and brought you out of the yron fornace: out of Egypt to be vnto him a people and inheritance, as appeareth this day. And the Lord was angrie with me for your 21 words, and sware that I should not goe ouer Iorden, and that I should not goe in vnto that good land, which the Lord thy God giueth thee for an inheritance. For I must die in this land, 22 and shall not go ouer Iorden: but ye shall goe ouer, and possesse that good land. Take heede vnto your selues, least ye 23 forget the couenant of the Lord your God which hee made with you, and least ye make you any grauen image, or likenes of any thing, as the Lord thy God hath charged thee. For the Lord 24 thy God is a consuming fire, and a ielous God. When thou 25 shalt beget children and childrens children, and shalt haue remained long in the land, if ye corrupt your selues, and make any grauen image, or likenes of any thing, and worke euill in the sight of the Lord thy God, to prouoke him to anger, I call 26 heauen and earth to record against you this day, that ye shall shortly perish from the land, whereunto ye goe ouer Iorden to possesse it: ye shall not prolong your dayes therein, but shall vtterly be destroyed. And the Lord shall scatter you among 27 the people, and ye shall be left few in nomber among the nations, whither the Lord shall bring you: And there ye shall 28 serue gods, euen ye worke of mans hand, wood, and stone, which neither see, nor heare, nor eate, nor smelll. But if from 29 thence thou shalt seeke the Lord thy God, thou shalt finde him, if thou seeke him with all thine heart, and with all thy soule. When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are 30 come vpon thee, at the length if thou returne to the Lord thy God, and bee obedient vnto his voyce, (For the Lord thy God 31 is a mercifull God) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the couenant of thy fathers, which hee sware vnto them. For inquire now of the dayes that are past, which 32 were before thee, since the day that God created man vpon the earth, and aske from the one ende of heauen vnto the other,

if there came to passe such a great thing as this, or whether 33 any such like thing hath bene heard. Did euer people heare the voyce of God speaking out of the middes of a fire, as thou 34 hast heard, and liued? Or hath God assayed to go and take him a nation from among nations, by tentations, by signes, and by wonders, and by warre, and by a mightie hand, and by a stretched out arme, and by great feare, according vnto all that the Lord your God did vnto you in Egypt before your eyes? 35 Vnto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest knowe, that the 36 Lord hee is God, and that there is none but he alone. of heauen hee made thee heare his voyce to instruct thee, and vpon earth he shewed thee his great fire, and thou heardest his 37 voyce out of the middes of the fire. And because hee loued thy fathers, therefore hee chose their seede after them, and hath brought thee out of Egypt in his sight by his mightie power, 38 To thrust out nations greater and mightier then thou, before thee, to bring thee in, and to give thee their land for inheri-39 tance: as appeareth this day. Vnderstande therefore this day, and consider in thine heart, that the Lord, he is God in heauen 40 aboue, and vpon the earth beneath: there is none other. Thou shalt keepe therefore his ordinances, and his commandements which I commaund thee this day, that it may goe well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayst prolong thy dayes vpon the earth, which the Lord thy God 41 giueth thee for euer. Then Moses separated three cities on 42 this side of Iorden toward the sunne rising: That the slayer should flee thither, which had killed his neighbour at vnwares, and hated him not in time past, might flee, I say, vnto one of 43 those cities, and liue: That is, Bezer in the wildernesse, in the plaine countrey of the Reubenites: and Ramoth in Gilead among the Gadites: and Golan in Bashan among them of Man-44 asseh. So this is the law which Moses set before the children 45 of Israel. These are the witnesses, and the ordinances, and the lawes which Moses declared to the children of Israel af-46 ter they came out of Egypt, On this side Iorden, in the valley ouer against Beth-peor, in the land of Sihon King of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon, whom Moses and the children 47 of Israel smote, after they were come out of Egypt: And they possessed his land, and the lande of Og King of Bashan, two Kings of the Amorites, which were on this side Iorden towarde

the sunne rising: From Aroer, which is by the banke of the 48 riuer Arnon, euen vnto mount Sion, which is Hermon, And 49 all the plaine by Iorden Eastwarde, euen vnto the Sea, of ye plaine, vnder the springs of Pisgah.

Then Moses called all Israiel, and saide vnto them, Heare, 5 O Israel, the ordinances and the lawes which I propose to you this day, that yee may learne them, and take heede to obserue them. The Lord our God made a couenant with vs in Horeb. 2 The Lord made not this covenant with our fathers onely, but 3 with vs, euen with vs all here aliue this day. The Lord talked 4 with you face to face in the Mount, out of the middes of the fire. (At that time I stoode betweene the Lord and you, to declare 5 vnto you ye word of the Lord: for ye were afraid at the sight of the fire, and went not vp into the mount, and he said, I am 6 the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the lande of Egypt, from the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other 7 gods before my face. Thou shalt make thee no grauen image 8 or any likenesse of that that is in heaven above, or which is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters vnder the earth. Thou shalt neither bowe thy selfe vnto them, nor serue them: 9 for I the Lord thy God am a ielous God, visiting the iniquitie of the fathers vpon the children, euen vnto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me: And shewing mercie vnto 10 thousandes of them that loue me, and keepe my commandements. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in 11 vaine: for the Lord will not holde him giltlesse that taketh his Name in vaine. Keepe the Sabbath day, to sanctifie it, as the 12 Lord thy God hath commanded thee. Sixe dayes thou shalt 13 labour, and shalt doe all thy worke: But the seuenth day is 14 the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: thou shalt not doe any worke therein, thou, nor thy sonne, nor thy daughter, nor thy man seruant, nor thy mayd, nor thine oxe, nor thine asse, neither any of thy cattel, nor the stranger that is within thy gates: that thy man seruant and thy mayde may rest aswell as thou. For, 15 remember that thou wast a seruant in the land of Egypt, and that the Lord thy God brought thee out thence by a mightie hand and a stretched out arme: therefore the Lord thy God commanded thee to observe the Sabbath day. Honour thy fa- 16 ther and thy mother, as the Lord thy God hath comanded thee, that thy dayes may be prolonged, and that it may go well with

17 thee vpon the land, which the Lord thy God giueth thee. Thou 18. 19 shalt not kill. Neither shalt thou commit adulterie. Neither 20 shalt thou steale. Neither shalt thou beare false witnesse 21 against thy neighbour. Neither shalt thou couet thy neighbours wife, neither shalt thou desire thy neighbours house, his fielde, nor his man seruant, nor his mayd, his oxe, nor his asse, 22 nor ought that thy neighbour hath. These wordes the Lord spake vnto all your multitude in the mount out of the mids of the fire, the cloude and the darkenes, with a great voyce, and added no more thereto: and wrote them vpon two tables of 23 stone, and deliuered them vnto me. And when ye heard the voyce out of the middes of the darkenes, (for the mountaine did burne with fire) then ye came to me, all the chiefe of your 24 tribes, and your Elders: And ye sayd, Beholde, the Lord our God hath shewed vs his glory and his greatnes, and we haue heard his voyce out of the middes of the fire: we have seene 25 this day that God doeth talke with man, and he liueth. Now therefore, why should we dye? for this great fire wil consume vs: if we heare ye voyce of the Lord our God any more, we 26 shall dye. For what flesh was there euer, that heard the voyce of the liuing God speaking out of the middes of the fire as we 27 haue, and liued? Go thou neere and heare all that the Lord our God saith: and declare thou vnto vs all that the Lord our 28 God saith vnto thee, and we will heare it, and doe it. Then the Lord heard the voyce of your wordes, when ye spake vnto me: and the Lord sayd vnto me, I have heard the voyce of ye wordes of this people, which they have spoken vnto thee: they 29 haue well sayd, all that they haue spoken. Oh that there were such an heart in them to feare me, and to keepe all my commandements alway: that it might go well with them, and with 30 their children for euer. Go, say vnto them, Returne you into 31 your tentes. But stand thou here with me, and I wil tell thee all the commandements, and the ordinances, and the lawes, which thou shalt teach them: that they may doe them in the 32 land which I giue them to possesse it. Take heede therefore, that ye doe as the Lord your God hath commanded you: turne 33 not aside to the right hand nor to the left, But walke in all the wayes which the Lord your God hath commanded you, that ye may liue, and that it may goe well with you: and that ye may prolong your dayes in the land which ye shall possesse.

These now are the commandements, ordinances, and lawes, 6 which the Lord your God commanded me to teach you, that ye might doe them in the land whither ye go to possesse it: That thou mightest feare the Lord thy God, and keepe all his 2 ordinances, and his commandements which I commaund thee, thou, and thy sonne, and thy sonnes sonne all the dayes of thy life, euen that thy dayes may be prolonged. Heare therefore, 3 O Israel, and take heede to doe it, that it may go well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily in the land that floweth with milke and hony, as the Lord God of thy fathers hath promised thee. Heare, O Israel, The Lord our God is Lord onely, And 4,5 thou shalt loue the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soule, and with all thy might. And these wordes which 6 I commaund thee this day, shalbe in thine heart. And thou 7 shalt rehearse them continually vnto thy children, and shalt talke of them when thou tariest in thine house, and as thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest downe, and when thou risest vp: And thou shalt binde them for a signe vpon 8 thine hand, and they shalbe as frontlets betweene thine eves. Also thou shalt write them vpon ye postes of thine house, and 9 vpon thy gates. And when the Lord thy God hath brought 10 thee into the land, which he sware vnto thy fathers, Abraham, Izhak, and Iaakob, to give to thee, with great and goodly cities which thou buildedst not, And houses full of all maner 11 of goods which thou filledst not, and welles digged which thou diggedst not, vineyards and oliue trees which thou plantedst not, and when thou hast eaten and art full, Beware least thou 12 forget the Lord, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. Thou shalt feare the Lord thy God, 13 and serue him, and shalt sweare by his Name. Ye shall not 14 walke after other gods, after any of the gods of the people which are round about you, (For the Lord thy God is a ielous God 15 among you:) least the wrath of the Lord thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from the face of the earth. Ye 16 shall not tempt the Lord your God, as ye did tempt him in Massah: But ye shall keepe diligently the commandements of the 17 Lord your God, and his testimonies, and his ordinances which he hath commanded thee, And thou shalt doe that which is 18 right and good in the sight of the Lord: that thou mayest prosper, and that thou mayest go in, and possesse that good land

19 which the Lord sware vnto thy fathers, To cast out all thine 20 enemies before thee, as the Lord hath sayd. When thy sonne shall aske thee in time to come, saying, What meane these testimonies, and ordinances, and Lawes, which the Lord our God 21 hath commanded you? Then shalt thou say vnto thy sonne, We were Pharaohs bondmen in Egypt: but the Lord brought 22 vs out of Egypt with a mightie hand. And the Lord shewed signes and wonders great and euill vpon Egypt, vpon Pharaoh, 23 and vpon all his housholde, before our eyes, And brought vs out from thence, to bring vs in, and to give vs the land which he 24 sware vnto our fathers. Therefore the Lord hath commanded vs. to doe all these ordinances, and to feare the Lord our God, that it may goe euer well with vs, and that he may preserue 25 vs aliue as at this present. Moreouer, this shall be our righteousnes before the Lord our God, if we take heede to keepe all these commandements, as he hath commanded vs.

When the Lord thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possesse it, and shall roote out many nations before thee: the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hiuites, and the Iebusites, seuen nations greater and mightier then thou, 2 And the Lord thy God shall give them before thee, then thou shalt smite them: thou shalt vtterly destroy them: thou shalt make no couenant with them, nor haue compassion on them, 3 Neither shalt thou make marriages with them, neither give thy daughter vnto his sonne, nor take his daughter vnto thy 4 sonne. For they wil cause thy sonne to turne away from me, and to serue other gods: then will the wrath of the Lord waxe 5 hote against you and destroy thee suddenly. But thus ye shall deale with them, Ye shall ouerthrowe their altars, and breake downe their pillars, and ye shall cut downe their groues, and 6 burne their grauen images with fire. For thou art an holy people vnto the Lord thy God, the Lord thy God hath chosen thee, to be a precious people vnto himselfe, aboue all people that are vpon the earth. The Lord did not set his loue vpon you, nor chose you, because ye were more in number then any 8 people: for ye were the fewest of all people: But because the Lord loued you, and because hee would keepe the othe which hee had sworne vnto your fathers, the Lord hath brought you out by a mightie hand, and deliuered you out of the house of

bondage from the hand of Pharaoh King of Egypt, That thou 9 mayest knowe, that the Lord thy God, he is God, the faithfull God which keepeth couenant and mercie vnto them that loue him and keepe his commandements, euen to a thousand generations, And rewardeth them to their face that hate him, to 10 bring them to destruction: he wil not deferre to reward him that hateth him, to his face. Keepe thou therefore the com- 11 mandements, and the ordinances, and the lawes, which I commaund thee this day to doe them. For if ye hearken vnto these 12 lawes, and obserue and doe them, then the Lord thy God shall keepe with thee the couenant, and the mercie which he sware vnto thy fathers. And he wil loue thee, and blesse thee, and 13 multiplie thee: he will also blesse the fruite of thy wombe, and the fruite of thy land, thy corne and thy wine, and thine oyle and the increase of thy kine, and the flockes of thy sheepe in the land, which he sware vnto thy fathers to give thee. Thou 14 shalt be blessed aboue all people: there shall be neither male nor female barren among you, nor among your cattell. More- 15 ouer, the Lord will take away from thee all infirmities, and will put none of the euill diseases of Egypt (which thou knowest) vpon thee, but wil send them vpon all that hate thee. Thou 16 shalt therefore consume all people which the Lord thy God shall give thee: thine eye shall not spare them, neither shalt thou serue their gods, for that shalbe thy destruction. If thou 17 say in thine heart, These nations are moe then I, how can I cast them out? Thou shalt not feare them, but remember what the 18 Lord thy God did vnto Pharaoh, and vnto all Egypt: The great 19 tentations which thine eyes sawe, and the signes and wonders, and the mighty hand and stretched out arme, whereby the Lord thy God brought thee out: so shall the Lord thy God do vnto all ye people, whose face thou fearest. Moreouer, the 20 Lord thy God will send hornets among them vntil they that are left, and hide themselues from thee, be destroyed. Thou 21 shalt not feare them: for the Lord thy God is among you, a God mightie and dreadful. And the Lord thy God wil roote 22 out these nations before thee by little and little: thou mayest not consume them at once, least the beasts of the fielde increase vpon thee. But the Lord thy God shall give them before 23 thee, and shall destroy them with a mightie destruction, vntill they be brought to naught. And he shall deliuer their Kings 24 into thine hand, and thou shalt destroy their name from vnder heauen: there shall no man be able to stand before thee, vntill thou hast destroyed them. The grauen images of their gods shall ye burne with fire, and couet not the siluer and golde, that is on them, nor take it vnto thee, least thou be snared therewith: for it is an abomination before the Lord thy God. Bring not therefore abomination into thine house, lest, thou be accursed like it, but vtterly abhorre it, and count it most abominable: for it is accursed.

Ye shall keepe all the commandements which I command thee this day, for to doe them: that ye may liue, and be multiplied, and goe in, and possesse the land which the Lord sware 2 vnto your fathers. And thou shalt remember all ye way which the Lord thy God led thee this fourtie yeere in the wildernesse, for to humble thee and to proue thee, to knowe what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keepe his commandements 3 or no. Therefore he humbled thee, and made thee hungry, and fed thee with MAN, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know it, that he might teache thee that man liueth not by bread onely, but by euery worde that proceedeth out of the 4 mouth of the Lord, doth a man liue. Thy raiment waxed not olde vpon thee, neither did thy foote swell those fourtie yeeres. 5 Knowe therefore in thine heart, that as a man nourtereth his 6 sonne, so the Lord thy God nourtereth thee. Therefore shalt thou keepe the commandements of the Lord thy God, that thou 7 mayest walke in his wayes, and feare him. For the Lord thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land in the which are riuers of water and fountaines, and depthes that spring out 8 of valleis and mountaines: A land of wheate and barley, and of vineyards, and figtrees, and pomegranates: a land of oyle 9 oliue and hony: A land wherein thou shalt eate bread without scarcitie, neither shalt thou lacke any thing therein: a land whose stones are yron, and out of whose mountaines thou shalt 10 digge brasse. And when thou hast eaten and filled thy selfe, thou shalt blesse the Lord thy God for the good land, which he 11 hath given thee. Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, not keeping his commandements, and his lawes, and his 12 ordinances, which I commaund thee this day: Lest when thou hast eaten and filled thy selfe, and hast built goodly houses 13 and dwelt therein. And thy beastes, and thy sheepe are increased, and thy siluer and golde is multiplied, and all that thou hast is increased. Then thine heart be lifted vp and thou 14 forget the Lord thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage, Who was thy guide in 15 the great and terrible wildernes (wherein were fierie serpents, and scorpions, and drought, where was no water, who brought forth water for thee out of ye rock of flint: Who fed thee in 16 the wildernesse with MAN, which thy fathers knewe not) to humble thee, and and to proue thee, that he might doe thee good at thy latter ende. Beware least thou say in thine heart, 17 My power, and the strength of mine owne hand hath prepared me this abundance. But remember the Lord thy God: for it 18 is he which giveth thee power to get substance to establish his couenant which he sware vnto thy fathers, as appeareth this And if thou forget the Lord thy God, and walke after 19 other gods, and serue them, and worship them, I testifie vnto you this day that ye shall surely perish. As the nations which 20 the Lord destroyeth before you, so ye shall perish, because ye woulde not be obedient vnto the voyce of the Lord your God.

Heare O Israel, Thou shalt passe ouer Iorden this day, to 9 goe in and to possesse nations greater and mightier then thy selfe, and cities great and walled vp to heauen, A people great 2 and tall, euen the children of the Anakims, whom thou knowest, and of whom thou hast heard say, Who can stand before the children of Anak? Vnderstand therefore that this day ye 3 Lord thy God is he which goeth ouer before thee as a consuming fire: he shall destroy them, and he shall bring them downe before thy face: so thou shalt cast them out and destroy them suddenly, as the Lord hath said vnto thee. Speake not thou in 4 thine heart (after that the Lord thy God hath cast them out before thee) saying, For my righteousnesse the Lord hath brought me in, to possesse this land: but for the wickednesse of these nations the Lord hath cast them out before thee. For thou en- 5 trest not to inherite their lande for thy righteousnesse, or for thy vpright heart: but for the wickednesse of those nations, the Lord thy God doth cast them out before thee, and that he might performe the worde which the Lord thy God sware vnto thy fathers, Abraham, Izhak, and Iacob. Vnderstand therefore, that 6 ye Lord thy God giueth thee not this good land to possesse it for thy righteousnes: for thou art a stifnecked people. Remem- 7

ber, and forget not, howe thou prouokedst the Lord thy God to anger in the wildernesse: since the day that thou diddest depart out of the land of Egypt, vntill ye came vnto this place ye 8 haue rebelled against the Lord. Also in Horeb ye prouoked the Lord to anger so that the Lord was wroth with you, euen to 9 destroy you. When I was gone vp into the mount, to receive the tables of stone, the tables, I say, of the couenant, which the Lord made with you: and I abode in the mount fourtie daies and fourtie nights, and I neither ate bread nor yet dranke wa-10 ter: Then the Lord deliuered me two tables of stone, written with the finger of God, and in them was conteyned according to all the wordes which the Lord had said vnto you in the mount 11 out of the middes of the fire, in the day of the assemblie. And when the fourtie dayes and fourtie nightes were ended, the Lord gaue me the two tables of stone, the tables, I say, of the 12 couenant. And the Lord said vnto me, Arise, get thee downe quickly from hence: for thy people which thou hast brought out of Egypt, haue corrupt their wayes: they are soone turned out of the way, which I commanded them: they have made them a 13 molten image. Furthermore, the Lord spake vnto me, saying, I have seene this people, and beholde, it is a stifnecked people. 14 Let me alone, that I may destroy them, and put out their name from vnder heaue, and I wil make of thee a mightie nation, and 15 greater then they be. So I returned, and came downe from the Mount (and the Mount burnt with fire, and ye two Tables of the 16 couenant were in my two handes) Then I looked, and beholde, ye had sinned against the Lord your God: for ye had made you a molten calfe, and had turned quickly out of the way which the 17 Lord had commanded you. Therefore I tooke the two Tables, and cast them out of my two handes, and brake them before 18 your eyes. And I fell downe before the Lord, fourtie dayes, and fourtie nightes, as before: I neither ate bread nor dranke water, because of al your sinnes, which ye had committed, in doing wickedly in the sight of the Lord, in that ye prouoked him 19 vnto wrath. (For I was afraide of the wrath and indignation, wherewith the Lord was mooued against you, euen to destroy 20 you) yet the Lord heard me at that time also. Likewise ye Lord was very angrie with Aaron, euen to destroy him: but at 21 that time I prayed also for Aaron. And I tooke your sinne, I meane the calfe which ye had made, and burnt him with fire, and stamped him and ground him small, euen vnto very dust: and I cast the dust thereof into the riuer, that descended out of the mount. Also in Taberah, and in Massah and in Kibroth- 22 hattaauah ye prouoked ye Lord to anger. Likewise when the 23 Lord sent you from Kadesh-barnea, saying, Goe vp, and possesse the land which I have given you, then ye rebelled against the commandement of the Lord your God, and beleeued him not, nor hearkened vnto his voyce. Ye haue bene rebellious 24 vnto the Lord, since the day that I knewe you. Then I fell 25 downe before ye Lord fourtie dayes and fourtie nightes, as I fell downe before, because ye Lord had said, that he woulde destroy you. And I prayed vnto the Lord, and saide, O Lord God, 26 destroy not thy people and thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed through thy greatnesse, whom thou hast brought out of Egypt by a mightie hand. Remember thy seruants Abra- 27 ham, Izhak, and Iaakob: looke not to ye stubburnes of this people, nor to their wickednes, nor to their sinne, Lest the 28 countrey, whence thou broughtest them, say, Because ye Lord was not able to bring them into the land which he promised them, or because he hated them, he caried them out, to slay them in the wildernesse. Yet they are thy people, and thine 29 inheritance, which thou broughtest out by thy mightie power, and by thy stretched out arme.

In the same time the Lord said vnto me, Hewe thee two Ta- 10 bles of stone like vnto the first, and come vp vnto me into the Mount, and make thee an Arke of wood, And I will write vpon 2 the Tables ye wordes that were vpon the first Tables, which thou brakest, and thou shalt put them in the Arke. And I 3 made an Arke of Shittim wood, and hewed two Tables of stone like vnto the first, and went vp into the Mountaine, and the two Tables in mine hand. Then he wrote vpon the Tables ac- 4 cording to the first writing (the tenne commandements, which the Lord spake vnto you in the Mount out of the middes of the fire, in the day of the assemblie) and the Lord gaue them vnto me. And I departed, and came downe from the Mount, and put 5 the Tables in the Arke which I had made: and there they be, as the Lord commanded me. And ye children of Israel tooke 6 their journey from Beeroth of the children of Iaakan to Mosera, where Aaron dyed, and was buried, and Eleazar his sonne became Priest in his steade. From thence they departed vnto 7

Gudgodah, and from Gudgodah to Iotbath a land of running 8 waters. The same time ye Lord separated the tribe of Leui to beare the Arke of the couenant of the Lord, and to stand before ye Lord, to minister vnto him, and to blesse in his Name 9 vnto this day. Wherefore Leui hath no part nor inheritance with his brethren: for the Lord is his inheritance, as the Lord 10 thy God hath promised him. And I taried in the mount, as at ye first time, fourtie dayes and fourtie nightes, and the Lord heard me at that time also, and the Lord would not destroy 11 thee. But the Lord said vnto me, Arise, goe forth in the iourney before the people, that they may goe in and possesse the 12 land, which I sware vnto their fathers to giue vnto them. And nowe, Israel, what doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to feare the Lord thy God, to walke in all his wayes, and to loue him, and to serue the Lord thy God, with all thine heart, and with all thy soule? That thou keepe the commandements of the Lord, and his ordinances, which I commaund thee this day, 14 for thy wealth? Beholde, heauen, and the heauen of heauens is the Lords thy God, and the earth, with all that therein is. 15 Notwithstanding, the Lord set his delite in thy fathers to loue them, and did choose their seede after them, euen you aboue all 16 people, as appeareth this day. Circumcise therefore the fore-17 skin of your heart, and harden your neckes no more. For the Lord your God is God of gods, and Lord of lordes, a great God, mightie and terrible, which accepteth no persons nor taketh 18 reward: Who doeth right vnto the fatherlesse and widowe, 19 and loueth the stranger, giuing him foode and rayment. Loue ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of 20 Egypt. Thou shalt feare the Lord thy God: thou shalt serue him, and thou shalt cleaue vnto him, and shalt sweare by his 21 Name. He is thy praise, and hee is thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible things, which thine eyes haue 22 seene. Thy fathers went downe into Egypt with seuentie persons, and now the Lord thy God hath made thee, as ye starres of ye heauen in multitude.

Therefore thou shalt loue the Lord thy God, and shalt keepe that, which he commandeth to be kept: that is, his ordinances, and his lawes, and his commandements alway. And consider this day (for I speake not to your children, which have neither knowen nor seene) the chastisement of the Lord your God,

his greatnesse, his mighty hande, and his stretched out arme, And his signes, and his actes, which hee did in the middes of 3 Egypt vnto Pharaoh the King of Egypt and vnto all his land: And what he did vnto the hoste of the Egyptians, vnto their 4 horses, and to their charets, when he caused the waters of the red Sea to ouerflowe them, as they pursued after you, and the Lord destroied them vnto this day: And what he did vnto you 5 in the wildernesse, vntill yee came vnto this place: And what 6 he did vnto Dathan and Abiram the sonnes of Eliab ye sonne of Reuben, when the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them with their housholds and their tents, and all their substance that they had in the middes of al Israel. For your eyes 7 haue seene all the great actes of the Lord which he did. There- 8 fore shall ve keepe all the commandements, which I commaund you this day, that ye may be strong, and go in and possesse the land whither ye goe to possesse it: Also that ye may prolong 9 your daies in the land, which the Lord sware vnto your fathers, to give vnto them and to their seede, euen a lande that floweth with milke and honie. For the land whither thou goest to pos- 10 sesse it, is not as the lande of Egypt, from whence ye came, where thou sowedst thy seede, and wateredst it with thy feete as a garden of herbes: But the land whither ye goe to possesse 11 it, is a land of mountaines and valleis, and drinketh water of the raine of heauen. This land doth the Lord thy God care 12 for: the eies of the Lord thy God are alwaies vpon it, from the beginning of the yeere, euen vnto the ende of the yeere. yee shall hearken therefore vnto my commandements, which I commaund you this day, that yee loue the Lord your God and serue him with all your heart, and with all your soule, I also 14 wil giue raine vnto your land in due time, the first raine and the latter, that thou maist gather in thy wheat, and thy wine, and thine oyle. Also I will send grasse in thy fieldes, for thy 15 cattel, that thou maist eate, and haue inough. But beware 16 lest your heart deceiue you, and lest yee turne aside, and serue other gods, and worship them, And so the anger of the Lord 17 be kindled against you, and he shut vp the heauen, that there be no raine, and that your lande yeelde not her fruit, and yee perish quickly from the good land, which the Lord giueth you. Therefore shall ye lay vp these my words in your heart and in 18 your soule, and binde them for a signe vpon your hand, that

19 they may be as a frontlet betweene your eyes, And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them, whe thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when 20 thou liest downe, and when thou risest vp. And thou shalt write them vpon the postes of thine house, and vpon thy gates, 21 That your daies may be multiplied, and the daies of your children, in ye land which the Lord sware vnto your fathers to give 22 them, as long as the heavens are aboue the earth. For if ye keepe diligently all these commandements, which I command you to doe: that is, to loue the Lord your God, to walke in all 23 his waies, and to cleaue vnto him, Then will the Lord cast out all these nations before you, and ye shall possesse great na-24 tions and mightier then you. All the places whereon the soles of your feete shall tread, shalbe yours: your coast shalbe from the wildernes and from Lebanon, and from the Riuer, euen the 25 riuer Perath, vnto ye vttermost Sea. No man shall stande against you: for the Lord your God shall cast the feare and dread of you vpon all the land that ye shall treade vpon, as 26 he hath said vnto you. Beholde, I set before you this day a 27 blessing and a curse: The blessing, if ye obey the commandements of the Lord your God which I command you this day: 28 And ye curse, if ye wil not obey the commandements of the Lord your God, but turne out of the way, which I commande you this day, to go after other gods, which ye haue not knowen. 29 When the Lord thy God therefore hath brought thee into ye lande, whither thou goest to possesse it, then thou shalt put the blessing vpon mount Gerizim, and the curse vpon mount Are they not beyond Iorden on that part, where the sunne goeth downe in the land of the Canaanites, which dwel in the plaine ouer against Gilgal, beside the groue of Moreh? 31 For yee shall passe ouer Iorden, to goe in to possesse the land, which ye Lord your God giueth you, and ye shall possesse it, 32 and dwell therein. Take heede therefore that ye doe all the commandements and the lawes, which I set before you this dav.

These are the ordinances and the lawes, which ye shall obserue and doe in the lande (which the Lord God of thy fathers giueth thee to possesse it) as long as yee liue vpon the earth.

Yee shall vtterly destroy all the places wherein the nations which ye shall possesse, serued their gods vpon the hie moun-

taines and vpon the hilles, and vnder euery greene tree. Also 3 ye shall ouerthrowe their altars, and breake downe their pillars, and burne their groues with fire: and ye shall hew downe ye grauen images of their gods, and abolish their names out of that place. Ye shall not do so vnto ye Lord your God, But ye 4,5 shall seeke the place which the Lord your God shall chose out of all your tribes, to put his Name there, and there to dwell, and thither thou shalt come, And ye shall bring thither your 6 burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, and the offring of your hands, and your vowes, and your free offrings, and the first borne of your kine and of your sheepe. And there 7 ye shall eate before the Lord your God, and ye shall reioyce in all that yee put your hand vnto, both ye, and your housholdes, because the Lord thy God hath blessed thee. Ye shall not doe 8 after all these things that we doe here this day: that is, euery man whatsoeuer seemeth him good in his owne eyes. For 9 ve are not yet come to rest, and to the inheritance which the Lord thy God giueth thee. But when ye goe ouer Iorden, and 10 dwell in ye land, which the Lord your God hath giuen you to inherit, and when he hath give you rest from al your enemies round about, and yee dwel in safetie, When there shalbe a 11 place which the Lord your God shall chose, to cause his name to dwell there, thither shall vee bring all that I commaund you: your burnt offrings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the offring of your hands, and all your speciall vowes which ye vowe vnto the Lord: And ye shall reioyce before the Lord your God, 12 yee, and your sonnes and your daughters, and your seruaunts, and your maidens, and the Leuite that is within your gates: for hee hath no part nor inheritance with you. Take heede that 13 thou offer not thy burnt offrings in euery place that thou seest: But in ye place which the Lord shall chose in one of thy tribes, 14 there thou shalt offer thy burnt offrings, and there thou shalt doe all that I commaund thee. Notwithstanding thou maiest 15 kill and eate flesh in all thy gates, whatsoeuer thine heart desireth, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which he hath given thee: both the vncleane and the cleane may eate thereof, as of the roe bucke, and of the hart. Onely ye shall 16 not eat the blood, but powre it vpon the earth as water. Thou 17 maist nor eat within thy gates the tithe of thy corne, nor of thy wine, nor of thine oyle, nor the first borne of thy kine, nor

of thy sheep, neither any of thy vowes which thou vowest, nor 18 thy free offerings, nor the offering of thine hands, But thou shalt eate it before the Lord thy God, in the place which the Lord thy God shall chuse, thou, and thy sonne, and thy daughter, and thy seruat, and thy maid, and the Leuite that is within thy gates: and thou shalt reioyce before the Lord thy God, in all 19 that thou puttest thine hand to. Beware, that thou forsake not 20 the Leuite, as long as thou liuest vpon the earth. When the Lord thy God shall enlarge thy border, as hee hath promised thee, and thou shalt say, I wil eate flesh, (because thine heart longeth to eate flesh) thou maiest eate flesh, whatsoeuer thine 21 heart desireth. If the place which the Lord thy God hath chosen to put his Name there, be farre from thee, then thou shalt kill of thy bullockes, and of thy sheepe which the Lord hath giuen thee, as I haue commanded thee, and thou shalt eat in 22 thy gates, whatsoeuer thine heart desireth. Euen as the roe bucke, and the hart is eaten, so shalt thou eat them. both the 23 vncleane and the cleane shall eate of them alike. Onely bee sure that thou eate not the blood: for the blood is the life, and 24 thou maiest not eate the life with the flesh. Therefore thou 25 shalt not eat it, but powre it vpon the earth as water. Thou shalt not eat it, that it may go well with thee; and with thy children after thee, when thou shalt doe that which is right in the 26 sight of the Lord: But thine holy things which thou hast, and thy vowes thou shalt take vp, and come vnto the place which 27 the Lord shall chuse. And thou shalt make thy burnt offerings of the flesh, and of the blood vpon the altar of the Lord thy God, and the blood of thine offerings shall bee powred vpon the al-28 tar of the Lord thy God, and thou shalt eate the flesh. heede, and heare all these woordes which I commaund thee, that it may goe well with thee, and with thy children after thee for euer, when thou doest that which is good and right in 29 the sight of the Lord thy God. When the Lord thy God shall destroy the nations before thee, whither thou goest to possesse them, and thou shalt possesse them and dwell in their lande, 30 Beware, lest thou be taken in a snare after them, after that they be destroied before thee, and lest thou aske after their gods, saying, Howe did these nations serue their gods, that I 31 may doe so likewise? Thou shalt not doe so vnto the Lord thy God: for al abomination, which the Lord hateth, haue they done vnto their gods: for they have burned both their sonnes and their daughters with fire to their gods. Therefore what- 32 soeuer I command you, take heede you doe it: thou shalt put nothing thereto, nor take ought therefrom.

If there arise amog you a prophet or a dreamer of dreames, 13 (and give thee a signe or wonder, And the signe and the won- 2 der, which hee hath tolde thee, come to passe) saying, Let vs go after other gods, which thou hast not knowen, and let vs serue them, Thou shalt not hearken vnto the wordes of the prophet, 3 or vnto that dreamer of dreames: for the Lord your God prooueth you, to knowe whether ye loue the Lord your God with al your heart, and with all your soule. Yee shall walke after the 4 Lord your God and feare him, and shall keepe his commandements, and hearken vnto his voyce, and yee shall serue him, and cleaue vnto him. But that prophet, or that dreamer of 5 dreames, he shall be slaine, because hee hath spoken to turne you away from the Lord your God (which brought you out of the lande of Egypt, and deliuered you out of the house of bodage) to thrust thee out of the way, wherein the Lord thy God commanded thee to walke: so shalt thou take the euill away foorth of the middes of thee. If thy brother, the sonne of thy mother, 6 or thine owne sonne, or thy daughter, or the wife, that lyeth in thy bosome, or thy friend, which is as thine owne soule, intice thee secretly, saying, Let vs goe and serue other gods, (which thou hast not knowen, thou, I say, nor thy fathers) Any of the 7 gods of the people which are round about you, neere vnto thee or farre off from thee, from the one ende of the earth vnto ye other: Thou shalt not cosent vnto him, nor heare him, nei- 8 ther shall thine eye pitie him, nor shewe mercie, nor keepe him secret: But thou shalt euen kill him: thine hand shall 9 be first vpon him to put him to death, and then the handes of all the people. And thou shalt stone him with stones, that 10 he dye (because he hath gone about to thrust thee away from the Lord thy God, which brought thee out of ye land of Egypt, from ye house of bondage) That all Israel may heare and feare, 11 and doe no more any such wickednesse as this among you. If 12 thou shalt heare say (concerning any of thy cities which the Lord thy God hath given thee to dwell in) Wicked men are 13 gone out from among you, and haue drawen away the inhabitants of their citie, saying, Let vs go and serue other gods,

14 which ye haue not knowen, Then thou shalt seeke, and make searche and enquire diligently: and if it be true, and the thing 15 certaine, that such abomination is wrought among you, Thou shalt euen slay the inhabitants of that citie with the edge of the sworde: destroy it vtterly, and all that is therein, and the cat-16 tel thereof with the edge of the sworde. And thou shalt gather all the spoyle of it into the middes of the streete thereof, and burne with fire the citie and all the spoyle thereof euery whit, vnto the Lord thy God: and it shall be an heape for euer: it 17 shall not be built againe. And there shall cleaue nothing of ve damned thing to thine hand, that the Lord may turne from the fiercenes of his wrath, and shewe thee mercie, and haue compassion on thee and multiplie thee, as he hath sworne vnto thy 18 fathers: When thou shalt obey the voyce of the Lord thy God, and keepe all his commandements which I command thee this day, that thou do that which is right in the eyes of the Lord thy God.

Ye are the children of the Lord your God. Ye shall not cut 14 yourselues, nor make you any baldnesse betweene your eyes 2 for the dead. For thou art an holy people vnto ye Lord thy God, and the Lord hath chosen thee to be a precious people vnto 3 himselfe, aboue all the people that are vpon the earth. Thou 4 shalt eate no maner of abomination. These are the beastes, 5 which ye shall eate, the beefe, the sheepe, and the goate. The hart, and the roe buck, and the bugle, and the wilde goate, and 6 the vnicorne, and the wilde oxe, and the chamois. And euery beast that parteth ye hoofe, and cleaueth the clift into two clawes, and is of the beasts that cheweth the cudde, that shall 7 ye eate. But these ye shall not eate, of them that chew the cud, and of them that deuide and cleaue the hoofe onely: ye camell, nor the hare, nor the cony: for they chewe the cudde, but deuide not ye hoofe: therefore they shall be vncleane vnto you: 8 Also the swine, because he deuideth the hoofe, and cheweth not the cud, shalbe vncleane vnto you: ye shall not eate of their 9 flesh, nor touch their dead carkeises. These ye shall eate, of all that are in the waters: all that haue finnes and scales 10 shall ye eate. And whatsoeuer hath no finnes nor scales, ye 11 shall not eate: it shall be vncleane vnto you. Of all cleane 12 birdes ye shall eate: But these are they, whereof ye shall 13 not eate: the eagle, nor the goshawke, nor the osprey, Nor

the glead nor the kite, nor the vulture, after their kind, Nor 14 all kinde of rauens, Nor the ostrich, nor the nightcrow, nor 15 the semeaw, nor the hawke after her kinde. Neither the litle 16 owle, nor the great owle, nor the redshanke, Nor the pellicane, 17 nor the swanne, nor the cormorant: The storke also, and the 18 heron in his kinde, nor the lapwing, nor the backe. And euery 19 creeping thing that flieth, shall be vncleane vnto you: it shall not be eaten. But of all cleane foules ve may eate. Ye shall 20, 21 eate of nothing that dieth alone, but thou shalt give it vnto the stranger that is within thy gates, that he may eate it: or thou maiest sell it vnto a stranger: for thou art an holy people vnto the Lord thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mothers milke. Thou shalt give the tithe of all the increase of thy 22 seede, that commeth foorth of the fielde veere by veere. And 23 thou shalt eate before the Lord thy God (in the place which he shall chose to cause his Name to dwell there) the tithe of thy corne, of thy wine, and of thine ovle, and the first borne of thy kine and of thy sheepe, that thou maiest learne to feare the Lord thy God alway. And if the way be too long for thee, so 24 that thou art not able to cary it, because the place is farre from thee, where the Lord thy God shall chose to set his Name, when the Lord thy God shall blesse thee, Then shalt thou make it 25 in money, and take the money in thine hand, and goe vnto the place which the Lord thy God shall chose. And thou shalt be- 26 stowe the money for whatsoeuer thine heart desireth: whether it be oxe, or sheepe, or wine, or strong drinke, or whatsoeuer thine heart desireth: and shalt eate it there before the Lord thy God, and reiovce, both thou, and thine household. And 27 the Leuite that is within thy gates, shalt thou not forsake: for he hath neither part nor inheritance with thee. At the end of 28 three yeere thou shalt bring foorth all the tithes of thine increase of the same yeere, and lay it vp within thy gates. Then 29 ye Leuite shall come, because he hath no part nor inheritance with thee, and the stranger, and the fatherlesse, and the widowe, which are within thy gates, and shall eate, and be filled, that the Lord thy God may blesse thee in al the worke of thine hand which thou doest.

At the terme of seuen yeeres thou shalt make a freedome. **15** And this is the maner of the freedome: euery creditour shall <sup>2</sup> quite ye lone of his hand which he hath lent to his neigh-

bour: he shall not aske it againe of his neighbour, nor of his 3 brother: for the yeere of the Lords freedome is proclaimed. Of a stranger thou mayest require it: but that which thou hast 4 with thy brother, thine hand shall remit: Saue when there shall be no poore with thee: for the Lord shall blesse thee in the land, which the Lord thy God giueth thee, for an inheri-5 tance to possesse it: So that thou hearken vnto the voyce of the Lord thy God to obserue and doe all these commandements, 6 which I commande thee this day. For the Lord thy God hath blessed thee, as he hath promised thee: and thou shalt lend vnto many nations, but thou thy selfe shalt not borow, and thou shalt reigne ouer many nations, and they shall not reigne ouer 7 thee. If one of thy brethren with thee be poore within any of thy gates in thy land, which the Lord thy God giueth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from 8 thy poore brother: But thou shalt open thine hand vnto him, 9 and shalt lend him sufficient for his neede which he hath. Beware that there be not a wicked thought in thine heart, to say, The seuenth yeere, the yeere of freedome is at hand: therefore it grieueth thee to looke on thy poore brother, and thou givest him nought, and he crie vnto the Lord against thee, so that 10 sinne be in thee: Thou shalt give him, and let it not grieue thine heart to give vnto him: for because of this the Lord thy God shall blesse thee in al thy works, and in all that thou 11 puttest thine hand to. Because there shall be euer some poore in the land, therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand vnto thy brother, to thy needie, and to thy poore in 12 thy land. If thy brother an Ebrewe sell himselfe to thee, or an Ebrewesse, and serue thee sixe yeere, euen in the seuenth 13 yeere thou shalt let him goe free from thee: And when thou sendest him out free from thee, thou shalt not let him goe away 14 emptie, But shalt give him a liberall reward of thy sheepe, and of thy corne, and of thy wine: thou shalt give him of that 15 wherewith the Lord thy God hath blessed thee. And remember that thou wast a seruant in the land of Egypt, and the Lord thy God deliuered thee: therefore I command thee this 16 thing to day. And if he say vnto thee, I will not go away from thee, because he loueth thee and thine house, and because he 17 is well with thee, Then shalt thou take a naule, and perce his eare through against the doore, and he shall be thy seruant for

euer: and vnto thy maid seruant thou shall doe likewise. Let 18 it not grieue thee, when thou lettest him goe out free from thee: for he hath serued thee sixe veeres, which is the double worth of an hired seruant: and the Lord thy God shall blesse thee in all that thou doest. All the first borne males that come of thy 19 cattell, and of thy sheepe, thou shalt sanctifie vnto the Lord thy God. Thou shalt do no worke with thy first borne bullocke, nor sheare thy first borne sheepe. Thou shalt eate it before 20 the Lord thy God yeere by yeere, in the place which the Lord shall chose, both thou, and thine household. But if there be 21 any blemish therein, as if it be lame, or blind, or haue any euill fault, thou shalt not offer it vnto the Lord thy God, But shalt 22 eate it within thy gates: the vncleane, and the cleane shall eate it alike, as the roe bucke, and as the hart. Onely thou 23 shalt not eate the blood thereof, but powre it vpon the ground as water.

Thou shalt keepe the moneth of Abib, and thou shalt cel- 16 ebrate the Passeouer vnto the Lord thy God: for in the moneth of Abib ve Lord thy God brought thee out of Egypt by night. Thou shalt therefore offer the Passeouer vnto the Lord 2 thy God, of sheepe and bullockes in the place where the Lord shall chose to cause his Name to dwell. Thou shalt eate no 3 leauened bread with it: but seuen dayes shalt thou eate vnleauened bread therewith, euen the bread of tribulation: for thou camest out of the land of Egypt in haste, that thou maist remember ye day whe thou camest out of the land of Egypt, all the dayes of thy life. And there shalbe no leauen seene 4 with thee in all thy coastes seuen dayes long: neither shall there remaine the night any of the flesh vntil the morning which thou offeredst ye first day at euen. Thou maist not offer 5 ye Passeouer within any of thy gates, which ye Lord thy God giueth thee: But in the place which the Lord thy God shall 6 choose to place his Name, there thou shalt offer the Passeouer at euen, about the going downe of the sunne, in the season that thou camest out of Egypt. And thou shalt roste and eate 7 it in the place which the Lord thy God shall choose, and shalt returne on the morowe, and goe vnto thy tentes. Six daies 8 shalt thou eate vnleauened bread, and ye seuenth day shall be a solemne assemblie to ye Lord thy God thou shalt do no worke therein. Seuen weekes shalt thou nomber vnto thee, 9

and shalt beginne to nomber ye seuen weekes, when thou be-10 ginnest to put the sickel to ye corne: And thou shalt keepe the feast of weekes vnto the Lord thy God, euen a free gift of thine hand, which thou shalt give vnto the Lord thy God, as 11 the Lord thy God hath blessed thee. And thou shalt reiovce before the Lord thy God, thou and thy sonne, and thy daughter, and thy seruant, and thy maide, and the Leuite that is within thy gates, and the stranger, and the fatherles, and the widowe, that are among you, in the place which the Lord thy God 12 shall chuse to place his Name there, And thou shalt remember that thou wast a seruant in Egypt: therefore thou shalt 13 observe and doe these ordinances. Thou shalt observe the feast of the Tabernacles seuen daies, when thou hast gathered 14 in thy corne, and thy wine. And thou shalt reioyce in thy feast, thou, and thy sonne, and thy daughter, and thy seruant, and thy maid, and the Leuite, and the stranger, and the 15 fatherlesse, and the widow, that are within thy gates. Seuen daies shalt thou keepe a feast vnto the Lord thy God in the place which the Lord shall chuse: when the Lord thy God shall blesse thee in all thine increase, and in all the workes of thine 16 hands, thou shalt in any case be glad. Three times in the yeere shall all the males appeare before the Lord thy God in the place which he shall chuse: in the feast of the vnleauened bread, and in the feast of the weekes, and in the feast of the Tabernacles: and they shall not appeare before the Lord emp-17 tie. Euery man shall give according to the gift of his hand, and according to the blessing of the Lord thy God, which he hath 18 giuen thee. Iudges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy cities, which the Lord thy God giueth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they shall iudge the people with righteous iudge-19 ment. Wrest not thou ye Law, nor respect any person, neither take rewarde: for the reward blindeth ye eyes of the wise, and 20 peruerteth ye worde of ye iust. That which is iust and right shalt thou follow, that thou maiest liue, and possesse the land 21 which the Lord thy God giueth thee. Thou shalt plant thee no groue of any trees neere vnto the altar of the Lord thy God, 22 which thou shalt make thee. Thou shalt set thee vp no pillar, which thing the Lord thy God hateth.

17 Thou shalt offer vnto the Lord thy God no bullocke nor sheepe wherein is blemish or any euill fauoured thing: for that is an

abomination vnto the Lord thy God. If there be founde among 2 you in any of thy cities, which the Lord thy God giueth thee, man or woman that hath wrought wickednes in the sight of the Lord thy God, in transgressing his couenant, And hath gone 3 and serued other gods, and worshipped them: as the sunne, or the moone, or any of the hoste of heauen, which I haue not commanded, And it be tolde vnto thee, and thou hast heard 4 it, then shalt thou inquire diligently: and if it be true, and the thing certaine, that such abomination is wrought in Israel, Then shalt thou bring foorth that man, or that woman (which 5 haue committed that wicked thing) vnto thy gates, whether it be man or woman, and shalt stone them with stones, til they At the mouth of two or three witnesses shall he that 6 is woorthie of death, die: but at the mouth of one witnesse, The handes of the witnesses shall be first 7 he shall not die. vpon him, to kill him: and afterward the hands of all the people: so thou shalt take the wicked away from among you. If 8 there rise a matter too harde for thee in judgement betweene blood and blood, betweene plea and plea, betweene plague and plague, in the matters of controuersie within thy gates. then shalt thou arise, and goe vp vnto the place which the Lord thy God shall chuse, And thou shalt come vnto the Priestes of the 9 Leuites, and vnto the judge that shall be in those daies, and aske, and they shall shewe thee the sentence of judgement, And thou shalt do according to that thing which they of that 10 place (which the Lord hath chosen) shewe thee, and thou shalt obserue to doe according to all that they informe thee. Accord- 11 ing to the Lawe, which they shall teach thee, and according to the iudgement which they shall tell thee, shalt thou doe: thou shalt not decline from the thing which they shall shew thee, neither to the right hand, nor to the left. And that man that 12 wil doe presumptuously, not hearkening vnto the Priest (that standeth before the Lord thy God to minister there) or vnto the iudge, that man shall die, and thou shalt take away euill from Israel. So all the people shall heare and feare, and doe 13 no more presumptuously. Whe thou shalt come vnto ye land 14 which the Lord thy God giueth thee, and shalt possesse it, and dwell therein, if thou say, I will set a King ouer me, like as all the nations that are about me, Then thou shalt make him 15 King ouer thee, whome the Lord thy God shall chuse: from

among thy brethren shalt thou make a King ouer thee: thou 16 shalt not set a stranger ouer thee, which is not thy brother. In any wise he shall not prepare him many horses, nor bring the people againe to Egypt, for to encrease the number of horses, seeing the Lord hath sayd vnto you, Ye shall henceforth goe 17 no more againe that way. Neither shall hee take him many wiues, lest his heart turne away, neither shall he gather him 18 much siluer and golde. And when he shall sit vpon the throne of his kingdo, then shall he write him this Law repeted in a 19 booke, by the Priests of the Leuites. And it shall be with him, and he shall reade therein all daies of his life, that he may learne to feare the Lord his God, and to keepe all ye words 20 of this Lawe, and these ordinances for to doe them: That his heart be not lifted vp aboue his brethren, and that he turne not from the commandement, to the right hand or to the left, but that he may prolong his daies in his kingdom, he, and his sonnes in the middes of Israel.

The Priests of the Leuites, and all the tribe of Leui shall 18 haue no part nor inheritace with Israel, but shall eate the offer-2 ings of the Lord made by fire, and his inheritance. Therefore shall they have no inheritance among their brethren: for the 3 Lord is their inheritance, as he hath sayd vnto them. And this shalbe the Priests duetie of the people, that they, which offer sacrifice, whether it be bullocke or sheepe, shall give vnto the 4 Priest the shoulder, and the two cheekes, and the mawe. The first fruites also of thy corne, of thy wine, and of thine oyle, and 5 the first of the fleece of thy sheepe shalt thou give him. For the Lord thy God hath chosen him out of all thy tribes, to stande and minister in the Name of the Lord, him, and his sonnes for 6 euer. Also when a Leuite shall come out of any of thy cities of all Israel, where hee remained, and come with all the desire of his heart vnto the place, which the Lord shall chuse, 7 He shall then minister in the Name of the Lord his God, as all his brethren the Leuites, which remaine there before the 8 Lord. They shall have like portions to eat beside that which 9 commeth of his sale of his patrimonie. When thou shalt come into ye land which the Lord thy God giueth thee, thou shalt not 10 learne to do after ye abominations of those nations. Let none be founde among you that maketh his sonne or his daughter to goe thorough the fire, or that vseth witchcraft, or a regarder of times, or a marker of the flying of foules, or a sorcerer, Or 11 a charmer, or that counselleth with spirits, or a soothsaier, or that asketh counsel at ye dead. For all that doe such things 12 are abomination vnto the Lord, and because of these abominations the Lord thy God doeth cast them out before thee. Thou 13 shalt be vpright therefore with the Lord thy God. For these 14 nations which thou shalt possesse, hearken vnto those that regarde the times, and vnto sorcerers: as for thee, the Lord thy God hath not suffred thee so. The Lord thy God will raise vp 15 vnto thee a Prophet like vnto me, from among you, euen of thy brethren: vnto him ye shall hearken, According to al that thou 16 desiredst of the Lord thy God in Horeb, in the day of the assemblie, when thou saidest, Let me heare the voice of my Lord God no more, nor see this great fire any more, that I die not. And 17 the Lord sayde vnto me, They have well spoken. I will raise 18 them vp a Prophet from among their brethren like vnto thee, and will put my woordes in his mouth, and he shall speake vnto them all that I shall commaund him. And whosoeuer 19 will not hearken vnto my wordes, which he shall speake in my Name, I will require it of him. But the prophet that shall 20 presume to speake a worde in my name, which I have not commanded him to speake, or that speaketh in the name of other gods, euen the same prophet shall die. And if thou thinke in 21 thine heart, Howe shall we knowe the worde which the Lord hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the Name of 22 the Lord, if the thing follow not nor come to passe, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not therefore be afraid of him.

When the Lord thy God shall roote out the nations, whose lande the Lord thy God giueth thee, and thou shalt possesse them, and dwell in their cities, and in their houses, Thou shalt separate three cities for thee in the middes of thy lande which the Lord thy God giueth thee to possesse it. Thou shalt prepare thee the way, and deuide the coastes of the land, which the Lord thy God giueth thee to inherite, into three parts, that every manslayer may flee thither. This also is ye cause wherfore the manslayer shall flee thither, and live: who so killeth his neighbor ignorantly, and hated him not in time passed: As 5 hee that goeth vnto the wood with his neighbor to hew wood,

and his hand striketh with the axe to cut downe the tree, if the head slip from the helue, and hit his neighbour that he dieth, 6 the same shall flee vnto one of the cities, and liue, Least the auenger of the blood follow after the manslayer, while his heart is chafed, and ouertake him, because the way is long, and slaie him, although he be not worthy of death, because he hated him 7 not in time passed. Wherefore I command thee, saying, Thou 8 shalt appoint out three cities for thee. And when the Lord thy God enlargeth thy coastes (as he hath sworne vnto thy fathers) and giueth thee all the lande which he promised to giue vnto 9 thy fathers, (If thou keepe all these commandements to doe them, which I commaund thee this day: to wit, that thou loue the Lord thy God, and walke in his waies for euer) then shalt 10 thou adde three cities moe for thee besides those three. That innocent bloude be not shed within thy land, which the Lord 11 thy God giueth thee to inherite, lest bloud be vpon thee. But if a man hate his neighbour, and lay waite for him, and rise against him, and smite any man that he die, and flee vnto any 12 of these cities. Then the Elders of his citie shall send and set him thence, and deliuer him into the hands of the auenger of 13 the blood, that he may die. Thine eye shall not spare him, but thou shalt put away the crie of innocent blood from Israel, 14 that it may goe well with thee. Thou shalt not remooue thy neighbours marke, which they of olde time haue set in thine inheritance, that thou shalt inherite in the lande, which ye Lord 15 thy God giueth thee to possesse it. One witnes shall not rise against a man for any trespasse, or for any sinne, or for any fault that hee offendeth in, but at the mouth of two witnesses or at the mouth of three witnesses shall the matter be stab-16 lished. If a false witnesse rise vp against a man to accuse him 17 of trespasse, Then both the men which striue together, shall stand before ye Lord, euen before the Priests and the Iudges, 18 which shall be in those daies, And the Iudges shall make diligent inquisition: and if the witnesse be found false, and hath 19 giuen false witnes against his brother, Then shall yee doe vnto him as hee had thought to doe vnto his brother: so thou shalt 20 take euil away forth of the middes of thee. And the rest shall heare this, and feare, and shall henceforth commit no more any 21 such wickednes among you. Therefore thine eye shall have no compassion, but life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand

for hand, foote for foote.

When thou shalt go forth to warre against thine enemies, 20 and shalt see horses and charets, and people moe then thou, be not afrayde of them: for the Lord thy God is with thee, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt. And when ye are 2 come neere vnto the battel, then the Priest shall come forth to speake vnto the people, And shall say vnto them, Heare, 3 O Israel: ye are come this day vnto battell against your enemies: let not your heartes faynt, neither feare, nor be amased, nor adread of them. For ye Lord your God goeth with you, to 4 fight for you against your enemies, and to saue you And let 5 the officers speake vnto the people, saying, What man is there that hath buylt a new house, and hath not dedicate it? let him go and returne to his house, least he dye in the battel, and an other man dedicate it. And what man is there that hath 6 planted a vinevarde, and hath not eaten of the fruite? let him go and returne againe vnto his house, least he die in the battel, and another eate the fruite. And what man is there that 7 hath betrothed a wife, and hath not taken her? let him go and returne againe vnto his house, lest he die in the battell, and another man take her. And let the officers speake further vnto 8 the people, and say, Whosoeuer is afrayde and faynt hearted. let him go and returne vnto his house, least his brethrens heart faynt like his heart. And after that the officers haue made an 9 ende of speaking vnto the people, they shall make captaines of the armie to gouerne the people. When thou commest neere 10 vnto a citie to fight against it, thou shalt offer it peace. And 11 if it answere thee againe peaceably, and open vnto thee, then let all the people that is founde therein, be tributaries vnto thee, and serue thee. But if it will make no peace with thee, 12 but make war against thee, then shalt thou besiege it. And 13 the Lord thy God shall deliuer it into thine handes, and thou shalt smite all the males thereof with the edge of the sworde. Onely the women, and the children, and the cattel, and all that 14 is in the citie, euen all the spoyle thereof shalt thou take vnto thy selfe, and shalt eate the spoyle of thine enemies, which the Lord thy God hath given thee. Thus shalt thou do vnto all 15 ye cities, which are a great way off from thee, which are not of the cities of these nations here. But of the cities of this peo- 16 ple, which the Lord thy God shall give thee to inherite, thou

shalt saue no person aliue, But shalt vtterly destroy them: to wit, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hiuites, and the Iebusites, as the Lord thy God hath commanded thee, That they teache you not to doe after all their abominations, which they haue done vnto their gods, and so ye should sinne against the Lord your God. When thou hast besieged a citie long time, and made warre against it to take it, destroy not the trees therof, by smiting an axe into them: for thou mayest eate of them: therfore thou shalt not cut them downe to further thee in the siege, (for the tree of the field is mans life) Onely those trees, which thou knowest are not for meate, those shalt thou destroy and cut downe, and make fortes against the citie that maketh warre with thee, vntil thou subdue it.

If one be founde slaine in the lande, which the Lord thy God 21 giueth thee to possesse it, lying in the field, and it is not knowe 2 who hath slaine him, Then thine Elders and thy Iudges shall come forth, and measure vnto the cities that are round about 3 him that is slavne. Aud let ye Elders of that citie, which is next vnto the slaine man, take out of the droue an heifer that 4 hath not bene put to labour, nor hath drawen in the yoke. And let the Elders of that citie bring the heifer vnto a stonie valley, which is neyther eared nor sowen, and strike off the heifers 5 necke there in the valley. Also the Priests the sonnes of Leui (whom the Lord thy God hath chosen to minister, and to blesse in the name of the Lord) shall come forth, and by their word 6 shall all strife and plague be tried. And all the Elders of that citie that came neere to the slavne man, shall wash their hands 7 ouer the heifer that is beheaded in the valley: And shall testifie, and say, Our handes haue not shed this blood, neither 8 haue our eies seene it. O Lord, be mercifull vnto thy people Israel, whom thou hast redeemed, and lay no innocent blood to the charge of thy people Israel, and the blood shalbe forgiuen 9 them. So shalt thou take away the cry of innocet blood from thee, when thou shalt do that which is right in the sight of the 10 Lord. Whe thou shalt go to warre against thine enemies, and the Lord thy God shall deliuer them into thine hands, and thou 11 shalt take the captiues, And shalt see among the captiues a beautifull woman, and hast a desire vnto her, and wouldest 12 take her to thy wife, Then thou shalt bring her home to thine house, and she shall shaue her head, and pare her nayles, And 13 she shall put off the garment that shee was taken in, and she shall remaine in thine house, and bewaile her father and her mother a moneth long: and after that shalt thou go in vnto her, and marry her, and she shalbe thy wife. And if thou haue 14 no fauour vnto her, then thou mayest let her go whither she will, but thou shalt not sell her for money, nor make marchandise of her, because thou hast humbled her. If a man haue 15 two wives, one loued and another hated, and they have borne him children, both the loued and also the hated: if the first borne be the sonne of the hated. Then when the time com- 16 meth, that hee appointed his sonnes to be heires of that which he hath, he may not make the sonne of the beloued first borne before the sonne of the hated, which is the first borne: But he 17 shall acknowledge the sonne of the hated for the first borne, and give him double portion of all that he hath: for hee is the first of his strength, and to him belongeth the right of the first borne. If any man haue a sonne that is stubburne and disobe- 18 dient, which wil not hearken vnto the voice of his father, nor the voyce of his mother, and they have chastened him, and he would not obey them, Then shall his father and his mother 19 take him, and bring him out vnto the Elders of his citie, and vnto the gate of the place where he dwelleth. And shall say 20 vnto the Elders of his citie, This our sonne is stubburne and disobedient, and he wil not obey our admonition: he is a riotour, and a drunkard. Then all the men of his citie shall stone 21 him with stones vnto death: so thou shalt take away euill from among you, that all Israel may heare it, and feare. If a man 22 also have committed a trespasse worthy of death, and is put to death, and thou hangest him on a tree, His body shall not 23 remaine all night vpon the tree, but thou shalt bury him the same day: for the curse of God is on him that is hanged. Defile not therfore thy land which the Lord thy God giueth thee to inherite.

Thou shalt not see thy brothers oxe nor his sheepe go astray, 22 and withdraw thy selfe from them, but shalt bring the againe vnto thy brother. And if thy brother bee not neere vnto thee, 2 or if thou knowe him not, then thou shalt bring it into thine house, and it shall remaine with thee, vntill thy brother seeke after it: then shalt thou deliuer it to him againe. In like 3

maner shalt thou do with his asse, and so shalt thou do with his rayment, and shalt so doe with all lost things of thy brother, which he hath lost: if thou hast found them, thou shalt not 4 withdraw thy selfe from them. Thou shalt not see thy brothers asse nor his oxe fal downe by the way, and withdrawe thy 5 selfe from them, but shalt lift them vp with him. The woman shall not weare that which perteineth vnto the man, neither shall a man put on womans rayment: for all that doe so, are 6 abomination vnto the Lord thy God. If thou finde a birdes nest in the way, in any tree, or on the ground, whether they be yong or egges, and the damme sitting vpon the yong, or vpon 7 the egges, thou shalt not take ye damme with the yong, But shalt in any wise let the damme go, and take the yong to thee, 8 that thou mayest prosper and prolong thy dayes. When thou buildest a newe house, thou shalt make a battlemet on thy roofe, that thou lay not blood vpon thine house, if any man fal Thou shalt not sow thy vineyard with divers kinds of seedes, lest thou defile the increase of the seede which thou 10 hast sowen, and the fruite of the vineyarde. Thou shalt not 11 plow with an oxe and an asse together. Thou shalt not weare a garment of divers sorts, as of woollen and linen together. 12 Thou shalt make thee fringes vpon the foure quarters of thy 13 vesture, wherewith thou couerest thy selfe. If a man take 14 a wife, and when he hath lyen with her, hate her, And laye slaunderous thinges vnto her charge, and bring vp an euill name vpon her, and say, I tooke this wife, and when I came 15 to her, I found her not a mayde, Then shall the father of the mayde and her mother take and bring the signes of the may-16 des virginitie vnto the Elders of the citie to the gate. And the maydes father shall say vnto the Elders, I gaue my daughter 17 vnto this man to wife, and he hateth her: And lo, he layeth slaunderous things vnto her charge, saying, I founde not thy daughter a mayde: loe, these are the tokens of my daughters virginitie: and they shall spreade the vesture before the Elders Then the Elders of the citie shall take that man 18 of the citie. 19 and chastise him, And shall condemne him in an hundreth shekels of siluer, and give them vnto the father of the mayde, because he hath brought vp an euill name vpon a mayde of Israel: and she shalbe his wife, and he may not put her away all 20 his life. But if this thing be true, that the mayde be not found a virgine, Then shall they bring forth the mayde to the doore 21 of her fathers house, and the men of her citie shall stone her with stones to death: for shee hath wrought follie in Israel, by playing ye whore in her fathers house: so thou shalt put euill away from among you. If a man be found lying with a woman 22 marryed to a man, then they shall dye euen both twaine: to wit, the man that lay with the wife, and the wife: so thou shalt put away euil from Israel. If a maid be betrothed vnto an 23 husband, and a man finde her in the towne and lye with her, Then shall yee bring them both out vnto the gates of the same 24 citie, and shall stone them with stones to death: the mayde because she cried not, being in the citie, and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbours wife: so thou shalt put away euill from among you. But if a man finde a betrothed mayde 25 in the field, and force her, and lye with her, then the man that lay with her, shall dye alone: And vnto the mayd thou shalt 26 do nothing, because there is in the mayde no cause of death: for as when a man riseth against his neighbour and woundeth him to death, so is this matter. For he found her in the fieldes: 27 the betrothed mayde cryed, and there was no man to succour If a man finde a mayde that is not betrothed, and take 28 her, and lye with her, and they be founde, Then the man that 29 lay with her, shall give vnto the maydes father fiftie shekels of siluer: and she shalbe his wife, because he hath humbled her: he can not put her away all his life. No man shall take his 30 fathers wife, nor shall vncouer his fathers skirt.

None that is hurt by bursting, or that hath his priuie member cut off, shall enter into the Congregation of the Lord. A 2 bastard shall not enter into the Congregation of the Lord: euen to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the Congregation of the Lord. The Ammonites and the Moabites shall not 3 enter into the Congregation of the Lord: euen to their tenth generation shall they not enter into the Congregation of the Lord for euer, Because they met you not with bread and water in the way, when yee came out of Egypt, and because they hyred against thee Balaam the sonne of Beor, of Pethor in Aram-naharaim, to curse thee. Neuerthelesse, the Lord thy God would not hearken vnto Balaam, but the Lord thy God turned the curse to a blessing vnto thee, because the Lord thy God loued thee. Thou shalt not seeke their peace nor their 6

7 prosperitie all thy dayes for euer. Thou shalt not abhorre an Edomite: for he is thy brother, neither shalt thou abhorre an 8 Egyptian, because thou wast a strager in his land. The children that are begotten of them in their thirde generation, shall 9 enter into the Congregation of the Lord. When thou goest out with the host against thine enemies, keepe thee then from all 10 wickednesse. If there be among you any that is vncleane by that which commeth to him by night, he shall goe out of the 11 hoste, and shall not enter into the hoste, But at euen he shall wash him selfe with water, and when the sunne is downe, he 12 shall enter into the hoste. Thou shalt have a place also with-13 out the hoste whither thou shalt resort. And thou shalt haue a paddle among thy weapons, and when thou wouldest sit downe without, thou shalt shalt digge therewith, and returning thou 14 shalt couer thine excrements. For the Lord thy God walketh in the mids of thy campe to deliuer thee, and to give thee thine enemies before thee: therefore thine hoste shalbe holy, that he 15 see no filthie thing in thee and turne away from thee. Thou shalt not deliuer the seruant vnto his master, which is escaped 16 from his master vnto thee. He shall dwell with thee, euen among you, in what place he shall chuse, in one of thy cities 17 where it liketh him best: thou shalt not vexe him. shalbe no whore of the daughters of Israel, neither shall there 18 be a whore keeper of the sonnes of Israel. Thou shalt neyther bring the hyre of a whore, nor the price of a dogge into the house of the Lord thy God for any vow: for euen both these 19 are abomination vnto the Lord thy God. Thou shalt not give to vsurie to thy brother: as vsurie of money, vsurie of meate, 20 vsurie of any thing that is put to vsurie. Vnto a stranger thou mayest lend vpon vsurie, but thou shalt not lend vpon vsurie vnto thy brother, that the Lord thy God may blesse thee in all that thou settest thine hand to, in the land whither thou goest 21 to possesse it. When thou shalt vowe a vowe vnto the Lord thy God, thou shalt not be slacke to paye it: for the Lord thy God will surely require it of thee, and so it should be sinne 22 vnto thee. But when thou absteinest from vowing, it shalbe 23 no sinne vnto thee. That which is gone out of thy lippes, thou shalt keepe and performe, as thou hast vowed it willingly vnto the Lord thy God: for thou hast spoken it with thy mouth. 24 When thou commest vnto thy neighbours vineyard, then thou

23. 25-24. 15 mayest eate grapes at thy pleasure, as much as thou wilt: but

thou shalt put none in thy vessell. When thou commest into 25 thy neighbours corne thou mayest plucke the eares with thine hand, but thou shalt not moue a sickle to thy neighbours corne.

When a man taketh a wife, and marrieth her, if so be shee 24 finde no fauour in his eyes, because hee hath espyed some filthinesse in her, then let him write her a bill of diuorcement. and put it in her hand, and send her out of his house. And when 2 she is departed out of his house, and gone her way, and marrie with an other man. And if the latter husband hate her, and 3 write her a letter of diuorcement, and put it in her hand, and send her out of his house, or if the latter man die which tooke her to wife: Then her first husband, which sent her away, may 4 not take her againe to be his wife, after that she is defiled: for that is abomination in the sight of the Lord, and thou shalt not cause the land to sinne, which the Lord thy God doeth giue thee to inherite. When a man taketh a new wife, he shall not 5 goe a warfare, neither shalbe charged with any businesse, but shalbe free at home one yeere, and reioyce with his wife which he hath taken. No man shall take the nether nor the vpper 6 milstone to pledge: for this gage is his liuing. If any man 7 be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and maketh marchandise of him, or selleth him, that thiefe shall die: so shalt thou put euil away from among you. Take 8 heede of the plague of leprosie, that thou observe diligently, and doe according to all that the Priestes of the Leuites shall teach you: take heede ye doe as I commanded them. Remem- 9 ber what the Lord thy God did vnto Miriam by the way after that ye were come out of Egypt. Whe thou shalt aske again 10 of thy neighbour any thing lent, thou shalt not goe into his house to fet his pledge. But thou shalt stand without, and the 11 man that borowed it of thee, shall bring the pledge out of the doores vnto thee. Furthermore if it be a poore body, thou shalt 12 not sleepe with his pledge, But shalt restore him the pledge 13 when the sunne goeth downe, that he may sleepe in his raiment, and blesse thee: and it shalbe righteousnesse vnto thee before the Lord thy God. Thou shalt not oppresse an hyred 14 seruant that is needie and poore, neyther of thy brethren, nor of the stranger that is in thy land within thy gates. Thou shalt 15 giue him his hire for his day, neither shall the sunne goe downe

vpon it: for he is poore, and therewith susteineth his life: lest he crve against thee vnto the Lord, and it be sinne vnto thee. 16 The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, nor the children put to death for the fathers, but euery man shalbe 17 put to death for his owne sinne. Thou shalt not peruert the right of the stranger, nor of the fatherlesse, nor take a widowes 18 rayment to pledge. But remember that thou wast a seruant in Egypt, and howe the Lord thy God deliuered thee thence. 19 Therefore I commaund thee to doe this thing. When thou cuttest downe thine haruest in thy fielde, and hast forgotten a sheafe in the fielde, thou shalt not goe againe to fet it, but it shalbe for the stranger, for the fatherles, and for the widowe: that the Lord thy God may blesse thee in all the workes 20 of thine hands. When thou beatest thine oliue tree, thou shalt not goe ouer the boughes againe, but it shalbe for the stranger, 21 for the fatherlesse, and for the widowe. When thou gatherest thy vineyard, thou shalt not gather the grapes cleane after thee, but they shalbe for the stranger, for the fatherlesse, and 22 for the widowe. And remember that thou wast a seruant in the land of Egypt: therefore I command thee to doe this thing.

When there shall be strife betweene men, and they shall 25 come vnto iudgement, and sentence shall be given vpon them, and the righteous shall be justified, and the wicked condemned, 2 Then if so be the wicked be worthy to bee beaten, the judge shall cause him to lie downe, and to be beaten before his face, 3 according to his trespasse, vnto a certaine nomber. stripes shall he cause him to have and not past, lest if he should exceede and beate him aboue that with many stripes, 4 thy brother should appeare despised in thy sight. Thou shalt 5 not mousell the oxe that treadeth out the corne. If brethren dwell together, and one of them dye and haue no sonne, the wife of the dead shall not marry without: that is, vnto a stranger, but his kinseman shall goe in vnto her, and take her to wife, 6 and doe the kinsemans office to her. And the first borne which she beareth, shall succeede in the name of his brother which 7 is dead, that his name be not put out of Israel. And if the man will not take his kinsewoman, then let his kinsewoman goe vp to the gate vnto the Elders, and say, My kinsman refuseth to rayse vp vnto his brother a name in Israel: hee will 8 not doe the office of a kinsman vnto me. Then the Elders of

his citie shall call him, and commune with him: if he stand and say, I wil not take her, Then shall his kinswoman come vnto 9 him in the presence of the Elders, and loose his shooe from his foote, and spit in his face, and answere, and say, So shall it be done vnto that man, that will not buylde vp his brothers house. And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of 10 him whose shooe is put off. When men striue together, one 11 with another, if the wife of the one come neere, for to ridde her husband out of the handes of him that smiteth him, and put foorth her hand, and take him by his priuities, Then thou 12 shalt cut off her hande: thine eye shall not spare her. Thou 13 shalt not have in thy bagge two maner of weightes, a great and a small, Neither shalt thou have in thine house divers mea- 14 sures, a great and a small: But thou shalt have a right and 15 iust weight: a perfite and a iust measure shalt thou haue, that thy dayes may be lengthened in the land, which the Lord thy God giveth thee. For all that doe such things, and all that doe 16 vnrighteously, are abomination vnto the Lord thy God. Re- 17 member what Amalek did vnto thee by the way, when ve were come out of Egypt: How he met thee by ye way, and smote ye 18 hindmost of you, all that were feeble behind thee, when thou wast fainted and weary, and he feared not God. Therefore, 19 when the Lord thy God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about in the land, which the Lord thy God giueth thee for an inheritance to possesse it, then thou shalt put out the remembrance of Amalek from vnder heauen: forget not.

Also when thou shalt come into the lande which the Lord thy God giueth thee for inheritance, and shalt possesse it, and dwell therein, Then shalt thou take of the first of all the fruite 2 of the earth, and bring it out of the lande that the Lord thy God giueth thee, and put it in a basket, and goe vnto the place, which the Lord thy God shall chose to place his Name there. And thou shalt come vnto the Priest, that shall be in those 3 dayes, and say vnto him, I acknowledge this day vnto the Lord thy God, that I am come vnto the countrey which the Lord sware vnto our fathers for to giue vs. Then the Priest shall 4 take the basket out of thine hand, and set it downe before the altar of the Lord thy God. And thou shalt answere and 5 say before the Lord thy God, A Syrian was my father, who being ready to perish for hunger, went downe into Egypt, and

soiourned there with a small company, and grew there vnto a 6 nation great, mightie and full of people. And the Egyptians vexed vs, and troubled vs, and laded vs with cruell bondage. 7 But when we cried vnto the Lord God of our fathers, the Lord heard our voyce, and looked on our aduersitie, and on our 8 labour, and on our oppression. And the Lord brought vs out of Egypt in a mightie hande, and a stretched out arme, with 9 great terriblenesse, both in signes and wonders. And he hath brought vs into this place, and hath given vs this land, euen a 10 lande that floweth with milke and hony. And now, lo, I haue brought ye first fruites of the land which thou, O Lord, hast giuen me, and thou shalt set it before the Lord thy God, and worship before the Lord thy God: And thou shalt reioyce in all the good things which the Lord thy God hath given vnto thee and to thine houshold, thou and the Leuite, and the stranger 12 that is among you. When thou hast made an end of tithing all the tythes of thine increase, the thirde yeere, which is the yeere of tithing, and hast given it vnto the Leuite, to the stranger, to the fatherlesse, and to the widowe, that they may eate within 13 thy gates, and be satisfied. Then thou shalt say before the Lord thy God, I have brought the halowed thing out of mine house, and also have given it vnto the Leuites and to the strangers, to the fatherlesse, and to the widow, according to all thy comandements which thou hast commanded me: I have trans-14 gressed none of thy comandements, nor forgotten them. haue not eaten therof in my mourning, nor suffred ought to perish through vncleannes, nor given ought thereof for the dead, but have hearkened vnto the voyce of the Lord my God: 15 I have done after all that thou hast comaded me. Looke downe from thine holy habitation, euen from heauen, and blesse thy people Israel, and the lande which thou hast given vs (as thou swarest vnto our fathers) the land that floweth with milke and 16 hony. This day the Lord thy God doeth command thee to do these ordinances, and lawes: keepe them therefore, and do 17 them with al thine heart, and with all thy soule. Thou hast set vp the Lord this day to be thy God, and to walke in his wayes, and to keepe his ordinances, and his commandements, and his 18 lawes, and to hearken vnto his voyce. And the Lord hath set thee vp this day, to be a precious people vnto him (as hee hath promised thee) and that thou shouldest keepe all his commandements, And to make thee high aboue al nations (which he 19 hath made) in praise, and in name, and in glory, and that thou shouldest be an holy people vnto the Lord thy God, as he hath said.

Then Moses with the Elders of Israel commanded the peo- 27 ple, saying, Keepe all the comandements, which I command you this day. And when ye shall passe ouer Iorden vnto the 2 lande which the Lord thy God giueth thee, thou shalt set thee vp great stones, and playster them with plaister, And shalt 3 write vpon them all the words of this Lawe, when thou shalt come ouer, that thou mayest go into the land which the Lord thy God giueth thee: a land that floweth with milke and hony, as the Lord God of thy fathers hath promised thee. There- 4 fore when ye shall passe ouer Iorden, ye shall set vp these stones, which I command you this daye in mount Ebal, and thou shalt plaister them with plaister. And there shalt thou 5 build vnto the Lord thy God an altar, euen an altar of stones: thou shalt lift none yron instrument vpon them. Thou shalt 6 make the altar of the Lord thy God of whole stones, and offer burnt offerings thereon vnto the Lord thy God. And thou 7 shalt offer peace offrings, and shalt eate there and reioyce before the Lord thy God: And thou shalt write vpon the stones 8 al the words of this Law, well and plainely. And Moses and 9 the Priestes of the Leuites spake vnto all Israel, saying, Take heede and heare, O Israel: this day thou art become the people of the Lord thy God. Thou shalt hearken therefore vnto 10 the voyce of the Lord thy God, and do his commandements and his ordinances, which I commande thee this day. And Moses 11 charged the people the same day, saying, These shall stand 12 vpon mount Gerizzim, to blesse the people when ye shall passe ouer Iorden: Simeon, and Leui, and Iudah, and Issachar, and Ioseph, and Beniamin. And these shall stand vpon mount 13 Ebal to curse: Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali. And the Leuites shall answere and say vnto all 14 the men of Israel with a loude voyce, Cursed be the man that 15 shall make any carued or molten image, which is an abomination vnto the Lord, the worke of the hands of the craftesman, and putteth it in a secrete place: And all the people shall answere, and say: So be it. Cursed be he that curseth his father 16 and his mother: And all the people shall say: So be it. Cursed 17

be he that remoueth his neighbors marke: And all the people 18 shall say: So be it. Cursed be he that maketh ye blinde go out 19 of the way: And all the people shall say: So be it. Cursed be he that hindreth the right of the stranger, the fatherles, and 20 the widow: And all the people shall say: So be it. Cursed be hee that lyeth with his fathers wife: for he hath vncouered his 21 fathers skirt: And all the people shall say: So be it. Cursed be he that lieth with any beast: And all the people shall say: 22 So be it. Cursed be he that lyeth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother: And all the people 23 shall say: So be it. Cursed be he that lyeth with his mother in 24 law: And all the people shall say: So be it. Cursed be hee that smiteth his neyghbour secretly: And all the people shall say: 25 So be it. Cursed be he that taketh a reward to put to death in-26 nocent blood: And all the people shall say: So be it. Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the wordes of this Law, to do them: And all the people shall say: So be it.

If thou shalt obey diligently the voyce of the Lord thy God, 28 and obserue and do all his commandements, which I commande thee this day, then the Lord thy God wil set thee on high aboue 2 all the nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come on thee, and ouertake thee, if thou shalt obey the voyce of the 3 Lord thy God. Blessed shalt thou be in the citie, and blessed 4 also in the fielde. Blessed shalbe the fruite of thy body, and ye fruite of thy ground, and the fruite of thy cattel, the increase of 5 thy kine, and ye flocks of thy sheepe. Blessed shalbe thy bas-6 ket and thy dough. Blessed shalt thou be, whe thou commest 7 in, and blessed also when thou goest out. The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise against thee, to fall before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and shall flee before 8 thee leuen wayes. The Lord shall command the blessing to be with thee in thy store houses, and in all that thou settest thine hande to, and wil blesse thee in the land which the Lord 9 thy God giueth thee. The Lord shall make thee an holy people vnto himself, as he hath sworne vnto thee, if thou shalt keepe the commandements of the Lord thy God, and walke in his 10 wayes. Then all people of the earth shall see that the Name of the Lord is called vpon ouer thee, and they shalbe afrayde 11 of thee. And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruite of thy body, and in the fruite of thy cattell, and in the

fruite of thy grounde, in the land which the Lord sware vnto thy fathers, to give thee. The Lord shall open vnto thee his 12 good treasure, euen the heauen to give rayne vnto thy kind in due season, and to blesse all the worke of thine handes: and thou shalt lende vnto many nations, but shalt not borow thy And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the 13 tayle, and thou shalt be aboue onely, and shalt not bee beneath. if thou obey the commandements of the Lord thy God, which I command thee this day, to keepe and to do them. But thou 14 shalt not decline from any of the wordes, which I command you this day, either to the right hand or to the left, to goe after other gods to serue them. But if thou wilt not obey the voyce of the 15 Lord thy God, to keepe and to do all his commandementes and his ordinances, which I command thee this day, then al these curses shall come vpon thee, and ouertake thee. Cursed shalt 16 thou bee in the towne, and cursed also in the fielde. Cursed 17 shall thy basket be, and thy dough. Cursed shall be the fruite 18 of thy body, and the fruite of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flockes of thy sheepe. Cursed shalt thou be when thou 19 commest in, and cursed also when thou goest out. The Lord 20 shall sende vpon thee cursing, trouble, and shame, in all that which thou settest thine hand to do, vntil thou be destroyed, and perish quickely, because of the wickednesse of thy workes whereby thou hast forsaken me. The Lord shall make the 21 pestilence cleaue vnto thee, vntill he hath consumed thee from the land, whither thou goest to possesse it. The Lord shall 22 smite thee with a consumption, and with the feuer, and with a burning ague, and with feruent heate, and with the sworde, and with blasting, and with the mildew, and they shall pursue thee vntill thou perish. And thine heaven that is over thine 23 head, shall be brasse, and the earth that is vnder thee, yron. The Lord shall give thee for the rayne of thy land, dust and 24 ashes: euen from heauen shall it come downe vpon thee, vntil thou be destroyed. And the Lord shall cause thee to fall be- 25 fore thine enemies: thou shalt come out one way against them, and shalt flee seuen wayes before them, and shalt be scattered through all the kingdomes of the earth. And thy carkeis shall 26 be meate vnto all foules of the avre, and vnto the beasts of the earth, and none shall fray them away. The Lord wil smite thee 27 with the botch of Egypt, and with the emeroids, and with the

28 skab, and with the itche, that thou canst not be healed. And ye Lord shall smite thee with madnes, and with blindnes, and 29 with astonying of heart. Thou shalt also grope at noone daies, as the blinde gropeth in darknes, and shalt not prosper in thy wayes: thou shalt neuer but bee oppressed with wrong and be 30 powled euermore, and no man shall succour thee. Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man shall lye with her: thou shalt builde an house, and shalt not dwell therein: thou shalt plant 31 a vineyard, and shalt not eate the fruite. Thine oxe shalbe slayne before thine eyes, and thou shalt not eate thereof: thine asse shall be violently taken away before thy face, and shall not be restored to thee: thy sheepe shalbe given vnto thine 32 enemies, and no man shall rescue them for thee. Thy sonnes and thy daughters shalbe given vnto another people, and thine eyes shall still looke for them, euen till they fall out, and there 33 shalbe no power in thine hand. The fruite of thy land and all thy labours shall a people, which thou knowest not, eate, and 34 thou shalt neuer but suffer wrong, and violence alway: So that thou shalt be madde for the sight which thine eyes shall see. 35 The Lord shall smite thee in the knees, and in the thighes, with a sore botche, that thou canst not be healed: euen from 36 the sole of thy foote vnto the top of thine head. The Lord shall bring thee and thy King (which thou shalt set ouer thee) vnto a nation, which neither thou nor thy fathers have knowen, and 37 there thou shalt serue other gods: euen wood and stone, And thou shalt be a wonder, a prouerbe and a common talke among 38 all people, whither the Lord shall carie thee. Thou shalt carie out much seede into the fielde, and shalt gather but litle in: for 39 the grashoppers shall destroy it. Thou shalt plant a vineyard, and dresse it, but shalt neither drinke of the wine, nor gather 40 the grapes: for the wormes shall eate it. Thou shalt have Oliue trees in all thy coastes, but shalt not anount thy selfe 41 with the oyle: for thine oliues shall fall. Thou shalt beget sonnes, and daughters, but shalt not have them: for they shall 42 goe into captiuitie. All thy trees and fruite of thy land shall 43 the grashopper consume. The straunger that is among you, shall clime aboue thee vp on hie, and thou shalt come downe 44 beneath alow. He shall lend thee, and thou shalt not lend 45 him: he shalbe the head, and thou shalt be ye tayle. Moreouer, all these curses shall come vpon thee, and shall pursue

thee and ouertake thee, till thou be destroyed, because thou obeyedst not the voyce of the Lord thy God, to keepe his commandements, and his ordinances, which he commanded thee: And they shalbe vpon thee for signes and wonders, and vpon 46 thy seede for euer, Because thou seruedst not the Lord thy 47 God with ioyfulnesse and with a good heart for the abundance of all things. Therefore thou shalt serue thine enemies which 48 the Lord shall send vpon thee, in hunger and in thirst, and in nakednesse, and in neede of all things? and he shall put a yoke of yron vpon thy necke vntill he haue destroyed thee. The Lord shall bring a nation vpon thee from farre, euen from 49 the ende of the world, flying swift as an Egle: a nation whose tongue thou shalt not vnderstand: A nation of a fierce counte- 50 nance, which will not regarde the person of the olde, nor haue compassion of the yong. The same shall eate the fruit of thy 51 cattell, and the fruite of thy land vntill thou be destroyed, and he shall leave thee nevther wheate, wine, nor oyle, neither the increase of thy kyne, nor the flockes of thy sheepe, vntill he haue brought thee to nought. And he shall besiege thee 52 in all thy cities, vntill thine hie and strong walles fall downe, wherein thou trustedst in all the lande: and hee shall besiege thee in all thy cities throughout all thy lande, which the Lord thy God hath given thee. And thou shalt eate the fruite of thy 53 bodie: euen the flesh of thy sonnes and thy daughters, which the Lord thy God hath given thee, during the siege and straitnesse wherein thine enemie shall inclose thee: So that the 54 man (that is tender and exceeding deintie among you) shalbe grieued at his brother, and at his wife, that lieth in his bosome, and at the remnant of his children, which hee hath yet left, For feare of giuing vnto any of them of the flesh of his children, 55 whom he shall eate, because he hath nothing left him in that siege, and straitnesse, wherewith thine enemie shall besiege thee in all thy cities. The tender and deintie woman among 56 you, which neuer woulde venture to set the sole of her foote vpon the grounde (for her softnesse and tendernesse) shalbe grieued at her husband that lieth in her bosome, and at her sonne, and at her daughter, And at her afterbirth (that shall 57 come out from betweene her feete) and at her childre, which she shall beare: for when all things lacke, she shall eate them secretly, during the siege and straitnesse, wherewith thine en58 emie shall besiege thee in thy cities. If thou wilt not keepe and doe all the wordes of the Lawe (that are written in this booke) and feare this glorious and feareful name The Lord Thy 59 God, The the Lord wil make thy plagues wonderfull, and the plagues of thy seede, euen great plagues and of long continu-60 ance, and sore diseases, and of long durance. Moreouer, he will bring vpon thee all the diseases of Egypt, whereof thou 61 wast afraide, and they shall cleaue vnto thee. And euery sickenesse, and euery plague, which is not written in the booke of this Lawe, will the Lord heape vpon thee, vntill thou be de-62 stroyed. And ye shall be left few in nomber, where ye were as the starres of heaven in multitude, because thou wouldest 63 not obey the voyce of the Lord thy God. And as the Lord hath reioyced ouer you, to doe you good, and to multiply you, so he will reioyce ouer you, to destroy you, and bring you to nought, and ye shalbe rooted out of the land, whither thou goest to pos-64 sesse it. And the Lord shall scatter thee among all people, from the one ende of the worlde vnto the other, and there thou shalt serue other gods, which thou hast not knowen nor thy 65 fathers, euen wood and stone. Also among these nations thou shalt finde no rest, neither shall the sole of thy foote haue rest: for the Lord shall give thee there a trembling heart, and looking to returne till thine eyes fall out, and a sorowfull minde. 66 And thy life shall hang before thee, and thou shalt feare both 67 night and day, and shalt have none assurance of thy life. In the morning thou shalt say, Woulde God it were euening, and at the euening thou shalt say, Would God it were morning, for ye feare of thine heart, which thou shalt feare, and for the 68 sight of thine eyes, which thou shalt see. And the Lord shall bring thee into Egypt againe with shippes by the way, whereof I saide vnto thee, Thou shalt see it no more againe: and there yee shall sell your selues vnto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen, and there shalbe no byer.

These are the wordes of the couenant which the Lord commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the lande of Moab beside the couenant which hee had made with them in Horeb. And Moses called all Israel, and said vnto them, Ye haue seene all that the Lord did before your eyes in the lande of Egypt vnto Pharaoh and vnto all his seruantes, and vnto all his lande, The great tentations which thine eyes haue

seene, those great miracles and wonders: Yet the Lord hath 4 not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and eares to heare, vnto this day. And I have led you fourty yere in 5 the wildernesse: your clothes are not waxed olde vpon you, neyther is thy shooe waxed olde vpon thy foote. Ye haue 6 eaten no bread, neither drunke wine, nor strong drinke, that ye might know how that I am the Lord your God. After, ye 7 came vnto this place, and Sihon King of Heshbon, and Og King of Bashan came out against vs vnto battell, and we slewe them, And tooke their lande, and gaue it for an inheritance vnto the 8 Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the halfe tribe of Manasseh. Keepe therefore the wordes of this couenant and doe 9 them, that ye may prosper in all that ye shall doe. Ye stand 10 this day euery one of you before the Lord your God: your heads of your tribes, your Elders and your officers, eue al ye me of Israel: Your children, your wives, and thy stranger that is in thy 11 campe from the hewer of thy wood, vnto the drawer of thy water, That thou shouldest passe into the couenant of the Lord 12 thy God, and into his othe which the Lord thy God maketh with thee this day, For to establish thee this day a people vnto him 13 selfe, and that he may be vnto thee a God, as he hath said vnto thee, and as he hath sworne vnto thy fathers, Abraham, Izhak, and Iaakob. Neither make I this couenant, and this othe with 14 you onely, But aswel with him that standeth here with vs this 15 day before the Lord our God, as with him that is not here with vs this day. For ye knowe, how we have dwelt in the land of 16 Egypt, and how we passed thorowe the middes of the nations, which ve passed by. And ve haue seene their abominations 17 and their idoles (wood, and stone, siluer and golde) which were among them, That there should not be among you man nor 18 woman, nor familie, nor tribe, which should turne his heart away this day from the Lord our God, to goe and serue the gods of these nations, and that there shoulde not be among you any roote that bringeth forth gall and wormewood, So that when 19 he heareth the words of this curse, he blesse him selfe in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, although I walke according to the stubburnes of mine owne heart, thus adding drunkennesse to thirst. The Lord will not be mercifull vnto him, but 20 then the wrath of the Lord and his ielousie shall smoke against that man, and euery curse that is written in this booke, shall

light vpon him, and the Lord shall put out his name from vn-21 der heauen, And the Lord shall separate him vnto euil out of all the tribes of Israel, according vnto all the curses of the 22 couenant, that is written in the booke of this Lawe. So that the generatio to come, euen your children, that shall rise vp after you, and the stranger, that shall come from a farre lande, shall say, when they shall see the plagues of this lande, and 23 the diseases thereof, wherewith the Lord shall smite it: (For all that land shall burne with brimstone and salt: it shall not be sowen, nor bring forth, nor any grasse shall growe therein, like as in the ouerthrowing of Sodom, and Gomorah, Admah, and Zeboim, which the Lord ouerthrewe in his wrath and in 24 his anger) Then shall all nations say, Wherefore hath the Lord 25 done thus vnto this lande? how fierce is this great wrath? And they shall answere, Because they have forsaken the couenant of the Lord God of their fathers, which he had made with them, 26 when he brought them out of the land of Egypt, And went and serued other gods and worshipped them: euen gods which they 27 knewe not, and which had given them nothing, Therefore the wrath of the Lord waxed hot against this land, to bring vpon 28 it euery curse that is written in this booke. And ye Lord hath rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and hath cast them into another land, as 29 appeareth this day. The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but the things reueiled belong vnto vs, and to our children for euer, that we may doe all the wordes of this Lawe.

Nowe when all these things shall come vpon thee, either the blessing or the curse which I haue set before thee, and thou shalt turne into thine heart, among all the nations whither the Lord thy God hath driuen thee, And shalt returne vnto the Lord thy God, and obey his voyce in all that I commaund thee this day: thou, and thy children with all thine heart and with all thy soule, Then the Lord thy God wil cause thy captiues to returne, and haue compassion vpon thee, and wil returne, to gather thee out of all the people, where the Lord thy God had scattered thee. Though thou werest cast vnto the vtmost part of heauen, from thence will the Lord thy God gather thee, and from thence wil he take thee, And the Lord thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possesse it, and he will shewe thee fauour, and will multiplie

thee aboue thy fathers. And the Lord thy God will circum- 6 cise thine heart, and the heart of thy seede, that thou mayest loue the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with al thy soule, that thou maiest liue. And the Lord thy God will lay all 7 these curses vpon thine enemies, and on them, that hate thee, and that persecute thee. Returne thou therefore, and obey 8 the voyce of the Lord, and do all his commandements, which I commaund thee this day. And the Lord thy God will make 9 thee plenteous in euery worke of thine hande, in the fruite of thy bodie, and in the fruite of thy cattel, and in the fruite of the lande for thy wealth: for the Lord will turne againe, and reioyce ouer thee to do thee good, as he reioyced ouer thy fathers, Because thou shalt obey the voyce of the Lord thy God, 10 in keeping his comandements, and his ordinances, which are written in the booke of this Law, when thou shalt returne vnto the Lord thy God with all thine heart and with al thy soule. For this commandement which I commande thee this day, is 11 not hid from thee, neither is it farre off. It is not in heauen, 12 that thou shouldest say, Who shall go vp for vs to heaven, and bring it vs, and cause vs to heare it, that we may doe it? Nei- 13 ther is it beyonde the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go ouer the sea for vs, and bring it vs, and cause vs to heare it, that we may do it? But the word is very neere vnto thee: 14 euen in thy mouth and in thine heart, for to do it. Beholde, 15 I have set before thee this day life and good, death and euill, In that I commaund thee this day, to loue the Lord thy God, 16 to walke in his wayes, and to keepe his commandements, and his ordinances, and his lawes, that thou mayest liue, and be multiplied, and that the Lord thy God may blesse thee in the land, whither thou goest to possesse it. But if thine heart 17 turne away, so that thou wilt not obey, but shalt be seduced and worship other gods, and serue them, I pronounce vnto you 18 this day, that ye shall surely perish, ye shall not prolong your dayes in the lande, whither thou passest ouer Iorden to possesse it. I call heaven and earth to recorde this day against 19 you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing. therefore chuse life, that both thou and thy seede may liue, By louing the Lord thy God, by obeying his voyce, and 20 by cleauing vnto him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy dayes: that thou mayest dwell in the lande which the Lord

sware vnto thy fathers, Abraham, Izhak, and Iaakob, to giue them.

31 Then Moses went and spake these wordes vnto all Israel, 2 And said vnto them, I am an hundreth and twentie yeere olde this day: I can no more goe out and in: also the Lord hath saide 3 vnto me, Thou shalt not goe ouer this Iorden. The Lord thy God he will go ouer before thee: he will destroy these nations before thee, and thou shalt possesse them. Ioshua, he shall 4 goe before thee, as the Lord hath said. And the Lord shall doe vnto them, as he did to Sihon and to Og Kings of the Amor-5 ites: and vnto their lande whome he destroyed. And the Lord shall give them before you that ye may do vnto them according vnto euery commandement, which I haue comanded you. 6 Plucke vp your hearts therefore, and be strong: dread not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God him selfe doeth goe 7 with thee: he will not faile thee, nor forsake thee. And Moses called Ioshua, and said vnto him in the sight of all Israel, Be of a good courage and strong: for thou shalt go with this people vnto the lande which the Lord hath sworne vnto their fathers. 8 to give them, and thou shalt give it them to inherite. And the Lord him selfe doeth go before thee: he will be with thee: he will not faile thee, neither forsake thee: feare not therefore, nor 9 be discomforted. And Moses wrote this Lawe, and deliuered it vnto the Priestes the sonnes of Leui (which bare the Arke of the 10 couenant of the Lord) and vnto all the Elders of Israel, And Moses commanded them, saying, Euery seuenth yeere when the yeere of freedome shalbe in the feast of the Tabernacles: 11 When all Israel shall come to appeare before the Lord thy God, in the place which he shall chuse, thou shalt reade this Lawe 12 before all Israel that they may heare it. Gather the people together: men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may heare, and that they may learne, and feare the Lord your God, and keepe and obserue 13 all the wordes of this Lawe, And that their children which haue not knowen it, may heare it, and learne to feare the Lord your God, as long as ye liue in the lande, whither ye goe ouer 14 Iorden to possesse it. Then the Lord saide vnto Moses, Beholde, thy dayes are come, that thou must die: Call Ioshua, and stande ye in the Tabernacle of the Congregation that I may giue him a charge. So Moses and Ioshua went, and stoode in

the Tabernacle of the Congregation. And the Lord appeared 15 in the Tabernacle, in the pillar of a cloude: and the pillar of the cloude stoode ouer the doore of the Tabernacle. And the Lord 16 said vnto Moses, Behold, thou shalt sleepe with thy fathers, and this people will rise vp, and goe a whoring after the gods of a strange land (whither they goe to dwell therein) and will forsake me, and breake my couenant which I have made with them. Wherefore my wrath will waxe hote against them at 17 that day, and I will forsake them, and will hide my face from them: then they shalbe consumed, and many aduersities and tribulations shall come vpon them: so then they will say, Are not these troubles come vpon me, because God is not with me? But I will surely hide my face in that day, because of all the eu- 18 ill, which they shall commit, in that they are turned vnto other gods. Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it 19 the children of Israel: put it in their mouthes, that this song may be my witnesse against the children of Israel. For I will 20 bring them into the land (which I sware vnto their fathers) that floweth with milke and honie, and they shall eate, and fil them selues, and waxe fat: then shall they turne vnto other gods, and serue them, and contemne me, and breake my couenant. And then when many aduersities and tribulations shall come 21 vpon them, this song shall answere them to their face as a witnesse: for it shall not be forgotte out of the mouthes of their posteritie: for I knowe their imagination, which they goe about euen now, before I haue brought them into the lande which I sware. Moses therefore wrote this song the same day and 22 taught it the children of Israel. And God gaue Ioshua the 23 sonne of Nun a charge, and said, Be strong, and of a good courage: for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the lande, which I sware vnto them, and I will be with thee. And 24 when Moses had made an ende of writing the wordes of this Lawe in a booke vntill he had finished them, Then Moses com- 25 manded the Leuites, which bare the Arke of the couenant of the Lord, saying, Take the booke of this Lawe, and put ye it in 26 the side of the Arke of the couenant of the Lord your God, that it may be there for a witnes against thee. For I knowe thy 27 rebellion and thy stiffe necke: beholde, I being yet aliue with you this day, ye are rebellious against the Lord: howe much more then after my death? Gather vnto me all the Elders of 28 your tribes, and your officers, that I may speake these wordes in their audience, and call heauen and earth to recorde against them. For I am sure that after my death ye will vtterly be corrupt and turne from the way, which I haue commanded you: therefore euill will come vpon you at the length, because ye will comit euill in the sight of the Lord, by prouoking him to anger through the worke of your hands. Thus Moses spake in the audience of all the congregation of Israel the wordes of this song, vntill he had ended them.

32Hearken, ye heauens, and I will speake: and let the earth 2 heare the words of my mouth. My doctrine shall drop as the raine, and my speach shall stil as the dew, as the showre vpon 3 the herbes, and as the great raine vpon the grasse. For I will publish the name of the Lord: giue ye glorie vnto our God. 4 Perfect is the worke of the mighty God: for all his wayes are iudgement. God is true, and without wickednesse: iust, and 5 righteous is he. They have corrupted them selves towarde him by their vice, not being his children, but a frowarde and 6 crooked generation. Doe ye so rewarde the Lord, O foolish people and vnwise? is not he thy father, that hath bought 7 thee? he hath made thee, and proportioned thee. Remember the dayes of olde: consider the yeeres of so many generations: aske thy father, and he will shewe thee: thine Elders, 8 and they will tell thee. When the most hie God deuided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sonnes of Adam, he appointed the borders of the people, according to 9 the nomber of the children of Israel. For the Lordes portion is 10 his people: Iaakob is the lot of his inheritance. He found him in ye land of ye wildernes, in a waste, and roaring wildernes: he led him about, he taught him, and kept him as ye apple 11 of his eye. As an eagle stereth vp her nest, flootereth ouer her birdes, stretcheth out her wings, taketh them, and beareth 12 them on her wings, So the Lord alone led him, and there was 13 no strange god with him. He caryed him vp to the hie places of the earth, that he might eate the fruites of the fieldes, and he caused him to sucke hony out of the stone, and oyle out of 14 the hard rocke: Butter of kine, and milke of sheepe with fat of the lambes, and rammes fed in Bashan, and goates, with the fat of the graines of wheat, and the red licour of the grape hast 15 thou drunke. But he that should have bene vpright, when

he waxed fat, spurned with his heele: thou art fat, thou art grosse, thou art laden with fatnes: therefore he forsooke God that made him, and regarded not the strong God of his saluation. They prouoked him with strange gods: they prouoked 16 him to anger with abominations. They offred vnto deuils, not 17 to God, but to gods whome they knew not: new gods that came newly vp, whome their fathers feared not. Thou hast forgot- 18 ten the mightie God that begate thee, and hast forgotten God that formed thee. The Lord then sawe it, and was angrie, 19 for the prouocation of his sonnes and of his daughters. And 20 he said, I will hide my face from the: I will see what their ende shalbe: for they are a frowarde generation, children in who is no faith. They have moved me to ielousie with that 21 which is not God: they have provoked me to anger with their vanities: and I will moue them to ielousie with those which are no people: I wil prouoke them to anger with a foolish nation. For fire is kindled in my wrath, and shall burne vnto 22 the bottome of hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountaines. I 23 will spend plagues vpon them: I will bestowe mine arrowes vpon them. They shalbe burnt with hunger, and consumed 24 with heate, and with bitter destruction: I will also sende the teeth of beastes vpon them, with the venime of serpents creeping in the dust. The sworde shall kill them without, and in the 25 chambers feare: both the yong man and the yong woman, the suckeling with the man of gray heare. I have said, I would 26 scatter them abroade: I would make their remembrance to cease from among men, Saue that I feared the furie of the 27 enemie, least their aduersaries should waxe proude, and least they should say, Our hie hande and not the Lord hath done all this: For they are a nation voide of counsel, neither is there 28 any vnderstanding in them. Oh that they were wise, then 29 they would vnderstand this: they would consider their latter How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten 30 thousande to flight, except their strong God had sold the, and the Lord had shut them vp? For their god is not as our God, 31 euen our enemies being judges. For their vine is of the vine of 32 Sodom, and of the vines of Gomorah: their grapes are grapes of gall, their clusters be bitter. Their wine is the poyson of dragons, and the cruel gall of aspes. Is not this laide in store with 34 35 me, and sealed vp among my treasures? Vengeance and recompence are mine: their foote shall slide in due time: for the day of their destruction is at hand, and the things that shall 36 come vpon them, make haste. For the Lord shall judge his people, and repent towarde his seruants, when hee seeth that their power is gone, and none shut vp in holde nor left abroad. 37 When men shall say, Where are their gods, their mighty God 38 in whome they trusted, Which did eate the fat of their sacrifices, and did drinke the wine of their drinke offring? let them 39 rise vp, and help you: let him be your refuge. Behold now, for I, I am he, and there is no gods with me: I kill, and give life: I wound, and I make whole: neither is there any that can 40 deliuer out of mine hand. For I lift vp mine hand to heauen, 41 and say, I liue for euer. If I whet my glittering sworde, and mine hand take holde on iudgement, I will execute vengeance 42 on mine enemies, and will rewarde them that hate me. I will make mine arrowes drunke with blood, (and my sword shall eate flesh) for the blood of the slaine, and of the captiues, when 43 I beginne to take vengeance of the enemie. Ye nations, praise his people: for he will auenge the blood of his seruants, and will execute vengeance vpon his aduersaries, and will bee mer-44 cifull vnto his lande, and to his people. Then Moses came and spake all ye words of this song in the audience of the people, 45 he and Hoshea the sonne of Nun. When Moses had made an 46 end of speaking all these wordes to all Israel, Then hee said vnto them, Set your heartes vnto all the wordes which I testifie against you this day, that ye may commande them vnto your children, that they may observe and doo all the wordes of this 47 Lawe. For it is no vaine worde concerning you, but it is your life, and by this worde ye shall prolong your dayes in the land, 48 whither yee go ouer Iorden to possesse it. And the Lord spake 49 vnto Moses the selfe same day, saying, Goe vp into the mountaine of Abarim, vnto the mount Nebo, which is in the lande of Moab, that is ouer against Iericho: and beholde the lande of Canaan, which I giue vnto the children of Israel for a pos-50 session, And die in the mount which thou goest vp vnto, and thou shalt be gathered vnto thy people, as Aaron thy brother 51 died in mount Hor, and was gathered vnto his people, Because ye trespassed against me among the children of Israel, at the waters of Meribah, at Kadesh in the wildernesse of Zin: for ye sanctified me not among the children of Israel. Thou shalt 52 therefore see the lande before thee, but shalt not go thither, I meane, into the land which I giue the children of Israel.

Nowe this is the blessing wherewith Moses the man of God 33 blessed the children of Israel before his death, and said, The 2 Lord came from Sinai, and rose vp from Seir vnto them, and appeared clearely from mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands of Saints, and at his right hand a firie Lawe for Though hee loue the people, yet all thy Saints are in 3 thine handes: and they are humbled at thy foete, to receive thy words. Moses commanded vs a Lawe for an inheritance 4 of the Congregation of Iaakob. Then he was among the righteous people, as King, when the heades of the people, and the tribes of Israel were assembled. Let Reuben liue, and not die, 6 though his men be a small nomber. And thus he blessed Iu- 7 dah, and said, Heare, O Lord, the voyce of Iudah, and bring him vnto his people: his hands shalbe sufficient for him, if thou helpe him against his enemies. And of Leui he said, Let 8 thy Thummim and thine Vrim be with thine Holy one, whome thou diddest proue in Massah, and didst cause him to striue at the waters of Meribah. Who said vnto his father and to his 9 mother, I have not seene him, neither knewe he his brethren, nor knewe his owne children: for they obserued thy word, and kept thy couenant. They shall teach Iaakob thy judgements, 10 and Israel thy Lawe: they shall put incense before thy face, and the burnt offring vpon thine altar. Blesse, O Lord, his 11 substance, and accept the worke of his handes: smite through ve lovnes of them that rise against him, and of them that hate him, that they rise not againe. Of Beniamin he said, The be- 12 loued of the Lord shall dwell in safetie by him: the Lord shall couer him all the day long, and dwell betweene his shoulders. And of Ioseph hee sayde, Blessed of the Lord is his land for 13 the sweetenesse of heaven, for the dewe, and for the depth lying beneath, And for the sweete increase of the sunne, and for 14 the sweete increase of the moone, And for the sweetenes of the 15 top of the ancient mountaines, and for the sweetenes of the olde hilles, And for the sweetenesse of the earth, and abundance 16 thereof: and the good will of him that dwelt in the bushe, shall come vpon the head of Ioseph, and vpon the toppe of the head of him that was separated from his brethren. His beautie shalbe 17

like his first borne bullock, and his hornes as the hornes of an vnicorne: with them hee shall smite the people together, euen the endes of the world: these are also the ten thousands of 18 Ephraim, and these are the thousands of Manasseh. And of Zebulun he sayd, Reioice, Zebulun, in thy going out, and thou 19 Isshachar in thy tents. They shall call ye people vnto the mountaine: there they shall offer the sacrifices of righteousnesse: for they shall sucke of the abundance of the sea, and of 20 the treasures hid in the sand. Also of Gad he said, Blessed be hee that enlargeth Gad: he dwelleth as a lion, that catcheth 21 for his praye the arme with the head. And hee looked to himselfe at the beginning, because there was a portion of the Lawegiuer hid: yet hee shall come with the heades of the people, to execute the iustice of the Lord, and his iudgements with Is-22 rael. And of Dan he said, Dan is a lions whelp: he shall leape 23 from Bashan. Also of Naphtali he sayd, O Naphtali, satisfied with fauour, and filled with the blessing of the Lord, possesse 24 the West and the South. And of Asher he saide. Asher shalbe blessed with children: he shalbe acceptable vnto his brethren, 25 and shall dippe his foote in oyle. Thy shooes shalbe yron and brasse, and thy strength shall continue as long as thou liuest. 26 There is none like God, O righteous people, which rideth vpon the heavens for thine helpe, and on the cloudes in his glory. 27 The eternall God is thy refuge, and vnder his armes thou art for euer: hee shall cast out the enemie before thee, and will 28 say, Destroy them. Then Israel the fountaine of Iaakob shall dwell alone in safetie in a lande of wheat, and wine: also his 29 heavens shall drop the dewe. Blessed art thou, O Israel: who is like vnto thee, O people saued by the Lord, the shielde of thine helpe, and which is the sword of thy glorie? therefore thine enemies shall bee in subjection to thee, and thou shalt tread vpon their hie places.

Then Moses went from the plaine of Moab vp into mount Nebo vnto the top of Pisgah that is ouer against Iericho: and the Lord shewed him all the land of Gilead, vnto Dan, And all Naphtali and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, and all the land of Iudah, vnto the vtmost sea: And the South, and the plaine of the valley of Iericho, the citie of palmetrees, vnto Zoar.

And the Lord said vnto him, This is the lande which I sware vnto Abraham, to Izhak and to Iaacob saying, I will giue it vnto

thy seede: I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not goe ouer thither. So Moses the seruant of the Lord 5 dyed there in the land of Moab, according to the worde of the And hee buried him in a valley in the land of Moab 6 ouer against Beth-peor, but no man knoweth of his sepulchre vnto this day. Moses was nowe an hundreth and twentie veere 7 olde when hee died, his eye was not dimme, nor his naturall force abated. And the children of Israel wept for Moses in 8 the plaine of Moab thirtie dayes: so the dayes of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended. And Ioshua the sonne of 9 Nun was full of ye spirit of wisedome: for Moses had put his hands vpon him. And the children of Israel were obedient vnto him, and did as the Lord had commanded Moses. But there 10 arose not a Prophet since in Israel like vnto Moses (whome the Lord knew face to face) In all ye miracles and wonders which 11 ye Lord sent him to do in ye land of Egypt before Pharaoh and before all his seruantes, and before all his land. And in all that 12 mightie hand and all that great feare, which Moses wrought in the sight of all Israel.

## THE BOOK OF JOSHUA.

owe after the death of Moses the seruant of the Lord, the Lord spake vnto Ioshua the sonne of Nun, Moses minister, saying, Moses my seruant is dead: nowe therefore arise, go ouer this Iorden, thou, and all this people, vnto the lande which I giue them, that is, to ye chil-3 dren of Israel. Euery place that the sole of your foote shall 4 treade vpon, haue I giuen you, as I said vnto Moses. From the wildernesse and this Lebanon euen vnto the great riuer, the riuer Perath: all the land of the Hittites, euen vnto the great Sea towarde the going downe of the sunne, shalbe your coast. 5 There shall not a man be able to withstande thee all the dayes of thy life: as I was with Moses, so will I be with thee: I will not 6 leave thee, nor forsake thee. Be strong and of a good courage: for vnto this people shalt thou deuide the lande for an inheri-7 tance, which I sware vnto their fathers to give them. Onely be thou strong, and of a most valiant courage, that thou mayest obserue and doe according to all the Lawe which Moses my seruant hath commanded thee: thou shalt not turne away from it to the right hande, nor to the left, that thou mayest prosper 8 whithersoeuer thou goest. Let not this booke of the Law depart out of thy mouth, but meditate therin day and night, that thou mayest observe and doe according to all that is written therein: for then shalt thou make thy way prosperous, and 9 then shalt thou have good successe. Have not I commanded thee, saying, Be strong and of a good courage, feare not, nor be discouraged? for I the Lord thy God will be with thee, whith-10 ersoeuer thou goest. Then Ioshua commanded the officers of 11 the people, saying, Passe through the hoste, and commande the people, saying, Prepare you vitailes: for after three dayes ye shall passe ouer this Iorden, to goe in to possesse the lande, 12 which the Lord your God giueth you to possesse it. And vnto the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to halfe the tribe of 13 Manasseh spake Ioshua, saying, Remember the worde, which Moses the seruant of the Lord commanded you, saying, The Lord your God hath given you rest, and hath given you this 14 land. Your wives, your children, and your cattell shall remaine in the land which Moses gaue you on this side Iorden: but ye shall goe ouer before your brethren armed, all that be men of warre, and shall helpe them, Vntill the Lord haue 15 giuen your brethren rest, as well as to you, and vntill they also shall possesse the land, which the Lord your God giueth them: then shall ye returne vnto the lande of your possession and shall possesse it, which land Moses the Lordes seruant gaue you on this side Iorden toward the sunne rising. Then they 16 answered Ioshua, saying, Al that thou hast commanded vs, we will doe, and whithersoeuer thou sendest vs, we will goe. As 17 we obeyed Moses in all things, so will we obey thee: onely the Lord thy God be with thee, as he was with Moses. Whosoeuer 18 shall rebell against thy commandement, and will not obey thy wordes in all that thou commaundest him, let him bee put to death: onely be strong and of good courage.

Then Joshua the sonne of Nun sent out of Shittim two men 2 to spie secretly, saving, Go, view the land, and also Iericho: and they went, and came into an harlots house, named Rahab, and lodged there. Then report was made to the King of 2 Iericho, saying, Beholde, there came men hither to night, of the children of Israel, to spie out the countrey. And the King 3 of Iericho sent vnto Rahab, saying, Bring foorth the men that are come to thee, and which are entred into thine house: for they be come to search out all the land. (But ye woman had 4 taken the two men, and hid them) Therefore saide she thus, There came men vnto me, but I wist not whence they were. And when they shut the gate in the darke, the men went out, 5 whither the men went I wote not: follow ve after them guickly, for ye shall ouertake them. (But she had brought them vp 6 to the roofe of the house, and hidde them with the stalkes of flaxe, which she had spread abroad vpon the roofe) And cer- 7 taine men pursued after them, the way to Iorden, vnto the foordes, and as soone as they which pursued after them, were gone out, they shut the gate. And before they were a sleepe, 8 she came vp vnto them vpon the roofe, And saide vnto the 9 men, I knowe that the Lord hath given you the land, and that the feare of you is fallen vpon vs, and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you. For we have heard, howe 10 the Lord dried vp the water of the redde Sea before you, when you came out of Egypt, and what you did vnto the two Kings

of the Amorites, that were on the other side Iorden, vnto Sihon 11 and to Og, whom ye vtterly destroyed: And when wee heard it, our heartes did faint, and there remained no more courage in any because of you: for the Lord your God, he is the God in 12 heauen aboue, and in earth beneath. Now therefore, I pray you, sweare vnto me by the Lord; that as I haue shewed you mercie, ye will also shewe mercie vnto my fathers house, and 13 giue me a true token, And that yee will saue aliue my father and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they haue: and that yee will deliuer our soules from death. 14 And the men answered her, Our life for you to die, if ye vtter not this our businesse: and when the Lord hath given vs the 15 lande, we will deale mercifully and truely with thee. Then she let them downe by a corde thorowe the windowe: for her house 16 was vpon the towne wall, and she dwelt vpon the wall. And she said vnto them, Goe you into the mountaine, least the pursuers meete with you, and hide your selues there three dayes, vntill the pursuers be returned: then afterwarde may yee goe 17 your way. And the men said vnto her, We will be blamelesse 18 of this thine othe, which thou hast made vs sweare. Behold, when we come into the land, thou shalt bind this cord of red threde in the window, whereby thou lettest vs downe, and thou shalt bring thy father and thy mother, and thy brethren, and 19 all thy fathers houshold home to thee. And whosoeuer then doeth goe out at the doores of thine house into the streete, his blood shalbe vpon his head, and we will be giltlesse: but whosoeuer shall be with thee in the house, his blood shalbe on 20 our head, if any hande touch him: And if thou ytter this our matter, we will be guite of thine othe, which thou hast made vs 21 sweare. And she answered, According vnto your wordes, so be it: then she sent them away, and they departed, and she bound 22 the red cord in ye window. And they departed, and came into the mountaine, and there abode three dayes, vntil the pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought them throughout all 23 the way, but founde them not. So the two men returned, and descended from the mountaine, and passed ouer, and came to Ioshua the sonne of Nun, and tolde him all things that came 24 vnto them. Also they saide vnto Ioshua, Surely the Lord hath deliuered into our handes all the lande: for euen all the inhabitants of the countrey faint because of vs.

Then Ioshua rose very earely, and they remoued from Shit- 3 tim, and came to Iorden, he, and all the children of Israel, and lodged there, before they went ouer. And after three dayes the 2 officers went throughout the hoste, And commanded the peo- 3 ple, saying, When ye see the Arke of the couenat of the Lord your God, and the Priestes of the Leuites bearing it, ye shall depart from your place, and goe after it. Yet there shalbe a 4 space betweene you and it, about two thousande cubites by measure: ye shall not come neere vnto it, that ye may knowe the way, by the which ye shall goe: for ye haue not gone this way in times past. (Nowe Ioshua had saide vnto the people, 5 Sanctifie your selues: for to morowe the Lord will doe wonders among you) Also Ioshua spake vnto the Priestes, saying, 6 Take vp the Arke of the couenant, and goe ouer before the people: so they tooke vp the Arke of the couenant, and went before the people. Then the Lord saide vnto Ioshua, This day 7 will I begin to magnifie thee in the sight of all Israel, which shall knowe, that as I was with Moses, so will I be with thee. Thou shalt therefore command the Priests that beare the Arke 8 of the Couenant, saying, When ye are come to the brinke of the waters of Iorden, ve shall stande still in Iorden. Ioshua said vnto the children of Israel, Come hither, and heare the wordes of the Lord your God. And Ioshua said, Hereby 10 ye shall know that the liuing God is among you, and that he will certainely cast out before you the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Hiuites, and the Perizzites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Iebusites. Beholde, the Arke of the 11 couenant of the Lord of all the worlde passeth before you into Iorden. Nowe therefore take from among you twelue men out 12 of the tribes of Israel, out of euery tribe a man. And assoone 13 as the soles of the feete of the Priestes (that beare the Arke of the Lord God the Lord of all the worlde) shall stay in the waters of Iorden, the waters of Iorden shall be cut off: for the waters that come from aboue, shall stande still vpon an heape. Then when the people were departed from their tentes to goe 14 ouer Iorden, the Priestes bearing the Arke of the Couenant, went before people. And as they that bare the Arke came 15 vnto Iorden, and the feete of the Priestes that bare the Arke were dipped in the brinke of the water, (for Iorden vseth to fill all his bankes all the time of haruest) Then the waters that 16 came downe from aboue, stayed and rose vpon an heape and departed farre from the citie of Adam, that was beside Zaretan: but the waters that came downe towarde the Sea of the wildernes, euen the salt Sea, failed, and were cut off: so the people went right ouer against Iericho. But the Priestes that bare the Arke of the couenant of the Lord, stoode drie within Iorden readie prepared, and all the Israelites went ouer dry, vntill all the people were gone cleane ouer through Iorden.

And when all the people were wholy gone ouer Iorden, (after 2 the Lord had spoken vnto Ioshua, saying, Take you twelue me 3 out of the people, out of euery tribe a man, And command you them, saying, Take you hence out of the middes of Iorden, out of the place where the Priestes stoode in a readinesse, twelue stones, which ve shall take away with you, and leave them 4 in the lodging where you shall lodge this night) Then Ioshua called the twelue men, whome he had prepared of the children 5 of Israel, out of euery tribe a man, And Ioshua said vnto them, Go ouer before the Arke of the Lord your God, euen through the middes of Iorden, and take vp euery man of you a stone vpon his shoulder according vnto the nomber of the tribes of the chil-6 dren of Israel, That this may bee a signe among you, that whe your children shall aske their fathers in time to come, say-7 ing, What meane you by these stones? Then ye may answere them, That the waters of Iorden were cut off before the Arke of the couenant of the Lord: for when it passed through Iorden, the waters of Iorden were cut off: therefore these stones 8 are a memoriall vnto the children of Israel for euer. Then ye children of Israel did euen so as Ioshua had commanded, and tooke vp twelue stones out of the mids of Iorden as ye Lord had said vnto Ioshua, according to the nomber of the tribes of the children of Israel, and caried them away with them vnto 9 the lodging, and layd them down there. And Ioshua set vp twelue stones in the middes of Iorden, in the place where the feete of the Priests, which bare the Arke of the couenant stood, 10 and there have they continued vnto this day. So the Priests, which bare ye Arke, stoode in the middes of Iorden, vntill euery thing was finished that ye Lord had comanded Ioshua to say vnto the people, according to all that Moses charged Ioshua: 11 then the people hasted and went ouer. When all the people were cleane passed ouer, the Arke of the Lord went ouer also,

and the Priests before the people. And the sonnes of Reuben, 12 and the sonnes of Gad, and halfe the tribe of Manasseh went ouer before the children of Israel armed, as Moses had charged Euen fourty thousand prepared for warre, went be- 13 fore the Lord vnto battel, into ye plaine of Iericho. That day 14 the Lord magnified Ioshua in the sight of all Israel, and they feared him, as they feared Moses all dayes of his life. the Lord spake vnto Ioshua, saying, Commande the Priests 16 that beare ye Arke of the testimonie, to come vp out of Iorden. Ioshua therefore commanded the Priests, saying, Come ye vp 17 out of Iorden. And when the Priests that bare the Arke of the 18 couenant of ve Lord were come vp out of the middes of Iorden, and assoone as the soles of the Priests feete were set on the dry land, the waters of Iorde returned vnto their place, and flowed ouer all the bankes thereof, as they did before. So the 19 people came vp out of Iorden the tenth day of the first moneth, and pitched in Gilgal, in the Eastside of Iericho. Also 20 the twelue stones, which they tooke out of Iorden, did Ioshua pitch in Gilgal. And he spake vnto ve childre of Israel, saving, 21 When your children shall aske their fathers in time to come, and say, What meane these stones? Then ye shall shew your 22 children, and say, Israel came ouer this Iorden on dry land: For the Lord your God dryed vp ye waters of Iorden before you, 23 vntill ye were gone ouer, as the Lord your God did the red Sea, which hee dryed vp before vs, till we were gone ouer, That all 24 the people of the worlde may know that the hand of the Lord is mightie, that ye might feare the Lord your God continually.

Nowe when all the Kings of the Amorites, which were beyond Iorden Westward, and all the Kinges of the Canaanites which were by the Sea, heard that the Lord had dried vp the waters of Iorden before the children of Israel vntill they were gone ouer, their heart fainted: and there was no courage in them any more because of the children of Israel. That same 2 time the Lord said vnto Ioshua, Make thee sharpe kniues, and returne, and circumcise the sonnes of Israel the second time. Then Ioshua made him sharpe kniues and circumcised the sonnes of Israel in the hill of the foreskinnes. And this is the cause 4 why Ioshua circumcised all the people, euen the males that came out of Egypt, because all the men of warre were dead in the wildernesse by the way after they came out of Egypt.

5 For all the people that came out were circumcised: but all the people that were borne in the wildernes by the way after they 6 came out of Egypt, were not circumcised. For the children of Israel walked fourtie yeres in the wildernes, till all the people of the men of warre that came out of Egypt were consumed, because they obeyed not the voyce of the Lord: vnto whome the Lord sware, that he would not shewe them the lande, which the Lord had sworne vnto their fathers, that he would give vs. 7 euen a land that floweth with milke and hony. So their sonnes whome he raysed vp in their steade, Ioshua circumcised: for they were vncircumcised, because they circumcised them not 8 by the way. And when they had made an ende of circumcising al the people, they abode in the places in the campe till they 9 were whole. After, the Lord said vnto Ioshua, This day I haue taken away the shame of Egypt from you: wherefore he called 10 the name of that place Gilgal, vnto this day. So the children of Israel abode in Gilgal, and kept ve feast of the Passeouer the fourteenth day of the moneth at euen in ye plaine of Ieri-11 cho. And they did eat of the corne of the land, on the morow after the Passeouer, vnleauened breade, and parched corne in 12 the same day. And the MAN ceased on the morowe after they had eaten of the corne of the land, neither had the children of Israel MAN any more, but did eate of the fruite of the land of 13 Canaan that yeere. And when Ioshua was by Iericho, he lift vp his eyes and looked: and behold, there stood a man against him, hauing a sword drawen in his hand: and Ioshua went vnto him, and said vnto him, Art thou on our side, or on our 14 aduersaries? And he said, Nay, but as a captaine of the host of the Lord am I nowe come: then Ioshua fel on his face to the earth, and did worship, and saide vnto him, What sayth my 15 Lord vnto his seruant? And the captaine of ye Lords host said vnto Ioshua, Loose thy shoe of thy foote: for ye place wheron thou standest, is holy: and Ioshua did so.

Now Iericho was shut vp, and closed, because of the children of Israel: none might go out nor enter in. And the Lord saide vnto Ioshua, Behold, I haue given into thine hand Ierischo and the King thereof, and the strong men of warre. All ye therefore that be men of warre, shall compasse the citie, in going round about the citie once: thus shall you doe sixe dayes: And seven Priests shall beare seven trumpets of rams

hornes before the Arke: and the seuenth day ye shall compasse the citie seuen times, and the Priests shall blow with the trumpets. And when they make a long blast with the rams 5 horne, and ye heare the sound of the trumpet, al the people shall shoute with a great shoute: then shall the wall of the citie fall downe flat, and the people shall ascend vp, euery man streight before him. Then, Ioshua the sonne of Nun called the 6 Priests and said vnto them, Take vp the Arke of the couenant, and let seuen Priests beare seuen trumpets of rams hornes before the Arke of the Lord. But he said vnto the people, Goe 7 and compasse the citie: and let him that is armed, go forth before the Arke of the Lord. And when Ioshua had spoken vnto 8 the people, the seuen Priestes bare the seuen trumpets of rams hornes, and went foorth before the Arke of the Lord, and blew with the trumpets, and the Arke of the couenant of ye Lord followed them. And the men of armes went before the Priestes. 9 that blewe the trumpets: then the gathering hoste came after the Arke, as they went and blewe the trumpets. (Nowe 10 Ioshua had commanded the people, saying, Ye shall nor shout, neither make any noyse with your voyce, neither shall a worde proceede out of your mouth, vntill the day that I say vnto you, Shout, then shall ye shoute) So the Arke of the Lord com- 11 passed the citie, and went about it once: then they returned into the hoaste, and lodged in the campe. And Ioshua rose 12 early in the morning, and the Priestes bare the Arke of the Lord: Also seuen Priests bare seuen trumpets of rams hornes, 13 and went before the Arke of the Lord, and going blewe with the trumpets: and the men of armes went before them, but the gathering hoste came after the Arke of the Lord, as they went and blewe the trumpets. And the second day they com- 14 passed the citie once, and returned into the host: thus they did sixe dayes. And when the seuenth day came, they rose early, 15 euen with the dawning of the day, and compassed the citie after ye same maner seuen times: only that day they compassed the citie seuen times. And when the Priests had blowen ye 16 trumpets the seuenth time, Ioshua said vnto ye people, Shoute: for the Lord hath given you the citie. And the citie shalbe 17 an execrable thing, both it, and all that are therein, vnto the Lord: onely Rahab the harlot shall liue, shee, and all that are with her in the house: for shee hid the messengers that we

18 sent. Notwithstanding, be ye ware of the execrable thing, lest ye make your selues execrable, and in taking of the execrable thing, make also the hoste of Israel execrable, and trouble it. 19 But all siluer, and gold, and vessels of brasse, and yron shalbe consecrate vnto the Lord, and shall come into the Lordes trea-20 sury. So the people shouted, whe they had blowen trumpets: for when the people had heard the sound of the trumpet, they shouted with a great shoute: and the wall fel downe flat: so the people went vp into the citie, euery man streight before him: 21 and they tooke the citie. And they vtterly destroyed all that was in the citie, both man and woman, yong, and olde, and oxe, 22 and sheepe, and asse, with the edge of the sword. But Ioshua had said vnto the two men that had spied out the countrey, Go into the harlots house, and bring out thence the woman, and 23 all that she hath, as ye sware to her. So the yong men that were spies, went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that shee had: also they brought out all her familie, and put them without the host 24 of Israel. After they burnt the citie with fire, and all that was therein: onely the siluer and the gold, and the vessels of brasse and yron, they put vnto the treasure of the house of the Lord. 25 So Ioshua saued Rahab the harlot, and her fathers houshold, and all that shee had; and shee dwelt in Israel euen vnto this day, because shee had hid the messengers, which Ioshua sent 26 to spie out Iericho. And Ioshua sware at that time, saying, Cursed be the man before ye Lord, that riseth vp, and buildeth this citie Iericho: hee shall lay the foundation thereof in his eldest sonne, and in his vongest sonne shall hee set vp the 27 gates of it. So the Lord was with Ioshua, and he was famous through all the world.

But the children of Israel committed a trespasse in the excommunicate thing: for Achan the sonne of Carmi, the sonne of Zabdi, the sonne of Zerah of the tribe of Iuda tooke of the excommunicate thing: wherfore the wrath of the Lord was kindled against the children of Israel. And Ioshua sent men from Iericho to Ai, which is beside Bethauen, on ye East side of Bethel, and spake vnto them, saying, Goe vp, and view the countrey. And ye men went vp, and viewed Ai, And returned to Ioshua, and saide vnto him, Let not al the people go vp, but let as it were two or three thousand men go vp, and smite

Ai, and make not al the people to labour thither, for they are fewe. So there went vp thither of the people about three thou- 4 sande men, and they fledde before the men of Ai. And the 5 men of Ai smote of them vpon a thirtie and sixe men: for they chased them from before the gate vnto Shebarim, and smote them in the going downe: wherfore the heartes of the people melted away like water. Then Ioshua rent his clothes, and fell 6 to the earth vpon his face before the Arke of the Lord, vntill the euentide, he, and the Elders of Israel, and put dust vpon their heads. And Ioshua said, Alas, O Lord God, wherefore 7 hast thou brought this people ouer Iorden, to deliuer vs into the hande of the Amorites, and to destroye vs? would God we had bene content to dwell on the other side Iorden. Oh Lord. 8 what shall I say, when Israel turne their backes before their enemies? For the Canaanites, and all the inhabitants of the 9 land shall heare of it, and shall compasse vs, and destroy our name out of the earth: and what wilt thou doe vnto thy mightie Name? And the Lord said vnto Ioshua, Get thee vp: wherefore 10 lyest thou thus yoon thy face? Israel hath sinned, and they 11 haue transgressed my couenant, which I commanded them: for they have even taken of the excommunicate thing, and have also stollen, and dissembled also, and haue put it euen with their owne stuffe. Therefore ye children of Israel cannot stand 12 before their enemies, but have turned their backes before their enemies, because they be execrable: neither will I bee with you any more, except ye destroy the excommunicate from among you. Vp therefore, sanctifie the people, and say, Sanctifie your 13 selues against to morowe: for thus saith the Lord God of Israel, There is an execrable thing among you, O Israel, therefore ye cannot stand against your enemies, vntill ye haue put the execrable thing from among you. In the morning there- 14 fore ye shall come according to your tribes, and the tribe which the Lord taketh, shall come according to the families: and the familie which the Lord shall take, shall come by the housholds: and the houshold which the Lord shall take, shall come man by man. And he that is taken with the excommunicate thing, 15 shall be burnt with fire, hee, and all that he hath, because he hath transgressed the couenant of the Lord, and because he hath wrought folly in Israel. So Ioshua rose vp earely in the 16 morning and brought Israel by their tribes: and the tribe of

17 Iudah was taken. And he brought the families of Iudah, and tooke the familie of the Zarhites, and he brought the familie 18 of the Zarhites, man by man, and Zabdi was taken. And he brought his houshold, man by man, and Achan ye sonne of Carmi, the sonne of Zabdi, the sonne of Zerah of the tribe of 19 Iudah was take. Then Ioshua said vnto Achan, My sonne, I beseech thee, giue glory to the Lord God of Israel, and make confession vnto him, and shewe me now what thou hast done: 20 hide it not from me. And Achan answered Ioshua, and saide, In deede, I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and 21 thus, and thus haue I done. I sawe among the spoyle a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundreth shekels of siluer, and a wedge of golde of fiftie shekels weight, and I coueted them, and tooke them: and behold, they lye hid in the earth in the 22 mids of my tent, and the siluer vnder it. Then Ioshua sent messengers, which ran vnto the tent, and beholde, it was hid 23 in his tent, and the siluer vnder it. Therefore they tooke them out of the tent, and brought them vnto Ioshua, and vnto all 24 the children of Israel, and layd them before the Lord. Then Ioshua tooke Achan the sonne of Zerah, and the siluer, and the garment and the wedge of golde and his sonnes, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his asses, and his sheepe, and his tent, and all that hee had: and all Israel with him brought 25 them vnto the valley of Achor. And Ioshua said, In as much as thou hast troubled vs, the Lord shall trouble thee this day: and all Israel threwe stones at him, and burned them with fire, 26 and stoned them with stones. And they cast vpon him a great heape of stones vnto this day: and so the Lord turned from his fierce wrath: therefore hee called the name of that place, The valley of Achor, vnto this day.

After, the Lord saide vnto Ioshua, Feare not, neither bee thou faint hearted: take all the men of warre with thee and arise, go vp to Ai: beholde, I haue giuen into thine hand the King of Ai, and his people, and his citie, and his land. And thou shalt doe to Ai and to the King thereof, as thou didst vnto Iericho and to the King thereof: neuerthelesse the spoyle thereof and the cattell thereof shall ye take vnto you for a praye: thou shalt lye in wait against the citie on the backside thereof. Then Ioshua arose, and all the men of warre to goe vp against Ai: and Ioshua chose out thirtie thousand strong

men, and valiant, and sent them away by night. And he com- 4 manded them, saying, Behold, yee shall lye in waite against the citie on the backeside of the citie: goe not very farre from the citie, but be ye all in a readinesse. And I and all the peo- 5 ple that are with me, will approche vnto the citie: and when they shall come out against vs, as they did at the first time, then will we flee before them. For they wil come out after vs, 6 till we have brought them out of the citie: for they will say, They flee before vs as at the first time: so we will flee before them. Then you shall rise vp from lying in waite and destroy 7 the citie: for the Lord your God wil deliuer it into your hand. And when ye have taken the citie, ye shall set it on fire: ac- 8 cording to the commandement of the Lord shall ye do: behold, I have charged you. Ioshua then sent them foorth, and they 9 went to lye in waite, and abode betweene Beth-el and Ai, on the Westside of Ai: but Ioshua lodged that night among the people. And Ioshua rose vp early in the morning, and nom- 10 bred the people: and he and the Elders of Israel went vp before the people against Ai. Also all the men of warre that were 11 with him went vp and drewe neere, and came against the citie, and pitched on the Northside of Ai: and there was a valley betweene them and Ai. And hee tooke about five thousande 12 men, and set them to lye in waite betweene Beth-el and Ai, on the Westside of the citie. And the people set all the hoste 13 that was on the Northside against the citie, and the liers in waite on the West, against the citie: and Ioshua went the same night into the mids of the valley. And when the King of Ai 14 sawe it, then the men of the citie hasted and rose vp earely, and went out against Israel to battell, hee and all his people at the time appointed, before the plaine: for he knew not that any lay in waite against him on the backeside of the citie. Then 15 Ioshua and all Israel as beaten before them, fled by the way of the wildernes. And all the people of the citie were called 16 together, to pursue after them: and they pursued after Ioshua, and were drawen away out of the city. So that there was not 17 a man left in Ai, nor in Beth-el, that went not out after Israel: and they left the citie open, and pursued after Israel. Then 18 the Lord said vnto Ioshua, Stretch out the speare that is in thine hande, towarde Ai: for I wil giue it into thine hand: and Ioshua stretched out the speare that hee had in his hand, to19 ward the citie. And they that lay in wait, arose quickly out of their place, and ranne as soone as he had stretched out his hand, and they entred into the citie, and tooke it, and hasted, 20 and set the citie on fire. And the men of Ai looked behinde them, and sawe it: for loe, the smoke of the citie ascended vp to heauen, and they had no power to flee this way or that way: for the people that fled to the wildernesse, turned backe vpon 21 the pursuers. When Ioshua and all Israel sawe that they that lay in waite, had taken the citie, and that the smoke of the citie mounted vp, then they turned againe and slewe the men 22 of Ai. Also the other issued out of the citie against them: so were they in the middes of Israel, these being on the one side, and the rest on the other side: and they slewe them, so that 23 they let none of them remaine nor escape. And the King of 24 Ai they tooke aliue, and brought him to Ioshua. And when Israel had made an ende of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the fielde, that is, in the wildernesse, where they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sworde, vntill they were consumed, all the Israelites returned vnto Ai, and 25 smote it with the edge of the sworde. And all that fell that day, both of men and women, were twelue thousande, euen all 26 the men of Ai. For Ioshua drewe not his hande backe againe which he had stretched out with the speare, vntill hee had vt-27 terly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai. Onely the cattell and the spoyle of this citie, Israel tooke for a praye vnto themselues, according vnto the worde of the Lord, which hee com-28 manded Ioshua. And Ioshua burnt Ai, and made it an heape 29 for euer, and a wildernes vnto this day. And the King of Ai hee hanged on a tree, vnto the euening. And as soone as the sunne was down, Ioshua commanded that they should take his carkeis downe from the tree, and cast it at the entring of ye gate of the city, and lay thereon a great heape of stones, that 30 remaineth vnto this day. Then Ioshua built an altar vnto the 31 Lord God of Israel, in mount Ebal, As Moses the seruant of the Lord had commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the booke of the Lawe of Moses, an altar of whole stone, ouer which no man had lift an yron: and they offered thereon burnt 32 offrings vnto the Lord, and sacrificed peace offerings. he wrote there vpon the stones, a rehearsall of the Lawe of Moses, which he wrote in the presence of the children of Israel.

And all Israel (and their Elders, and officers and their iudges stoode on this side of the Arke, and on that side, before the Priestes of the Leuites, which bare the Arke of the couenant of the Lord) as well the stranger, as he that is borne in the countrey: halfe of them were ouer against mount Gerizim, and halfe of them ouer against mount Ebal, as Moses the seruant of the Lord had commanded before, that they should blesse the people of Israel. Then afterwarde hee read all the wordes of 34 the Lawe, the blessings and cursings, according to all that is written in the booke of the Lawe. There was not a worde of all 35 that Moses had commanded, which Ioshua read not before all the Congregation of Israel, as well before the women and the children, as the stranger that was conversant among them.

And when all the Kings that were beyonde Iorden, in the 9 mountaines and in the valleis, and by all the coastes of the great Sea ouer against Lebanon (as the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hiuites, and the Iebusites) heard thereof, They gathered themselues together, to fight 2 against Ioshua, and against Israel with one accord. But the 3 inhabitants of Gibeon heard what Ioshua had done vnto Iericho, and to Ai. And therefore they wrought craftily: for they 4 went, and fayned themselues ambassadours, and tooke olde sackes vpon their asses, and olde bottels for wine, both rent and bound vp, And olde shoes and clouted vpon their feete: 5 also the raiment vpon them was old, and all their prouision of bread was dried, and mouled. So they came vnto Ioshua 6 into the hoste to Gilgal, and said vnto him, and vnto the men of Israel. Wee be come from a farre countrey: nowe therefore make a league with vs. Then the men of Israel said vnto the 7 Hiuites, It may be that thou dwellest among vs, how then can I make a league with thee? And they said vnto Ioshua, We 8 are thy seruants. Then Ioshua saide vnto them, Who are ye? and whence come ye? And they answered him, From a very 9 farre countrey thy seruants are come for the Name of the Lord thy God: for we have heard his fame and all that he hath done in Egypt, And all that he hath done to the two Kings of the 10 Amorites that were beyonde Iorden, to Sihon King of Heshbon, and to Og King of Bashan, which were at Ashtaroth. Where- 11 fore our elders, and all the inhabitants of our countrey spake to vs, saying, Take vitailes with you for the journey, and go to

meete them, and say vnto them, Wee are your seruants: now 12 therefore make ye a league with vs. This our bread we tooke it hote with vs for vittailes out of our houses, the day we departed to come vnto you: but nowe beholde, it is dried, and it is 13 mouled. Also these bottels of wine which we filled, were newe, and lo, they be rent, and these our garments and our shooes 14 are olde, by reason of the exceeding great iourney. And the men accepted their tale concerning their vittailes, and coun-15 selled not with the mouth of the Lord. So Ioshua made peace with them, and made a league with them, that he would suffer them to liue: also the Princes of the Congregation sware vnto 16 them. But at the end of three dayes, after they had made a league with them, they heard that they were their neighbours, 17 and that they dwelt among them. And the children of Israel tooke their journey, and came vnto their cities the third day, and their cities were Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beeroth and 18 Kiriath-iearim. And the children of Israel slewe them not, because the Princes of the Congregation had sworne vnto them by the Lord God of Israel: wherefore all the Congregation mur-19 mured against the Princes. Then all the Princes said vnto all the Congregation. We have sworne vnto them by the Lord God 20 of Israel: nowe therefore we may not touch them. But this we wil doe to them, and let them liue, least the wrath be vpon 21 vs because of the othe which we sware vnto them. And the Princes sayd vnto them againe, Let them liue, but they shall hewe wood, and drawe water vnto all the Congregation, as the 22 Princes appoint them. Ioshua then called them, and talked with them, and sayd, Wherefore haue ve beguiled vs. saving, 23 We are very farre from you, when ye dwel among vs? Now therefore ye are cursed, and there shall none of you be freed from being bondmen, and hewers of wood, and drawers of wa-24 ter for the house of my God. And they answered Ioshua, and sayd, Because it was tolde thy seruants, that the Lord thy God had commanded his seruant Moses to give you all the land, and to destroy all the inhabitants of the land out of your sight, therefore we were exceeding sore afraid for our liues at the 25 presence of you, and have done this thing: And beholde nowe, we are in thine hand: doe as it seemeth good and right in thine 26 eyes to doe vnto vs. Euen so did he vnto them, and deliuered them out of the hand of the children of Israel, that they slewe

them not. And Ioshua appointed them that same day to be 27 hewers of wood, and drawers of water for the Congregation, and for the altar of the Lord vnto this day, in the place which he should chuse.

Now when Adoni-zedek King of Ierusalem had heard how 10 Ioshua had taken Ai and had destroyed it, (for as he had done to Iericho and to the King thereof, so he had done to Ai and to the King thereof) and howe the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were among them, Then they 2 feared exceedingly: for Gibeon was a great citie, as one of the rovall cities: for it was greater then Ai, and all the men thereof were mightie. Wherefore Adoni-zedek King of Ierusalem sent 3 vnto Hoham King of Hebron, and vnto Piram King of Iarmuth, and vnto Iapia King of Lachish, and vnto Debir King of Eglon, saying, Come vp vnto me, and helpe me, that we may smite 4 Gibeon: for they have made peace with Ioshua and with the children of Israel. Therefore the fiue Kings of the Amorites, 5 the King of Ierusalem, the King of Hebron, the King of Iarmuth, the King of Lachish, and the King of Eglon gathered themselues together, and went vp, they with all their hostes, and besieged Gibeon, and made warre against it. And the 6 men of Gibeon sent vnto Ioshua, euen to the hoste to Gilgal, saying, Withdrawe not thine hand from thy seruants: come vp to vs quickly, and saue vs, and helpe vs: for all the Kings of the Amorites which dwell in the mountaines, are gathered together against vs. So Ioshua ascended from Gilgal, he, and 7 all the people of warre with him, and all the men of might. And the Lord sayd vnto Ioshua, Feare them not: for I haue 8 giuen them into thine hand: none of them shall stand against thee. Ioshua therefore came vnto them suddenly: for he went 9 vp from Gilgal all the night. And the Lord discomfited them 10 before Israel, and slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth vp to Beth-horon, and smote them to Azekah and to Makkedah. And as they 11 fled from before Israel, and were in the going downe to Bethhoron, the Lord cast downe great stones from heauen vpon them, vntill Azekah, and they dyed: they were more that dyed with the hailestones, then they whom the children of Israel slewe with the sword. Then spake Ioshua to the Lord, in the 12 day when the Lord gaue the Amorites before the children of

Israel, and he sayd in the sight of Israel, Sunne, stay thou 13 in Gibeon, and thou moone, in the valley of Aialon. the Sunne abode, and the moone stood still, vntill the people auenged themselues vpon their enemies: (Is not this written in the booke of Iasher?) so the Sunne abode in the middes of 14 the heauen, and hasted not to goe downe for a whole day. And there was no day like that before it, nor after it, that the Lord 15 heard the voyce of a man: for the Lord fought for Israel. After, Ioshua returned, and all Israel with him vnto the campe 16 to Gilgal: But the fiue Kings fled and were hid in a caue at 17 Makkedah. And it was tolde Ioshua, saying, The fiue Kings 18 are found hid in a caue at Makkedah. Then Ioshua said, Roule great stones vpon the mouth of the caue, and set men by it for 19 to keepe them. But stand ye not still: follow after your enemies, and smite all the hindmost, suffer them not to enter into their cities: for the Lord your God hath given them into your 20 hand. And when Ioshua and the children of Israel had made an ende of slaving them with an exceeding great slaughter till they were consumed, and the rest that remained of them 21 were entred into walled cities. Then all the people returned to the campe, to Ioshua at Makkedah in peace: no man mooued 22 his tongue against the children of Israel. After, Ioshua sayd, Open the mouth of the caue, and bring out these fiue Kings 23 vnto me forth of the caue. And they did so, and brought out those fiue Kings vnto him forth of the caue, euen the King of Ierusalem, the King of Hebron, ye King of Iarmuth, the King of 24 Lachish, and the King of Eglon. And when they had brought out those Kings vnto Ioshua, Ioshua called for all the men of Israel, and sayd vnto the chiefe of the men of warre, which went with him, Come neere, set your feete vpon the necks of these Kings: and they came neere and set their feete vpon their 25 necks. And Ioshua sayd vnto them, Feare not, nor be faint hearted, but be strong and of a good courage: for thus will the 26 Lord doe to all your enemies, against whome ye fight. So then Ioshua smote them, and slewe them, and hanged them on fiue trees, and they hanged still vpon the trees vntill the euening. 27 And at the going downe of the sunne, Ioshua gaue commandement, that they should take them downe off the trees, and cast them into the caue (wherein they had bene hid) and they layde great stones vpon the caues mouth, which remaine vntill this

And that same day Ioshua tooke Makkedah and smote 28 dav. it with the edge of the sword, and the King thereof destroyed he with them, and all the soules that were therein, he let none remaine: for hee did to the King of Makkedah as he had done vnto the King of Iericho. Then Ioshua went from Makkedah, 29 and all Israel with him vnto Libnah, and fought against Libnah. And the Lord gaue it also and the King thereof into the 30 hand of Israel: and he smote it with the edge of the sword. and all the soules that were therein: he let none remaine in it: for he did vnto the King thereof, as he had done vnto the King of Iericho. And Ioshua departed from Libnah, and all 31 Israel with him vnto Lachish, and besieged it, and assaulted it. And the Lord gaue Lachish into the hand of Israel, which 32 tooke it the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword. and all the soules that were therein, according to all as he had done to Libnah. Then Horam King of Gezer came vp to helpe 33 Lachish: but Ioshua smote him and his people, vntill none of his remained. And from Lachish Ioshua departed vnto Eglon. 34 and all Israel with him, and they besieged it, and assaulted it, And they tooke it the same day, and smote it with the edge 35 of the sword, and all the soules that were therein he vtterly destroyed the same day, according to all that he had done to Lachish. Then Ioshua went vp from Eglon, and all Israel with 36 him vnto Hebron, and they fought against it. And when they 37 had taken it, they smote it with the edge of the sword, and the King thereof, and all the cities thereof, and all the soules that were therein: he left none remaining, according to all as he had done to Eglon: for he destroyed it vtterly, and all the soules that were therein. So Ioshua returned, and all Israel 38 with him to Debir, and fought against it. And when he had 39 taken it, and the King thereof, and all the citie thereof, they smote them with the edge of the sword, and vtterly destroyed all the soules that were therein, he let none remaine: as he did to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the King thereof, as he had also done to Libnah, and to the King thereof. So Ioshua 40 smote all the hill countreys, and the South countreys, and the valleys, and the hill sides, and all their Kings, and let none remaine, but vtterly destroyed euery soule, as the Lord God of Israel had commanded. And Ioshua smote them from Kadesh- 41 barnea euen vnto Azzah, and all the countrev of Goshen, euen

vnto Gibeon. And all these Kings, and their land did Ioshua take at one time, because the Lord God of Israel fought for Israel. Afterward, Ioshua and all Israel with him returned vnto the campe in Gilgal.

11 And whe Iabin King of Hazor had heard this, then he sent to Iobab King of Madon, and to the king of Shimron, and to the 2 king of Achshaph, And vnto the Kings that were by ye North in the mountaines and plaines toward the Southside of Cinneroth, and in the valleys, and in the borders of Dor Westward, 3 And vnto the Canaanites, both by East, and by West, and vnto the Amorites, and Hittites, and Perizzites, and Iebusites in the mountaines, and vnto the Hiuites vnder Hermon in the land of 4 Mizpeh. And they came out and all their hostes with them, many people as the sande that is on the sea shore for multi-5 tude, with horses and charets exceeding many. So all these Kings met together, and came and pitched together at the wa-6 ters of Merom, for to fight against Israel. Then the Lord sayd vnto Ioshua, Be not afrayd for them: for to morowe about this time will I deliuer them all slaine before Israel: thou shalt 7 hough their horses, and burne their charets with fire. came Ioshua and al the men of warre with him against them 8 by the waters of Merom suddenly, and fell vpon them. And the Lord gaue them into the hand of Israel: and they smote them. and chased them vnto great Zidon, and vnto Misrephothmaim, and vnto the valley of Mizpeh Eastward, and smote them vntill 9 they had none remaining of them. And Ioshua did vnto them as the Lord bade him: he houghed their horses, and burnt their 10 charets with fire. At that time also Ioshua turned backe, and tooke Hazor, and smote the King thereof with the sword: for 11 Hazor before time was the head of all those kingdomes. Moreouer, they smote all the persons that were therein with the edge of the sworde, vtterly destroying all, leauing none aliue, 12 and hee burnt Hazor with fire. So all ye cities of those Kings, and all the kings of them did Ioshua take, and smote them with the edge of the sword, and vtterly destroyed them, as Moses 13 the seruant of the Lord had commanded. But Israel burnt none of the cities that stoode still in their strength, saue Hazor 14 onely, that Ioshua burnt. And all the spoyle of these cities and the cattel the children of Israel tooke for their praye, but they

smote euery man with the edge of the sword vntill they had

destroyed them, not leaving one alive. As the Lord had com- 15 manded Moses his seruant, so did Moses commande Ioshua, and so did Ioshua: he left nothing vndone of all that the Lord had commanded Moses. So Ioshua tooke all this land of the 16 mountaines, and all the South, and all the lande of Goshen. and the lowe countrey, and the plaine, and the mountaine of Israel, and the lowe countrey of the same, From the mount 17 Halak, that goeth vp to Seir, euen vnto Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon, vnder mount Hermon: and all their Kings he tooke, and smote them, and slewe them. Ioshua made warre 18 long time with all those Kings. Neither was there any citie 19 that made peace with the children of Israel, saue those Hiuites that inhabited Gibeon: all other they tooke by battell. For it 20 came of the Lord, to harden their heartes that they shoulde come against Israel in battell to the intent that they shoulde destroye them vtterly, and shewe them no mercie, but that they shoulde bring them to nought: as the Lord had commanded Moses. And that same season came Ioshua, and destroyed the 21 Anakims out of the mountaines: as out of Hebron, out of Debir, out of Anab, and out of all the mountaines of Iudah, and out of all the mountaines of Israel: Ioshua destroyed them ytterly There was no Anakim left in the lande of 22 with their cities. the children of Israel: onely in Azzah, in Gath, and in Ashdod were they left. So Ioshua tooke the whole land, according to 23 all that the Lord had saide vnto Moses: and Ioshua gaue it for an inheritance vnto Israel according to their portion through their tribes: then the land was at rest without warre.

And these are the Kings of the land, which the children of Israel smote and possessed their land, on the other side Iorden toward the rising of the sunne, from the riuer Arnon, vnto mount Hermon, and all the plaine Eastward. Sihon King of 2 the Amorites, that dwelt in Heshbon, hauing dominion from Aroer, which is beside the riuer of Arnon, and from the middle of the riuer, and from halfe Gilead vnto the riuer Iabbok, in the border of the children of Ammon. And from the plaine vnto 3 the sea of Cinneroth Eastward, and vnto the Sea of the plaine, euen the salt sea Eastward, the way to Beth-ieshimoth, and from the South vnder the springs of Pisgah. They conquered 4 also the coast of Og King of Bashan of the remnant of the gyants, which dwelt at Ashtaroth, and at Edrei, And reigned 5

in mount Hermon, and in Salcah, and in all Bashan, vnto the border of the Geshurites, and the Maachathites, and halfe 6 Gilead, euen the border of Sihon King of Heshbon. Moses the seruant of the Lord, and the children of Israel smote them: Moses also the seruant of the Lord gaue their land for a possession vnto the Reubenites, and vnto the Gadites, and to halfe 7 the tribe of Manasseh. These also are the Kings of the countrey, which Ioshua and the children of Israel smote on this side Iorden, Westward, from Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon, euen vnto the mount Halak that goeth vp to Seir, and Ioshua gaue it vnto the tribes of Israel for a possession, according to 8 their portions: In the mountaines, and in the valleys, and in the plaines, and in the hill sides, and in the wildernes, and in the South, where were the Hittites, the Amorites, and the 9 Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hiuites, and the Iebusites. The King of Iericho was one: the King of Ai, which is beside Beth-10 el, one: The King of Ierusalem, one: the King of Hebron, one: 11, 12 The King of Iarmuth, one: the King of Lachish, one: The King 13 of Eglon, one: the King of Gezer, one: The King of Debir, one: 14 the King of Geder, one: The King of Hormah, one: the King 15 of Arad, one: The King of Libnah, one: the King of Adullam, 16 one: The King of Makkedah, one: the King of Beth-el, one: 17, 18 The King of Tappuah, one: the King of Hepher, one: The King 19 of Aphek, one: the King of Lasharon, one: The King of Madon, 20 one: the King of Hazor, one: The king of Shimron-meron, one: 21 the King of Achshaph, one: The King of Taanach, one: the 22 King of Megiddo, one: The King of Kedesh, one: the King of 23 Iokneam of Carmel, one: The King of Dor, in the countrey of 24 Dor, one: the King of the nations of Gilgal, one: The King of Tirzah, one. all the Kings were thirtie and one.

Nowe when Ioshua was olde, and striken in yeeres, the Lord said vnto him, Thou art olde and growen in age, and there remaineth exceeding much land to be possessed: This is the land that remaineth, all the regions of the Philistims, and all Geshuri, From Nilus which is in Egypt, euen vnto the borders of Ekron Northward: this is counted of the Canaanites, euen fiue Lordships of the Philistims, the Azzithites, and the Ashdodites, the Eshkelonites, the Gittites, and the Ekronites, and the Auites: From the South, all the land of the Canaanites, and the caue that is beside the Sidonians, vnto Aphek, and to

the borders of the Amorites: And the land of the Giblites, and 5 all Lebanon, toward the sunne rising from Bahal-gad vnder mount Hermon, vntil one come to Hamath. All the inhabi- 6 tants of the mountaines from Lebanon vnto Misrephothmaim, and all the Sidonians. I wil cast them out from before the children of Israel: only deuide thou it by lot vnto the Israelites, to inherite, as I have commanded thee. Nowe therefore deuide 7 this lande to inherite, vnto the nine tribes, and to the halfe tribe of Manasseh. For with halfe therof the Reubenites and 8 the Gadites have received their inheritance, which Moses gave them beyond Iorden Eastward, euen as Moses the seruant of the Lord had given them, From Aroer that is on the brinke of 9 the river Arnon, and from the citie that is in the mids of the riuer, and all the plaine of Medeba vnto Dibon. And all the 10 cities of Sihon King of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, vnto the borders of the children of Ammon. And Gilead. 11 and the borders of the Geshurites and of the Maachathites, and all mount Hermon, with all Bashan vnto Salcah: All the 12 kingdome of Og in Bashan, which reigned in Ashtaroth and in Edrei: (who remained of the rest of the gyants) for these did Moses smite, and cast them out. But the children of Is- 13 rael expelled not the Geshurites nor the Maachathites: but the Geshurites and the Maachathites dwell among the Israelites Onely vnto the tribe of Leui he gaue 14 euen vnto this day. none inheritance, but the sacrifices of the Lord God of Israel are his inheritance, as he said vnto him. Moses then gaue 15 vnto the tribe of the children of Reuben inheritance, according to their families. And their coast was from Aroer, that 16 is on the brinke of the riuer Arnon, and from the citie that is in the middes of the riuer, and all the plaine which is by Medeba: Heshbon with all the cities thereof, that are in the 17 plaine: Dibon and Bamoth-baal, and Bethbaal-meon: And Ia- 18 hazah, and Kedemoth and Mephaath: Kiriathaim also, and 19 Sibmah, and Zerethshahar in the mount of Emek: And Beth- 20 peor, and Ashdoth-pisgah, and Beth-ieshimoth: And all the 21 cities of the plaine: and all the kingdome of Sihon King of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, whome Moses smote with the Princes of Midian, Eui, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, the dukes of Sihon, dwelling in the countrey. And Bal- 22 aam the sonne of Beor the soothsaver did the children of Israel

23 slay with the sword, among them that were slaine. And the border of the children of Reuben was Iorden with the coastes. This was the inheritance of the children of Reuben according 24 to their families, with the cities and their villages. Also Moses gaue inheritance vnto ye tribe of Gad, euen vnto the children 25 of Gad according to their families. And their coastes were Iazer, and all the cities of Gilead and halfe the lande of the 26 children of Ammon vnto Aroer, which is before Rabbah: And from Heshbon vnto Ramoth, Mizpeh, and Betonim: and from 27 Mahanaim vnto the borders of Debir: And in the valley Betharam, and Bethnimrah, and Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of the kingdome of Sihon King of Heshbon, vnto Iorden and the borders euen vnto the Sea coast of Cinneereth, bevond Iorden 28 Eastward. This is the inheritance of the children of Gad, after 29 their families, with the cities, and their villages. Also Moses gaue inheritance vnto the halfe tribe of Manasseh: and this belonged to the halfe tribe of the children of Manasseh according 30 to their families. And their border was from Mahanaim, euen all Bashan, to wit, all the kingdome of Og King of Bashan, and all the townes of Iair which are in Bashan, threescore cities, 31 And halfe Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, were giuen vnto the children of Machir the sonne of Manasseh, to halfe of the children of Machir af-32 ter their families. These are the heritages, which Moses did distribute in the plaine of Moab beyond Iorden, toward Iericho 33 Eastward. But vnto the tribe of Leui Moses gaue none inheritance: for the Lord God of Israel is their inheritance, as he said vnto them.

14 These also are the places which the children of Israel inherited in the land of Canaan, which Eleazar the Priest, and Ioshua the sonne of Nun and the chiefe fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, distributed to them, By the lot of their inheritance, as the Lord had commanded by the hande of Moses, to giue to the nine tribes, and the halfe tribe. For Moses had giuen inheritance vnto two tribes and an halfe tribe, beyond Iorde: but vnto the Leuites he gaue none inheritance among them. For the childre of Ioseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim: therefore they gaue no part vnto the Leuites in the lande, saue cities to dwell in, with the suburbes of the same for their beastes and their substance. As the Lord had

commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did when they deuided the land. Then the children of Iudah came vnto Ioshua 6 in Gilgal: and Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh the Kenezite saide vnto him, Thou knowest what the Lord saide vnto Moses the man of God, concerning me and thee in Kadesh-barnea. Fourtie veere olde was I, when Moses the seruant of the Lord 7 sent me from Kadesh-barnea to espie the land, and I brought him word againe, as I thought in mine heart. But my brethren 8 that went vp with me, discouraged the heart of the people: yet I followed still the Lord my God. Wherefore Moses sware 9 the same day, saying, Certainely the land whereon thy feete haue troden, shalbe thine inheritance, and thy childrens for euer, because thou hast followed constantly the Lord my God. Therefore beholde nowe, the Lord hath kept me aliue, as he 10 promised: this is the fourtie and fift yeere since the Lord spake this thing vnto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wildernes: and nowe loe, I am this day foure score and fiue yeere olde: And yet am as strong at this time, as I was when 11 Moses sent me: as strong as I was then, so strong am I nowe, either for warre, or for gouernment. Nowe therefore giue me 12 this mountaine whereof ve Lord spake in that day (for thou heardest in that day, how the Anakims were there, and the cities great and walled) if so be the Lord will be with me, that I may drive them out, as the Lord said. Then Ioshua blessed 13 him, and gaue vnto Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh, Hebron for an inheritance. Hebron therefore became the inheritance of 14 Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh the Kenezite, vnto this day: because he followed constantly the Lord God of Israel. And the 15 name of Hebron was before time, Kiriath-arba: which Arba was a great man amog the Anakims: thus the land ceassed from warre.

This then was the lot of the tribe of the children of Iudah by their families: euen to the border of Edom and the wildernesse of Zin, Southward on the Southcoast. And their South border 2 was the salt Sea coast, from the point that looketh Southward. And it went out on the Southside towarde Maaleth-akrabbim, 3 and went along to Zin, and ascended vp on the Southside vnto Kadesh-barnea, and went along to Hezron, and went vp to Adar, and fet a compasse to Karkaa. From thence went it 4 along to Azmon, and reached vnto the riuer of Egypt, and the

end of that coast was on the Westside: this shall be your South 5 coast. Also the Eastborder shalbe the salt Sea, vnto the end of Iorden: and the border on the North quarter from the point of 6 the Sea, and from the end of Iorden. And this border goeth vp to Beth-hogla, and goeth along by ye Northside of Beth-arabah: so the border from thence goeth vp to the stone of Bohan the 7 sonne of Reuben. Againe this border goeth vp to Debir from the valley of Achor, and Northwarde, turning toward Gilgal, that lyeth before the going vp to Adummim, which is on the Southside of the riuer: also this border goeth vp to the wa-8 ters of En-shemesh, and endeth at En-rogel. Then this border goeth vp to the valley of the sonne of Hinnom; on the Southside of the Iebusites: the same is Ierusalem. also this border goeth vp to the top of the mountaine that lyeth before the valley of Hinnom Westward, which is by the end of the valley of 9 ve gvants Northward. So this border compasseth from the top of the mountaine vnto the fountaine of the water of Nephtoah, and goeth out to the cities of mount Ephron: and this border 10 draweth to Baalah, which is Kiriath-iearim. Then this border compasseth from Baalah Westward vnto mount Seir, and goeth along vnto the side of mount Iearim, which is Chesalon on the Northside: so it commeth downe to Bethshemesh, 11 and goeth to Timnah. Also this border goeth out vnto the side of Ekron Northwarde: and this border draweth to Shicron, and goeth along to mount Baalah, and stretcheth vnto Iabneel: 12 and the endes of this coast are to the Sea. And the Westborder is to the great Sea: so this border shalbe the bounds of the children of Iudah round about, according to their fami-13 lies. And vnto Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh did Ioshua giue a part among the children of Iudah, as the Lord commanded him, euen Kiriath-arba of the father of Anak, which is He-14 bron. And Caleb droue thence three sonnes of Anak, Sheshai, 15 and Ahiman, and Talmai, the sonnes of Anak. And he went vp thence to the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir 16 before time was Kiriath-sepher. Then Caleb sayd, He that smiteth Kiriath-sepher, and taketh it, euen to him wil I giue 17 Achsah my daughter to wife. And Othniel, the sonne of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb tooke it: and he gaue him Achsah 18 his daughter to wife. And as she went in to him, she moued him, to aske of her father a fielde: and she lighted off her asse, and Caleb sayd vnto her, What wilt thou? Then she 19 answered, Giue me a blessing: for thou hast giuen mee the South countrey: give me also springs of water. And hee gave her the springs aboue and the springs beneath. This shalbe 20 the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Iudah according to their families. And the vtmost cities of the tribe of 21 the children of Iudah, toward the coastes of Edom Southward were Kabzeel, and Eder, and Iagur, And Kinah, and Dimonah, 22 and Adadah, And Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan, Ziph, and 23, 24 Telem, and Bealoth, And Hazor, Hadattah, and Kerioth, Hes- 25 ron (which is Hazor) Amam, and Shema, and Moladah. And 26, 27 Hazar, Gaddah, and Heshmon, and Beth-palet, And Hasar- 28 shual, and Beersheba, and Biziothiah, Baalah, and Iim, and 29 Azem, And Eltolad, and Chesil, and Hormah, And Ziklag, 30, 31 and Madmanna, and Sansannah, And Lebaoth, and Shilhim, 32 and Ain, and Rimmon: all these cities are twentie and nine with their villages. In the lowe countrey were Eshtaol, and 33 Zoreah, and Ashnah, And Zanoah, and En-gannim, Tappuah, 34 and Enam, Iarmuth, and Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah, And 35, 36 Sharaim, and Adithaim, and Gederah, and Gederothaim: fourteene cities with their villages. Zenam, and Hadashah, and 37 Migdal-gad, And Dileam, and Mizpeh, and Ioktheel, Lachish, 38, 39 and Bozkath, and Eglon, And Cabbon, and Lahmam, and 40 Kithlish, And Gederoth, Beth-dagon, and Naamah, and Makkedah: sixteene cities with their villages. Lebnah, and Ether, and 42 Ashan, And Iipthtah, and Ashnah, and Nezib, And Keilah, 43, 44 and Aczib, and Mareshah: nine cities with their villages. Ekron 45 with her townes and her villages, From Ekron, euen vnto the 46 Sea, all that lyeth about Ashdod with their villages. Ashdod 47 with her townes and her villages: Azzah with her townes and her villages, vnto the riuer of Egypt, and the great Sea was And in the mountaines were Shamir, and Iat- 48 their coast. tir, and Socoh, And Dannah, and Kiriath-sannath (which is 49 Debir) And Anab, and Ashtemoth, and Anim, And Goshen, 50, 51 and Holon, and Giloh: eleuen cities with their villages, Arab, 52 and Dumah, and Eshean, And Ianum, and Beth-tappuah, and 53 Aphekah, And Humtah, and Kiriath-arba, (which is Hebron) 54 and Zior: nine cities with their villages. Maon, Carmel, and 55 Ziph, and Iuttah, And Izreel, and Iokdeam, and Zanoah, Kain, 56, 57 Gibeah, and Timnah: ten cities with their villages. Halhul, 58

Beth-zur, and Gedor, And Maarah, and Beth-anoth, and Eltekon: sixe cities with their villages. Kiriath-baal, which is
Kiriath-iearim, and Rabbah: two cities with their villages. In
the wildernes were Beth-arabah, Middin, and Secacah, And Nibshan, and the citie of salt, and Engedi: sixe cities with their
villages. Neuerthelesse, the Iebusites that were the inhabitants of Ierusalem, could not the children of Iudah cast out, but the Iebusites dwell with the children of Iudah at Ierusalem vnto this day.

- And the lot fell to the children of Ioseph from Iorden by Ieri-16 cho vnto the water of Iericho Eastward, and to the wildernes 2 that goeth vp from Iericho by the mount Beth-el: And goeth out from Beth-el to Luz, and runneth along vnto the borders 3 of Archiataroth, And goeth down Westward to the coast of Iaphleti, vnto the coast of Beth-horon the nether, and to Gezer: 4 and the endes thereof are at the Sea. So the children of Ioseph, 5 Manasseh and Ephraim tooke their inheritance. Also the borders of the children of Ephraim according to their families, euen the borders of their inheritance on the Eastside were 6 Atroth-addar, vnto Beth-horon the vpper. And this border goeth out to the Sea vnto Michmethah on the Northside, and this border returneth Eastward vnto Taanathshiloh, and pas-7 seth it on the Eastside vnto Ianohah, And goeth downe from Ianohah to Ataroth, and Naarath, and commeth to Iericho, and 8 goeth out at Iorden. And this border goeth from Tappuah Westward vnto the riuer Kanah, and the endes thereof are at the Sea: this is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of 9 Ephraim by their families. And the separate cities for the children of Ephraim were among the inheritance of the children of 10 Manasseh: all the cities with their villages. And they cast not out the Canaanite that dwelt in Gezer, but the Canaanite dwelt among the Ephraimites vnto this day, and serued vnder tribute.
- This was also the lot of the tribe of Manasseh: for he was the first borne of Ioseph, to wit, of Machir the first borne of Manasseh, and the father of Gilead: nowe because he was a man of warre, he had Gilead and Bashan. And also of the rest of the sonnes of Manasseh by their families, euen of the sonnes of Abiezer, and of the sonnes of Helek, and of ye sonnes of Azriel, and of the sonnes of Shechem, and of the sonnes of

Hepher, and of the sonnes of Shemida: these were the males of Manasseh, the sonne of Ioseph according to their families. But Zelophehad the sonne of Hephir, the sonne of Gilead, the 3 sonne of Machir, ye sonne of Manasseh, had no sonnes, but daughters: and these are the names of his daughters, Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah and Tirzah: Which came before 4 Eleazar the Priest, and before Ioshua the sonne of Nun, and before the princes, saving. The Lord commanded Moses to give vs an inheritance among our brethren: therefore according to the commandement of the Lord he gaue them an inheritance among the brethren of their father. And there fell ten portions 5 to Manasseh, beside the land of Gilead and Bashan, which is on the other side Iorden. Because the daughters of Man- 6 asseh did inherite among his sonnes: and Manassehs other sonnes had the land of Gilead. So the borders of Manasseh 7 were from Asher to Michmethah that lieth before Shechem. and this border goeth on the right hand, euen vnto the inhabitants of En-tappuah. The land of Tappuah belonged to 8 Manasseh, but Tappuah beside the border of Manasseh belongeth to the sonnes of Ephraim. Also this border goeth 9 downe vnto the riuer Kanah Southward to the riuer: these cities of Ephraim are among the cities of Manasseh: and the border of Manasseh is on the Northside of the riuer, and the endes of it are at the Sea, The South perteyneth to Ephraim, 10 and the North to Manasseh, and the Sea is his border: and they met together in Asher Northwarde, and in Issachar Eastward. And Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher, Beth-shean, and 11 her townes, and Ibleam, and her townes, and the inhabitants of Dor with ye townes thereof, and the inhabitants of En-dor with the townes thereof, and the inhabitants of Thaanach with her townes, and the inhabitants of Megiddo with the townes of the same, euen three countreis. Yet the children of Manasseh 12 coulde not destroy those cities, but the Canaanites dwelled still in that land. Neuerthelesse, when the children of Israel were 13 strong, they put the Canaanites vnder tribute, but cast them not out wholy. Then the children of Ioseph spake vnto Ioshua, 14 saying. Why hast thou given me but one lot, and one portion to inherite, seeing I am a great people, for as much as the Lord hath blessed me hitherto? Ioshua then answered them. If 15 thou be much people, get thee vp to the wood, and cut trees

for thy selfe there in the lande of the Perizzites, and of the gyants, if mount Ephraim be too narowe for thee. Then the children of Ioseph saide, The mountaine will not be ynough for vs: and all the Canaanites that dwell in the lowe countrey haue charets of yron, aswell they in Beth-shean, and in the townes of the same, as they in the valley of Izreel. And Ioshua spake vnto the house of Ioseph, to Ephraim, and to Manasseh, saying, Thou art a great people, and hast great power, and shalt not haue one lot. Therefore the mountaine shall be thine: for it is a wood, and thou shalt cut it downe: and the endes of it shall be thine, and thou shalt cast out the Canaanites, though they haue yron charets, and though they be strong.

And the whole Congregation of the children of Israel, came 18 together at Shiloh: for they set vp the Tabernacle of the Con-2 gregation there, after the land was subject vnto them. Nowe there remained among the children of Israel seuen tribes, to 3 whom they had not deuided their inheritance. Therefore Ioshua said vnto the children of Israel, Howe long are ye so slacke to enter and possesse the land which the Lord God of your fa-4 thers hath given you? Give from among you for every tribe three men, that I may sende them, and that they may rise, and walke through the land, and distribute it according to their in-5 heritance, and returne to me. And that they may deuide it vnto them into seuen parts, (Iudah shall abide in his coast at the South, and the house of Ioseph shall stand in their 6 coastes at the North) Ye shall describe the land therefore into seuen partes, and shall bring them hither to me, and I will 7 cast lottes for you here before the Lord our God. Leuites shall have no part among you: for the Priesthood of the Lord is their inheritance: also Gad and Reuben and halfe the tribe of Manasseh haue received their inheritance beyond Iorden Eastward, which Moses the seruant of the Lord gaue 8 them. Then the men arose, and went their way: and Ioshua charged them that went to describe the land, saying, Depart, and goe through the land, and describe it, and returne to me, that I may here cast lottes for you before the Lord in Shiloh. 9 So the men departed, and passed through the lande, and described it by cities into seuen partes in a booke, and returned 10 to Ioshua into the campe at Shiloh. Then Ioshua cast lottes for them in Shiloh before the Lord, and there Ioshua deuided

the land vnto the children of Israel, according to their por-And the lot of the tribe of the children of Beniamin 11 came foorth according to their families, and the cost of their lot lay betweene the children of Iudah, and the children of Ioseph. And their coast on the Northside was from Iorden, and the bor- 12 der went vp to the side of Iericho on the Northpart, and went vp through the mountaines Westward, and the endes thereof are in the wildernesse of Beth-auen: And this border goeth 13 along from thence to Luz, euen to the Southside of Luz (the same is Beth-el) and this border descendeth to Atroth-addar, neere the mount, that lyeth on the Southside of Beth-horon the nether. So the border turneth, and compasseth the corner 14 of the Sea Southward, from the mount that lyeth before Bethhoron Southward: and the endes thereof are at Kiriath-baal (which is Kiriath-iearim) a citie of the children of Iudah: this is the Westquarter. And the Southquarter is from the ende of 15 Kiriath-iearim, and this border goeth out Westward, and commeth to the fountaine of waters of Nephtoah. And this bor- 16 der descendeth at the ende of the mountaine, that lyeth before the valley of Ben-hinnom, which is in the valley of the gyants Northward, and descendeth into the valley of Hinnom by the side of Iebusi Southwarde, and goeth downe to En-rogel, And 17 compasseth from the North, and goeth foorth to En-shemesh, and stretcheth to Geliloth, which is toward the going vp vnto Adummim, and goeth downe to the stone of Bohan the sonne So it goeth along to the side ouer against the 18 of Reuben. plaine Northward, and goeth downe into the plaine. this border goeth along to the side of Beth-hoglah Northward: and the endes thereof, that is, of the border, reach to the point of the salt Sea Northward, and to the ende of Iorden Southward: this is the Southcoast. Also Iorden is the border of it 20 on the Eastside: this is the inheritance of the children of Beniamin by the coastes thereof rounde about according to their families. Nowe the cities of the tribe of the children of Beni- 21 amin according to their families, are Iericho, and Beth-hoglah, and the valley of Keziz, And Beth-arabah, and Zemaraim, and 22 Beth-el, And Auim, and Parah, and Ophrah, And Chephar. 23. 24 Ammonai, and Ophni, and Gaba: twelue cities with their villages. Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beeroth, And Mizpeh, and 25, 26 Chephirah, and Mozah, And Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah, 27

28 And Zela, Eleph, and Iebusi, (which is Ierusalem) Gibeath, and Kiriath: fourteene cities with their villages: this is the inheritance of the children of Beniamin according to their families.

19 And the second lot came out to Simeon, euen for the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families: and their inheritance was in the middes of the inheritance of the children 2 of Iudah. Nowe they had in their inheritance. Beersheba. 3 and Sheba, and Moladah, And Hazur-shual, and Balah, and 4,5 Azem, And Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah, And Ziklag, 6 and Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susah, And Beth-lebaoth, and 7 Sharuhen: thirteene cities with their villages. mon, and Ether, and Ashan: foure cities with their villages. 8 And all the villages that were round about these cities, vnto Baalathbeer, and Ramath Southward: this is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their fami-9 lies. Out of the portion of the children of Iudah came ve inheritance of the childre of Simeon: for the part of ve children of Iudah was too much for them: therefore the children of Simeon 10 had their inheritance within their inheritance. Also the third lot arose for the children of Zebulun according to their fami-11 lies: and the coastes of their inheritance came to Sarid, And their border goeth vp Westwarde, euen to Maralah, and reacheth to Dabbasheth, and meeteth with the riuer that lyeth be-12 fore Iokneam, And turneth from Sarid Eastward towarde the sunne rising vnto the border of Chisloth-tabor, and goeth out 13 to Daberath, and ascendeth to Iaphia, And from thence goeth along Eastwarde towarde the sunne rising to Gittah-hepher to Ittah-kazin, and goeth foorth to Rimmon, and turneth to Neah. 14 And this border compasseth it on ye North side to Hannathon, 15 and the endes thereof are in the valley of Iiphtah-el, And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Beth-lehem: 16 twelue cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the children of Zebulun according to their families: that is, these

cities and their villages. The fourth lot came out to Issachar, even for the children of Issachar according to their families.

18 And their coast was Izreelah, and Chesulloth, and Shunem, 19, 20 And Hapharaim, and Shion, and Anaharath, And Harabbith,

21 and Kishion, and Abez, And Remeth, and En-gannim, and

22 Enhaddah, and Beth-pazzez. And this coast reacheth to Tabor, and Shahazimath, and Beth-shemesh, and the endes of

their coast reach to Iorden: sixteene cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar 23 according to their families: that is, the cities, and their vil-Also the fift lot came out for the tribe of the children 24 of Asher according to their families. And their coast was 25 Helcath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph, And Alamm- 26 elech, and Amad, and Misheal, and came to Carmel Westward, and to Shihor Libnath. And turneth towarde the sunne ris- 27 ing to Beth-dagon, and commeth to Zebulun, and to the valley of Iiphtah-el, toward the Northside of Beth-emek, and Neiel, and goeth out on the left side of Cabul. And to Ebron, and 28 Rehob, and Hammon, and Kanah, vnto great Zidon. the coast turneth to Ramah and to the strong citie of Zor, and this border turneth to Hosah, and the ends thereof are at the Sea from Hebel to Achzib, Vmmah also and Aphek, and Re- 30 hob: two and twentie cities with their villages. This is the 31 inheritance of the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families: that is, these cities and their villages. The sixt 32 lot came out to the children of Naphtali, euen to the children of Naphtali according to their families. And their coast was from 33 Heleph, and from Allon in Zaanannim, and Adaminekeb, and Iabneel, euen to Lakum, and the ends thereof are at Iorden. So this coast turneth Westwarde to Aznoth-tabor, and goeth 34 out from thence to Hukkok, and reacheth to Zebulun on the Southside, and goeth to Asher on the Westside, and to Iudah by Iorden toward the sunne rising. And the strong cities are 35 Ziddim, Zer, and Hammath, Rakkath, and Cinneereth, And 36 Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor, And Kedesh, and Edrei, 37 and En-hazor, And Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and Beth- 38 anah, and Beth-shemesh: nineteene cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naph- 39 tali according to their families: that is, the cities and their villages. The seuenth lot came out for the tribe of the children of 40 Dan according to their families. And the coast of their inher- 41 itance was Zorah, and Eshtaol, and Ir-shemesh, And Shaal- 42 abbin, and Aiialon, and Ithlah, And Elon, and Temnathah, 43 and Ekron, And Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalah, And 44, 45 Iehud, and Bene-berak, and Gath-rimmon, And Me-iarkon, 46 and Rakkon, with the border that lieth before Iapho. But 47 the coastes of the children of Dan fell out too litle for them:

therefore the children of Dan went vp to fight against Leshem, and tooke it, and smote it with the edge of the sworde, and possessed it, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem, Dan after 48 the name of Dan their father. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the childre of Dan according to their families: that is, 49 these cities and their villages. When they had made an ende of deuiding the lande by the coastes thereof, then the children of Israel gaue an inheritance vnto Ioshua the sonne of Nun 50 among them. According to the worde of the Lord they gaue him the citie which hee asked, euen Timnath-serah in mount 51 Ephraim: and hee built the citie and dwelt therein. These are ye heritages which Eleazar the Priest, and Ioshua the sonne of Nun, and the chiefe fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel deuided by lot in Shiloh before the Lord at the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation: so they made an ende of deuiding the countrey.

The Lord also spake vnto Ioshua, saving. Speake to the **20**, 2 children of Israel, and say, Appoint you cities of refuge, whereof 3 I spake vnto you by the hand of Moses. That the slaier that killeth any person by ignorance, and vnwittingly, may flee thither, 4 and they shall be your refuge from the auenger of blood. And he that doeth flee vnto one of those cities, shall stand at the entring of the gate of the citie, and shall shewe his cause to the Elders of the citie: and they shall receive him into the citie vnto them, and giue him a place, that hee may dwell with And if the auenger of blood pursue after him, they 5 them. shall not deliuer the slaier into his hand because hee smote his 6 neighbour ignorantly, neither hated he him before time: But hee shall dwell in that citie vntill hee stande before the Congregation in iudgement, or vntill the death of the hie Priest that shall be in those daies: then shall the slaier returne, and come vnto his owne citie, and vnto his owne house, euen vnto 7 the citie from whence he fled. Then they appointed Kedesh in Galil in mount Naphtali, and Shechem in mount Ephraim, and Kiriath-arba, (which is Hebron) in the mountaine of Iudah. 8 And on the other side Iorden toward Iericho Eastward, they appoynted Bezer in the wildernesse vpon the plaine, out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead, out of the tribe of Gad,

9 and Golan in Bashan, out of the tribe of Manasseh.

were the cities appoynted for all the children of Israel, and

for the stranger that solourned among them, that whosoeuer killed any person ignorantly, might flee thither, and not die by the hande of the auenger of blood, vntill hee stoode before the Congregation.

Then came the principal fathers of the Leuites vnto Eleazar 21 the Priest, and vnto Ioshua the sonne of Nun, and vnto the chiefe fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, And spake 2 vnto them at Shiloh in the land of Canaan, saving, The Lord commanded by the hande of Moses, to give vs cities to dwell in, with the suburbes thereof for our cattell. So the children 3 of Israel gaue vnto the Leuites, out of their inheritance at the commandement of the Lord these cities with their suburbes. And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites: and 4 the children of Aaron ve Priest, which were of the Leuites, had by lot, out of the tribe of Iudah, and out of the tribe of Simeon, and out of the tribe of Benjamin thirteene cities. And the 5 rest of the children of Kohath had by lot out of the families of the tribe of Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, tenne cities. Also the children of Ger- 6 shon had by lot out of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of ve tribe of Naphtali, and out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteene cities. The children of Merari according to their families had out of 7 the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelue cities. So the children of Israel gaue 8 by lot vnto the Leuites these cities with their suburbes, as the Lord had commanded by the hand of Moses. And they gaue 9 out of the tribe of the children of Iudah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeo, these cities which are here named. And they were the childrens of Aaron being of the families of 10 the Kohathites, and of the sonnes of Leui, (for theirs was the first lot) So they gaue them Kiriath-arba of the father of Anok 11 (which is Hebron) in the mountaine of Iudah, with the suburbes of the same round about it. (But the lande of the citie, 12 and the villages thereof, gaue they to Caleb the sonne of Iephunneh to be his possession) Thus they gaue to the children 13 of Aaron the Priest, a citie of refuge for the slaier, euen Hebron with her suburbes, and Libnah with her suburbes, And Iat- 14 tir with her suburbes, and Eshtemoa, and her suburbes, And 15 Holon with her suburbes, and Debir with her suburbes. And 16

Ain with her suburbes, and Iuttah with her suburbes, Bethshemesh with her suburbes: nine cities out of those two tribes. 17 And out of the tribe of Beniamin they gaue Gibeon with her 18 suburbes, Geba with her suburbes. Anathoth with her sub-19 urbes, and Almon with her suburbes: foure cities. cities of the children of Aaron Priests, were thirteene cities 20 with their suburbes. But to the families of the children of Kohath of the Leuites, which were the rest of the children of Kohath (for the cities of their lot were out of the tribe of Ephraim) 21 They gaue them the citie of refuge for the slaier, Shechem with her suburbes in mount Ephraim, and Gezer with her suburbes, 22 And Kibzaim with her suburbs, and Bethhoron with her sub-23 urbes: four cities. And out of the tribe of Dan. Eltekeh with 24 her suburbes, Gibethon with her suburbes. Aiialon with her 25 suburbes, Gath-rimmon with her suburbes: foure cities. And out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, Tanach with her suburbes, 26 and Gath-rimmon with her suburbes: two cities. All the cities for the other families of the children of Kohath were ten with 27 their suburbes. Also vnto the children of Gershon of the families of the Leuites, they gaue out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, the citie of refuge for the slaier, Golan in Bashan with her suburbes, and Beeshterah with her suburbes: two cities. 28 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon with her suburbes, 29 Dabereh with her suburbes, Iarmuth with her suburbes, En-30 gannim with her suburbes: foure cities. And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with her suburbes, Abdon with her suburbes, 31 Helkah with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbes: foure 32 cities. And out of the tribe of Naphtali, the citie of refuge for the slaier, Kedesh in Galil with her suburbes, and Hammothdor with her suburbes, and Kartan with her suburbes: three 33 cities. Al the cities of the Gershonites according to their fam-34 ilies, were thirteene cities with their suburbes. Also vnto the families of the children of Merari the rest of the Leuites, they gaue out of the tribe of Zebulun, Iokneam with her suburbs, 35 and Kartah with her suburbes, Dimnah with her suburbes, 36 Nahalal, with her suburbes: foure cities. And out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer with her suburbs, and Iahazah with her sub-37 urbs, Kedemoth with her suburbes, and Mephaath with her 38 suburbes: foure cities. And out of the tribe of Gad they gaue for a citie of refuge for the slaier, Ramoth in Gilead with her

suburbes, and Mahanaim with her suburbes, Heshbon with 39 her suburbs, and Iazer with her suburbes: foure cities in all. So all the cities of the children of Merari according to their fam- 40 ilies (which were the rest of the families of the Leuites) were by their lot, twelue cities. And all the cities of the Leuites 41 within the possession of the children of Israel, were eight and fourtie with their suburbes. These cities lav euery one seuer- 42 allie with their suburbes round about them: so were all these cities. So the Lord gaue vnto Israel all ve land, which hee had 43 sworne to give vnto their fathers: and they possessed it, and dwelt therein. Also the Lord gaue them rest rounde about ac- 44 cording to all that hee had sworne vnto their fathers: and there stoode not a man of all their enemies before them: for the Lord deliuered all their enemies into their hand. There failed nothing of all the good things, which the Lord hath sayde vnto the house of Israel, but all came to passe.

Then Ioshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and 22 the halfe tribe of Manasseh, And sayd vnto them, Ye haue 2 kept all that Moses the servaunt of the Lord commanded you, and haue obeied my voice in all that I commanded you: You 3 haue not forsaken your brethren this long season vnto this day. but have diligently kept the commandement of the Lord your God. And nowe the Lord hath given rest vnto your brethren 4 as he promised them: therefore nowe returne ye and goe to your tentes, to the land of your possession, which Moses the seruant of the Lord hath given you beyond Iorden. But take 5 diligent heede, to doe the commandement and Lawe, which Moses the seruant of the Lord commanded you: that is, that ye loue the Lord your God, and walke in all his wayes, and keepe his commandements, and cleaue vnto him, and serue him with all your heart and with all your soule. So Ioshua 6 blessed them and sent them away, and they went vnto their Nowe vnto one halfe of the tribe of Manasseh Moses 7 had giuen a possession in Bashan: and vnto the other halfe thereof gaue Ioshua among their brethren on this side Iorden Westwarde: therefore when Ioshua sent them away vnto their tents, and blessed them, Thus he spake vnto them, saying, 8 Returne with much riches vnto your tents, and with a great multitude of cattell, with siluer and with golde, with brasse and with yron, and with great abundance of rayment: deuide

9 the spoyle of your enemies with your brethren. So the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and halfe the tribe of Manasseh returned, and departed from the children of Israel from Shiloh (which is in the land of Canaan) to goe vnto the countrey of Gilead to the land of their possession, which they had obteyned, according to ye word of the Lord by the hand 10 of Moses. And when they came vnto the borders of Iorden (which are in the land of Canaan) then the children of Reuben. and the children of Gad, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh, built 11 there an altar by Iorden, a great altar to see to. When the children of Israel heard say, Beholde, the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh haue built an altar in the forefront of the lande of Canaan vpon the bor-12 ders of Iorden at the passage of the children of Israel: When the children of Israel heard it, then the whole Congregation of the children of Israel gathered them together at Shiloh to goe 13 vp to warre against them. Then the children of Israel sent vnto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to ve halfe tribe of Manasseh into the land of Gilead, Phinehas 14 the sonne of Eleazar the Priest, And with him ten princes, of euery chiefe house a prince, according to all the tribes of Israel: for euery one was chiefe of their fathers housholde among the 15 thousands of Israel. So they went vnto the children of Reuben. and to the children of Gad, and to the halfe tribe of Manasseh, 16 vnto the land of Gilead, and spake with them, saying, Thus saith the whole congregation of the Lord, What transgression is this that ye haue transgressed against the God of Israel, to turne away this day from the Lord, in that ye haue built you an 17 altar for to rebell this day against the Lord? Haue we too litle for the wickednesse of Peor, whereof we are not clensed vnto this day, though a plague came vpon the Congregation of the 18 Lord? Ye also are turned away this day from the Lord: and seeing ye rebell to day against ye Lord, euen to morowe he will 19 be wroth with all the Congregation of Israel. Notwithstanding if the land of your possession be vncleane, come ye ouer vnto the land of the possession of the Lord, wherein the Lordes Tabernacle dwelleth, and take possession among vs: but rebell not against the Lord, nor rebell not against vs in building 20 you an altar, beside the altar of the Lord our God. Did not Achan ye sonne of Zerah trespasse grieuously in the execrable

thing, and wrath fell on all the Congregation of Israel? and this man alone perished not in his wickednesse. Then the chil- 21 dren of Reuben and the children of Gad, and halfe the tribe of Manasseh answered, and saide vnto the heads ouer the thousands of Israel, The Lord God of gods, the Lord God of gods, 22 he knoweth, and Israel himselfe shall know: if by rebellion, or by transgression against ye Lord we have done it, saue thou vs not this day. If we have built vs an altar to returne away from 23 the Lord, either to offer thereon burnt offering, or meate offering, or to offer peace offerings thereon, let the Lord himselfe require it: And if we have not rather done it for feare of this 24 thing, saving, In time to come your children might say vnto our children, What have ye to doe with the Lord God of Israel? For the Lord hath made Iorden a border betweene vs and you, 25 ye children of Reuben, and of Gad: therefore ye haue no part in the Lord: so shall your children make our children cease from fearing the Lord. Therefore we said, We will now go about to 26 make vs an altar, not for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice, But 27 it shall be a witnesse betweene vs and vou, and betweene our generations after vs, to execute the seruice of the Lord before him in our burnt offerings, and in our sacrifices, and in our peace offerings, and that your children should not sav to our children in time to come, Ye have no part in the Lord. There- 28 fore said we, If so be that they should so say to vs or to our generations in time to come, then will we answere, Beholde the facion of the altar of the Lord, which our fathers made, not for burnt offering nor for sacrifice, but it is a witnesse betweene vs and you. God forbid, that we should rebell against the Lord, 29 and turne this day away from the Lord to builde an altar for burnt offering, or for meate offering, or for sacrifice, saue the altar of the Lord our God, that is before his Tabernacle. And 30 when Phinehas the Priest, and the princes of the Congregation and heads ouer the thousands of Israel which were with him. heard the wordes, that the children of Reuben, and children of Gad, and the children of Manasseh spake, they were well content. And Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar the Priest said 31 vnto the children of Reuben and to the children of Gad, and to the children of Manasseh, This day we perceive, that the Lord is among vs, because ye have not done this trespasse against the Lord: nowe ve haue deliuered the children of Israel out of

the hand of the Lord. Then Phinehas the sonne of Eleazar the Priest with the princes returned from the children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad, out of the land of Gilead, vnto the land of Canaan, to the children of Israel, and brought them answere. And the saying pleased the children of Israel: and the children of Israel blessed God, and minded not to goe against them in battell, for to destroy the land, wherein the children of Reuben, and Gad dwelt. Then the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad called the altar Ed: for it shall be a witnesse betweene vs, that the Lord is God.

And a long season after that the Lord had given rest vnto 23 Israel from all their enemies round about, and Ioshua was olde, 2 and stricken in age, Then Ioshua called all Israel, and their Elders, and their heads, and their iudges, and their officers, 3 and said vnto them, I am old, and stricken in age. Also ye haue seene all that the Lord your God hath done vnto al these nations before you, howe the Lord your God him selfe hath 4 fought for you. Beholde, I have deuided vnto you by lot these nations that remaine, to be an inheritance according to your tribes, from Iorden, with all the nations that I have destroyed, 5 euen vnto the great Sea Westward. And the Lord your God shall expell them before you, and cast them out of your sight, and ve shall possesse their land, as the Lord your God hath 6 said vnto you. Be ye therefore of a valiant courage, to obserue and doe all that is written in the booke of the Lawe of Moses, that ye turne not therefrom to the right hand nor to the 7 left, Neither companie with these nations: that is, with them which are left with you, neither make mention of the name of their gods, nor cause to sweare by them, neither serue them 8 nor bowe vnto them: But sticke fast vnto the Lord your God, 9 as ye haue done vnto this day. For ye Lord hath cast out before you great nations and mightie, and no man hath stand before 10 your face hitherto. One man of you shall chase a thousand: for the Lord your God, he fighteth for you, as he hath promised 11 you. Take good heede therefore vnto your selues, that ye loue 12 the Lord your God. Els, if ye goe backe, and cleaue vnto the rest of these nations: that is, of them that remaine with you, and shall make marriages with them, and goe vnto them, and 13 they to you, Knowe ye for certaine, that the Lord your God will cast out no more of these nations from before you: but

they shall be a snare and destruction vnto you, and a whip on your sides, and thornes in your eyes, vntill ye perish out of this good land, which ye Lord your God hath giue you. And 14 beholde, this day do I enter into the way of all ye world, and ye know in al your heartes and in all your soules, that nothing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord your God promised you, but all are come to passe vnto you: nothing hath failed thereof. Therefore as all good things are come vpon you, 15 which the Lord your God promised you, so shall the Lord bring vpon you euery euill thing, vntill he haue destroyed you out of this good land, which ye Lord your God hath give you. When 16 ve shall transgresse the couenant of the Lord your God, which he commanded you, and shall goe and serue other gods, and bowe your selues to them, then shall the wrath of the Lord waxe hote against you, and ye shall perish quickely out of the good lande which he hath given you.

And Ioshua assembled againe all the tribes of Israel to Sheche24 and called the Elders of Israel, and their heades, and their iudges, and their officers, and they presented themselues be-Then Ioshua said vnto all the people, Thus saith 2 fore God. the Lord God of Israel, Your fathers dwelt beyond the flood in olde time, euen Terah the father of Abraham, and the father of Nachor, and serued other gods. And I tooke your father 3 Abraham from beyond the flood, and brought him through all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seede, and gaue him Izhak. And I gaue vnto Izhak, Iaakob and Esau: and I gaue 4 vnto Esau mount Seir, to possesse it: but Iaakob and his children went downe into Egypt. I sent Moses also and Aaron, 5 and I plagued Egypt: and when I had so done among them, I brought you out. So I brought your fathers out of Egypt, and 6 ye came vnto the Sea, and the Egyptians pursued after your fathers with charets and horsemen vnto the red sea. they cryed vnto the Lord, and he put a darkenesse betweene you and the Egyptians, and brought the sea vpon them, and couered them: so your eyes haue seene what I haue done in Egypt also ye dwelt in the wildernesse a long season. After, I 8 brought you into the land of the Amorites, which dwelt beyond Iorden, and they fought with you: but I gaue them into your hand, and ye possessed their countrey, and I destroyed them out of your sight. Also Balak the sonne of Zippor King of Moab 9

arose and warred against Israel, and sent to call Balaam the 10 sonne of Beor for to curse you, But I would not heare Balaam: therefore he blessed you, and I deliuered you out of his hand. 11 And ye went ouer Iorden, and came vnto Iericho, and the men of Iericho fought against you, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Girgashites, the Hiuites and the Iebusites, and I deliuered them into your hand. 12 And I sent hornets before you, which cast them out before you, euen the two kings of the Amorites, and not with thy sword, 13 nor with thy bow. And I have given you a land, wherein ye did not labour, and cities which ye built not, and yee dwell in them, and eate of the vineyards and oliue trees, which yee 14 planted not. Nowe therefore feare the Lord, and serue him in vprightnesse and in trueth, and put away the gods, which your fathers serued beyonde the flood and in Egypt, and serue the 15 Lord. And if it seeme euill vnto you to serue the Lord, choose you this day whome yee will serue, whether the gods which your fathers serued (that were beyond the flood) or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ve dwel: but I and mine house 16 will serue the Lord. Then the people answered and saide, God forbid, that we shoulde forsake the Lord, to serue other 17 gods. For the Lord our God, he brought vs and our fathers out of the lande of Egypt, from the house of bondage, and he did those great miracles in our sight, and preserued vs in all the way that we went, and among all the people through whome 18 we came. And the Lord did cast out before vs all the people, euen the Amorites which dwelt in the lande: therefore will we 19 also serue the Lord, for he is our God. And Ioshua saide vnto the people, Ye can not serue the Lord: for he is an holie God: he is a ielous God: hee will not pardon your iniquitie nor your 20 sinnes. If yee forsake the Lord and serue strange gods, then he will returne and bring euill vpon you, and consume you, af-21 ter that hee hath done you good. And the people saide vnto 22 Ioshua, Nay, but we will serue the Lord. And Ioshua saide vnto the people, Yee are witnesses against your selues, that yee haue chosen you the Lord, to serue him: and they savd. 23 We are witnesses. Then put away nowe, saide he, the strange gods which are among you, and bowe your hearts vnto the Lord 24 God of Israel. And ye people saide vnto Ioshua, The Lord our 25 God wil we serue, and his voyce wil we obey. So Ioshua made a couenant with the people the same day, and gaue them an ordinance and lawe in Shechem. And Ioshua wrote these wo- 26 ordes in the booke of the Lawe of God, and tooke a great stone, and pitched it there vnder an oke that was in the Sanctuarie of the Lord. And Ioshua saide vnto all the people, Beholde, 27 this stone shall be a witnesse vnto vs: for it hath heard all the wordes of the Lord which he spake with vs: it shall be therefore a witnesse against you, lest yee denie your God. Then 28 Ioshua let the people depart, euery man vnto his inheritance. And after these things Ioshua the sonne of Nun, the seruaunt 29 of the Lord died, being an hundreth and ten veeres olde. And 30 they buried him in ve border of his inheritance in Timnathserah, which is in mount Ephraim, on the Northside of mount Gaash. And Israel served the Lord all the daies of Ioshua, and 31 all the daies of the Elders that ouerliued Ioshua, and which had knowen all the workes of the Lord that he had done for Israel. And the bones of Ioseph, which the children of Israel 32 brought out of Egypt, buried they in Shechem in a parcell of ground which Iaakob bought of the sonnes of Hamor the father of Shechem, for an hundreth pieces of siluer, and the children of Ioseph had them in their inheritance. Also Eleazar the 33 sonne of Aaron died, whome they buried in the hill of Phinehas his sonne, which was given him in mount Ephraim.

## THE BOOK OF JUDGES.

fter that Ioshua was dead, the children of Israel asked ye Lord, saying, Who shall goe vp for vs against the Canaanites, to fight first against them? And the Lord said, Iudah shall goe vp: behold, I haue giuen 3 the land into his hande. And Iudah said vnto Simeon his brother, Come vp with me into my lot, that we may fight against the Canaanites: and I likewise will goe with thee into thy lot: 4 so Simeon went with him. Then Iudah went vp. and the Lord deliuered the Canaanites and the Perizzites into their hands, 5 and they slew of them in Bezek ten thousand men. And they founde Adoni-bezek in Bezek: and they fought against him, 6 and slewe the Canaanites, and the Perizzites. But Adonibezek fled, and they pursued after him, and caught him, and 7 cut off the thumbes of his hands and of his feete. And Adonibezek said. Seuentie Kings having the thumbes of their hands and of their feete cut off, gathered bread vnder my table: as I have done, so God hath rewarded me. so they brought him 8 to Ierusalem, and there he died. (Nowe the children of Iudah had fought against Ierusalem, and had taken it and smitten it with the edge of the sworde, and had set the citie on Afterwarde also the children of Iudah went downe to fight against the Canaanites, that dwelt in the mountaine, and 10 towarde the South, and in the lowe countrey. And Iudah went against the Canaanites that dwelt in Hebron, which Hebron beforetime was called Kiriath-arba: and they slewe Sheshai, 11 and Ahiman and Talmai. And from thence hee went to the inhabitantes of Debir, and the name of Debir in olde time was 12 Kiriath-sepher. And Caleb saide, He that smiteth Kiriathsepher, and taketh it, euen to him wil I giue Achsah my daugh-13 ter to wife. And Othniel the sonne of Kenaz Calebs yonger brother tooke it, to whome hee gaue Achsah his daughter to 14 wife. And when shee came to him, shee mooued him to aske of her father a field, and shee lighted off her asse, and Caleb 15 saide vnto her, What wilt thou? And shee answered him. Giue mee a blessing: for thou hast giuen me a South countrey, giue me also springs of water: and Caleb gaue her the

springs aboue and the springs beneath. And the childre of 16 Keni Moses father in law went vp out of the citie of the palme trees with the children of Iudah, into the wildernesse of Iudah, that lieth in the South of Arad, and went and dwelt among the But Iudah went with Simeon his brother, and they 17 slewe the Canaanites that inhabited Zephath, and vtterly destroied it, and called the name of the citie Hormah. Also Iu- 18 dah tooke Azzah with the coasts thereof, and Askelon with the coasts thereof, and Ekron with the coastes thereof. And the 19 Lord was with Iudah, and he possessed the mountaines: for he could not drive out the inhabitantes of the valleis, because they had charrets of yron. And they gaue Hebron vnto Caleb, 20 as Moses had saide, and hee expelled thence the three sonnes But the children of Beniamin did not cast out the 21 of Anak. Iebusites, that inhabited Ierusalem: therefore the Iebusites dwell with the children of Beniamin in Ierusalem vnto this They also that were of the house of Ioseph, went vp to 22 Beth-el, and the Lord was with them, And the house of Ioseph 23 caused to viewe Beth-el (and the name of the citie beforetime was Luz) And the spies sawe a man come out of the citie, and 24 they saide vnto him, Shewe vs, we praie thee, the way into the citie, and we will shewe thee mercie. And when hee had 25 shewed them the waie into the citie, they smote the citie with the edge of the sworde, but they let the man and all his housholde depart. Then the man went into the lande of the Hit- 26 tites, and built a citie, and called the name thereof Luz, which is the name thereof vnto this daie. Neither did Manasseh 27 destroie Bethshean with her townes, nor Taanach with her townes, nor the inhabitantes of Dor with her townes, nor the inhabitants of Ibleam with her townes, neither the inhabitants of Megiddo with her townes: but the Canaanites dwelled still in that lande. Neuerthelesse when Israel was strong, they put 28 the Canaanites to tribute, and expelled them not wholly. Like- 29 wise Ephraim expelled not the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer, but the Canaanites dwelt in Gezer among them. Neither did 30 Zebulun expell the inhabitants of Kitron, nor the inhabitants of Nahalol, but the Canaanites dwelt among them, and became tributaries. Neither did Asher cast out the inhabitants of Ac- 31 cho, nor the inhabitants of Zidon, nor of Ahlab, nor of Achzib, nor of Helbah, nor of Aphik, nor of Rehob, But the Asherites 32 dwelt among the Canaanites the inhabitantes of the lande: for they did not drive them out. Neither did Naphtali drive out the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh, nor the inhabitants of Beth-anath, but dwelt among the Canaanites the inhabitants of the lande: neuerthelesse the inhabitantes of Beth-shemesh, and of Beth-anath became tributaries vnto them. And the Amorites drove the children of Dan into the mountaine: so that they suffered them not to come downe to the valley. And the Ammonites dwelt still in mount Heres in Aijalon, and in Shaalbim, and when the hand of Iosephs familie prevailed, they became tributaries: And the coast of the Amorites was from Maalehakrabbim, even from Selah and vpward.

And an Angel of the Lord came vp from Gilgal to Bochim,  $\mathbf{2}$ and sayd, I made you to go vp out of Egypt, and haue brought you vnto the land which I had sworne vnto your fathers, and 2 sayd, I wil neuer breake my couenant with you. Ye also shall make no couenant with the inhabitants of this land, but shall breake downe their altars: but ye haue not obeyed my voyce. 3 Why haue ye done this? Wherefore, I sayd also, I wil not cast them out before you, but they shalbe as thornes vnto your 4 sides, and their gods shalbe your destruction. And when the Angel of the Lord spake these wordes vnto all the children of 5 Israel, the people lift vp their voyce, and wept. Therefore they called the name of that place, Bochim, and offered sac-6 rifices there vnto the Lord. Now when Ioshua had sent the people away, the children of Israel went euery man into his in-7 heritance, to possesse the land. And the people had serued the Lord al the dayes of Ioshua, and all the dayes of the Elders that outlined Ioshua, which had seene all the great works 8 of the Lord that he did for Israel. But Ioshua the sonne of Nun the seruant of the Lord dyed, when he was an hundreth 9 and ten yeeres olde: And they buryed him in the coastes of his inheritance, in Timnath-heres in mount Ephraim, on the 10 Northside of mount Gaash. And so all that generation was gathered vnto their fathers, and another generation arose after them, which neither knewe the Lord, nor yet the works, 11 which he had done for Israel. Then the children of Israel did 12 wickedly in the sight of the Lord, and serued Baalim, And forsooke ye Lord God of their fathers, which brought them out of the lande of Egypt, and followed other gods, euen the gods of the people that were round about them, and bowed vnto them, and prouoked the Lord to anger. So they forsooke the Lord, 13 and serued Baal, and Ashtaroth. And the wrath of the Lord 14 was hote against Israel, and he deliuered them into the hands of spoylers, that spoyled them, and he sold them into the handes of their enemies rounde about them, so that they could no longer stande before their enemies. Whithersoeuer they went 15 out, the hand of the Lord was sore against them, as ve Lord had sayd, and as the Lord had sworne vnto them; so he punished them sore. Notwithstanding, the Lord raysed vp Iudges, 16 which deliuered them out of the hands of their oppressours. But yet they would not obey their Judges: for they went a whor- 17 ing after other gods, and worshipped them, and turned quickly out of the way, wherein their fathers walked, obeying the commandements of the Lord: they did not so. And when the Lord 18 had raysed them vp Iudges, the Lord was with the Iudge, and deliuered them out of the hande of their enemies all the dayes of the Iudge (for the Lord had compassion on their gronings, because of them that oppressed them and tormented them) Yet 19 when the Iudge was dead, they returned, and did worse then their fathers, in following other gods to serue them and worshippe them: they ceased not from their owne inuentions, nor from their rebellious way. Wherfore the wrath of the Lord was 20 kindled against Israel, and he sayd, Because this people hath transgressed my couenant, which I commaded their fathers, and hath not obeyed my voyce, Therefore will I no more cast 21 out before them any of the nations, which Ioshua left when he dyed. That through them I may proue Israel, whether they 22 wil keepe the way of the Lord, to walke therein, as their fathers kept it, or not. So the Lord left those nations, and droue 23 them not out immediatly, neither deliuered them into the hand of Ioshua.

These nowe are the nations which the Lord left, that he might proue Israel by them (euen as many of Israel as had not known all the warres of Canaan, Only to make the generations of the children of Israel to know, and to teach them warre, which doutles their predecessors knew not) Fiue princes of 3 the Philistims, and all the Canaanites, and the Sidonians, and the Hiuites that dwelt in mount Lebanon, from mount Baalhermon vntill one come to Hamath. And these remayned to 4

proue Israel by them, to wit, whether they would obey the commandements of the Lord, which he commanded their fathers 5 by the hand of Moses. And the children of Israel dwelt among the Canaanites, the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Per-6 izzites, and the Hiuites, and the Iebusites, And they tooke their daughters to bee their wives, and gaue their daughters 7 to their sonnes, and serued their gods. So the children of Israel did wickedly in the sight of the Lord, and forgate the 8 Lord their God, and serued Baalim, and Asheroth. fore the wrath of the Lord was kindled against Israel, and he solde them into the hand of Chushan rishathaim King of Aram-naharaim, and the children of Israel serued Chushan 9 rishathaim eyght yeeres. And when the children of Israel cryed vnto the Lord, the Lord stirred vp a sauiour to ye children of Israel, and he saued them, euen Othniel the sonne of 10 Kenaz, Calebs yonger brother. And the spirite of the Lord came vpon him, and he iudged Israel, and went out to warre: and the Lord deliuered Chushan rishathaim king of Aram into his hand, and his hand preuailed against Chushan rishathaim. 11 So the lande had rest fourtie yeeres, and Othniel the sonne of 12 Kenaz dved. Then the children of Israel againe committed wickednesse in the sight of the Lord: and the Lord strengthened Eglon King of Moab against Israel, because they had com-13 mitted wickednesse before the Lord. And he gathered vnto him the children of Ammon, and Amalek, and went and smote 14 Israel, and they possessed the citie of palme trees. children of Israel serued Eglon king of Moab eighteene yeeres. 15 But when the children of Israel cried vnto the Lord, the Lord stirred them vp a sauiour, Ehud the sonne of Gera the sonne of Iemini, a man lame of his right hande: and the children of 16 Israel sent a present by him vnto Eglon King of Moab. And Ehud made him a dagger with two edges of a cubite length, and 17 he did gird it vnder his rayment vpon his right thigh, And he presented ye gift vnto Eglon King of Moab (and Eglon was a 18 very fat man) And when he had now presented the present, 19 he sent away the people that bare ye present, But he turned againe from the quarris, that were by Gilgal, and said, I haue a secret errand vnto thee, O King. Who said, Keepe silence: 20 and all that stoode about him, went out from him. Then Ehud came vnto him. (and he sate alone in a sommer parler, which

he had) and Ehud said, I have a message vnto thee from God. Then he arose out of his throne, And Ehud put forth his left 21 hand, and tooke the dagger from his right thigh, and thrust it into his bellie, So that the hafte went in after the blade, and 22 the fatte closed about the blade, so that he could not drawe the dagger out of his bellie, but the dirt came out. Then Ehud 23 gate him out into the porch, and shut the doores of the parler vpon him, and locked them. And when he was gone out, 24 his seruantes came: who seeing that the doores of the parler were locked, they sayd, Surely he doeth his easement in his sommer chamber. And they tarved till they were ashamed: 25 and seeing he opened not the doores of the parler, they tooke the key, and opened them, and behold, their lord was fallen dead on the earth. So Ehud escaped (while they taried) and 26 was passed the quarris, and escaped vnto Seirah. And when 27 he came home, he blew a trumpet in mount Ephraim, and the children of Israel went downe with him from the mountaine. Then said he vnto them. Follow 28 and he went before them. me: for the Lord hath deliuered your enemies, euen Moab into your hand. So they went downe after him, and tooke the passages of Iorden towarde Moab, and suffred not a man to passe ouer. And they slewe of the Moabites the same time about ten 29 thousand men, all fed men, and all were warriours, and there escaped not a man. So Moab was subdued that daye, vnder 30 the hand of Israel: and the land had rest fourescore yeeres. And after him was Shamgar the sonne of Anath, which slewe 31 of the Philistims sixe hundreth men with an oxe goade, and he also deliuered Israel.

And the children of Israel began againe to do wickedly in the sight of the Lord when Ehud was dead. And the Lord sold them into the hande of Iabin King of Canaan, that reigned in Hazor, whose chiefe Captaine was called Sisera, which dwelt in Harosheth of the Gentiles. Then the children of Israel cryed vnto the Lord: (for he had nine hundreth charets of yron, and twentie yeeres he had vexed the children of Israel very sore) And at that time Deborah a Prophetesse the wife of Lapidoth didged Israel. And this Deborah dwelt vnder a palme tree, betweene Ramah and Beth-el in mount Ephraim, and the children of Israel came vp to her for iudgement. Then shee sent 6 and called Barak the sonne of Abinoam out of Kadesh of Naph-

tali, and sayd vnto him, Hath not the Lord God of Israel commanded, saying, Goe, and drawe towarde mount Tabor, and take with thee ten thousande men of the children of Naphtali 7 and of the children of Zebulun? And I wil drawe vnto thee to the riuer Kishon Sisera, the captaine of Iabins armie with his charets, and his multitude, and wil deliuer him into thine 8 hand. And Barak sayd vnto her, If thou wilt go with me, I will 9 go: but if thou wilt not goe with me, I will not go. Then shee answered, I will surely goe with thee, but this iourney that thou takest, shall not be for thine honour: for the Lord shall sell Sisera into the hand of a woman. And Deborah arose and 10 went with Barak to Kedesh. And Barak called Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh, and he went vp on his feete with ten thou-11 sand men, and Deborah went vp with him. (Now Heber the Kenite, which was of the children of Hobab the father in lawe of Moses, was departed from the Kenites, and pitched his tent 12 vntill the playne of Zaanaim, which is by Kedesh) Then they shewed Sisera, that Barak the sonne of Abinoam was gone vp 13 to mout Tabor. And Sisera called for all his charets, euen nine hundreth charets of yron, and all the people that were with him from Harosheth of the Gentiles, vnto the riuer Kishon. 14 Then Deborah sayd vnto Barak, Vp: for this is the day that the Lord hath deliuered Sisera into thine hand. Is not the Lord gone out before thee? So Barak went downe from mount 15 Tabor, and ten thousand men after him. And the Lord destroyed Sisera and all his charets, and al his hoste with the edge of the sword before Barak, so that Sisera lighted downe off his charet, and fled away on his feete. But Barak pursued after the charets, and after the hoste vnto Harosheth of the Gentiles: and all the hoste of Sisera fel vpon the edge of the 17 sworde: there was not a man left. Howbeit Sisera fled away on his feete to the tent of Iael the wife of Heber the Kenite: (for peace was betweene Iabin the king of Hazor, and betweene the 18 house of Heber the Kenite) And Iael went out to meete Sisera. and sayd vnto him, Turne in, my lord, turne in to me: feare not. And when he had turned in vnto her into her tent, she 19 couered him with a mantell. And he said vnto her, Giue me, I pray thee, a litle water to drinke: for I am thirstie. And shee opened a bottel of milke, and gaue him drinke, and couered 20 him. Againe he sayde vnto her, Stande in the doore of the tent, and when any man doth come and enquire of thee, saying, Is any man there? thou shalt say, Nay. Then Iael Hebers 21 wife tooke a nayle of the tent, and tooke an hammer in her hande, and went softly vnto him, and smote the nayle into his temples, and fastened it into the grounde, (for he was fast a sleepe and weary) and so he dyed. And behold, as Barak pursued after Sisera, Iael came out to meete him, and sayd vnto him, Come, and I wil shewe thee the man, whome thou seekest: and when he came into her tent, behold, Sisera lay dead, and the nayle in his temples. So God brought downe Iabin the 23 King of Canaan that day before the children of Israel. And 24 the hande of the children of Israel prospered, and preuailed against Iabin the King of Canaan, vntill they had destroyed Iabin King of Canaan.

Then sang Deborah, and Barak the sonne of Abinoam the 5 same day, saying, Praise ye the Lord for the auenging of Is- 2 rael, and for the people that offred themselues willingly. Heare, 3 ye Kings, hearken ye princes: I, euen I will sing vnto the Lord: I will sing praise vnto the Lord God of Israel. Lord, when thou 4 wentest out of Seir, when thou departedst out of the field of Edom, the earth trembled, and the heavens rained, the cloudes also dropped water. The mountaines melted before the Lord, 5 as did that Sinai before the Lord God of Israel. In the dayes of 6 Shamgar the sonne of Anath, in the dayes of Iael the hie wayes were vnoccupied, and the trauelers walked through by wayes. The townes were not inhabited: they decayed, I say, in Israel, 7 vntill I Deborah came vp, which rose vp a mother in Israel. They chose new gods: then was warre in the gates. Was there 8 a shielde or speare seene among fourtie thousand of Israel? Mine heart is set on the gouernours of Israel, and on them that 9 are willing among the people: praise ye the Lord. Speake 10 ye that ride on white asses, yee that dwel by Middin, and that walke by the way. For the noyse of the archers appaised 11 among the drawers of water: there shall they rehearse the righteousnesse of the Lord, his righteousnesse of his townes in Israel: then did the people of the Lord goe downe to the gates. Vp Deborah, vp, arise, and sing a song: arise Barak, 12 and leade thy captiuitie captiue, thou sonne of Abinoam. For 13 they that remaine, have dominio over the mightie of the people: the Lord hath given me dominion ouer the strong. Of 14

Ephraim their roote arose against Amalek: and after thee, Beniamin shall fight against thy people, O Amalek: of Machir came rulers, and of Zebulun they that handle the pen of the 15 writer. And the Princes of Issachar were with Deborah, and Issachar, and also Barak: he was set on his feete in the valley: 16 for the diuisions of Reuben were great thoughts of heart. Why abodest thou among the sheepefolds, to heare the bleatings of the flockes? for the diuisions of Reuben were great thoughts 17 of heart. Gilead abode beyonde Iorden: and why doeth Dan remayne in shippes? Asher sate on the sea shoare, and taryed 18 in his decayed places. But the people of Zebulun and Naphtali haue ieopard their liues vnto the death in the hie places of the 19 field. The Kings came and fought: then fought the Kings of Canaan in Taanach by the waters of Megiddo: they received 20 no gaine of money. They fought from heauen, euen the star-21 res in their courses fought against Sisera. The Riuer Kishon swepe them away, that ancient riuer the riuer Kishon. O my 22 soule, thou hast marched valiantly. Then were the horsehooues broken with the oft beating together of their mightie Curse ye Meroz: (sayd the Angel of the Lord) curse the inhabitantes thereof, because they came not to helpe the 24 Lord, to helpe the Lord against the mighty. Iael the wife of Heber the Kenite shall be blessed aboue other women: blessed 25 shall she be aboue women dwelling in tentes. He asked water, and shee gaue him milke: she brought forth butter in a lordly She put her hand to the naile, and her right hand to 26 dish. the workemans hammer: with the hammer smote she Sisera: she smote off his head, after she had wounded, and pearsed his 27 temples. He bowed him downe at her feete, he fell downe, and lay still: at her feete hee bowed him downe, and fell: and when 28 he had sunke downe, he lay there dead. The mother of Sisera looked out at a windowe, and cryed thorowe the lattesse, Why is his charet so long a comming? why tary the wheeles 29 of his charets? Her wise ladies answered her, Yea. Shee an-30 swered her selfe with her owne wordes, Haue they not gotten, and they deuide the spoyle? euery man hath a mayde or two. Sisera hath a praye of divers coloured garmentes, a pray of sundry colours made of needle worke: of diuers colours of nee-31 dle worke on both sides, for the chiefe of the spoyle. So let all thine enemies perish, O Lord: but they that loue him, shall be

as the Sunne when he riseth in his might, and the lande had rest fourtie yeres.

Afterwarde the children of Israel committed wickednesse in **6** the sight of the Lord, and the Lord gaue them into the handes of Midian seuen yeres. And the hand of Midian preuayled 2 against Israel, and because of the Midianites the children of Israel made them dennes in the mountaines, and caues, and strong holdes. When Israel had sowen, then came vp the Mid- 3 ianites, the Amalekites, and they of the East, and came vpon them, And camped by them, and destroyed the fruite of the 4 earth, euen til thou come vnto Azzah, and left no foode for Israel, neither sheepe, nor oxe, nor asse. For they went vp, and 5 their cattel, and came with their tentes as grashoppers in multitude: so that they and their camels were without number: and they came into the land to destroy it. So was Israel ex- 6 ceedingly impouerished by the Midianites: therefore the children of Israel cryed vnto the Lord. And when the children 7 of Israel cryed vnto the Lord because of the Midianites, The 8 Lord sent vnto the children of Israel a Prophet, who savd vuto them, Thus sayth the Lord God of Israel, I have brought you vp from Egypt, and haue brought you out of the house of bondage, And I have delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, 9 and out of the hand of all that oppressed you, and have cast them out before you, and given you their land. And I sayde 10 vnto you, I am the Lord your God: feare not the gods of the Amorites in whose lande you dwell: but ye haue not obeyed my voyce. And the Angell of the Lord came, and sate vnder 11 the oke which was in Ophrah, that perteined vnto Ioash the father of the Ezrites, and his sonne Gideon threshed wheate by the winepresse, to hide it from the Midianites. Then the 12 Angel of the Lord appeared vnto him, and said vnto him, The Lord is with thee, thou valiant man. To whome Gideon an- 13 swered, Ah my Lord, if the Lord be with vs, why then is all this come vpon vs? and where be all his miracles which our fathers tolde vs of, and sayd, Did not the Lord bring vs out of Egypt? but now the Lord hath forsaken vs, and deliuered vs into the hand of the Midianites. And the Lord looked vpon 14 him, and sayd, Goe in this thy might, and thou shalt saue Israel out of the handes of the Midianites: have not I sent thee? And he answered him, Ah my Lord, whereby shall I saue Is- 15

rael? beholde, my father is poore in Manasseh, and I am the 16 least in my fathers house. Then the Lord sayd vnto him, I wil therefore be with thee, and thou shalt smite the Midian-17 ites, as one man. And he answered him, I pray thee, if I haue founde fauour in thy sight, then shewe me a signe, that thou 18 talkest with me. Depart not hence, I pray thee, vntil I come vnto thee, and bring mine offring, and lay it before thee. And 19 he sayde, I will tary vntill thou come againe. Then Gideon went in, and made ready a kidde, and vnleauened bread of an Ephah of floure, and put the flesh in a basket, and put the broth in a pot, and brought it out vnto him vnder the oke, and 20 presented it. And the Angell of God saide vnto him, Take the flesh and the vnleauened bread, and lay them vpon this stone, 21 and powre out the broth: and he did so. Then the Angell of the Lord put forth the ende of the staffe that he had in his hand, and touched the flesh and the vnleauened bread; and there arose vp fire out of the stone, and consumed the flesh and the vnleauened bread: so the Angel of the Lord departed out of his 22 sight. And when Gideon perceived that it was an Angel of the Lord, Gideon then sayde, Alas, my Lord God: for because I 23 haue seene an Angell of the Lord face to face, I shall die. And the Lord said vnto him, Peace be vnto thee: feare not, thou 24 shalt not die. Then Gideon made an altar there vnto the Lord. and called it, Iehouah shalom: vnto this day it is in Ophrah, of 25 the father of the Ezrites. And the same night the Lord sayd vnto him, Take thy fathers yong bullocke, and an other bullocke of seuen yeeres olde, and destroy the altar of Baal that 26 thy father hath, and cut downe the groue that is by it. And build an altar vnto the Lord thy God vpon the top of this rocke, in a plaine place: and take the seconde bullocke, and offer a burnt offringe with the woode of the groue, which thou shalt Then Gideon tooke tenne men of his seruants, 27 cut downe. and did as ye Lord bade him: but because he feared to doe it by day for his fathers housholde, and the men of the citie, he 28 did it by night. And when the men of the citie arose early in the morning, beholde, the altar of Baal was broken, and the groue cut downe that was by it, and the seconde bullocke of-29 fred vpon the altar that was made. Therefore they saide one to another, Who hath done this thing? and when they inquired and asked, they saide, Gideon the sonne of Ioash hath done

Then the men of the citie said vnto Ioash, Bring 30 this thing. out thy sonne, that hee may dye: for he hath destroyed the altar of Baal, and hath also cut downe the groue that was by it. And Ioash said vnto all that stood by him, Will ye pleade 31 Baals cause? or will ye saue him? he that will contend for him, let him dye or the morning. If he be God, let him pleade for himselfe against him that hath cast downe his altar. And in 32 that day was Gideon called Ierubbaal, that is, Let Baal pleade for himselfe because he hath broken downe his altar. Then all 33 the Midianites and the Amalekites and they of ye East, were gathered together, and went and pitched in the valley of Izreel. But the Spirit of the Lord came vpon Gideon, and he blew a 34 trumpet, and Abiezer was joyned with him. And he sent mes- 35 sengers thorowout al Manasseh, which also was iovned with him, and he sent messengers vnto Asher, and to Zebulun and to Naphtali, and they came vp to meete them. Then Gideon 36 said vnto God, If thou wilt saue Israel by mine hand, as thou hast sayd, Beholde, I wil put a fleece of wooll in the threshing 37 place: if the dewe come on the fleece onely, and it be drie vpon all the earth, then shall I be sure, that thou wilt saue Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said. And so it was: for he rose 38 vp earely on the morow, and thrust the fleece together, and wringed the dew out of the fleece, and filled a bowle of water. Againe, Gideon sayde vnto God, Be not angry with me, that I 39 may speake once more: let me prooue once againe, I pray thee, with the fleece: let it now be drie onely vpon the fleece, and let dewe be vpon all the ground. And God did so that same night: 40 for it was drie vpon the fleece onely, and there was dewe on all the ground.

Then Ierubbaal (who is Gideon) rose vp early, and all the 7 people that were with him, and pitched beside the well of Harod, so that the hoste of the Midianites was on the Northside of them in the valley by the hill of Moreh. And the Lord said 2 vnto Gideon, The people that are with thee, are too many for me to giue the Midianites into their hands, lest Israel make their vaunt against me, and say, Mine hand hath saued mee. Now therefore proclaime in the audience of the people, and say, 3 Who so is timerous or fearefull, let him returne, and depart earely from mount Gilead. And there returned of the people which were at mount Gilead, two and twentie thousand: so

4 ten thousand remayned. And the Lord said vnto Gideon, The people are yet too many: bring them downe vnto the water, and I will try them for thee there: and of whome I say vnto thee, This man shall goe with thee, the same shall go with thee: and of whomsoeuer I say vnto thee, This man shall not goe with 5 thee, the same shall not go. So he brought downe the people vnto the water. And the Lord sayd vnto Gideon, As many as lap the water with their tongues, as a dog lappeth, them put by themselues, and euery one that shall bow downe his knees 6 to drinke, put apart. And the nomber of them that lapped by putting their handes to their mouthes, were three hundreth men: but all the remnant of the people kneeled downe vpon 7 their knees to drinke water. Then the Lord sayde vnto Gideon, By these three hundreth men that lapped, will I saue you, and deliuer the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the other 8 people go euery man vnto his place. So the people tooke vitailes with them, and their trumpets: and he sent all the rest of Israel, euery man vnto his tent, and reteined the three hundreth men: and the hoste of Midian was beneath him in a val-9 ley. And the same night the Lord sayde vnto him, Arise, get thee downe vnto the hoste: for I have delivered it into thine 10 hand. But if thou feare to go downe, then go thou, and Phu-11 rah thy seruant downe to the hoste. And thou shalt hearken what they say, and so shall thine handes be strong to go downe vnto the hoste. Then went he downe and Phurah his seruant 12 vnto the outside of the souldiers that were in the hoste. And the Midianites, and the Amalekites and all they of the East, lay in the valley like grashoppers in multitude, and their camels were without nomber, as the sande which is by the sea side for 13 multitude. And when Gideon was come, beholde, a man tolde a dreame vnto his neighbour, and said, Behold, I dreamed a dreame, and lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled from aboue into the hoste of Midian, and came vnto a tent, and smote it that it 14 fell, and ouerturned it, that the tent fell downe. And his fellow answered, and sayde, This is nothing els saue the sworde of Gideon the sonne of Ioash a man of Israel: for into his hande 15 hath God deliuered Midian and all the hoste. When Gideon heard the dreame tolde, and the interpretation of the same, he worshipped, and returned vnto the hoste of Israel, and said, Vp: for the Lord hath deliuered into your hande the hoste of Midian. And hee deuided the three hundreth men into three 16 bandes, and gaue euery man a trumpet in his hande with emptie pitchers, and lampes within the pitchers. And he sayd vnto 17 them, Looke on me, and do likewise, when I come to the side of the hoste: euen as I do, so do you. When I blowe with a trum- 18 pet and all that are with me, blowe ye with trumpets also on euery side of the hoste, and say, For the Lord, and for Gideon. So Gideon and the hundreth men that were with him, came 19 vnto the outside of the hoste, in the beginning of the middle watche, and they raised vp the watchmen, and they blew with their trumpets, and brake the pitchers that were in their handes. And the three companies blew with trumpets and brake 20 the pitchers, and helde the lampes in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right. handes to blowe withall: and they cryed, The sword of the Lord and of Gideon. And they stoode, 21 euery man in his place round about the hoste: and all the hoste ranne. and crved, and fled. And the three hundreth blewe 22 with trumpets, and the Lord set euery mans sworde vpon his neighbour, and vpon all the hoste: so the hoste fled to Bethhashittah in Zererah, and to the border of Abel-meholah, vnto Tabbath. Then the men of Israel being gathered together out 23 of Naphtali, and out of Asher, and out of all Manasseh, pursued after the Midianites. And Gideon sent messengers vnto 24 all mount Ephraim, saying, Come downe against the Midianites, and take before them the waters vnto Beth-barah, and Iorden. Then all the men of Ephraim gathered together and tooke the waters vnto Beth-barah, and Iorden. And they tooke two 25 princes of the Midianites, Oreb and Zeeb, and slew Oreb vpon the rocke Oreb, and slewe Zeeb at the winepresse of Zeeb, and pursued the Midianites, and brought the heads of Oreb and Zeeb to Gideon beyonde Iorden.

Then the men of Ephraim sayde vnto him, Why hast thou serued vs thus that thou calledst vs not, when thou wentest to fight with the Midianites? and they chode with him sharply. To whom he said, What haue I now done in comparison of 2 you? is not the gleaning of grapes of Ephraim better, then the vintage of Abiezer? God hath deliuered into your handes the 3 princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb: and what was I able to do in comparison of you? and when he had thus spoken, then their spirits abated toward him. And Gideon came to Iorden 4

to passe ouer, hee, and the three hundreth men that were with 5 him, weary, yet pursuing them. And he said vnto the men of Succoth, Giue, I pray you, morsels of bread vnto the people that follow me (for they be wearie) that I may follow after Zebah, 6 and Zalmunna Kings of Midian. And the princes of Succoth sayde, Are the handes of Zebah and Zalmunna nowe in thine 7 hads, that we should give bread vnto thine army? Gideon then sayde. Therefore when the Lord hath deliuered Zebah and Zalmunna into mine hand, I will teare your flesh with thornes 8 of the wildernes and with breers. And he went vp thence to Penuel, and spake vnto them likewise, and the men of Penuel 9 answered him, as the men of Succoth answered. And he sayd also vnto the men of Penuel, When I come againe in peace, 10 I will breake downe this towre. Now Zebah and Zalmunna were in Karkor, and their hostes with them, about fifteene thousande, all that were left of all the hostes of them of the East: for there was slaine an hundreth and twentie thousand 11 men, that drew swordes. And Gideon went through them that dwelt in Tabernacles on the East side of Nobah and Iogbehah. 12 and smote the hoste: for the hoste was carelesse. And when Zebah and Zalmunna fled, hee followed after them, and tooke the two kings of Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, and discomfited 13 all the hoste. So Gideon the sonne of Ioash returned from bat-14 tel, the sunne being yet hie, And tooke a seruant of the me of Succoth, and inquired of him: and he wrote to him the princes of Succoth and the Elders thereof, euen seuentie and seuen 15 men. And he came vnto the men of Succoth, and sayd, Behold Zebah and Zalmunna, by whome ve vpbrayded me, saying, Are the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna already in thine hands, that 16 we should give bread vnto thy weary men? Then he tooke the Elders of the citie, and thornes of the wildernes and breers, and 17 did teare the men of Succoth with them. Also he brake downe 18 the towre of Penuel, and slew the men of the citie. Then saide he vnto Zebah and Zalmunna, What maner of men were they, whom ye slew at Tabor? and they answered, As thou art, so 19 were they: euery one was like the children of a King. And he said, They were my brethren, euen my mothers children: as the Lord liueth, if ye had saued their liues, I would not slay 20 you. Then he sayde vnto Iether his first borne sonne, Vp, and slav them: but the boy drew not his sword: for he feared, because he was yet yong. Then Zebah and Zalmunna sayd, Rise 21 thou, and fall vpon vs: for as the man is, so is his strength. And Gideon arose and slew Zebah and Zalmunna, and tooke away the ornamentes, that were on their camels neckes. Then the 22 men of Israel sayd vnto Gideon, Reigne thou ouer vs, both thou, and thy sonne, and thy sonnes sonne: for thou hast deliuered vs out of the hand of Midian. And Gideon savde vnto them. 23 I will not reigne ouer you, neither shall my childe reigne ouer you, but the Lord shall reigne ouer you. Againe Gideon sayd 24 vnto them, I would desire a request of you, that you would give mee euery man the earings of his pray (for they had golden earings because they were Ismaelites) And they answered, Wee 25 will give them. And they spred a garment, and did cast therein euery man the earings of his pray. And the weight of the 26 golden earings that he required, was a thousande and seuen hundreth shekels of golde, beside collers and iewels, and purple rayment that was on the kings of Midian, and beside the chevnes that were about their camels neckes. And Gideon 27 made an Ephod thereof, and put it in Ophrah his citie: and all Israel went a whoring there after it, which was the destruction of Gideon and his house. Thus was Midian brought lowe 28 before the children of Israel, so that they lift vp their heads no more: and the countrey was in quietnes fourtie yeeres in the daves of Gideon. Then Ierubbaal the sonne of Ioash went. 29 and dwelt in his owne house. And Gideon had seventie sonnes 30 begotten of his body: for he had many wives. And his concu- 31 bine that was in Shechem, bare him a sonne also, whose name he called Abimelech. So Gideon the sonne of Ioash dyed in a 32 good age, and was buried in the sepulchre of Ioash his father in Ophrah, of the father of ye Ezrites. But when Gideon was 33 dead, the children of Israel turned away and went a whoring after Baalim, and made Baal-berith their God. And the chil- 34 dren of Israel remembred not the Lord their God, which had deliuered the out of the hands of all their enemies on euery side. Neither shewed they mercy on the house of Ierubbaal, 35 or Gideon, according to al the goodnesse which he had shewed vnto Israel.

Then Abimelech the sonne of Ierubbaal went to Shechem 9 vnto his mothers brethren, and communed with them, and with all the familie, and house of his mothers father, saying,

2 Say, I pray you, in the audience of all the men of Shechem, Whether is better for you, that all the sonnes of Ierubbaal, which are seuentie persons, reigne ouer you, either that one reigne ouer you? Remember also, that I am your bone, and 3 your flesh. Then his mothers brethren spake of him in the audience of all the men of Shechem, all these wordes: and their hearts were moued to follow Abimelech: for sayd they, He is 4 our brother. And they gaue him seuentie pieces of siluer out of the house of Baal-berith, wherewith Abimelech hired vayne 5 and light fellowes which followed him. And he went vnto his fathers house at Ophrah, and slew his brethren, the sonnes of Ierubbaal, about seuentie persons vpon one stone: yet Iotham the yongest sonne of Ierubbaal was left: for he hid him-6 selfe. And all the men of Shechem gathered together with all the house of Millo, and came and made Abimelech King in the 7 playne, where the stone was erected in Shechem. And when they told it to Iotham, he went and stoode in the top of mount Gerizim, and lift vp his voyce, and cryed, and sayd vnto them, Hearken vnto mee, you men of Shechem, that God may hear-8 ken vnto you. The trees went foorth to anoynt a King ouer 9 them, and sayde vnto the oliue tree, Reigne thou ouer vs. But the oliue tree said vnto them, Should I leaue my fatnes, wherewith by me they honour God and man, and go to aduance me 10 aboue ye trees? Then the trees sayde to the fig tree, Come 11 thou, and be King ouer vs. But the fig tree answered them, Should I forsake my sweetenesse, and my good fruite, and goe 12 to aduance me aboue the trees? Then sayd the trees vnto the 13 Vine, Come thou, and be king ouer vs. But the Vine sayde vnto them, Should I leaue my wine, whereby I cheare God and 14 man, and goe to aduance me aboue the trees? Then said all the trees vnto the bramble, Come thou, and reigne ouer vs. 15 And the bramble said vnto the trees, If ye will in deede anoynt me King ouer you, come, and put your trust vnder my shadowe: and if not, the fire shall come out of the bramble, and consume 16 the Cedars of Lebanon. Now therefore, if ye doe truely and vncorruptly to make Abimelech King, and if ye haue delt well with Ierubbaal and with his house, and haue done vnto him ac-17 cording to the deseruing of his handes, (For my father fought for you, and aduentured his life, and deliuered you out of the 18 handes of Midian. And yee are risen vp against my fathers house this day, and haue slayne his children, about seuentie persons vpon one stone, and haue made Abimelech the sonne of his mayde seruant, King ouer the men of Shechem, because hee is your brother) If ye then have delt truely and purely 19 with Ierubbaal, and with his house this day, then reioyce with vou. But if not, let a fire come out from Abimelech, and con- 20 sume the men of Shechem and the house of Millo: also let a fire come foorth from the men of Shechem, and from the house of Millo, and consume Abimelech. And Iotham ran away, and 21 fled, and went to Beer, and dwelt there for feare of Abimelech So Abimelech reigned three yeere ouer Israel. 22 But God sent an euil spirit betweene Abimelech, and the men 23 of Shechem: and the men of Shechem brake their promise to Abimelech. That the crueltie toward the seuentie sonnes of 24 Ierubbaal and their blood might come and be laide vpon Abimelech their brother, which had slavne them, and voon the men of Shechem, which had avded him to kill his brethren. So the 25 men of Shechem set men in wayte for him in the toppes of the mountaines: who robbed all that passed that way by them: and it was tolde Abimelech. Then Gaal the sonne of Ebed came 26 with his brethren, and they went to Shechem: and the men of Shechem put their confidence in him. Therefore they went out 27 into the field, and gathered in their grapes and troade them, and made merie, and went into the house of their gods, and did eate and drinke, and cursed Abimelech. Then Gaal the 28 sonne of Ebed sayde, Who is Abimelech? and who is Shechem, that wee should serue him? Is he not the sonne of Ierubbaal? and Zebul is his officer? Serue rather the men of Hamor the father of Shechem: for why should we serue him? Now would 29 God this people were vnder mine hand: then would I put away Abimelech. And he said to Abimelech. Increase thine army. And when Zebul the ruler of the citie heard 30 and come out. the wordes of Gaal the sonne of Ebed, his wrath was kindled. Therefore he sent messengers vnto Abimelech priuily, saying, 31 Beholde, Gaal the sonne of Ebed and his brethren be come to Shechem, and beholde, they fortifie the citie against thee. Now therefore arise by night, thou and the people that is with 32 thee, and lye in wayte in the fielde. And rise early in the 33 morning as soone as the sunne is vp, and assault the citie: and when he and the people that is with him, shall come out

34 against thee, doe to him what thou canst. So Abimelech rose vp, and all the people that were with him by night: and they 35 lay in wayte against Shechem in foure bandes. Then Gaal the sonne of Ebed went out and stood in the entring of the gate of the citie: and Abimelech rose vp, and the folke that were with 36 him, from lying in waite. And when Gaal sawe the people, he said to Zebul, Beholde, there come people downe from the tops of the mountaines: and Zebul said vnto him, The shad-37 owe of the mountaines seeme men vnto thee. And Gaal spake againe, and said, See, there come folke downe by the middle of the land, and another bande commeth by the way of the plaine 38 of Meonenim. Then sayd Zebul vnto him, Where is now thy mouth, that said, Who is Abimelech, that we should serue him? Is not this the people that thou hast despised? Go out now, I 39 pray thee, and fight with them. And Gaal went out before 40 the men of Shechem, and fought with Abimelech. But Abimelech pursued him, and he fledde before him, and many were ouerthrowen and wounded, euen vnto the entring of the gate. 41 And Abimelech dwelt at Arumah: and Zebul thrust out Gaal 42 and his brethren that they should not dwell in Shechem. And on the morowe, the people went out into the fielde: which was 43 tolde Abimelech. And he tooke the people, and deuided them into three bandes, and layde wayte in the fieldes, and looked, and beholde, the people were come out of the citie, and he rose 44 vp against them, and smote them. And Abimelech, and the bandes that were with him, russhed forwarde, and stoode in the entring of the gate of the citie: and the two other bandes ran vpon all the people that were in the fielde and slewe them. 45 And when Abimelech had fought against the citie all that day, he tooke the citie, and slewe the people that was therein, and 46 destroyed the citie and sowed salt in it. And when all the men of the towre of Shechem heard it, they entred into an holde of 47 the house of the god Berith. And it was tolde Abimelech, that all the men of the towre of Shechem were gathered together. 48 And Abimelech gate him vp to mounte Zalmon, hee and all the people that were with him: and Abimelech tooke axes with him, and cut downe boughes of trees, and tooke them, and bare them on his shoulder, and sayde vnto the folke that were with him, What ye haue seene me doe, make haste, and doe like me. Then all the people also cut downe euery man his bough,

and followed Abimelech, and put them to the holde, and set the holde on fire with them: so all the men of the towre of Shechem dved also, about a thousand men and women. Then went 50 Abimelech to Tebez, and besieged Tebez, and tooke it. there was a strong towre within the citie, and thither fledde all the men and women, and all the chiefe of the citie, and shut it to them, and went vp to the toppe of the towre. And Abim- 52 elech came vnto the towre and fought against it, and went hard vnto the doore of the towre to set it on fire. But a certaine 53 woman cast a piece of a milstone vpon Abimelechs head, and brake his braine pan. Then Abimelech called hastily his page 54 that bare his harneis, and sayde vnto him, Drawe thy sworde and slay me, that men say not of me, A woman slewe him. And his page thrust him thorowe, and he dyed. And when the men 55 of Israel sawe that Abimelech was dead, they departed euery man vnto his owne place. Thus God rendred the wickednes of 56 Abimelech, which he did vnto his father, in slaving his seuentie brethren. Also all the wickednes of the men of Shechem 57 did God bring vpon their heads. So vpon them came the curse of Iotham the sonne of Ierubbaal.

After Abimelech there arose to defend Israel, Tola, the sonne 10 of Puah, the sone of Dodo, a man of Issachar, which dwelt in Shamir in mount Ephraim. And he judged Israel three and 2 twentie yeere and dyed, and was buried in Shamir. And after 3 him arose Iair a Gileadite, and judged Israel two and twenty And he had thirtie sonnes that rode on thirtie assec- 4 olts, and they had thirtie cities, which are called Hauoth-Iair vnto this day, and are in the land of Gilead. And Iair dyed, 5 and was buried in Kamon. And the children of Israel wrought 6 wickednesse againe in the sight of the Lord, and serued Baalim and Ashtaroth, and the gods of Aram, and the gods of Zidon, and the gods of Moab, and the gods of the children of Ammon, and the gods of the Philistims, and forsooke the Lord Therefore the wrath of the Lord was 7 and serued not him. kindled against Israel, and he solde them into the hands of the Philistims, and into the handes of the children of Ammon: Who from that yere vexed and oppressed the children of Israel 8 eighteene veres, euen all the children of Israel that were beyond Iorden, in the land of the Amorites, which is in Gilead. Moreouer, the children of Ammon went ouer Iorden to fight 9

against Iudah, and against Beniamin, and against the house 10 of Ephraim: so that Israel was sore tormented. Then the children of Israel cryed vnto the Lord, saying, We haue sinned against thee, euen because we haue forsaken our owne God, 11 and haue serued Baalim. And the Lord sayd vnto the children of Israel, Did not I deliuer you from the Egyptians and from the Amorites, from the children of Ammon and from the 12 Philistims? The Zidonians also, and the Amalekites, and the Maonites did oppresse you, and ye cryed to me and I saued 13 you out of their hands. Yet ye haue forsaken me, and serued 14 other gods: wherefore I will deliuer you no more. Goe, and cry vnto the gods which ye haue chosen: let them saue you in the 15 time of your tribulation. And the children of Israel sayde vnto the Lord. We have sinned: doe thou vnto vs whatsoeuer please 16 thee: onely we pray thee to deliuer vs this day. Then they put away the strange gods from among them and serued the Lord: 17 and his soule was grieued for the miserie of Israel. Then the children of Ammon gathered themselues together, and pitched in Gilead: and the children of Israel assembled themselues. 18 and pitched in Mizpeh. And the people and princes of Gilead said one to another, Whosoeuer will beginne the battell against the children of Ammon, the same shall be head ouer all the inhabitants of Gilead.

Then Gilead begate Iphtah, and Iphtah the Gileadite was 11 2 a valiant man, but the sonne of an harlot. And Gileads wife bare him sonnes, and when the womans children were come to age, they thrust out Iphtah, and sayd vnto him, Thou shalt not inherite in our fathers house: for thou art the sonne of a 3 strange woman. Then Iphtah fledde from his brethren, and dwelt in the land of Tob: and there gathered idle fellowes to 4 Iphtah, and went out with him. And in processe of time the 5 children of Ammon made warre with Israel. And when the children of Ammon fought with Israel, the Elders of Gilead 6 went to fet Iphtah out of the land of Tob. And they saide vnto Iphtah, Come and be our captaine, that we may fight with 7 the children of Ammon. Iphtah then answered the Elders of Gilead, Did not ye hate me, and expell me out of my fathers house? how then come you vnto me now in time of your tribu-8 lation? Then the Elders of Gilead saide vnto Iphtah, Therefore we turne againe to thee now, that thou mayest goe with

vs, and fight against the children of Ammon, and bee our head ouer all the inhabitants of Gilead. And Iphtah said vnto the 9 Elders of Gilead, If ye bring me home againe to fight against the children of Ammon, if the Lord give them before me, shall I be your head? And the Elders of Gilead saide to Iphtah, 10 The Lord be witnesse betweene vs. if we doe not according to thy wordes. Then Iphtah went with the Elders of Gilead, and 11 the people made him head and captaine ouer them: and Iphtah rehearsed all his wordes before the Lord in Mizpeh. Then 12 Iphtah sent messengers vnto the king of the children of Ammon, saying, What hast thou to doe with me, that thou art come against me, to fight in my lande? And the King of the 13 children of Ammon answered vnto the messengers of Iphtah, Because Israel tooke my lande, when they came vp from Egypt, from Arnon vnto Iabbok, and vnto Iorden: now therefore restore those lands quietly. Yet Iphtah sent messengers againe 14 vnto the King of the children of Ammon, And said vnto him, 15 Thus saith Iphtah, Israel tooke not the lande of Moab, nor the lande of the children of Ammon. But when Israel came 16 vp from Egypt, and walked through the wildernesse vnto the redde Sea, then they came to Kadesh. And Israel sent mes- 17 sengers vnto the king of Edom, saying, Let me, I pray thee, goe thorowe thy lande: but the King of Edom woulde not consent: and also they sent vnto the King of Moab, but he would not: therefore Israel abode in Kadesh. Then they went through 18 the wildernesse, and compassed the lande of Edom, and the lande of Moab, and came by the Eastside of the lande of Moab, and pitched on the other side of Arnon, and came not within the coast of Moab: for Arnon was the border of Moab. Also 19 Israel sent messengers vnto Sihon, King of the Amorites, the King of Heshbon, and Israel said vnto him, Let vs passe, we pray thee, by thy lande vnto our place. But Sihon consented 20 not to Israel, that he shoulde goe through his coast: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and pitched in Iahaz, and fought with Israel. And the Lord God of Israel gaue Sihon and 21 all his folke into the handes of Israel, and they smote them: so Israel possessed all the lande of the Amorites, the inhabitants of that countrey: And they possessed all the coast of the Amor- 22 ites, from Arnon vnto Iabbok, and from the wildernesse euen vnto Iorden. Nowe therefore the Lord God of Israel hath cast 23

out the Amorites before his people Israel, and shouldest thou 24 possesse it? Wouldest not thou possesse that which Chemosh thy god giueth thee to possesse? So whomesoeuer the Lord our 25 God driueth out before vs, them will we possesse. thou nowe farre better then Balak the sonne of Zippor King of Moab? did he not striue with Israel and fight against them, 26 When Israel dwelt in Heshbon and in her townes, and in Aroer and in her townes, and in all the cities that are by the coastes of Arnon, three hundreth yeeres? why did ye not then recouer 27 them in that space? Wherefore, I have not offended thee: but thou doest me wrong to warre against me. The Lord the Iudge be judge this day betweene the children of Israel, and the chil-28 dren of Ammon. Howbeit the King of the children of Ammon hearkened not vnto the wordes of Iphtah, which he had sent 29 him. Then the Spirite of the Lord came vpon Iphtah, and he passed ouer to Gilead and to Manasseh, and came to Mizpeh in Gilead, and from Mizpeh in Gilead he went vnto the children 30 of Ammon. And Iphtah vowed a vowe vnto the Lord, and said, If thou shalt deliuer the children of Ammon into mine handes, 31 Then that thing that commeth out of the doores of mine house to meete me, when I come home in peace from the children of Ammon, shall be the Lordes, and I will offer it for a burnt of-32 fering. And so Iphtah went vnto the children of Ammon to fight against them, and the Lord deliuered them into his han-33 des. And he smote them from Aroer euen till thou come to Minnith, twentie cities, and so foorth to Abel of the vineyardes, with an exceeding great slaughter. Thus the children of Ammon were humbled before the children of Israel. Nowe when Iphtah came to Mizpeh vnto his house, beholde, his daughter came out to meete him with timbrels and daunces, which was 35 his onely childe: he had none other sonne, nor daughter. And when hee sawe her, hee rent his clothes, and saide, Alas my daughter, thou hast brought me lowe, and art of them that trouble me: for I have opened my mouth vnto the Lord, and 36 can not goe backe. And she said vnto him, My father, if thou hast opened thy mouth vnto the Lord, doe with me as thou hast promised, seeing that the Lord hath auenged thee of thine en-37 emies the children of Ammon. Also she saide vnto her father, Doe thus much for me: suffer me two moneths, that I may goe to the mountaines, and bewaile my virginitie, I and my fellowes. And he sayde, Goe: and he sent her away two moneths: 38 so she went with her companions, and lamented her virginitie vpon the moutaines. And after the ende of two moneths, she 39 turned againe vnto her father, who did with her according to his vowe which he had vowed, and she had knowen no man. and it was a custome in Israel: The daughters of Israel went 40 yere by yere to lament the daughter of Iphtah the Gileadite, foure dayes in a yeere.

And the me of Ephraim gathered themselues together, and 12 went Northwarde, and saide vnto Iphtah, Wherefore wentest thou to fight against the children of Ammon, and diddest not call vs to goe with thee? we will therefore burne thine house vpon thee with fire. And Iphtah said vnto them, I and my 2 people were at great strife with the children of Ammon, and when I called you, ye deliuered me not out of their handes. So 3 when I sawe that ve deliuered me not. I put my life in mine hands, and went vpon the children of Ammon: so the Lord deliuered them into mine handes. Wherefore then are ye come vpon me nowe to fight against me? Then Iphtah gathered all 4 the men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim: and the men of Gilead smote Ephraim, because they said, Ye Gileadites are runnagates of Ephraim among the Ephraimites, and among the Manassites. Also the Gileadites tooke the passages of Ior- 5 den before the Ephraimites, and when the Ephraimites that were escaped, saide, Let me passe, then the men of Gilead said vnto him, Art thou an Ephraimite? If he said, Nay, Then 6 said they vnto him, Say nowe Shibboleth: and he said, Sibboleth: for he could not so pronounce: then they tooke him, and slewe him at the passages of Iorden: and there fel at that time of the Ephraimites two and fourtie thousand. And 7 Iphtah iudged Israel sixe yeere: then dyed Iphtah the Gileadite, and was buryed in one of the cities of Gilead. After him 8 Ibzan of Beth-lehem iudged Israel, Who had thirtie sonnes 9 and thirtie daughters, which he sent out, and tooke in thirtie daughters from abroade for his sonnes. and he iudged Israel seuen yeere. Then Ibzan died, and was buryed at Beth- 10 lehem. And after him judged Israel Elon, a Zebulonite, and 11 he iudged Israel tenne yeere. Then Elon the Zebulonite dyed, 12 and was buryed in Aijalon in the countrey of Zebulun. And 13 after him Abdon the sonne of Hillel the Pirathonite iudged Is14 rael. And he had fourty sonnes and thirtie nephewes that rode on seuentie assecoltes: and he iudged Israel eight yeeres.

15 Then dyed Abdon the sonne of Hillel the Pirathonite, and was buryed in Pirathon, in ye lande of Ephraim, in the Mount of the Amalekites.

Byt the children of Israel continued to commit wickednesse 13 in the sight of the Lord, and the Lord deliuerd them into the 2 handes of the Philistims fourtie yeere. Then there was a man in Zorah of the familie of the Danites, named Manoah, whose 3 wife was baren, and bare not. And the Angel of the Lord appeared vnto the woman, and said vnto her, Beholde nowe, thou art baren, and bearest not: but thou shalt conceiue, and 4 beare a sonne. And nowe therefore beware that thou drinke no wine, nor strong drinke, neither eate any vncleane thing. 5 For loe, thou shalt conceive and beare a sonne, and no rasor shall come on his head; for the childe shall be a Nazarite vnto God from his birth: and he shall begin to saue Israel out of 6 the handes of the Philistims. Then the wife came, and tolde her husband, saying, A man of God came vnto me, and the facion of him was like the facion of the Angel of God exceeding feareful, but I asked him not whence he was, neither told 7 he me his name, But he saide vnto me, Beholde, thou shalt conceiue, and beare a sonne, and nowe thou shalt drinke no wine, nor strong drinke, neither eate any vncleane thing: for the childe shalbe a Nazarite to God from his birth to the day of 8 his death. Then Manoah prayed to the Lord and saide, I pray thee, my Lord, Let the man of God, whome thou sentest, come againe nowe vnto vs., and teach vs what we shall doe vnto the 9 child when he is borne. And God heard the voyce of Manoah, and the Angel of God came againe vnto the wife, as she sate 10 in the fielde, but Manoah her husband was not with her. And the wife made haste and ranne, and shewed her husband and sayde vnto him, Behold, the man hath appeared vnto me, that 11 came vnto me to day. And Manoah arose and went after his wife, and came to the man, and saide vnto him, Art thou the 12 man that spakest vnto the woman? and he said, Yea. Then Manoah sayde, Nowe let thy saying come to passe: but howe 13 shall we order the childe and doe vnto him? And the Angell of the Lord saide vnto Manoah, The woman must beware of all 14 that I said vnto her. She may eate of nothing that commeth of the vinetree: she shall not drinke wine nor strong drinke, nor eate any vncleane thing: let her obserue all that I haue commanded her. Manoah then said vnto the Angell of the Lord, I 15 pray thee, let vs reteine thee, vntill we haue made readie a kid for thee. And the Angel of the Lord said vnto Manoah, Though 16 thou make me abide, I will not eate of thy bread, and if thou wilt make a burnt offring, offer it vnto the Lord: for Manoah knewe not that it was an Angel of the Lord. Againe Manoah 17 said vnto the Angell of the Lord, What is thy name, that when thy saying is come to passe, we may honour thee? And the 18 Angell of the Lord saide vnto him, Why askest thou thus after my name, which is secret? Then Manoah tooke a kid with 19 a meate offering, and offered it vpon a stone vnto the Lord: and the Angell did wonderously, whiles Manoah and his wife looked on. For when the flame came vp toward heauen from 20 the altar, the Angel of the Lord ascended vp in the flame of the altar, and Manoah and his wife behelde it, and fell on their faces vnto the grounde. (So the Angel of the Lord did no more 21 appeare vnto Manoah and his wife.) Then Manoah knewe that it was an Angel of the Lord. And Manoah said vnto his wife, 22 We shall surely dye, because we have seene God. But his wife 23 saide vnto him, If the Lord woulde kill vs, he woulde not haue received a burnt offring, and a meate offring of our hands, neither would he have shewed vs all these things, nor would now haue tolde vs any such. And the wife bare a sonne, and called 24 his name Samson: and the childe grewe, and the Lord blessed him. And the Spirite of the Lord beganne to strengthen him 25 in the host of Dan, betweene Zorah, and Eshtaol.

Nowe Samson went downe to Timnath, and saw a woman 14 in Timnath of the daughters of the Philistims, And he came 2 vp and told his father and his mother and saide, I haue seene a woman in Timnath of the daughters of the Philistims: now therfore giue me her to wife. Then his father and his mother 3 sayde vnto him, Is there neuer a wife among the daughters of thy brethren, and among all my people, that thou must go to take a wife of the vncircumcised Philistims? And Samson sayd vnto his father, Giue mee her, for she pleaseth me well. But 4 his father and his mother knewe not that it came of the Lord, that he should seeke an occasion against the Philistims: for at that time the Philistims reigned ouer Israel. Then went 5

Samson and his father and his mother downe to Timnath, and came to ye vineyardes at Timnath: and beholde, a young Lyon 6 roared vpon him. And the Spirit of the Lord came vpon him, and he tare him, as one should have rent a kid, and had nothing in his hand, neither told he his father nor his mother what 7 he had done. And he went down, and talked with the woman 8 which was beautifull in the eyes of Samson. And within a fewe dayes, when he returned to receive her, he went aside to see the karkeis of the Lion: and behold, there was a swarme of 9 bees, and hony in the body of the Lyon. And he tooke therof in his handes, and went eating, and came to his father and to his mother, and gaue vnto them, and they did eate: but hee told not them, that he had taken the hony out of the body 10 of the lyon. So his father went down vnto the woman, and Samson made there a feast: for so vsed the yong men to doe. 11 And when they sawe him, they brought thirtie companions to 12 be with him. Then Samson sayd vnto them, I will nowe put forth a riddle vnto you: and if you can declare it me within seuen dayes of the feast, and finde it out, I will give you thirty 13 sheetes, and thirtie change of garments. But if you cannot declare it mee, then shall yee give mee thirty sheetes and thirtie change of garments. And they answered him, Put forth thy 14 riddle, that we may heare it. And he sayd vnto them, Out of the eater came meate, and out of the strong came sweetenesse: and they could not in three dayes expound the riddle. when the seuenth day was come, they said vnto Samsons wife, Entise thine husband, that he may declare vs the riddle, lest wee burne thee and thy fathers house with fire. Haue ve called 16 vs, to possesse vs? is it not so? And Samsons wife wept before him, and said, Surely thou hatest mee and louest mee not: for thou hast put forth a riddle vnto the children of my people, and hast not told it mee. And hee sayd vnto her, Beholde, I haue not 17 told it my father, nor my mother, and shall I tell it thee? Then Samsons wife wept before him seuen dayes, while their feast lasted: and when the seuenth day came he tolde her, because she was importunate vpon him: so she told the riddle to the 18 children of her people. And the men of ye citie sayde vnto him the seuenth day before the Sunne went downe, What is sweeter then honie? and what is stronger then a lyon? Then sayd hee vnto them, If yee had not plowed with my heiffer, yee had not

found out my riddle. And the Spirite of the Lord came vpon 19 him, and he went downe to Ashkelon, and slew thirtie men of them and spoyled them, and gaue chaunge of garments vnto them, which expounded the riddle: and his wrath was kindled, and he went vp to his fathers house. Then Samsons wife was 20 giuen to his companion, whom he had vsed as his friend.

But within a while after, in the time of wheate haruest, 15 Samson visited his wife with a kid, saving, I wil go in to my wife into the chamber: but her father would not suffer him to goe in. And her father sayde, I thought that thou hadst 2 hated her: therefore gaue I her to thy companion. Is not her vonger sister fayrer then shee? take her, I pray thee, in stead of the other. Then Samson saide vnto them. Nowe am I more 3 blamelesse then the Philistims: therefore will I doe them displeasure. And Samson went out, and tooke three hundreth 4 foxes, and tooke firebrands, and turned them taile to taile, and put a firebrand in ve middes betweene two tailes. And when 5 he had set the brandes on fire, he sent them out into the standing corne of the Philistims, and burnt vp both the rickes and the standing corne with the vineyardes and oliues. Then the 6 Philistims sayde, Who hath done this? And they answered, Samson the sonne in law of the Timnite, because hee had taken his wife, and given her to his companion. Then the Philistims came vp and burnt her and her father with fire. And Sam- 7 son saide vnto them, Though yee haue done this, yet wil I be auenged of you, and then I wil cease. So hee smote them hippe 8 and thigh with a mightie plague: then hee went and dwelt in the top of the rocke Etam. Then the Philistims came vp. 9 and pitched in Iudah, and were spred abroad in Lehi. the men of Iudah sayde, Why are yee come vp vnto vs? And they answered. To binde Samson are we come vp. and to do to him as hee hath done to vs. Then three thousande men of 11 Iudah went to the top of the rocke Etam, and sayde to Samson, Knowest thou not that the Philistims are rulers ouer vs? Wherefore then hast thou done thus vnto vs? And he answered them, As they did vnto me, so haue I done vnto them. Againe 12 they sayd vnto him, Wee are come to binde thee, and to deliuer thee into the hande of the Philistims. And Samson sayde vnto them, Sweare vnto me, that yee will not fall vpon me your selues. And they answered him, saying, No, but we will bynde 13

thee and deliuer thee vnto their hande, but we will not kill thee. And they bound him with two newe cordes, and brought 14 him from the rocke. When hee came to Lehi, the Philistims shouted against him, and the Spirite of the Lord came vpon him, and the cordes that were vpon his armes, became as flaxe that was burnt with fire: for the bandes loosed from his han-15 des. And he found a new iawebone of an asse, and put forth his hand, and caught it, and slewe a thousand men therewith. 16 Then Samson sayd, With the iaw of an asse are heapes vpon heapes: with the iawe of an asse haue I slaine a thousand men. 17 And when he had left speaking, hee cast away the iawebone 18 out of his hande, and called that place, Ramath-Lehi. And he was sore a thirst, and called on the Lord, and sayde, Thou hast given this great deliverance into the hand of thy seruaunt: and nowe shall I dye for thirst, and fall into the handes 19 of the vncircumcised? Then God brake the cheeke tooth, that was in the iawe, and water came thereout: and when he had drunke, his Spirit came againe, and he was reuiued: wherefore the name therof is called, Enhakkore, which is in Lehi vnto 20 this day. And hee iudged Israel in the dayes of the Philistims twentie veeres.

Then went Samson to Azzah, and sawe there an harlot, and 16 2 went in vnto her. And it was tolde to the Azzahites, Samson is come hither. And they went about, and laied wayte for him all night in the gate of the citie, and were quiet all the nyght, saying, Abide till the morning earely, and we shall kill him. 3 And Samson slept till midnight, and arose at midnight, and tooke the doores of the gates of the citie, and the two postes and lift them away with the barres, and put them vpon his shoulders, and caried them vp to the top of the mountaine that 4 is before Hebron. And after this hee loued a woman by the ri-5 uer of Sorek, whose name was Delilah: Vnto whome came the princes of the Philistims, and said vnto her, Entise him, and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by what meane we may ouercome him, that we may binde him, and punish him, and euery one of vs shall give thee eleven hundreth shekels 6 of siluer. And Delilah saide to Samson, Tell mee, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength lieth, and wherewith thou might-7 est bee bound, to doe thee hurt. Samson then answered vnto her, If they binde mee with seuen greene cordes, that were neuer dryed, then shall I bee weake, and be as an other man. And the princes of the Philistims brought her seuen greene 8 cordes that were not dry, and she bound him therewith. (And 9 she had men lying in wayte with her in the chamber) Then she said vnto him, The Philistims be vpon thee, Samson. And hee brake the cordes, as a threede of towe is broken, when it feeleth fire: so his strength was not knowen. After Delilah 10 saide vnto Samson, See, thou hast mocked mee and tolde mee lies. I pray thee nowe, tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. Then he answered her, If they binde mee with newe 11 ropes that neuer were occupied, then shall I be weake, and be as an other man. Delilah therefore tooke newe ropes, and 12 bounde him therewith, and saide vnto him. The Philistims be vpon thee, Samson: (and men lay in wayte in the chamber) and hee brake them from his armes, as a threede. Afterward 13 Delilah said to Samson, Hitherto thou hast beguiled mee. and tolde me lies: tell me how thou mightest be bounde. And he sayde vnto her. If thou plattedst seuen lockes of mine head with the threedes of the woufe. And she fastened it with a 14 pinne, and saide vnto him, The Philistims be vpon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleepe, and went away with the pinne of the webbe and the woufe. Againe shee sayde vnto 15 him, Howe canst thou say, I loue thee, when thine heart is not with me? thou hast mocked mee these three times, and hast not tolde me wherein thy great strength lieth. And because 16 shee was importunate vpon him with her wordes continually, and vexed him, his soule was pained vnto the death. There- 17 fore he tolde her all his heart, and said vnto her, There neuer came rasor vpon mine head: for I am a Nazarite vnto God from my mothers wombe: therefore if I bee shauen, my strength will goe from me, and I shalbe weake, and be like all other men. And when Delilah sawe that he had tolde her all his heart, she 18 sent, and called for the Princes of ve Philistims, saying, Come vp once againe: for he hath shewed mee all his heart. Then the Princes of the Philistims came vp vnto her, and brought the money in their handes. And she made him sleepe vpon 19 her knees, and she called a man, and made him to shaue off the seuen lockes of his head, and shee began to vexe him, and his strength was gone from him. Then she said, The Philis- 20 tims be vpon thee, Samson. And hee awoke out of his sleepe,

and thought, I will go out now as at other times, and shake my selfe, but he knewe not that the Lord was departed from him. 21 Therefore the Philistims tooke him, and put out his eyes, and brought him downe to Azzah, and bounde him with fetters: 22 and hee did grinde in the prison house. And the heare of his 23 head began to growe againe after that it was shauen. Then the Princes of the Philistims gathered them together for to offer a great sacrifice vnto Dagon their god, and to reioyce: for they said, Our god hath deliuered Samson our enemie into our Also when the people saw him, they praysed their god: for they sayde, Our god hath deliuered into our hands our enemie and destroyer of our countrey, which hath slayne 25 many of vs. And when their heartes were merie, they said, Call Samson, that he may make vs pastime. So they called Samson out of the prison house, and he was a laughing stocke 26 vnto them, and they set him betweene the pillars. Then Samson saide vnto the seruant that led him by the hande, Lead me, that I may touch the pillars that the house standeth vpon, 27 and that I may leane to them. (Nowe the house was full of men and women, and there were all the princes of the Philistims: also vpon the roofe were about three thousande men 28 and women that behelde while Samson played) Then Samson called vnto the Lord, and sayde, O Lord God, I pray thee, thinke vpon me: O God, I beseech thee, strengthen me at this time onely, that I may be at once auenged of the Philistims for 29 my two eyes. And Samson layd hold on the two middle pillars whereupon the house stood, and on which it was borne vp: on the one with his right hand, and on the other with his left. 30 Then Samson saide, Let me lose my life with the Philistims: and he bowed him with all his might, and the house fell vpon the princes, and vpon all the people that were therein. so the dead which he slewe at his death were more then they which he 31 had slaine in his life. Then his brethren, and all the house of his father came downe and tooke him, and brought him vp and buryed him betweene Zorah and Eshtaol, in the sepulchre of Manoah his father: nowe he had judged Israel twenty yeeres.

There was a man of mount Ephraim, whose name was Michah,
And he saide vnto his mother, The eleuen hundreth shekels of siluer that were taken from thee, for the which thou cursedst, and spakedst it, euen in mine hearing, beholde, the siluer is

with me, I tooke it. Then his mother saide, Blessed be my sonne of the Lord. And when he had restored the eleuen hundreth shekels of siluer to his mother, his mother sayd, I had dedicate the siluer to the Lord of mine hand for my sonne, to make a grauen and molten image. Now therfore I will giue it thee again. And when he had restored the money vnto 4 his mother, his mother tooke two hundreth shekels of siluer, and gaue them to the founder, which made thereof a grauen and molten image, and it was in the house of Michah. this man Michah had an house of gods, and made an Ephod, and Teraphim, and cosecrated one of his sonnes, who was his Priest. In those dayes there was no King in Israel, but euery 6 man did that which was good in his owne eyes. There was also 7 a vong man out of Bethlehem Iudah, of the familie of Iudah: who was a Leuite, and soiourned there. And the man departed 8 out of the citie, euen out of Beth-lehem Iudah, to dwell where he coulde finde a place: and as he iourneyed, he came to mount Ephraim to the house of Michah And Michah saide vnto him, 9 Whence comest thou? And the Leuite answered him, I come from Beth-lehem Iudah, and goe to dwell where I may finde a place. Then Michah said vnto him, Dwell with me, and be 10 vnto me a father and a Priest, and I will giue thee ten shekels of siluer by yeere, and a sute of apparell, and thy meate and drinke. So the Leuite went in. And the Leuite was content 11 to dwel with the man, and the yong man was vnto him as one of his owne sonnes. And Michah consecrated the Leuite, and 12 the yong man was his Priest, and was in the house of Michah. Then said Michah, Nowe I know that the Lord will be good 13 vnto me, seeing I haue a Leuite to my Priest.

In those dayes there was no King in Israel, and at the same time the tribe of Dan sought them an inheritance to dwell in: for vnto that time all their inheritance had not fallen vnto them among the tribes of Israel. Therefore the children of 2 Dan sent of their familie, fiue men out of their coastes, euen men expert in warre, out of Zorah and Eshtaol, to viewe the lande and search it out, and saide vnto them, Goe, and search out the lande. Then they came to mount Ephraim to the house of Michah and lodged there. When they were in the house of Michah, they knewe the voyce of the yong man the Leuite: and being turned in thither, they saide vnto him, Who brought

thee hither? or what makest thou in this place? and what 4 hast thou to doe here? And he answered them. Thus and thus dealeth Michah with me, and hath hired me, and I am 5 his Priest. Againe they said vnto him, Aske counsell nowe of God, that we may knowe whether the way which we goe, 6 shalbe prosperous. And the Priest sayde vnto them, Goe in 7 peace: for the Lord guideth your way which ye goe. Then the fiue men departed and came to Laish, and sawe the people that were therein, which dwelt carelesse, after the maner of the Zidonians, quiet and sure, because no man made any trouble in the lande, or vsurped any dominion: also they were farre from 8 the Zidonians, and had no businesse with other men. So they came againe vnto their brethren to Zorah and Eshtaol: and 9 their brethren saide vnto them, What haue ye done? And they answered, Arise, that we may goe vp against them: for we haue seene the lande, and surely it is very good, and doe ye sit stil? 10 be not slouthfull to goe and enter to possesse the lande: (If ve will goe, ye shall come vnto a carelesse people, and the countrey is large) for God hath given it into your hande. It is a place 11 which doeth lacke nothing that is in the worlde. Then there departed thence of the familie of the Danites, from Zorah and from Eshtaol, sixe hundreth men appointed with instruments 12 of warre. And they went vp, and pitched in Kiriath-iearim in Iudah: wherefore they called that place, Mahaneh-Dan vnto 13 this day: and it is behinde Kiriath-iearim. And they went thence vnto mount Ephraim, and came to the house of Michah. 14 Then answered the fiue men, that went to spie out the countrey of Laish, and said vnto their brethren, Knowe ye not, that there is in these houses an Ephod, and Teraphim, and a grauen and a molten image? Nowe therefore consider what ye haue to 15 doe. And they turned thitherward and came to the house of the yong man the Leuite, euen vnto the house of Michah, and 16 saluted him peaceably. And the six hundreth men appointed with their weapons of warre, which were of the children of Dan, 17 stoode by the entring of the gate. Then the fiue men that went to spie out the land, went in thither, and tooke the grauen image and the Ephod, and the Teraphim, and the molten image: and the Priest stoode in the entring of the gate with the sixe hundreth men, that were appointed with weapons of warre, 18 And the other went into Michahs house and fet the grauen

image, the Ephod, and the Teraphim, and the molten image. Then saide the Priest vnto them, What doe ye? And they an- 19 swered him, Holde thy peace: lay thine hande vpon thy mouth, and come with vs to be our father and Priest. Whether is it better that thou shouldest be a Priest vnto ve house of one man. or that thou shouldest be a Priest vnto a tribe and to a familie in Israel? And the Priestes heart was glad, and hee tooke 20 the Ephod and the Teraphim, and the grauen image, and went among the people. And they turned and departed, and put 21 the children, and the cattell, and the substance before them. When they were farre off from the house of Michah, the men 22 that were in the houses neere to Michahs house, gathered together, and pursued after the children of Dan. And cryed vnto 23 the children of Dan: who turned their faces, and said vnto Michah, What ayleth thee, that thou makest an outcrie? And 24 hee saide. Yee haue taken away my gods, which I made, and the Priest, and go your waves: and what haue I more? howe then say ye vnto me, what ayleth thee? And the children of 25 Dan sayde vnto him, Let not thy voyce be heard among vs, least angrie fellowes runne vpon thee, and thou lose thy life with the liues of thine housholde. So the children of Dan 26 went their wayes: and when Michah saw that they were too strong for him, hee turned, and went backe vnto his house. And they tooke the things which Michah had made, and the 27 Priest which he had, and came vnto Laish, vnto a quiet people and without mistrust, and smote them with the edge of the sworde, and burnt the citie with fire: And there was none to 28 helpe, because Laish was farre from Zidon, and they had no businesse with other men: also it was in the valley that lyeth by Beth-rehob. After, they built the citie, and dwelt therein, And called the name of the citie Dan, after the name of Dan 29 their father which was borne vnto Israel: howbeit the name of the city was Laish at the beginning. Then the children of Dan 30 set them vp the grauen image: and Ionathan the sonne of Gershom, the sonne of Manasseh and his sonnes were the Priestes in the tribe of the Danites vntil the day of the captiuitie of the lande. So they set them vp the grauen image, which Michah 31 had made, all the while the house of God was in Shiloh.

Also in those dayes, when there was no king in Israel, a certaine Leuite dwelt on the side of mount Ephraim, and tooke

2 to wife a concubine out of Beth-lehem Iudah, And his concubine played ye whore there, and went away from him vnto her fathers house to Beth-lehem Iudah, and there continued the 3 space of foure moneths. And her husband arose and went after her, to speake friendly vnto her, and to bring her againe: he had also his seruant with him, and a couple of asses: and she brought him vnto her fathers house, and when the yong 4 womans father sawe him, he reioyced of his comming. And his father in lawe, the yong womans father reteined him: and he abode with him three dayes: so they did eate and drinke, 5 and lodged there. And when the fourth day came, they arose earely in the morning, and he prepared to depart: then the yong womans father said vnto his sonne in lawe, Comfort thine 6 heart with a morsel of bread, and then go your way. So they sate downe, and did eate and drinke both of them together. And the yong womans father said vnto the man, Be content, I pray thee, and tary all night, and let thine heart be merie. 7 And when the man rose vp to depart, his father in lawe was 8 earnest: therefore he returned, and lodged there. And he arose vp earely the fifth day to depart, and the yong womans father saide, Comfort thine heart, I pray thee: and they taryed 9 vntill after midday, and they both did eate. Afterwarde when the man arose to depart with his concubine and his seruant. his father in lawe, the yong womans father said vnto him, Beholde nowe, the day draweth towarde euen: I pray you, tary all night: beholde, the sunne goeth to rest: lodge here, that thine heart may be merie, and to morowe get you earely vpon 10 your way, and goe to thy tent. But the man would not tarry. but arose and departed, and came ouer against Iebus, (which is Ierusalem) and his two asses laden, and his concubine were 11 with him. When they were neere to Iebus, the day was sore spent, and the seruant said vnto his master, Come, I pray thee, and let vs turne into this citie of the Iebusites, and lodge all 12 night there. And his master answered him, We will not turne into the citie of strangers that are not of the children of Israel, 13 but we will goe forth to Gibeah. And he said vnto his seruant, Come, and let vs drawe neere to one of these places, that 14 wee may lodge in Gibeah or in Ramah. So they went forward vpon their way, and the sunne went downe vpon them neere 15 to Gibeah, which is in Beniamin. Then they turned thither to goe in and lodge in Gibeah: and when he came, he sate him downe in a streete of the citie: for there was no man that tooke them into his house to lodging. And beholde, there came an 16 old man from his work out of the field at euen, and the man was of mount Ephraim, but dwelt in Gibeah: and the men of the place were the children of Iemini. And when he had lift vp his 17 eyes, he sawe a wayfairing man in the streetes of the citie: then this olde man sayde. Whither goest thou, and whence camest thou? And hee answered him, Wee came from Beth-lehem Iu- 18 dah, vnto the side of Mout Ephraim: from thence am I: and I went to Beth-lehem Iudah, and go now to the house of the Lord: and no man receiveth mee to house, Although we have 19 straw and prouader for our asses, and also bread and wine for me and thine handmayde, and for the boy that is with thy seruant: we lacke nothing. And the olde man sayde, Peace bee 20 with thee: as for all that thou lackest, shalt thou finde with me: onely abide not in the streete al night. So he brought him into 21 his house, and gaue fodder vnto the asses: and they washed their feete, and did eate and drinke. And as they were mak- 22 ing their hearts merie, beholde, the men of the citie, wicked men beset the house round about, and smote at the doore, and spake to this olde man the master of the house saying, Bring forth the man that came into thine house that we may knowe him. And this man the master of ye house went out vnto the, 23 and said vnto them, Nay my brethre, do not so wickedly, I pray you: seeing that this man is come into mine house, do not this villenie. Behold, here is my daughter, a virgine, and his con- 24 cubine: them wil I bring out nowe, and humble them, and doe with them what seemeth you good: but to this man doe not this villenie. But the men woulde not hearken to him: therefore ye 25 man tooke his concubine, and brought her out vnto them: and they knewe her and abused her all the night vnto the morning: and when the day began to spring, they let her goe. the woman came in the dawning of the day, and fell downe at the doore of the mans house where her Lord was, till the light day. And her lorde arose in the morning, and opened the 27 doores of the house, and went out to goe his way, and beholde. the woman his concubine was dead at the doore of the house and her handes lay vpon the thresholde. And hee said vnto 28 her. Vp and let vs goe: but shee answered not. Then he tooke

her vp vpon the asse, and the man rose vp, and went vnto his place. And whe he was come to his house, he took a knife, and laid hand on his concubine, and deuided her in pieces with her bones into twelue parts, and sent her through all quarters of Israel. And all that saw it, said, There was no such thing done or seene since the time that the children of Israel came vp from the lande of Egypt vnto this day: consider the matter, consult and give sentence.

Then all the children of Israel went out, and the Congre-20 gation was gathered together as one man, from Dan to Beer-2 sheba, with the land of Gilead, vnto the Lord in Mizpeh. And the chiefe of all the people, and all the tribes of Israel assembled in the Congregation of the people of God foure hundreth 3 thousand footemen that drewe sword. (Now the children of Beniamin heard that the children of Israel were gone vp to Mizpeh) Then the children of Israel saide. Howe is this wicked-4 nesse committed? And the same Leuite, the womans husband that was slaine, answered and saide. I came vnto Gibeah that 5 is in Beniamin with my concubine to lodge, And the men of Gibeah arose against me, and beset the house round about vpon mee by night, thinking to haue slaine me, and haue forced 6 my concubine that she is dead. Then I tooke my concubine, and cut her in pieces, and sent her throughout all the countrev of the inheritance of Israel: for they have committed abomina-7 tion and villenie in Israel. Behold, ye are al children of Israel: 8 giue your aduise, and counsell herein. Then all the people arose as one man, saying, There shall not a man of vs goe to 9 his tent, neither any turne into his house. But now this is that thing which we will do to Gibeah: we wil goe vp by lot against 10 it, And we wil take ten men of the hundreth throughout al the tribes of Israel, and an hundreth of the thousand, and a thousand of ten thousand to bring vitaile for the people that they may do (when they come to Gibeah of Beniamin) according to 11 all the villeny, that it hath done in Israel. So all the men of Israel were gathered against the citie, knit together, as one 12 man. And the tribes of Israel sent men through al the tribe of Beniamin, saying, What wickednesse is this that is commit-13 ted among you? Nowe therefore deliuer vs those wicked men which are in Gibeah, that we may put them to death, and put away euill from Israel: but the children of Beniamin would not

obey the voyce of their brethren the children of Israel. ye children of Beniamin gathered them selues together out of the cities vnto Gibeah, to come out and fight against the chil-And ve children of Beniamin were nombred 15 dren of Israel. at that time out of the cities sixe and twenty thousand men that drewe sworde, beside the inhabitants of Gibeah, which were nombred seuen hundreth chosen men. Of all this people 16 were seuen hundreth chosen men, being left handed: all these could sling stones at an heare breadth, and not faile. the men of Israel, beside Beniamin, were nombred foure hundreth thousande men that drew sword, euen all men of warre. And the children of Israel arose, and went vp to the house of 18 God, and asked of God, saying, Which of vs shall goe vp first to fight against the children of Beniamin? And the Lord said, Iudah shalbe first. Then the children of Israel arose vp earely 19 and camped against Gibeah. And the men of Israel went out 20 to battell against Beniamin, and the men of Israel put themselues in aray to fight against the beside Gibeah. And the 21 children of Beniamin came out of Gibeah, and slewe downe to the ground of the Israelites that day two and twentie thousand men. And the people, the men of Israel plucked vp their 22 hearts, and set their battel againe in aray in the place where they put them in aray the first day. (For the children of Is- 23 rael had gone vp and wept before the Lord vnto the euening, and had asked of the Lord, saying, Shall I goe againe to battel against the children of Beniamin my brethren? and the Lord said, Go vp against them) Then the children of Israel 24 came neere against the children of Beniamin the second day. Also the second day Beniamin came forth to meete them out of 25 Gibeah, and slewe downe to the grounde of the children of Israel againe eighteene thousand men: all they could handle the sword. Then all the children of Israel went vp and all the peo- 26 ple came also vnto the house of God, and wept and sate there before the Lord and fasted that day vnto the euening, and offred burnt offrings and peace offrings before the Lord. And 27 the children of Israel asked the Lord (for there was the Arke of the couenat of God in those dayes. And Phinehas the sonne 28 of Eleazar, the sonne of Aaron stoode before it at that time) saying, Shall I yet goe anie more to battel against the children of Benjamin my brethren, or shall I cease? And the Lord said.

29 Go vp: for to morowe I will deliuer them into your hand. And 30 Israel set men to lie in waite round about Gibeah. And the children of Israel went vp against the children of Beniamin the third day, and put theselues in aray against Gibeah, as at other Then the children of Beniamin comming out against the people, were drawen from the citie: and they began to smite of ye people and kill as at other times, euen by the wayes in the fielde (whereof one goeth vp to the house of God, and the 32 other to Gibeah) vpon a thirtie men of Israel. (For the children of Beniamin sayd, They are fallen before vs, as at the first. But the children of Israel saide, Let vs flee and plucke them away 33 from the citie vnto the hie wayes) And all the men of Israel rose vp out of their place, and put themselues in aray at Baaltamar: and the men that lay in wayte of the Israelites came 34 forth of their place, euen out of the medowes of Gibeah, And they came ouer against Gibeah, ten thousande chosen men of all Israel, and the battell was sore: for they knewe not that the 35 euill was neere them. And the Lord smote Beniamin before Israel. and the children of Israel destroyed of the Beniamites the same day fiue and twenty thousand and an hundreth men: 36 all they could handle the sword. So the children of Beniamin sawe that they were striken downe: for the men of Israel gaue place to the Beniamites, because they trusted to the men that 37 lay in waite, which they had laide beside Gibeah. And they that lay in wait hasted, and brake forth toward Gibeah, and the ambushment drewe themselues along, and smote all the 38 citie with the edge of the sword. Also the men of Israel had appoynted a certaine time with the ambushmentes, that they should make a great flame and smoke rise vp out of the citie. 39 And when the men of Israel retired in the battel, Beniamin began to smite and kill of the men of Israel about thirtie persons: for they said, Surely they are striken downe before vs, as in the 40 first battell. But when the flame bega to arise out of the citie, as a pillar of smoke, the Beniamites looked backe, and behold, 41 the flame of the citie began to ascend vp to heauen. Then the men of Israel turned againe, and the men of Beniamin were as-42 tonied: for they saw that euill was neere vnto them. Therefore they fled before the men of Israel vnto the way of the wildernesse, but the battell ouertooke them: also they which came 43 out of the cities, slew them among them. Thus they compassed the Beniamites about, and chased them at ease, and ouerranne them, euen ouer against Gibeah on the Eastside. And there were slaine of Beniamin eyghteene thousad men, 44 which were all men of warre. And they turned and fled to 45 the wildernes vnto the rocke of Rimmon: and the Israelites glayned of them by the way fiue thousand men, and pursued after them vnto Gidom, and slewe two thousand men of them, So that all that were slavne that day of Beniamin, were fiue 46 and twentie thousand men that drewe sword, which were all men of warre: But sixe hundreth men turned and fled to the 47 wildernesse vnto the rocke of Rimmon, and abode in the rocke of Rimmon foure moneths. Then the men of Israel returned 48 vnto the children of Beniamin, and smote them with the edge of the sword from the men of the citie vnto the beasts, and all that came to hand: also they set on fire all the cities that they coulde come by.

Moreouer, the men of Israel sware in Mizpeh, saying, None 21 of vs shall give his daughter vnto the Beniamites to wyfe. And 2 the people came vnto ve house of God and abode there till euen before God, and lift vp their voyces, and wept with great lamentation. And sayde, O Lord God of Israel, why is this 3 come to passe in Israel, that this day one tribe of Israel should want? And on the morow the people rose vp and made there 4 an altar, and offred burnt offrings and peace offrings. Then 5 the children of Israel said, Who is he among all the tribes of Israel, that came not vp with the Congregation vnto the Lord? for they had made a great othe concerning him that came not vp to the Lord to Mizpeh, saving, Let him die the death. And 6 the children of Israel were sory for Beniamin their brother, and said, There is one tribe cut off from Israel this day. How shall 7 we do for wives to them that remaine, seeing we have sworne by the Lord, that we will not give them of our daughters to Also they saide, Is there any of the tribes of Israel 8 that came not vp to Mizpeh to the Lord? and beholde, there came none of Iabesh Gilead vnto the hoste and to the Con-For when the people were vewed; beholde, none 9 of the inhabitants of Iabesh Gilead were there. Therefore 10 the Congregation sent thither twelue thousande men of the most valiant, and commanded them, saying, Goe, and smite the inhabitants of Iabesh Gilead with the edge of the sword.

11 both women, and children. And this is it that ye shall do: ye shall vtterly destroye all the males and all the women that 12 haue lien by men. And they found among the inhabitants of Iabesh Gilead foure hundreth maides, virgins that had knowne no man by lying with any male: and they brought them vnto 13 the hoste to Shiloh, which is in the land of Canaan. Then the whole Congregation sent and spake with the children of Beniamin that were in the rocke of Rimmon, and called peaceably 14 vnto them: And Beniamin came againe at that time, and they gaue them wives which they had saued aliue of the women of 15 Iabesh Gilead: but they had not so ynough for them. And the people were sorie for Beniamin, because the Lord had made a 16 breach in the tribes of Israel. Therefore the Elders of the Congregation said, How shall we doe for wives to the remnant? for 17 the women of Beniamin are destroyed. And they saide, there must be an inheritance for them that be escaped of Beniamin, 18 that a tribe be not destroyed out of Israel. Howbeit we may not give them wives of our daughters: for the childre of Israel had sworne, saving, Cursed be he that giveth a wise to Beni-Therefore they said, Beholde, there is a feast of the 19 amin. Lord euery yere in Shiloh in a place, which is on the Northside of Beth-el, and on the Eastside of the way that goeth vp from 20 Beth-el to Shechem, and on the South of Lebonah. Therefore they commanded the children of Beniamin, saying, Goe, 21 and lye in waite in the vineyardes. And when ye see that the daughters of Shiloh come out to dance in dances, then come ye out of the vineyards, and catche you euery man a wife of the daughters of Shiloh, and goe into the land of Beniamin. 22 And when their fathers or their brethren come vnto vs to complaine, we wil say vnto them, Haue pitie on them for our sakes, because we reserved not to eche man his wife in the warre, and because ye haue not given vnto them hitherto, ye haue sinned. 23 And the children of Beniamin did so, and tooke wives of them that danced according to their nomber: which they tooke, and went away, and returned to their inheritance, and repaired the 24 cities and dwelt in them. So the children of Israel departed thence at that time, every man to his tribe, and to his familie, 25 and went out from thence euery man to his inheritance. those dayes there was no King in Israel, but euery man did that which was good in his eyes.

## THE BOOK OF RUTH.

 $_{\sim}$  n the time that the Iudges ruled, there was a dearth  $\, {f 1} \,$ in the lande, and a man of Beth-lehem Iudah went for to soiourne in the countrey of Moab, he, and his wife, and his two sonnes. And the name of the man 2 was Elimelech, and the name of his wife, Naomi: and the names of his two sonnes, Mahlon, and Chilion, Ephrathites of Beth-lehem Iudah: and when they came into the land of Moab, they continued there. Then Elimelech the husband of 3 Naomi died, and she remayned with her two sonnes. Which 4 tooke them wives of the Moabites: the ones name was Orpah, and the name of ye other Ruth: and they dwelled there about ten veeres. And Mahlon and Chilion dved also both twaine: so 5 the woman was left destitute of her two sonnes, and of her husband. Then she arose with her daughters in law, and returned 6 from the countrey of Moab: for she had heard say in the countrey of Moab, that the Lord had visited his people, and given them bread. Wherefore shee departed out of the place where 7 she was, and her two daughters in law with her, and they went on their way to returne vnto the land of Iudah. Then Naomi 8 saide vnto her two daughters in lawe, Goe, returne eche of vou vnto her owne mothers house: the Lord shew fauour vnto you, as ye haue done with the dead, and with me. The Lord graunt 9 you, that you may finde rest, either of you in the house of her husband. And when she kissed them, they lift vp their voice And they saide vnto her, Surely we will returne 10 with thee vnto thy people. But Naomi saide, Turne againe, 11 my daughters: for what cause will you go with me? are there any more sonnes in my wombe, that they may bee your husbands? Turne againe, my daughters: go your way: for I am 12 too olde to haue an husband. If I should say, I haue hope, and if I had an husband this night: yea, if I had borne sonnes, Would 13 yee tarie for them, till they were of age? would ye be deferred for them from taking of husbands? nay my daughters: for it grieueth me much for your sakes that the hand of the Lord is gone out against me. Then they lift vp their voyce and wept 14 againe, and Orpah kissed her mother in lawe, but Ruth abode

15 still with her. And Naomi said, Beholde, thy sister in law is gone backe vnto her people and vnto her gods: returne thou af-16 ter thy sister in lawe. And Ruth answered, Intreate mee not to leave thee, nor to depart from thee: for whither thou goest, I will goe: and where thou dwellest, I will dwell: thy people 17 shall be my people, and thy God my God. Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried. the Lord do so to me 18 and more also, if ought but death depart thee and me. Whe she saw that she was stedfastly minded to go with her, she 19 left speaking vnto her. So they went both vntill they came to Beth-lehem: and when they were come to Beth-lehem, it was noysed of them through all the citie, and they said, Is not this 20 Naomi? And she answered them, Call me not Naomi, but call 21 me Mara: for the Almightie hath given me much bitternes. I went out full, and the Lord hath caused me to returne emptie: why call ye me Naomi, seeing the Lord hath humbled me, and 22 the Almightie hath brought me vnto aduersitie? So Naomi returned and Ruth the Moabitesse her daughter in law with her, when she came out of the countrey of Moab: and they came to Beth-lehem in the beginning of barly haruest.

Then Naomis husband had a kinsman, one of great power 2 2 of the familie of Elimelech, and his name was Boaz. And Ruth ye Moabitesse said vnto Naomi, I pray thee, Let mee goe to the fielde, and gather eares of corne after him, in whose sight I 3 finde fauour. And she said vnto her, Goe my daughter. And she went, and came and gleaned in the fielde after the reapers, and it came to passe, that she met with the portion of the fielde 4 of Boaz, who was of the familie of Elimelech. And behold. Boaz came from Beth-lehem, and saide vnto the reapers, The Lord be with you: and they answered him, The Lord blesse 5 thee. Then saide Boaz vnto his seruant that was appointed 6 ouer the reapers, Whose maide is this? And the seruant that was appointed ouer the reapers, answered, and said, It is the Moabitish maide, that came with Naomi out of the countrey of 7 Moab: And shee saide vnto vs, I pray you, let mee gleane and gather after the reapers among the sheaues: so shee came, and hath continued from that time in the morning vnto now, saue 8 that she taried a litle in the house. Then said Boaz vnto Ruth. Hearest thou, my daughter? goe to none other fielde to gather, 9 neither goe from hence: but abide here by my maydens. Let

thine eyes be on the field that they do reape, and goe thou after the maidens. Haue I not charged the seruants, that they touche thee not? Moreouer whe thou art a thirst, go vnto ye vessels, and drinke of that which ve seruants haue drawen. Then shee fell on her face, and bowed her selfe to the ground, 10 and said vnto him, How haue I found fauour in thine eves, that thou shouldest know me, seeing I am a stranger? And 11 Boaz answered, and said vnto her, All is told and shewed me that thou hast done vnto thy mother in lawe, since the death of thine husband, and how thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and ve land where thou wast borne, and art come vnto a people which thou knewest not in time past. The Lord rec- 12 ompense thy worke, and a ful reward be given thee of the Lord God of Israel, vnder whose wings thou art come to trust. Then 13 she saide, Let me finde fauour in thy sight, my lord: for thou hast comforted mee, and spoken comfortably vnto thy mayde, though I be not like to one of thy maydes. And Boaz said 14 vnto her. At the meale time come thou hither, and eat of the bread, and dippe thy morsell in the vineger. And she sate beside the reapers, and hee reached her parched corne: and shee did eate, and was sufficed, and left thereof. And when she 15 arose to gleane, Boaz commanded his seruants, saying, Let her gather among the sheaues, and doe not rebuke her. Also let 16 fall some of the sheaues for her, and let it lie, that she may gather it vp, and rebuke her not. So she gleaned in the fielde 17 vntill euening, and she thresshed that shee had gathered, and it was about an Ephah of barly. And she tooke it vp, and went 18 into the citie, and her mother in law saw what she had gathered: Also she tooke foorth, and gaue to her that which she had reserved, when she was sufficed. Then her mother in lawe 19 saide vnto her, Where hast thou gleaned to day? and where wroughtest thou? blessed be he, that knewe thee. And she shewed her mother in lawe, with whome she had wrought, and saide, The mans name, with whom I wrought to day, is Boaz. And Naomi said vnto her daughter in law, Blessed be he of the 20 Lord: for he ceaseth not to doe good to the liuing and to the dead. Againe Naomi saide vnto her, The man is neere vnto vs, and of our affinitie. And Ruth the Moabitesse said, He said 21 also certainely vnto mee, Thou shalt be with my seruants, vntill they have ended all mine harvest. And Naomi answered 22 vnto Ruth her daughter in lawe, It is best, my daughter, that thou goe out with his maides, that they meete thee not in an other fielde. Then she kept her by the maides of Boaz, to gather vnto the end of barly haruest, and of wheate haruest, and dwelt with her mother in lawe.

Afterward Naomi her mother in lawe said vnto her, My daughter, shall not I seeke rest for thee, that thou mayest pros-2 per? Now also is not Boaz our kinsman, with whose maides thou wast? beholde, he winoweth barly to night in the floore. 3 Wash thy sellfe therefore, and anoint thee, and put thy raiment vpon thee, and get thee downe to the floore: let not the man know of thee, vntill he haue left eating and drinking. 4 And when he shall sleepe, marke the place where he layeth him downe, and go, and vncouer the place of his feete, and lay 5 thee downe, and he shall tell thee what thou shalt doe. And 6 she answered her, All that thou biddest me, I will doe. she went downe vnto the floore, and did according to all that 7 her mother in lawe bade her. And when Boaz had eaten, and drunken, and cheared his heart, he went to lie downe at the end of the heape of corne, and she came softly, and vncouered 8 the place of his feet, and lay downe. And at midnight the man was afraide and caught holde: and loe, a woman lay at his 9 feete. Then he sayd, Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine handmayd: spread therefore the wing of thy gar-10 ment ouer thine handmayd: for thou art the kinsman. Then sayd he, Blessed be thou of the Lord, my daughter: thou hast shewed more goodnes in the latter end, then at the beginning, in as much as thou followedst not yong men, were they poore 11 or rich. And now, my daughter, feare not: I will doe to thee all that thou requirest: for all the citie of my people doeth knowe, 12 that thou art a vertuous woman. And now, it is true that I am thy kinsman, howbeit there is a kinsman neerer then I. 13 Tarie to night, and when morning is come, if he will doe the duetie of a kinsman vnto thee, well, let him doe the kinsmans duetie: but if he will not doe the kinsmans part, then wil I doe the duetie of a kinsman, as the Lord liueth: sleepe vntill 14 the morning. And she lay at his feete vntill the morning: and she arose before one could know another: for he sayd, Let no 15 man knowe, that a woman came into the floore. Also he sayd, Bring the sheete that thou hast vpon thee, and holde it. And when she helde it, he measured sixe measures of barly, and layde them on her, and she went into the citie. And when she 16 came to her mother in law, she sayd, Who art thou, my daughter? And she tolde her all that the man had done to her, And 17 said, These sixe measures of barly gaue he me: for he sayd to me, Thou shalt not come emptie vnto thy mother in lawe. Then sayd she, My daughter, sit still, vntill thou knowe how 18 the thing will fall: for the man wil not be in rest, vntill he hath finished the matter this same day.

Then went Boaz vp to the gate, and sate there, and beholde, 4 the kinsman, of whome Boaz had spoken, came by: and he sayd, Ho, snch one, come, sit downe here. And he turned, and sate downe. Then he tooke ten men of the Elders of the citie. 2 and sayd, Sit ye downe here. And they sate downe. And he 3 said vnto ye kinsman, Naomi, that is come againe out of ye countrey of Moab, wil sell a parcel of land, which was our brother Elimelechs. And I thought to aduertise thee, say- 4 ing. Buy it before the assistants, and before the Elders of my people. If thou wilt redeeme it, redeeme it: but if thou wilt not redeeme it, tel me: for I know that there is none besides thee to redeeme it, and I am after thee. Then he answered, I wil redeeme it. Then said Boaz, What day thou buyest the 5 field of the hand of Naomi, thou mnst also buy it of Ruth the Moabitesse the wife of the dead, to stirre vp the name of the dead, vpon his inheritance. And the kinsman answered, I can 6 not redeeme it, lest I destroy mine owne inheritance: redeeme my right to thee, for I can not redeeme it. Now this was the 7 maner beforetime in Israel, concerning redeeming and changing, for to stablish all things: a man did plucke off his shooe, and gaue it his neighbour, and this was a sure witnes in Israel. Therefore the kinsman sayd to Boas, Buy it for thee: and he 8 drew off his shooe. And Boaz sayd vnto the Elders and vnto 9 all the people, Ye are witnesses this day, that I have bought all that was Elimelechs, and all that was Chilions and Mahlons, of the hand of Naomi. And moreouer. Ruth the Moabitesse 10 the wife of Mahlon, haue I bought to be my wife, to stirre vp the name of the dead vpon his inheritance, and that the name of the dead be not put out from among his brethren, and from the gate of his place: ye are witnesses this day. And all the 11 people that were in the gate, and the Elders sayd. We are wit-

nesses: the Lord make the wife that commeth into thine house, like Rahel and like Leah, which twaine did build the house of Israel: and that thou mayest doe worthily in Ephrathah, and 12 be famous in Beth-lehem. And that thine house be like the house of Pharez (whom Thamar bare vnto Iudah) of the seede 13 which the Lord shall give thee of this yong woman. So Boaz tooke Ruth, and she was his wife: and when he went in vnto 14 her, the Lord gaue that she conceived, and bare a sonne. And the women sayd vnto Naomi, Blessed be the Lord, which hath not left thee this day without a kinsman, and his name shalbe 15 continued in Israel. And this shall bring thy life againe, and cherish thine olde age: for thy daughter in lawe which loueth thee, hath borne vnto him, and she is better to thee then seuen 16 sonnes. And Naomi tooke the childe, and layde it in her lap, 17 and became nource vnto it. And the women her neighbours gaue it a name, saying, There is a childe borne to Naomi, and called the name thereof Obed: the same was the father of Ishai, 18 the father of Dauid. These now are ye generations of Pharez: 19 Pharez begate Hezron, And Hezron begate Ram, and Ram 20 begate Amminadab, And Amminadab begate Nahshon, and 21 Nahshon begate Salmah, And Salmon begate Boaz, and Boaz 22 begat Obed, And Obed begate Ishai, and Ishai begate Dauid.

## THE FIRST BOOK OF SAMUEL,

## OTHERWISE CALLED, THE FIRST BOOK OF THE KINGS.

here was a man of one of the two Ramathaim Zophim, 1of mount Ephraim, whose name was Elkanah the sonne of Ieroham, the sonne of Elihu, the sonne of Tohu, the sonne of Zuph, an Ephrathite: And he had two 2 wives: the name of one was Hannah, and the name of the other Peninnah: and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had And this man went vp out of his citie euery 3 no children. yeere, to worship and to sacrifice vnto the Lord of hostes in Shiloh, where were the two sonnes of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas Priests of the Lord. And on a day, when Elkanah sacri- 4 ficed, he gaue to Peninnah his wife and to all her sonnes and daughters portions, But vnto Hannah he gaue a worthy por- 5 tion: for he loued Hannah, and the Lord had made her bar-And her aduersarie vexed her sore, forasmuch as she 6 vpbraided her, because the Lord had made her barren. (And 7 so did he yeere by yeere) and as oft as she went vp to the house of the Lord, thus she vexed her, that she wept and did not eate. Then sayd Elkanah her husband to her, Hannah, why weepest 8 thou? and why eatest thou not? and why is thine heart troubled? am not I better to thee then ten sonnes? So Hannah rose 9 vp after that they had eaten and drunke in Shiloh (and Eli the Priest sate vpon a stoole by one of the postes of the Temple of the Lord) And she was troubled in her minde, and praved vnto 10 the Lord, and wept sore: Also she vowed a vowe, and savd, O 11 Lord of hostes, if thou wilt looke on the trouble of thine handmaide, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaide, but giue vnto thine handmaide a manchilde, then I will giue him vnto the Lord all the dayes of his life, and there shall no rasor come vpon his head. And as she continued praying before the 12 Lord, Eli marked her mouth. For Hannah spake in her heart: 13 her lips did moue onely, but her voyce was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had bene drunken. And Eli savde vnto her, 14 Howe long wilt thou be drunken? Put away thy drunkennesse Then Hannah answered and sayd, Nay my lord, 15 from thee.

but I am a woman troubled in spirit: I haue drunke neither wine nor strong drinke, but have powred out my soule before Count not thine handmaide for a wicked woman: 16 the Lord. for of the abundance of my complaint and my griefe haue I 17 spoken hitherto. Then Eli answered, and sayd, Go in peace, and the God of Israel graunt thy petition that thou hast asked 18 of him. She sayd againe, Let thine handmayd finde grace in thy sight: so the woman went her way, and did eate, and looked 19 no more sad. Then they rose vp early, and worshipped before the Lord, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah. Nowe Elkanah knewe Hannah his wife, and the Lord remem-20 bred her. For in processe of time Hannah conceiued, and bare a sonne, and she called his name Samuel, Because, said she, 21 I have asked him of the Lord. So the man Elkanah and all his house went vp to offer vnto the Lord the yeerely sacrifice, 22 and his vowe: But Hannah went not vp: for she sayd vnto her husband, I will tarie vntill the childe be weined, then I will bring him that hee may appeare before the Lord, and there 23 abide for euer. And Elkanah her husband sayd vnto her, Do what seemeth thee best: tarie vntill thou hast weined him: only the Lord accomplish his word. So the woman abode, and 24 gaue her sonne sucke vntill she weined him. And when she had weined him, she tooke him with her with three bullockes and an Ephah of floure and a bottell of wine, and brought him vnto the house of the Lord in Shiloh, and the childe was yong. 25, 26 And they slewe a bullocke, and brought the childe to Eli. And she said, Oh my Lord, as thy soule liueth, my lord, I am the 27 woman that stoode with thee here praying vnto the Lord. I prayed for this childe, and the Lord hath given me my desire 28 which I asked of him. Therefore also I haue given him vnto the Lord: as long as he liueth hee shalbe given vnto the Lord: and he worshipped the Lord there.

And Hannah prayed, and said, Mine heart reioyceth in the Lord, mine horne is exalted in the Lord: my mouth is enlarged ouer mine enemies, because I reioyce in thy saluation.

There is none holy as the Lord: yea, there is none besides thee, and there is no god like our God. Speake no more presumptuously: let not arrogancie come out of your mouth: for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him enterprises are established. The bow and the mightie men are broken, and the

weake haue girded themselues with strength. They that were 5 full, are hired foorth for bread, and the hungrie are no more hired, so that the barren hath borne seuen: and shee that had many children, is feeble. The Lord killeth and maketh al- 6 iue: bringeth downe to the graue and raiseth vp. The Lord 7 maketh poore and maketh rich: bringeth lowe, and exalteth. He raiseth vp ye poore out of the dust, and lifteth vp the beg- 8 ger from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherite the seate of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the Lordes, and he hath set the world vpon them. will keepe the feete of his Saintes, and the wicked shall keepe silence in darkenes: for in his owne might shall no man be strong. The Lordes aduersaries shall be destroyed, and out of 10 heauen shall he thunder vpon them: the Lord shall judge the endes of the worlde, and shall give power vnto his King, and exalt the horne of his Anovnted. And Elkanah went to Ramah 11 to his house, and the childe did minister vnto the Lord before Eli the Priest. Now the sonnes of Eli were wicked men. and 12 knewe not the Lord. For the Priestes custome towarde the 13 people was this: when any man offered sacrifice, the Priestes boy came, while the flesh was seething, and a fleshhooke with three teeth, in his hand, And thrust it into the kettle, or into 14 the caldron, or into the panne, or into the potte: all that the fleshhooke brought vp, the Priest tooke for himselfe: thus they did vnto all the Israelites, that came thither to Shiloh. Yea, 15 before they burnt the fat, the priests boy came and saide to the man that offered, Giue me flesh to rost for the priest: for he wil not have sodden flesh of thee, but rawe. And if any man saide 16 vnto him, Let them burne the fatte according to the custome, then take as much as thine heart desireth: then hee would answere, No, but thou shalt give it nowe: and if thou wilt not, I will take it by force. Therefore the sinne of the yong men was 17 very great before the Lord: for men abhorred the offering of the Lord. Now Samuel being a yong childe ministred before the 18 Lord, girded with a linen Ephod. And his mother made him 19 a litle coat, and brought it to him from yeere to yeere, when she came vp with her husband, to offer the yerely sacrifice. And Eli blessed Elkanah and his wife, and said, The Lord giue 20 thee seede of this woman, for the petition that she asked of the Lord: and they departed vnto their place. And the Lord 21

visited Hannah, so that she conceiued, and bare three sonnes, and two daughters. And the childe Samuel grewe before the 22 Lord. So Eli was very olde, and heard all that his sonnes did vnto all Israel, and howe they laye with the women that assem-23 bled at the doore of the tabernacle of the Congregation. And hee saide vnto them, Why doe ye such things? for of all this 24 people I heare euill reportes of you. Do no more, my sonnes, for it is no good report that I heare, which is, that ye make 25 the Lords people to trespasse. If one man sinne against another, the Iudge shall iudge it: but if a man sinne against the Lord, who will pleade for him? Notwithstanding they obeyed not the voyce of their father, because the Lord would slay them. 26 (Nowe the childe Samuel profited and grewe, and was in fau-27 our both with the Lord and also with men) And there came a man of God vnto Eli, and said vnto him, Thus saith the Lord, Did not I plainely appeare vnto the house of thy father, when 28 they were in Egypt in Pharaohs house? And I chose him out of all the tribes of Israel to be my Priest, to offer vpon mine altar, and to burne incense, and to weare an Ephod before me, and I gaue vnto the house of thy father all the offrings made by fire of 29 the children of Israel. Wherefore haue you kicked against my sacrifice and mine offering, which I commanded in my Tabernacle, and honourest thy children aboue mee, to make your selues fatte of the first fruites of all the offerings of Israel my 30 people? Wherefore the Lord God of Israel saith, I saide, that thine house and the house of thy father should walke before mee for euer: but nowe the Lord saith, It shall not be so: for them that honour me, I will honour, and they that despise me, 31 shall be despised. Beholde, the dayes come, that I will cut off thine arme, and the arme of thy fathers house, that there shall 32 not be an olde man in thine house. And thou shalt see thine enemie in the habitation of the Lord in all thinges wherewith God shall blesse Israel, and there shall not be an olde man in 33 thine house for euer. Neuerthelesse, I will not destroy euery one of thine from mine altar, to make thine eyes to faile, and to make thine heart sorowfull: and all ye multitude of thine 34 house shall die when they be men. And this shalbe a signe vnto thee, that shall come vpon thy two sonnes Hophni and 35 Phinehas: in one day they shall die both. And I will stirre me vp a faithfull Priest, that shall do according to mine heart and

according to my minde: and I wil build him a sure house, and he shall walke before mine Anointed for euer. And all that 36 are left in thine house, shall come and bowe downe to him for a piece of siluer and a morsell of bread, and shall say, Appoint me, I pray thee, to one of the priestes offices, that I may eate a morsell of bread.

Nowe the childe Samuel ministred vnto the Lord before Eli: 3 and the word of the Lord was precious in those dayes: for there was no manifest vision. And at that time, as Eli lay in his 2 place, his eyes began to waxe dimme that he could not see. And yet the light of God went out, Samuel slept in the tem- 3 ple of the Lord, where the Arke of God was. Then the Lord 4 called Samuel: and hee said. Here I am. And he ranne vnto 5 Eli, and said, Here am I, for thou calledst me. But he said, I called thee not: goe againe and sleepe. And he went and slept. And the Lord called once againe, Samuel. And Samuel arose, 6 and went to Eli, and said, I am here: for thou diddest call me. And he answered, I called thee not, my sonne: go againe and sleepe. Thus did Samuel, before hee knewe the Lord, and be-7 fore the word of the Lord was reueiled vnto him. And the 8 Lord called Samuel againe the thirde time: and he arose, and went to Eli, and said, I am here: for thou hast called me. Then Eli perceiued that the Lord had called the childe. Therefore 9 Eli saide vnto Samuel, Goe and sleepe: and if he call thee, then say, Speake Lord, for thy seruant heareth. So Samuel went, and slept in his place. And the Lord came, and stoode, 10 and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speake, for thy seruant heareth. Then the Lord 11 said to Samuel, Beholde, I wil doe a thing in Israel, whereof whosoeuer shall heare, his two eares shall tingle. In that day 12 I will raise vp against Eli all things which I haue spoken concerning his house: when I begin, I will also make an ende. And I have tolde him that I will judge his house for euer, for 13 the iniquitie which hee knoweth, because his sonnes ranne into a slaunder, and he stayed them not. Nowe therefore I haue 14 sworne vnto the house of Eli, that the wickednes of Elis house, shall not be purged with sacrifice nor offring for euer. After- 15 ward Samuel slept vntil the morning, and opened the doores of the house of the Lord, and Samuel feared to shewe Eli the vision. Then Eli called Samuel, and said, Samuel my sonne. 16 17 And he answered, Here I am. Then he said, What is it, that the Lord said vnto thee? I pray thee, hide it not from mee. God doe so to thee, and more also, if thou hide any thing from me, of all that he said vnto thee. So Samuel tolde him euery whit, and hid nothing from him. Then hee said, It is the Lord: let him do what seemeth him good. And Samuel grew, and the Lord was with him, and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that faithfull Samuel was the Lordes Prophet. And the Lord appeared againe in Shiloh: for the Lord reueiled himselfe to Samuel in Shiloh by his word.

And Samuel spake vnto all Israel: and Israel went out against the Philistims to battel and pitched beside Eben-ezer: and the 2 Philistims pitched in Aphek. And the Philistims put themselues in aray against Israel: and when they ioyned the battell, Israel was smitten downe before the Philistims: who slewe of 3 the armie in the fielde about foure thousand men. the people were come into the campe, the Elders of Israel said, Wherefore hath the Lord smitten vs this day before ve Philistims? let vs bring the Arke of the couenant of the Lord out of Shiloh vnto vs, that when it commeth among vs, it may saue 4 vs out of the hande of our enemies. Then the people sent to Shiloh, and brought from thence the Arke of the couenant of the Lord of hostes, who dwelleth betweene the Cherubims: and there were the two sonnes of Eli, Hophni, and Phinehas, with 5 the Arke of the couenant of God. And when the Arke of the couenant of the Lord came into the hoste, all Israel shouted 6 a mightie shoute, so that the earth rang againe. And when the Philistims heard the noyse of the shoute, they said, What meaneth the sound of this mightie shoute in the host of the Ebrewes? and they vnderstoode, that the Arke of the Lord was 7 come into the hoste. And the Philistims were afraide, and saide, God is come into the hoste: therefore saide they, Wo vnto 8 vs: for it hath not bene so heretofore. Wo vnto vs. who shall deliuer vs out of the hande of these mightie Gods? these are the Gods that smote the Egyptians with all the plagues in the 9 wildernes. Be strong and play the men, O Philistims, that ye be not seruants vnto the Ebrewes, as they have served you: be 10 valiant therefore, and fight. And the Philistims fought, and Israel was smitten downe, and fled euery man into his tent:

and there was an exceeding great slaughter: for there fell of Israel thirtie thousand footemen. And the Arke of God was 11 taken, and the two sonnes of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas died. And there ranne a man of Beniamin out of the armie, and came 12 to Shiloh the same day with his clothes rent, and earth vpon his head. And when hee came, loe, Eli sate vpon a seate by the 13 wayside, wayting: for his heart feared for the Arke of God and when the man came into the citie to tell it, all the citie cried And when Eli heard the noyse of the crying, he sayd, 14 What meaneth this noyse of the tumult? and the man came in hastily, and tolde Eli. (Nowe Eli was fourescore and eigh- 15 teene yeere olde, and his eyes were dimme that hee could not see) And the man sayd vnto Eli, I came from the armie, and I 16 fled this day out of the hoste: and he sayd, What thing is done, my sonne? Then the messenger answered and sayd, Israel 17 is fled before the Philistims, and there hath bene also a great slaughter among the people: and moreouer thy two sonnes. Hophni and Phinehas are dead, and the Arke of God is taken. And when he had made mention of the Arke of God, Eli fell 18 from his seate backward by the side of the gate, and his necke was broken, and he dved: for he was an olde man and heauie: and he had judged Israel fourtie yeeres. And his daughter 19 in lawe Phinehas wife was with childe neere her trauell: and when she heard the report that the Arke of God was taken. and that her father in lawe and her husband were dead, she bowed her selfe, and trauailed: for her paines came vpon her. And about the time of her death, the women that stoode about 20 her, sayd vnto her, Feare not: for thou hast borne a sonne: but she answered not, nor regarded it. And she named the childe 21 Ichabod, saying, The glory is departed from Israel, because the Arke of God was taken, and because of her father in lawe and her husband. She sayde againe, The glory is departed from 22 Israel: for the Arke of God is taken.

Then the Philistims tooke the Arke of God and caried it 5 from Eben-ezer vnto Ashdod, Euen the Philistims tooke ye 2 Arke of God, and brought it into the house of Dagon, and set it by Dagon. And when they of Ashdod rose the next day in 3 the morning, beholde, Dagon was fallen vpon his face on the ground before the Arke of the Lord, and they tooke vp Dagon, and set him in his place againe. Also they rose vp earely in 4

the morning the next day, and beholde, Dagon was fallen vpon his face on the ground before the Arke of the Lord, and the head of Dagon and the two palmes of his hands were cut off vpon the thresholde: onely the stumpe of Dagon was left to Therefore the Priests of Dagon, and all that come into Dagons house tread not on the thresholde of Dagon in Ash-6 dod, vnto this day. But the hand of the Lord was heavie vpon them of Ashdod, and destroyed them, and smote them with the 7 emerods, both Ashdod, and the coastes thereof. And when the men of Ashdod sawe this, they sayd, Let not the Arke of the God of Israel abide with vs: for his hand is sore vpon vs and 8 vpon Dagon our god. They sent therefore and gathered all the princes of the Philistims vnto them, and sayde, What shall we doe with the Arke of the God of Israel? And they answered, Let the Arke of the God of Israel be caried about vnto Gath: and 9 they caried the Arke of the God of Israel about. And when they had caried it about, the hand of the Lord was against the citie with a very great destruction, and he smote the men of the citie both small and great, and they had emerods in their 10 secret partes. Therefore they sent the Arke of God to Ekron: and assoone as the Arke of God came to Ekron, the Ekronites cryed out, saying, They have brought the Arke of the God of Is-11 rael to vs to slav vs and our people. Therefore they sent, and gathered together all the princes of the Philistims and sayd, Sende away the Arke of the God of Israel, and let it returne to his owne place, that it slay vs not and our people: for there was a destruction and death throughout all the citie, and the hand 12 of God was very sore there. And the men that dved not, were smitten with the emerods: and the cry of the citie went vp to heauen.

So the Arke of the Lord was in the countrey of the Philistims seuen moneths. And the Philistims called the priests and the soothsayers, saying, What shall we doe with the Arke of the Lord? tell vs wherewith we shall send it home againe. And they sayd, If you send away the Arke of the God of Israel, send it not away emptie, but giue vnto it a sinne offering: then shall ye be healed, and it shall be knowen to you, why his hand departeth not from you. Then sayd they, What shalbe the sinne offring, which we shall giue vnto it? And they answered, Fiue golden emerods and fiue golden mise, according to the num-

ber of the princes of the Philistims: for one plague was on you all, and on your princes. Wherefore ye shall make the simil- 5 itudes of your emerods, and the similitudes of your mise that destroy the land: so ye shall give glory vnto the God of Israel, that he may take his hand from you, and from your gods, and from your land. Wherefore then should ye harden your 6 hearts, as the Egyptians and Pharaoh hardened their hearts? when he wrought wonderfully among them, did they not let them goe, and they departed? Now therefore make a new 7 cart, and take two milch kine, on whome there hath come no voke: and tve the kine to the cart, and bring the calues home from them. Then take the Arke of the Lord, and set it vpon 8 the cart, and put the iewels of gold which ye give it for a sinne offering in a coffer by the side thereof, and send it away, that it may go. And take heede, if it goe vp by the way of his owne 9 coast to Beth-shemesh, it is he that did vs this great euill: but if not, we shall know then, that it is not his hand that smote vs, but it was a chance that happened vs. And the men did so: 10 for they tooke two kine that gaue milke, and tied them to the cart, and shut the calues at home. So they set the Arke of the 11 Lord vpon the cart, and the coffer with the mise of golde, and with the similitudes of their emerods. And the kine went the 12 streight way to Beth-shemesh, and kept one path and lowed as they went, and turned neither to the right hand nor to the left: also the Princes of the Philistims went after them, vnto the borders of Beth-shemesh. Nowe they of Beth-shemesh were 13 reaping their wheate haruest in the valley, and they lift vp their eyes, and spied the Arke, and rejoyced when they sawe it. And the cart came into the fielde of Ioshua a Beth-shemite, 14 and stood still there. There was also a great stone, and they claue the wood of the cart, and offered the kine for a burnt offring vnto the Lord. And the Leuites tooke downe the Arke of 15 the Lord, and the coffer that was with it, wherein the iewels of golde were, and put them on the great stone, and the men of Beth-shemesh offred burnt offring, and sacrificed sacrifices that same day vnto the Lord. And when the flue Princes of ye 16 Philistims had seene it, they returned to Ekron the same day. So these are the golden emerods, which the Philistims gaue 17 for a sinne offering to the Lord: for Ashdod one, for Gaza one, for Askelon one, for Gath one, and for Ekron one, And golden 18 mise, according to the number of all the cities of the Philistims, belonging to the fiue princes, both of walled townes, and of townes vnwalled, vnto the great stone of Abel, whereon they set the Arke of the Lord: which stone remaineth vnto this day in the fielde of Ioshua the Beth-shemite. And hee smote of the men of Beth-shemesh, because they had looked in the Arke of the Lord: he slew euen among the people fiftie thousand men and three score and ten men. and the people lamented, because the Lord had slaine the people with so great a slaughter. Wherefore the men of Beth-shemesh said, Who is able to stand before this holy Lord God? and to whom shall he go from vs? And they sent messengers to the inhabitans of Kiriath-iearim, saying, The Philistims haue brought againe the Arke of the Lord: come ye downe and take it vp to you.

Then the men of Kiriath-iearim came, and tooke vp the 7 Arke of the Lord, and brought it into the house of Abinadab in the hill: and they sanctified Eleazar his sonne, to keepe the 2 Arke of the Lord. (For while the Arke abode in Kiriath-iearim. the time was long, for it was twentie yeeres) and al the house 3 of Israel lamented after ye Lord. Then Samuel spake vnto all the house of Israel, saying, If ye be come againe vnto the Lord with all your heart, put away the strange gods from among you, and Ashtaroth, and direct your hearts vnto the Lord, and serue him only, and he shall deliuer you out of the hand of ye 4 Philistims. Then the children of Israel did put away Baalim 5 and Ashtaroth, and serued the Lord onely. And Samuel said, Gather all Israel to Mizpeh, and I will pray for you vnto the 6 Lord. And they gathered together to Mizpeh, and drewe water and powred it out before the Lord, and fasted the same day, and sayd there, We have sinned against the Lord. And 7 Samuel judged the children of Israel in Mizpeh. When the Philistims heard that the children of Israel were gathered together to Mizpeh, the princes of the Philistims went vp against Israel: and when the children of Israel heard that, they were 8 afraide of the Philistims. And the children of Israel sayd to Samuel, Cease not to crie vnto the Lord our God for vs, that 9 hee may saue vs out of the hand of the Philistims. Samuel tooke a sucking lambe, and offered it all together for a burnt offering vnto the Lord, and Samuel cryed vnto the Lord 10 for Israel, and the Lord heard him. And as Samuel offered the burnt offering, the Philistims came to fight against Israel: but the Lord thundred with a great thunder that day vpon the Philistims, and scattered them: so they were slaine before Israel. And the men of Israel went from Mizpeh and pur- 11 sued the Philistims, and smote them vntill they came vnder Beth-car. Then Samuel tooke a stone and pitched it betweene 12 Mizpeh and Shen, and called the name thereof, Eben-ezer, and he sayd, Hitherto hath the Lord holpen vs. So the Philistims 13 were brought vnder, and they came no more againe into the coastes of Israel: and the hand of the Lord was against the Philistims all the dayes of Samuel. Also the cities which the 14 Philistims had taken from Israel, were restored to Israel, from Ekron euen to Gath: and Israel deliuered the coastes of the same out of the hands of the Philistims: and there was peace betweene Israel and the Amorites. And Samuel judged Is- 15 rael all the dayes of his life, And went about yeere by yere to 16 Beth-el, and Gilgal, and Mizpeh, and judged Israel in all those places. Afterward hee returned to Ramah: for there was his 17 house, and there he iudged Israel: also he built an altar there vnto the Lord.

When Samuel was nowe become olde, he made his sonnes 8 Iudges ouer Israel. (And the name of his eldest sonne was 2 Ioel, and the name of the second Abiah) euen Iudges in Beersheba. And his sonnes walked not in his wayes, but turned 3 aside after lucre, and tooke rewards, and peruerted the judge-Wherefore all the Elders of Israel gathered them to- 4 gether, and came to Samuel vnto Ramah, And said vnto him, 5 Beholde, thou art olde, and thy sonnes walke not in thy waves: make vs nowe a King to judge vs like all nations. thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Giue vs a King to iudge vs: and Samuel prayed vnto the Lord. And the Lord 7 said vnto Samuel, Heare the voyce of the people in all that they shall say vnto thee: for they have not cast thee away, but they have cast me away, that I should not reigne over the. As 8 they have euer done since I brought them out of Egypt euen vnto this day, (and haue forsaken me, and serued other gods) euen so doe they vnto thee. Nowe therefore hearken vnto 9 their voyce: howbeit yet testifie vnto them, and shewe them the maner of ye King that shall reigne ouer them. So Samuel 10 told all the wordes of the Lord vnto the people that asked a

11 King of him. And he saide, This shall be the maner of the King that shall reigne ouer you: he will take your sonnes, and appoint them to his charets, and to be his horsemen, and some 12 shall runne before his charet. Also he will make them his captaines ouer thousands, and captaines ouer fifties, and to eare his ground, and to reape his haruest, and to make instru-13 ments of warre, and the thinges that serue for his charets. He will also take your daughters and make them apoticaries, and 14 cookes, and bakers. And he will take your fieldes, and your vineyardes, and your best Oliue trees, and give them to his And he will take the tenth of your seede, and of your vineyards, and giue it to his Eunuches, and to his seru-16 ants. And he will take your men seruants, and your maide seruants, and the chiefe of your yong men, and your asses, and 17 put them to his worke. He will take the tenth of your sheepe, 18 and ye shall be his seruants. And ye shall crie out at that day, because of your King, whom ye haue chosen you, and the 19 Lord will not heare you at that day. But the people would not heare the voyce of Samuel, but did say, Nay, but there shall 20 be a King ouer vs. And we also will be like all other nations, and our King shall iudge vs, and goe out before vs, and fight 21 our battels. Therefore when Samuel heard all ye wordes of ye 22 people, he rehearsed the in ye eares of ye Lord. And the Lord saide to Samuel, Hearken vnto their voyce, and make them a King. And Samuel said vnto the men of Israel, Goe euery man vnto his citie.

There was nowe a man of Beniamin, mightie in power named Kish, the sonne of Abiel, the sonne of Zeror, the sonne of Bechorath, the sonne of Aphiah, the sonne of a man of Iemini.
And he had a sonne called Saul, a goodly yong man and a faire: so that among the children of Israel there was none goodlier then he: from the shoulders vpwarde he was hier then any of the people. And the asses of Kish Sauls father were lost: therefore Kish said to Saul his sonne, Take nowe one of the seruants with thee, and arise, goe, and seeke the asses.
So he passed through mount Ephraim, and went through the lande of Shalishah, but they found them not. Then they went through the land of Shalim, and there they were not: he went also through ye land of Iemini, but they found the not. When they came to the lande of Zuph, Saul saide vnto his seruant

that was with him, Come and let vs returne, lest my father leaue the care of asses, and take thought for vs. And he said 6 vnto him, Behold nowe, in this citie is a man of God, and he is an honorable man: all that he saith commeth to passe: let vs nowe goe thither, if so be that he can shewe vs what way we may goe. Then saide Saul to his seruant, Well then, let 7 vs goe: but what shall we bring vnto the man? For the bread is spent in our vessels, and there is no present to bring to the man of God: what haue we? And the seruant answered Saul 8 againe, and said, Beholde, I have founde about me the fourth part of a shekell of siluer: that will I giue the man of God, to tell vs our way. (Beforetime in Israel when a man went to 9 seeke an answere of God, thus he spake, Come, and let vs goe to the Seer: for he that is called nowe a Prophet, was in the olde time called a Seer) Then saide Saul to his seruant, Well 10 saide, come, let vs goe: so they went into the citie where the man of God was. And as they were going vp the hie way to the 11 citie, they found maydes that came out to draw water, and said vnto them, Is there here a Seer? And they answered them, 12 and said, Yea: loe, he is before you: make haste nowe, for he came this day to the citie: for there is an offering of the people this day in the hie place. When ye shall come into the citie, ye 13 shall finde him straightway yet he come vp to the hie place to eate: for the people will not eate vntill he come, because he will blesse the sacrifice: and then eate they that be bidden to the feast: nowe therefore goe vp: for euen now shall ye find him. Then they went vp into the citie, and when they were come 14 into the middes of the citie, Samuel came out against them, to goe vp to the hie place. But the Lord had reueiled to Samuel 15 secretly (a day before Saul came) saying, To morow about this 16 time I will send thee a man out of the land of Beniamin: him shalt thou anoint to be gouernour ouer my people Israel, that he may saue my people out of the hands of the Philistims: for I have looked vpon my people, and their crie is come vnto me. When Samuel therefore sawe Saul, the Lord answered him, 17 See, this is the man whom I spake to thee of, he shall rule my people. Then went Saul to Samuel in the middes of the gate, 18 and said, Tell me, I pray thee, where the Seers house is. And 19 Samuel answered Saul, and saide, I am the Seer: goe vp before me vnto the hie place: for ve shall eate with me to day, and to

morowe I will let thee goe, and will tell thee all that is in thine 20 heart. And as for thine asses that were lost three dayes ago, care not for them: for they are founde. and on whom is set all the desire of Israel? is it not vpon thee and on all thy fathers 21 house? But Saul answered, and said, Am not I the sonne of Iemini of the smallest tribe of Israel? and my familie is the least of all the families of the tribe of Beniamin. Wherefore 22 then speakest thou so to me? And Samuel tooke Saul and his seruant, and brought them into the chamber, and made them sit in the chiefest place among them that were bidden: which 23 were about thirtie persons. And Samuel saide vnto the cooke, Bring foorth the portion which I gaue thee, and whereof I said 24 vnto thee, Keepe it with thee. And the cooke tooke vp the shoulder, and that which was vpon it, and set it before Saul. And Samuel said, Beholde, that which is left, set it before thee and eate: for hitherto hath it bene kept for thee, saying, Also I have called the people. So Saul did eate with Samuel that 25 day. And when they were come downe from the hie place into the citie, he communed with Saul vpon the top of the house. 26 And when they arose early about ye spring of the day, Samuel called Saul to the top of the house, saying, Vp, that I may send thee away. And Saul arose, and they went out, both he, and 27 Samuel. And when they were come downe to the ende of the citie, Samuel said to Saul, Bid the seruant goe before vs, (and he went) but stand thou still nowe, that I may shewe thee the worde of God.

Then Samuel tooke a viole of oyle and powred it vpon his head, and kissed him, and saide, Hath not the Lord anointed thee to be gouernour ouer his inheritance? When thou shalt depart from me this day, thou shalt finde two men by Rahels sepulchre in the border of Beniamin, euen at Zelzah, and they will say vnto thee, The asses which thou wentest to seeke, are founde: and lo, thy father hath left the care of the asses, and soroweth for you, saying, What shall I doe for my sonne? Then shalt thou go forth from thence and shalt come to the plaine of Tabor, and there shall meete thee three men going vp to God to Bethel: one carying three kiddes, and an other carying three loaues of bread, and another carying a bottle of wine:

4 And they will aske thee if all be well, and will give thee the two loaues of bread, which thou shalt receive of their han-

After that shalt thou come to the hill of God, where is 5 des. the garisons of the Philistims: and when thou art come thither to the citie, thou shalt meete a companie of Prophets comming downe from the hie place with a viole, and a tymbrell, and a pipe, and an harpe before them, and they shall prophecie. Then the Spirit of the Lord will come vpon thee, and thou shalt 6 prophecie with them, and shalt be turned into another man. Therefore when these signes shall come vnto to thee, doe as 7 occasion shall serue: for God is with thee. And thou shalt goe 8 downe before me to Gilgal: and I also will come downe vnto thee to offer burnt offerings, and to sacrifice sacrifices of peace. Tary for me seuen dayes, till I come to thee and shewe thee what thou shalt doe. And when he had turned his backe to 9 goe from Samuel, God gaue him another heart: and all those tokens came to passe that same day. And when they came 10 thither to the hill, beholde, the companie of Prophets meete him, and the Spirit of God came vpon him, and he prophecied among them. Therefore all the people that knewe him before, 11 when they saw that he prophecied among the Prophets, saide eche to other, What is come vnto the sonne of Kish? is Saul also among the Prophets? And one of the same place answered, 12 and said, But who is their father? Therefore it was a prouerbe. Is Saul also among the Prophets? And when he had made an 13 ende of prophecying, he came to the hie place. And Sauls vncle 14 saide vnto him, and to his seruant, Whither went ye? And he saide, To seeke the asses: and when we sawe that they were no where, we came to Samuel. And Sauls vncle saide, Tell me, I 15 pray thee, what Samuel said vnto you. Then Saul saide to his 16 vncle, He tolde vs plainely that the asses were founde: but concerning the kingdome whereof Samuel spake, tolde he him not. And Samuel assembled the people vnto the Lord in Mizpeh, 17 And he saide vnto the children of Israel, Thus saith ye Lord 18 God of Israel, I have brought Israel out of Egypt, and delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the handes of all kingdomes that troubled you. But ye haue this day cast 19 away your God, who onely deliuereth you out of all your aduersities and tribulations: and ye said vnto him, No, but appoint a King ouer vs. Nowe therefore stand ve before the Lord according to your tribes, and according to your thousands. And 20 when Samuel had gathered together all the tribes of Israel,

21 the tribe of Beniamin was taken. Afterwarde he assembled the tribe of Beniamin according to their families, and the familie of Matri was taken. So Saul the sonne of Kish was taken, 22 and when they sought him, he coulde not be found. Therefore they asked the Lord againe, if that man should yet come thither. And the Lord answered, Beholde, he hath hid himselfe 23 among the stuffe. And they ranne, and brought him thence: and when he stoode among the people, he was hier then any 24 of the people from the shoulders vpwarde. And Samuel saide to all the people, See ye not him, whom the Lord hath chosen, that there is none like him among all the people? and all the 25 people shouted and saide, God saue the King. Then Samuel tolde the people the duetie of the kingdome, and wrote it in a booke, and laied it vp before the Lord, and Samuel sent all the 26 people away euery man to his house. Saul also went home to Gibeah, and there followed him a bande of men, whose heart 27 God had touched, But the wicked men saide, Howe shall hee saue vs? So they despised him, and brought him no presents: but he held his tongue.

Then Nahash the Ammonite came vp, and besieged Iabesh 11 Gilead: and all the men of Iabesh saide vnto Nahash, Make a 2 couenant with vs, and we will be thy seruants. And Nahash ve Ammonite answered them, On this condition will I make a couenant with you, that I may thrust out all your right eies, 3 and bring that shame vpon all Israel. To whome the Elders of Iabesh said, Giue vs seuen daies respet, that we may sende messengers vnto all the coastes of Israel: and then if no man 4 deliuer vs. we will come out to thee. Then came the messengers to Gibeah of Saul, and tolde these tidings in the eares of the people: and all the people lift vp their voices and wept. 5 And behold, Saul came following the cattell out of the fielde, and Saul saide, What aileth this people, that they weepe? And 6 they tolde him the tidings of the men of Iabesh. Then the Spirit of God came vpon Saul, when he heard those tidings, and 7 he was exceeding angrie, And tooke a voke of oxen, and hewed them in pieces, and sent them throughout all the coastes of Israel by the hands of messengers, saying, Whosoeuer commeth not foorth after Saul, and after Samuel, so shall his oxen be serued. And the feare of the Lord fell on the people, and they 8 came out with one consent. And when he nombred them in

Bezek, the children of Israel were three hundreth thousande men: and the men of Iudah thirtie thousand. Then they saide 9 vnto the messengers that came, So say vnto the men of Iabesh Gilead, To morowe by then the sunne be hote, ye shall haue helpe. And the messengers came and shewed it to the men of Iabesh, which were glad. Therefore the men of Iabesh sayde, 10 To morowe we will come out vnto you, and yee shall doe with vs all that pleaseth you. And when the morowe was come. 11 Saul put the people in three bandes, and they came in vpon the hoste in the morning watche, and slewe the Ammonites vntill the heate of the day: and they that remained, were scattered. so that two of them were not left together. Then the people 12 said vnto Samuel, Who is he that saide, Shall Saul reigne ouer vs? bring those men that we may slaie them. But Saul said, 13 There shall no man die this day: for to day the Lord hath saued Israel. Then saide Samuel vnto ye people, Come, that we may 14 goe to Gilgal, and renue the kingdome there. So all the people 15 went to Gilgal, and made Saul King there before the Lord in Gilgal: and there they offered peace offerings before the Lord: and there Saul and all the men of Israel reioyced exceedingly.

Samuel then said vnto all Israel, Behold, I haue hearkened 12 vnto your voyce in all that yee sayde vnto mee, and haue appoynted a King ouer you. Now therefore behold, your King 2 walketh before you, and I am old and graie headed, and beholde, my sonnes are with you: and I haue walked before you from my childehood vnto this day. Beholde, here I am: beare 3 recorde of me before the Lord and before his Anointed. Whose oxe haue I taken? or whose asse haue I taken? or whome haue I done wrong to? or whome haue I hurt? or of whose hande haue I received any bribe, to blinde mine eyes therewith, and I will restore it you? Then they sayde, Thou hast done vs no 4 wrong, nor hast hurt vs. neither hast thou taken ought of any mans hand. And he saide vnto them, The Lord is witnesse 5 against you, and his Anointed is witnesse this day, that yee haue founde nought in mine handes. And they answered, He is witnesse. Then Samuel sayde vnto the people, It is the Lord 6 that made Moses and Aaron, and that brought your fathers out of the land of Egypt. Nowe therefore stand still, that I may 7 reason with you before the Lord according to all the righteousnesse of the Lord, which he shewed to you and to your fathers.

8 After that Iaakob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cried vnto the Lord, then the Lord sent Moses and Aaron which brought your fathers out of Egypt, and made them dwell in this And when they forgate the Lord their God, he solde them into the hand of Sisera captaine of the hoste of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistims, and into the hande of the 10 king of Moab, and they fought against them. And they cried vnto the Lord, and saide, We have sinned, because we have forsaken the Lord, and haue serued Baalim and Ashtaroth. Nowe therefore deliuer vs out of the handes of our enemies, and we 11 will serue thee. Therefore the Lord sent Ierubbaal and Bedan and Iphtaph, and Samuel, and deliuered you out of the handes 12 of your enemies on euery side, and yee dwelled safe. Notwithstanding when you sawe, that Nahash the King of the children of Ammon came against you, ye sayde vnto me, No, but a King shall reigne ouer vs: when yet the Lord your God was your 13 King. Nowe therefore beholde the King whome yee haue chosen, and whome yee haue desired: loe therefore, the Lord hath 14 set a King ouer you. If ye wil feare the Lord and serue him, and heare his voyce, and not disobey the worde of the Lord, both yee, and the King that reigneth ouer you, shall follow the 15 Lord your God. But if yee will not obey the voyce of the Lord, but disobey the Lordes mouth, then shall the hand of the Lord 16 be vpon you, and on your fathers. Nowe also stande and see 17 this great thing which the Lord will doe before your eyes. Is it not nowe wheat haruest? I wil call vnto the Lord, and he shall send thunder and raine, that yee may perceive and see, howe that your wickednesse is great, which ye have done in the sight 18 of the Lord in asking you a King. Then Samuel called vnto the Lord, and the Lord sent thunder and raine the same day: and all the people feared the Lord and Samuel exceedingly. 19 And all the people said vnto Samuel, Pray for thy seruaunts vnto the Lord thy God, that we die not: for we have sinned 20 in asking vs a King, beside all our other sinnes. And Samuel said vnto the people, Feare not. (ye haue indeede done all this wickednesse, yet depart not from following the Lord, but serue 21 the Lord with all your heart, Neither turne yee backe: for that shoulde be after vaine things which cannot profite you, 22 nor deliuer you, for they are but vanitie) For the Lord will not forsake his people for his great Names sake: because it hath pleased the Lord to make you his people. Moreouer God forbid, that I should sinne against the Lord, and cease praying for you, but I will shewe you the good and right way. Therefore 24 feare you the Lord, and serue him in the trueth with all your hearts, and consider howe great things he hath done for you. But if ye doe wickedly, ye shall perish, both yee, and your King. 25

Saul nowe had beene King one yeere, and he reigned two 13 veeres ouer Israel. Then Saul chose him three thousand of Is- 2 rael: and two thousande were with Saul in Michmash, and in mount Beth-el, and a thousande were with Ionathan in Gibeah of Benjamin: and the rest of the people he sent euery one to his tent. And Ionathan smote the garison of the Philistims, that 3 was in the hill: and it came to the Philistims eares: and Saul blewe the trumpet throughout all the land, saying, Heare, O yee Ebrewes. And al Israel heard say, Saul hath destroied a 4 garison of the Philistims: wherefore Israel was had in abomination with the Philistims: and the people gathered together after Saul to Gilgal. The Philistims also gathered themselues 5 together to fight with Israel, thirty thousand charets, and sixe thousande horsemen: for the people was like the sand which is by the seas side in multitude, and came vp, and pitched in Michmash Eastward from Beth-auen. And when the men of 6 Israel saw that they were in a strait (for the people were in distresse) the people hid themselues in caues, and in holdes, and in rockes, and in towres, and in pittes. And some of the 7 Ebrewes went ouer Jorden vnto the lande of Gad and Gilead: and Saul was yet in Gilgal, and al the people for feare fol-And he taried seuen daies, according vnto the 8 lowed him. time that Samuel had appointed: but Samuel came not to Gilgal, therefore the people were scattered from him. And Saul 9 sayde, Bring a burnt offering to me and peace offrings: and he offered a burnt offering. And assoone as hee had made an 10 ende of offering the burnt offering, beholde, Samuel came: and Saul went foorth to meete him, to salute him. And Samuel 11 saide, What hast thou done? Then Saul saide, Because I sawe that the people was scattred from me, and that thou camest not within the daies appoynted, and that the Philistims gathered themselues together to Michmash, Therefore said I, The 12 Philistims will come downe nowe vpon me to Gilgal, and I haue not made supplication vnto the Lord. I was bolde therefore and

13 offred a burnt offring. And Samuel saide to Saul, Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not kept the commandement of the Lord thy God, which he commanded thee: for the Lord had 14 nowe stablished thy kingdome vpon Israel for euer. But nowe thy kingdom shall not continue: the Lord hath sought him a man after his owne heart, and the Lord hath commanded him to be gouernour ouer his people, because thou hast not kept 15 that which the Lord had commanded thee. And Samuel arose, and gate him vp from Gilgal in Gibeah of Beniamin: and Saul nombred the people that were found with him, about sixe hun-16 dreth men. And Saul and Ionathan his sonne, and the people that were found with them, had their abiding in Gibeah of Be-17 niamin: but the Philistims pitched in Michmash. And there came out of the hoste of the Philistims three bandes to destroie, one bande turned vnto the way of Ophrah vnto the lande of 18 Shual, And another bad turned toward the way to Beth-horon, and the third band turned toward the way of the coast that looketh toward the valley of Zeboim, towarde the wildernesse. 19 Then there was no smith founde throughout all the land of Israel: for the Philistims sayde, Lest the Ebrewes make them 20 swordes or speares. Wherefore all ye Israelites went downe to the Philistims, to sharpen euery man his share, his mattocke, 21 and his axe, and his weeding hooke. Yet they had a file for the shares, and for the mattockes, and for the picke forkes, and for 22 the axes, and for to sharpen the goades. So whe the day of battell was come, there was neither sworde nor speare founde in the handes of any of the people that were with Saul and with Ionathan: but onely with Saul and Ionathan his sonne 23 was there founde. And the garison of the Philistims came out to the passage of Michmash.

Then on a day Ionathan the sonne of Saul sayde vnto the yong man that bare his armour, Come and let vs goe ouer towarde the Philistims garison, that is yonder on the other side, but he tolde not his father. And Saul taried in the border of Gibeah vnder a pomegranate tree, which was in Migron, and the people that were with him, were about sixe hundreth men.

3 And Ahiah the sonne of Ahitub, Ichabods brother, the sonne of Phinehas, the sonne of Eli, was the Lordes Priest in Shiloh, and ware an Ephod: and the people knewe not that Ionathan was gone. Nowe in the way whereby Ionathan sought to go

ouer to the Philistims garison, there was a sharpe rocke on the one side, and a sharpe rocke on the other side: the name of the one was called Bozez, and the name of the other Seneh. one rocke stretched from the North towarde Michmash, and the other was from the South toward Gibeah. And Ionathan 6 saide to the yong man that bare his armour, Come, and let vs goe ouer vnto the garison of these vncircumcised: it may be that the Lord will worke with vs: for it is not hard to the Lord to saue with many, or with fewe. And he that bare his ar- 7 mour, saide vnto him, Doe all that is in thine heart: goe where it pleaseth thee: beholde. I am with thee as thine heart desireth. Then said Ionathan, Beholde, we goe ouer vnto those 8 men, and will shewe our selues vnto them. If they say on this 9 wise to vs. Tarie vntill we come to you, then we will stand still in our place, and not goe vp to them. But if they say, Come vp 10 vnto vs. then we will goe vp: for the Lord hath deliuered them into our hande: and this shall be a signe vnto vs. both shewed themselues vnto the garison of the Philistims: and the Philistims said, See, the Ebrewes come out of the holes wherein they had hid themselues. And the men of the garison 12 answered Ionathan, and his armour bearer, and said, Come vp to vs: for we will shewe you a thing. Then Ionathan said vnto his armour bearer, Come vp after me: for the Lord hath deliuered them into the hand of Israel. So Ionathan went vp vpon 13 his hands and vpon his feete, and his armour bearer after him: and some fell before Ionathan, and his armour bearer slewe others after him. So the first slaughter which Ionathan and 14 his armour bearer made, was about twentie men, as it were within halfe an acre of land which two oxen plowe. And there 15 was a feare in the hoste, and in the field, and among all the people: the garison also, and they that went out to spoyle, were afraid themselues: and the earth trembled: for it was striken with feare by God. Then the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of 16 Beniamin sawe: and beholde, the multitude was discomfited, and smitten as they went. Therefore saide Saul vnto the peo- 17 ple that were with him, Search nowe and see, who is gone from vs. And when they had nombred, beholde, Ionathan and his armour bearer were not there. And Saul said vnto Ahiah, Bring 18 hither the Arke of God (for the Arke of God was at that time with the children of Israel) And while Saul talked vnto the 19

Priest, the noyse that was in the hoste of the Philistims, spred farther abroade, and encreased: therefore Saul said vnto the 20 Priest, Withdraw thine hand. And Saul was assembled with all the people that were with him, and they came to the battell: and behold, euery mans sworde was against his fellow, and 21 there was a very great discomfiture. Moreouer, the Ebrewes that were with the Philistims beforetime, and were come with them into all partes of the hoste, euen they also turned to be 22 with the Israelites that were with Saul and Ionathan. Also all the men of Israel which had hid themselues in mount Ephraim, when they heard, that the Philistims were fled, they followed 23 after them in the battell. And so the Lord saued Israel that 24 day: and the battell continued vnto Beth-auen. And at that time the men of Israel were pressed with hunger: for Saul charged the people with an othe, saying, Cursed be the man that eateth foode till night, that I may be auenged of mine 25 enemies: so none of the people tasted any sustenance. And all they of the land came to a wood, where hony lay vpon the 26 ground. And the people came into the wood, and beholde, the hony dropped, and no man mooued his hand to his mouth: 27 for the people feared the othe. But Ionathan heard not when his father charged the people with the othe: wherefore he put foorth the ende of the rod that was in his hand, and dipt it in an hony combe, and put his hand to his mouth, and his eyes re-28 ceiued sight. Then answered one of the people, and said, Thy father made the people to sweare, saying, Cursed be the man that eateth sustenance this day: and the people were faint. 29 Then said Ionathan, My father hath troubled the land: see nowe howe mine eyes are made cleare, because I have tasted 30 a litle of this honie: Howe much more, if the people had eaten to day of the spoyle of their enemies which they found? for had there not bene nowe a greater slaughter among the Philis-31 tims? And they smote the Philistims that day, from Michmash 32 to Aiialon: and the people were exceeding faint. So the people turned to the spoile, and tooke sheepe, and oxen, and calues, and slewe them on the ground, and the people did eate them 33 with the blood. Then men tolde Saul, saying, Beholde, the people sinne against the Lord, in that they eate with the blood. And he saide, Ye have trespassed: roule a great stone vnto me 34 this day. Againe Saul said, Goe abroade among the people, and bid them bring me euery man his oxe, and euery man his sheepe, and slay them here, and eate and sinne not against the Lord in eating with the blood. And ye people brought euery man his oxe in his hand that night, and slew them there. Then Saul made an altar vnto the Lord, and that was the first 35 altar that he made vnto the Lord. And Saul saide, Let vs goe 36 downe after the Philistims by night, and spoyle them vntill the morning shine, and let vs not leaue a man of them. And they saide. Doe whatsoeuer thou thinkest best. Then saide the Priest, Let vs drawe neere hither vnto God. So Saul asked of 37 God, saying, Shall I goe downe after ye Philistims? wilt thou deliuer them into the hands of Israel? But he answered him not at that time. And Saul said. All ve chiefe of the people. 38 come ve hither, and knowe, and see by whom this sinne is done this day. For as the Lord liueth, which saueth Israel, though 39 it be done by Ionathan my sonne, he shall dye the death. But none of all the people answered him. Then he saide vnto all 40 Israel, Be ye on one side, and I and Ionathan my sonne will be on the other side. And the people saide vnto Saul, Doe what thou thinkest best. Then Saul said vnto the Lord God of Is- 41 rael, Giue a perfite lot. And Ionathan and Saul were taken, but the people escaped. And Saul saide, Cast lot betweene me and 42 Ionathan my sonne. And Ionathan was taken. Then Saul said 43 to Ionathan, Tell me what thou hast done. And Ionathan tolde him, and said, I tasted a litle hony with the ende of the rod, that was in mine hand, and loe, I must die. Againe Saul an- 44 swered, God doe so and more also, vnlesse thou die the death, Ionathan. And the people said vnto Saul, Shall Ionathan die, 45 who hath so mightily deliuered Israel? God forbid. As the Lord liueth, there shall not one heare of his head fall to the ground: for he hath wrought with God this day. So the people deliuered Ionathan that he dyed not. Then Saul came vp from 46 the Philistims: and the Philistims went to their owne place. So Saul helde the kingdome ouer Israel, and fought against 47 all his enemies on euery side, against Moab, and against the children of Ammon, and against Edom, and against the Kings of Zobah, and against the Philistims: and whithersoeuer he went, he handled them as wicked men. He gathered also an 48 hoste and smote Amalek, and deliuered Israel out of the handes of them that spoyled them. Nowe the sonnes of Saul were 49 Ionathan, and Ishui, and Malchishua: and the names of his two daughters, the elder was called Merab, and the yonger was named Michal. And the name of Sauls wife was Ahinoam the daughter of Ahimaaz: and the name of his chiefe captaine was Abner the sonne of Ner, Sauls vncle. And Kish was Sauls father: and Ner the father of Abner was the sonne of Abiel. And there was sore warre against the Philistims all the dayes of Saul: and whomsoeuer Saul sawe to be a strong man, and meete for the warre, he tooke him vnto him.

Afterward Samuel said vnto Saul, The Lord sent me to anoint 15 thee King ouer his people, ouer Israel: nowe therefore obey the 2 voyce of the wordes of the Lord. Thus saith the Lord of hostes, I remember what Amalek did to Israel, howe they laide waite 3 for the in ye way, as they came vp from Egypt. Nowe therefore goe, and sinite Amalek, and destroy ye all that perteyneth vnto them, and have no compassion on them, but slay both man and woman, both infant and suckling, both oxe, and sheepe, both 4 camell, and asse. And Saul assembled ye people, and nombred them in Telaim, two hundreth thousande footemen, and ten 5 thousand men of Iudah. And Saul came to a citie of Amalek, 6 and set watch at the riuer. And Saul said vnto the Kenites. Goe, depart, and get you downe from among the Amalekites, least I destroy you with them: for ye shewed mercie to all the children of Israel, when they came vp from Egypt: and the 7 Kenites departed from among the Amalekites. So Saul smote the Amalekites from Hauilah as thou commest to Shur, that 8 is before Egypt, And tooke Agag the King of the Amalekites aliue, and destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword. 9 But Saul and the people spared Agag, and the better sheepe, and the oxen, and the fat beasts, and the lambes, and all that was good, and they would not destroy them: but euery thing 10 that was vile and nought worth, that they destroyed. Then 11 came the worde of the Lord vnto Samuel, saying, It repenteth me that I have made Saul King: for he is turned from me, and hath not performed my commandements. And Samuel 12 was mooued, and cryed vnto the Lord all night. And when Samuel arose early to meete Saul in the morning, one tolde Samuel, saying, Saul is gone to Carmel: and beholde, he hath made him there a place, from whence he returned, and de-13 parted, and is gone downe to Gilgal. Then Samuel came to

Saul, and Saul said vnto him. Blessed be thou of the Lord, I haue fulfilled the commandement of the Lord. But Samuel 14 saide, What meaneth then the bleating of the sheepe in mine eares, and the lowing of the oxen which I heare? And Saul 15 answered. They have brought them from the Amalekites: for the people spared the best of the sheepe, and of the oxen to sacrifice them vnto the Lord thy God, and the remnant haue we destroyed. Againe Samuel saide to Saul, Let me tell thee 16 what the Lord hath saide to me this night. And he said vnto him, Say on. Then Samuel saide, When thou wast litle in 17 thine owne sight, wast thou not made the head of the tribes of Israel? for the Lord anointed thee King ouer Israel. And the 18 Lord sent thee on a journey, and saide, Goe, and destroy those sinners the Amalekites, and fight against them, vntill thou destroy them. Nowe wherefore hast thou not obeyed the voyce of 19 the Lord, but hast turned to the pray, and hast done wickedly in the sight of the Lord? And Saul saide vnto Samuel, Yea, 20 I have obeyed the voyce of the Lord, and have gone the way which the Lord sent me, and haue brought Agag the King of Amalek, and haue destroyed the Amalekites. But the people 21 tooke of the spoyle, sheepe, and oxen, and the chiefest of the things which shoulde haue bene destroyed, to offer vnto the Lord thy God in Gilgal. And Samuel saide, Hath the Lord as 22 great pleasure in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as when the voyce of the Lord is obeyed? beholde, to obey is better then sacrifice, and to hearken is better then the fatte of rammes. For rebellion is as the sinne of withcraft, and transgression is 23 wickednesse and idolatrie. Because thou hast cast away the worde of the Lord, therefore hee hath cast away thee from being King. Then Saul sayde vnto Samuel, I have sinned: for 24 I have transgressed the commandement of the Lord, and thy wordes, because I feared the people, and obeyed their voyce. Nowe therefore I pray thee, take away my sinne, and turne 25 againe with mee, that I may worship the Lord. But Samuel 26 saide vnto Saul. I will not returne with thee: for thou hast cast away the word of the Lord, and the Lord hath cast away thee, that thou shalt not be King ouer Israel. And as Samuel turned 27 himselfe to goe away, he caught the lappe of his coate, and it Then Samuel saide vnto him, The Lord hath rent the 28 kingdome of Israel from thee this day, and hath given it to thy

29 neighbour, that is better then thou. For in deede the strength of Israel will not lye nor repent: for hee is not a man that hee 30 should repent. Then he saide, I have sinned: but honour mee, I pray thee, before the Elders of my people, and before Israel, and turne againe with mee, that I may worship the Lord thy 31 God. So Samuel turned againe, and followed Saul: and Saul 32 worshipped the Lord. Then saide Samuel, Bring yee hither to me Agag ye King of the Amalekites: and Agag came vnto him pleasantly, and Agag saide, Truely the bitternesse of death is 33 passed. And Samuel sayde, As thy sworde hath made women childlesse, so shall thy mother bee childelesse among other women. And Samuel hewed Agag in pieces before the Lord 34 in Gilgal. So Samuel departed to Ramah, and Saul went vp to 35 his house to Gibeah of Saul. And Samuel came no more to see Saul vntill the day of his death: but Samuel mourned for Saul, and the Lord repented that hee made Saul King ouer Israel.

The Lord then saide vnto Samuel, Howe long wilt thou mourne 16 for Saul, seeing I have cast him away from reigning over Israel? fill thine horne with oyle and come, I will sende thee to Ishai the Bethlehemite: for I haue prouided mee a King 2 among his sonnes. And Samuel sayde, Howe can I goe? for if Saul shall heare it, he will kill me. Then the Lord answered, Take an heifer with thee, and say, I am come to doe sacrifice to 3 the Lord. And call Ishai to the sacrifice, and I will shewe thee what thou shalt doe, and thou shalt anount vnto me him whom 4 I name vnto thee. So Samuel did that the Lord bade him, and came to Beth-lehem, and the Elders of the towne were astonied 5 at his comming, and sayd, Commest thou peaceablie? And he answeared, Yea: I am come to doe sacrifice vnto the Lord: sanctifie your selues, and come with me to the sacrifice. And he sanctified Ishai and his sonnes, and called them to the sac-And when they were come, hee looked on Eliab, and 6 rifice. 7 saide, Surely the Lordes Anointed is before him. But the Lord said vnto Samuel, Looke not on his countenance, nor on the height of his stature, because I haue refused him: for God seeth not as man seeth: for man looketh on the outward appearance, 8 but the Lord beholdeth the heart. Then Ishai called Abinadab, and made him come before Samuel. And he saide, Neither hath 9 the Lord chosen this. Then Ishai made Shammah come. And 10 he said, Neither yet hath the Lord chosen him. Againe Ishai

made his seue sonnes to come before Samuel: and Samuel saide vnto Ishai, The Lord hath chosen none of these. nally, Samuel said vnto Ishai, Are there no more children but these? And hee sayde, There remaineth yet a litle one behinde, that keepeth the sheepe. Then Samuel saide vnto Ishai, Sende and set him: for we will not sit downe, till he be come hither. And he sent, and brought him in: and he was ruddie, and of 12 a good countenance, and comely visage. And the Lord saide, Arise, and anount him: for this is he. Then Samuel tooke the 13 horne of oyle, and anounted him in the middes of his brethren. And the Spirit of the Lord came vpon Dauid, from that day forwarde: then Samuel rose vp., and went to Ramah. But the 14 Spirite of the Lord departed from Saul, and an euill spirite sent of the Lord vexed him. And Sauls servants said vnto him, Be- 15 holde nowe, the euill spirite of God vexeth thee. Let our Lord 16 therefore command thy servants, that are before thee, to seeke a man that is a cunning plaier vpon the harpe: that when the euil spirit of God commeth vpon thee, hee may play with his hand, and thou maiest be eased. Saul then saide vnto his 17 seruantes, Prouide me a man, I pray you, that can play well, and bring him to me. Then answered one of his seruauntes, 18 and sayde, Beholde, I have seene a sonne of Ishai, a Bethlehemite, that can plaie, and is strong, valiant and a man of warre and wise in matters, and a comely person, and the Lord is with him. Wherefore Saul sent messengers vnto Ishai, and 19 said, Send me Dauid thy sonne which is with the sheepe. And 20 Ishai tooke an asse laden with breade and a flagon of wine and a kidde, and sent them by the hand of Dauid his sonne vnto Saul. And Dauid came to Saul, and stoode before him: and he 21 loued him verie well, and he was his armour bearer. And Saul 22 sent to Ishai, saying, Let Dauid nowe remaine with me: for he hath found fauour in my sight. And so when the euil spirite 23 of God came vpon Saul, Dauid tooke an harpe and plaied with his hande, and Saul was refreshed, and was eased: for the euill spirit departed from him.

Nowe the Philistims gathered their armies to battell, and 17 came together to Shochoh, which is in Iudah, and pitched betweene Shochoh and Azekah, in the coast of Dammim. And 2 Saul, and the men of Israel assembled, and pitched in the valley of Elah, and put themselues in battell araie to meete the

3 Philistims. And the Philistims stoode on a mountaine on the one side, and Israel stoode on a mountaine on the other side: 4 so a valley was betweene them. Then came a man betweene them both out of the tents of the Philistims, named Goliath of Gath: his height was sixe cubites and an hande breadth, 5 Aud had an helmet of brasse vpon his head, and a brigandine vpon him: and the weight of his brigandine was fiue thousand 6 shekels of brasse. And he had bootes of brasse vpon his legs, 7 and a shield of brasse vpon his shoulders. And the shaft of his speare was like a weauers beame: and his speare head weyed sixe hundreth shekels of yron: and one bearing a shielde went 8 before him. And he stoode, and cried against the hoste of Israel, and saide vnto them, Why are yee come to set your battell in aray? am not I a Philistim, and you seruaunts to Saul? 9 chuse you a man for you, and let him come downe to me. he be able to fight with me, and kill me, then wil we be your seruants: but if I ouercome him, and kill him, then shall vee 10 be our seruants, and serue vs. Also the Philistim saide, I defie the hoste of Israel this day: give mee a man, that we may fight 11 together. When Saul and all Israel heard those wordes of the 12 Philistim, they were discouraged, and greatly afraide. Nowe this Dauid was the sonne of an Ephrathite of Beth-lehem Iudah, named Ishai, which had eight sonnes: and this man was 13 taken for an olde man in the daies of Saul. And the three eldest sonnes of Ishai went and followed Saul to the battel: and the names of his three sonnes that went to battell, were Eliab the Eldest, and the next Abinadab, and the thirde Shammah. 14 So Dauid was the least: and the three eldest went after Saul. 15 Dauid also went, but hee returned from Saul to feede his fa-16 thers sheepe in Beth-lehem. And the Philistim drew neere in 17 the morning, and euening, and continued fourtie daies. And Ishai said vnto Dauid his sone, Take nowe for thy brethren an Ephah of this parched corne, and these ten cakes, and runne to 18 the hoste to thy brethren. Also carie these ten fresh cheeses vnto the captaine, and looke howe thy brethren fare, and re-19 ceiue their pledge. (Then Saul and they, and all the men of Israel were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philis-20 tims) So Dauid rose vp earely in the morning, and left the sheepe with a keeper, and tooke and went as Ishai had commanded him, and came within the compasse of the hoste: and

the hoste went out in araie, and shouted in the battell. For 21 Israel and the Philistims had put themselues in araie, armie against armie. And Dauid left the things, which hee bare, vn- 22 der the handes of the keeper of the cariage, and ranne into the hoste, and came, and asked his brethren howe they did. And 23 as hee talked with them, beholde, the man that was betweene the two armies, came vp, (whose name was Goliath ve Philistim of Gath) out of the armie of the Philistims, and spake such woordes, and Dauid heard them. And all the men of Israel, 24 when they sawe the man, ranne away from him, and were sore afraied. For euery man of Israel saide. Sawe vee not this man 25 that commeth vp? euen to reuile Israel is he come vp: and to him that killeth him, wil the king give great riches, and will giue him his daughter, yea, and make his fathers house free in Then Dauid spake to the men that stoode with him, 26 and sayde. What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistim, and taketh away the shame from Israel? for who is this vncircumcised Philistim, that he shoulde reuile the hoste of the liuing God? And the people answered him after this 27 maner, saying, Thus shall it be done to the man that killeth him. And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake vnto 28 the men, and Eliab was verie angrie with Dauid, and sayde, Why camest thou downe hither? and with whome hast thou left those fewe sheepe in the wildernesse? I knowe thy pride and the malice of thine heart, that thou art come downe to see Then Dauid sayde, What haue I nowe done? Is 29 the battell. there not a cause? And hee departed from him into the pres- 30 ence of another, and spake of the same maner, and the people answered him according to the former woordes. And they 31 that heard the wordes which Dauid spake, rehearsed them before Saul, which caused him to be brought. So Dauid saide to 32 Saul, Let no mans heart faile him, because of him: thy seruant wil goe, and fight with this Philistim. And Saul sayde to 33 Dauid, Thou art not able to goe against this Philistim to fight with him: for thou art a boye, and he is a man of warre from his youth. And Dauid answered vnto Saul, Thy seruant kept his 34 fathers sheepe, and there came a lyon, and likewise a beare, and tooke a sheepe out of the flocke, And I went out after him 35 and smote him, and tooke it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught him by the beard, and smote him,

36 and slue him. So thy seruaunt slue both the lyon, and the beare: therefore this vncircumcised Philistim shall be as one of them, seeing hee hath railed on the hoste of the liuing God. 37 Moreouer Dauid sayd, The Lord that deliuered me out of the pawe of the lyon, and out of the paw of the beare, he wil deliuer me out of the hand of this Philistim. Then Saul sayd vnto 38 Dauid, Go, and the Lord be with thee. And Saul put his rayment vpon Dauid, and put an helmet of brasse vpon his head, 39 and put a brigandine vpon him. Then girded Dauid his sword vpon his rayment, and began to go: for he neuer proued it: and Dauid sayde vnto Saul, I can not goe with these: for I am 40 not accustomed. wherefore Dauid put them off him. tooke he his staffe in his hand, and chose him fiue smoothe stones out of a brooke, and put them in his shepheards bagge or skrippe, and his sling was in his hand, and he drewe neere 41 to the Philistim. And the Philistim came and drew neere vnto Dauid, and the man that bare the shielde went before him. 42 Now when the Philistim looked about and saw Dauid, he disdeined him: for he was but yong, ruddie, and of a comely face. 43 And the Philistim sayde vnto Dauid, Am I a dog, that thou commest to me with staues? And the Philistim cursed Dauid 44 by his gods. And the Philistim sayd to Dauid, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh vnto the foules of the heaven, and to 45 the beastes of the field. Then sayd Dauid to the Philistim, Thou commest to me with a sword, and with a speare, and with a shield, but I come to thee in the Name of the Lord of hostes, the God of the hoste of Israel, whom thou hast rayled This day shall the Lord close thee in mine hand, and I shall smite thee, and take thine head from thee, and I wil giue the carkeises of the hoste of the Philistims this daye vnto the foules of the heaven, and to the beasts of the earth, that 47 all the world may know that Israel hath a God, And that all this assembly may know, that the Lord saueth not with sworde nor with speare (for the battel is the Lords) and he will give 48 you into our handes. And when the Philistim arose to come and drawe neere vnto Dauid, Dauid hasted and ran to fight 49 against the Philistim. And Dauid put his hande in his bagge, and tooke out a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistim in his forehead, that the stone sticked in his forehead, and he 50 fell groueling to the earth. So Dauid ouercame the Philistim with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistim, and slew him, when Dauid had no sword in his hand. Then Dauid 51 ranne, and stood vpon the Philistim, and tooke his sword and drew it out of his sheath, and slewe him, and cut off his head therewith. So whe the Philistims saw, that their champion was dead, they fled. And the men of Israel and Iudah arose, and 52 shouted, and followed after the Philistims, vntill they came to the valley, and vnto the gates of Ekron: and the Philistims fell downe wounded by the way of Shaaraim, euen to Gath and to Ekron. And the children of Israel returned from pursuing 53 the Philistims, and spoyled their tents. And Dauid tooke the 54 head of ve Philistim, and brought it to Ierusalem, and put his armour in his tent. When Saul sawe Dauid go forth against 55 the Philistim, he sayd vnto Abner the captaine of his hoste, Abner, whose sonne is this yong man? and Abner answered, As thy soule liueth, O King, I can not tell. Then the King sayde, 56 Enquire thou whose sonne this yong man is. And when Dauid 57 was returned from the slaughter of the Philistim, then Abner tooke him, and brought him before Saul with the head of the Philistim in his hand. And Saul sayde to him, Whose sonne 58 art thou, thou yong man? And Dauid answered, I am the sonne of thy seruant Ishai the Bethlehemite.

And when he had made an ende of speaking vnto Saul, 18 the soule of Ionathan was knit with the soule of Dauid, and Ionathan loued him, as his owne soule. And Saul tooke him 2 that day, and woulde not let him returne to his fathers house. Then Ionathan and Dauid made a couenant: for he loued him 3 as his owne soule. And Ionathan put off the robe that was 4 vpon him, and gaue it Dauid, and his garments, euen to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle. And Dauid went out 5 whithersoeuer Saul sent him, and behaued himselfe wisely: so that Saul set him ouer the men of warre, and he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of Sauls seruants. When they came againe, and Dauid returned 6 from the slaughter of the Philistim, the women came out of all cities of Israel singing and dauncing to meete king Saul, with timbrels, with instruments of ioy, and with rebeckes. the women sang by course in their play, and sayd, Saul hath slayne his thousand, and Dauid his ten thousand. Therefore 8 Saul was exceeding wroth, and the saying displeased him, and

he sayde, They have ascribed vnto Dauid ten thousand, and to me they have ascribed but a thousand, and what can he 9 haue more saue the kingdome? Wherefore Saul had an eye on 10 Dauid from that day forward. And on the morowe, the euill spirite of God came vpon Saul, and he prophecied in the middes of the house: and Dauid played with his hand like as at 11 other times, and there was a speare in Sauls hand. And Saul tooke the speare, and sayd, I will smite Dauid through to the 12 wall. But Dauid auoyded twise out of his presence. And Saul was afrayd of Dauid, because the Lord was with him, and was 13 departed from Saul. Therefore Saul put him from him, and made him a captaine ouer a thousand, and he went out and 14 in before the people. And Dauid behaued himselfe wisely in 15 all his wayes: for the Lord was with him. Wherefore when 16 Saul saw that he was very wise, he was afrayde of him. For all Israel and Iudah loued Dauid, because he went out and 17 in before them. Then Saul sayd to Dauid, Beholde mine eldest daughter Merab, her I will giue thee to wife: onely be a valiant sonne vnto me, and fight the Lordes battels: for Saul thought, Mine hand shall not be vpon him, but the hand of 18 the Philistims shalbe vpon him. And Dauid answered Saul, What am I? and what is my life, or the family of my father 19 in Israel, that I should be sonne in law to the King? Howbeit when Merab Sauls daughter should haue bene giuen to 20 Dauid, she was giuen vnto Adriel a Meholathite to wife. Then Michal Sauls daughter loued Dauid: and they shewed Saul, 21 and the thing pleased him. Therefore Saul said, I wil giue him her, that she may be a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistims may bee against him. Wherefore Saul sayde to Dauid, Thou shalt this day be my sonne in law in the one 22 of the twayne. And Saul commanded his seruants, Speake with Dauid secretly, and say, Behold, ye King hath a fauour to thee, and all his seruants loue thee: be now therefore the 23 Kings sonne in law. And Sauls seruantes spake these wordes in the eares of Dauid. And Dauid sayd, Seemeth it to you a light thing to be a Kings sonne in lawe, seeing that I am a 24 poore man and of small reputation? And then Sauls seruats brought him word againe, saying, Such wordes spake Dauid. 25 And Saul sayd, This wise shall ye say to Dauid, The King desireth no dowrie, but an hundred foreskinnes of the Philistims,

to bee auenged of the Kings enemies: for Saul thought to make Dauid fall into the handes of the Philistims. And when his 26 seruantes tolde Dauid these wordes, it pleased Dauid well, to be the Kings sonne in law: and the dayes were not expired. Afterwarde Dauid arose with his men, and went and slewe of the Philistims two hundreth men: and Dauid brought their foreskinnes, and they gaue them wholly to the King that hee might be the Kings sonne in lawe: therefore Saul gaue him Michal his daughter to wife. Then Saul sawe, and vnderstoode that 28 the Lord was with Dauid, and that Michal the daughter of Saul loued him. Then Saul was more and more afrayde of 29 Dauid, and Saul became alway Dauids enemie. And when the 30 Princes of the Philistims went forth, at their going forth Dauid behaued himselfe more wisely then all the seruants of Saul, so that his name was much set by.

Then Saul spake to Ionathan his sonne, and to all his seru- 19 antes, that they shoulde kill Dauid: but Ionathan Sauls sonne had a great fauour to Dauid. And Ionathan told Dauid, say- 2 ing. Saul my father goeth about to slay thee: nowe therefore, I pray thee, take heede vnto thy selfe vnto the morning, and abide in a secret place, and hide thy selfe. And I will go out, 3 and stand by my father in the fielde where thou art, and will commune with my father of thee, and I will see what he sayth, and will tell thee. And Ionathan spake good of Dauid vnto 4 Saul his father, and said vnto him, Let not the King sinne against his seruat, against Dauid: for he hath not sinned against thee, but his works haue bene to thee very good. For he did 5 put his life in daunger, and slew the Philistim, and the Lord wrought a great saluation for al Israel: thou sawest it, and thou reioycedst: wherefore then wilt thou sinne against innocent blood, and slay Dauid without a cause? Then Saul 6 hearkened vnto the voyce of Ionathan, and Saul sware, As the Lord liueth, he shall not dye. So Ionathan called Dauid, and 7 Ionathan shewed him all those words, and Ionathan brought Dauid to Saul, and hee was in his presence as in times past. Againe the warre began, and Dauid went out and fought with 8 the Philistims, and slew them with a great slaughter, and they fled from him. And the euill spirit of the Lord was vpon Saul, 9 as hee sate in his house having his speare in his hand, and Dauid played with his hand. And Saul intended to smite 10

Dauid to the wall with the speare: but hee turned aside out of Sauls presence, and he smote the speare against the wall: 11 but Dauid fled, and escaped the same night. Saul also sent messengers vnto Dauids house, to watch him, and to slay him in the morning: and Michal Dauids wife told it him, saying, If thou saue not thy selfe this night, to morowe thou shalt be 12 slayne. So Michal let Dauid downe through a window: and he 13 went, and fled, and escaped. Then Michal tooke an image, and layde it in the bed, and put a pillow stuffed with goates heare 14 vnder the head of it, and couered it with a cloth. And when Saul sent messengers to take Dauid, she sayd, He is sicke. 15 And Saul sent the messengers againe to see Dauid, saying, 16 Bring him to me in the bed, that I may slay him. And when the messengers were come in, behold, an image was in the bed, 17 with a pillow of goates heare vnder the head of it. And Saul said vnto Michal, Why hast thou mocked me so, and sent away mine enemie, that he is escaped? And Michal answered Saul, 18 He said vnto me, Let me go, or els I will kill thee. So Dauid fled, and escaped, and came to Samuel to Ramah, and told him all that Saul had done to him: and he and Samuel went and 19 dwelt in Naioth. But one tolde Saul, saying, Beholde, Dauid 20 is at Naioth in Ramah. And Saul sent messengers to take Dauid: and when they sawe a company of Prophets prophecying, and Samuel standing as appoynted ouer them, the Spirit of God fell vpon the messengers of Saul, and they also prophe-21 cied. And when it was tolde Saul, he sent other messengers, and they prophecied likewise: againe Saul sent the third mes-22 sengers, and they prophecied also. Then went he himselfe to Ramah, and came to a great well that is in Sechu, and he asked, and sayd, Where are Samuel and Dauid? and one sayd, 23 Behold, they be at Naioth in Ramah. And he went thither, euen to Naioth in Ramah, and the Spirit of God came vpon him also, and he went prophecying vntill hee came to Naioth in 24 Ramah. And he stript off his clothes, and he prophesied also before Samuel, and fell downe naked all that day and all that night: therefore they say, Is Saul also among the Prophets?

20 And Dauid fled from Naioth in Ramah, and came and sayd before Ionathan, What haue I done? what is mine iniquitie? and what sinne haue I committed before thy father, that he 2 seeketh my life? And he sayde vnto him, God forbid, thou

shalt not die: beholde, my father will do nothing great nor small, but he will shewe it me: and why should my father hide this thing from me? he will not doe it. And Dauid sware 3 againe and sayd, Thy father knoweth that I haue found grace in thine eyes: therefore he thinketh. Ionathan shall not knowe it, lest he be sorie: but in deede, as the Lord liueth, and as thy soule liueth, there is but a step betweene me and death. Then 4 said Ionathan vnto Dauid, Whatsoeuer thy soule requireth, that I wil do vnto thee. And Dauid said vnto Ionathan. Be- 5 hold, to morowe is the first day of the moneth, and I shoulde sit with the King at meate: but let me goe, that I may hide my selfe in the fieldes vnto the third day at euen. If thy fa- 6 ther make mention of me, then say, Dauid asked leave of me, that he might goe to Beth-lehem to his owne citie: for there is a yeerely sacrifice for all that familie. And if he say thus, 7 It is well, the servant shall have peace: but if he be angrie. be sure that wickednesse is concluded of him. So shalt thou 8 shew mercy vnto thy seruant: for thou hast joyned thy seruant into a couenant of the Lord with thee, and if there be in me iniquitie, slay thou me: for why shouldest thou bring me to thy father? And Ionathan answered, God keepe that from thee: 9 for if I knewe that wickednesse were concluded of my father to come vpon thee, would not I tell it thee? Then said Dauid to 10 Ionathan, Who shall tell me? how shall I knowe, if thy father answere thee cruelly? And Ionathan sayde to Dauid, Come 11 and let vs goe out into the fielde: and they twaine went out into the fielde. Then Ionathan sayde to Dauid, O Lord God of 12 Israel, when I have groped my fathers minde to morow at this time, or within this three dayes, and if it be well with Dauid, and I then send not vnto thee, and shewe it thee. The Lord 13 doe so and much more vnto Ionathan: but if my father haue minde to doe thee euill, I will shew thee also, and sende thee away, that thou mayest goe in peace: and the Lord be with thee as he hath bene with my father. Likewise I require not whiles 14 I liue: for I dout not but thou wilt shew me the mercy of the Lord, that I die not. But I require that thou cut not off thy 15 mercie from mine house for euer: no, not when the Lord hath destroyed the enemies of Dauid, euery one from the earth. So 16 Ionathan made a bond with the house of Dauid, saying, Let the Lord require it at the hands of Dauids enemies. And againe 17

Ionathan sware vnto Dauid, because he loued him (for he loued 18 him as his owne soule) Then said Ionathan to him, To morowe is the first day of the moneth: and thou shalt be looked for, for 19 thy place shalbe emptie. Therefore thou shalt hide thy selfe three dayes, then thou shalt goe downe quickely and come to the place where thou diddest hide thy selfe, when this matter 20 was in hand, and shalt remayne by the stone Ezel. And I will shoote three arrowes on the side thereof, as though I shot at 21 a marke. And after I wil sende a boy, saying, Goe, seeke the arrowes. If I say vnto the boy, See, the arrowes are on this side thee, bring them, and come thou: for it is well with thee 22 and no hurt, as the Lord liueth. But if I say thus vnto the boy, Behold, the arrowes are beyonde thee, goe thy way: for 23 the Lord hath sent thee away. As touching the thing which thou and I have spoken of, beholde, the Lord be betweene thee So Dauid hid him selfe in the field: and 24 and me for euer. when the first day of the moneth came, the King sate to eate 25 meate. And the King sate, as at other times vpon his seate, euen vpon his seate by the wall: and Ionathan arose, and Ab-26 ner sate by Sauls side, but Dauids place was emptie. Saul sayde nothing that day: for hee thought, Some thing hath befallen him, though he were cleane, or els becaus he was not But on the morowe which was the second day of the moneth, Dauids place was emptie againe: and Saul sayde vnto Ionathan his sonne, Wherefore commeth not the sonne of 28 Ishai to meate, neither yesterday nor to day? And Ionathan answered vnto Saul, Dauid required of me, that he might goe 29 to Beth-lehem. For he sayde, Let me goe, I pray thee: for our familie offreth a sacrifice in the citie, and my brother hath sent for me: therfore now if I have found favour in thine eyes, let me goe, I pray thee, and see my brethren: this is the cause that he 30 commeth not vnto the Kings table. Then was Saul angrie with Ionathan, and sayde vnto him, Thou sonne of the wicked rebellious woman, doe not I know, that thou hast chosen the sonne of Ishai to thy confusion, and to the confusion and shame of 31 thy mother? For as long as the sonne of Ishai liueth vpon the earth, thou shalt not be stablished, nor thy kingdome: wherefore now send and fet him vnto me, for he shall surely die. 32 And Ionathan answered vnto Saul his father, and said vnto 33 him. Wherefore shall he die? what hath he done? And Saul

cast a speare at him to hit him, whereby Ionathan knew, that it was determined of his father to slay Dauid. So Ionathan 34 arose from the table in a great anger, and did eate no meate the seconde day of the moneth: for he was sorie for Dauid, and because his father had reuiled him. On the next morning 35 therefore Ionathan than went out into the fielde, at the time appoynted with Dauid, and a litle boy with him. And he saide 36 vnto his boy, Runne now, seeke the arrowes which I shoote, and as the boy ran, he shot an arrowe beyond him. And when the 37 boy was come to the place where the arrowe was that Ionathan had shot, Ionathan cryed after the boy, and sayde, Is not the arrowe beyond thee? And Ionathan cryed after the boy, Make 38 speede, haste and stand not still: and Ionathans boy gathered vp the arrowes, and came to his master. But the boy knewe 39 nothing: onely Ionathan and Dauid knew the matter. Then 40 Ionathan gaue his bowe and arrowes vnto the boy that was with him, and sayd vnto him, Goe, carrie them into the citie. Assoone as the boy was gone, Dauid arose out of a place that 41 was towarde the South, and fel on his face to the ground, and bowed him selfe three times: and they kissed one another, and wept both twaine, till Dauid exceeded. Therefore Ionathan 42 said to Dauid, Goe in peace: that which we have sworne both of vs in the Name of the Lord, saving, The Lord be betweene me and thee, and betweene my seede and betweene thy seede, let it stand for euer. And he arose and departed, and Ionathan 43 went into the citie.

Then came Dauid to Nob, to Ahimelech the Priest, and Ahim-21 elech was astonied at the meeting of Dauid, and saide vnto him, Why art thou alone, and no man with thee? And Dauid 2 saide to Ahimelech the Priest, The King hath commanded mee a certaine thing, and hath sayd vnto me, Let no man know whereabout I sende thee, and what I haue commanded thee: and I haue appointed my seruants to such and such places. Nowe therefore if thou hast ought vnder thine hande, giue me 3 fiue cakes of bread, or what commeth to hand. And the Priest 4 answered Dauid, and saide, There is no common bread vnder mine hande, but here is halowed bread, if the yong men haue kept themselues, at least from women. Dauid then answered 5 the Priest, and sayde vnto him, Certainely women haue bene separarate from vs these two or three dayes since I came out:

and the vessels of the yong men were holy, though the way were prophane, and how much more then shall euery one be 6 sanctified this day in the vessell? So the Priest gaue him halowed bread: for there was no bread there, saue the shewe bread that was taken from before the Lord, to put hote bread 7 there, the day that it was taken away. (And there was the same day one of the seruants of Saul abiding before the Lord, 8 named Doeg the Edomite, the chiefest of Sauls heardmen) And Dauid said vnto Ahimelech. Is there not here vnder thine hand a speare or a sworde? for I have neither brought my sworde nor mine harnesse with me, because the Kings businesse re-9 guired haste. And the Priest said, The sword of Goliath the Philistim, whom thou slewest in the valley of Elah, behold, it is wrapt in a cloth behinde the Ephod: if thou wilt take that to thee, take it: for there is none other saue that here: And Dauid 10 sayd, There is none to that, give it me. And Dauid arose and fled the same day from the presence of Saul, and went 11 to Achish the King of Gath. And the seruants of Achish said vnto him, Is not this Dauid the King of the land? did they not sing vnto him in daunces, saying, Saul hath slayne his thou-12 sand, and Dauid his ten thousande? And Dauid considered these wordes, and was sore afraide of Achish the King of Gath. 13 And hee changed his behauiour before them, and favned him selfe mad in their handes, and scrabled on the doores of the 14 gate, and let his spettel fall downe vpon his beard. Then said Achish vnto his seruants, Lo, ye see the man is beside him 15 selfe, wherefore haue ye brought him to me? Haue I neede of mad men, that we have brought this fellowe to play the mad man in my presence? shall he come into mine house?

Dauid therefore departed thence, and saued him selfe in the caue of Adullam: and when his brethren and all his fathers house heard it, they went downe thither to him. And there gathered vnto him all men that were in trouble and all men that were in dette, and all those that were vexed in minde, and he was their prince, and there were with him about foure hundreth men. And Dauid went thence to Mizpeh in Moab, and said vnto the King of Moab, I pray thee, let my father and my mother come and abide with you, till I knowe what God wil doe for me. And he brought them before the King of Moab, and they dwelt with him all the while that Dauid was in the

And the Prophet Gad sayde vnto Dauid, Abide not in 5 the holde, but depart and goe into the land of Iudah. Then Dauid departed and came into the forest of Hareth. And Saul 6 heard that Dauid was discouered, and the men that were with him, and Saul remayned in Gibeah vnder a tree in Ramah, hauing his speare in his hande, and all his seruants stoode about him. And Saul said vnto his seruants that stood about 7 him, Heare now, ye sonnes of Iemini, wil the sonne of Ishai giue euery one of you fields and vineyardes: will he make you all captaines ouer thousands, and captaines ouer hundreths: That all ye have conspired against me, and there is none that 8 tellerh mee that my sonne hath made a couenant with the sonne of Ishai? and there is none of you that is sory for me, or sheweth mee, that my sonne hath stirred vp my seruant to lie in wayte against me, as appeareth this day? Then an- 9 swered Doeg the Edomite (who was appoynted ouer the seruants of Saul) and sayd, I saw the sonne of Ishai when he came to Nob. to Ahimelech the sonne of Ahitub, Who asked coun- 10 sell of the Lord for him and gaue him vitailes, and he gaue him also the sword of Goliath the Philistim. Then the King sent 11 to call Ahimelech the Priest the sonne of Ahitub, and all his fathers house, to wit, the Priests that were in Nob: and they came all to the King. And Saul said, Heare now thou sonne 12 of Ahitub. And he answered, Here I am, my lord. Then Saul 13 sayde vnto him, Why haue yee conspired against me, thou and the sonne of Ishai, in that thou hast given him vitaile, and a sworde, and hast asked counsell of God for him, that he should rise against me, and lye in wayte as appeareth this day? And 14 Ahimelech answered the King, and sayde, Who is so faithfull among all thy seruants as Dauid, being also the Kings sonne in lawe, and goeth at thy commandement, and is honourable in thine house? Haue I this day first begun to aske counsell of 15 God for him? be it farre from mee, let not the King impute any thing vnto his seruant, nor to all the house of my father: for thy servant knew nothing of all this, lesse nor more. Then the 16 King sayd, Thou shalt surely die, Ahimelech, thou, and all thy fathers house. And the King sayde vnto the sergeantes that 17 stoode about him, Turne, and slay the Priestes of the Lord, because their hand also is with Dauid, and because they knewe when he fled, and shewed it not vnto mee. But the seruantes of

the King would not moue their hands to fall vpon the Priests 18 of the Lord. Then the King sayde to Doeg, Turne thou and fall vpon the Priests. And Doeg the Edomite turned, and ran vpon the Priestes, and slewe that same daye foure score and 19 fiue persons that did weare a linen Ephod. Also Nob the citie of the Priestes smote he with the edge of the sword, both man and woman, both childe and suckling, both oxe and asse, and 20 sheepe with the edge of the sword. But one of the sonnes of Ahimelech the sonne of Ahitub (whose name was Abiathar) es-21 caped and fled after Dauid. And Abiathar shewed Dauid, that 22 Saul had slayne the Lords Priestes. And Dauid sayd vnto Abiathar, I knewe it the same day, when Doeg the Edomite was there, that he would tell Saul. I am the cause of the death of 23 all the persons of thy fathers house. Abide thou with me, and feare not: for he that seeketh my life, shall seeke thy life also: for with me thou shalt be in safegard.

Then they tolde Dauid, saying, Beholde, the Philistims fight 23 2 against Keilah, and spoyle the barnes. Therfore Dauid asked counsel of the Lord, saying, Shal I goe and smite these Philistims? And the Lord answered Dauid, Go and smite the Philis-3 tims, and saue Keilah. And Dauids men said vnto him, See, we be afrayde here in Iudah, howe much more if we come to 4 Keilah against the hoste of ve Philistims? Then Dauid asked counsell of the Lord againe. And the Lord answered him, and sayd, Arise, go downe to Keilah: for I wil deliuer the Philistims 5 into thine hand. So Dauid and his men went to Keilah, and fought with the Philistims, and brought away their cattel, and smote them with a great slaughter: thus Dauid saued the in-6 habitants of Keilah. (And when Abiathar the sonne of Ahimelech fled to Dauid to Keilah, he brought an Ephod with him) 7 And it was tolde Saul that Dauid was come to Keilah, and Saul sayd, God hath deliuered him into mine hand: for he is shut in, 8 seeing he is come into a citie that hath gates and barres. Then Saul called all the people together to warre, for to go downe to 9 Keilah, and to besiege Dauid and his men. And Dauid hauing knowledge that Saul imagined mischiefe against him, saide to 10 Abiathar the Priest, Bring the Ephod. Then sayde Dauid, O Lord God of Israel, thy seruat hath heard, that Saul is about 11 to come to Keilah to destroy the citie for my sake. Wil the lordes of Keilah deliuer me vp into his hand? and will Saul come downe, as thy seruant hath heard? O Lord God of Israel, I beseech thee, tell thy seruant. And the Lord sayde, He will come downe. Then said Dauid, Will the lords of Keilah deliuer 12 me vp, and the men that are with me, into the hand of Saul? And the Lord sayde, They will deliuer thee vp. Then Dauid 13 and his men, which were about sixe hundreth, arose, and departed out of Keilah, and went whither they coulde. And it was tolde Saul, that Dauid was fled from Keilah, and he left off his iourney. And Dauid abode in the wildernesse in holdes, 14 and remayned in a mountaine in the wildernes of Ziph. And Saul sought him euery day, but God deliuered him not into his hand. And Dauid sawe that Saul was come out for to seeke 15 his life: and Dauid was in the wildernes of Ziph in the wood. And Ionathan Sauls sonne arose and went to Dauid into the 16 wood, and comforted him in God, And said vnto him, Feare 17 not: for the hand of Saul my father shall not finde thee, and thou shalt be King ouer Israel, and I shalbe next vnto thee: and also Saul my father knoweth it. So they twaine made a 18 couenant before ve Lord: and Dauid did remaine in the wood: but Ionathan went to his house. Then came vp the Ziphims 19 to Saul to Gibeah, saving, Doeth not Dauid hide himselfe by vs in holdes, in the wood in the hill of Hachilah, which is on the right side of Ieshimon? Nowe therefore, O King, come downe 20 according to all that thine heart can desire, and our part shall be to deliuer him into the Kinges handes. Then Saul said, Be 21 ye blessed of the Lord: for ye have had compassion on mee. Goe, I pray you, and prepare ye yet better: know and see his 22 place where he haunteth, and who hath seene him there: for it is sayd to me, He is subtile, and craftie. See therefore and 23 know all the secret places where he hideth himselfe, and come ve againe to me with the certaintie, and I will goe with you: and if he be in the lande, I will searche him out throughout all the thousands of Iudah. Then they arose and went to Ziph 24 before Saul, but Dauid and his men were in the wildernesse of Maon, in the playne on the right hande of Ieshimon. Saul also 25 and his men went to seeke him, and they told Dauid: wherefore he came downe vnto a rocke, and abode in the wildernesse of Maon. And when Saul heard that, he followed after Dauid in the wildernes of Maon. And Saul and his men went on the 26 one side of the mountaine, and Dauid and his men on the other

side of the mountaine: and Dauid made haste to get from the presence of Saul: for Saul and his men compassed Dauid and his men round about, to take them. But there came a messenger to Saul, saying, Haste thee, and come: for the Philistims haue inuaded the land. Wherefore Saul returned from pursuing Dauid, and went against the Philistims. Therefore they called that place, Sela-hammahlekoth.

And Dauid went thence, and dwelt in holdes at En-gedi. 24 2 When Saul was turned from ye Philistims, they told him, say-3 ing, Behold, Dauid is in the wildernes of En-gedi. Then Saul tooke three thousande chosen men out of all Israel, and went to seeke Dauid and his men vpon the rocks among the wilde 4 goates. And hee came to the sheepecoates by the way where there was a caue, and Saul went in to do his easement: and 5 Dauid and his men sate in the inward parts of the caue. And the men of Dauid said vnto him, See, the day is come, whereof the Lord sayde vnto thee, Beholde, I will deliuer thine enemie into thine hande, and thou shalt doe to him as it shall seeme good to thee. Then Dauid arose and cut off the lap of 6 Sauls garment privily. And afterward Dauid was touched in his heart, because he had cut off the lappe which was on Sauls 7 garment. And he said vnto his men, The Lord keepe mee from doing that thing vnto my master the Lords Anoynted, to lay 8 mine hand vpon him: for he is the Anoynted of the Lord. So Dauid ouercame his seruants with these words, and suffered them not to arise against Saul: so Saul rose vp out of the caue 9 and went away. Dauid also arose afterward, and went out of the caue, and cryed after Saul, saving, O my lorde the King. And when Saul looked behinde him, Dauid inclined his face 10 to the earth, and bowed himselfe. And Dauid saide to Saul, Wherefore givest thou an eare to mens words, that say, Be-11 hold, Dauid seeketh euill against thee? Behold, this day thine eyes haue seene, that the Lord had deliuered thee this day into mine hand in the caue, and some bade me kill thee, but I had compassion on thee, and said, I will not lay mine hande on my 12 master: for he is the Lordes Anoynted. Moreouer my father, behold: behold, I say, the lappe of thy garment in mine hand: for when I cut off the lappe of thy garment, I killed thee not. Vnderstad and see, that there is neither euil nor wickednesse in mee, neither haue I sinned against thee, yet thou huntest

after my soule to take it. The Lord be judge betweene thee 13 and me, and the Lord auenge me of thee, and let not mine hand be vpon thee. According as the olde prouerbe sayeth, 14 Wickednesse proceedeth from the wicked, but mine hand be not vpon thee. After whom is the King of Israel come out? 15 after whome doest thou pursue? after a dead dog, and after a flea? The Lord therfore be judge, and judge betweene thee 16 and me, and see, and pleade my cause, and deliuer me out of thine hand. Whe Dauid had made an end of speaking these 17 words to Saul, Saul sayd, Is this thy voyce, my sonne Dauid? and Saul lift vp his voice, and wept, And sayd to Dauid, Thou 18 art more righteous then I: for thou hast rendred me good, and I haue rendred thee euill. And thou hast shewed this day, that 19 thou hast dealt well with me: for a smuch as when the Lord had closed me in thine hands, thou killedst me not. For who shall 20 finde his enemie, and let him depart free? wherefore the Lord render thee good for that thou hast done vnto me this day. For 21 now behold, I know that thou shalt be King, and that the kingdome of Israel shall be stablished in thine hand. Sweare now 22 therfore vnto me by the Lord, that thou wilt not destroy my seede after me, and that thou wilt not abolish my name out of my fathers house. So Dauid sware vnto Saul, and Saul went 23 home: but Dauid and his men went vp vnto ve hold.

Then Samuel dyed, and all Israel assembled, and mourned 25 for him, and buried him in his owne house at Ramah. And Dauid arose and went downe to the wildernes of Paran. Now 2 in Maon was a man, who had his possessio in Carmel, and the man was exceeding mightie and had three thousand sheepe, and a thousand goates: and he was shering his sheepe in Carmel. The name also of the man was Nabal, and the name of his wife 3 Abigail, and she was a woman of singular wisdome, and beautifull, but the man was churlish, and euil conditioned, and was of the familie of Caleb. And Dauid heard in the wildernesse, 4 that Nabal did shere his sheepe. Therefore Dauid sent tenne 5 yong men, and Dauid said vnto the yong men, Go vp to Carmel, and go to Nabal, and aske him in my name how he doeth. And 6 thus shall ye say for salutation, Both thou, and thine house, and all that thou hast, be in peace, wealth and prosperitie. Behold, I have heard, that thou hast sherers: now thy shep- 7 herds were with vs, and we did the no hurt, neyther did they

8 misse any thing all the while they were in Carmel. Aske thy seruants and they wil shew thee. Wherefore let these yong men finde fauour in thine eyes: (for we come in a good season) giue, I pray thee, whatsoeuer commeth to thine hand vnto thy 9 seruants, and to thy sonne Dauid. And when Dauids yong men came, they tolde Nabal all those wordes in the name of 10 Dauid, and helde their peace. Then Nabal answered Dauids seruantes, and sayd, Who is Dauid? and who is the sonne of Ishai? there be many seruantes nowe a dayes, that breake 11 away euery man from his master. Shall I then take my bread, and my water, and my flesh that I have killed for my sherers, and giue it vnto men, whom I know not whence they be? 12 So Dauids seruants turned their way, and went againe, and 13 came, and tolde him all those things. And Dauid said vnto his men, Girde euery man his sword about him. And they girded euery man his sworde: Dauid also girded his sworde. And about foure hundreth men went vp after Dauid, and two hun-14 dreth abode by the cariage. Nowe one of the seruantes tolde Abigail Nabals wife, saying, Beholde, Dauid sent messengers out of the wildernesse to salute our master, and he rayled on 15 them. Notwithstanding the men were very good vnto vs, and we had no displeasure, neither missed we any thing as long as we were conuersant with them, when we were in the fieldes. 16 They were as a wall vnto vs both by night and by day, all the 17 while we were with them keeping sheepe. Nowe therefore take heede, and see what thou shalt doe: for euill will surely come vpon our master, and vpon all his familie: for he is so 18 wicked that a man can not speake to him. Then Abigail made haste, and tooke two hundreth cakes, and two bottels of wine, and fiue sheepe ready dressed, and fiue measures of parched corne, and an hundreth frailes of raisins, and two hundreth of 19 figs, and laded them on asses. Then she said vnto her seruants, Go ye before me: beholde, I will come after you: yet she 20 tolde not her husband Nabal. And as shee rode on her asse, shee came downe by a secret place of the mountaine, and beholde. Dauid and his men came downe against her, and she met 21 them. And Dauid said, In deede I haue kept all in vaine that this fellow had in the wildernesse, so that nothing was missed of all that pertained vnto him: for he hath requited me euill for 22 good. So and more also doe God vnto the enemies of David:

for surely I will not leave of all that he hath, by the dawning of the day, any that pisseth against the wall. And when Abi- 23 gail sawe Dauid, she hasted and lighted off her asse, and fell before Dauid on her face, and bowed her selfe to the ground, And fel at his feete, and sayd, Oh, my lord, I have committed 24 the iniquitie, and I pray thee, let thine handmayde speake to thee, and heare thou the wordes of thine handmayde. Let not 25 my lorde, I pray thee, regard this wicked man Nabal: for as his name is, so is he: Nabal is his name, and follie is with him: but I thine handmayde sawe not the yong men of my lord whom thou sentest. Now therefore my lord, as the Lord liueth, and 26 as thy soule liueth (the Lord, I say, that hath withholden thee from comming to shedde blood, and that thine hand should not saue thee) so now thine enemies shall be as Nabal, and they that intend to doe my lord euill. And now, this blessing which 27 thine handmaid hath brought vnto my lorde, let it be giuen vnto the vong men, that follow my lord. I pray thee, forgiue 28 the trespasse of thine handmaide: for the Lord will make my lorde a sure house, because my lord fighteth the battels of the Lord, and none euill hath bene found in thee in all thy life. Yet a man hath risen vp to persecute thee, and to seeke thy 29 soule, but the soule of my lorde shall be bounde in the bundel of life with the Lord thy God: and the soule of thine enemies shall God cast out, as out of the middle of a sling. And 30 when the Lord shall have done to my lord al the good that he hath promised thee, and shall have made thee ruler over Israel, Then shall it be no griefe vnto thee, nor offence of minde 31 vnto my lord, that he hath not shed blood causelesse, nor that my lorde hath not preserued him selfe: and when the Lord shall have dealt well with my lorde, remember thine handmaide. Then Dauid said to Abigail, Blessed be the Lord God 32 of Israel, which sent thee this day to meete me. And blessed 33 be thy counsel, and blessed be thou, which hast kept me this day from comming to shed blood, and that mine hand hath not saued me. For in deede, as the Lord God of Israel liueth, who 34 hath kept me backe from hurting thee, except thou haddest hasted and met mee, surely there had not bene left vnto Nabal by the dawning of the day, any that pisseth against the wall. Then Dauid received of her hande that which she had brought 35 him, and said to her. Goe vp in peace to thine house: beholde, I

36 haue heard thy voyce, and haue graunted thy petition. So Abigail came to Nabal, and behold, he made a feast in his house, like the feast of a King, and Nabals heart was merie within him, for he was very drunken: wherefore shee tolde him noth-37 ing, neither lesse nor more, vntil the morning arose. Then in the morning when the wine was gone out of Nabal, his wife tolde him those wordes, and his heart died within him, and he 38 was like a stone. And about ten dayes after, the Lord smote 39 Nabal, that he dyed. Now when Dauid heard, that Nabal was dead, he said, Blessed be the Lord that hath judged the cause of my rebuke of ye hand of Nabal, and hath kept his seruant from euil: for the Lord hath recompensed the wickednesse of Nabal vpon his owne head. Also Dauid sent to commune with 40 Abigail to take her to his wife. And whe the seruants of Dauid were come to Abigail to Carmel, they spake vnto her, saying, 41 Dauid sent vs to thee, to take thee to his wife. And she arose, and bowed her selfe on her face to the earth, and said, Behold, let thine handmayde be a seruant to wash the feete of the seru-42 ants of my lord. And Abigail hasted, and arose, and rode vpon an asse, and her fiue maides followed her, and she went after 43 the messengers of Dauid, and was his wife. Dauid also tooke 44 Ahinoam of Izreel, and they were both his wives. Now Saul had given Michal his daughter Dauids wife to Phalti the sonne of Laish, which was of Gallim.

26 Againe the Ziphims came vnto Saul to Gibeah, saying, Doeth not Dauid hide him selfe in the hill of Hachilah before Ieshi-2 mon? Then Saul arose, and went downe to the wildernes of Ziph, having three thousand chosen men of Israel with him, for 3 to seeke Dauid in the wildernesse of Ziph. And Saul pitched in the hill of Hachilah, which is before Ieshimon by the way side. Now Dauid abode in the wildernesse, and he sawe that (For Dauid had 4 Saul came after him into the wildernesse. sent out spies, and vnderstood, that Saul was come in very 5 deede) Then Dauid arose, and came to the place where Saul had pitched, and when Dauid beheld the place where Saul lay, and Abner the sonne of Ner which was his chiefe captaine, (for Saul lay in the fort, and the people pitched round about 6 him) Then spake Dauid, and said to Ahimelech the Hittite, and to Abishai the sonne of Zeruiah, brother to Ioab, saying, Who will go downe with me to Saul to the hoste? Then Abishai

said, I will goe downe with thee. So Dauid and Abishai came 7 downe to the people by night: and beholde, Saul lay sleeping within the fort, and his speare did sticke in the ground at his head: and Abner and the people lay round about him. Then saide Abishai to Dauid. God hath closed thine enemie 8 into thine hande this day: now therefore, I pray thee, let me smite him once with a speare to the earth, and I will not smite him againe. And Dauid sayde to Abishai, Destroy him not: for 9 who can lav his hand on the Lordes anovnted, and be giltlesse? Moreouer Dauid said, As the Lord liueth, eyther the Lord shall 10 smite him, or his day shall come to dve, or he shall descend into battel, and perish. The Lord keepe mee from laying mine 11 hand vpon the Lordes anointed: but, I pray thee, take now the speare that is at his head, and the pot of water, and let vs goe So Dauid tooke the speare and the pot of water from 12 Sauls head, and they gate them away, and no man saw it, nor marked it, neither did any awake, but they were all asleepe: for the Lord had sent a dead sleepe vpon them. Then Dauid 13 went vnto the other side, and stoode on the toppe of an hill a farre off, a great space being betweene them. And Dauid cryed 14 to the people, and to Abner the sonne of Ner, saving, Hearest thou not, Abner? Then Abner answered, and said, Who art thou that cryest to the King? And Dauid said to Abner, Art 15 not thou a man? and who is like thee in Israel? wherefore then hast thou not kept thy lorde the King? for there came one of the folke in to destroy the King thy lord. This is not well done 16 of thee: as the Lord liueth, ye are worthy to dye, because ye haue not kept your master the Lordes Anointed: and now see where the Kings speare is, and the pot of water that was at his head. And Saul knewe Dauids voyce, and sayde, Is this thy 17 voyce, my sonne Dauid? And Dauid sayde, It is my voyce, my lorde O King. And he sayde, Wherefore doeth my lorde thus 18 persecute his seruant? for what haue I done? or what euill is in mine hand? Now therefore, I beseech thee, let my lord the 19 King heare the wordes of his seruant. If the Lord haue stirred thee vp against me, let him smell the sauour of a sacrifice: but if the children of men haue done it, cursed be they before the Lord: for they have cast me out this day from abiding in the inheritance of the Lord, saying, Goe, serue other gods. Nowe 20 therefore let not my blood fall to the earth before the face of the

Lord: for the King of Israel is come out to seeke a flea, as one 21 would hunt a partridge in the mountaines. Then sayde Saul, I haue sinned: come againe, my sonne Dauid: for I will doe thee no more harme, because my soule was precious in thine eyes this day: behold, I have done foolishly, and have erred exceed-Then Dauid answered, and saide, Beholde the Kings 23 speare, let one of the yong men come ouer and set it. And let the Lord rewarde euery man according to his righteousnesse and faithfulnesse: for the Lord had deliuered thee into mine handes this day, but I woulde not lay mine hand vpon the Lords 24 anointed. And beholde, like as thy life was much set by this day in mine eyes: so let my life be set by in the eyes of the Lord, 25 that he may deliuer me out of all tribulation. Then Saul said to Dauid, Blessed art thou, my sonne Dauid: for thou shalt doe great things, and also preuaile. So Dauid went his way, and Saul returned to his place.

And Dauid said in his heart, I shall now perish one day by **27** the hand of Saul: is it not better for me that I saue my selfe in the lande of the Philistims, and that Saul may have no hope of me to seeke me any more in all the coastes of Israel, and so es-2 cape out of his hand? Dauid therefore arose, and he, and the sixe hundreth men that were with him, went vnto Achish the 3 sonne of Maoch King of Gath. And Dauid dwelt with Achish at Gath, he, and his men, euery man with his housholde, Dauid with his two wiues, Ahinoam the Izreelite, and Abigail Nabals 4 wife the Carmelite. And it was tolde Saul that Dauid was fled 5 to Gath: so he sought no more for him. And Dauid saide vnto Achish, If I have nowe founde peace in thine eyes, let them give me a place in some other citie of the countrey, that I may dwell there: for why should thy seruant dwel in ye head citie of the 6 kingdome with thee? Then Achish gaue him Ziklag that same day: therefore Ziklag pertaineth vnto the kings of Iudah vnto 7 this day. And the time that Dauid dwelt in the countrey of 8 the Philistims, was foure moneths and certaine dayes. Then Dauid and his men went vp, and inuaded the Geshurites, and the Girzites, and the Amalekites: for they inhabited the lande from the beginning, from the way, as thou goest to Shur, euen 9 vnto the lande of Egypt. And Dauid smote the lande, and left neither man nor woman aliue, and tooke sheepe, and oxen, and asses, and camels, and apparell, and returned and came

to Achish. And Achish said, Where haue ye bene a rouing this day? And Dauid answered, Against the South of Iudah, and against the South of the Ierahmeelites, and against the South of ye Kenites. And Dauid saued neither man nor woman aliue, to bring them to Gath, saying, Lest they should tel on vs, and say, So did Dauid, and so will be his maner all the while that he dwelleth in the countrey of the Philistims. And Achish beleeued Dauid, saying, He hath made his people of Israel vt-terly to abhorre him: therefore he shalbe my seruant for euer.

Nowe at that time the Philistims assembled their bandes 28 and armie to fight with Israel: therfore Achish said to Dauid. Be sure, thou shalt go out with me to the battel, thou, and thy men. And Dauid said to Achish, Surely thou shalt knowe, 2 what thy seruant can doe. And Achish sayde to Dauid, Surely I will make thee keeper of mine head for euer. (Samuel was 3 then dead, and all Israel had lamented him, and buried him in Ramah his owne citie: and Saul had put away the sorcerers, and the soothsavers out of the land) Then the Philistims as- 4 sembled themselues, and came, and pitched in Shunem: and Saul assembled all Israel, and they pitched in Gilboa. when Saul saw the hoste of the Philistims, he was afraid, and his heart was sore astonied. Therefore Saul asked counsel of 6 the Lord, and the Lord answered him not, neither by dreames, nor by Vrim, nor yet by Prophets. Then saide Saul vnto his 7 seruants, Seeke me a woman that hath a familiar spirite, that I may goe to her, and aske of her. And his seruants said to him, Beholde, there is a woman at En-dor that hath a familiar Then Saul changed him selfe, and put on other rai- 8 ment, and he went, and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night: and he saide, I pray thee, coniecture vnto me by the familiar spirite, and bring me him vp whome I shall And the woman saide vnto him, Beholde, 9 name vnto thee. thou knowest what Saul hath done, how he hath destroyed the sorcerers, and the southsayers out of the land: wherefore then seekest thou to take me in a snare to cause me to die? And 10 Saul sware to her by the Lord, saying, As the Lord liueth, no harme shall come to thee for this thing. Then said the woman, 11 Whom shall I bring vp vnto thee? And he answered, Bring me vp Samuel. And when the woman sawe Samuel, she cryed 12 with a loude voyce, and the woman spake to Saul, saying, Why

13 hast thou deceived me? for thou art Saul. And the King said vnto her, Be not afraid: for what sawest thou? And the woman 14 said vnto Saul, I saw gods ascending vp out of the earth. Then he said vnto her, What facion is hee of? And she answered, An olde man commeth vp lapped in a mantel: and Saul knewe that it was Samuel, and he enclined his face to the grounde, 15 and bowed him selfe. And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me vp? Then Saul answered, I am in great distresse: for the Philistims make warre against me, and God is departed from me, and answereth me no more, neither by Prophetes, neither by dreames: therefore I have called 16 thee, that thou mayest tell me, what I shall doe. Then said Samuel, Wherefore then doest thou aske of me, seeing the Lord 17 is gone from thee, and is thine enemie? Euen the Lord hath done to him, as hee spake by mine hande: for the Lord will rent the kingdome out of thine hande, and giue it thy neigh-18 bour Dauid. Because thou obeyedst not the voyce of the Lord, nor executedst his fierce wrath vpon the Amalekites, therefore 19 hath the Lord done this vnto thee this day. Moreouer the Lord wil deliuer Israel with thee into the handes of the Philistims: and to morowe shalt thou and thy sonnes be with me, and the Lord shall give the hoste of Israel into the handes of the 20 Philistims. Then Saul fell streight way all along on the earth. and was sore afraide because of the wordes of Samuel, so that there was no strength in him: for he had eaten no bread all the 21 day nor all the night. Then the woman came vnto Saul, and sawe that he was sore troubled, and said vnto him, See, thine handmaide hath obeyed thy voyce, and I have put my soule in mine hande, and haue obeyed thy wordes which thou saydest 22 vnto me. Now therefore, I pray thee, hearke thou also vnto ye voyce of thine handmaid, and let me set a morsell of bread before thee, that thou mayest eat and get thee strength, and 23 go on thy iourney. But he refused, and said, I will not eate: but his seruants and the woman together compelled him, and he obeyed their voyce: so he arose from the earth, and sate on 24 the bed. Nowe the woman had a fat calfe in the house, and she hasted, and killed it, and tooke floure and kneaded it, and 25 baked of it vnleauened bread. Then she brought them before Saul, and before his seruants: and when they had eaten, they stoode, and went away the same night.

So the Philistims were gathered together with all their armie 29 in Aphek: and the Israelites pitched by the fountaine, which And the princes of the Philistims went foorth 2 is in Izreel. by hundreths and thousandes, but Dauid and his men came behinde with Achish. Then saide the princes of the Philis- 3 tims, What doe these Ebrewes here? And Achish said vnto the princes of the Philistims, Is not this Dauid the seruant of Saul the King of Israel, who hath bene with me these dayes, or these yeeres, and I have found nothing in him, since he dwelt with me vnto this day? But the princes of the Philis- 4 tims were wroth with him, and the princes of the Philistims said vnto him, Sende this fellow backe, that he may goe againe to his place which thou hast appointed him, and let him not goe downe with vs to battell, least that in the battell he be an aduersarie to vs: for wherewith should he obteine the fauour of his master? shoulde it not be with the heades of these men? Is not this Dauid, of whome they sang in daunces, say- 5 ing. Saul slewe his thousande, and Dauid his ten thousande? Then Achish called Dauid, and said vnto him, As the Lord li- 6 ueth, thou hast bene vpright and good in my sight, when thou wentest out and in with mee in the hoste, neither haue I founde euill with thee, since thou camest to me vnto this day, but the princes doe not fauour thee. Wherefore nowe returne, and go 7 in peace, that thou displease not the princes of the Philistims. And Dauid said vnto Achish, But what haue I done? and what 8 hast thou founde in thy seruant as long as I have bene with thee vnto this day, that I may not goe and fight against the enemies of my lorde the King? Achish then answered, and said 9 to Dauid, I knowe thou pleasest mee, as an Angell of God: but the princes of the Philistims haue saide, Let him not goe vp with vs to battell. Wherefore now rise vp earely in the morn- 10 ing with thy masters seruants that are come with thee: and when ye be vp earely, assoone as ye haue light, depart. Dauid and his men rose vp earely to depart in the morning, and to returne into the lande of the Philistims: and the Philistims went vp to Izreel.

Bvt when Dauid and his men were come to Ziklag the thirde day, the Amalekites had inuaded vpon the South, euen vnto Ziklag, and had smitten Ziklag, and burnt it with fire, And 2 had taken the women that were therein, prisoners, both small

and great, and slewe not a man, but caryed them away, and 3 went their wayes. So Dauid and his men came to the city, and beholde, it was burnt with fire, and their wiues, and their 4 sonnes, and their daughters were taken prisoners. Then Dauid and the people that was with him, lift vp their voyces and 5 wept, vntill they could weepe no more. Dauids two wives were taken prisoners also, Ahinoam the Izreelite, and Abigail the 6 wife of Nabal the Carmelite. And Dauid was in great sorowe: for the people entended to stone him, because the heartes of all the people were vexed euery man for his sonnes and for his daughters: but Dauid comforted him selfe in the Lord his God. 7 And Dauid saide to Abiathar the Priest Ahimelechs sonne, I pray thee, bring me the Ephod. And Abiathar brought the 8 Ephod to Dauid. Then Dauid asked counsell at the Lord, saying, Shall I follow after this companie? shall I ouertake them? And he answered him, Followe: for thou shalt surely ouertake 9 them, and recouer all. So Dauid and the sixe hundreth men that were with him, went, and came to the riuer Besor, where 10 a part of them abode: But Dauid and foure hundreth men followed (for two hundreth abode behinde, being too wearie to 11 goe ouer the riuer Besor) And they found an Egyptian in the fielde, and brought him to Dauid, and gaue him bread and he 12 did eat, and they gaue him water to drinke. Also they gaue him a fewe figges, and two clusters of raisins: and when he had eaten, his spirite came againe to him: for he had eaten no bread, nor drunke any water in three dayes, and three nightes. 13 And Dauid saide vnto him, To whome belongest thou? and whence art thou? And he saide, I am a yong man of Egypt, and seruant to an Amalekite: and my master left me three 14 dayes agoe, because I fell sicke. We roued vpon the South of Chereth, and vpon the coast belonging to Iudah, and vpon the 15 South of Caleb, and we burnt Ziklag with fire. And Dauid saide vnto him, Canst thou bring me to this companie? And he said, Sweare vnto me by God, that thou wilt neither kill me, nor deliuer me into the handes of my master, and I will bring 16 thee to this companie. And when he had brought him thither, beholde, they lay scattered abroade vpon all the earth, eating and drinking, and dauncing, because of all the great pray that they had taken out of the lande of the Philistims, and out of 17 the land of Iudah. And Dauid smote them from the twilight,

euen vnto the euening of the next morowe, so that there escaped not a man of them, saue foure hundreth yong men, which rode vpon camels, and fled. And Dauid recourred all that the 18 Amalekites had taken: also Dauid rescued his two wives. And 19 they lacked nothing, small or great, sonne or daughter, or of the spoyle of all that they had taken away: Dauid recourred them all. Dauid also tooke all the sheepe, and the oxen, and they 20 draue them before his cattell, and said, This is Dauids pray. And Dauid came to the two hundreth men that were too wea- 21 rie for to follow Dauid: whome they had made also to abide at the riuer Besor: and they came to meete Dauid, and to meete the people that were with him: so when Dauid came neere to the people, hee saluted them. Then answered all the euill and 22 wicked of the men that went with Dauid, and saide, Because they went not with vs, therefore will wee give them none of the pray that wee haue recouered, saue to euery man his wife and his children: therefore let them carie them away and de-Then saide Dauid, Yee shall not doe so, my brethren, 23 with that which the Lord hath given vs. who hath preserved vs, and deliuered the companie that came against vs, into our For who will obey you in this matter? but as his 24 part is that goeth downe to the battel, so shall his part be, that tarieth by the stuffe: they shall part alike. So from that day 25 forward hee made it a statute and a lawe in Israel, vntill this day. When Dauid therefore came to Ziklag, he sent of the pray 26 vnto the Elders of Iudah and to his friends, saying, See there is a blessing for you of the spoyle of the enemies of the Lord. Hee sent to them of Beth-el, and to them of South Ramoth, and 27 to them of Iattir, And to them of Aroer, and to them of Siph- 28 moth, and to them of Eshtemoa, And to them of Rachal, and 29 to them of the cities of the Ierahmeelites, and to them of the cities of the Kenites, And to them of Hormah, and to them of 30 Chor-ashan, and to them of Athach, And to them of Hebron, 31 and to all the places where Dauid and his men had hanted.

Now the Philistims fought against Israel, and the me of Israel fled away from ye Philistims, and they fell downe wounded in mount Gilboa. And the Philistims preassed sore vpon Saul 2 and his sonnes, and slewe Ionathan, and Abinadab, and Malchishua Sauls sonnes. And when the battel went sore against Saul, 3 the archers and bowmen hit him, and hee was sore wounded of

4 the archers. Then saide Saul vnto his armour bearer, Drawe out thy sworde, and thrust mee through therewith, lest the vncircumcised come and thrust me through and mocke me: but his armour bearer would not, for hee was sore afraid. There-5 fore Saul tooke a sworde and fell vpon it. And when his armour bearer sawe that Saul was dead, he fell likewise vpon 6 his sword, and dyed with him. So Saul dyed, and his three sonnes, and his armour bearer, and all his men that same 7 day together. And when the men of Israel that were on the other side of the valley, and they of the other side Iorden saw that the men of Israel were put to flight, and that Saul and his sonnes were dead, then they left the cities, and ran away: 8 and the Philistims came and dwelt in them. And on the morowe when the Philistims were come to spoyle them that were slaine, they founde Saul and his three sonnes lying in mount 9 Gilboa, And they cut off his head, and stripped him out of his armour, and sent into the land of ye Philistims on euery side, that they should publish it in the temple of their idoles, and 10 among the people. And they layed vp his armour in the house of Ashtaroth, but they hanged vp his body on the wall of Beth-When the inhabitants of Iabesh Gilead heard, what 12 the Philistims had done to Saul, Then they arose (as many as were strong men) and went all night, and tooke the body of Saul, and the bodies of his sonnes, from the wall of Beth-13 shan, and came to Iabesh, and burnt them there, And tooke their bones and buried them vnder a tree at Iabesh, and fasted seuen dayes.

## THE SECOND BOOK OF SAMUEL,

## OTHERWISE CALLED, THE SECOND BOOK OF THE KINGS.

fter the death of Saul, when Dauid was returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites and had beene two dayes in Ziklag, Behold, a man came the third day 2 out of the host from Saul with his clothes rent, and earth vpon his head: and when hee came to Dauid, he fell to the earth, and did obeisance. Then Dauid saide vnto him, Whence 3 commest thou? And he said vnto him, Out of the host of Israel I am escaped. And Dauid saide vnto him, What is done? I pray 4 thee, tell me. Then he said, that the people is fled from the battel, and many of the people are ouerthrowen, and dead, and also Saul and Ionathan his sonne are dead. And Dauid saide 5 vnto the yong man that tolde it him, Howe knowest thou that Saul and Ionathan his sonne be dead? Then the yong man 6 that tolde him, answered, As I came to mount Gilboa, behold, Saul leaned vpon his speare, and loe, the charets and horsemen followed hard after him. And when he looked backe, he 7 saw me, and called me. And I answered, Here am I. And 8 he said vnto me, Who art thou? And I answered him, I am Then saide hee vnto me, I pray thee come 9 an Amalekite. vpon mee, and slav me: for anguish is come vpon me, because my life is yet whole in me. So I came ypon him, and 10 slewe him, and because I was sure that hee coulde not liue, after that hee had fallen. I tooke the crowne that was voon his head, and the bracelet that was on his arme, and brought them hither vnto my lord. Then Dauid tooke hold on his clothes. 11 and rent them, and likewise al the men that were with him. And they mourned and wept, and fasted vntil euen, for Saul 12 and for Ionathan his sonne, and for the people of the Lord, and for the house of Israel, because they were slaine with the sword. Afterward Dauid saide vnto the vong man that tolde 13 it him, Whence art thou? And hee answered, I am the sonne of a stranger an Amalekite. And Dauid said vnto him, How 14 wast thou not afrayd, to put forth thine hand to destroy the Anoynted of the Lord? Then Dauid called one of his yong men, 15

and said, Goe neere, and fall vpon him. And hee smote him 16 that he dyed. Then said Dauid vnto him, Thy blood be vpon thine owne head: for thine owne mouth hath testified against 17 thee, saying, I have slaine the Lords Anoynted. Then Dauid mourned with this lamentation ouer Saul, and ouer Ionathan 18 his sonne, (Also he bade them teach the children of Iudah to 19 shoote, as it is written in the booke of Iasher) O noble Israel, hee is slane vpon thy hie places: how are the mightie 20 ouerthrowen! Tell it not in Gath, nor publish it in the streetes of Ashkelon, lest the daughters of the Philistims reioyce, lest 21 the daughters of the vncircumcised triumph. Ye mountaines of Gilboa, vpon you be neither dewe nor raine, nor be there fieldes of offrings: for there the shielde of the mightie is cast downe, the shielde of Saul, as though he had not bene anointed 22 with oyle. The bow of Ionathan neuer turned backe, neither did the sword of Saul returne emptie from the blood of the 23 slaine, and from the fatte of the mightie. Saul and Ionathan were louely and pleasant in their liues, and in their deaths they were not deuided: they were swifter then eagles, they 24 were stronger then lions. Yee daughters of Israel, weepe for Saul, which clothed you in skarlet, with pleasures, and hanged 25 ornaments of gold vpon your apparel. Howe were the mightie slaine in the mids of the battel! O Ionathan, thou wast slaine in 26 thine hie places. Wo is me for thee, my brother Ionathan: very kinde hast thou bene vnto me: thy loue to me was wonderfull, passing the loue of women: howe are the mightie ouerthrowen, and the weapons of warre destroyed!

2 After this, Dauid asked counsel of the Lord, saying, Shall I go vp into any of the cities of Iudah? And the Lord sayd vnto him, Goe vp. And Dauid sayd Whither shall I goe? Hee 2 then answered, Vnto Hebron. So Dauid went vp thither, and his two wives also, Ahinoam the Izreelite, and Abigail Na-3 bals wife the Carmelite. And Dauid brought vp the men that were with him, euery man with his houshold, and they dwelt 4 in the cities of Hebron. Then the men of Iudah came, and there they anounted Dauid King ouer the house of Iudah. And they tolde Dauid, saying, that the men of Iabesh Gilead buried 5 Saul. And Dauid sent messengers vnto the men of Iabesh Gilead, and said vnto them, Blessed are ye of the Lord, that yee haue shewed such kindenes vnto your lord Saul, that you haue buried him. Therefore now the Lord shewe mercie and 6 trueth vnto you: and I will recompence you this benefite, because ve haue done this thing. Therefore nowe let your han-7 des be strong, and be you valiant: albeit your master Saul bee dead, yet neuerthelesse the house of Iudah hath anoynted me King ouer them. But Abner the sonne of Ner that was cap- 8 taine of Sauls hoste, tooke Ish-bosheth the sonne of Saul, and brought him to Mahanaim, And made him King ouer Gilead, 9 and ouer the Ashurites, and ouer Izreel, and ouer Ephraim, and ouer Beniamin, and ouer al Israel. Ish-bosheth Sauls 10 sonne was fourtie veere olde when he began to reigne ouer Israel, and reigned two yeere: but the house of Iudah followed Dauid. (And the time which Dauid reigned in Hebron ouer 11 the house of Iudah, was seuen veere and sixe moneths) And 12 Abner the sonne of Ner, and the seruantes of Ish-bosheth the sonne of Saul went out of Mahanaim to Gibeon. And Ioab 13 the sonne of Zeruiah, and the seruants of Dauid went out and met one another by the poole of Gibeon: and they sate downe, the one on the one side of the poole, and the other on the otherside of the poole. Then Abner saide to Ioab, Let the yong 14 men nowe arise, and play before vs. And Ioab said, Let them Then there arose and went ouer twelve of Benjamin 15 by number, which perteined to Ish-bosheth the sonne of Saul, and twelue of the seruants of Dauid. And euery one caught 16 his fellowe by the head, and thrust his sword in his fellowes side, so they fell downe together: wherefore ye place was called Helkath-hazzurim, which is in Gibeon. And the battel was 17 exceeding sore that same day: for Abner and the men of Israel fell before the seruants of Dauid. And there were three 18 sonnes of Zeruiah there, Ioab, and Abishai, and Asahel. And Asahel was as light on foote as a wilde roe. And Asahel fol- 19 lowed after Abner, and in going he turned neither to the right hand nor to the left from Abner. Then Abner looked behind 20 him, and said, Art thou Asahel? And he answered, Yea. Then 21 Abner said, Turne thee either to the right hande, or to the left, and take one of the yong men, and take thee his weapons: and Asahel would not depart from him. And Abner saide to Asa- 22 hel, Depart from me: wherefore shoulde I smite thee to the grounde? howe then shoulde I be able to holde vp my face to Ioab thy brother? And when he woulde not depart, Abner 23

with the hinder ende of the speare smote him vnder the fift ryb, that the speare came out behind him: and he fell downe there, and dyed in his place. And as many as came to the place 24 where Asahel fell downe and dyed, stoode still. Ioab also and Abishai pursued after Abner: and the sunne went downe, when they were come to the hill Ammah, that lieth before Giah, by 25 the way of the wildernesse of Gibeon. And the children of Beniamin gathered them selues together after Abner, and were 26 on an heape and stoode on the top of an hill. Then Abner called to Ioab, and said, Shall the sworde deuoure for euer? knowest thou not, that it will be bitternesse in the latter ende? howe long then shall it be, or thou bid the people returne from 27 following their brethren? And Ioab sayde, As God liueth, if thou haddest not spoken, surely euen in the morning the peo-28 ple had departed euery one backe from his brother. So Ioab blew a trumpet, and all the people stoode still, and pursued 29 after Israel no more, neither fought they any more. And Abner and his men walked all that night through the plaine, and went ouer Iorden, and past through all Bithron till they came Ioab also returned backe from Abner: and 30 to Mahanaim. when he had gathered all the people together, there lacked of 31 Dauids servants nineteene men and Asahel. But the servants of Dauid had smitten of Beniamin, and of Abners men, so that 32 three hundreth and threescore men dyed. And they tooke vp Asahel, and buried him in the sepulchre of his father, which was in Bethlehem: and Ioab and his men went all night, and when they came to Hebron, the day arose.

There was then long warre betweene the house of Saul and the house of Dauid: but Dauid waxed stronger, and the house of Saul waxed weaker. And vnto Dauid were children borne in Hebron: and his eldest sonne was Amnon of Ahinoam the Izreelite, And his seconde, was Chileab of Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite: and the third, Absalom the sonne of Maacah the daughter of Talmai the King of Geshur, And the fourth, Adoniiah the sonne of Haggith, and the fifth, Shephatiah the sonne of Abital, And the sixt, Ithream by Eglah Dauids wife: these were borne to Dauid in Hebron. Nowe while there was warre betweene the house of Saul and the house of Dauid, Abner made all his power for the house of Saul. And Saul had a concubine named Rizpah, the daugh-

ter of Aiiah. And Ish-bosheth sayde to Abner, Wherefore hast thou gone in to my fathers concubine? Then was Abner very 8 wroth for the words of Ish-bosheth, and said, Am I a dogges head, which against Iudah do shew mercie this day vnto the house of Saul thy father, to his brethren, and to his neighbours, and haue not deliuered thee into the hande of Dauid, that thou chargest me this day with a fault concerning this woman? So doe God to Abner, and more also, except, as the 9 Lord hath sworne to Dauid, euen so I doe to him. To remoue 10 the kingdome from the house of Saul, that the throne of Dauid may be stablished ouer Israel, and ouer Iudah, euen from Dan to Beer-sheba. And he durst no more answere to Abner: for 11 Then Abner sent messengers to Dauid on his 12 he feared him. behalfe, saving, Whose is the lande? who should also sav, Make couenant with me, and beholde, mine hande shalbe with thee, to bring all Israel vnto thee. Who saide, Well, I will make 13 a couenant with thee: but one thing I require of thee, that is, that thou see not my face except thou bring Michal Sauls daughter when thou commest to see me. Then Dauid sent 14 messengers to Ish-bosheth Sauls sonne, saying, Deliuer me my wife Michal, which I marryed for an hundreth foreskinnes of the Philistims. And Ish-bosheth sent, and tooke her from her 15 husband Phaltiel the sonne of Laish. And her husband went 16 with her, and came weeping behinde her, vnto Bahurim: then saide Abner vnto him, Go, and returne. So he returned. And 17 Abner had communication with the Elders of Israel, saying, Ye sought for Dauid in times past, that he might be your King. Nowe then doe it: for the Lord hath spoken of Dauid, saving, 18 By the hand of my seruant Dauid I will saue my people Israel out of the handes of the Philistims, and out of the handes of all their enemies. Also Abner spake to Beniamin, and after- 19 ward Abner went to speake with Dauid in Hebron, concerning all that Israel was content with, and the whole house of Beniamin. So Abner came to Dauid to Hebron, hauing twentie 20 men with him, and Dauid made a feast vnto Abner, and to the men that were with him. Then Abner sayde vnto Dauid, I will 21 rise vp, and goe gather all Israel vnto my lorde the King, that they may make a couenant with thee, and that thou mayest reigne ouer all that thine heart desireth. Then Dauid let Abner depart, who went in peace. And beholde, the seruants 22

of Dauid and Ioab came from the campe, and brought a great pray with them (but Abner was not with Dauid in Hebron: for 23 he had sent him away, and he departed in peace) When Ioab, and all the hoste that was with him were come, men tolde Ioab, saying, Abner the sonne of Ner came to the King, and he hath 24 sent him away, and he is gone in peace. Then Ioab came to the King, and saide, What hast thou done? beholde, Abner came vnto thee, why hast thou sent him away, and he is de-Thou knowest Abner the sonne of Ner: for he came to deceive thee, and to knowe thy outgoing and ingoing, and 26 to knowe all that thou doest. And when Ioab was gone out from Dauid, he sent messengers after Abner, which brought 27 him againe from the well of Siriah vnknowing to Dauid. And when Abner was come againe to Hebron, Ioab tooke him aside in the gate to speake with him peaceably, and smote him vnder the fift ryb, that he dyed, for the blood of Asahel his brother. 28 And when afterwarde it came to Dauids eare, he saide, I and my kingdome are giltlesse before the Lord for euer, concerning 29 the blood of Abner the sonne of Ner. Let the blood fall on the head of Ioab, and on all his fathers house, that the house of Ioab be neuer without some that have running issues, or leper, or that leaneth on a staffe, or that doeth fall on the sworde, 30 or that lacketh bread. (So Ioab and Abishai his brother slewe Abner, because he had slaine their brother Asahel at Gibeon 31 in battel) And Dauid said to Ioab, and to al the people that were with him, Rent your clothes, and put on sackecloth. and mourne before Abner: and King Dauid him selfe followed the 32 beare. And when they had burved Abner in Hebron, the King lift vp his voyce, and wept beside the sepulchre of Abner, and 33 all the people wept. And the King lamented ouer Abner, and 34 sayde, Dyed Abner as a foole dyeth? Thine handes were not bounde, nor thy feete tyed in fetters of brasse: but as a man falleth before wicked men, so diddest thou fall. And all the people 35 wept againe for him. Afterwarde all the people came to cause Dauid eate meate while it was yet day, but Dauid sware, saying, So doe God to me and more also, if I taste bread, or ought 36 els till the sunne be downe. And all the people knewe it, and it pleased them: as whatsoeuer the King did, pleased all the 37 people. For all the people and all Israel vnderstoode that day, howe that it was not the Kings deede that Abner the sonne of Ner was slaine. And the King said vnto his seruants, Know 38 ye not, that there is a prince and a great man falle this day in Israel? And I am this day weake and newly anoynted King: 39 and these men the sonnes of Zeruiah be too harde for me: the Lord rewarde the doer of euill according to his wickednesse.

And when Sauls sonne heard that Abner was dead in He- 4 bron, then his handes were feeble, and all Israel was afraide. And Sauls sonne had two men that were captaines of ban- 2 des: the one called Baanah, and the other called Rechab, the sonnes of Rimmon a Beerothite of the children of Benjamin. (for Beeroth was reckened to Beniamin, Because the Beeroth- 3 ites fled to Gittaim, and soiourned there, vnto this day). And 4 Ionathan Sauls sonne had a sonne that was lame on his feete: he was fiue vere olde when the tydings came of Saul and Ionathan out of Israel: then his nourse tooke him, and fledde away. And as she made haste to flee, the childe fell, and beganne to halte. and his name was Mephibosheth. And the sonnes of Rim- 5 mon the Beerothite. Rechab and Baanah went and came in the heat of the day to the house of Ish-bosheth (who slept on a bed at noone) And beholde, Rechab and Baanah his brother 6 came into the middes of the house as they would have wheate. and they smote him vnder the fift ryb, and fled. For when 7 they came into the house, he slept on his bed in his bed chamber, and they smote him, and slewe him, and beheaded him, and tooke his head, and gate them away through the plaine all the night. And they brought the head of Ish-bosheth vnto 8 Dauid to Hebron, and saide to the King, Beholde the head of Ish-bosheth Sauls sonne thine enemie, who sought after thy life: and the Lord hath auenged my lorde the King this day of Saul, and of his seede. Then Dauid answered Rechab and 9 Baanah his brother, the sonnes of Rimmon the Beerothite, and saide vnto them, As the Lord liueth, who hath deliuered my soule out of al aduersity. When one tolde me, and sayde that 10 Saul was dead, (thinking to haue brought good tydings) I tooke him and slewe him in Ziklag, who thought that I woulde haue giuen him a rewarde for his tidings: How much more, when 11 wicked men haue slaine a righteous person in his owne house, and vpon his bed? shall I not now therfore require his blood at your hand, and take you from the earth? Then Dauid com- 12 manded his yong men, and they slew them, and cut off their

hands and their feete, and hanged them vp ouer the poole in Hebron: but they tooke the head of Ishbosheth, and buried it in the sepulchre of Abner in Hebron.

Then came all the tribes of Israel to Dauid vnto Hebron, 5 2 and said thus, Beholde, we are thy bones and thy flesh. And in time past when Saul was our King, thou leddest Israel in and out: and the Lord hath sayde to thee, Thou shalt feede my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captaine ouer Israel. 3 So all the Elders of Israel came to the King to Hebron: and King Dauid made a couenant with them in Hebron before the 4 Lord: and they anoynted Dauid King ouer Israel. Dauid was thirtie yeere olde when he began to reigne: and hee reigned 5 fortie veere. In Hebron hee reigned ouer Iudah seuen veere, and sixe moneths: and in Ierusalem hee reigned thirtie and 6 three yeeres ouer all Israel and Iudah. The King also and his men went to Ierusalem vnto the Iebusites, the inhabitants of the land: who spake vnto Dauid, saving, Except thou take away the blinde and the lame, thou shalt not come in hither: 7 thinking that Dauid coulde not come thither. But Dauid tooke 8 the fort of Zion: this is the citie of Dauid. Nowe Dauid had sayd the same day, Whosoeuer smiteth the Iebusites, and getteth vp to the gutters and smiteth the lame and blinde, which Dauids soule hateth, I will preferre him: therefore they saide, 9 The blinde and the lame shall not come into that house. So Dauid dwelt in that forte, and called it the citie of Dauid, and 10 Dauid built rounde about it, from Millo, and inward. Dauid prospered and grewe: for the Lord God of hostes was 11 with him. Hiram also king of Tyrus sent messengers to Dauid, and cedar trees, and carpenters, and masons for walles: and 12 they built Dauid an house. Then Dauid knewe that the Lord had stablished him King ouer Israel, and that he had exalted 13 his kingdome for his people Israels sake. And Dauid tooke him more concubines and wives out of Ierusalem, after hee was come from Hebron, and more sonnes and daughters were 14 borne to Dauid. And these bee the names of the sonnes that were borne vnto him in Ierusale: Shammua, and Shobab, and 15 Nathan, and Salomon, And Ibhar, and Elishua, and Nepheg, 16, 17 and Iaphia, And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphalet. when the Philistims hearde that they had anounted Dauid King ouer Israel, all the Philistims came vp to seeke Dauid: and

when Dauid heard, he went downe to a fort. But the Philis- 18 tims came, and spred themselues in the valley of Rephaim. Then Dauid asked counsel of the Lord, saying, Shall I goe vp 19 to the Philistims? wilt thou deliuer them into mine handes? And the Lord answered Dauid, Goe vp: for I will doubtlesse deliuer the Philistims into thine handes. Then Dauid came 20 to Baal-perazim, and smote them there, and sayde, The Lord hath deuided mine enemies asunder before mee, as waters be deuided asunder: therefore he called the name of that place, Baal-perazim. And there they left their images, and Dauid 21 and his men burnt them. Againe the Philistims came vp, and 22 spred themselues in the valley of Rephaim. And when Dauid 23 asked counsell of the Lord, hee answered. Thou shalt not goe vp, but turne about behinde them, and come vpon them ouer against the mulberie trees. And when thou hearest the noyse 24 of one going in the toppes of the mulberie trees, then remoue: for then shall the Lord goe out before thee, to smite the hoste of the Philistims. Then Dauid did so as the Lord had com- 25 manded him, and smote the Philistims from Geba, vntil thou come to Gazer.

Againe Dauid gathered together all the chosen men of Is- 6 rael, euen thirtie thousand, And Dauid arose and went with 2 all the people that were with him from Baale of Iudah to bring vp from thence the Arke of God, whose name is called by the Name of the Lord, of hostes, that dwelleth vpon it betweene the Cherubims. And they put the Arke of God vpon a newe 3 cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab that was in Gibeah. And Vzzah and Ahio the sonnes of Abinadab did driue the newe carte. And when they brought the Arke of God out 4 of the house of Abinadab, that was at Gibeah, Ahio went before the Arke, And Dauid and al the house of Israel played before 5 the Lord on all instruments made of firre, and on harpes, and on Psalteries, and on timbrels, and on cornets, and on cymbals. And when they came to Nachons threshing floore, Vzzah put 6 his hande to the Arke of God, and helde it: for the oxen did shake it. And the Lord was verie wroth with Vzzah, and God 7 smote him in the same place for his fault, and there he dyed by the Arke of God. And Dauid was displeased, because the Lord 8 had smitten Vzzah: and he called the name of the place Perez Vzzah vntill this day. Therefore Dauid that day feared the 9

Lord, and sayd, How shall the Arke of the Lord come to mee? 10 So Dauid would not bring the Arke of the Lord vnto him into the citie of Dauid, but Dauid caried it into ye house of Obed-And the Arke of the Lord continued in the 11 edom a Gittite. house of Obed-edom the Gittite, three moneths, and the Lord 12 blessed Obed-edom, and all his houshold. And one told King Dauid, saying, The Lord hath blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that hee hath, because of the Arke of God: therefore Dauid went and brought the Arke of God from the house of 13 Obed-edom, into the citie of Dauid with gladnesse. And when they that bare the Arke of the Lord had gone sixe paces, he offred an oxe, and a fatte beast. And Dauid danced before the Lord with al his might, and was girded with a linnen Ephod. 15 So Dauid and all the house of Israel, brought the Arke of the 16 Lord with shouting, and sound of trumpet. And as the Arke of the Lord came into the citie of Dauid, Michal Sauls daughter looked through a windowe, and sawe King Dauid leape, and dance before the Lord, and shee despised him in her heart. 17 And when they had brought in the Arke of the Lord, they set it in his place, in the mids of the tabernacle that Dauid had pitched for it: then Dauid offred burnt offrings, and peace of-18 frings before the Lord. And assoone as Dauid had made an ende of offring burnt offrings and peace offrings, hee blessed 19 the people in the Name of the Lord of hostes, And gaue among all the people, euen among the whole multitude of Israel, aswel to the women as men, to euerie one a cake of bread, and a piece of flesh, and a bottell of wine: so all the people departed euerie The Dauid returned to blesse his house, 20 one to his house. and Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meete Dauid, and sayde, O howe glorious was the King of Israel this day, which was vncouered to day in the eyes of the maidens of his seru-21 antes, as a foole vncouereth himselfe. Then Dauid sayd vnto Michal, It was before the Lord, which chose me rather then thy father, and all his house, and commanded me to bee ruler ouer the people of the Lord, euen ouer Israel: and therefore will I 22 play before the Lord, And will yet be more vile then thus, and will be low in mine owne sight, and of the verie same maidseruants, which thou hast spoken of, shall I be had in honour. 23 Therfore Michal the daughter of Saul had no childe vnto the day of her death.

Afterwarde when the King sate in his house and the Lord 7 had given him rest rounde about from all his enemies, The 2 King saide vnto Nathan the Prophet, Beholde, nowe I dwel in an house of cedar trees, and the Arke of God remayneth within the curtaines. Then Nathan sayde vnto the King, Go, and doe 3 all that is in thine heart: for the Lord is with thee. And the 4 same night the worde of the Lord came vnto Nathan, saving. Goe and tell my seruant Dauid, Thus saieth the Lord, Shalt 5 thou buylde me an house for my dwelling? For I have dwelt 6 in no house since the time that I brought the children of Israel out of Egypt vnto this day, but have walked in a tent and tabernacle. In al the places wherein I have walked with all 7 the children of Israel, spake I one worde with any of the tribes of Israel when I commanded the judges to feede my people Israel? or sayde I, Why build ye not me an house of cedar trees? Nowe therefore so say vnto my seruant Dauid, Thus saieth the 8 Lord of hostes, I tooke thee from the sheepecote following the sheepe, that thou mightest bee ruler ouer my people, ouer Israel. And I was with thee wheresoeuer thou hast walked, and 9 haue destroyed all thine enemies out of thy sight, and haue made thee a great name, like vnto the name of the great men that are in the earth. (Also I will appoynt a place for my peo- 10 ple Israel, and will plant it, that they may dwell in a place of their owne, and moue no more, neither shall wicked people trouble them any more as before time, And since the time that 11 I set Iudges ouer my people of Israel) and I will give thee rest from al thine enemies: also the Lord telleth thee, that he will make thee an house. And when thy daies bee fulfilled, thou 12 shalt sleepe with thy fathers, and I wil set vp thy seede after thee, which shall proceede out of thy body, and will stablish his kingdome. He shall buyld an house for my Name, and 13 I will stablish ye throne of his kingdome for euer. I will be 14 his father, and hee shall bee my sonne: and if he sinne, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the plagues of the children of men. But my mercy shall not depart away from 15 him, as I tooke it from Saul whome I haue put away before thee. And thine house shall be stablished and thy kingdome 16 for euer before thee, euen thy throne shalbe stablished for euer. According to all these wordes, and according to all this vision, 17 Nathan spake thus vnto Dauid. Then King Dauid went in, 18

and sate before the Lord, and sayde, Who am I, O Lord God, and what is mine house, that thou hast brought me hitherto? 19 And this was yet a small thing in thy sight, O Lord God, therefore thou hast spoken also of thy seruants house for a great 20 while: but doth this appertaine to man, O Lord God? what can Dauid say more vnto thee? for thou, Lord God, know-21 est thy seruant. For thy words sake, and according to thine owne heart hast thou done all these great things, to make them 22 knowen vnto thy seruant. Wherefore thou art great, O Lord God: for there is none like thee, neither is there any God besides thee, according to all that wee haue heard with our eares. 23 And what one people in the earth is like thy people, like Israel? whose God went and redeemed them to himselfe, that they might be his people, and that hee might make him a name, and do for you great things, and terrible for thy land, O Lord, euen for thy people, whome thou redeemedst to thee out of Egypt, 24 from the nations, and their gods? For thou hast ordeyned to thy selfe thy people Israel to be thy people for euer: and thou 25 Lord art become their God. Nowe therefore, O Lord God, confirme for euer the word that thou hast spoken concerning thy 26 seruant and his house, and doe as thou hast sayde. And let thy Name bee magnified for euer by them that shall say, The Lord of hostes is the God ouer Israel: and let the house of thy 27 seruant Dauid be stablished before thee. For thou, O Lord of hostes, God of Israel, hast reueiled vnto thy seruant, saying, I will build thee an house: therefore hath thy seruant bene bold 28 to pray this prayer vnto thee. Therefore now, O Lord God, (for thou art God, and thy words be true, and thou hast tolde this 29 goodnes vnto thy seruant) Therefore nowe let it please thee to blesse the house of thy seruant, that it may continue for euer before thee: for thou, O Lord God, hast spoken it: and let the house of thy seruant be blessed for euer, with thy blessing.

8 After this now, Dauid smote the Philistims, and subdued them, and Dauid tooke the bridle of bondage out of the hand 2 of the Philistims. And hee smote Moab, and measured them with a corde, and cast them downe to the ground: he measured them with two cordes to put them to death, and with one full corde to keepe them aliue: so became the Moabites Dauids 3 seruants, and brought giftes. Dauid smote also Hadadezer the sonne of Rehob King of Zobah, as he went to recouer his border

at the river Euphrates. And Dauid tooke of them a thousand 4 and seuen hundreth horsemen, and twenty thousande footemen, and Dauid destroyed all the charets, but he reserued an hundreth charets of them. Then came the Aramites of 5 Dammesek to succour Hadadezer king of Zobah, but Dauid slewe of the Aramites two and twenty thousande men. And 6 Dauid put a garison in Aram of Damesek: and the Aramites became seruants to Dauid, and brought gifts. And the Lord saued Dauid wheresoeuer he went. And Dauid tooke the shieldes of 7 gold that beloged to the seruants of Hadadezer, and brought them to Ierusalem. And out of Betah, and Berothai (cities of 8 Hadadezer) king Dauid brought exceeding much brasse. Then 9 Toi king of Hamath heard howe Dauid had smitten all the hoste of Hadadezer. Therefore Toi sent Ioram his sonne vnto 10 King Dauid, to salute him, and to reioyce with him because he had fought against Hadadezer, and beaten him (for Hadadezer had warre with Toi) who brought with him vessels of siluer, and vessels of golde, and vessels of brasse. And King Dauid 11 did dedicate them vnto the Lord with the siluer and golde that he had dedicate of all the nations, which he had subdued: Of 12 Aram, and of Moab, and of the children of Ammon, and of the Philistims, and of Amalek, and of the spoyle of Hadadezer ye sonne of Rehob King of Zobah. So Dauid gate a name after 13 that hee returned, and had slavne of the Aramites in the valley of salt eighteene thousand men. And he put a garison 14 in Edom: throughout all Edom put he souldiers, and all they of Edom became Dauids seruants: and the Lord kept Dauid whithersoeuer he went. Thus Dauid reigned ouer all Israel, 15 and executed judgement and justice vnto all his people. And 16 Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah was ouer the hoste, and Ioshaphat the sonne of Ahilud was recorder. And Zadok the sonne of Ahi- 17 tub, and Ahimelech the sonne of Abiathar were the Priestes, and Seraiah the Scribe. And Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada 18 and the Cherethites and the Pelethites, and Dauids sonnes were chiefe rulers.

And Dauid sayde, Is there yet any man left of the house of Saul, that I may shew him mercie for Ionathans sake? And 2 there was of the housholde of Saul a seruant whose name was Ziba, and when they had called him vnto Dauid, the King sayd vnto him, Art thou Ziba? And he sayd, I thy seruant am he.

3 Then the King sayd, Remayneth there yet none of the house of Saul, on whome I may shewe the mercie of God? Ziba then answered the King, Ionathan hath yet a sonne lame of his feete.

4 Then the King said vnto him, Where is he? And Ziba said vnto the King, Behold, he is in the house of Machir ye sonne

5 of Ammiel of Lo-debar. Then King Dauid sent, and tooke him out of the house of Machir the sonne of Ammiel of Lo-debar.

6 Nowe when Mephibosheth the sonne of Ionathan, the sonne of Saul was come vnto Dauid, he fel on his face, and did reuerence. And Dauid sayde, Mephibosheth? And he answered,

7 Beholde thy seruant. Then Dauid sayd vnto him, Feare not: for I wil surely shewe thee kindnes for Ionathan thy fathers sake, and will restore thee all the fieldes of Saul thy father, and

8 thou shalt eate bread at my table continually. And he bowed himselfe and sayd, What is thy seruant, that thou shouldest

9 looke vpon such a dead dog as I am? Then the king called Ziba Sauls seruant, and said vnto him, I haue giue vnto thy masters sonne all that perteined to Saul and to all his house.

Thou therefore and thy sonnes and thy seruantes shall till the lande for him, and bring in that thy masters sonne may haue foode to eate. And Mephibosheth thy masters sonne shall eate bread alway at my table (nowe Ziba had fifteene sonnes, and twentie seruants) Then sayd Ziba vnto the King, According

to all that my lord the King hath commaded his seruant, so shall thy seruat do, that Mephibosheth may eate at my table,

12 as one of the Kings sonnes. Mephibosheth also had a yong sonne named Micha, and all that dwelled in the house of Ziba,

13 were seruants vnto Mephibosheth. And Mephibosheth dwelt in Ierusalem: for he did eate continually at the Kings table, and was lame on both his feete.

After this, the King of the children of Ammon dyed, and
Hanun his sonne reigned in his steade. Then sayde Dauid, I
will shewe kindnesse vnto Hanun the sonne of Nahash, as his
father shewed kindnesse vnto me. And Dauid sent his seruantes to comfort him for his father. So Dauids seruants came
into the lande of the children of Ammon. And the princes of
the children of Ammon sayde vnto Hanun their lorde, Thinkest
thou that Dauid doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters to thee? hath not Dauid rather sent his seruants vnto
thee, to search the citie, and to spie it out, and to ouerthrow

Wherefore Hanun tooke Dauids seruants, and shaued 4 it? off the halfe of their beard, and cut off their garments in the middle, euen to their buttockes, and sent them away. it was told vnto Dauid, he sent to meete them (for the men were exceedingly ashamed) and the King sayde, Tary at Iericho, vntill your beards be growen, then returne. And when 6 the children of Ammon sawe that they stanke in the sight of Dauid, the children of Ammon sent and hired the Aramites of the house of Rehob, and the Aramites of Zoba, twentie thousande footemen, and of King Maacah a thousand men, and of Ish-tob twelue thousande men. And when Dauid heard of it. 7 he sent Ioab, and all the hoste of the strong men. children of Ammon came out, and put their armie in araye at the entring in of the gate: and the Aramites of Zoba, and of Rehob, and of Ish-tob, and of Maacah were by themselues in the fielde. When loab saw that the front of the battel was 9 against him before and behinde, he chose of all the choyse of Israel, and put them in aray against the Aramites. And the 10 rest of the people hee deliuered into the hande of Abishai his brother, that hee might put them in aray against the children of Ammon. And he sayde, If the Aramites be stronger then 11 I, thou shalt helpe me, and if the children of Ammon be too strong for thee, I will come and succour thee. Be strong and 12 let vs be valiant for our people, and for the cities of our God, and let the Lord do that which is good in his eyes. Then Ioab, 13 and the people that was with him, ioyned in battel with the Aramites, who fled before him. And when the children of Am- 14 mon sawe that the Aramites fled, they fled also before Abishai, and entred into the citie, so loab returned from the children of Ammon, and came to Ierusalem. And when the Aramites 15 sawe that they were smitten before Israel, they gathered them together. And Hadarezer sent, and brought out the Aramites 16 that were beyond the Riuer: and they came to Helam, and Shobach the captaine of the hoste of Hadarezer went before When it was shewed Dauid, then he gathered all Is- 17 rael together, and passed ouer Iorden and came to Helam: and the Aramites set themselves in aray against Dauid, and fought with him: And the Aramites fled before Israel: and Dauid de- 18 stroyed seuen hundreth charets of the Aramites, and fourtie thousande horsemen, and smote Shobach the captaine of his

hoste, who dyed there. And when all the Kings, that were seruants to Hadarezer, saw that they fell before Israel, they made peace with Israel, and serued them. and the Aramites feared to helpe the children of Ammon any more.

And when the yeere was expired in the time when Kinges 11 goe forth to battell, Dauid sent Ioab, and his seruantes with him, and all Israel, who destroyed the children of Ammon, and 2 besieged Rabbah: but Dauid remayned in Ierusalem. when it was euening tide, Dauid arose out of his bed, and walked vpon the roofe of the Kings palace: and from the roofe he sawe a woman washing her selfe: and the woman was very 3 beautifull to looke vpon. And Dauid sent and inquired what woman it was: and one sayde, Is not this Bath-sheba the daugh-4 ter of Eliam, wife to Vriah the Hittite? Then Dauid sent messengers, and tooke her away: and she came vnto him and he lay with her: (now she was purified from her vncleannes) and she 5 returned vnto her house. And the woman conceiued: therefore shee sent and tolde Dauid, and sayd, I am with childe. 6 Then Dauid sent to Ioab, saying, Send me Vriah the Hittite. 7 And Ioab sent Vriah to Dauid. And when Vriah came vnto him, Dauid demanded him how Ioab did, and howe the people 8 fared, and how the warre prospered. Afterward Dauid said to Vriah, Go downe to thine house, and wash thy feete. So Vriah departed out of the Kings palace, and the king sent a present 9 after him. But Vriah slept at the doore of the Kings palace with all the seruants of his lord, and went not downe to his 10 house. Then they tolde Dauid, saying, Vriah went not downe to his house: and Dauid saide vnto Vriah, Commest thou not from thy iourney? why didst thou not go downe to thine house? 11 Then Vriah answered Dauid, The Arke and Israel, and Iudah dwell in tents: and my lord Ioab and the seruants of my lord abide in the open fields: shall I then go into mine house to eate and drinke, and lie with my wife? by thy life, and by the life 12 of thy soule, I will not do this thing. Then Dauid sayd vnto Vriah, Tary yet this day, and to morow I will send thee away. 13 So Vriah abode in Ierusalem that day, and the morowe. Then Dauid called him, and hee did eate and drinke before him, and he made him drunke: and at euen he went out to lie on his couch with the seruants of his Lord, but went not downe to 14 his house. And on the morowe Dauid wrote a letter to Ioab,

and sent it by the hand of Vriah. And he wrote thus in the 15 letter, Put ye Vriah in the forefront of the strength of the battell, and recule ve backe from him, that he may be smitten, and die. So when Ioab besieged the citie, he assigned Vriah 16 vnto a place, where he knewe that strong men were. And the 17 men of the citie came out, and fought with Ioab: and there fell of the people of the seruants of Dauid, and Vriah the Hittite also dyed. Then Ioab sent and tolde Dauid all the things 18 concerning the warre, And he charged the messenger, saying, 19 When thou hast made an ende of telling all the matters of the warre vnto the King. And if the kings anger arise, so that he 20 say vnto thee. Wherefore approched ve vnto the citie to fight? knewe ve not that they would hurle from the wall? Who smote 21 Abimelech sonne of Ierubesheth? did not a woman cast a piece of a milstone vpon him from the wall, and he died in Thebez? why went you nie the wall? Then say thou, Thy seruant Vriah the Hittite is also dead. So the messenger went, and came and 22 shewed Dauid all that Ioab had sent him for. And the messen- 23 ger said vnto Dauid, Certainely the men preuailed against vs. and came out vnto vs into the field, but we pursued them vnto the entring of the gate. But the shooters shot from ye wall 24 against thy seruants, and some of the Kings seruants be dead: and thy seruant Vriah the Hittite is also dead. Then Dauid 25 said vnto the messenger, Thus shalt thou say vnto Ioab, Let not this thing trouble thee: for the sworde deuoureth one as well as another: make thy battell more strong against the citie and destroy it, and encourage thou him. And when the wife of Vriah 26 heard that her husband Vriah was dead, she mourned for her So when the mourning was past, Dauid sent and 27 tooke her into his house, and shee became his wife, and bare him a sonne: but ye thing that Dauid had done, displeased the Lord.

Then the Lord sent Nathan vnto Dauid, who came to him, and sayd vnto him, There were two men in one citie, the one riche, and the other poore. The rich man had exceeding many sheepe and oxen: But the poore had none at all, saue one litle sheepe which he had bought, and nourished vp: and it grew vp with him, and with his children also, and did eate of his owne morsels, and dranke of his owne cup, and slept in his bosome, and was vnto him as his daughter. Now there

came a stranger vnto the rich man, who refused to take of his owne sheepe, and of his owne oxen to dresse for the stranger that was come vnto him, but tooke the poore mans sheepe, and 5 dressed it for the man that was come to him. Then Dauid was exceeding wroth with the man, and sayde to Nathan, As the Lord liueth, the man that hath done this thing, shall surely 6 dye, And he shall restore the lambe foure folde, because he 7 did this thing, and had no pitie thereof. Then Nathan sayd to Dauid, Thou art the man. Thus sayth the Lord God of Israel, I anoynted thee King ouer Israel, and deliuered thee out 8 of the hand of Saul, And gaue thee thy lordes house, and thy lords wives into thy bosome, and gaue thee the house of Israel, and of Iudah, and would moreouer (if that had bene too 9 litle) haue given thee such and such things. Wherefore hast thou despised the commandement of the Lord, to doe euill in his sight? thou hast killed Vriah the Hittite with ye sworde, and hast taken his wife to be thy wife, and hast slaine him 10 with the sworde of the children of Ammon. Now therefore the sworde shall neuer depart from thine house, because thou hast despised me, and taken the wife of Vriah the Hittite to be thy 11 wife. Thus sayth the Lord, Behold, I will rayse vp euil against thee out of thine owne house, and will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them vnto thy neighbour, and he shall lie 12 with thy wives in the sight of this sunne. For thou diddest it secretly: but I will doe this thing before all Israel, and before Then Dauid sayde vnto Nathan, I haue sinned against the Lord. And Nathan sayde vnto Dauid, The Lord 14 also hath put away thy sinne, thou shalt not die. Howbeit because by this deede thou hast caused the enemies of the Lord to blaspheme, the childe that is borne vnto thee shall surely 15 die. So Nathan departed vnto his house: and the Lord stroke the childe that Vriahs wife bare vnto Dauid, and it was sicke. 16 Dauid therefore besought God for the childe, and fasted and 17 went in, and lay all night vpon the earth. Then the Elders of his house arose to come vnto him, and to cause him to rise from the groud: but he would not, neither did he eate meate with So on the seuenth day the child dyed: and the seruants of Dauid feared to tell him that the childe was dead: for they sayde, Beholde, while the childe was aliue, we spake vnto him, and he woulde not hearken vnto our voyce: how then shall

we say vnto him, The childe is dead, to vexe him more? But 19 when Dauid sawe that his seruantes whispered, Dauid perceiued that the childe was dead: therefore Dauid sayde vnto his seruants, Is the childe dead? And they sayd, He is dead. Then Dauid arose from the earth, and washed and anounted 20 himselfe, and changed his apparell, and came into the house of the Lord, and worshipped, and afterward came to his owne house, and bade that they should set bread before him, and he did eate. Then saide his seruants vnto him, What thing is 21 this, that thou hast done? thou diddest fast and weepe for the childe while it was aliue, but when the childe was dead, thou diddest rise vp, and eate meate. And he sayde, While the 22 childe was yet aliue, I fasted, and wept: for I sayde, Who can tell whether God will have mercy on me, that the childe may liue? But now being dead, wherefore shoulde I now fast? Can 23 I bring him againe any more? I shall goe to him, but he shall not returne to me. And Dauid comforted Bath-sheba his wife, 24 and went in vnto her, and lay with her, and she bare a sonne, and he called his name Salomon: also the Lord loued him. For 25 the Lord had sent by Nathan the Prophet: therefore he called his name Iedidiah, because the Lord loued him. Then Ioab 26 fought against Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and tooke the citie of the kingdome. Therefore Ioab sent messengers to 27 Dauid, saying, I haue fought against Rabbah, and haue taken the citie of waters. Now therefore gather the rest of the peo- 28 ple together, and besiege the city, that thou mayest take it, lest the victorie be attributed to me. So Dauid gathered al 29 the people together, and went against Rabbah, and besieged it. and tooke it. And he tooke their Kings crowne from his head, 30 (which weighed a talent of golde, with precious stones) and it was set on Dauids head: and he brought away the spoyle of the citie in exceeding great abundance. And he carryed away the 31 people that was therein, and put them vnder sawes, and vnder yron harowes, and vnder axes of yron, and cast them into the tyle kylne: euen thus did he with all the cities of the children of Ammon. Then Dauid and all the people returned vnto Ierusalem.

Now after this so it was, that Absalom the sonne of Dauid 13 hauing a fayre sister, whose name was Tamar, Amnon the sonne of Dauid loued her. And Amnon was so sore vexed, that he fell 2

sicke for his sister Tamar: for she was a virgin, and it seemed 3 hard to Amnon to doe any thing to her. But Amnon had a friend called Ionadab, the sonne of Shimeah Dauids brother: 4 and Ionadab was a very subtile man. Who sayde vnto him, Why art thou the Kings sonne so leane from day to day? wilt thou not tell me? Then Amnon answered him, I loue Tamar 5 my brother Absaloms sister. And Ionadab sayd vnto him, Lie downe on thy bed, and make thy selfe sicke: and when thy father shall come to see thee, say vnto him, I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and giue me meate, and let her dresse meate in my sight, that I may see it, and eate it of her hand. 6 So Amnon lay downe, and made himselfe sicke: and when the King came to see him, Amnon sayde vnto the King, I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and make me a couple of cakes in 7 my sight, that I may receive meate at her hand. Then Dauid sent home to Tamar, saying, Goe now to thy brother Amnons 8 house, and dresse him meate. So Tamar went to her brother Amnons house, and he lay downe: and she tooke floure, and knead it, and made cakes in his sight, and did bake the cakes. 9 And she tooke a pan, and powred them out before him, but he would not eat. Then Amnon saide, Cause ye euery man to goe 10 out from me: so euery man went out from him. Then Amnon said vnto Tamar, Bring the meate into the chamber, that I may eate of thine hand. And Tamar tooke the cakes which shee had made, and brought them into the chamber to Amnon 11 her brother. And when she had set them before him to eate, he tooke her, and sayd vnto her, Come, lye with me, my sister. 12 But shee answered him, Nay, my brother, doe not force me: for no such thing ought to be done in Israel: commit not this follie. 13 And I, whither shall I cause my shame to goe? and thou shalt be as one of the fooles in Israel: now therefore, I pray thee, 14 speake to the King, for he will not denie me vnto thee. Howbeit he would not hearken vnto her voyce, but being stronger 15 then she, forced her, and lay with her. Then Amnon hated her exceedingly, so that the hatred wherewith he hated her, was greater then the loue, wherewith hee had loued her: and Am-16 non sayde vnto her, Vp, get thee hence. And she answered him, There is no cause: this euill (to put mee away) is greater then the other that thou diddest vnto me: but he would not 17 heare her, But called his seruant that serued him, and sayd, Put this woman now out from me, and locke the doore after her. (And she had a garment of divers coulours vpon her: for 18 with such garments were the Kings daughters that were virgins, apparelled) Then his seruant brought her out, and locked the doore after her. And Tamar put ashes on her head and 19 rent the garment of divers colours which was on her, and lavde her hand on her head, and went her way crying. And Absa- 20 lom her brother sayd vnto her. Hath Amnon thy brother bene with thee? Now yet be still, my sister: he is thy brother: let not this thing grieue thine heart. So Tamar remayned desolate in her brother Absaloms house. But when King Dauid heard all 21 these things, he was very wroth. And Absalom sayde vnto 22 his brother Amnon neither good nor bad: for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar. And after 23 the time of two yeeres, Absalom had sheepesherers in Baalhazor, which is beside Ephraim, and Absalom called all the Kings sonnes. And Absalom came to the King and savd, Be- 24 holde now, thy servant hath sheepesherers: I pray thee, that the King with his seruants would goe with thy seruant. But 25 the King answered Absalom, Nay my sonne, I pray thee, let vs not goe all, lest we be chargeable vnto thee. Yet Absalom lay sore vpon him: howbeit he would not go, but thanked him. Then sayd Absalom, But, I pray thee, shall not my brother 26 Amnon goe with vs? And the king answered him, Why should he go with thee? But Absalom was instant vpon him, and he 27 sent Amnon with him, and all the Kings children. Now had 28 Absalom commanded his seruants, saying, Marke now when Amnons heart is merry with wine, and when I say vnto you, Smite Amnon, kill him, feare not, for haue not I commanded you? be bold therefore, and play the men. And the seruantes 29 of Absalom did vnto Amnon, as Absalom had commanded: and al the Kings sonnes arose, and euery man gate him vp vpon his mule, and fled. And while they were in the way, tydings came 30 to Dauid, saying, Absalom hath slaine al the Kings sonnes, and there is not one of them left. Then the King arose, and tare his 31 garments, and lay on the ground, and all his seruants stoode by with their clothes rent. And Ionadab the sonne of Shimeah 32 Dauids brother answered and sayde, Let not my lord suppose that they have slayne all the yong men the Kings sonnes: for Amnon onely is dead, because Absalom had reported so, since

33 hee forced his sister Tamar. Nowe therefore let not my lord the King take the thing so grieuously, to thinke that all ye 34 Kings sonnes are dead: for Amnon only is dead. Then Absalom fled: and the yong man that kept the watch, lift vp his eyes, and looked, and behold, there came much people by the 35 way of the hill side behinde him. And Ionadab said vnto the King, Behold, ye Kings sonnes come: as thy seruant sayd, so 36 it is. And assoone as hee had left speaking, behold, the Kings sonnes came, and lift vp their voyces, and wept: and the King 37 also and all his seruants wept exceedingly sore. But Absalom fled away, and went to Talmai the sonne of Ammihur King of 38 Geshur: and Dauid mourned for his sonne euery day. So Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three yeeres. 39 And King Dauid desired to go forth vnto Absalom, because he was pacified concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.

Then Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah perceyued, that the Kings 14 2 heart was toward Absalom, And Ioab sent to Tekoah, and brought thence a subtile woman, and sayd vnto her, I pray thee, fayne thy selfe to mourne, and nowe put on mourning apparel, and anount not thy selfe with oyle: but be as a woman 3 that had now long time mourned for the dead. And come to the King, and speake on this maner vnto him, (for Ioab 4 taught her what she should say). Then the woman of Tekoah spake vnto the king, and fel downe on her face to the ground, 5 and did obeysance, and sayd, Helpe, O King. Then the King sayd vnto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, I am in 6 deede a widow, and mine husband is dead: And thine handmayd had two sonnes, and they two stroue together in the fielde: (and there was none to part them) so the one smote 7 the other, and slew him. And beholde, the whole familie is risen against thine handmayde, and they sayde, Deliuer him that smote his brother, that we may kill him for the soule of his brother whome hee slewe, that we may destroy the heire also: so they shall quenche my sparkle which is left, and shall not leaue to mine husband neither name nor posteritie vpon 8 the earth. And the King said vnto the woman, Go to thine 9 house, and I wil giue a charge for thee. Then the woman of Tekoah said vnto the King, My lord, O King, this trespas be on me, and on my fathers house, and the King and his throne be 10 giltlesse. And the King sayde, Bring him to me that speaketh

against thee, and he shall touche thee no more. Then said 11 she, I pray thee, let the King remember the Lord thy God, that thou wouldest not suffer many reuengers of blood to destroy, lest they slay my sonne. And he answered, As the Lord liueth, there shall not one heare of thy sonne fall to the earth. Then 12 the woman said, I pray thee, let thine handmayde speake a worde to my lord the King. And he sayd, Say on. Then the 13 woman sayde. Wherefore then hast thou thought such a thing against the people of God? or why doeth the King, as one which is faultie, speake this thing, that he will not bring againe his banished? For we must needes dye, and we are as water spilt 14 on the ground, which cannot be gathered vp againe: neither doeth God spare any person, yet doeth he appoynt meanes, not to cast out from him, him that is expelled. Nowe therefore 15 that I am come to speake of this thing vnto my lord the King, the cause is that the people haue made me afrayd: therefore thine handmayde sayd, Nowe will I speake vnto the King: it may be that the King will perfourme the request of his handmayde. For the King wil heare, to deliuer his handmayde out 16 of the hande of the man that woulde destroy mee, and also my sonne from the inheritance of God. Therefore thine handmaid 17 sayd, The word of my lord the King shall now be comfortable: for my lorde the King is euen as an Angel of God in hearing of good and bad: therefore the Lord thy God be with thee. Then 18 the King answered, and said vnto the woman, Hide not from me, I pray thee, the thing that I shall aske thee. And the woman sayde, Let my lord the King now speake. And the 19 King said, Is not the hand of Ioab with thee in all this? Then the woman answered, and sayd, As thy soule liueth, my lord the King, I will not turne to the right hande nor to the left, from ought that my lorde the King hath spoken: for euen thy seruant Ioab bade mee, and he put all these wordes in the mouth of thine handmayde. For to the intent that I should chage 20 the forme of speach, thy seruant Ioab hath done this thing: but my lord is wise according to the wisdome of an Angel of God to vnderstande all things that are in the earth. And the 21 King sayde vnto Ioab, Beholde nowe, I haue done this thing: go then, and bring the yong man Absalom againe. And Ioab fell 22 to the grounde on his face, and bowed himselfe, and thanked the King. Then Ioab sayde, This day thy seruant knoweth, that

I have found grace in thy sight, my lord the King, in that the 23 King hath fulfilled the request of his seruant. And Ioab arose, 24 and went to Geshur, and brought Absalom to Ierusalem. And the King sayde, Let him turne to his owne house, and not see my face. So Absalom turned to his owne house, and saw not the 25 Kings face. Nowe in all Israel there was none to be so much praysed for beautie as Absalom: from the sole of his foote euen 26 to the toppe of his head there was no blemish in him. And when he polled his head, (for at euery yeeres ende he polled it: because it was too heavie for him, therefore he polled it) he weyghed the heare of his head at two hundreth shekels by the 27 Kings weight. And Absalom had three sonnes, and one daugh-28 ter named Tamar, which was a fayre woman to looke vpon. So Absalom dwelt the space of two yeres in Ierusalem, and saw 29 not the Kings face. Therefore Absalom sent for Ioab to sende him to the King, but he would not come to him: and when he 30 sent againe, he would not come. Therefore he sayde vnto his seruants, Beholde, Ioab hath a fielde by my place, and hath barley therein: go, and set it on fire: and Absaloms seruants 31 set the field on fire. Then Ioab arose, and came to Absalom vnto his house, and sayd vnto him, Wherefore haue thy seru-32 ants burnt my field with fire? And Absalom answered Ioab, Beholde, I sent for thee, saying, Come thou hither, and I wil send thee to the King for to say, Wherefore am I come from Geshur? It had bene better for me to haue bene there still: nowe therefore let mee see the Kings face: and if there be any 33 trespasse in me, let him kill me. Then Ioab came to the King, and told him: and he called for Absalom, who came to the King, and bowed himselfe to the grounde on his face before the King, and the King kissed Absalom.

After this, Absalom prepared him charets and horses, and fiftie men to runne before him. And Absalom rose vp early, and stoode hard by the entring in of the gate: and euery man that had any matter, and came to the King for iudgement, him did Absalom call vnto him, and sayde, Of what citie art thou? And he answered, Thy seruant is of one of the tribes of Israel. Then Absalom said vnto him, See, thy matters are good and righteous, but there is no man deputed of the King to heare thee. Absalom sayd moreouer, Oh that I were made Iudge in the lande, that euery man which hath any matter of con-

trouersie, might come to me, that I might do him iustice. And 5 when any man came neere to him, and did him obeisance, he put forth his hand, and tooke him, and kissed him. And on 6 this maner did Absalom to al Israel, that came to the King for iudgement: so Absalom stale the hearts of the men of Israel. And after fourtie yeeres, Absalom sayd vnto the King, I pray 7 thee, let me go to Hebron, and render my vowe which I haue vowed vnto the Lord. For thy seruant vowed a vowe when I 8 remayned at Geshur, in Aram, saying, If the Lord shall bring me againe in deede to Ierusalem, I will serue the Lord. And 9 the King sayd vnto him, Go in peace. So he arose, and went to Hebron. Then Absalom sent spyes throughout all the tribes 10 of Israel, saying, When yee heare the sound of the trumpet, Ye shall say, Absalom reigneth in Hebron. And with Absalom 11 went two hundreth men out of Ierusalem, that were called: and they went in their simplicitie, knowing nothing. Also Ab- 12 salom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite Dauids counseller, from his citie Giloh, while he offred sacrifices: and the treason was great: for the people encreased still with Absalom. Then came 13 a messenger to Dauid, saying, The hearts of the men of Israel are turned after Absalom. Then Dauid sayd vnto all his seru- 14 ants that were with him at Ierusalem, Vp, and let vs flee: for we shall not escape from Absalom: make speede to depart, lest he come suddenly and take vs, and bring euill vpon vs, and smite the citie with the edge of the sworde. And the Kings 15 seruants sayd vnto him, Behold, thy seruants are ready to do according to all that my lord the King shall appoynt. So the 16 King departed and all his houshold after him, and the King left ten concubines to keepe the house. And the King went forth 17 and all the people after him, and taried in a place farre off. And all his seruants went about him, and all the Cherethites 18 and all the Pelethites and all the Gittites, euen sixe hudreth men which were come after him from Gath, went before the Then sayde the King to Ittai the Gittite, Wherefore 19 commest thou also with vs? Returne and abide with the King, for thou art a stranger: depart thou therefore to thy place. Thou camest yesterday, and should I cause thee to wander to 20 day and go with vs? I will goe whither I can: therefore returne thou and cary againe thy brethren: mercy and trueth be with thee. And Ittai answered the King, and sayde, As the Lord 21

liueth, and as my lord the King liueth, in what place my lord the King shalbe, whether in death or life, euen there surely will 22 thy seruant bee. Then Dauid sayd to Ittai, Come, and go forward. And Ittai the Gittite went, and all his men, and all the 23 children that were with him. And all the countrey wept with a loude voyce, and all the people went forward, but the King passed ouer the brooke Kidron: and all the people went ouer 24 toward the way of ye wildernes. And lo, Zadok also was there, and all the Leuites with him, bearing the Arke of the couenant of God: and they set downe the Arke of God, and Abiathar went 25 vp vntill the people were all come out of the citie. Then the King said vnto Zadok, Carie the Arke of God againe into the citie: if I shall finde fauour in the eyes of the Lord, he will bring me againe, and shewe me both it, and the Tabernacle thereof. 26 But if he thus say, I have no delite in thee, behold, here am 27 I, let him doe to me as seemeth good in his eyes. The King sayde againe vnto Zadok the Priest, Art not thou a Seer? returne into the citie in peace, and your two sonnes with you: to wit, Ahimaaz thy sonne, and Ionathan the sonne of Abiathar. 28 Behold, I wil tarie in the fieldes of the wildernesse, vntill there 29 come some worde from you to be tolde me. Zadok therefore and Abiathar caried the Arke of God againe to Ierusalem, and 30 they taried there. And Dauid went vp the mount of oliues and wept as he went vp, and had his head couered, and went barefooted: and al the people that was with him, had euery man his 31 head couered, and as they went vp, they wept. Then one tolde Dauid, saying, Ahithophel is one of them that have cospired with Absalom: and Dauid sayde, O Lord, I pray thee, turne the 32 counsell of Ahithophel into foolishnesse. Then Dauid came to the toppe of the mount where he worshipped God: and beholde, Hushai the Archite came against him with his coate torne, and 33 hauing earth vpon his head. Vnto whom Dauid sayd, If thou 34 goe with me, thou shalt be a burthen vnto me. But if thou returne to the citie, and say vnto Absalom, I wil be thy seruant, O King, (as I have bene in time past thy fathers servant, so will I now be thy seruant) then thou mayest bring me the counsell 35 of Ahithophel to nought. And hast thou not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the Priests? therefore what so euer thou shalt heare out of the Kings house, thou shalt shew to Zadok 36 and Abiathar the Priests. Beholde, there are with them their two sonnes: Ahimaaz Zadoks sonne, and Ionathan Abiathars sonne: by them also shall ye send me euery thing that ye can So Hushai Dauids friend went into the citie: and Ab- 37 salom came into Ierusalem.

When Dauid was a little past the top of the hill, behold, Ziba 16 the servant of Mephibosheth mette him with a couple of asses sadled, and vpon them two hundreth cakes of bread, and an hundreth bunches of raisins, and an hundreth of dryed figges, and a bottel of wine. And the King said vnto Ziba, What 2 meanest thou by these? And Ziba said, They be asses for the kings housholde to ride on, and bread and dryed figges for the vong men to eate, and wine, that the faint may drinke in the wildernesse. And the king sayde, But where is thy masters 3 sonne? Then Ziba answered the King, Beholde, he remayneth in Ierusalem: for he sayde, This day shall the house of Israel restore me the kingdome of my father. Then said the King to 4 Ziba, Behold, thine are all that perteined vnto Mephibosheth. And Ziba saide, I beseech thee, let me finde grace in thy sight, my lord, O King. And when king Dauid came to Bahurim, 5 behold, thence came out a man of the familie of the house of Saul, named Shimei the sonne of Gera: and he came out, and cursed. And he cast stones at Dauid, and at all the seruants 6 of King Dauid: and all the people, and all the men of warre were on his right hande, and on his left. And thus sayde 7 Shimei when hee cursed, Come forth, come foorth thou murtherer, and wicked man. The Lord hath brought vpon thee 8 all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead thou hast reigned: and the Lord hath deliuered thy kingdome into the hand of Absalom thy sonne: and beholde, thou art taken in thy wickednesse, because thou art a murtherer. Then saide 9 Abishai the sonne of Zeruiah vnto the King, Why doeth this dead dog curse my lord the King? let me goe, I pray thee, and take away his head. But the King saide, What haue I 10 to doe with you, ye sonnes of Zeruiah? for he curseth, eue because the Lord hath bidden him curse Dauid: who dare then say, Wherfore hast thou done so? And Dauid sayd to Abishai, 11 and to all his seruants, Beholde, my sonne which came out of mine owne bowels, seeketh my life: then howe much more now may this sonne of Iemini? Suffer him to curse: for the Lord hath bidden him. It may be that the Lord will looke on mine 12

13 affliction, and doe me good for his cursing this day. And as Dauid and his men went by the way, Shimei went by the side of the mountaine ouer against him, and cursed as he went, and 14 threw stones against him, and cast dust. Then came the King and all the people that were with him wearie, and refreshed 15 them selues there. And Absalom, and all the people, the men 16 of Israel, came to Ierusalem, and Ahithophel with him. And when Hushai the Archite Dauids friend was come vnto Absalom, Hushai said vnto Absalom, God saue the King, God saue 17 the King. Then Absalom sayd to Hushai, Is this thy kindenes 18 to thy friend? Why wentest thou not with thy friend? Hushai then answered vnto Absalom, Nay, but whome the Lord, and this people, and all the men of Israel chuse, his will I be, and 19 with him will I dwell. And moreouer vnto whome shall I doe seruice? not to his sonne? as I serued before thy father, so will 20 I before thee. Then spake Absalom to Ahithophel, Giue coun-21 sell what we shall doe. And Ahithophel said vnto Absalom, Goe in to thy fathers concubines, which he hath left to keepe the house: and when all Israel shall heare, that thou art abhorred of thy father, the hands of all that are with thee, shall 22 be strong. So they spread Absalom a tent vpon the top of the house, and Absalom went in to his fathers concubines in the 23 sight of all Israel. And the counsell of Ahithophel which he counseled in those dayes, was like as one had asked counsell at the oracle of God: so was all the counsel of Ahithophel both with Dauid and with Absalom.

Moreouer Ahithophel said to Absalom, Let me chuse out now twelue thousand men, and I will vp and follow after Dauid this night, And I will come vpon him: for he is wearie, and weake handed: so I will feare him, and all the people that are with him, shall flee, and I will smite the King onely, And I will bring againe all the people vnto thee, and when all shall returne, (the man whome thou seekest being slaine) all the people shalbe in peace. And the saying pleased Absalom well, and all the Elders of Israel. Then said Absalom, Call now Hushai the Archite also, and let vs heare likewise what he sayth. So when Hushai came to Absalom, Absalom spake vnto him, saying, Ahithophel hath spoken thus: shall we doe after his saying, or no? tell thou. Hushai then answered vnto Absalom, The counsel that Ahithophel hath giuen, is not good at this

time. For, said Hushai, thou knowest thy father, and his men, 8 that they be strong men, and are chafed in minde as a beare robbed of her whelps in the fielde: also thy father is a valiant warrier, and will not lodge with the people. Behold, he is hid 9 now in some caue, or in some place: and though some of them be ouerthrowen at the first, yet the people shall heare, and say, The people that follow Absalom, be ouerthrowen. Then 10 he also that is valiant whose heart is as the heart of a lion. shall shrinke and faint: for all Israel knoweth, that thy father is valiant, and they which be with him, stout men. Therefore 11 my counsell is, that all Israel be gathered vnto thee, from Dan euen to Beer-sheba as the sand of the sea in nomber, and that thou goe to battell in thine owne person. So shall we come 12 vpon him in some place, where we shall finde him, and we will vpon him as the dewe falleth on the ground: and of all the men that are with him, wee will not leave him one. Moreover if 13 he be gotten into a citie, then shall all the men of Israel bring ropes to that citie, and we will draw it into the riuer, vntill there be not one small stone founde there. Then Absalom and 14 all the men of Israel sayde, The counsel of Hushai the Archite is better, then the counsell of Ahithophel: for the Lord had determined to destroy the good counsell of Ahithophel, that the Lord might bring euill vpon Absalom. Then said Hushai 15 vnto Zadok and to Abiathar the Priests, Of this and that maner did Ahithophel and the Elders of Israel counsell Absalom: and thus and thus haue I counseled. Now therefore sende guick- 16 ely, and shewe Dauid, saying, Tarie not this night in the fieldes of the wildernesse, but rather get thee ouer, lest the King be deuoured and all the people that are with him. Now Ionathan 17 and Ahimaaz abode by En-rogel: (for they might not be seene to come into the citie) and a maid went, and tolde them, and they went and shewed King Dauid. Neuerthelesse a yong 18 man sawe them, and tolde it to Absalom. therefore they both departed quickely, and came to a mans house in Bahurim, who had a well in his court, into the which they went downe. And 19 the wife tooke and spred a couering ouer the welles mouth, and spred ground corne thereon, that the thing should not be knowen. And when Absaloms seruants came to the wife into 20 the house, they said, Where is Ahimaaz and Ionathan? And the woman answered them. They be gone ouer the brooke of

water. And when they had sought them, and could not finde 21 them, they returned to Ierusalem. And assoone as they were departed, the other came out of the well, and went and tolde King Dauid, and sayde vnto him, Vp, and get you quickely ouer the water: for such counsell hath Ahithophel giuen against Then Dauid arose, and all the people that were with him, and they went ouer Iorden vntil the dawning of the day, so that there lacked not one of them, that was not come ouer 23 Iorden. Nowe when Ahithophel sawe that his counsell was not followed, he sadled his asse, and arose, and he went home vnto his citie, and put his houshold in order, and hanged him selfe, 24 and dyed, and was buryed in his fathers graue. Then Dauid came to Mahanaim. And Absalom passed ouer Iorden, he, and 25 all the men of Israel with him. And Absalom made Amasa captaine of the hoste in the stead of Ioab: which Amasa was a mans sonne named Ithra an Israelite, that went in to Abigail 26 the daughter of Nahash, sister to Zeruiah Ioabs mother. 27 Israel and Absalom pitched in the land of Gilead. And when Dauid was come to Mahanaim, Shobi the sonne of Nahash out of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and Machir the sonne of Ammiel out of Lo-debar, and Barzelai the Gileadite out of Rogel 28 Brought beds, and basens, and earthen vessels, and wheat, and barley, and floure, and parched corne, and beanes, and lentiles. 29 and parched corne. And they brought hony, and butter, and sheepe, and cheese of kine for Dauid and for the people that were with him, to eate: for they said, The people is hungry, and wearie, and thirstie in the wildernesse.

Then Dauid numbred the people that were with him, and set ouer them captaines of thousands and captaines of hundreths. And Dauid sent foorth the third part of the people vnder the hand of Ioab, and the thirde part vnder the hand of Abishai Ioabs brother the sonne of Zeruiah: and the other third part vnder the hand of Ittai the Gittite. and the King said vnto the people, I will go with you my selfe also. But the people answered, Thou shalt not goe foorth: for if we flee away, they will not regarde vs, neither will they passe for vs, though halfe of vs were slaine: but thou art now worth ten thousande of vs: therefore nowe it is better that thou succour vs out of the citie. Then the King said vnto them, What seemeth you best, that I will doe. So the King stood by the gate side, and all

the people came out by hundreths and by thousands. And the 5 King commanded Ioab and Abishai, and Ittai, saying, Entreate the yong man Absalom gently for my sake. and all the people heard whe the King gaue al the captaines charge concerning Absalom. So the people went out into the fielde to meete Is- 6 rael, and the battell was in the wood of Ephraim: Where the 7 people of Israel were slaine before the seruants of Dauid: so there was a great slaughter that day, euen of twentie thousande. For the battel was skattered ouer all the countrey: and 8 the wood devoured much more people that day, then did the sworde. Nowe Absalom met the servants of Dauid, and Absa-9 lom rode vpon a mule, and the mule came vnder a great thicke oke: and his head caught holde of the oke, and he was taken vp betweene the heauen and the earth: and the mule that was vnder him went away. And one that sawe it, tolde Ioab, saying, 10 Beholde, I sawe Absalom hanged in an oke. Then Ioab saide 11 vnto the man that tolde him. And hast thou in deede seene? why then diddest thou not there smite him to the grounde, and I woulde have given thee ten shekels of silver, and a girdle? Then the man saide vnto Ioab, Though I should receiue a 12 thousande shekels of siluer in mine hande, yet woulde I not lay mine hande vpon the Kings sonne: for in our hearing the King charged thee, and Abishai, and Ittai, saying, Beware, least any touche the yong man Absalom. If I had done it, it had bene 13 the danger of my life: for nothing can be hid from the King: yea, thou thy selfe wouldest haue bin against me. Then saide 14 Ioab, I will not thus tary with thee. And he tooke three dartes in his hande, and thrust them through Absalom, while he was yet aliue in the middes of the oke. And tenne seruants that 15 bare Ioabs armour, compassed about and smote Absalom, and slewe him. Then Ioab blewe the trumpet, and the people re- 16 turned from pursuing after Israel: for Ioab helde backe the people. And they tooke Absalom, and cast him into a great pit 17 in the wood, and layed a mightie great heape of stones vpon him: and all Israel fled euery one to his tent. Nowe Absalom 18 in his life time had taken and reared him vp a pillar, which is in the kings dale: for he saide, I have no sonne to keepe my name in remembrance, and he called the pillar after his owne name, and it is called vnto this day, Absaloms place. Then 19 said Ahimaaz the sonne of Zadok, I pray thee, let me runne,

and beare the King tidings that the Lord hath deliuered him 20 out of the hande of his enemies. And Ioab said vnto him. Thou shalt not be the messenger to day, but thou shalt beare tidings another time, but to day thou shalt beare none: for the Kings 21 sonne is dead. Then said Ioab to Cushi, Goe, tel the king, what thou hast seene. And Cushi bowed himselfe vnto Ioab, and ran. 22 Then saide Ahimaaz the sonne of Zadok againe to Ioab, What, I pray thee, if I also runne after Cushi? And Ioab said, Wherefore now wilt thou runne, my sonne, seeing that thou hast no 23 tidings to bring? Yet what if I runne? Then he saide vnto him, Runne. So Ahimaaz ranne by the way of the plaine, and ouer-24 went Cushi. Now Dauid sate betweene the two gates. And the watchman went to the top of the gate vpon the wall, and lift vp his eyes, and sawe, and beholde, a man came running 25 alone. And the watchman cryed, and tolde ye king. And the King said, If he be alone, he bringeth tidings. And he came 26 apace, and drew neere. And the watchman saw another man running, and the watchman called vnto the porter, and said, Behold, another man runneth alone. And the King said, He 27 also bringeth tidings. And the watchman said, Me thinketh the running of the formost is like the running of Ahimaaz the sonne of Zadok. Then the King said, He is a good man, and 28 commeth with good tidings. And Ahimaaz called, and sayde vnto the King, Peace be with thee: and he fell downe to the earth vpon his face before the King, and saide, Blessed be the Lord thy God, who hath shut vp the men that lift vp their han-29 des against my lorde the King. And the King saide, Is the yong man Absalom safe? And Ahimaaz answered, When Ioab sent the Kings seruant, and me thy seruant, I sawe a great 30 tumult, but I knewe not what. And the King said vnto him, Turne aside, and stand here. so he turned aside and stoode 31 still. And beholde, Cushi came, and Cushi saide, Tidings, my lorde the King: for the Lord hath deliuered thee this day out of 32 the hande of all that rose against thee. Then the King saide vnto Cushi, Is the yong man Absalom safe? And Cushi answered, The enemies of my lorde the King, and all that rise 33 against thee to doe thee hurt, be as that yong man is. And the King was mooued, and went vp to the chamber ouer the gate, and wept: and as he went, thus he said, O my sonne Absalom, my sonne, my sonne Absalom: woulde God I had dyed for thee,

O Absalom, my sonne, my sonne.

And it was tolde Ioab, Behold, the King weepeth and mour- 19 neth for Absalom. Therefore the victorie of that day was turned 2 into mourning to all the people: for the people heard say that day, The King soroweth for his sonne. And the people went 3 that day into the citie secretly, as people confounded hide them selues when they flee in battell. So the King hid his face, and 4 the King cryed with a loude voyce, My sonne Absalom, Absalom my sonne, my sonne. Then Ioab came into the house to 5 the King, and said, Thou hast shamed this day the faces of all thy servants, which this day have saved thy life and the liues of thy sones, and of thy daughters, and the liues of thy wives, and the lives of thy concubines, In that thou louest 6 thine enemies, and hatest thy friendes: for thou hast declared this day, that thou regardest neither thy princes nor seruants: therefore this day I perceiue, that if Absalom had liued, and we all had dved this day, that then it would have pleased thee well. Nowe therefore vp, come out, and speake comfortably 7 vnto thy seruants: for I sweare by the Lord, except thou come out, there will not tarie one man with thee this night: and that wil be worse vnto thee, then all the euill that fell on thee from thy youth hitherto. Then the King arose, and sate in 8 the gate: and they tolde vnto all the people, saving, Beholde, the King doeth sit in the gate: and all the people came before the King: for Israel had fled euery man to his tent. Then all 9 the people were at strife thorowout all the tribes of Israel, saying, The King saued vs out of the hand of our enemies, and he deliuered vs out of the hande of the Philistims, and nowe he is fled out of the lande for Absalom. And Absalom, whome 10 we anounted ouer vs, is dead in battel: therefore why are ye so slow to bring the King againe? But King Dauid sent to 11 Zadok and to Abiathar the Priestes, saying, Speake vnto the Elders of Iudah, and say, Why are ye behind to bring the King againe to his house, (for the saying of al Israel is come vnto the king, euen to his house) Ye are my brethren: my bones 12 and my flesh are ye: wherefore then are ye the last that bring the King againe? Also say ye to Amasa, Art thou not my bone 13 and my flesh? God do so to me and more also, if thou be not captaine of the hoste to me for euer in the roume of Ioab. So 14 he bowed the heartes of all the men of Iudah, as of one man:

therefore they sent to the King, saying, Returne thou with all 15 thy seruants. So the King returned, and came to Iorden. And Iudah came to Gilgal, for to goe to meete the King, and to con-16 duct him ouer Iorde. And Shimei the sonne of Gera, ye sonne of Iemini, which was of Bahurim, hasted and came down with 17 the men of Iudah to meete king Dauid, And a thousande men of Beniamin with him, and Ziba the seruant of the house of Saul, and his fifteene sonnes and twentie seruants with him: 18 and they went ouer Iorden before ye king. And there went ouer a boate to carie ouer the Kings houshold, and to do him pleasure. Then Shimei the sonne of Gera fell before the King, 19 when he was come ouer Iorden, And saide vnto the King, Let not my lorde impute wickednesse vnto me, nor remember ve thing that thy seruant did wickedly when my lorde the King departed out of Ierusalem, that the King should take it to his 20 heart. For thy seruant doeth knowe, that I have done amisse: therefore beholde, I am the first this day of al the house of Ioseph, that am come to goe downe to meete my lord the King. 21 But Abishai the sonne of Zeruiah answered, and said, Shal not Shimei die for this, because he cursed the Lordes anoynted? 22 And Dauid saide, What haue I to do with you, ye sonnes of Zeruiah, that this day ye should be aduersaries vnto me? shall there any man die this day in Israel? for doe not I know that I 23 am this day King ouer Israel? Therefore the King saide vnto 24 Shimei, Thou shalt not die, and the king sware vnto him. And Mephibosheth the sonne of Saul came downe to meete the king, and had neither washed his feete, nor dressed his beard, nor washed his clothes from the time the king departed, vntill he 25 returned in peace. And when he was come to Ierusalem, and met the king, the king said vnto him, Wherefore wentest not 26 thou with me, Mephibosheth? And he answered, My lorde the king, my seruant deceiued me: for thy seruant said, I would haue mine asse sadled to ride thereon, for to goe with the king, 27 because thy seruant is lame. And he hath accused thy seruant vnto my lorde the king: but my lorde the king is as an 28 Angel of God: doe therefore thy pleasure. For all my fathers house were but dead men before my lord the king, yet diddest thou set thy seruant among them that did eate at thine owne table: what right therefore haue I yet to crye any more vnto 29 the king? And the king said vnto him, Why speakest thou

any more of thy matters? I have said, Thou, and Ziba deuide the landes. And Mephibosheth saide vnto the king, Yea, let 30 him take all, seeing my lorde the king is come home in peace. Then Barzillai the Gileadite came downe from Rogelim, and 31 went ouer Iorden with the king, to conduct him ouer Iorden. Nowe Barzillai was a very aged man, euen fourescore yeere 32 olde, and he had prouided the king of sustenance, while he lay at Mahanaim: for he was a man of very great substance. And 33 the king said vnto Barzillai, Come ouer with me, and I will feede thee with me in Ierusalem. And Barzillai said vnto the 34 king. Howe long haue I to liue, that I should goe vp with the king to Ierusalem? I am this day fourescore yeere olde: and 35 can I discerne betweene good or euill? Hath thy seruant any taste in that I eat or in that I drinke? Can I heare any more the voyce of singing men and women? wherefore then should thy seruant be anymore a burthen vnto my lord the king? Thy 36 seruant will goe a litle way ouer Iorden with the King, and why wil the king recompence it me with such a rewarde? I 37 pray thee, let thy seruant turne backe againe, that I may die in mine owne citie, and be buryed in the graue of my father and of my mother: but beholde thy seruant Chimham, let him goe with my lorde the king, and doe to him what shall please thee. And the king answered, Chimham shall go with me, and I will 38 do to him that thou shalt be content with: and whatsoeuer thou shalt require of me, that will I do for thee. So all the 39 people went ouer Iorden: and the King passed ouer: and the King kissed Barzillai, and blessed him, and hee returned vnto his owne place. Then the King went to Gilgal, and Chimham 40 went with him, and all the people of Iudah conducted the King, and also halfe ye people of Israel. And behold, all the men of 41 Israel came to the King, and sayd vnto the King, Why haue our brethren the men of Iudah stollen thee away, and haue brought the King and his houshold, and all Dauids men with him ouer Iorden? And all the men of Iudah answered the men of Israel, 42 Because the King is neere of kin to vs: and wherefore now be ve angry for this matter? haue we eaten of the Kings cost, or haue wee taken any bribes? And the men of Israel answered 43 the men of Iudah, and saide, Wee haue ten partes in the King, and haue also more right to Dauid then ye: Why then did ye despise vs, that our aduise should not bee first had in restoring our King? And the wordes of the men of Iudah were fiercer then the wordes of the men of Israel.

Then there was come thither a wicked man (named Sheba 20 the sonne of Bichri, a man of Iemini) and hee blew the trumpet, and saide, Wee haue no part in Dauid, neither haue we inheritance in the sonne of Ishai: euery man to his tents, O 2 Israel. So euery man of Israel went from Dauid and followed Sheba the sonne of Bichri: but the men of Iudah claue fast 3 vnto their King, from Iorden euen to Ierusalem. When Dauid then came to his house to Ierusalem, the King tooke the ten women his concubines, that hee had left behinde him to keepe the house, and put them in warde, and fed them, but lay no more with them: but they were enclosed vnto the day of their 4 death, liuing in widowhode. Then sayde the King to Amasa, Assemble me the men of Iudah within three dayes, and be 5 thou here present. So Amasa went to assemble Iudah, but hee taried longer then the time which he had appoynted him. 6 Then Dauid sayd to Abishai, Now shall Sheba the sonne of Bichri doe vs more harme then did Absalom: take thou therefore thy lords seruants and follow after him, lest he get him 7 walled cities, and escape vs. And there went out after him Ioabs men, and the Cherethites and the Pelethites, and all the mightie men: and they departed out of Ierusalem, to follow af-8 ter Sheba the sonne of Bichri. When they were at the great stone, which is in Gibeon, Amasa went before them, and Ioabs garment, that hee had put on, was girded vnto him, and vpon it was a sword girded, which hanged on his loynes in the sheath, 9 and as hee went, it vsed to fall out. And Ioab sayde to Amasa, Art thou in health, my brother? and Ioab tooke Amasa by the 10 beard with the right hand to kisse him. But Amasa tooke no heede to the sworde that was in Ioabs hande: for therewith he smote him in the fift rib, and shed out his bowels to the ground, and smote him not the second time: so he dyed. then Ioab and Abishai his brother followed after Sheba the sonne of 11 Bichri. And one of Ioabs men stoode by him, and saide, He that fauoureth Ioab, and hee that is of Dauids part, let him go 12 after Ioab. And Amasa wallowed in blood in the mids of the way: and when the man sawe that all the people stood still, he remooued Amasa out of the way into the fielde, and cast a cloth vpon him, because he saw that euery one that came by

him, stoode still. When hee was remoued out of the way, eu- 13 erie man went after Ioab, to follow after Sheba the sonne of Bichri. And he went through all the tribes of Israel vnto Abel, 14 and Bethmaachah and all places of Berim: and they gathered together, and went also after him. So they came, and besieged 15 him in Abel, neere to Bethmaachah: and they cast vp a mount against the citie, and the people thereof stood on the ramper, and all the people that was with Ioab, destroyed and cast downe Then cried a wise woman out of the citie, Heare, 16 the wall. heare, I pray you, say vnto Ioab, Come thou hither, that I may speake with thee. And when hee came neere vnto her, the 17 woman said, Art thou Ioab? And he answered, Yea. And she said to him. Heare the wordes of thine handmaid. And he answered, I do heare. Then shee spake thus, They spake in the 18 olde time, saying, They shoulde aske of Abel. and so haue they continued. I am one of them, that are peaceable and faithful 19 in Israel: and thou goest about to destroy a citie, and a mother in Israel: why wilt thou deuoure the inheritance of the Lord? And Ioab answered, and said, God forbid, God forbid it me, 20 that I should deuoure, or destroy it. The matter is not so, but 21 a man of mout Ephraim (Sheba ve sonne of Bichri by name) hath lift vp his had against ye King, euen against Dauid: deliuer vs him onely, and I will depart from the citie. And the woman saide vnto Ioab, Beholde, his head shalbe throwen to thee ouer the wall. Then the woman went vnto all the peo- 22 ple with her wisedome, and they cut off the head of Sheba the sonne of Bichri, and cast it to Ioab: the he blewe the trumpet, and they retired from the citie, euery man to his tent: and Ioab returned to Ierusalem vnto the King. Then Ioab was ouer all 23 the hoste of Israel, and Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada ouer the Cherethites and ouer the Pelethies, And Adoram ouer the 24 tribute, and Ioshaphat the sonne of Ahilud the recorder, And 25 Sheia was Scribe, and Zadok and Abiathar the Priests, And 26 also Ira the Iairite was chiefe about Dauid.

Then there was a famine in the dayes of Dauid, three yeeres together: and Dauid asked counsell of the Lord, and the Lord answered, It is for Saul, and for his bloodie house, because hee slewe the Gibeonites. Then ye King called the Gibeonites and 2 said vnto them. (Now the Gibeonites were not of the children of Israel, but a remnant of the Amorites, vnto whom ye chil-

dren of Israel had sworne: but Saul sought to slay them for his 3 zeale toward the children of Israel and Iudah) And Dauid said vnto the Gibeonites, What shall I doe for you, and wherewith shall I make the atonement, that ye may blesse the inheritance 4 of the Lord? The Gibeonites then answered him, Wee will haue no siluer nor golde of Saul nor of his house, neither for vs shalt thou kill any man in Israel. And he said, What ye shall 5 say, that will I doe for you. Then they answered the King, The man that consumed vs and that imagined euill against vs, so that we are destroyed from remaining in any coast of Is-6 rael, Let seuen men of his sonnes be deliuered vnto vs, and we will hang them vp vnto the Lord in Gibeah of Saul, the 7 Lordes chosen. And the King said, I will give them. But the King had compassion on Mephibosheth the sonne of Ionathan the sonne of Saul, because of the Lordes othe, that was betweene them, euen betweene Dauid and Ionathan the sonne 8 of Saul. But the King tooke the two sonnes of Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, whome shee bare vnto Saul, euen Armoni and Mephibosheth and the fiue sonnes of Michal, the daughter of Saul, whome shee bare to Adriel the sonne of Barzillai the 9 Meholathite. And hee deliuered them vnto the handes of the Gibeonites, which hanged them in the mountaine before the Lord: so they died all seuen together, and they were slaine in the time of haruest: in the first dayes, and in the beginning 10 of barly haruest. Then Rizpah the daughter of Aiah tooke sackecloth and hanged it vp for her vpon the rocke, from the beginning of haruest, vntill water dropped vpon them from the heauen, and suffered neither the birdes of the aire to light on 11 the by day, nor beasts of the fielde by night. And it was told Dauid, what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah ye concubine of Saul 12 had done. And Dauid went and tooke the bones of Saul and the bones of Ionathan his sonne from the citizens of Iabesh Gilead, which had stollen them from the streete of Beth-shan, where the Philistims had hanged them, when the Philistims 13 had slaine Saul in Gilboa. So hee brought thence the bones of Saul and the bones of Ionathan his sonne, and they gath-14 ered the bones of them that were hanged. And the bones of Saul and of Ionathan his sonne buried they in the coutrey of Beniamin in Zelah, in the graue of Kish his father: and when they had perfourmed all that the King had commanded, God

was then appeased with the land. Againe the Philistims had 15 warre with Israel: and Dauid went downe, and his seruants with him, and they fought against the Philistims, and Dauid Then Ishi-benob which was of the sonnes of Hara- 16 phah (the head of whose speare wayed three hundreth shekels of brasse) euen he being girded with a newe sword, thought to haue slaine Dauid. But Abishai the sonne of Zeruiah suc- 17 coured him, and smote the Philistim, and killed him. Then Dauids men sware vnto him, saying, Thou shalt goe no more out with vs to battell, lest thou quench the light of Israel. And 18 after this also there was a battell with the Philistims at Gob. then Sibbechai the Hushathite slewe Saph, which was one of ye sonnes of Haraphah. And there was yet another battel in 19 Gob with the Philistims, where Elhanah the sonne of Iaareoregim, a Bethlehemite slewe Goliath the Gittite: the staffe of whose speare was like a weauers beame. Afterward there 20 was also a battel in Gath, where was a man of a great stature, and had on euerie hand sixe fingers, and on euerie foote sixe toes, foure and twentie in nomber: who was also the sonne of Haraphah. And when hee reuiled Israel, Ionathan the sonne 21 of Shima the brother of Dauid slewe him. These foure were 22 borne to Haraphah in Gath, and died by the hande of Dauid and by the hands of his seruants.

And Dauid spake the woordes of this song vnto the Lord, 22 what time the Lord had deliuered him out of the handes of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul. And he sayd, 2 The Lord is my rocke and my fortresse, and he that deliuereth mee. God is my strength, in him will I trust: my shielde, and 3 the horne of my saluation, my hie tower and my refuge: my Saujour, thou hast saued me from violence. I will call on the 4 Lord, who is worthy to be praysed: so shall I be safe from mine For the pangs of death haue compassed me: the 5 enemies. floods of vngodlinesse haue made mee afrayd. The sorowes 6 of the graue compassed mee about: the snares of death ouertooke mee. But in my tribulation did I call vpon the Lord, and 7 crie to my God, and he did heare my voyce out of his temple, and my crie did enter into his eares. Then the earth trem- 8 bled and guaked: the foundations of the heavens mooved and shooke, because he was angrie. Smoke went out at his nos- 9 trels, and consuming fire out of his mouth: coles were kin10 dled thereat. He bowed the heauens also, and came downe, 11 and darkenes was vnder his feete. And he rode vpon Cherub and did flie, and hee was seene vpon the winges of the winde. 12 And hee made darkenesse a Tabernacle round about him, euen 13 the gatherings of waters, and the cloudes of the ayre. At the 14 brightnesse of his presence the coles of fire were kindled. The Lord thundred from heauen, and the most hie gaue his voyce. 15 He shot arrowes also, and scattered them: to wit, lightning, 16 and destroyed them. The chanels also of the sea appeared, euen the foundations of the worlde were discouered by the rebuking of the Lord, and at the blast of the breath of his nos-17 trels. He sent from aboue, and tooke me: hee drewe me out 18 of many waters. He deliuered me from my strong enemie, and from them that hated me: for they were too strong for They preuented me in the day of my calamitie, but the 20 Lord was my stay, And brought me foorth into a large place: 21 he deliuered me, because he fauoured me. The Lord rewarded me according to my righteousnesse: according to the purenesse 22 of mine handes he recompensed me. For I kept the wayes of 23 the Lord, and did not wickedly against my God. For all his lawes were before me, and his statutes: I did not depart there-24 from. I was vpright also towarde him, and haue kept me from 25 my wickednesse. Therefore the Lord did reward me according to my righteousnesse, according to my purenesse before 26 his eyes. With the godly thou wilt shewe thy selfe godly: with 27 the vpright man thou wilt shew thy selfe vpright. With the pure thou wilt shewe thy selfe pure, and with the frowarde 28 thou wilt shew thy selfe frowarde. Thus thou wilt saue the poore people: but thine eyes are vpon the hautie to humble 29 them. Surely thou art my light, O Lord: and the Lord will 30 lighten my darkenes. For by thee haue I broken through an 31 hoste, and by my God haue I leaped ouer a wall. The way of God is vncorrupt: the word of the Lord is tryed in the fire: he 32 is a shield to all that trust in him. For who is God besides the 33 Lord? and who is mightie, saue our God? God is my strength 34 in battel, and maketh my way vpright. He maketh my feete 35 like hindes feete, and hath set me vpon mine hie places. He teacheth mine handes to fight, so that a bowe of brasse is bro-36 ken with mine armes. Thou hast also given me the shield of thy saluation, and thy louing kindnesse hath caused me to in-

Thou hast inlarged my steppes vnder me, and mine 37 heeles haue not slid. I haue pursued mine enemies and de- 38 stroyed them, and haue not turned againe vntill I had consumed them. Yea, I have consumed them and thrust them 39 through, and they shall not arise, but shall fall vnder my feete. For thou hast girded me with power to battell, and them that 40 arose against me, hast thou subdued vnder me. And thou hast 41 giuen me the neckes of mine enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me. They looked about, but there was none 42 to saue them, euen vnto the Lord, but he answered them not. Then did I beate them as small as the dust of the earth: I did 43 treade them flat as the clay of the streete, and did spread them abroad. Thou hast also deliuered me from the contentions of 44 my people: thou hast preserved me to be the head over nations: the people which I knewe not, doe serue me. Strangers shalbe 45 in subjection to me: assoone as they heare, they shall obey Strangers shall shrinke away, and feare in their priuie 46 Let the Lord liue, and blessed be my strength: 47 and God, euen the force of my saluation be exalted. It is God 48 that giveth me power to revenge me, and subdue the people vnder me, And rescueth me from mine enemies: (thou also 49 hast lift me vp from them that rose against me, thou hast deliuered me from the cruell man. Therefore I will praise thee, 50 O Lord amog the nations, and will sing vnto thy Name) He is 51 the tower of saluation for his King, and sheweth mercie to his anointed, euen to Dauid, and to his seede for euer.

These also be the last wordes of Dauid, Dauid the sonne of Ishai saith, euen the man who was set vp on hie, the Anointed of the God of Iacob, and the sweete singer of Israel saith, The 2 Spirit of the Lord spake by me, and his worde was in my tongue. The God of Israel spake to me, ye strength of Israel saide, Thou 3 shalt beare rule ouer men, being iust, and ruling in the feare of God. Euen as the morning light when the sunne riseth, 4 the morning, I say, without cloudes, so shall mine house be, and not as the grasse of the earth is by the bright raine. For 5 so shall not mine house be with God: for he hath made with me an euerlasting couenant, perfite in all pointes, and sure: therefore all mine health and whole desire is, that he will not make it growe so. But the wicked shalbe euery one as thornes 6 thrust away, because they can not be taken with handes. But 7

the man that shall touch them, must be defensed with yron, or with the shaft of a speare: and they shall be burnt with 8 fire in the same place. These be the names of the mightie men whome Dauid had. He that sate in the seate of wisedome, being chiefe of the princes, was Adino of Ezni, he slewe eight 9 hundreth at one time. And after him was Eleazar the sonne of Dodo, the sonne of Ahohi, one of the three worthies with Dauid, when they defied the Philistims gathered there to bat-10 tel, when the men of Israel were gone vp. He arose and smote the Philistims vntill his hande was wearie, and his hande claue vnto the sworde: and the Lord gaue great victorie the same 11 day, and the people returned after him onely to spoyle. After him was Shammah the sonne of Age the Hararite: for the Philistims assembled at a towne, where was a piece of a fielde 12 full of lentils, and the people fled from the Philistims. But he stoode in the middes of the fielde, and defended it, and slewe 13 the Philistims: so the Lord gaue great victorie. Afterward three of the thirtie captaines went downe, and came to Dauid in the haruest time vnto the caue of Adullam, and the hoste of 14 the Philistims pitched in the valley of Rephaim. And Dauid was then in an holde, and the garison of ye Philistims was 15 then in Beth-lehem. And Dauid longed, and said, Oh, that one would give me to drinke of the water of the well of Beth-16 lehem, which is by the gate. The the three mightie brake into the host of the Philistims, and drew water out of the well of Beth-lehem that was by the gate, and tooke and brought it to Dauid, who woulde not drinke thereof, but powred it for 17 an offring vnto ve Lord, And said, O Lord, be it farre from me, that I should doe this. Is not this the blood of the men that went in ieopardie of their liues? therefore he woulde not 18 drinke it. These things did these three mightie men. Abishai the brother of Ioab, the sonne of Zeruiah, was chiefe among the three, and he lifted vp his speare against three hundreth, and slewe them, and he had the name among the 19 three. For he was most excellent of the three, and was their 20 captaine, but he attained not vnto the first three. And Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada the sonne of a valiant man, which had done many actes, and was of Kabzeel, slewe two strong men of Moab: he went downe also, and slewe a lyon in the mid-21 des of a pit in the time of snowe. And he slewe an Egyptian a man of great stature, and the Egyptian had a speare in his hande: but he went downe to him with a staffe, and plucked the speare out of the Egyptians hand, and slewe him with his owne speare. These things did Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada, 22 and had the name among the three worthies. He was hon- 23 ourable among thirtie, but he atteined not to the first three: and Dauid made him of his counsell. Asahel the brother of 24 Ioab was one of the thirtie: Elhanan the sonne of Dodo of Bethlehem: Shammah the Harodite: Elika ye Harodite: Helez 25, 26 the Paltite: Ira the sonne of Ikkesh the Tekoite: Abiezer the 27 Anethothite: Mebunnai the Husathite: Zalmon an Ahohite: 28 Maharai the Netophathite: Heleb the sonne of Baanah a Ne- 29 tophathite: Ittai the sonne of Ribai of Gibeah of the children of Beniamin: Benaiah the Pirathonite: Hiddai of the riuer of 30 Gaash: Abi-albon the Arbathite: Azmaueth the Barhumite: 31 Elihaba the Shaalbonite: of the sonnes of Iashen, Ionathan: 32 Shammah the Hararite: Ahiam the sonne of Sharar the Ham- 33 rite: Eliphelet the sonne of Ahasbai the sonne of Maachathi: 34 Eliam the sonne of Ahithophel the Gilonite: Hezrai the Carmelite: Paarai the Arbite: Igal the sonne of Nathan of Zobah: Bani 36 the Gadite: Zelek the Ammonite: Naharai the Becrothite, the 37 armour bearer of Ioab the sonne of Zerujah: Ira the Ithrite: 38 Gareb the Ithrite: Uriiah the Hittite, thirtie and seuen in all. 39

And the wrath of the Lord was againe kindled against Is- 24 rael, and he moued Dauid against them, in that he saide, Goe, number Israel and Iudah. For the King said to Ioab the cap- 2 taine of the hoste, which was with him, Goe speedily now through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan euen to Beer-sheba, and nomber ye the people, that I may know the number of the people. And 3 Ioab saide vnto the King, The Lord thy God increase the people an hundreth folde more then they be, and that the eyes of my lorde the King may see it: but why doeth my lord the King desire this thing? Notwithstanding the Kings worde preuailed 4 against Ioab and against the captaines of the hoste: therefore Ioab and the captaines of the hoste went out from the presence of the King to nomber the people of Israel. And they 5 passed ouer Iorden, and pitched in Aroer at the right side of the citie that is in the middes of the valley of Gad and toward Then they came to Gilead, and to Tahtim-hodshi, so 6 they came to Dan Iaan, and so about to Zidon. And came to 7

the fortresse of Tyrus and to all the cities of the Hiuites and of the Canaanites, and went towarde the South of Iudah, euen So when they had gone about all the lande, 8 to Beer-sheba. they returned to Ierusalem at the ende of nine moneths and 9 twentie dayes. And Ioab deliuered the nomber and summe of the people vnto the King: and there were in Israel eight hundreth thousande strong men that drewe swordes, and the 10 men of Iudah were fiue hundreth thousand men. Then Dauids heart smote him, after that he had numbred the people: and Dauid said vnto the Lord, I have sinned exceedingly in that I haue done: therefore nowe, Lord, I beseech thee, take away the 11 trespasse of thy seruant: for I have done very foolishly. And when Dauid was vp in the morning, the worde of the Lord came 12 vnto the Prophet Gad Dauids Seer, saying, Go, and say vnto Dauid, Thus saith ye Lord, I offer thee three thinges, chuse 13 thee which of them I shall doe vnto thee. So Gad came to Dauid, and shewed him, and said vnto him, Wilt thou that seuen yeeres famine come voon thee in thy lande, or wilt thou flee three moneths before thine enemies, they following thee, or that there bee three dayes pestilence in thy land? nowe aduise thee, and see, what answere I shall give to him that And Dauid said vnto Gad, I am in a wonderfull 14 sent me. strait: let vs fall nowe into the hand of the Lord, (for his mer-15 cies are great) and let mee not fall into the hand of man. So the Lord sent a pestilece in Israel, from the morning euen to the time appointed: and there dyed of the people from Dan 16 euen to Beer-sheba seuentie thousand men. And when the Angel stretched out his hande vpon Ierusalem to destroy it. the Lord repented of the euil, and said to the Angel that destroyed the people, It is sufficient, holde nowe thine hand. And the Angel of the Lord was by the threshing place of Araunah 17 the Iebusite. And Dauid spake vnto the Lord (when he sawe the Angel that smote the people) and saide, Behold, I haue sinned, yea, I have done wickedly: but these sheepe, what haue they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, be against mee 18 and against my fathers house. So Gad came the same day to Dauid, and said vnto him, Go vp, reare an altar vnto the Lord 19 in the threshing floore of Araunah the Iebusite. And Dauid (according to the saying of Gad) went vp, as the Lord had com-20 manded. And Araunah looked, and sawe the King and his

seruants comming towarde him, and Araunah went out, and bowed himselfe before the King on his face to the ground, And 21 Araunah said, Wherefore is my lord the King come to his seruant? Then Dauid answered, To bye the threshing floore of thee for to builde an altar vnto the Lord, that the plague may cease from the people. Then Araunah saide vnto Dauid, Let my lord 22 the King take and offer what seemeth him good in his eyes: beholde the oxen for the burnt offring, and charets, and the instruments of the oxen for wood. (All these things did Arau- 23 nah as a King giue vnto the King: and Araunah saide vnto the King, The Lord thy God be fauourable vnto thee) Then 24 the King saide vnto Araunah, Not so, but I will bye it of thee at a price, and will not offer burnt offring vnto ye Lord my God of that which doeth cost me nothing. So Dauid bought the threshing floore, and the oxen for fiftie shekels of siluer. And 25 Dauid built there an altar vnto the Lord, and offred burnt offrings and peace offrings, and the Lord was appeared toward ve lande, and the plague ceased from Israel.

## THE FIRST BOOK OF THE KINGS,

## OTHERWISE CALLED, THE THIRD BOOK OF THE KINGS.

ow when King Dauid was olde, and striken in yeeres, they couered him with clothes, but no heate came vnto him. Wherefore his seruants saide vnto him, Let there be sought for my lord ye King a yong virgin, and let her stand before the king, and cherish him: and let her lie in thy bosome, that my lord the King may get heate. 3 So they sought for a faire young maide thoroughout all the coastes of Israel, and founde one Abishag a Shunamite, and 4 brought her to the king. And the maid was exceeding faire, and cherished the king, and ministred to him, but the King 5 knew her not. Then Adoniiah the sonne of Haggith exalted himselfe, saying, I will be king. And he gate him charets and 6 horsemen, and fiftie men to run before him. And his father would not displease him from his childehood, to say, Why hast thou done so? And hee was a very goodly man, and his mother 7 bare him next after Absalom. And he tooke counsel of Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah, and of Abiathar the Priest: and they helped 8 forward Adoniiah. But Zadok the Priest, and Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada, and Nathan the Prophet, and Shimei, and Rei, and the men of might, which were with Dauid, were not Then Adoniiah sacrificed sheepe and oxen, 9 with Adoniiah. and fat cattel by the stone of Zoheleth, which is by En-rogel, and called all his brethren the kings sonnes, and al the men of 10 Iudah ve Kings seruants, But Nathan the Prophet, and Benaiah, and the mightie men, and Salomon his brother hee called 11 not. Wherefore Nathan spake vnto Bath-sheba the mother of Salomon, saying, Hast thou not heard, that Adoniiah ye sonne of Haggith doeth reigne, and Dauid our lord knoweth it not? 12 Now therefore come, and I will now give thee counsell, howe to 13 saue thine owne life, and the life of thy sonne Salomon. Go, and get thee in vnto King Dauid, and say vnto him, Didest not thou, my lorde, O King, sweare vnto thine handmaide, saving, Assuredly Salomon thy sonne shall reigne after me, and he 14 shall sit vpon my throne? why is then Adoniiah King? Behold,

while thou yet talkest there with the King, I also will come in after thee, and confirme thy wordes. So Bath-sheba went in 15 vnto the King into the chamber, and the King was verie olde, and Abishag the Shunammite ministred vnto ye King. And 16 Bath-sheba bowed and made obeisance vnto the King. And the King saide, What is thy matter? And shee answered him, My 17 lorde, thou swarest by the Lord thy God vnto thine handmaide, saying, Assuredly Salomon thy sonne shall reigne after me, and he shall sit vpon my throne. And beholde, nowe is Adoni- 18 iah king, and now, my lord, O King, thou knowest it not. And 19 he hath offred many oxen, and fatte cattel, and sheepe, and hath called all the sonnes of the King, and Abiathar the Priest, and Ioab the captaine of the hoste: but Salomon thy seruant hath he not bidden. And thou, my lorde, O King, knowest 20 that the eyes of all Israel are on thee, that thou shouldest tell them, who shoulde sit on the throne of my lord the King after him. For els when my lord the King shall sleepe with his fa- 21 thers, I and my sonne Salomon shalbe reputed vile. And lo, 22 while she yet talked with the King, Nathan also the Prophet came in. And they tolde the King, saying, Beholde, Nathan 23 the Prophet. And when he was come in to the King, hee made obeisance before the King vpon his face to the ground. And 24 Nathan saide, My lorde, O King, hast thou said, Adoniiah shall reigne after mee, and he shall sit vpon my throne? For hee is 25 gone downe this day, and hath slaine many oxen, and fat cattel, and sheepe, and hath called al the Kings sonnes, and the captaines of the hoste, and Abiathar the Priest: and behold, they eate and drinke before him, and say, God saue King Adoniiah. But me thy seruant, and Zadok the Priest, and Benaiah 26 the sonne of Iehoiada, and thy seruant Salomon hath he not called. Is this thing done by my lord the King, and thou hast 27 not shewed it vnto thy seruant, who should sitte on the throne of my lorde the King after him? Then King Dauid answered, 28 and saide, Call me Bath-sheba. And shee came into ye Kings presence, and stoode before the King. And the King sware, 29 saying, As the Lord liueth, who hath redeemed my soule out of all aduersitie, That as I sware vnto thee by the Lord God 30 of Israel, saying, Assuredly Salomon thy sonne shall reigne after me, and hee shall sit vpon my throne in my place, so will I certainely doe this day. Then Bath-sheba bowed her face to 31

the earth, and did reuerence vnto the King, and said, God saue 32 my lord King Dauid for euer. And King Dauid saide, Call mee Zadok the Priest, and Nathan the Prophet, and Benaiah the 33 sonne of Iehoiada. And they came before the King. Then the King said vnto them, Take with you the seruants of your lorde, and cause Salomon my sonne to ride vpon mine owne mule, 34 and carie him downe to Gihon. And let Zadok the Priest and Nathan the Prophet anoint him there King ouer Israel, and 35 blowe ye the trumpet, and say, God saue king Salomon. Then come vp after him, that hee may come and sit vpon my throne: and hee shall bee King in my steade: for I have appointed him 36 to be prince ouer Israel and ouer Iudah. Then Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada answered the King, and said, So be it, and 37 the Lord God of my lord the King ratifie it. As the Lord hath bene with my lorde the King, so be he with Salomon, and ex-38 alt his throne aboue the throne of my lorde king Dauid. Zadok the Priest, and Nathan the Prophet, and Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada, and the Cherethites and the Pelethites went downe and caused Salomon to ride vpon king Dauids mule, and 39 brought him to Gihon. And Zadok the Priest tooke an horne of ovle out of the Tabernacle, and anointed Salomon: and they blewe the trumpet, and all the people said, God saue king Sa-And all the people came vp after him, and the people piped with pipes, and reioyced with great ioye, so that the 41 earth rang with the sound of them. And Adoniiah and all the ghestes that were with him, heard it: (and they had made an ende of eating) and when Ioab heard the sound of the trumpet, he said. What meaneth this noise and vprore in the citie? 42 And as he yet spake, beholde, Ionathan the sonne of Abiathar the Priest came: and Adoniiah said, Come in: for thou art a 43 worthie man, and bringest good tidings. And Ionathan answered, and said to Adoniiah, Verely our lord King Dauid hath 44 made Salomon King. And the King hath sent with him Zadok the Priest, and Nathan the Prophet, and Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and they 45 haue caused him to ride vpon the Kings mule. And Zadok the Priest, and Nathan ye Prophet haue anointed him King in Gihon: and they are gone vp from thence with ioy, and the citie 46 is moued: this is the noise that ye haue heard. And Salomon 47 also sitteth on the throne of the kingdome. And moreouer the Kings seruantes came to blesse our lord King Dauid, saving, God make the name of Salomon more famous then thy name, and exalt his throne aboue thy throne: therefore the King worshipped vpon the bed. And thus sayd the King also, Blessed 48 bee the Lord God of Israel, who hath made one to sit on my throne this day, euen in my sight. Then all the ghestes that 49 were with Adonijah, were afraide, and rose vp, and went euery man his way. And Adonijah fearing the presence of Salomon, 50 arose and went, and tooke holde on the hornes of the altar. And one tolde Salomon, saying, Beholde, Adonijah doeth feare 51 King Salomon: for lo, he hath caught holde on the hornes of the altar, saving, Let King Salomon sweare vnto me this day, that he will not slay his seruant with the sword. Then Salomon 52 sayd, If he will shewe him selfe a worthy man, there shall not an heare of him fall to the earth, but if wickednes be found in him, he shall dye. Then King Salomon sent, and they brought 53 him from the altar, and he came and did obeisance vnto King Salomon. And Salomon sayde vnto him. Go to thine house.

Then the dayes of Dauid drewe neere that he should die, 2 and hee charged Salomon his sonne, saying, I go the way of all 2 the earth: be strong therefore, and shew thy selfe a man, And 3 take heede to the charge of the Lord thy God, to walke in his waves, and keepe his statutes, and his commandements, and his judgements, and his testimonies, as it is written in the Law of Moses, that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest, and in euery thing whereunto thou turnest thee, That the Lord 4 may confirme his worde which hee spake vnto me, saying, If thy sonnes take heede to their way, that they walke before me in trueth, with all their hearts, and with all their soules, thou shalt not (sayd he) want one of thy posteritie vpon the throne of Israel. Thou knowest also what Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah 5 did to me, and what he did to the two captaines of the hostes of Israel, vnto Abner the sonne of Ner, and vnto Amasa the sonne of Iether: whome he slewe, and shed blood of battell in peace, and put the blood of warre vpon his girdle that was about his lovnes, and in his shooes that were on his feete. Doe there- 6 fore according to thy wisdome, and let thou not his hoare head go downe to the graue in peace. But shew kindnes vnto the 7 sonnes of Barzillai the Gileadite, and let them be among them that eate at thy table: for so they came to me when I fled from

8 Absalom thy brother. And beholde, with thee is Shimei the sonne of Gera, the sonne of Iemini, of Bahurim, which cursed mee with an horrible curse in the day when I went to Mahanaim: but hee came downe to meete me at Iorden, and I sware to him by the Lord, saying, I will not slay thee with 9 the sword. But thou shalt not count him innocent: for thou art a wise man, and knowest what thou oughtest to doe vnto him: therefore thou shalt cause his hoare head to goe downe 10 to the graue with blood. So Dauid slept with his fathers, 11 and was buried in the citie of Dauid. And the dayes which Dauid reigned vpon Israel, were fourtie yeeres: seuen yeeres reigned he in Hebron, and thirtie and three yeeres reigned he 12 in Ierusalem. Then sate Salomon vpon the throne of Dauid 13 his father, and his kingdome was stablished mightily. And Adonijah the sonne of Haggith came to Bath-sheba the mother of Salomon: and she saide, Commest thou peaceably? And hee 14 said, Yea. He said moreouer, I have a sute vnto thee. And 15 she sayd, Say on. Then he said, Thou knowest that the kingdome was mine, and that all Israel set their faces on me, that I should reigne: howbeit the kingdome is turned away, and is 16 my brothers: for it came to him by the Lord. Nowe therefore I aske thee one request, refuse me not. And she said vnto him, 17 Say on. And he sayd, Speake, I pray thee, vnto Salomon ye King, (for he will not say thee nay) that he give me Abishag 18 the Shunammite to wife. And Bath-sheba sayd, Well, I will 19 speake for thee vnto the King. Bath-sheba therefore went vnto King Salomon, to speake vnto him for Adonijah: and the King rose to meete her, and bowed himselfe vnto her, and sate downe on his throne; and he caused a seate to be set for the 20 Kings mother, and she sate at his right hand. Then she sayd, I desire a small request of thee, say me not nay. Then the King sayde vnto her, Aske on, my mother: for I will not say thee She sayd then, Let Abishag the Shunammite be given 22 to Adonijah thy brother to wife. But King Salomon answered and sayd vnto his mother, And why doest thou aske Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? aske for him the kingdome also: for he is mine elder brother, and hath for him both Abi-23 athar the Priest, and Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah. Then King Salomon sware by the Lord, saying, God doe so to me and more also, if Adoniiah hath not spoken this worde against his owne

Now therefore as ye Lord liueth, who hath established 24 life. me, and set me on the throne of Dauid my father, who also hath made me an house, as he promised, Adoniiah shall surely die this day. And King Salomon sent by the hand of Benaiah 25 the sonne of Iehoiada, and hee smote him that he dyed. Then 26 the King sayd vnto Abiathar the Priest, Go to Anathoth vnto thine owne fieldes: for thou art worthy of death: but I will not this day kill thee, because thou barest the Arke of the Lord God before Dauid my father, and because thou hast suffered in all, wherein my father hath bene afflicted. So Salomon cast out 27 Abiathar from being Priest vnto the Lord, that he might fulfill the wordes of the Lord, which he spake against the house of Eli in Shiloh. Then tidings came to Ioab: (for Ioab had turned 28 after Adoniiah, but he turned not after Absalom) and Ioab fled vnto the Tabernacle of the Lord, and caught hold on the hornes of the altar. And it was tolde king Salomon, that Ioab was fled 29 vnto the Tabernacle of the Lord, and beholde, he is by the altar. Then Salomon sent Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada, saving, Goe, fall vpon him. And Benaiah came to the Tabernacle of 30 the Lord, and sayd vnto him, Thus sayth the King, Come out. And he sayde, Nay, but I will die here. Then Benaiah brought the King worde againe, saying, Thus sayd Ioab, and thus he answered me. And the King savde vnto him, Doe as he hath 31 sayd, and smite him, and bury him, that thou mayest take away the blood, which Ioab shed causelesse, from me and from the house of my father. And the Lord shall bring his blood 32 vpon his owne head: for he smote two men more righteous and better then he, and slew them with the sword, and my father Dauid knew not: to wit, Abner the sonne of Ner, captaine of the hoste of Israel, and Amasa the sonne of Iether captaine of the hoste of Iudah. Their blood shall therefore returne vpon the 33 head of Ioab, and on the head of his seede for euer: but vpon Dauid, and vpon his seede, and vpon his house, and vpon his throne shall there be peace for euer from the Lord. So Bena- 34 iah the sonne of Iehoiada went vp, and smote him, and slewe him, and he was buryed in his owne house in the wildernesse. And the King put Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada in his roume 35 ouer the hoste: and the King set Zadok the Priest in the roume of Abiathar. Afterwarde the King sent, and called Shimei, and 36 sayde vnto him. Buylde thee an house in Ierusalem, and dwell

37 there, and depart not thence any whither. For that day that thou goest out, and passest ouer the riuer of Kidron, knowe assuredly, that thou shalt dye the death: thy blood shall be 38 vpon thine owne head. And Shimei sayd vnto the King, The thing is good: as my lord the King hath sayd, so wil thy seru-39 ant doe. So Shimei dwelt in Ierusalem many dayes. And after three yeres two of the seruants of Shimei fled away vnto Achish sonne of Maachah King of Gath: and they tolde Shimei, 40 saying, Behold, thy seruants be in Gath. And Shimei arose, and sadled his asse, and went to Gath to Achish, to seeke his seruantes: and Shimei went, and brought his seruants from 41 Gath. And it was tolde Salomon, that Shimei had gone from 42 Ierusalem to Gath, and was come againe. And the King sent and called Shimei, and sayde vnto him, Did I not make thee to sweare by the Lord, and protested vnto thee, saying, That day that thou goest out, and walkest any whither, knowe assuredly that thou shalt dve the death? And thou saydest vnto mee, 43 The thing is good, that I have heard. Why then hast thou not kept the othe of the Lord, and the commandement wherewith 44 I charged thee? The King sayde also to Shimei, Thou knowest all the wickednes whereunto thine heart is priuie, that thou diddest to Dauid my father: the Lord therefore shall bring thy 45 wickednesse vpon thine owne head. And let King Salomon be blessed, and the throne of Dauid stablished before the Lord for 46 euer. So the King comanded Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada: who went out and smote him that he dyed. And the kingdome was established in the hand of Salomon.

Salomon then made affinitie with Pharaoh King of Egypt, and tooke Pharaohs daughter, and brought her into the citie of Dauid, vntill hee had made an ende of buylding his owne house, and the house of the Lord, and the wall of Ierusalem round about. Only the people sacrificed in the hie places, because there was no house buylt vnto the name of the Lord, vntill those dayes. And Salomon loued the Lord, walking in the ordinances of Dauid his father: onely he sacrificed and offred incense in the hie places. And the King went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the chiefe hie place: a thousand burnt offrings did Salomon offer vpon that altar. In Gibeon the Lord appeared to Salomon in a dreame by night: and God sayd, Aske what I shall give thee. And Salomon sayd, Thou

hast shewed vnto thy seruant Dauid my father great mercie, when hee walked before thee in trueth, and in righteousnesse, and in vprightnes of heart with thee: and thou hast kept for him this great mercie, and hast given him a sonne, to sit on his throne, as appeareth this day. And now, O Lord my God, 7 thou hast made thy seruant King in steade of Dauid my father: and I am but a yong childe, and know not howe to go out and in. And thy servant is in the mids of thy people, which 8 thou hast chosen, euen a great people which cannot be told nor nobred for multitude. Give therefore vnto thy servant an vn- 9 derstanding heart, to judge thy people, that I may discerne betweene good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy mightie people? And this pleased the Lord well, that Salomon had 10 desired this thing. And God sayde vnto him, Because thou 11 hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thy selfe long life, nevther hast asked riches for thy selfe, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies, but hast asked for thy selfe vnderstanding to heare judgement, Beholde, I have done according to 12 thy wordes: lo, I haue giuen thee a wise and an vnderstanding heart, so that there hath bene none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall arise the like vnto thee. And I have 13 also given thee that, which thou hast not asked, both riches and honour, so that among the Kings there shall be none like vnto thee all thy dayes. And if thou wilt walke in my wayes, to 14 keepe mine ordinances and my commandements, as thy father Dauid did walke, I will prolong thy dayes. And when Salomon 15 awoke, behold, it was a dreame, and he came to Ierusalem, and stoode before the Arke of the couenant of the Lord, and offred burnt offrings and made peace offrings, and made a feast to all his seruants. Then came two harlots vnto the King, and 16 stoode before him. And the one woman sayd, Oh my lorde, 17 I and this woman dwell in one house, and I was deliuered of a childe with her in the house. And the third day after that 18 I was deliuered, this woman was deliuered also: and we were in the house together: no stranger was with vs in the house, saue we twaine. And this womans sonne died in the night: 19 for she ouerlay him. And she rose at midnight, and tooke my 20 sonne from my side, while thine handmaide slept, and layde him in her bosome, and layde her dead sonne in my bosome. And when I rose in the morning to give my sonne sucke, be- 21

holde, he was dead: and when I had well considered him in the morning, beholde, it was not my sonne, whom I had borne. 22 Then the other woman sayd, Nay, but my sonne liueth, and thy sonne is dead. Againe she sayde, No, but thy sonne is dead, and 23 mine aliue: thus they spake before the King. Then sayde the King, She sayth, This that liueth is my sonne, and the dead is thy sonne: and the other sayth, Nay, but the dead is thy 24 sonne, and the liuing is my sonne. Then the King said, Bring me a sworde: and they brought out a sworde before the King. 25 And the King sayde, Deuide ye the liuing child in twaine, and giue the one halfe to the one, and the other halfe to the other. 26 Then spake the woman, whose the liuing child was, vnto the King, for her compassion was kindled toward her sonne, and she sayde, Oh my lorde, giue her the liuing childe, and slay him not: but the other sayde, Let it be neither mine nor thine, 27 but deuide it. Then the King answered, and sayde, Giue her 28 the liuing childe, and slav him not: this is his mother. And all Israel heard the judgement, which the King had judged, and they feared the King: for they sawe that the wisedome of God was in him to doe justice.

And King Salomon was King ouer all Israel. And these 3 were his princes, Azariah the sonne of Zadok the Priest. Elihoreph and Ahiah the sonnes of Shisha scribes, Iehoshaphat 4 the sonne of Ahilud, the recorder, And Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada was ouer the hoste, and Zadok and Abiathar Priests, 5 And Azariah the sonne of Nathan was ouer the officers, and 6 Zabud the sonne of Nathan Priest was the Kings friend, And Ahishar was ouer the houshold: and Adoniram the sonne of 7 Abda was ouer the tribute. And Salomon had twelve officers ouer all Israel, which prouided vitailes for the King and his housholde: eche man had a moneth in the yeere to prouide vi-8 tailes. And these are their names: the sonne of Hur in mount 9 Ephraim: The sonne of Dekar in Makaz, and in Shaalbim 10 and Beth-shemesh, and Elon and Beth-hanan: The sonne of Hesed in Aruboth, to whom perteined Sochoh, and all the land 11 of Hepher: The sonne of Abinadab in all the region of Dor, 12 which had Taphath the daughter of Salomon to wife. Baana the sonne of Ahilud in Taanach, and Megiddo, and in all Bethshean, which is by Zartanah beneath Izreel, from Beth-shean 13 to Abelmeholah, eue til beyond ouer against Iokmeam: The

sonne of Geber in Ramoth Gilead, and his were the townes of Iair, the sonne of Manasseh, which are in Gilead, and vnder him was the region of Argob, which is in Bashan: threescore great cities with walles and barres of brasse. Ahinadab the 14 sonne of Iddo had to Mahanaim: Ahimaaz in Naphtali, and 15 he tooke Basmath the daughter of Salomon to wife: Baanah 16 the sonne of Hushai in Asher and in Aloth: Iehoshaphat the 17 sonne of Paruah in Issachar. Shimei the sonne of Elah in Be- 18 niamin: Geber the sonne of Vri in the countrey of Gilead, the 19 land of Sihon King of the Amorites, and of Og King of Bashan, and was officer alone in the land. Iudah and Israel were many. 20 as the sand of the sea in number, eating, drinking, and making merry. And Salomon reigned ouer all kingdomes, from the 21 Riuer vnto the lande of the Philistims, and vnto the border of Egypt, and they brought presents, and serued Salomon all the dayes of his life. And Salomons vitailes for one day were thir- 22 tie measures of fine floure, and threescore measures of meale: Ten fat oxen, and twentie oxen of the pastures, and an hun- 23 dreth sheepe, beside hartes, and buckes, and bugles, and fat foule. For he ruled in all the region on the other side of the 24 Riuer, from Tiphsah euen vnto Azzah, ouer all the Kings on the other side the Riuer: and he had peace round about him on euery side. And Iudah and Israel dwelt without feare, eu- 25 ery man vnder his vine, and vnder his fig tree, from Dan, euen to Beer-sheba, all the dayes of Salomon. And Salomon had 26 fourtie thousande stalles of horses for his charets, and twelue thousand horsemen. And these officers prouided vitaile for 27 king Salomon, and for all that came to King Salomons table, euery man his moneth, and they suffred to lacke nothing. Bar- 28 ley also and strawe for the horses and mules brought they vnto the place where the officers were, euery man according to his charge. And God gaue Salomon wisdome and vnderstanding 29 exceeding much, and a large heart, euen as the sand that is on the sea shore. And Salomons wisdome excelled the wise- 30 dome of all the children of the East and all the wisedome of Egypt. For he was wiser then any man: yea, then were Ethan 31 the Ezrahite, the Heman, then Chalcol, then Darda the sonnes of Mahol: and he was famous throughout all nations round about. And Salomon spake three thousand prouerbs: and his 32 songs were a thousand and fiue. And he spake of trees, from 33 the cedar tree that is in Lebanon, euen vnto the hyssope that springeth out of the wall: he spake also of beasts, and of foules, and of creeping thinges, and of fishes. And there came of all people to heare the wisedome of Salomon, from all Kings of the earth, which had heard of his wisedome.

And Hiram King of Tyrus sent his seruants vnto Salomon, (for he had heard, that they had anounted him King in the roume of his father) because Hiram had euer loued Dauid. 2,3 Also Salomon sent to Hiram, saying, Thou knowest that Dauid my father could not build an house vnto the Name of the Lord his God, for the warres which were about him on euery side, 4 vntill the Lord had put them vnder the soles of his feete. But now the Lord my God hath given me rest on every side, so that 5 there is neither aduersarie, nor euill to resist. And beholde, I purpose to build an house vnto ye Name of the Lord my God, as the Lord spake vnto Dauid my father, saying, Thy sonne, whom I wil set vpon thy throne for thee, he shall build an house 6 vnto my Name. Now therefore commaund, that they have me cedar trees out of Lebanon, and my seruants shall be with thy seruants, and vnto thee will I giue the hire for thy seruants, according to all that thou shalt appoynt: for thou knowest that there are none among vs, that can hewe timber like vnto the And when Hiram heard the wordes of Salomon, he reioyced greatly, and sayde, Blessed be the Lord this day, which hath given vnto Dauid a wise sonne ouer this mightie And Hiram sent to Salomon, saying, I have considered the things, for the which thou sentest vnto me, and will accomplish all thy desire, concerning the cedar trees and firre 9 trees. My seruants shall bring them downe from Lebanon to the sea: and I will conuey them by sea in raftes vnto the place that thou shalt shew me, and wil cause them to be discharged there, and thou shalt receive them: nowe thou shalt doe mee 10 a pleasure to minister foode for my familie. So Hiram gaue 11 Salomon cedar trees and firre trees, euen his full desire. And Salomon gaue Hiram twentie thousand measures of wheate for foode to his householde, and twentie measures of beaten 12 oyle. Thus much gaue Salomon to Hiram yere by yere. And the Lord gaue Salomon wisedome as he promised him. And there was peace betweene Hiram and Salomon, and they two 13 made a couenant. And King Salomon raised a summe out of all Israel, and the summe was thirtie thousand men: Whome 14 he sent to Lebanon, ten thousand a moneth by course: they were a moneth in Lebanon, and two moneths at home. And Adoniram was ouer the summe. And Salomon had seuentie 15 thousand that bare burdens, and fourescore thousand masons in the mountaine, Besides the princes, whome Salomon appoynted ouer the worke, euen three thousande and three hundreth, which ruled the people that wrought in the worke. And 17 the King commanded them, and they brought great stones and costly stones to make the foundation of the house, euen hewed stones. And Salomons workemen, and the workemen of Hiram, and the masons hewed and prepared timber and stones for the buylding of the house.

And in the foure hundreth and foure score veere (after the 6 children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt) and in the fourth vere of the reigne of Salomon ouer Israel, in the moneth Zif, (which is the second moneth) he built the house of the Lord. And the house which King Salomon built for the Lord, 2 was three score cubites long, and twentie broade, and thirtie And the porch before the Temple of the house 3 cubites hie. was twentie cubites long according to the breadth of the house, and ten cubites broade before the house. And in the house 4 he made windowes, broad without, and narrowe within. And 5 by the wall of the house hee made galleries round about, euen by the walles of the house round about the Temple and the oracle, and made chambers round about. The nethermost gal- 6 lerie was fiue cubites broade, and the middlemost sixe cubites broade, and the third seuen cubites broade: for he made restes round about without the house, that the beames should not be fastened in the walles of the house. And when the house was 7 built, it was built of stone perfite, before it was brought, so that there was neither hammer, nor axe, nor any toole of yron heard in the house, while it was in building. The doore of the middle 8 chamber was in the right side of the house, and men went vp with winding stayres into the middlemost, and out of the middlemost into the third. So he built the house and finished it, 9 and sieled the house being vawted with sieling of cedar trees. And he built the galleries vpon al the wall of the house of fiue 10 cubites height, and they were ioyned to the house with beames of cedar. And the worde of the Lord came to Salomon, saying, 11 12 Cocerning this house which thou buildest, if thou wilt walke in mine ordinances, and execute my judgements, and keepe al my commadements, to walke in them, then will I performe vnto 13 thee my promise, which I promised to Dauid thy father. And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and wil not forsake 14 my people Israel. So Salomon built the house and finished it, 15 And built the walles of the house within, with boards of cedar tree from the pauement of the house vnto the walles of the sieling, and within he couered them with wood, and couered the 16 floore of the house with planks of firre. And he built twentie cubites in the sides of the house with boards of cedar, from the floore to the walles, and he prepared a place within it for 17 the oracle, euen the most holy place. But the house, that is, 18 the Temple before it, was fourtie cubites long. And the cedar of the house within was carued with knops, and grauen with 19 floures: all was cedar, so that no stone was seene. Also he prepared the place of the oracle in the mids of the house within, 20 to set the Arke of the couenant of the Lord there. place of the oracle within was twentie cubites long, and twentie cubites broad, and twentie cubites hie, and hee couered it 21 with pure golde, and couered the altar with cedar. lomon couered the house within with pure golde: and he shut the place of the oracle with chaines of gold, and couered it with 22 golde. And he ouerlayde all the house with gold, vntill all the house was made perfite. also he couered the whole altar, 23 that was before the oracle, with golde. And within the oracle 24 he made two Cherubims of oliue tree, ten cubites hie. wing also of the one Cherub was fiue cubites, and the wing of the other Cherub was fiue cubites: from the vttermost part of one of his wings vnto the vttermost part of the other of his 25 wings, were ten cubites. Also the other Cherub was of ten cubites: both the Cherubims were of one measure and one sise. 26 For the height of the one Cherub was ten cubits, and so was 27 the other Cherub. And he put the Cherubims within the inner house, and the Cherubims stretched out their wings, so that the wing of the one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other Cherub touched the other wall: and their other 28 wings touched one another in the middes of the house. And 29 he ouerlaied the Cherubims with golde. And he carued all the walles of the house round about with grauen figures of Cherubims and of Palmetrees, and grauen flowres within and without. And the floore of the house hee couered with golde within 30 and without. And in the entring of the oracle he made two 31 doores of oliue tree: and the vpper post and side postes were The two doores also were of oliue tree, and he 32 graued them with grauing of Cherubims and palme trees, and grauen floures, and couered them with golde, and layed thin golde vpon the Cherubims and vpon the palme trees. And so 33 made he for the doore of the Temple, postes of oliue tree foure square. But the two doores were of firre tree, the two sides of 34 the one doore were round, and the two sides of the other doore were round. And he graued Cherubims, and palme trees, and 35 carued floures and couered the carued worke with golde, finely wrought. And hee built the court within with three rowes of 36 hewed stone, and one rowe of beames of cedar. In the fourth 37 veere was the foundation of the house of the Lord laved in the moneth of Zif: And in the eleuenth yeere in the moneth of Bul, 38 (which is the eight moneth) hee finished the house with all the furniture thereof, and in euery point: so was he seuen yeere in building it.

Byt Salomon was building his owne house thirteene yeeres, 7 and finished all his house. He built also an house called the 2 forest of Lebanon, an hundreth cubites long, and fiftie cubites broad, and thirtie cubites hie, vpon foure rowes of cedar pillars, and cedar beames were layed vpon the pillars. And it 3 was couered aboue with cedar vpon the beames, that lay on the fourtie and flue pillars, fifteene in a rowe. And the win- 4 dowes were in three rowes, and windowe was against windowe in three rankes. And all the doores, and the side postes 5 with the windowes were foure square, and windowe was ouer against windowe in three rankes. And he made a porche of 6 pillars fiftie cubites long, and thirtie cubites broade, and the porch was before them, euen before them were thirtie pillars. Then he made a porch for the throne, where he iudged, euen 7 a porch of judgement, and it was sieled with cedar from pauement to pauement. And in his house, where he dwelt, was an 8 other hall more inwarde then the porche which was of the same worke. Also Salomon made an house for Pharaohs daughter ( whom he had taken to wife) like vnto this porche. these were of costly stones, hewed by measure, and sawed with

sawes within and without, from the foundation vnto the stones 10 of an hand breadth, and on the outside to the great court. And the foundation was of costly stones, and great stones, euen of 11 stones of ten cubites, and stones of eight cubites. Aboue also 12 were costly stones, squared by rule, and boardes of cedar. And the great court round about was with three rowes of hewed stones, and a rowe of cedar beames: so was it to ye inner court 13 of the house of the Lord, and to the porche of the house. Then 14 King Salomon sent, and set one Hiram out of Tyrus. He was a widowes sonne of the tribe of Naphtali, his father being a man of Tyrus, and wrought in brasse: he was full of wisedome, and vnderstanding, and knowledge to worke all maner of worke in brasse: who came to King Salomon, and wrought all his 15 worke. For he cast two pillars of brasse: ye height of a pillar was eighteene cubites, and a threede of twelue cubites did 16 compasse either of ye pillars. And he made two chapiters of molten brasse to set on the tops of the pillars: the height of one of the chapiters was fiue cubites, and the height of the other 17 chapiter was fiue cubites. He made grates like networke, and wrethen worke like chaynes for the chapiters that were on the top of the pillars, euen seuen for the one chapiter, and seuen 18 for the other chapiter. So he made the pillars and two rowes of pomegranates round about in the one grate to couer the chapiters that were vpon the top. And thus did he for the other 19 chapiter. And the chapiters that were on the toppe of the pil-20 lars were after lilye worke in ye porch, foure cubites. the chapiters vpon the two pillars had also aboue, ouer against the belly within the networke pomegranates: for two hudreth pomegranates were in the two rankes about vpon either of the 21 chapiters. And he set vp the pillars in the porche of the Temple. And when hee had set vp the right pillar, he called the name thereof Iachin: and when he had set vp the left pillar, he 22 called the name thereof Boaz. And vpon the top of the pillars was worke of lilyes: so was the workemanship of the pillars fin-23 ished. And he made a molten sea ten cubites wide from brim to brim, rounde in compasse, and fiue cubites hie, and a line of 24 thirtie cubites did compasse it about. And vnder the brimme of it were knoppes like wilde cucumers compassing it round about, ten in one cubite, compassing the sea round about: and 25 the two rowes of knoppes were cast, when it was molten.

stoode on twelue bulles, three looking towarde the North, and three toward the West, and three toward the South, and three towarde the East: and the sea stoode aboue vpon them, and all their hinder partes were inward. It was an hand bredth 26 thicke, and the brim thereof was like the worke of the brim of a cup with floures of lilves: it contained two thousad Baths. And 27 he made tenne bases of brasse, one base was foure cubites long. and foure cubites broad, and three cubites hie. And the worke 28 of the bases was on this maner, They had borders, and the borders were betweene the ledges: And on the borders that were 29 betweene the ledges, were lyons, bulles and Cherubims: and vpon the ledges there was a base aboue: and beneath the lyons and bulles, were addicions made of thinne worke. And euery 30 base had foure brasen wheeles, and plates of brasse: and the foure corners had vndersetters: vnder the caldron were vndersetters molten at the side of euery addicion. And the mouth of 31 it was within the chapiter and aboue to measure by the cubite: for the mouth thereof was round made like a base, and it was a cubite and halfe a cubite: and also vpon the mouth thereof were grauen workes, whose borders were foure square, and not round. And vnder the borders were foure wheeles, and the ax- 32 eltrees of the wheeles ioyned to the base: and the height of a wheele was a cubite and halfe a cubite. And the facion of the 33 wheeles was like the facion of a charet wheele, their axeltrees, and their naues and their felloes, and their spokes were all molten. And foure vndersetters were vpon the foure corners 34 of one base: and the vndersetters thereof were of the base it selfe. And in the toppe of the base was a rounde compasse of 35 halfe a cubite hie round about: and vpon the toppe of the base the ledges thereof and the borders thereof were of the same. And vpon the tables of the ledges thereof, and on the borders 36 thereof he did graue Cherubims, lions and palmetrees, on the side of euery one, and addicions round about. Thus made he 37 the tenne bases, They had all one casting, one measure, and Then made he ten caldrons of brasse, one caldron 38 conteyned fourty Baths: and euery caldron was foure cubites, one caldron was vpon one base throughout the ten bases. And 39 he set the bases, flue on the right side of the house, and flue on the left side of the house. And he set the sea on the right side of the house Eastward toward the South. And Hiram made 40

caldrons, and besomes, and basens, and Hiram finished all the worke that he made to King Salomon for the house of ye Lord: 41 To wit, two pillars and two bowles of the chapiters that were on the toppe of the two pillars, and two grates to couer the two bowles of the chapiters which were vpon the toppe of the 42 pillars, And foure hundreth pomegranates for the two grates, euen two rowes of pomegranates for euery grate to couer the 43 two bowles of the chapiters, that were vpon the pillars, And 44 the ten bases, and ten caldrons vpon the bases. And the sea, 45 and twelue bulles vnder that sea, And pottes, and besomes and basens: and all these vessels, which Hiram made to King 46 Salomon for the house of the Lord, were of shining brasse. In the plaine of Iorden did the King cast them in clay betweene 47 Succoth and Zarthan. And Salomon left to weigh all the vessels because of the exceeding aboundance, neyther could the 48 weight of the brasse be counted. So Salomon made all the vessels that perteyned vnto the house of the Lord, the golden 49 altar, and the golden table, whereon the shewbread was, And the candlestickes, fiue at the right side, and fiue at the left, before the oracle of pure gold, and the flowres, and the lampes, 50 and the snuffers of golde. And the bowles, and the hookes, and the basens, and the spoones, and the ashpannes of pure golde, and the hinges of golde for the doores of the house within, euen for the most holy place, and for the doores of the house, to wit, 51 of the Temple. So was finished all the worke that King Salomon made for the house of the Lord, and Salomon brought in the things which Dauid his father had dedicated: the siluer and the golde and the vessels, and laved them among the treasures of the house of the Lord.

Then King Salomon assembled the Elders of Israel, euen all the heads of the tribes, the chiefe fathers of the children of Israel vnto him in Ierusalem, for to bring vp the Arke of the couenant of the Lord from the citie of Dauid, which is Zion.

And all the men of Israel assembled vnto King Salomon at the feast in the moneth of Ethanim, which is the seuenth monseth. And all the Elders of Israel came and the Priests tooke the Arke. They bare the Arke of the Lord, and they bare the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and all the holy vessels that were in the Tabernacle: those did the Priestes and Leuites bring vp. And King Salomon and all the Congregation of Is-

rael, that were assembled vnto him, were with him before the Arke, offering sheepe and beeues, which could not be tolde, nor nombred for multitude. So the Priestes brought the Arke of 6 the couenant of the Lord vnto his place, into the oracle of the house, into the most holy place, euen vnder the wings of the Cherubims. For ye Cherubims stretched out their wings ouer 7 the place of the Arke, and the Cherubims couered the Arke, and the barres thereof aboue. And they drewe out the barres, 8 that the endes of the barres might appeare out of the Sanctuarie before the oracle, but they were not seene without: and there they are vnto this day. Nothing was in the Arke saue the 9 two tables of stone which Moses had put there at Horeb, where the Lord made a couenant with the children of Israel, when he brought them out of the land of Egypt. And when the Priestes 10 were come out of the Sanctuarie, the cloude filled the house of the Lord. So that the Priestes could not stande to minis- 11 ter, because of the cloude: for the glorie of the Lord had filled the house of the Lord. Then spake Salomon, The Lord said, 12 that he woulde dwell in the darke cloude. I have built thee 13 an house to dwell in, an habitation for thee to abide in for euer. And the King turned his face, and blessed all the Congregation 14 of Israel: for all the Congregation of Israel stoode there. And 15 he said, Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who spake with his mouth vnto Dauid my father, and hath with his hand fulfilled it, saying, Since the day that I brought my people Israel out 16 of Egypt, I chose no citie of all the tribes of Israel, to builde an house that my name might be there: but I have chosen Dauid to be ouer my people Israel. And it was in ye heart of Dauid 17 my father to builde an house to the Name of the Lord God of And the Lord said vnto Dauid my father, Where as 18 it was in thine heart to build an house vnto my Name, thou diddest well, that thou wast so minded: Neuerthelesse thou 19 shalt not builde the house, but thy sonne that shall come out of thy loynes, he shall builde the house vnto my Name. And 20 the Lord hath made good his worde that he spake: and I am risen vp in the roume of Dauid my father, and sit on the throne of Israel, as the Lord promised, and haue built the house for the Name of the Lord God of Israel. And I have prepared 21 therein a place for the Arke, wherein is the couenant of the Lord which he made with our fathers, whe he brought them

22 out of the lande of Egypt. Then Salomon stoode before the altar of the Lord in the sight of all the Congregation of Israel, and 23 stretched out his handes towarde heauen, And sayd, O Lord God of Israel, there is no God like thee in heauen aboue, or in the earth beneath, thou that keepest couenant and mercie with 24 thy seruants that walke before thee with all their heart, Thou that hast kept with thy seruant Dauid my father, that thou hast promised him: for thou spakest with thy mouth and hast 25 fulfilled it with thine hande, as appeareth this day. Therefore now, Lord God of Israel, keepe with thy seruant Dauid my father that thou hast promised him, saying, Thou shalt not want a man in my sight to sit vpon ye throne of Israel: so that thy childre take heed to their way, that they walke before me; as 26 thou hast walked in my sight And nowe, O God of Israel, I pray thee, let thy worde be verified, which thou spakest vnto 27 thy seruant Dauid my father. Is it true in deede that God will dwell on the earth? beholde, the heauens, and the heauens of heavens are not able to conteine thee: howe much more vnable 28 is this house that I have built? But have thou respect vnto the prayer of thy seruant, and to his supplication, O Lord, my God, to heare the cry and prayer which thy seruant prayeth before 29 thee this day: That thine eyes may be open toward this house, night and day, euen towarde the place whereof thou hast said, My Name shalbe there: that thou mayest hearken vnto the 30 prayer which thy seruant prayeth in this place. Heare thou therefore the supplication of thy seruant, and of thy people Israel, which pray in this place, and heare thou in the place of thine habitation, euen in heauen, and when thou hearest, 31 haue mercie. When a man shall trespasse against his neighbour, and he lay vpon him an othe to cause him to sweare, and 32 the swearer shall come before thine altar in this house, Then heare thou in heauen, and doe and judge thy seruants, that thou condemne the wicked to bring his way vpon his head, and iustifie the righteous, to give him according to his righ-33 teousnesse. When thy people Israel shall be ouerthrowen before the enemie, because they have sinned against thee, and turne againe to thee, and confesse thy Name, and pray and 34 make supplication vnto thee in this house, Then heare thou in heauen, and be mercifull vnto the sinne of thy people Israel, and bring them againe vnto the lande, which thou gauest

vnto their fathers. When heauen shalbe shut vp, and there 35 shalbe no raine because they have sinned against thee, and shall pray in this place, and confesse thy Name, and turne from their sinne, when thou doest afflict them, Then heare thou in 36 heauen, and pardon the sinne of thy seruants and of thy people Israel (when thou hast taught the the good way wherein they may walke) and give raine vpon the land that thou hast giuen to thy people to inherite. When there shalbe famine in 37 the land, when there shall be pestilence, when there shall be blasting, mildewe, grashopper or caterpiller, when their enemie shall besiege them in the cities of their lande, or any plague, or any sickenesse, Then what prayer, and supplica- 38 tion so euer shalbe made of any man or of all thy people Israel, when every one shall knowe the plague in his owne heart, and stretch foorth his handes in this house, Heare thou then in 39 heauen, in thy dwelling place, and be mercifull, and doe, and giue euery man according to all his wayes, as thou knowest his heart, (for thou only knowest the heartes of all the children of men) That they may feare thee as long as they liue in ye lad, 40 which thou gauest vnto our fathers. Moreouer as touching 41 the stranger that is not of thy people Israel, who shall come out of a farre countrey for thy Names sake, (When they shall 42 heare of thy great name, and of thy mightie hande, and of thy stretched out arme) and shall come and pray in this house, Heare thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and do according to 43 all that the stranger calleth for vnto thee: that all the people of the earth may know thy Name, and feare thee, as do thy people Israel: and that they may know, that thy Name is called vpon in this house which I have built. When thy people shall 44 go out to battell against their enemie by the way that thou shalt sende them, and shall pray vnto the Lord towarde the way of the citie which thou hast chosen, and toward the house that I have built for thy Name, Heare thou then in heaven 45 their prayer and their supplication, and judge their cause. If 46 they sinne against thee, (for there is no man that sinneth not) and thou be angry with them, and deliuer them vnto the enemies, so that they cary them away prisoners vnto the land of the enemies, either farre or neere, Yet if they turne againe 47 vnto their heart in the lande (to the which they be caryed away captiues) and returne and pray vnto thee in the lande of them

that caryed them away captiues, saying, We have sinned, we 48 haue transgressed, and done wickedly. If they turne againe vnto thee with all their heart, and with all their soule in the lande of their enemies, which led them away captiues, and pray vnto thee toward the way of their land, which thou gauest vnto their fathers, and toward the citie which thou hast cho-49 sen, and the house, which I have built for thy Name, Then heare thou their prayer and their supplication in heauen thy 50 dwelling place, and iudge their cause, And be mercifull vnto thy people that haue sinned against thee, and vnto all their iniquities (wherein they have transgressed against thee) and cause that they, which led them away captiues, may have pitie 51 and compassion on them: For they be thy people, and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest out of Egypt from the middes 52 of the yron fornace. Let thine eyes be open vnto the prayer of thy seruant, and vnto the prayer of thy people Israel, to hear-53 ken vnto them, in all that they call for vnto thee. For thou diddest separate them to thee from among all people of the earth for an inheritance, as thou saidest by the hand of Moses thy seruant, when thou broughtest our fathers out of Egypt, O 54 Lord God. And when Salomon had made an ende of praying all this prayer and supplication vnto the Lord, he arose from before the altar of the Lord, from kneeling on his knees, and 55 stretching of his handes to heauen, And stoode and blessed all 56 the Congregation of Israel with a loud voyce, saying, Blessed be the Lord that hath given rest vnto his people Israel, according to all that hee promised: there hath not fayled one word of all his good promise which he promised by the hand of Moses 57 his seruant. The Lord our God be with vs, as he was with 58 our fathers, that he forsake vs not, neither leaue vs, That he may bow our heartes vnto him, that we may walke in all his waies, and keepe his commandements, and his statutes, and 59 his lawes, which he commanded our fathers. And these my wordes, which I have prayed before the Lord, be neere vnto the Lord our God day and night, that he defende the cause of his seruant, and the cause of his people Israel alway as the 60 matter requireth, That all the people of ye earth may knowe, 61 that the Lord is God, and none other. Let your heart therefore be perfit with the Lord our God to walke in his statutes, 62 and to keepe his commandements, as this day. Then the King

and all Israel with him offred sacrifice before the Lord. And 63 Salomon offered a sacrifice of peace offrings which he offered vnto the Lord, to wit, two and twentie thousande beeues, and an hundreth and twentie thousande sheepe: so the king and all the children of Israel dedicated the house of the Lord. The 64 same day did the King halowe the middle of the court, that was before the house of the Lord: for there he made burnt offerings, and the meate offrings, and the fat of the peace offeringes, because the brasen altar that was before the Lord, was too litle to receive the burnt offerings, and the meate offerings, and the fat of the peace offrings. And Salomon made at that time a 65 feast and all Israel with him, a very great Congregation, euen from the entring in of Hamath vnto the riuer of Egypt, before the Lord our God, seuen daves and seuen daves, euen fourteene dayes. And the eight day he sent the people away: and 66 they thanked the King and went vnto their tentes ioyous and with glad heart, because of al the goodnesse that the Lord had done for Dauid his seruant, and for Israel his people.

When Salomon had finished the building of the house of ye 9 Lord, and the kings palace, and all that Salomon desired and minded to do. Then the Lord appeared vnto Salomon the sec- 2 ond time, as he appeared vnto him at Gibeon. And the Lord 3 sayd vnto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication, that thou hast made before me: I have halowed this house (which thou hast built) to put my Name there for euer, and mine eyes, and mine heart shall be there perpetually. And 4 if thou wilt walke before mee (as Dauid thy father walked in purenesse of heart and in righteousnesse) to doe according to al that I have commanded thee, and keepe my statutes, and my iudgements, Then will I stablish the throne of thy king- 5 dome vpon Israel for euer, as I promised to Dauid thy father, saying, Thou shalt not want a man vpon the throne of Israel. But if ye and your children turne away from mee, and wil not 6 keepe my commandements, and my statutes (which I haue set before you) but go and serue other gods, and worship them, Then will I cutte off Israel from the lande, which I have given 7 them, and the house which I have halowed for my Name, will I cast out of my sight, and Israel shall be a prouerbe, and a common talke among all people. Euen this hie house shall 8 bee so; euery one that passeth by it, shalbe astonied, and shall

hisse, and they shall say, Why hath the Lord done thus vnto 9 this land and to this house? And they shall answere, Because they forsooke the Lord their God, which brought their fathers out of the land of Egypt, and haue taken holde vpon other gods, and have worshipped them, and served them, therfore hath 10 the Lord brought vpon them all this euill. And at the ende of twentie yeeres, when Salomon had buylded the two houses, 11 the house of the Lord, and the Kings palace, (For the which Hiram the King of Tyrus had brought to Salomon timber of cedar, and firre trees, and golde, and whatsoeuer he desired) then King Salomon gaue to Hiram twentie cities in the land of 12 Galil. And Hiram came out from Tyrus to see the cities which 13 Salomon had given him, and they pleased him not. Therefore hee sayde. What cities are these which thou hast given me, my brother? And hee called them the land of Cabul vnto this day. 14, 15 And Hiram had sent the King sixe score talents of gold. And this is the cause of the tribute why King Salomon raised tribute, to wit, to builde the house of the Lord, and his owne house, and Millo, and the wall of Ierusalem, and Hazor, and Megiddo, Pharaoh King of Egypt had come vp, and taken 16 and Gezer. Gezer, and burnt it with fire, and slew the Canaanites, that dwelt in the citie, and gaue it for a present vnto his daughter 17 Salomons wife. (Therefore Salomon builte Gezer and Beth-18 horon the nether, And Baalath and Tamor in the wildernes of 19 the land, And all the cities of store, that Salomon had, euen cities for charets, and cities for horsemen, and all that Salomon desired and woulde build in Ierusalem, and in Lebanon and in 20 all the land of his dominion) Al the people that were left of the Amorites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hiuites, and Iebusites, which 21 were not of the children of Israel: To wit, their children that were left after them in the lande, whome the children of Israel were not able to destroy, those did Salomon make tributaries 22 vnto this day. But of the children of Israel did Salomon make no bondmen: but they were men of warre and his seruants, and his princes, and his captaines, and rulers of his charets and his 23 horsemen. These were the princes of the officers, that were ouer Salomons worke: euen fiue hundreth and fiftie, and they 24 ruled the people that wrought in the worke. And Pharaohs daughter came vp from the citie of Dauid vnto the house which 25 Salomon had built for her: then did he buylde Millo. And thrise a yere did Salomon offer burnt offringes and peace offrings vpon the altar which he built vnto the Lord: and hee burnt incense vpon the altar that was before the Lord, when hee had finished the house. Also King Salomon made a nauie 26 of ships in Ezeon-geber, which is beside Eloth, and the brinke of the red Sea, in the land of Edom. And Hiram sent with 27 the nauie his seruats, that were mariners, and had knowledge of the sea, with the seruants of Salomon. And they came to 28 Ophir and sette from thence foure hundreth and twentie talents of gold, and brought it to King Salomon.

And the Queene of Sheba hearing ve fame of Salomon (con- 10 cerning the Name of the Lord) came to proue him with hard questions. And she came to Ierusalem with a verie great 2 traine, and camels that bare sweete odours, and golde exceeding much, and precious stones: and shee came to Salomon, and communed with him of all that was in her heart. Salomon declared vnto her all her questions: nothing was hid from the King, which he expounded not vnto her. Then the 4 Queene of Sheba sawe all Salomons wisedome, and the house that he had built. And the meate of his table, and the sitting of 5 his seruants, and the order of his ministers, and their apparel, and his drinking vessels, and his burnt offrings, that he offered in the house of the Lord, and she was greatly astonied. And 6 shee sayde vnto the King, It was a true worde that I heard in mine owne lande of thy sayings, and of thy wisedome. Howe-7 beit I beleeued not this report till I came, and had seene it with mine eyes: but lo, ye one halfe was not tolde mee: for thou hast more wisedome and prosperitie, then I have heard by report. Happy are the men, happie are these thy seru- 8 ants, which stande euer before thee, and heare thy wisedome. Blessed be the Lord thy God, which loued thee, to set thee on 9 the throne of Israel, because the Lord loued Israel for euer and made thee King to doe equitie and righteousnesse. And she 10 gaue the King sixe score talents of golde, and of sweete odours exceeding much, and precious stones. There came no more such aboundance of sweete odours, as the Queene of Sheba gaue to King Salomon. The nauie also of Hiram (that caried 11 gold from Ophir) brought likewise great plentie of Almuggim trees from Ophir and precious stones. And the King made of 12 ye Almuggim trees pillars for the house of the Lord, and for

ye Kings palace, and made harpes and psalteries for singers. There came no more such Almuggim trees, nor were any more 13 seene vnto this day. And King Salomon gaue vnto the Queene of Sheba, whatsoeuer she would aske, besides that, which Salomon gaue her of his kingly liberalitie: so she returned and 14 went to her owne countrey, both shee, and her seruantes. Also the weight of golde, that came to Salomon in one yeere, was 15 sixe hundreth three score and six talents of gold. Besides that he had of marchant men and of the marchandises of them that solde spices, and of all the Kinges of Arabia, and of the princes 16 of the countrey. And King Salomon made two hundreth targets of beaten golde, sixe hundreth shekels of gold went to a 17 target: And three hundreth shieldes of beaten golde, three pound of gold went to one shielde: and the King put them in 18 the house of the wood of Lebanon. Then the King made a 19 great throne of yuorie, and couered it with the best golde. And the throne had six steps, and the top of the throne was round behind, and there were stayes on either side on the place of 20 the throne, and two lions standing by the stayes. And there stoode twelue lions on the sixe steps on either side: there was 21 not the like made in any kingdome. And all King Salomons drinking vessels were of golde, and all the vessels of the house of the woode of Lebanon were of pure golde, none were of siluer: 22 for it was nothing esteemed in the dayes of Salomon. For the King had on the sea the nauie of Tharshish with the nauie of Hiram: once in three yere came the nauie of Tharshish, and brought golde and siluer, yuorie, and apes and peacockes. 23 So King Salomon exceeded all the kings of the earth both in 24 riches and in wisedome. And al the world sought to see Salomon, to heare his wisedome, which God had put in his heart, 25 And they brought euery man his present, vessels of siluer, and vessels of golde, and raiment, and armour, and sweete odours, 26 horses and mules, from yeere to yeere. Then Salomon gathered together charrets and horsemen: and he had a thousand and foure hundreth charets, and twelue thousande horsemen, whome hee placed in the charet cities, and with the King at 27 Ierusalem. And the King gaue siluer in Ierusalem as stones, and gaue cedars as the wilde figtrees that growe abundantly 28 in the plaine. Also Salomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and fine linen: the Kings marchants received the linen for a price. There came vp and went out of Egypt some charet, 29 worth sixe hundreth shekels of siluer: that is, one horse, an hundreth and fiftie and thus they brought horses to all the Kings of the Hittites and to the Kings of Aram by their meanes.

Byt King Salomon loued many outlandish women: both the 11 daughter of Pharaoh, and the women of Moab, Ammon, Edom, Zidon and Heth, Of the nations, whereof the Lord had sayd 2 vnto the children of Israel, Goe not ve in to them, nor let them come in to you: for surely they will turne your hearts after their gods, to them, I say, did Salomon ioyne in loue. he had seven hundreth wives, that were princesses, and three hundreth concubines, and his wives turned away his heart. For when Salomon was olde, his wives turned his heart after 4 other gods, so that his heart was not perfect with the Lord his God, as was the heart of Dauid his father. For Salomon 5 followed Ashtaroth the god of the Zidonians, and Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites. So Salomon wrought wicked- 6 nesse in the sight of the Lord, but continued not to follow the Lord, as did Dauid his father. Then did Salomon build an hie 7 place for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, in the mountaine that is ouer against Ierusalem, and vnto Molech the abomination of the children of Ammon. And so did he for all his 8 outlandish wives, which burnt incense and offered vnto their gods. Therefore the Lord was angry with Salomon, because 9 hee had turned his heart from the Lord God of Israel, which had appeared vnto him twise, And had given him a charge 10 concerning this thing, that he should not follow other gods: but he kept not that, which the Lord had commanded him. Wherefore the Lord sayd vnto Salomon, Forasmuch as this is 11 done of thee, and thou hast not kept my couenant, and my statutes (which I commanded thee) I will surely rent the kingdome from thee, and will give it to thy servant. Notwith- 12 standing in thy dayes I will not doe it, because of Dauid thy father, but I will rent it out of the hand of thy sonne: Howbeit 13 I wil not rent all the Kingdome, but will give one tribe to thy sonne, because of Dauid my seruant, and because of Ierusalem which I haue chosen. Then the Lord stirred vp an aduer- 14 sarie vnto Salomon, euen Hadad the Edomite, of the Kings seede, which was in Edom. For when Dauid was in Edom, 15 and Ioab the captaine of the hoste had smitten all the males

16 in Edom, and was gone vp to bury ye slaine, (For six moneths did Ioab remaine there, and all Israel, till he had destroyed 17 all the males in Edom). Then this Hadad fled and certaine other Edomites of his fathers seruants with him, to goe into 18 Egypt, Hadad being yet a litle childe. And they arose out of Midian, and came to Paran, and tooke men with them out of Paran, and came to Egypt vnto Pharaoh King of Egypt, which gaue him an house, and appointed him vitailes, and gaue him 19 lande. So Hadad found great fauour in the sight of Pharaoh, and he gaue him to wife the sister of his owne wife, euen the 20 sister of Tahpenes the Queene. And the sister of Tahpenes bare him Genubath his sonne, whome Tahpenes wayned in Pharaohs house: and Genubath was in Pharaohs house among 21 the sonnes of Pharaoh. And when Hadad heard in Egypt, that Dauid slept with his fathers, and that Ioab the captaine of the hoste was dead, Hadad sayde to Pharaoh, Let me depart, that 22 I may goe to mine owne countrey. But Pharaoh saide vnto him, What hast thou lacked with me, that thou wouldest thus go to thine owne countrey? And he answered, Nothing, but in 23 any wise let me goe. And God stirred him vp another aduersarie, Rezon the sonne of Eliada, which fled from his lorde 24 Hadadezer King of Zobah. And he gathered men vnto him, and had bene captaine ouer the company, when Dauid slew them. And they went to Damascus, and dwelt there, and they 25 made him King in Damascus. Therefore was he an aduersarie to Israel all the daies of Salomon: besides the euil that Hadad 26 did, he also abhorred Israel, and reigned ouer Aram And Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat an Ephrathite of Zereda Salomons seruant (whose mother was called Zeruah a widowe) lift vp his 27 hand against the King. And this was the cause that he lift vp his hande against the King, When Salomon built Millo, he 28 repared the broken places of the citie of Dauid his father. And this man Ieroboam was a man of strength and courage, and Salomon seeing that the yong man was meete for the worke, he made him ouerseer of all the labour of the house of Ioseph. 29 And at that time, when Ieroboam went out of Ierusalem, the Prophet Ahiiah the Shilonite founde him in the way, hauing a newe garment on him, and they two were alone in ye field. 30 Then Ahiiah caught the newe garment that was on him, and 31 rent it in twelue pieces, And said to Ieroboam, Take vnto thee

ten pieces: for thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Beholde, I wil rent the kingdome out of ye hands of Salomon, and will give ten tribes to thee. But he shall have one tribe for my servant 32 Dauids sake, and for Ierusalem the citie, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, Because they have forsaken me, 33 and haue worshipped Ashtaroth the god of the Zidonians, and Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Milcom the god of the Ammonites, and haue not walked in my waves (to do right in mine eyes, and my statutes, and my lawes) as did Dauid his father. But I will not take the whole kingdome out of his hande: 34 for I will make him prince all his life long for Dauid my seruants sake, whome I haue chosen, and who kept my commandements and my statutes. But I will take the kingdome out of 35 his sonnes hand, and will give it vnto thee, even the ten tribes. And vnto his sonne will I giue one tribe, that Dauid my seru- 36 ant may have a light alway before me in Ierusalem the citie, which I have chosen me, to put my Name there. And I wil 37 take thee, and thou shalt reigne, euen as thine heart desireth, and shalt be King ouer Israel. And if thou hearken vnto all 38 that I commande thee, and wilt walke in my wayes, and doe right in my sight, to keepe my statutes and my commandements, as Dauid my seruant did, then will I be with thee, and build thee a sure house, as I built vnto Dauid, and wil giue Israel vnto thee. And I will for this afflict the seede of Dauid. 39 but not for euer. Salomon sought therefore to kill Ieroboam, 40 and Ieroboam arose, and fled into Egypt vnto Shishak King of Egypt, and was in Egypt vntil the death of Salomon. And 41 the rest of the wordes of Salomon, and all that he did, and his wisedom, are they not written in the booke of the actes of Salomon? The time that Salomon reigned in Ierusalem ouer all 42 Israel, was fourtie veere. And Salomon slept with his fathers 43 and was buried in the citie of Dauid his father; and Rehoboam his sonne reigned in his steade.

And Rehoboam went to Shechem: for al Israel were come 12 to Sheche, to make him king And whe Ieroboam ye sonne of 2 Nebat heard of it (who was yet in Egypt, whither Ieroboam had fled from king Salomon, and dwelt in Egypt) Then they 3 sent and called him: and Ieroboam and all the Congregation of Israel came, and spake vnto Rehoboam, saying, Thy father 4 made our yoke grieuous: now therefore make thou the grieuous

seruitude of thy father, and his sore yoke which he put vpon 5 vs, lighter, and we will serue thee. And he said vnto them, Depart yet for three dayes, then come againe to me. And the 6 people departed. And King Rehoboam tooke counsell with the olde men that had stande before Salomon his father, while he yet liued, and sayde, What counsell giue ye, that I may make 7 an answere to this people? And they spake vnto him, saying, If thou be a seruant vnto this people this day, and serue them, and answere them, and speake kinde wordes to them, 8 they will be thy seruants for euer. But he forsooke the counsell that the olde men had given him, and asked counsell of the yong men that had bene brought vp with him, and waited 9 on him. And he said vnto them, What counsell give ye, that we may answere this people, which have spoken to me, saying, Make the yoke, which thy father did put vpon vs, lighter? 10 Then the yong men that were brought vp with him, spake vnto him, saying, Thus shalt thou say vnto this people, that haue spoken vnto thee, and said, Thy father hath made our yoke heavie, but make thou it lighter vnto vs: even thus shalt thou say vnto them, My least part shalbe bigger then my fathers 11 loynes. Now where as my father did burden you with a grieuous yoke, I will yet make your yoke heauier: my father hath chastised you with rods, but I will correct you with scourges. 12 Then Ieroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king had appointed, saying, Come to me againe ye 13 thirde day. And the king answered the people sharpely, and 14 left the old mens counsell that they gaue him, And spake to them after the counsell of the yong men, saying, My father made your yoke grieuous, and I will make your yoke more grieuous: my father hath chastised you with rods, but I will 15 correct you with scourges. And the King hearkened not vnto the people: for it was the ordinance of the Lord, that he might perfourme his saying, which the Lord had spoken by Ahiiah 16 the Shilonite vnto Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat. So when all Israel sawe that the King regarded them not, the people answered the King thus, saying, What portion haue we in Dauid? we have none inheritance in the sonne of Ishai. To your tents, O Israel: nowe see to thine owne house, Dauid. So Israel de-17 parted vnto their tents. Howbeit ouer the children of Israel, which dwelt in the cities of Iudah, did Rehoboam reigne still.

Nowe the King Rehoboam sent Adoram the receiver of the tribute, and all Israel stoned him to death: then King Rehoboam made speede to get him vp to his charet, to flee to Ierusalem. And Israel rebelled against the house of Dauid vnto this day. 19 And when all Israel had heard that Ieroboam was come againe, 20 they sent and called him vnto the assemblie, and made him King ouer all Israel: none followed the house of Dauid, but the tribe of Iudah onely. And when Rehoboam was come to 21 Ierusalem, he gathered all the house of Iudah with the tribe of Beniamin an hundreth and foure score thousand of chosen men (which were good warriours) to fight against the house of Israel, and to bring the kingdome againe to Rehoboam the sonne of Salomon. But the worde of God came vnto Shemaiah 22 the man of God, saving. Speake vnto Rehoboam the sonne of 23 Salomon King of Iudah, and vnto all the house of Iudah and Benjamin, and the remnant of the people, saving. Thus saith 24 the Lord, Ye shall not go vp, nor fight against your brethren the children of Israel: returne euery man to his house: for this thing is done by me. They obeyed therefore the worde of the Lord and returned, and departed, according to the worde of the Lord. Then Ieroboam built Shechem in mount Ephraim, 25 and dwelt therein, and went from thence, and built Penuel. And Ieroboam thought in his heart, Nowe shall the kingdome 26 returne to the house of Dauid. If this people goe vp and doe 27 sacrifice in the house of the Lord at Ierusalem, then shall the heart of this people turne againe vnto their lorde, euen to Rehoboam King of Iudah: so shall they kill me and goe againe to Rehoboam King of Iudah. Whereupon the King tooke coun- 28 sell, and made two calues of golde, and saide vnto them, It is too much for you to goe vp to Ierusalem: beholde, O Israel, thy gods, which brought thee vp out of the lande of Egypt. he set the one in Beth-el, and the other set he in Dan. this thing turned to sinne: for the people went (because of the one) euen to Dan. Also he made an house of hie places, and 31 made Priestes of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sonnes of Leui. And Ieroboam made a feast the fifteenth day 32 of the eight moneth, like vnto the feast that is in Iudah, and offred on the altar. So did he in Beth-el and offered vnto the calues that he had made: and he placed in Beth-el the Priestes of the hie places, which he had made. And he offered vpon 33 the altar, which he had made in Beth-el, the fifteenth day of the eight moneth, (euen in the moneth which he had forged of his owne heart) and made a solemne feast vnto the children of Israel: and he went vp to the altar, to burne incense.

13 And beholde, there came a man of God out of Iudah (by the commandement of the Lord) vnto Beth-el, and Ieroboam 2 stoode by the altar to offer incense. And he cryed against the altar by the comandement of the Lord, and said, O altar, altar, thus saith the Lord, Beholde, a child shalbe borne vnto the house of Dauid, Iosiah by name, and vpon thee shall he sacrifice the Priestes of the hie places that burne incense vpon thee, 3 and they shall burne mens bones vpon thee. And he gaue a signe the same time, saying, This is the signe, that the Lord hath spoken, Behold, the altar shall rent, and the ashes that 4 are vpon it, shall fall out. And when the King had heard the saying of the man of God, which he had cryed against the altar in Beth-el, Ieroboam stretched out his hand from the altar, saying, Lay holde on him: but his hande which he put foorth against him, dryed vp, and he could not pull it in againe to him. 5 The altar also claue asunder, and the ashes fell out from the altar, according to the signe, which the man of God had given by 6 the commandement of the Lord. Then the King answered, and saide vnto the man of God, I beseeche thee, pray vnto ve Lord thy God, and make intercession for me, that mine hand may bee restored vnto me. And the man of God besought the Lord, and the Kings hand was restored, and became as it was 7 afore. Then the King sayde vnto the man of God, Come home with mee, that thou mayest dyne, and I will give thee a reward. 8 But the man of God saide vnto the King, If thou wouldest give me halfe thine house, I would not goe in with thee, neither 9 woulde I eate bread nor drinke water in this place. For so was it charged mee by the worde of the Lord, saying, Eate no bread nor drinke water, nor turne againe by the same way that thou 10 camest. So he went another way and returned not by the way 11 that he came to Beth-el. And an olde Prophet dwelt in Bethel, and his sonnes came and tolde him all ye woorkes, that the man of God had done that day in Beth-el, and the wordes which he had spoken vnto the King, tolde they their father. 12 And their father sayde vnto them, What way went he? and his sonnes shewed him what wave the man of God went, which came from Iudah. And hee saide vnto his sonnes, Saddle mee 13 the asse. Who sadled him the asse, and hee rode thereon, And 14 went after the man of God, and found him sitting vnder an oke: and he saide vnto him, Art thou the man of God that camest from Iudah? And he sayd, Yea. Then he said vnto him, Come 15 home with me, and eate bread. But he answered, I may not 16 returne with thee, nor go in with thee, neither wil I eate bread nor drinke water with thee in this place. For it was charged 17 me by the word of the Lord, saying, Thou shalt eate no bread, nor drinke water there, nor turne againe to goe by the way that thou wentest. And he said vnto him, I am a Prophet also as 18 thou art, and an Angel spake vnto me by the worde of the Lord, saying, Bring him againe with thee into thine house, that hee may eate bread and drinke water: but he lyed vnto him. he went againe with him, and did eate bread in his house, and dranke water. And as they sate at the table, the worde of the 20 Lord came vnto the Prophet, that brought him againe. And 21 hee cried vnto the man of God that came from Iudah, saying, Thus sayeth the Lord, Because thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the Lord, and hast not kept the commandement which the Lord thy God commanded thee, But camest backe againe, and 22 hast eaten bread and drunke water in the place (whereof he did say vnto thee. Thou shalt eate no bread nor drinke any water) thy carkeis shall not come vnto the sepulchre of thy fathers. And when he had eaten bread and drunke, he sadled 23 him the asse, to wit, to the Prophet whome he had brought againe. And when hee was gone, a lion met him by the way, 24 and slewe him, and his body was cast in the way, and the asse stoode thereby: the lion stood by the corps also. And beholde, 25 men that passed by, sawe the carkeis cast in the way, and the lion standing by the corps: and they came and tolde it in ye towne where the olde Prophet dwelt. And when the Prophet 26 that brought him backe againe from the waye, hearde thereof, hee sayde, It is the man of God, who hath bene disobedient vnto the commandement of the Lord: therefore the Lord hath deliuered him vnto the lion, which hath rent him and slavne him, according to the worde of the Lord, which hee spake vnto him. And he spake to his sonnes, saying, Saddle me the asse. And 27 they sadled him. And he went and founde his body cast in the 28 way, and the asse and the lion stoode by the corps: and the lion

had not eaten the bodie, nor torne the asse. And the Prophet tooke vp the body of the man of God, and layed it vpon the asse, and brought it againe, and the olde Prophet came to the citie, 30 to lament and burie him. And hee laved his bodie in his owne graue, and they lamented ouer him, saying, Alas, my brother. 31 And when he had buried him, hee spake to his sonnes, saying, When I am dead, burie ye mee also in the sepulchre, wherein 32 the man of God is buried: lay my bones beside his bones. For that thing which he cried by the word of the Lord against the altar that is in Beth-el, and against all the houses of the hie places, which are in the cities of Samaria, shall surely come Howbeit after this, Ieroboam converted not from his wicked way, but turned againe, and made of the lowest of the people Priests of the hie places. Who would, might conse-34 crate him selfe, and be of the Priestes of the hie places. And this thing turned to sinne vnto the house of Ieroboam, euen to roote it out, and destroy it from the face of the earth.

At that time Abiiah the sonne of Ieroboam fell sicke. And Ieroboam saide vnto his wife, Vp, I pray thee, and disguise thy selfe, that they know not that thou art the wife of Ieroboam, and goe to Shiloh: for there is Ahiiah the Prophet, which tolde 3 mee that I shoulde bee King ouer this people, And take with thee tenne loaues and craknels, and a bottell of honie, and go to him: hee shall tell thee what shall become of the yong man. 4 And Ieroboams wife did so, and arose, and went to Shiloh, and came to the house of Ahiiah: but Ahiiah could not see, for his 5 sight was decayed for his age. Then the Lord saide vnto Ahiiah, Beholde, the wife of Ieroboam commeth to aske a thing of thee for her sonne, for he is sicke: thus and thus shalt thou say vnto her: for when shee commeth in, shee shall feine her 6 selfe to be another. Therefore when Ahiiah heard the sounde of her feete as shee came in at the doore, hee saide, Come in, thou wife of Ieroboam: why feinest thou thus thy selfe to bee 7 an other? I am sent to thee with heavie tidings. Goe, tel Ieroboam, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Forasmuch as I have exalted thee from among the people, and have made 8 thee prince ouer my people Israel, And haue rent the kingdome away from the house of Dauid, and haue given it thee, and thou hast not bene as my seruant Dauid, which kept my commandements, and followed mee with all his heart, and did

onely that which was right in mine eyes, But hast done euil 9 aboue al that were before thee (for thou hast gone and made thee other gods, and molten images, to prouoke me, and hast cast me behinde thy backe) Therefore beholde, I will bring eu- 10 ill vpon the house of Ieroboam, and will cut off from Ieroboam him that pisseth against the wall, as well him that is shut vp, as him that is left in Israel, and will sweepe away the remnant of the house of Ieroboam, as a man sweepeth away doung, till it be all gone. The dogges shall eate him of Ieroboams stocke 11 that dyeth in the citie, and the foules of the aire shall eate him that dyeth in the fielde: for the Lord hath said it. Vp there- 12 fore and get thee to thine house: for when thy feete enter into the citie, the childe shall die. And al Israel shall mourne for 13 him, and burie him: for he onely of Ieroboam shall come to the graue, because in him there is found some goodnes towarde the Lord God of Israel in the house of Ieroboam. Moreouer, 14 the Lord shall stirre him vp a King ouer Israel, which shall destroy the house of Ieroboam in that day: what? yea, euen nowe. For the Lord shall smite Israel, as when a reede is shaken in 15 the water, and hee shall weede Israel out of his good lad, which he gaue to their fathers, and shall scatter them beyond the Riuer, because they have made them groues, provoking the Lord to anger. And he shall give Israel vp, because of the sinnes 16 of Ieroboam, who did sinne, and made Israel to sinne. And 17 Ieroboams wife arose, and departed, and came to Tirzah, and when shee came to the threshold of the house, the yong man dyed, And they buried him, and all Israel lamented him; ac- 18 cording to the word of the Lord, which hee spake by the hand of his seruant Ahiiah the Prophet. And the rest of Ieroboams 19 actes, how hee warred, and howe hee reigned, beholde, they are written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel. And the dayes which Ieroboam reigned, were two and 20 twentie yeere: and he slept with his fathers, and Nadab his sonne reigned in his steade. Also Rehoboam the sonne of Sa- 21 lomon reigned in Iudah. Rehoboam was one and fourtie yere olde, when he began to reigne, and reigned seuenteene yere in Ierusalem, the citie which the Lord did chuse out of al the tribes of Israel, to put his Name there: and his mothers name was Naamah an Ammonite. And Iudah wrought wickednesse 22 in the sight of the Lord: and they prouoked him more with

their sinnes, which they had committed, then all that which 23 their fathers had done. For they also made them hie places, and images, and groues on euery hie hill, and vnder euery 24 greene tree. There were also Sodomites in the lande, they did according to all the abominations of the nations, which the 25 Lord had cast out before the children of Israel. And in the fift yere of King Rehoboam, Shishak King of Egypt came vp 26 against Ierusale, And tooke the treasures of the house of the Lord, and the treasures of the Kings house, and tooke away all: also he caried away all the shields of golde which Salomon had 27 made. And King Rehoboam made for them brasen shieldes, and committed them vnto ye hands of the chiefe of the garde, 28 which wayted at the doore of the Kings house. And when the King went into the house of the Lord, the garde bare them, and 29 brought them againe into the gard chamber. And the rest of the actes of Rehoboam, and all that hee did, are they not writ-30 ten in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? And there was warre betweene Rehoboam and Ieroboam continu-31 ally. And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the citie of Dauid: his mothers name was Naamah an Ammonite. And Abiiam his sonne reigned in his stead.

And in the eighteenth yeere of King Ieroboam the sonne 15 2 of Nebat, reigned Abiiam ouer Iudah. Three yeere reigned hee in Ierusalem, and his mothers name was Maachah the 3 daughter of Abishalom. And hee walked in all the sinnes of his father, which hee had done before him: and his heart was not perfit with the Lord his God as the heart of Dauid his fa-4 ther. But for Dauids sake did the Lord his God giue him a light in Ierusalem, and set vp his sonne after him, and estab-5 lished Ierusalem, Because Dauid did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, and turned from nothing that he commanded him, all the dayes of his life, saue onely in the mat-6 ter of Vriah the Hittite. And there was warre betweene Re-7 hoboam and Ieroboam as long as he lived. The rest also of the actes of Abiiam, and all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? there was 8 also warre betweene Abiiam, and Ieroboam. And Abiiam slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the citie of Dauid: 9 and Asa his sonne reigned in his steade. And in the twentie

yeere of Ieroboam King of Israel reigned Asa ouer Iudah. He 10 reigned in Ierusalem one and fourtie yeere, and his mothers name was Maachah the daughter of Abishalom. And Asa did 11 right in the eyes of the Lord, as did Dauid his father. And 12 he tooke away the Sodomites out of the lande, and put away all the idoles that his fathers had made. And he put downe 13 Maachah his mother also from her estate, because shee had made an idole in a groue: and Asa destroyed her idoles, and burnt them by the brooke Kidron. But they put not downe the 14 hie places. Neuertheles Asas heart was vpright with the Lord all his dayes. Also he brought in the holy vessels of his father, 15 and the things that he had dedicated vnto ye house of the Lord, siluer, and golde, and vessels. And there was warre betweene 16 Asa and Baasha King of Israel all their dayes. Then Baasha 17 king of Israel went vp against Iudah, and buylt Ramah, so that he woulde let none go out or in to Asa King of Iudah. Then Asa 18 tooke all the siluer and the gold that was left in the treasures of the house of the Lord, and the treasures of the kings house, and deliuered them into the handes of his seruantes, and King As a sent them to Ben-hadad the sonne of Tabrimon, the sonne of Hezion king of Aram that dwelt at Damascus, saving, There 19 is a couenant betweene me and thee, and betweene my father and thy father: behold, I have sent vnto thee a present of siluer and golde: come, breake thy couenant with Baasha King of Israel, that he may depart from me. So Ben-hadad 20 hearkened vnto King Asa, and sent the captaines of the hosts, which he had, against the cities of Israel, and smote lion, and Dan, and Abel-beth-maachah, and all Cinneroth, with all the land of Naphtali. And when Baasha heard thereof, hee left 21 buylding of Ramah, and dwelt in Tirzah. Then king Asa as- 22 sembled al Iudah, none excepted. and they tooke the stones of Ramah, and the timber thereof, wherewith Baasha had buylt, and King Asa built with them Geba of Beniamin and Mizpah. And the rest of all the actes of Asa, and all his might, and all 23 that he did, and the cities which he buylt, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? but in his olde age he was diseased in his feete. And Asa slept with his 24 fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the citie of Dauid his father. And Iehoshaphat his sonne reigned in his steade. And Nadab the sonne of Ieroboam began to reigne ouer Israel 25

the second yere of Asa King of Iudah, and reigned ouer Israel 26 two yeere. And he did euill in the sight of the Lord, walking in the way of his father, and in his sinne wherewith he made 27 Israel to sinne. And Baasha the sonne of Ahijah of ye house of Issachar conspired against him, and Baasha slue him at Gibbethon, which belonged to the Philistims: for Nadab and all Is-28 rael layde siege to Gibbethon. Euen in the third yeere of Asa King of Iudah did Baasha slay him, and reigned in his steade. 29 And when he was King, he smote all the house of Ieroboam, he left none aliue to Ieroboam, vntill hee had destroyed him, according to the word of the Lord which he spake by his seruant 30 Ahijah the Shilonite, Because of the sinnes of Ieroboam which he committed, and wherewith he made Israel to sinne, by his prouocation, wherewith he prouoked the Lord God of Israel. 31 And the residue of the actes of Nadab, and all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of 32 Israel? And there was warre betweene Asa and Baasha King 33 of Israel, all their dayes. In the thirde yeere of Asa King of Iudah, began Baasha the sonne of Ahijah to reigne ouer all Israel 34 in Tirzah, and reigned foure and twentie yeeres. And he did euill in the sight of the Lord, walking in the way of Ieroboam, and in his sinne, wherewith he made Israel to sinne.

Then the word of the Lord came to Iehu the sonne of Hanani 16 2 against Baasha, saying, Forasmuch as I exalted thee out of the dust, and made thee captaine ouer my people Israel, and thou hast walked in the way of Ieroboam, and hast made my 3 people Israel to sinne, to prouoke me with their sinnes, Beholde, I will take away the posteritie of Baasha, and the posteritie of his house, and will make thine house like the house 4 of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat. He that dyeth of Baashas stocke in the citie, him shall the dogs eate: and that man of him which dyeth in the fieldes, shall the foules of the ayre And the rest of the actes of Baasha and what he did, and his power, are they not written in the booke of the Chron-6 icles of the kings of Israel? So Baasha slept with his fathers, and was buryed in Tirzah, and Elah his sonne reigned in his 7 steade. And also by the hande of Iehu the sonne of Hanani the Prophet, came the worde of the Lord to Baasha, and to his house, that he shoulde be like the house of Ieroboam, euen for all the wickednes that he did in the sight of the Lord, in

prouoking him with the worke of his hands, and because he killed him. In the sixe and twentie yeere of Asa king of Iudah 8 began Elah ye sonne of Baasha to reigne ouer Israel in Tirzah, and reigned two yeere. And his seruant Zimri, captaine of 9 halfe his charets, conspired against him, as he was in Tirzah drinking, til he was drunken in the house of Arza steward of his house in Tirzah. And Zimri came and smote him and 10 killed him, in the seuen and twentie veere of Asa king of Iudah, and reigned in his stead. And when he was King, and sate on 11 his throne, he slew al the house of Baasha, not leauing thereof one to pisse against a wall, neither of his kinsfolkes nor of his friendes. So did Zimri destroy all the house of Baasha, accord- 12 ing to the word of the Lord which he spake against Baasha by the hande of Iehu the Prophet, For all the sinnes of Baasha, 13 and sinnes of Elah his sonne, which they sinned and made Israel to sinne, and prouoked the Lord God of Israel with their vanities. And the rest of the actes of Elah, and all that he 14 did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel? In the seuen and twentie yeere of Asa King 15 of Iudah did Zimri reigne seuen dayes in Tirzah, and the people was then in campe against Gibbethon, which belonged to the Philistims. And the people of the hoste heard saye, Zimri 16 hath conspired, and hath also slavne the King. Wherefore all Israel made Omri the captaine of the hoste, king ouer Israel that same day, euen in the hoste. Then Omri went vp from 17 Gibbethon, and all Israel with him, and they besieged Tirzah. And when Zimri saw, that the citie was taken, he went into the 18 palace of the Kings house, and burnt himselfe, and the Kings house with fire, and so dyed, For his sinnes which hee sinned, 19 in doing that which is euil in the sight of the Lord, in walking in the way of Ieroboam, and in his sinnes which he did, causing Israel to sinne. And the rest of the actes of Zimri, 20 and his treason that hee wrought, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kinges of Israel? Then were 21 the people of Israel deuided into two partes: for halfe the people followed Tibni the sonne of Ginath to make him King, and the other halfe followed Omri. But the people that followed 22 Omri, preuayled against the people that followed Tibni the sonne of Ginath: so Tibni dyed, and Omri reigned. In the 23 one and thirtie veere of Asa King of Iudah bega Omri to reigne

ouer Israel, and reigned twelue yeere. Sixe yeere reigned he 24 in Tirzah. And he bought the mountaine Samaria of one Shemer for two talents of siluer, and buylt in the mountaine, and called the name of the citie, which he buylt, after the name of 25 Shemer lord of the mountaine, Samaria. But Omri did euil in the eyes of the Lord, and did worse then all that were before 26 him. For he walked in all the way of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, and in his sinnes wherewith he made Israel to sinne in 27 prouoking the Lord God of Israel with their vanities. And the rest of the actes of Omri, that hee did, and his strength that he shewed, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of 28 the Kings of Israel? And Omri slept with his fathers, and was buryed in Samaria: and Ahab his sonne reigned in his stead. 29 Nowe Ahab the sonne of Omri began to reigne ouer Israel, in the eyght and thirtie yeere of Asa king of Iudah: and Ahab the sonne of Omri reigned ouer Israel in Samaria two and twenty 30 yere. And Ahab the sonne of Omri did worse in ye sight of the 31 Lord then al that were before him. For was it a light thing for him to walke in the sinnes of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, except hee tooke Iezebel also the daughter of Ethbaal King of the Zidonians to wife, and went and serued Baal, and worshipped 32 him? Also he reared vp an altar to Baal in the house of Baal, 33 which he had buylt in Samaria. And Ahab made a groue, and Ahab proceeded, and did prouoke the Lord God of Israel more 34 then all the kings of Israel that were before him. In his dayes did Hiel the Bethelite buylde Iericho: he layed the foundation thereof in Abiram his eldest sonne, and set vp the gates thereof in his yongest sonne Segub, according to the worde of the Lord which he spake by Ioshua the sonne of Nun.

And Eliiah the Tishbite one of the inhabitats of Gilead sayde vnto Ahab, As the Lord God of Israel liueth, before whom I stand, there shall be neither dewe nor rayne these yeeres, but according to my worde. And the worde of the Lord came vnto him, saying, Go hence, and turne thee Eastwarde, and hide thy selfe in the riuer Cherith, that is ouer against Iorden, And thou shalt drinke of the riuer: and I haue comanded the rauens to feede thee there. So he went and did according vnto the word of the Lord: for he went, and remained by the riuer Cherith that is ouer against Iorden. And the rauens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the

euening, and he dranke of the riuer. And after a while the ri- 7 uer dryed vp, because there fell no rayne vpon the earth. And 8 the worde of the Lord came vnto him, saying, Vp, and get thee 9 to Zarephath, which is in Zidon, and remaine there: beholde, I haue commanded a widow there to sustain thee. So he arose. 10 and went to Zarephath: and when he came to the gate of the citie, beholde, the widowe was there gathering stickes: and he called her, and sayde, Bring me, I pray thee, a litle water in a vessel, that I may drinke. And as she was going to fet it. 11 he called to her, and sayde, Bring me, I pray thee, a morsell of bread in thine hand. And shee sayde, As the Lord thy God 12 liueth, I haue not a cake, but euen an handfull of meale in a barrel, and a litle oyle in a cruse: and behold, I am gathering a fewe stickes for to go in, and dresse it for me and my sonne, that we may eate it, and dye. And Eliiah said vnto her, 13 Feare not, come, do as thou hast sayd, but make me thereof a litle cake first of all, and bring it vnto mee, and afterward make for thee, and thy sonne. For thus saith the Lord God 14 of Israel. The meale in the barrel shall not be wasted, neither shall the oyle in the cruse be diminished, vnto the time that the Lord send rayne vpon the earth. So she went, and did as 15 Eliiah sayd, and she did eate: so did he and her house for a certaine time. The barrell of the meale wasted not, nor the ovle 16 was spent out of the cruse, according to the worde of the Lord, which he spake by the hand of Eliiah. And after these things, 17 the sonne of the wife of the house fell sicke, and his sicknesse was so sore, that there was no breath left in him. And she said 18 vnto Eliiah, What haue I to do with thee, O thou man of God? art thou come vnto me to call my sinne to remembrance, and to slay my sonne? And he said vnto her, Giue me thy sonne. 19 and he tooke him out of her bosome, and carved him vp into a chamber, where he abode, and laid him vpon his owne bed. Then he called vnto the Lord, and sayde, O Lord my God, hast 20 thou punished also this widowe, with whome I soiourne, by killing her sonne? And he stretched himselfe vpon the childe 21 three times, and called vnto the Lord, and saide, O Lord my God, I pray thee, let this childes soule come into him againe. Then the Lord heard the voyce of Eliiah, and the soule of the 22 child came into him againe, and he reuiued. And Eliiah tooke 23 the childe, and brought him downe out of the chamber into the

house, and deliuered him vnto his mother, and Eliiah sayd,
24 Behold, thy sonne liueth. And the woman saide vnto Eliiah,
Now I knowe that thou art a man of God, and that the worde
of the Lord in thy mouth is true.

18 After many dayes, the worde of the Lord came to Eliiah, in the third yeere, saying, Goe, shewe thy selfe vnto Ahab, and 2 I will sende rayne vpon the earth. And Eliiah went to shew himselfe vnto Ahab, and there was a great famine in Samaria. 3 And Ahab called Obadiah the gouernour of his house: (and 4 Obadiah feared God greatly: For when Iezebel destroyed the Prophets of the Lord, Obadiah tooke an hundreth Prophets, and hid them, by fiftie in a caue, and he fed them with bread 5 and water.) And Ahab saide vnto Obadiah, Goe into the land, vnto all the fountaines of water, and vnto all the riuers, if so be that we may finde grasse to saue the horses and the mules 6 aliue, lest we depriue the lande of the beastes. And so they deuided the lande betweene them to walke thorowe it. Ahab went one way by him selfe, and Obadiah went another way by 7 him selfe. And as Obadiah was in the way, behold, Eliiah met him: and he knew him, and fell on his face, and said, Art not 8 thou my lord Eliiah? And he answered him, Yea, goe tell thy 9 lord, Behold, Eliiah is here. And he said, What haue I sinned, that thou wouldest deliuer thy seruant into the hande of Ahab. 10 to slay me? As the Lord thy God liueth, there is no nation or kingdome, whither my lorde hath not sent to seeke thee: and when they sayd, He is not here, he tooke an othe of the king-11 dome and nation, if they had not found thee. And now thou 12 savest, Goe, tell thy lorde, Beholde, Eliiah is here. And when I am gone from thee, the Spirit of the Lord shall cary thee into some place that I doe not know: so when I come and tell Ahab, if he cannot finde thee, then wil he kill me: But I thy seruant 13 feare the Lord from my youth. Was it not tolde my lord, what I did when Iezebel slew the Prophets of the Lord, how I hid an hundreth men of the Lordes Prophets by fifties in a caue, 14 and fed them with bread and water? And now thou sayest, Go, tel thy lord, Behold, Eliiah is here, that he may slay me. 15 And Eliiah said, As the Lord of hostes liueth, before whome 16 I stand, I will surely shewe my selfe vnto him this day. Obadiah went to meete Ahab, and tolde him: And Ahab went 17 to meete Eliiah. And when Ahab saw Eliiah, Ahab said vnto him, Art thou he that troubleth Israel? And he answered, I 18 haue not troubled Israel, but thou, and thy fathers house, in that ve haue forsaken the commandements of the Lord, and thou hast followed Baalim. Now therefore send, and gather 19 to me all Israel vnto mount Carmel, and the prophets of Baal foure hundreth and fiftie, and the prophets of the groues foure hundreth, which eate at Iezebels table. So Ahab sent vnto 20 all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together vnto mount Carmel. And Eliiah came vnto all the people, and 21 said, How long halt ve betweene two opinions? If the Lord be God, follow him: but if Baal be he, then goe after him. And the people answered him not a worde. Then said Eliiah vnto 22 the people, I onely remayne a Prophet of the Lord: but Baals prophets are foure hundreth and fiftie men. Let them there- 23 fore give vs two bullockes, and let them chuse the one, and cut him in pieces, and lay him on the wood, but put no fire vnder, and I will prepare the other bullocke, and lay him on the wood, and will put no fire vnder. Then call ye on the name of your 24 god, and I will call on the name of the Lord: and then the God that answereth by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered, and sayde, It is well spoken. And Eliiah said vnto the 25 prophets of Baal, Chuse you a bullocke, and prepare him first, (for ye are many) and call on the name of your gods, but put no fire vnder. So they tooke the one bullocke, that was given 26 them, and they prepared it, and called on the name of Baal, from morning to noone, saying, O Baal, heare vs: but there was no voyce, nor any to answere: and they leapt vpon the altar that was made. And at noone Eliiah mocked them, and said, 27 Crye loude: for he is a god: either he talketh or pursueth his enemies, or is in his iourney, or it may be that he sleepeth, and must be awaked. And they cryed loude, and cut them selues 28 as their maner was, with kniues and launcers, till the blood gushed out vpon them. And when midday was passed, and 29 they had prophecied vntil the offring of the euening sacrifice, there was neither voyce, nor one to answere, nor any that regarded. And Eliiah said vnto all the people, Come to me. And 30 all the people came to him. And he repayred the altar of the Lord that was broken downe. And Eliiah tooke twelue stones, 31 according to the nomber of the tribes of the sonnes of Iaakob, (vnto whome the worde of the Lord came, saying, Israel shalbe

32 thy name) And with the stones he buylt an altar in the Name of the Lord: and he made a ditch round about the altar, as 33 great as woulde conteine two measures of seede. And he put the wood in order, and hewed the bullocke in pieces, and layd 34 him on the wood, And said, Fill foure barrels with water, and powre it on the burnt offring and on the wood. Againe he said, Doe so againe. And they did so the second time. And he sayde, 35 Doe it the third time. And they did it the third time. And the water ran round about the altar: and he filled the ditch with And when they should offer the euening sacrifice, Eliiah the Prophet came, and sayd, Lord God of Abraham, Izhak and of Israel, let it be knowen this day, that thou art the God of Israel, and that I am thy seruant, and that I have done 37 all these things at thy commandement. Heare me, O Lord, heare me, and let this people know that thou art the Lord God, 38 and that thou hast turned their heart againe at the last. Then the fire of the Lord fell, and consumed the burnt offring, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked vp the water 39 that was in the ditche. And when all the people sawe it, they fell on their faces, and saide, The Lord is God, the Lord is God. 40 And Elijah said vnto them, Take the prophets of Baal, let not a man of them escape. and they tooke them, and Eliiah brought 41 them to the brooke Kishon, and slewe them there. And Eliiah sayde vnto Ahab, Get thee vp, eate and drinke, for there is a 42 sound of much rayne. So Ahab went vp to eate and to drinke, and Eliiah went vp to the top of Carmel: and he crouched vnto 43 the earth, and put his face betweene his knees, And sayde to his seruant, Goe vp now and looke towarde the way of the Sea. And he went vp, and looked, and sayde, There is noth-44 ing. Againe he sayd, Goe againe seuen times. And at the seuenth time he sayd, Behold, there ariseth a litle cloude out of the sea like a mans hand. Then he sayd, Vp, and say vnto Ahab, Make readie thy charet, and get thee downe, that the 45 raine stay thee not. And in the meane while the heauen was blacke with cloudes and winde, and there was a great rayne. 46 Then Ahab went vp and came to Izreel. And the hand of the Lord was on Eliiah, and he girded vp his Ioynes, and ran before

Now Ahab tolde Iezebel all that Eliiah had done, and how he had slaine all the prophets with the sword. Then Iezebel

Ahab till he came to Izreel.

sent a messenger vnto Eliiah, saying, The gods doe so to me and more also, if I make not thy life like one of their liues by to morowe this time. When he sawe that, he arose, and went 3 for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which is in Iudah, and left his seruant there. But he went a dayes iourney into the 4 wildernesse, and came and sate downe vnder a juniper tree, and desired that he might die, and sayde, It is now ynough: O Lord, take my soule, for I am no better then my fathers. And 5 as he lay and slept vnder the iuniper tree, behold now, an Angel touched him, and said vnto him, Vp, and eate. And when 6 he looked about, behold, there was a cake baken on the coles. and a pot of water at his head: so he did eate and drinke, and returned and slept. And the Angel of the Lord came againe 7 the second time, and touched him, and sayd, Vp, and eate: for thou hast a great journey. Then he arose, and did eate and 8 drinke, and walked in the strength of that meate fourtie dayes and fourtie nights, vnto Horeb the mount of God. And there 9 he entred into a caue, and lodged there: and beholde, the Lord spake to him, and said vnto him, What doest thou here, Elijah? And he answered, I have bene very ielous for the Lord God of 10 hostes: for the children of Israel haue forsaken thy couenant, broken downe thine altars, and slayne thy Prophets with the sword, and I onely am left, and they seeke my life to take it away. And he saide, Come out, and stand vpon the mount be- 11 fore the Lord. And beholde, the Lord went by, and a mightie strong winde rent the mountaines, and brake the rockes before the Lord: but the Lord was not in the winde: and after the wind came an earthquake: but the Lord was not in the earthquake: And after the earthquake came fire: but the Lord was not in 12 the fire: and after the fire came a still and soft vovce. And 13 when Elijah heard it, he couered his face with his mantel, and went out, and stoode in the entring in of ye caue: and behold, there came a voyce vnto him, and sayd, What doest thou here, Eliiah? And he answered, I have bene very ielous for the Lord 14 God of hostes, because the children of Israel haue forsaken thy couenant, cast downe thine altars, and slayne thy Prophets with the sworde, and I onely am left, and they seeke my life to take it away. And the Lord said vnto him, Goe, returne by 15 the wildernes vnto Damascus, and when thou commest there, anoint Hazael King ouer Aram. And Iehu the sonne of Nimshi 16

shalt thou anoynt King ouer Israel: and Elisha the sonne of Shaphat of Abel Meholah shalt thou anount to be Prophet in 17 thy roume. And him that escapeth from the sworde of Hazael, shall Iehu slay: and him that escapeth from the sword 18 of Iehu, shall Elisha slay. Yet wil I leaue seuen thousand in Israel, euen all the knees that haue not bowed vnto Baal, and 19 euery mouth that hath not kissed him. So he departed thence, and found Elisha the sonne of Shaphat who was plowing with twelue yoke of oxen before him, and was with the twelft: and 20 Eliiah went towards him, and cast his mantel vpon him. And he left the oxen, and ran after Eliiah, and sayde, Let mee, I pray thee, kisse my father and my mother, and then I wil follow thee. Who answered him, Go, returne: for what haue I 21 done to thee? And when he went backe againe from him, he tooke a couple of oxen, and slewe them, and sod their flesh with the instruments of the oxen, and gaue vnto the people, and they did eate: then he arose and went after Eliiah, and ministred vnto him.

Then Ben-hadad the King of Aram assembled all his armie, 20 and two and thirtie Kings with him, with horses, and charets, 2 and went vp and besieged Samaria, and fought against it. And 3 he sent messengers to Ahab King of Israel, into the citie, And sayd vnto him, Thus sayth Ben-hadad, Thy siluer and thy golde is mine: also thy women, and thy fayre children are mine. 4 And the King of Israel answered, and sayd, My lord King, ac-5 cording to thy saying, I am thine, and all that I haue. And when the messengers came againe, they said, Thus commandeth Ben-hadad, and saith, When I shall send vnto thee, and command, thou shalt deliuer me thy siluer and thy golde, and 6 thy women, and thy children, Or els I will sende my seruants vnto thee by to morow this time: and they shall search thine house, and the houses of thy seruants: and whatsoeuer is pleasant in thine eyes, they shall take it in their handes, and 7 bring it away. Then the King of Israel sent for all the Elders of the land, and sayd, Take heede, I pray you, and see how he seeketh mischiefe: for he sent vnto me for my wiues, and for my children, and for my siluer, and for my golde, and I denved him 8 not. And all the Elders, and all the people sayd to him, Hear-9 ken not vnto him, nor consent. Wherefore hee sayde vnto the messengers of Ben-hadad, Tell my lorde the King, All that thou didddest sende for to thy seruant at the first time, that I will doe, but this thing I may not do. And the messengers departed, and brought him an answere. And Ben-hadad sent vnto him, 10 and sayde. The gods do so to me and more also, if the dust of Samaria be ynough to all the people that follow me, for euery man an handfull. And the King of Israel answered, and sayd, 11 Tell him, Let not him that girdeth his harneis, boast himselfe, as he that putteth it off. And when he heard that tidings, 12 as he was with the Kings drinking in the pauilions, he sayd vnto his seruants, Bring forth your engines, and they set them against the citie. And beholde, there came a Prophet vnto 13 Ahab King of Israel, saying, Thus sayeth the Lord, Hast thou seene all this great multitude? beholde, I will deliuer it into thine hande this day, that thou mayest knowe, that I am the Lord. And Ahab sayd, By whome? And he sayde, Thus sayth 14 the Lord, By the servants of the princes of the provinces. He sayde againe. Who shall order the battel? And he answered, Then he nombred the servantes of the princes of the 15 prouinces, and they were two hundreth, two and thirtie: and after them he nombred the whole people of all the children of Israel, euen seuen thousand. And they went out at noone: 16 but Ben-hadad did drinke till he was drunken in the tentes. both he and the Kings: for two and thirtie Kings helped him. So the servants of the princes of the provinces went out first: 17 and Ben-hadad sent out, and they shewed him, saying, There are men come out of Samaria. And he sayde, Whether they 18 be come out for peace, take them aliue: or whether they bee come out to fight, take them yet aliue. So they came out of 19 the citie, to wit, the seruants of the princes of the prouinces, and the hoste which followed them. And they slew euery one 20 his enemie: and the Aramites fled, and Israel pursued them: but Ben-hadad ye King of Aram escaped on an horse with his horsemen. And the King of Israel went out, and smote the 21 horses and charets, and with a great slaughter slew he the (For there had come a Prophet to the King of Is- 22 rael, and had sayd vnto him, Goe, be of good courage, and consider, and take heede what thou doest: for when the yeere is gone about, the King of Aram wil come vp against thee) Then 23 the seruants of the King of Aram said vnto him, Their gods are gods of the moutaines, and therefore they ouercame vs:

but let vs fight against them in the playne, and doubtlesse we 24 shall ouercome them. And this doe, Take the Kings away, eu-25 ery one out of his place, and place captaines for them. nomber thy selfe an armie, like the armie that thou hast lost, with such horses, and such charets, and we wil fight against them in the plaine, and doubtlesse we shall ouercome them: 26 and he hearkened vnto their voyce, and did so. And after the veere was gone about, Ben-hadad nombred the Aramites. 27 and went vp to Aphek to fight against Israel. And the children of Israel were nombred, and were all assembled and went against them, and the children of Israel pitched before them, like two litle flockes of kiddes: but the Aramites filled the coun-28 trey. And there came a man of God, and spake vnto the King of Israel, saying, Thus sayeth the Lord, Because the Aramites haue sayd, The Lord is the God of the mountaines, and not God of the valleis, therefore will I deliuer all this great multitude 29 into thine hand, and ye shall know that I am the Lord. And they pitched one ouer against the other seuen dayes, and in the seuenth day the battel was ioyned: and the children of Israel slew of the Aramites an hundreth thousand footemen in 30 one day. But the rest fled to Aphek into the citie: and there fel a wall vpon seuen and twentie thousand men that were left: and Ben-hadad fled into the citie, and came into a secret cham-31 ber. And his seruants sayd vnto him, Beholde nowe, we haue heard say that the Kings of the house of Israel are mercifull Kings: we pray thee, let vs put sacke cloth about our loynes, and ropes about our heads, and goe out to the King of Israel: 32 it may be that he will saue thy life. Then they gyrded sackecloth about their loynes, and put ropes about their heads, and came to the King of Israel, and sayd, Thy seruant Ben-hadad sayth, I pray thee, let me liue: and he sayd, Is he yet aliue? he 33 is my brother. Now the men tooke diliget heede, if they could catch any thing of him, and made haste, and sayd, Thy brother Ben-hadad. And he sayd, Go, bring him. So Ben-hadad came out vnto him, and he caused him to come vp vnto the char-34 iot. And Ben-hadad sayd vnto him, The cities, which my father tooke from thy father, I wil restore, and thou shalt make streetes for thee in Damascus, as my father did in Samaria. Then said Ahab, I will let thee goe with this couenant. So he 35 made a couenant with him, and let him goe. Then a certaine man of the children of the Prophets sayd vnto his neighbour by the comandement of the Lord, Smite me, I pray thee. But the man refused to smite him. Then sayd he vnto him, Be- 36 cause thou hast not obeyed the voyce of the Lord, beholde, as soone as thou art departed from me, a lyon shall slay thee. So when he was departed from him, a lyon found him and slew him. Then he founde another man, and sayde, Smite mee, I 37 pray thee. And the man smote him, and in smiting wounded him. So the Prophet departed, and wayted for the King by the 38 way, and disguised himselfe with ashes vpon his face. when the King came by, he cried vnto the King, and said, Thy seruant went into the middes of the battel: and beholde, there went away a man, whom another man brought vnto me, and sayd, Keepe this man: if he be lost, and want, thy life shall go for his life, or els thou shalt pay a talent of siluer. And as thy 40 seruant had here and there to do, he was gone: And the King of Israel said vnto him, So shall thy judgement be: thou hast giuen sentence. And hee hasted, and tooke the ashes away 41 from his face: and the King of Israel knewe him that he was of the Prophets: And he said vnto him, Thus saith the Lord, 42 Because thou hast let goe out of thine handes a man whom I appoynted to dye, thy life shall goe for his life, and thy people for his people. And the King of Israel went to his house heavie 43 and in displeasure, and came to Samaria.

After these things Naboth the Izreelite had a vineyarde in 21 Izreel, hard by the palace of Ahab King of Samaria. And Ahab 2 spake vnto Naboth, saying, Giue me thy vineyarde, that I may make mee a garden of herbes thereof, because it is neere by mine house: and I will give thee for it a better vineyarde then it is: or if it please thee, I will give thee the worth of it in money. And Naboth said to Ahab, The Lord keepe me from 3 giuing the inheritance of my father vnto thee. Then Ahab 4 came into his house heavie and in displeasure, because of the word which Naboth the Izreelite had spoken vnto him. for hee had sayde, I will not give thee the inheritance of my fathers, and he lay vpon his bed, and turned his face and would eate no bread. Then Iezebel his wife came to him and said vnto him, 5 Why is thy spirit so sad that thou eatest no bread? said vnto her, Because I spake vnto Naboth the Izreelite, and sayd vnto him, Giue me thy vineyard for money, or if it please

thee, I will give thee another vineyard for it: but he answered, 7 I wil not give thee my vineyarde. Then Iezebel his wife sayde vnto him, Doest thou nowe gouerne the kingdome of Israel? vp, eate bread, and be of good cheere, I will give thee the vineyard 8 of Naboth the Izreelite. So she wrote letters in Ahabs name, and sealed them with his seale, and sent the letters vnto the Elders, and to the nobles that were in his citie dwelling with 9 Naboth. And shee wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaime a 10 fast, and set Naboth among the chiefe of the people, And set two wicked men before him, and let them witnesse against him, saying, Thou diddest blaspheme God and the King: then 11 cary him out, and stone him that he may dye. And the men of his citie, euen the Elders and gouernours, which dwelt in his citie, did as Iezebel had sent vnto them: as it was writ-12 ten in the letters, which she had sent vnto them. They proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth among the chiefe of the people, 13 And there came two wicked men, and sate before him: and the wicked men witnessed against Naboth in the presence of the people saying, Naboth did blaspheme God and the King. Then they caried him away out of the citie, and stoned him 14 with stones, that he dyed. Then they sent to Iezebel, saying, 15 Naboth is stoned and is dead. And when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned and was dead, Iezebel sayd to Ahab, Vp. and take possession of the vineyarde of Naboth the Izreelite, which he refused to give thee for money: for Naboth is not al-16 iue, but is dead. And when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, he rose to go downe to the vineyard of Naboth the Izreelite, to 17 take possession of it. And the word of the Lord came vnto 18 Eliiah the Tishbite, saying, Arise, goe downe to meete Ahab King of Israel, which is in Samaria. loe, he is in the vineyarde of Naboth, whither he is gone downe to take possession of it. 19 Therefore shalt thou say vnto him, Thus sayth the Lord, Hast thou killed, and also gotten possession? And thou shalt speake vnto him, saying, Thus sayth the Lord, In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth, shall dogs licke euen thy blood also. 20 And Ahab sayd to Eliiah, Hast thou found mee, O mine enemie? And he answered, I haue found thee: for thou hast solde thy selfe to worke wickednes in the sight of the Lord. 21 Beholde, I will bring euill vpon thee, and wil take away thy posteritie, and wil cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against

the wall, as well him that is shut vp, as him that is left in Israel. And I wil make thine house like the house of Ieroboam 22 the sonne of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the sonne of Ahiiah, for the prouocation wherewith thou hast prouoked, and made Israel to sinne. And also of Iezebel spake the Lord, 23 saying, The dogs shall eate Iezebel, by the wall of Izreel. dogs shall eate him of Ahabs stocke, that dyeth in the citie: and him that dyeth in the fieldes, shall the foules of the ayre eate. (But there was none like Ahab, who did fell him selfe, to 25 worke wickednesse in the sight of the Lord: whom Iezebel his wife prouoked. For he did exceeding abominably in following 26 idoles, according to all that the Amorites did, whom the Lord cast out before the children of Israel.) Nowe when Ahab heard 27 those wordes, he rent his clothes, and put sackcloth vpon him and fasted, and lay in sackecloth and went softely. And the 28 worde of the Lord came to Eliiah the Tishbite, saving, Seest 29 thou how Ahab is humbled before me? because he submitteth himselfe before me. I will not bring that euill in his dayes, but in his sonnes dayes wil I bring euill vpon his house.

And they continued three yeere without warre betweene 22 Aram and Israel. And in the third veere did Iehoshaphat the 2 King of Iudah come downe to ye King of Israel. (Then the King 3 of Israel saide vnto his seruants, Knowe yee not that Ramoth Gilead was ours? and wee stay, and take it not out of ye hand of the King of Aram?) And he sayde vnto Iehoshaphat, Wilt thou 4 goe with mee to battel against Ramoth Gilead? And Iehoshaphat saide vnto the King of Israel, I am as thou art, my people as thy people, and mine horses as thine horses. Then Iehoshaphat 5 saide vnto the King of Israel, Aske counsaile, I pray thee, of the Lord to day. Then the King of Israel gathered the prophets 6 vpon a foure hundreth men, and said vnto them, Shal I go against Ramoth Gilead to battel, or shall I let it alone? And they said, Go vp: for ye Lord shall deliuer it into the hands of the King. And Iehoshaphat said, Is there here neuer a 7 Prophet of the Lord more, that we might inquire of him? And 8 the King of Israel said vnto Iehoshaphat, There is yet one man (Michaiah the sonne of Imlah) by whom we may aske counsel of the Lord, but I hate him: for he doeth not prophecie good vnto me, but euill. And Iehoshaphat sayd, Let not the King say so. Then the King of Israel called an Eunuche, 9

10 and sayde, Call quickely Michaiah the sonne of Imlah. And the King of Israel and Iehoshaphat the King of Iudah sate either of them on his throne in their apparell in the voyde place at the entring in of the gate of Samaria, and all the 11 prophets prophecied before them. And Zidkiiah the sonne of Chenaanah made him hornes of yron, and sayd, Thus sayth the Lord, With these shalt thou push the Aramites, vntill thou 12 hast consumed them. And all the prophets prophecied so, saying, Goe vp to Ramoth Gilead, and prosper: for the Lord shall 13 deliuer it into the Kings hand. And the messenger that was gone to call Michaiah spake vnto him, saying, Beholde now, the wordes of the prophets declare good vnto the King with one accorde: let thy word therefore, I pray thee, be like the 14 worde of one of them, and speake thou good. And Michaiah saide, As the Lord liueth, whatsoeuer the Lord sayth vnto me, 15 that will I speake. So he came to the King, and the King said vnto him, Michaiah, shall we go against Ramoth Gilead to battel, or shall we leave off? And he answered him, Goe vp, and prosper: and the Lord shall deliuer it into the hand of 16 the King. And the King said vnto him, How oft shall I charge thee, that thou tell me nothing but that which is true in the 17 Name of the Lord? Then he said, I sawe all Israel scattered vpon the mountaines, as sheepe that had no shepheard. And the Lord sayde, These haue no master, let euery man returne 18 vnto his house in peace. (And the King of Israel saide vnto Iehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee, that he would prophecie no 19 good vnto me, but euill?) Againe he said, Heare thou therefore the worde of the Lord. I sawe the Lord sit on his throne, and all the hoste of heauen stood about him on his right hand 20 and on his left hand. And the Lord sayd, Who shall entise Ahab that he may go and fall at Ramoth Gilead? And one said 21 on this maner, and another sayd on that maner. Then there came forth a spirit, and stoode before the Lord, and sayd, I wil 22 entise him. And the Lord sayd vnto him, Wherewith? And he sayd, I will goe out, and be a false spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. Then he sayd, Thou shalt entise him, and 23 shalt also preuayle: goe forth, and doe so. Now therefore behold, the Lord hath put a lying spirite in the mouth of all these thy prophets, and the Lord hath appoynted euill against thee. 24 Then Zidkiiah the sonne of Chenaanah came neere, and smote

Michaiah on the cheeke and sayd, When went the Spirite of the Lord from me, to speake vnto thee? And Michaiah saide. 25 Behold, thou shalt see in that day, when thou shalt goe from chamber to chamber to hide thee. And the King of Israel sayd, 26 Take Michaiah, and cary him vnto Amon the gouernour of the citie, and vnto Ioash the Kings sonne, And say, Thus saith the 27 King, Put this man in the prison house, and feede him with bread of affliction, and with water of affliction, vntill I returne in peace. And Michaiah sayde, If thou returne in peace, the 28 Lord hath not spoken by me. And he sayd, Hearken all ye people. So the King of Israel and Iehoshaphat the King of Iudah 29 went vp to Ramoth Gilead. And the King of Israel sayde to 30 Iehoshaphat, I will change mine apparell, and will enter into the battell, but put thou on thine apparell. And the King of Israel changed himselfe, and went into the battel. And the 31 King of Aram commanded his two and thirtie captaines ouer his charets, saying, Fight neither with small, nor great, saue onely against the King of Israel. And when the captaines of 32 the charets saw Iehoshaphat, they sayd, Surely it is the King of Israel, and they turned to fight against him: and Iehoshaphat And when the captaines of the charets saw that he 33 was not the King of Israel, they turned backe from him. Then 34 a certaine man drewe a bow mightily and smote the King of Israel betweene the ioyntes of his brigandine. Wherefore he sayde vnto his charet man, Turne thine hand and cary me out of the hoste: for I am hurt. And the battel encreased that day, 35 and the King stoode still in his charet against the Aramites, and dved at euen: and the blood ran out of the wound into the middes of the charet. And there went a proclamation 36 thorowout the hoste about the going downe of the sunne, saying, Euery man to his citie, and euery man to his owne countrey. So the King died, and was brought to Samaria, and they 37 buried the King in Samaria. And one washed the charet in 38 the poole of Samaria, and the dogs licked vp his blood (and they washed his armour) according vnto the word of the Lord which he spake. Concerning the rest of the actes of Ahab and all that 39 he did, and the yuorie house which he built, and all the cities that he built, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel? So Ahab slept with his fathers, and 40 Ahaziah his sonne reigned in his stead. And Iehoshaphat the 41

sonne of Asa began to reigne vpon Iudah in the fourth yeere 42 of Ahab King of Israel. Iehoshaphat was fiue and thirty yere olde, when he began to reigne, and reigned fiue and twentie yeere in Ierusalem. And his mothers name was Azubah the 43 daughter of Shilhi. And he walked in all the wayes of Asa his father, and declined not therefrom, but did that which was right in the eyes of the Lord. Neuerthelesse the hie places were not taken away: for the people offred still and burnt incense in 44 the hie places. And Iehoshaphat made peace with the King of 45 Israel. Concerning the rest of the actes of Iehoshaphat, and his worthy deedes that he did, and his battels which he fought, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings 46 of Iudah? And the Sodomites, which remayned in the dayes of 47 his father Asa, he put cleane out of the land. There was then 48 no King in Edom: the deputie was King. Iehoshaphat made shippes of Tharshish to sayle to Ophir for golde, but they went 49 not, for the shippes were broken at Ezion Gaber. Then sayde Ahaziah the sonne of Ahab vnto Iehoshaphat, Let my seruants goe with thy seruants in the ships, But Iehoshaphat would not. 50 And Iehoshaphat did sleepe with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the citie of Dauid his father, and Iehoram 51 his sonne reigned in his stead. Ahaziah the sonne of Ahab began to reigne ouer Israel in Samaria, the seuenteenth veere of Iehoshaphat King of Iudah, and reigned two yeeres ouer Is-52 rael. But he did euill in the sight of the Lord, and walked in the way of his father, and in the way of his mother, and in the way of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, which made Israel to 53 sinne. For he serued Baal and worshipped him, and prouoked the Lord God of Israel vnto wrath, according vnto all that his father had done.

## THE SECOND BOOK OF THE KINGS,

## OTHERWISE CALLED, THE FOURTH BOOK OF THE KINGS.

 $_{\infty}$  hen Moab rebelled against Israel after the death of  $\, {f 1} \,$ Ahab: And Ahaziah fell thorow the lattesse windowe 2 in his vpper chamber which was in Samaria: so he was sicke: then he sent messengers, to whome he saide, Goe, and enquire of Baal-zebub the God of Ekron, if I shall recouer of this my disease. Then the Angel of the Lord 3 said to Eliiah the Tishbite, Arise, and goe vp to meete the messengers of the King of Samaria, and say vnto them, Is it not because there is no God in Israel, that ye goe to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron? Wherefore thus saith the Lord, 4 Thou shalt not come downe from the bed on which thou art gone vp. but shalt die the death. So Elijah departed. the messengers returned vnto him, to whome he said, Why are ye nowe returned? And they answered him, There came a 6 man and met vs, and saide vnto vs, Goe, and returne vnto the King which sent you, and say vnto him, Thus saith the Lord, Is it not because there is no God in Israel, that thou sendest to enquire of Baal-zebub the God of Ekron? Therefore thou shalt not come downe from the bed, on which thou art gone vp, but shalt die ve death. And he saide vnto them, What maner 7 of man was he which came and met you, and tolde you these wordes? And they said vnto him, He was an hearie man, and 8 girded with a girdle of lether about his loynes. Then sayde he, It is Eliiah the Tishbite. Therefore the King sent vnto him 9 a captaine ouer fiftie with his fiftie men, who went vp vnto him: for beholde, he sate on the toppe of a mountaine, and he saide vnto him, O man of God, the King hath commanded that thou come downe. But Eliiah answered, and saide to the cap- 10 taine ouer the fiftie, If that I be a man of God, let fire come downe from the heaven, and devoure thee and thy fiftie. So fire came downe from the heauen and deuoured him and his Againe also he sent vnto him another captaine ouer 11 fiftie.

fiftie, with his fiftie. Who spake, and saide vnto him, O man of 12 God, thus the King commandeth, Come downe quickely. But Eliiah answered, and saide vnto them, If I be a man of God, let fire come downe from the heauen, and deuoure thee and thy fiftie. So fire came downe from the heauen, and deuoured 13 him and his fiftie. Yet againe he sent the third captaine ouer fiftie with his fiftie. And the thirde captaine ouer fiftie went vp, and came, and fell on his knees before Eliiah, and besought him, and saide vnto him, O man of God, I pray thee, let my life and the life of these thy fiftie seruants be precious in thy 14 sight. Beholde, there came fire downe from the heauen and deuoured the two former captaines ouer fiftie with their fifties: 15 therefore let my life nowe be precious in thy sight. And the Angel of the Lord said vnto Eliiah, Goe downe with him, be not afraide of his presence. So he arose, and went downe with him 16 vnto the King. And he saide vnto him, Thus saith the Lord, Because thou hast sent messengers to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron, (was it not because there was no God in Israel to inquire of his worde?) therefore thou shalt not come downe off the bed, on which thou art gone vp, but shalt die the 17 death. So he dyed according to the worde of the Lord which Eliiah had spoken. And Iehoram began to reigne in his steade, in the seconde veere of Iehoram the sonne of Iehoshaphat King 18 of Iudah, because he had no sonne. Concerning the rest of the actes of Ahaziah, that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?

And when the Lord would take vp Eliiah into heauen by a whirle winde, Eliiah went with Elisha from Gilgal. Then Eliiah saide to Elisha, Tarie here, I pray thee: for the Lord hath sent me to Bethel. But Elisha said, As the Lord liueth, and as thy soule liueth, I will not leaue thee. So they came downe to Beth-el. And the children of the Prophets that were at Beth-el, came out to Elisha, and said vnto him, Knowest thou that the Lord will take thy master from thine head this day? And he said, Yea, I knowe it: holde ye your peace. Againe Eliiah saide vnto him, Elisha, tarie here, I pray thee: for the Lord hath sent me to Iericho: But he said, As the Lord liueth, and as thy soule liueth, I will not leaue thee. So they came to Iericho. And the children of the Prophets that were at Iericho, came to Elisha, and saide vnto him, Knowest thou, that the

Lord will take thy master from thine head this day? And he sayde, Yea, I knowe it: holde ye your peace. Moreouer Eliiah 6 saide vnto him, Tarie, I pray thee, here: for the Lord hath sent me to Iorden. But he saide, As the Lord liueth, and as thy soule liueth, I will not leaue thee. So they went both together. And 7 fiftie men of the sonnes of the Prophets went and stoode on the other side a farre off, and they two stoode by Iorden. Eliiah tooke his cloke, and wrapt it together, and smote the waters, and they were deuided hither and thither, and they twaine went ouer on the dry lande. Nowe when they were 9 passed ouer, Eliiah saide vnto Elisha, Aske what I shall doe for thee before I be taken from thee. And Elisha saide, I pray thee, let thy Spirit be double vpon me. And he saide, Thou 10 hast asked an hard thing: yet if thou see me when I am taken from thee, thou shalt haue it so: and if not, it shall not be. And 11 as they went walking and talking, beholde, there appeared a charet of fire, and horses of fire, and did separate them twaine. So Eliiah went vp by a whirle winde into heauen. isha saw it, and he cryed, My father, my father, the charet of Israel, and the horsemen thereof: and he sawe him no more: and he tooke his owne clothes, and rent them in two pieces. He tooke vp also the cloke of Eliiah that fell from him, and 13 returned, and stoode by the banke of Iorden. After, he tooke 14 the cloke of Eliiah, that fell from him, and smote the waters, and sayde, Where is the Lord God of Eliiah? And so he also, after he had striken the waters, so that they were deuided this way and that way, went ouer, euen Elisha. And when the 15 children of the Prophets, which were at Iericho, saw him on the other side, they sayde, The Spirite of Eliiah doeth rest on Elisha: and they came to meete him, and fell to the grounde before him, And said vnto him, Beholde nowe, there be with 16 thy seruants fiftie strong men: let them go, we pray thee, and seeke thy master, if so be the Spirite of the Lord hath taken him vp, and cast him vpon some mountaine, or into some valley. But he said, Ye shall not sende. Yet they were instant 17 vpon him, til he was ashamed: wherefore he saide, Sende. So they sent fiftie men, which sought three dayes, but founde him Therefore they returned to him, (for he taryed at Ieri- 18 cho) and he said vnto them, Did not I say vnto you, Goe not? And the men of the citie saide vnto Elisha, Beholde, we pray 19

thee: the situation of this citie is pleasant, as thou, my lorde, 20 seest, but the water is naught, and the ground baren. Then he saide, Bring me a newe cruse, and put salt therein. And 21 they brought it to him. And he went vnto the spring of the waters, and cast there the salt, and said, Thus saith the Lord, I have healed this water: death shall no more come thereof, 22 neither barennesse to the ground. So the waters were healed vntill this day, according to the worde of Elisha which hee had 23 spoken. And he went vp from thence vnto Beth-el. And as he was going vp the way, litle children came out of the citie, and mocked him, and saide vnto him, Come vp, thou balde head, 24 come vp, thou balde head. And he turned backe, and looked on them, and cursed them in the name of the Lord. And two beares came out of the forest, and tare in pieces two and fourtie 25 children of them. So he went from thence to mount Carmel, and from thence he returned to Samaria.

Nowe Iehoram the sonne of Ahab beganne to reigne ouer 3 Israel in Samaria, the eighteenth yeere of Iehoshaphat King 2 of Iudah, and reigned twelue yeeres. And he wrought euill in the sight of the Lord, but not like his father nor like his mother: for he tooke away the image of Baal that his father 3 had made. Neuerthelesse, he cleaued vnto the sinnes of Ieroboam, the sonne of Nebat, which made Israel to sinne, and 4 departed not therefrom. Then Mesha King of Moab had store of sheepe, and rendred vnto the King of Israel an hundreth thousande lambes, and an hundreth thousande rammes with 5 the wooll. But when Ahab was dead, the king of Moab re-6 belled against the King of Israel. Therefore King Iehoram went out of Samaria the same season, and nombred all Israel, 7 And went, and sent to Iehoshaphat King of Iudah, saying. The King of Moab hath rebelled against me: wilt thou goe with me to battell against Moab? And he answered, I will goe vp: for I am, as thou art, my people, as thy people, and mine horses 8 as thine horses. Then said he, What way shall we goe vp? 9 And he answered, The way of the wildernesse of Edom. went the King of Israel and the king of Iudah, and the King of Edom, and when they had compassed the way seuen dayes, they had no water for the hoste, nor for the cattell that fol-10 lowed them. Therefore the King of Israel sayde, Alas, that the Lord hath called these three Kings, to give them into the hand of Moab. But Iehoshaphat saide, Is there not here a 11 Prophet of the Lord, that we may inquire of the Lord by him? And one of the King of Israels seruants answered, and said, Here is Elisha the sonne of Shaphat, which powred water on the handes of Eliiah. Then Iehoshaphat saide, The worde 12 of the Lord is with him. Therefore the King of Israel, and Iehoshaphat, and the King of Edom went downe to him. And 13 Elisha sayde vnto the King of Israel, What haue I to doe with thee? get thee to the prophets of thy father and to the prophets of thy mother. And the King of Israel saide vnto him, Nay: for the Lord hath called these three Kings, to give them into the Then Elisha said, As the Lord of hostes li- 14 hande of Moab. ueth, in whose sight I stande, if it were not, that I regarde the presence of Iehoshaphat the King of Iudah, I woulde not have looked towarde thee, nor seene thee. But nowe bring me a 15 minstrel. And when the minstrel played, the hand of the Lord came vpon him. And he saide, Thus saith the Lord, Make this 16 valley full of ditches. For thus saith the Lord, Ye shall nei- 17 ther see winde nor see raine, yet the valley shalbe filled with water, that ye may drinke, both ye and your cattel, and your But this is a small thing in the sight of the Lord: 18 for he will giue Moab into your hande. And ye shall smite 19 euery strong towne and euery chiefe citie, and shall fell euery faire tree, and shall stoppe all the fountaines of water, and marre euery good fielde with stones. And in the morning whe 20 the meat offring was offred, beholde, there came water by the way of Edom: and the countrey was filled with water. And 21 when al the Moabites heard that the Kings were come vp to fight against them, they gathered all that was able to put on harnesse, and vpwarde, and stood in their border. And they 22 rose earely in the morning, when the sunne arose vpon the water, and the Moabites saw the water ouer against them, as red as blood. And they saide, This is blood the Kings are surely 23 slaine, and one hath smitten another: now therefore, Moab, to the spoyle. And when they came to the host of Israel, the 24 Israelites arose vp, and smote the Moabites, so that they fled before them, but they inuaded them, and smote Moab. And 25 they destroyed the cities: and on all the good field euery man cast his stone, and filled them and they stopt all the fountaines of water, and felled all the good trees: onely in Kirharaseth

left they the stones thereof: howebeit they went about it with slings, and smote it. And when the King of Moab saw that the battel was too sore for him, he tooke with him seuen hudreth men that drew the sword, to break through vnto the King of Edom: but they could not. Then he tooke his eldest sonne, that should haue reigned in his stead, and offered him for a burnt offring vpon the wall: so that Israel was sore grieued, and they departed from him, and returned to their countrey.

And one of the wives of the sonnes of the Prophets cryed vnto Elisha, saying, Thy seruant mine husband is dead, and thou knowest, that thy seruant did feare the Lord: and the creditour is come to take my two sonnes to bee his bondmen. 2 Then Elisha saide vnto her, What shall I do for thee? tell mee, what hast thou at home? And she sayd, Thine handmayd hath 3 nothing at home, saue a pitcher of oyle. And he sayde, Goe, and borowe thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, emptie 4 vessels, and spare not. And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the doore vpon thee and vpon thy sonnes, and powre out 5 into all those vessels, and set aside those that are full. So shee departed from him, and shut the doore vpon her, and vpon her 6 sonnes. And they brought to her, and she powred out. And when the vessels were full, shee sayde vnto her sonne, Bring mee yet a vessel. And hee said vnto her, There is no moe ves-7 sels. And the oyle ceased. Then shee came and tolde the man of God. And he saide, Goe, and sell the oyle, and pay them that thou art in debt vnto, and liue thou and thy children of 8 the rest. And on a time Elisha came to Shunem, and there a woman of great estimation constrained him to eate bread: and 9 as he passed by, he turned in thither to eate bread. And she sayde vnto her husband, Beholde, I know now, that this is an 10 holy man of God that passeth by vs continually. Let vs make him a litle chamber, I pray thee, with walles, and let vs set him there a bed, and a table, and a stoole, and a candlesticke, that 11 hee may turne in thither when hee commeth to vs. And on a day, hee came thither and turned into the chamber, and lay 12 therein, And sayd to Gehazi his seruant, Call this Shunam-13 mite: and when hee called her, she stood before him. Then he sayd vnto him, Say vnto her now, Beholde, thou hast had all this great care for vs, what shall we doe for thee? Is there any thing to bee spoken for thee to the King or to the captaine of the hoste? And shee answered, I dwell among mine owne people. Againe he sayde, What is then to be done for 14 her? Then Gehazi answered, In deede she hath no sonne, and her husband is olde. Then said he, Cal her. And hee called 15 her, and shee stoode in the doore. And he said, At this time 16 appointed, according to the time of life, thou shalt embrace a sonne. And she sayd, Oh my Lord, thou man of God, doe not lye vnto thine handmayd. So the woman conceived, and bare 17 a sonne at that same season, according to the time of life, that Elisha had sayd vnto her. And when the childe was growen, it 18 fell on a day, that he went out to his father, and to the reapers. And he sayde to his father, Mine head, mine head. Who sayd 19 to his servant. Beare him to his mother. And hee tooke him 20 and brought him to his mother, and hee sate on her knees till noone, and dyed. Then shee went vp, and layed him on the bed 21 of the man of God, and shut the doore voon him, and went out. Then she called to her husband, and sayd, Send with me, I pray 22 thee, one of the vong men and one of the asses: for I will haste to the man of God, and come againe. And he sayd, Where- 23 fore wilt thou goe to him to day? it is neither newe moone nor Sabbath day. And she answered, All shalbe well. Then she 24 sadled an asse, and sayde to her seruant, Driue, and goe forward: stave not for me to get vp. except I bid thee. So she 25 went, and came vnto the man of God to mount Carmel. And when the man of God sawe her ouer against him, he sayd to Gehazi his seruant, Beholde, the Shunammite. Runne nowe. 26 I say, to meete her, and say vnto her, Art thou in health? is thine husband in health? and is the child in health? And she answered. We are in health. And when shee came to the man 27 of God vnto the moutaine, she caught him by his feete: and Gehazi went to her, to thrust her away: but the man of God said. Let her alone: for her soule is vexed within her, and the Lord hath hid it from me, and hath not told it mee. Then she 28 said, Did I desire a sonne of my lord? did I not say, Deceiue me not? Then he sayd to Gehazi, Gird thy loynes, and take my 29 staffe in thine hand, and goe thy way: if thou meete any, salute him not: and if any salute thee, answere him not: and laye my staffe vpon the face of the childe. And the mother of the 30 childe sayde, As the Lord liueth, and as thy soule liueth, I will not leave thee. Therefore he arose, and followed her. But Ge- 31

hazi was gone before them, and had layed the staffe vpon the face of the childe, but he neither spake nor heard: wherefore hee returned to meete him, and told him, saying, The childe 32 is not waken. Then came Elisha into the house, and beholde, 33 the childe was dead, and layed vpon his bedde. He went in therefore, and shut the doore vpon them twayne, and prayed 34 vnto the Lord. After he went vp, and lay vpon the child, and put his mouth on his mouth, and his eyes vpon his eies, and his hands vpon his handes, and stretched himselfe vpon him, 35 and the flesh of the child waxed warme. And hee went from him, and walked vp and downe in the house, and went vp and spred himselfe vpon him: then the childe neesed seuen times, 36 and opened his eyes. Then he called Gehazi, and sayd, Call this Shunammite. So he called her, which came in vnto him. 37 And he said vnto her, Take thy sonne. And she came, and fell at his feete, and bowed her selfe to the ground, and tooke vp 38 her sonne, and went out. Afterward Elisha returned to Gilgal, and a famine was in the land, and the children of the Prophets dwelt with him. And hee sayd vnto his seruant, Set on the great pot, and see the pottage for the children of the Prophets. 39 And one went out into the fielde, to gather herbes, and founde, as it were, a wilde vine, and gathered thereof wilde gourdes his garment ful, and came and shred them into the pot of pottage: 40 for they knew it not. So they powred out for the men to eate: and when they did eate of the pottage, they cryed out, and sayde, O thou man of God, death is in the pot: and they could 41 not eate thereof. Then he said, Bring meale. And hee cast it into the potte, and sayd, Powre out for the people, that they 42 may eate: and there was none euill in the pot. Then came a man from Baal-shalisha, and brought the man of God bread of the first fruits, euen twenty loaues of barley, and full eares of corne in the huske. And hee saide, Giue vnto the people, that 43 they may eate. And his seruant answered, How shoulde I set this before an hundreth men? He sayd againe, Giue it vnto the people, that they may eate: for thus sayth the Lord, They shall 44 eate, and there shall remaine. So he set it before them, and they did eate, and left ouer, according to the word of the Lord. 5

Now was there one Naaman captaine of the hoste of the King of Aram, a great man, and honourable in the sight of his lorde, because that by him the Lord had deliuered the Aramites.

He also was a mightie man and valiant, but a leper. And the 2 Aramites had gone out by bands, and had taken a litle mayde of the land of Israel, and shee serued Naamans wife. she sayd vnto her mistres, Would God my lord were with the Prophet that is in Samaria, he would soone deliuer him of his And he went in, and tolde his lorde, saving, Thus 4 and thus saith the mayde that is of the land of Israel. And 5 the King of Aram sayde, Goe thy way thither, and I will send a letter vnto the King of Israel. And he departed, and tooke with him ten talents of siluer, and sixe thousand pieces of golde, and ten change of rayments. And brought the letter to the King of 6 Israel to this effect, Now when this letter is come vnto thee, vnderstand, that I have sent thee Naaman my servant, that thou maiest heale him of his leprosie. And when the King of 7 Israel had read the letter, he rent his clothes, and sayde, Am I God, to kill and to giue life, that hee doth send to mee, that I should heale a man from his leprosie? wherfore consider, I pray vou, and see howe he seeketh a quarel against me. But when 8 Elisha the man of God had heard that the King of Israel had rent his clothes, hee sent vnto the King, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? Let him come now to me, and he shall knowe that there is a Prophet in Israel. Then Naaman came 9 with his horses, and with his charets, and stoode at the doore of the house of Elisha. And Elisha sent a messenger vnto him, 10 saying, Go and wash thee in Iorden seuen times, and thy flesh shall come againe to thee, and thou shalt be clensed. But Naa- 11 man was wroth and went away, and sayde, Beholde, I thought with my selfe. Hee will surely come out, and stande, and call on the Name of the Lord his God and put his hand on the place, and heale the leprosie. Are not Abanah and Pharpar, riuers 12 of Damascus, better then all the waters of Israel? may I not washe mee in them, and bee cleansed? so hee turned, and departed in displeasure. But his seruants came, and spake vnto 13 him, and sayd, Father, if the Prophet had commanded thee a great thing, wouldest thou not have done it? howe much rather then, when hee sayth to thee, Wash and be cleane? Then went 14 he downe, and washed him selfe seuen times in Iorden, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came againe, like vnto ye flesh of a litle child, and he was cleane. And hee turned againe to the man of God, hee, and all his com-

panie, and came and stood before him, and sayd, Behold, now I knowe that there is no God in all the world, but in Israel: 16 now therefore, I pray thee, take a reward of thy seruant. But hee sayde, As the Lord liueth (before whom I stand) I wil not receive it. And he would have constrained him to receive it, 17 but he refused. Moreouer Naaman sayde, Shall there not be giuen to thy seruant two mules loade of this earth? for thy seruant will henceforth offer neither burnt sacrifice nor offring 18 vnto any other god, saue vnto the Lord. Herein the Lord bee mercifull vnto thy seruant, that when my master goeth into the house of Rimmon, to worship there, and leaneth on mine hand, and I bowe my selfe in the house of Rimmon: when I doe bowe downe, I say, in the house of Rimmon, the Lord be merci-19 full vnto thy seruant in this point. Vnto whome he saide, Goe in peace. So he departed from him about halfe a dayes iourney 20 of grounde. And Gehazi the servant of Elisha the man of God sayde, Beholde, my master hath spared this Aramite Naaman, receiuing not those things at his hand that he brought: as the Lord liueth, I will runne after him, and take somewhat of him. 21 So Gehazi followed speedily after Naaman. And when Naaman sawe him running after him, he light downe from the charet to 22 meete him, and said, Is all well? And he answered, All is well: my master hath set me, saving, Behold, there be come to me, euen nowe from mount Ephraim two yong men of the children of the Prophets: giue them, I pray thee, a talent of siluer, and 23 two change of garmets. And Naaman saide, Yea, take two talents: and he compelled him, and bound two talents of siluer in two bagges, with two change of garments, and gaue them vnto two of his seruants, that they might beare them before 24 him. And when he came to the towre, he tooke them out of their handes, and laide them in the house, and sent away the 25 men: and they departed. Then he went in, and stoode before his master. And Elisha said vnto him, Whence commest thou, 26 Gehazi? And he said, Thy seruant went no whither. But he saide vnto him, Went not mine heart with thee when the man turned againe from his charet to meete thee? Is this a time to take money, and to receive garments, and olives, and vineyardes, and sheepe, and oxen, and men seruants, and maide 27 seruants? The leprosie therefore of Naaman shall cleaue vnto thee, and to thy seede for euer. And he went out from his presence a leper white as snowe.

And the children of the Prophets saide vnto Elisha, Behold, 6 we pray thee, the place where we dwell with thee, is too litle for vs. Let vs nowe goe to Iorden, that we may take thence euery 2 man a beame, and make vs a place to dwell in. And he answered, Goe. And one said, Vouchsafe, I pray thee, to go with 3 thy seruants, and he answered, I will goe. So he went with 4 them, and when they came to Iorden, they cut downe wood. And as one was felling of a tree, the yron fell into the water: 5 then he cryed, and said, Alas master, it was but borowed. And 6 the man of God saide. Where fell it? And he shewed him the place. Then he cut downe a piece of wood, and cast in thither, and he caused the vron to swimme. Then he saide. Take it vp. 7 to thee. And he stretched out his hand, and tooke it. Then 8 the King of Aram warred against Israel, and tooke counsell with his seruants, and said, In such and such a place shalbe my campe. Therefore the man of God sent vnto the King of Is- 9 rael, saying, Beware thou goe not ouer to such a place: for there the Aramites are come downe. So the King of Israel sent to 10 the place which the man of God tolde him, and warned him of, and saued himselfe from thence, not once, nor twise. And the 11 heart of the King of Aram was troubled for this thing: therefore he called his seruants and saide vnto them. Will ve not shewe me, which of vs bewrayeth our counsel to the king of Israel? Then one of his seruants saide, None, my lorde, O King, 12 but Elisha the Prophet that is in Israel, telleth the King of Israel, euen the wordes that thou speakest in thy priuie chamber. And he said, Goe, and espie where he is, that I may sende 13 and fetch him. And one tolde him, saying, Beholde, he is in Dothan. So he sent thither horses, and charets, and a mightie 14 hoste: and they came by night, and compassed the citie. And 15 when the seruant of the man of God arose earely to goe out, beholde, an hoste compassed the citie with horses and charets. Then his seruant sayde vnto him, Alas master, howe shall we doe? And he answered, Feare not: for they that be with vs, 16 are moe then they that be with them. Then Elisha prayed, 17 and saide, Lord, I beseech thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the seruant, and he looked, and beholde, the mountaine was full of horses and charets of fyre round about Elisha. So they came downe to him, but El- 18

isha prayed vnto the Lord, and said, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindnesse. And he smote them with blindnes, ac-19 cording to the worde of Elisha. And Elisha said vnto them, This is not the way, neither is this the citie: follow me, and I will leade you to the man whome ye seeke. But he ledde 20 them to Samaria. And when they were come to Samaria, Elisha saide, Lord, open their eyes that they may see. And the Lord opened their eyes, and they saw, and beholde, they 21 were in the mids of Samaria. And the King of Israel sayde vnto Elisha when he sawe them, My father, shall I smite them, 22 shall I smite them? And he answered. Thou shalt not smite them: doest thou not smite them that thou hast taken with thy sworde, and with thy bowe? but set bread and water before them, that they may eate and drinke and goe to their master. 23 And he made great preparation for them: and when they had eaten and drunken, he sent them away: and they went to their master. So ve bands of Aram came no more into the land of 24 Israel. But afterward Ben-hadad King of Aram gathered all 25 his hoste, and went vp, and besieged Samaria. So there was a great famine in Samaria: for loe, they besieged it vntill an asses head was at foure score pieces of siluer, and the fourth 26 part of a kab of doues doung at five pieces of silver. And as the King of Israel was going vpon the wall, there cryed a woman 27 vnto him, saying, Helpe, my lord, O King. And he said, Seeing the Lord doeth not succour thee, howe shoulde I helpe thee 28 with the barne, or with the wine presse? Also the King said vnto her, What ayleth thee? And she answered, This woman sayde vnto me. Giue thy sonne, that we may eate him to day. 29 and we will eate my sonne to morowe. So we sod my sonne, and did eate him: and I saide to her the day after, Giue thy 30 sonne, that we may eate him, but she hath hid her sonne. And when the King had heard the wordes of the woman, he rent his clothes, (and as he went vpon the wall, the people looked, and 31 behold, he had sackecloth within vpon his flesh) And he saide, God doe so to me and more also, if the head of Elisha the sonne 32 of Shaphat shall stande on him this day. (Nowe Elisha sate in his house, and the Elders sate with him.) And the King sent a man before him: but before the messenger came to him, he saide to the Elders, See ye not howe this murtherers sonne hath sent to take away mine head? take heede when the messenger commeth, and shut the doore and handle him roughly at the doore: is not the sounde of his masters feete behinde him? While he yet talked with them, beholde, the messenger 33 came downe vnto him, and saide, Behold, this euill commeth of the Lord: should I attende on the Lord any longer?

Then Elisha saide, Heare ye the worde of the Lord: thus 7 saith the Lord, To morowe this time a measure of fine floure shalbe solde for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel in the gate of Samaria. Then a prince, on whose hande 2 the King leaned, answered the man of God, and saide, Though the Lord would make windowes in the heauen, could this thing come to passe? And he said, Beholde, thou shalt see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not eate thereof. Nowe there were 3 foure leprous men at the entring in of the gate: and they saide one to an other, Why sitte we here vntill we die? If we say, 4 We will enter into the citie, the famine is in the citie, and we shall die there: and if we sit here, we dye also. Nowe therefore come, and let vs fall into the campe of the Aramites: if they saue our liues, we shall liue: and if they kill vs, we are but dead. So they rose up in the twilight, to goe to the campe of 5 the Aramites: and when they were come to the vtmost part of the campe of the Aramites, loe, there was no man there. For the Lord had caused the campe of the Aramites to heare a 6 noyse of charets and a noise of horses, and a noise of a great armie, so that they sayde one to another, Beholde, the King of Israel hath hired against vs the Kings of the Hittites, and the Kings of the Egyptians to come vpon vs. Wherefore they arose, 7 and fled in the twilight, and left their tentes and their horses, and their asses, euen the campe as it was, and fledde for their liues. And when these lepers came to the vtmost part of the 8 campe, they entred into one tent, and did eate and drinke, and caryed thence siluer and golde, and raiment, and went and hid it: after they returned, and entred into another tent, and caryed thence also, and went and hid it. Then saide one to 9 another, We doe not well: this day is a day of good tidings, and we holde our peace. if we tary till day light, some mischiefe will come vpon vs. Nowe therefore, come, let vs goe, and tell the Kings housholde. So they came, and called vnto the porters of 10 the citie, and tolde them, saying, We came to the campe of the Aramites, and loe, there was no man there, neither voyce of

man, but horses tyed and asses tyed: and the tents are as they 11 were. And the porters cryed and declared to the Kings house 12 within. Then the King arose in the night, and saide vnto his seruants, I wil shew you now, what the Aramites haue done vnto vs. They know that we are affamished, therefore they are gone out of the campe to hide them selues in the fielde, saying, When they come out of the citie, we shall catch them aliue, and 13 get into the citie. And one of his seruants answered, and said, Let me take now fiue of the horses that remaine, and are left in the citie, (behold, they are euen as all the multitude of Israel that are left therein: beholde, I say, they are as the multitude of the Israelites that are consumed) and we wil send to see. So they tooke two charets of horses, and the King sent after the 15 hoste of the Aramites, saying, Goe and see. And they went after them vnto Iorden, and loe, all the way was full of clothes and vessels which the Aramites had cast from them in their 16 hast: and the messengers returned, and told ve King. Then the people went out and spoyled the campe of the Aramites: so a measure of fine floure was at a shekel, and two measures of 17 barley at a shekel according to the word of the Lord. And the King gaue the prince (on whose hande he leaned) the charge of the gate, and the people trode vpon him in the gate, and he dved, as the man of God had saide, which spake it, when the 18 King came downe to him. And it came to passe, as the man of God had spoken to the King, saying, Two measures of barley at a shekel, and a measure of fine floure shall be at a shekel, 19 to morowe about this time in the gate of Samaria. prince had answered the man of God, and saide, Though the Lord would make windowes in the heauen, coulde it come so to passe? And he said, Behold, thou shalt see it with thine eyes, 20 but thou shalt not eate thereof. And so it came vnto him: for the people trode vpon him in the gate, and he dyed.

Then spake Elisha vnto the woman, whose sonne he had restored to life, saying, Vp, and goe, thou, and thine house, and soiourne where thou canst soiourne: for the Lord hath called for a famine, and it commeth also vpon the land seuen yeeres. And the woman arose, and did after the saying of the man of God, and went both shee and her housholde and soiourned in the lande of the Philistims seuen yeeres. And at the seuen yeeres ende, the woman returned out of the lande

of the Philistims, and went out to call vpon the King for her house and for her land. And the King talked with Gehazi 4 the seruant of the man of God, saving, Tell mee, I pray thee, all the great actes, that Elisha hath done. And as he told 5 the King, howe he had restored one dead to life, behold, the woman, whose sonne he had raised to life, called vpon the King for her house and for her land. Then Gehazi sayd, My lorde, O King, this is the woman, and this is her sonne, whom Elisha restored to life. And when the King asked the woman, shee 6 told him: so the King appoynted her an Eunuch, saving, Restore thou all that are hers, and all the fruites of her landes since the day shee left the land, euen vntill this time. Then 7 Elisha came to Damascus, and Ben-hadad the King of Aram was sicke, and one told him, saying, The man of God is come And the king sayd vnto Hazael, Take a present in 8 thine hande, and goe meete the man of God, that thou mayest inquire of ye Lord by him, saying, Shall I recouer of this disease? So Hazael went to meete him, and tooke the present 9 in his hand, and of euery good thing of Damascus, euen the burden of fourtie camels, and came and stood before him, and sayde, Thy sonne Ben-hadad King of Aram hath sent me to thee, saying, Shall I recouer of this disease? And Elisha sayd 10 to him, Goe, and say vnto him, Thou shalt recouer: howbeit the Lord hath shewed me, that he shall surely dye. And hee 11 looked vpon him stedfastly, till Hazael was ashamed, and the man of God wept. And Hazael sayde, Why weepeth my lord? 12 And he answered, Because I knowe the euill that thou shalt do vnto the children of Israel: for their strong cities shalt thou set on fire, and their yong men shalt thou slay with the sworde, and shalt dash their infantes against the stones, and rent in pieces their women with child. Then Hazael said, What? is 13 thy seruant a dog, that I should doe this great thing? And Elisha answered, The Lord hath shewed mee, that thou shalt be King of Aram. So he departed from Elisha, and came to his 14 master, who said to him, What saide Elisha to thee? And he answered, Hee tolde mee that thou shouldest recouer. And 15 on the morow he tooke a thick cloth and dipt in it water, and spread it on his face, and hee dved: and Hazael reigned in his stead. Now in the fift yere of Ioram ye sonne of Ahab King of 16 Israel, and of Iehoshaphat King of Iudah, Iehoram the sonne of

17 Iehoshaphat King of Iudah began to reigne. He was two and thirtie yere olde, when he began to reigne: and hee reigned 18 eight yeere in Ierusalem. And hee walked in the wayes of the Kings of Israel, as did the house of Ahab: for the daughter of Ahab was his wife, and hee did euill in the sight of the Lord. 19 Yet the Lord would not destroy Iudah, for Dauid his seruants sake, as he had promised him to give him a light, and to his 20 children for euer. In those dayes Edom rebelled from vnder 21 the hand of Iudah, and made a King ouer themselues. Therefore Ioram went to Zair, and all his charets with him, and he arose by night, and smote the Edomites which were about him with the captains of the charets, and the people fled into their 22 tents. So Edom rebelled from vnder the hand of Iudah vnto 23 this day, then Libnah rebelled at that same time. Concerning the rest of the actes of Ioram and all that hee did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? 24 And Ioram slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the citie of Dauid. And Ahaziah his sonne reigned in 25 his stead. In the twelft yere of Ioram the sonne of Ahab King of Israel did Ahaziah the sonne of Iehoram King of Iudah begin 26 to reigne. Two and twentie veere olde was Ahaziah when he began to reigne, and he reigned one yere in Ierusalem, and his mothers name was Athaliah the daughter of Omri King of Is-27 rael. And he walked in the way of the house of Ahab, and did euill in the sight of the Lord, like the house of Ahab: for hee 28 was the sonne in law of the house of Ahab. And he went with Ioram the sonne of Ahab to warre against Hazael King of Aram 29 in Ramoth Gilead, and the Aramites smote Ioram. And King Ioram returned to bee healed in Izreel of the wounds which ye Aramites had giuen him at Ramah, whe he fought against Hazael King of Aram. And Ahaziah the sonne of Iehoram King of Iudah went downe to see Ioram the sonne of Ahab in Izreel, because he was sicke.

9 Then Elisha the Prophet called one of ye children of the Prophets, and sayde vnto him, Gird thy loynes and take this 2 boxe of oyle in thine hand and get thee to Ramoth Gilead. And when thou commest thither, looke where is Iehu ye sonne of Iehoshaphat, the sonne of Nimshi, and go, and make him arise vp from among his brethren, and leade him to a secret chamber. Then take the boxe of oyle and powre it on his head, and

say, Thus sayth the Lord, I have anointed thee for King ouer Israel. then open the doore, and flee without any tarying. So the 4 seruat of ye Prophet gate him to Ramoth Gilead. And when 5 he came in, behold, the captaines of the armie were sitting. And he sayde, I have a message to thee, O captaine. And Iehu sayd, Vnto which of all vs? And he answered, To thee, O captaine. And he arose, and went into the house, and he powred 6 the ovle on his head and sayde vnto him. Thus sayth the Lord God of Israel, I have anointed thee for King over the people of the Lord, euen ouer Israel. And thou shalt smite the house of 7 Ahab thy master, that I may auenge the blood of my seruants the Prophets, and the blood of al the seruants of the Lord of the hand of Iezebel. For the whole house of Ahab shalbe de- 8 stroied: and I will cut off from Ahab, him that maketh water against the wall, as well him that is shut vp, as him that is left in Israel. And I will make the house of Ahab like the house 9 of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the sonne of Ahiiah. And the dogges shall eate Iezebel in the 10 fielde of Izreel, and there shalbe none to burie her. And he opened the doore, and fled. Then Iehu came out to the seru- 11 ants of his lord. And one sayd vnto him, Is all well? wherefore came this mad fellowe to thee? And hee sayde vnto them, Ye knowe the man, and what his talke was. And they sayde, It 12 is false, tell vs it nowe. Then he sayd, Thus and thus spake he to me, saying, Thus saieth the Lord, I have anointed thee for King ouer Israel. Then they made haste, and tooke eu- 13 erie man his garment, and put it vnder him on the top of the staires, and blewe the trumpet, saving, Iehu is King. So Iehu 14 ye sonne of Iehoshaphat the sonne of Nimshi conspired against Ioram: (Now Ioram kept Ramoth Gilead, he and all Israel, because of Hazael King of Aram. And King Ioram returned to 15 bee healed in Izreel of the woundes, which the Aramites had giuen him, when hee fought with Hazael King of Aram) and Iehu sayde, If it be your mindes, let no man depart and escape out of the citie, to goe and tell in Izreel. So Iehu gate 16 vp into a charet, and went to Izreel: for Ioram lay there, and Ahaziah King of Iudah was come downe to see Ioram. And the 17 watchman that stoode in the towre in Izreel spyed the companie of Iehu as hee came, and sayd, I see a companie. And Iehoram said. Take a horseman and send to meete them, that

18 hee may say, Is it peace? So there went one on horseback to meete him, and sayde, Thus sayth the King, Is it peace? And Iehu sayd, What hast thou to do with peace? Turne behinde me. And the watchman tolde, saying, The messenger came to 19 them, but he commeth not againe. Then hee sent out another on horsebacke, which came to them, and sayde, Thus sayth the King, Is it peace? And Iehu answered, What hast thou to doe 20 with peace? turne behinde me. And the watchman tolde, saying, He came to them also, but commeth not againe, and the marching is like the marching of Iehu the sonne of Nimshi: for 21 he marcheth furiously. Then Iehoram sayd, Make ready: and his charet was made ready. And Iehoram King of Israel and Ahaziah King of Iudah went out eyther of them in his charet against Iehu, and met him in the fielde of Naboth the Izreel-22 ite. And when Iehoram sawe Iehu, he sayde, Is it peace, Iehu? And he answered, What peace? whiles the whoredomes of thy mother lezebel, and her witchcraftes are vet in great nomber? 23 Then Iehoram turned his hand, and fled, and said to Ahaziah, 24 O Ahaziah, there is treason. But Iehu tooke a bowe in his hande, and smote Iehoram betweene the shoulders, that the arowe went through his heart: and he fell downe in his charet. 25 Then said Iehu to Bidkar a captaine, Take, and cast him in some place of the fielde of Naboth the Izreelite: for I remember that when I and thou rode together after Ahab his father, the 26 Lord layed this burden vpon him. Surely I haue seene yesterday the blood of Naboth, and the blood of his sonnes, saide the Lord, and I will render it thee in this fielde, saith the Lord: nowe therefore take and cast him in the fielde, according to the 27 word of the Lord. But when Ahaziah the King of Iudah saw this, he fled by the way of the garden house: And Iehu pursued after him, and sayd, Smite him also in the charet: and they smote him in the going vp to Gur, which is by Ibleam. And 28 hee fled to Megiddo, and there dyed. And his seruants caried him in a charet to Ierusalem, and buried him in his sepulchre 29 with his fathers in the citie of Dauid. And in the eleuenth yere of Ioram the sonne of Ahab, began Ahaziah to reigne ouer 30 Iudah. And when Iehu was come to Izreel, Iezebel heard of it, and painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out 31 at a windowe. And as Iehu entred at the gate, shee sayde, 32 Had Zimri peace, which slewe his master? And he lift vp his eyes to the windowe, and sayd, Who is on my side, who? Then two or three of her Eunuches looked vnto him. And he sayde, 33 Cast her downe: and they cast her downe, and hee sprinkled of her blood vpon the wall, and vpon the horses, and he trode her vnder foote. And when he was come in, he did eate and 34 drinke, and sayde, Visite now yonder cursed woman, and burie her: for she is a Kings daughter. And they went to burie her, 35 but they foud no more of her, then the skull and the feete, and the palmes of her handes. Wherefore they came agayne and 36 tolde him. And he said, This is the worde of the Lord, which he spake by his seruant Eliiah the Tishbite, saying, In the fielde of Izreel shall ye dogs eate the flesh of Iezebel. And the carkeis 37 of Iezebel shalbe as doung vpon the ground in the field of Izreel, so that none shall say. This is Iezebel.

Ahab had nowe seuentie sonnes in Samaria. And Iehu wrote 10 letters, and sent to Samaria vnto the rulers of Izreel, and to the Elders, and to the bringers vp of Ahabs children, to this effect. Nowe when this letter commeth to you, (for ye haue with 2 you your masters sonnes, yee haue with you both charets and horses, and a defenced citie, and armour) Consider therefore 3 which of your masters sonnes is best and most meete, and set him on his fathers throne, and fight for your masters house. But they were exceedingly afraid, and saide, Behold two Kings 4 coulde not stande before him, how shall we then stand? And 5 he that was gouernour of Ahabs house, and he that ruled the citie, and the Elders, and the bringers vp of the children sent to Iehu, saying, We are thy seruants, and will doe all that thou shalt bid vs: we will make no King: do what seemeth good to Then he wrote another letter to them, saying, If ye be 6 mine, and wil obey my voyce, take the heads of ye men that are your masters sonnes, and come to me to Izreel by to morowe this time. (Nowe the Kings sonnes, euen seuentie persons were with the great men of the citie, which brought them vp) And 7 when the letter came to them, they tooke the Kings sonnes, and slewe the seuentie persons, and layde their heads in baskets, and sent them vnto him to Izreel. Then there came a mes- 8 senger and tolde him, saying, They have brought the heads of the Kings sonnes. And he sayd, Let them lay them on two heapes at the entring in of the gate vntil the morning. And 9 when it was day, he went out, and stood and sayd to all the

people, Ye be righteous: behold, I conspired against my mas-10 ter, and slew him: but who slew all these? Knowe nowe that there shall fall vnto the earth nothing of the word of the Lord, which the Lord spake concerning the house of Ahab: for the Lord hath brought to passe the things that hee spake by his 11 seruant Eliiah. So Iehu slew al that remained of the house of Ahab in Izreel, and all that were great with him, and his familiars and his priestes, so that he let none of his remaine. 12 And he arose, and departed and came to Samaria. And as Iehu was in the way by an house where the shepheards did 13 shere, He met with the brethre of Ahaziah king of Iudah, and sayd, Who are ye? And they answered, We are the brethren of Ahaziah, and goe downe to salute the children of the King and 14 the children of the Queene. And he sayde, Take them aliue. And they tooke them aliue, and slew them at the well beside the house where the sheepe are shorne, euen two and fourtie 15 men, and he left not one of them. And when he was departed thence, hee met with Iehonadab the sonne of Rechab comming to meete him, and he blessed him, and sayde to him, Is thine heart vpright, as mine heart is towarde thine? And Iehonadab answered, Yea, doubtlesse. Then give me thine hande. And when he had given him his hande, he tooke him vp to him into 16 the charet. And he sayde, Come with me, and see the zeale that I have for the Lord: so they made him ride in his charet. 17 And when he came to Samaria, he slew all that remained vnto Ahab in Samaria, till he had destroyed him, according to the 18 worde of the Lord, which he spake to Eliiah. Then Iehu assembled all the people, and savd vnto them, Ahab serued Baal 19 a litle, but Iehu shall serue him much more. Now therefore call vnto me all ye prophets of Baal, all his seruants, and all his priests, and let not a man be lacking: for I have a great sacrifice for Baal: whosoeuer is lacking, he shall not liue. But 20 Iehu did it by a subtiltie to destroy ye seruats of Baal. And Iehu sayd, Proclaime a solemne assemblie for Baal. And they 21 proclaimed it. So Iehu sent vnto all Israel, and all the seruants of Baal came, and there was not a man left that came not. And they came into the house of Baal, and the house of Baal 22 was full from ende to ende. Then he said vnto him that had the charge of the vestrie, Bring forth vestments for al the seru-23 ants of Baal. And he brought the out vestments. And when Iehu went, and Iehonadab the sonne of Rechab into the house of Baal, he sayde vnto the seruants of Baal, Searche diligently, and looke, lest there be here with you any of the seruants of the Lord, but the seruants of Baal only. And when they went 24 in to make sacrifice and burnt offering, Iehu appoynted foure score men without, and sayd, If any of the men whome I haue brought into your hands, escape, his soule shalbe for his soule. And when hee had made an ende of the burnt offring, Iehu 25 sayde to the garde, and to the captaines, Goe in, slay them, let not a man come out. And they smote them with the edge of the sworde. And the garde, and the captaines cast them out, and went vnto the citie, where was the temple of Baal. And they 26 brought out the images of the temple of Baal, and burnt them. And they destroyed the image of Baal, and threwe downe the 27 house of Baal, and made a iakes of it vnto this day. So Iehu 28 destroyed Baal out of Israel. But from the sinnes of Ieroboam 29 the sonne of Nebat which made Israel to sinne, Iehu departed not from them, neither from the golden calues that were in Beth-el and that were in Dan. And the Lord sayde vnto Iehu, 30 Because thou hast diligently executed that which was right in mine eyes, and hast done vnto the house of Ahab according to all things that were in mine heart, therefore shall thy sonnes vnto the fourth generation sit on the throne of Israel. Iehu regarded not to walke in the law of the Lord God of Israel with all his heart: for hee departed not from the sinnes of Ieroboam, which made Israel to sinne. In those dayes the Lord 32 began to lothe Israel, and Hazael smote them in all the coastes of Israel, From Iorden Eastward, euen all the land of Gilead, 33 the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and them that were of Manasseh, from Aroer (which is by the riuer Arnon) and Gilead and Bashan. Concerning the rest of the actes of Iehu, and all that 34 he did, and all his valiant deedes, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel? And Iehu slept 35 with his fathers, and they buryed him in Samaria, and Iehoahaz his sonne reigned in his stead. And the time that Iehu 36 reigned ouer Israel in Samaria is eight and twentie yeeres.

Then Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah when she saw that 11 her sonne was dead, she arose, and destroyed all the Kings seede. But Iehosheba the daughter of King Ioram, and sister 2 to Ahaziah tooke Ioash the sonne of Ahaziah, and stale him

from among the Kings sonnes that shoulde be slaine, both him and his nource, keeping them in the bed chaber, and they hid 3 him from Athaliah, so that he was not slaine. And he was with her hid in the house of the Lord sixe yeere: and Athaliah 4 did reigne ouer the land. And the seuenth yeere Iehoiada sent and tooke the captaines ouer hundreths, with other captaines and them of the garde, and caused them to come vnto him into the house of the Lord, and made a couenant with them, and tooke an othe of them in the house of the Lord, and shewed 5 them the Kings sonne. And he commanded them, saying, This is it that ye must doe, The third part of you, that commeth on 6 the Sabbath, shall warde towarde the Kings house: And another third part in the gate of Sur: and another thirde part in the gate behinde them of the garde: and ye shall keepe watche 7 in the house of Massah. And two parts of you, that is, all that goe out on the Sabbath day, shall keepe the watch of the house 8 of the Lord about the King. And ye shall compasse the King rounde about, euery man with his weapon in his hande, and whosoeuer commeth within the ranges, let him be slayne: be 9 you with the King, as he goeth out and in. And the captaines of the hundreths did according to all that Iehoiada the Priest commaded, and they tooke euery man his men that entred in to their charge on the Sabbath with them that went out of it 10 on the Sabbath, and came to Iehoiada the Priest. Priest gaue to the captaines of hundreths the speares and the shieldes that were King Dauids, and were in the house of the 11 Lord. And the garde stoode, euery man with his weapon in his hande, from the right side of the house to the left side, about 12 the altar and about the house, round about the King. Then he brought out the Kings sonne, and put the crowne vpon him and gaue him the Testimonie, and they made him King: also they anoynted him, and clapt their handes, and sayde, God saue the 13 King. And when Athaliah heard the noyse of the running of the people, shee came in to the people in the house of the Lord. 14 And when shee looked, beholde, the King stoode by a pillar, as the maner was, and the princes and the trumpetters by the King, and al the people of the land reioyced, and blew with trumpets. Then Athaliah rent her clothes, and cryed, Treason, 15 treason. But Iehoiada the Priest commanded the captaines of the hundreths that had the rule of the hoste, and sayde vnto

them, Haue her forth of the ranges, and he that followeth her, let him die by the sworde: for the Priest had sayd, Let her not be slaine in the house of the Lord. Then they laid hands on 16 her, and she went by the way, by the which the horses goe to the house of the King, and there was she slaine. And Iehoiada 17 made a couenant betweene the Lord, and the King and the people, that they should be the Lordes people: likewise betweene the King and the people. Then all the people of the lande went 18 into the house of Baal, and destroyed it with his altars, and his images brake they downe courageously, and slewe Mattan the Priest of Baal before the altars: and the Priest set a garde ouer the house of the Lord. Then he tooke the captaines of 19 hudreths, and the other captaines, and the garde, and all the people of the lande: and they brought the King from the house of the Lord, and came by the way of the gate of the garde to the Kings house: and he sate him downe on the throne of the Kings. And all the people of the land rejoyced, and the citie 20 was in quiet: for they had slaine Athaliah with the sworde beside the Kings house. Seuen yeere olde was Iehoash when he 21 began to reigne.

In the seuenth yere of Iehu Iehoash began to reigne, and 12 reigned fourty yeres in Ierusalem, and his mothers name was Zibiah of Beer-sheba. And Iehoash did that which was good 2 in the sight of the Lord all his time that Iehoiada the Priest taught him. But the hie places were not taken away: for the 3 people offred yet and burnt incense in the hie places. Iehoash sayde to the Priestes, All the siluer of dedicate things that bee brought to the house of the Lord, that is, the money of them that are vnder the count, the money that euery man is set at, and all the money that one offereth willingly, and bringeth into the house of the Lord, Let the Priestes take it 5 to them, euery man of his acquaintance: and they shall repaire the broken places of the house, wheresoeuer any decay is founde. Yet in the three and twentieth yeere of King Iehoash 6 the Priestes had not mended that which was decayed in the Temple. Then King Iehoash called for Iehoiada the Priest, 7 and the other Priestes, and sayd vnto them, Why repaire yee not the ruines of the Temple? nowe therefore receive no more money of your acquaintance, except yee deliuer it to repaire the ruines of the Temple. So the Priestes consented to receive 8

no more money of the people, neither to repaire the decayed 9 places of the Temple. Then Iehoiada the Priest tooke a chest and bored an hole in the lid of it, and set it beside the altar, on the right side, as euery man commeth into the Temple of the Lord. And the Priestes that kept the doore, put therein all the 10 money that was brought into the house of the Lord. And when they sawe there was much money in the chest, the Kinges Secretarie came vp and the hie Priest, and put it vp after that they had tolde the money that was found in the house of the 11 Lord, And they gaue the money made readie into the handes of them, that vndertooke the worke, and that had the ouersight of the house of the Lord; and they payed it out to the carpenters and builders that wrought vpon the house of the Lord, 12 And to the masons and hewers of stone, and to bye timber and hewed stone, to repayre that was decayed in the house of the Lord, and for all that which was layed out for the reparation of 13 the Temple. Howbeit there was not made for the house of the Lord bowles of siluer, instruments of musicke, basons, trumpets, nor any vessels of golde, or vessels of siluer of the money 14 that was brought into the house of the Lord. But they gaue it to the workemen, which repayred therewith the house of the 15 Lord. Moreouer, they reckoned not with the men, into whose handes they deliuered that money to be bestowed on worke-16 men: for they dealt faithfully. The money of the trespasse offring and the money of ye sinne offrings was not brought into 17 the house of the Lord: for it was the Priests. Then came vp Hazael King of Aram, and fought against Gath and tooke it, 18 and Hazael set his face to goe vp to Ierusalem. And Iehoash King of Iudah tooke all the halowed thinges that Iehoshaphat, and Iehoram, and Ahaziah his fathers Kings of Iudah had dedicated, and that he himselfe had dedicated, and all the golde that was found in the treasures of the house of the Lord and in the Kings house, and sent it to Hazael King of Aram, and 19 he departed from Ierusalem. Concerning the rest of the acts of Ioash and all that he did, are they not written in the booke 20 of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? And his seruants arose and wrought treason, and slewe Ioash in the house of 21 Millo, when he came downe to Silla: Euen Iozachar the sonne of Shimeath, and Iehozabad the sonne of Shomer his seruants smote him, and he dyed: and they buried him with his fathers

in the citie of Dauid. And Amaziah his sonne reigned in his stead.

In the three and twentieth yeere of Ioash the sonne of Ahaziah 13 King of Iudah, Iehoahaz the sonne of Iehu began to reigne ouer Israel in Samaria, and he reigned seuenteene yeere. he did euil in the sight of the Lord, and followed the sinnes of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, which made Israel to sinne, and departed not therefrom. And the Lord was angry with 3 Israel, and deliuered them into the hand of Hazael King of Aram, and into the hand of Ben-hadad the sonne of Hazael, all And Iehoahaz besought the Lord, and the Lord 4 heard him: for he saw the trouble of Israel, wherewith the King of Aram troubled them. (And the Lord gaue Israel a 5 deliuerer, so that they came out from vnder the subjection of the Aramites. And the children of Israel dwelt in their tents as before time. Neuerthelesse they departed not from the sinnes 6 of the house of Ieroboam which made Israel sinne, but walked in them, even the group also remayned still in Samaria) For 7 he had left of the people to Iehoahaz but fiftie horsemen, and tenne charets, and tenne thousand footemen, because the King of Aram had destroyed them, and made them like dust beaten to pouder. Concerning the rest of the actes of Iehoahaz and 8 all that he did, and his valiant deedes, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel? And Iehoa- 9 haz slept with his fathers, and they buried him in Samaria, and Ioash his sonne reigned in his steade. In the seuen and 10 thirtieth yere of Ioash King of Iudah began Iehoash the sonne of Iehoahaz to reigne ouer Israel in Samaria, and reigned sixteene yeere, And did euil in the sight of the Lord: for he de- 11 parted not from all the sinnes of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat that made Israel to sinne, but he walked therein. Concern- 12 ing the rest of the actes of Ioash and all that he did, and his valiant deedes, and how he fought against Amaziah King of Iudah, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel? And Ioash slept with his fathers, and Ier- 13 oboam sate vpon his seate: and Ioash was buryed in Samaria among the Kings of Israel. When Elisha fell sicke of his sick- 14 enesse whereof he dyed, Ioash the King of Israel came downe vnto him, and wept vpon his face, and sayd, O my father, my father, the charet of Israel, and the horsemen of the same. Then 15

Elisha sayde vnto him, Take a bowe and arrowes. And he tooke 16 vnto him bowe and arrowes. And he sayde to the King of Israel, Put thine hand vpon the bowe. And he put his hand 17 vpon it. And Elisha put his hands vpon the Kings hands, And saide, Open the windowe Eastward. And when he had opened it, Elisha said, Shoote. And he shot. And he sayd, Beholde the arrowe of the Lordes deliuerance and the arrowe of deliuerance against Aram: for thou shalt smite the Aramites in 18 Aphek, till thou hast consumed them. Againe he said, Take the arrowes. And he tooke them. And he sayde vnto the King of Israel, Smite the ground. And he smote thrise, and ceased. 19 Then the man of God was angry with him, and sayde, Thou shouldest haue smitten fiue or sixe times, so thou shouldest haue smitten Aram, till thou haddest consumed it, where nowe 20 thou shalt smite Aram but thrise. So Elisha dyed, and they buryed him. And certaine bandes of the Moabites came into 21 the land that yeere. And as they were burying a man, behold, they saw the souldiers: therfore they cast the man into the sepulchre of Elisha. And when the man was downe, and touched the bones of Elisha, he reuiued and stoode vpon his 22 feete. But Hazael King of Aram vexed Israel all the dayes of Therefore the Lord had mercy on them and pitied them, and had respect vnto them because of his couenant with Abraham, Izhak, and Iaakob, and would not destroy them, nei-24 ther cast he them from him as yet. So Hazael the King of Aram dyed: and Ben-hadad his sonne reigned in his stead. 25 Therefore Iehoash the sonne of Iehoahaz returned, and tooke out of the hand of Ben-hadad the sonne of Hazael the cities which he had taken away by warre out of the hand of Iehoahaz his father: for three times did Ioash beate him, and restored the cities vnto Israel.

The second yeere of Ioash sonne of Iehoahaz King of Israel reigned Amaziah the sonne of Ioash King of Iudah. He
was fiue and twentie yeere olde when he began to reigne, and
reigned nine and twentie yeere in Ierusalem, and his mothers name was Iehoadan of Ierusalem. And he did vprightly
in the sight of the Lord, yet not like Dauid his father, but did
according to all that Ioash his father had done. Notwithstanding the hie places were not taken away: for as yet the people
did sacrifice and burnt incense in the hie places. And when

the kingdome was confirmed in his hand, he slewe his seruants which had killed the King his father. But the children 6 of those that did slay him, he slewe not, according vnto that that is written in the booke of the Lawe of Moses, wherein the Lord commanded, saying, The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, nor the children put to death for the fathers: but euery man shall be put to death for his owne sinne. He 7 slew also of Edom in the valley of salt ten thousand, and tooke the citie of Sela by warre, and called the name thereof loktheel vnto this day. Then Amaziah sent messengers to Iehoash the 8 sonne of Iehoahaz, sonne of Iehu King of Israel, saving, Come, let vs see one another in the face. Then Iehoash the King of Is- 9 rael sent to Amaziah King of Iudah, saying, The thistle that is in Lebanon, sent to the cedar that is in Lebanon, saving, Giue thy daughter to my sonne to wife: and the wilde beast that was in Lebanon, went and trode downe the thistle. Because 10 thou hast smitten Edom, thine heart hath made thee proud: bragge of glory, and tary at home. why doest thou prouoke to thine hurt, that thou shouldest fall, and Iudah with thee? But Amaziah would not heare: therefore Iehoash King of Is- 11 rael went vp: and he and Amaziah King of Iudah sawe one another in the face at Beth-shemesh which is in Iudah. And 12 Iudah was put to the worse before Israel, and they fledde euery man to their tents. But Iehoash King of Israel tooke Amaziah 13 King of Iudah, the sonne of Iehoash the sonne of Ahaziah, at Beth-shemesh, and came to Ierusalem, and brake downe the wall of Ierusalem from the gate of Ephraim to the corner gate, foure hundreth cubites. And he tooke all the gold and siluer, 14 and all the vessels that were found in the house of the Lord. and in the treasures of the Kings house, and the children that were in hostage, and returned to Samaria. Concerning the 15 rest of the acts of Iehoash which he did and his valiant deedes. and how he fought with Amaziah King of Iudah, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel? And Iehoash slept with his fathers, and was buried at Samaria 16 among the Kings of Israel: and Ieroboam his sonne reigned in his stead. And Amaziah the sonne of Ioash King of Iu- 17 dah, liued after the death of Iehoash sonne of Iehoahaz King of Israel fifteene yeere. Concerning the rest of the actes of 18 Amaziah, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles

19 of the Kings of Iudah? But they wrought treason against him in Ierusalem, and he fled to Lachish, but they sent after him 20 to Lachish, and slewe him there. And they brought him on horses, and he was buried at Ierusalem with his fathers in the 21 citie of Dauid. Then all the people of Iudah tooke Azariah which was sixteene yeere olde, and made him King for his fa-22 ther Amaziah. He built Elath, and restored it to Iudah, after 23 that the King slept with his fathers. In the fifteenth yeere of Amaziah the sonne of Ioash King of Iudah, was Ieroboam the sonne of Ioash made King ouer Israel in Samaria, and reigned 24 one and fourtie yeere. And he did euill in the sight of the Lord: for he departed not from all the sinnes of Ieroboam the 25 sonne of Nebat, which made Israel to sinne. He restored the coast of Israel, from the entring of Hamath, vnto the Sea of the wildernesse, according to the worde of the Lord God of Israel, which he spake by his seruant Ionah the sonne of Amittai the 26 Prophet, which was of Gath Hepher. For the Lord saw the exceeding bitter affliction of Israel, so that there was none shutte 27 vp, nor any left, neyther yet any that could helpe Israel. Yet the Lord had not decreed to put out the name of Israel from vnder the heauen: therefore he preserued them by the hand of 28 Ieroboam the sonne of Ioash. Concerning the rest of the actes of Ieroboam, and all that he did, and his valiant deedes, and how he fought, and how he restored Damascus, and Hamath to Iudah in Israel, are they not written in the booke of the Chroni-29 cles of the Kings of Israel? So Ieroboam slept with his fathers, euen with the Kings of Israel, and Zachariah his sonne reigned in his steade.

In the seuen and twentieth yeere of Ieroboam King of Israel, began Azariah, sonne of Amaziah King of Iudah to reigne.

Sixteene yeere olde was he, when he was made King, and he reigned two and fiftie yeere in Ierusalem: and his mothers name was Iecholiah of Ierusalem. And he did vprightly in the sight of the Lord, according to all that his father Amaziah did. But the hie places were not put away: for the people yet offered, and burned incense in the hie places. And the Lord smote the King: and he was a leper vnto the day of his death, and dwelt in an house apart, and Iotham the kings sonne gouerned the house, and iudged the people of the land.

Concerning the rest of the actes of Azariah, and all that he

did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? So Azariah slept with his fathers, and they 7 buryed him with his fathers in the citie of Dauid, and Iotham his sonne reigned in his stead. In the eyght and thirtieth 8 yeere of Azariah King of Iudah did Zachariah the sonne of Ieroboam reigne ouer Israel in Samaria sixe moneths, And did 9 euill in the sight of the Lord, as did his fathers: for he departed not from the sinnes of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat. which made Israel to sinne. And Shallum the sonne of Iabesh 10 cospired against him, and smote him in the sight of the people, and killed him, and reigned in his stead. Concerning the rest 11 of the actes of Zachariah, behold, they are written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel. This was the word of 12 the Lord, which he spake vnto Iehu, saving, Thy sonnes shall sit on the throne of Israel vnto the fourth generation after thee. And it came so to passe. Shallum the sonne of Iabesh began 13 to reigne in the nine and thirtieth veere of Vzziah King of Iudah: and he reigned the space of a moneth in Samaria. For 14 Menahem the sonne of Gadi went vp from Tirzah, and came to Samaria, and smote Shallum the sonne of Iabesh in Samaria, and slew him, and reigned in his stead. Cocerning the rest 15 of the acts of Shallum, and the treason which he wrought, beholde, they are written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel. Then Menahem destroyed Tiphsah, and all 16 that were therein, and the coastes thereof from Tirzah, because they opened not to him, and he smote it, and ript vp all their women with childe. The nine and thirtieth yeere of 17 Azariah King of Iudah, beganne Menahem the sonne of Gadi to reigne ouer Israel, and reigned ten yeeres in Samaria. And he 18 did euill in the sight of the Lord, and departed not all his dayes from the sinne of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, which made Israel to sinne. Then Pul the king of Asshur came against the 19 land: and Menahem gaue Pul a thousand talents of siluer, that his hande might bee with him, and establish the kingdome in And Menahem exacted the money in Israel, that 20 all men of substance shoulde give the King of Asshur fiftie shekels of siluer a piece: so the king of Asshur returned and taried not there in the land. Concerning the rest of the actes 21 of Menahem, and all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the kings of Israel? And Menahem 22

slept with his fathers, and Pekahiah his sonne did reigne in 23 his steade. In ye fiftieth yere of Azariah king of Iudah, began Pekahiah the sonne of Menahem to reigne ouer Israel in 24 Samaria, and reigned two yere. And he did euill in the sight of the Lord: for he departed not from the sinnes of Ieroboam the 25 sonne of Nebat, which made Israel to sinne. And Pekah the sonne of Remaliah, his captaine conspired against him, and smote him in Samaria in the place of the Kings palace with Argob and Arieh, and with him fiftie men of the Gileadites: so 26 he killed him, and reigned in his steade. Concerning the rest of the actes of Pekahiah, and all that he did, behold, they are written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel. 27 In the two and fiftieth yere of Azariah King of Iudah began Pekah the sonne of Remaliah to reigne ouer Israel in Samaria, 28 and reigned twentie yeere. And he did euil in the sight of the Lord: for he departed not from the sinnes of Ieroboam the 29 sonne of Nebat, that made Israel to sinne. In the dayes of Pekah king of Israel came Tiglath Pileser king of Asshur, and tooke Iion, and Abel, Beth-maachah, and Ianoah, and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Gilead, and Galilah, and all the land of Naph-30 tali, and caryed them away to Asshur. And Hoshea the sonne of Elah wrought treason against Pekah the sonne of Remaliah, and smote him, and slewe him, and reigned in his stead in 31 the twentieth yeere of Iotham the sonne of Vzziah. Concerning the rest of the actes of Pekah, and all that he did, behold, they are written in the booke of the Chronicles of the kings of In the second yere of Pekah the sonne of Remaliah King of Israel, began Iotham sonne of Vzziah King of Iudah to 33 reigne. Fiue and twentie yeere olde was he, when he began to reigne, and he reigned sixteene yeere in Ierusalem: and his 34 mothers name was Ierusha the daughter of Zadok. And hee did vprightly in the sight of the Lord: he did according to all 35 that his father Vzziah had done. But the hie places were not put away: for the people yet offered and burnt incense in the hie places: he buylt the hyest gate of the house of the Lord. 36 Concerning the rest of the acts of Iotham, and all that hee did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the kings 37 of Iudah? In those dayes the Lord began to send against Iudah Rezin the king of Aram, and Pekah the sonne of Remaliah. 38 And Iotham slept with his fathers, and was buryed with his

fathers in the citie of Dauid his father, and Ahaz his sonne reigned in his steade.

The seuenteenth veere of Pekah the sonne of Remaliah, Ahaz 16 the sonne of Iotham King of Iudah began to reigne. Twentie 2 yeere olde was Ahaz, when hee began to reigne, and he reigned sixteene yeere in Ierusalem, and did not vprightly in the sight of the Lord his God, like Dauid his father: But walked in 3 the way of ye kings of Israel, yea, and made his sonne to go through the fire, after the abominations of the heathen, whom the Lord had cast out before the children of Israel. Also he of-4 fred and burnt incense in the hie places and on the hilles, and vnder euery greene tree. Then Rezin king of Aram and Pekah 5 sonne of Remaliah King of Israel came vp to Ierusalem to fight: and they besieged Ahaz, but could not ouercome him. At the 6 same time Rezin king of Aram restored Elath to Aram, and droue the Iewes from Elath: so the Aramites came to Elath. and dwelt there vnto this day. Then Ahaz sent messengers to 7 Tiglath Pileser king of Asshur, saying, I am thy seruant and thy sonne: come vp. and deliuer me out of the hand of the king of Aram, and out of the hand of the King of Israel which rise vp against me. And Ahaz tooke the siluer and the golde that 8 was found in the house of the Lord, and in the treasures of the Kings house, and sent a present vnto the King of Asshur. And the King of Asshur consented vnto him: and the King of 9 Asshur went vp against Damascus. and when he had taken it, he caryed the people away to Kir, and slew Rezin. And King 10 Ahaz went vnto Damascus to meete Tiglath Pileser King of Asshur: and when King Ahaz sawe the altar that was at Damascus, he sent to Vriiah the Priest the paterne of the altar, and the facion of it, and all the workemanship thereof. And Vriiah 11 the Priest made an altar in al poyntes like to that which King Ahaz had sent from Damascus, so did Vriiah the Priest against King Ahaz came from Damascus. So when the King was come 12 from Damascus, the King sawe the altar: and the King drewe neere to the altar and offered thereon. And hee burnt his 13 burnt offering, and his meate offring, and powred his drinke offring, and sprinkled the blood of his peace offrings besides the altar, And set it by the brasen altar which was before the 14 Lord, and brought it in farther before the house betweene the altar and the house of the Lord, and set it on the North side of

15 the altar. And King Ahaz commanded Vriiah the Priest, and sayde, Vpon the great altar set on fire in the morning the burnt offring, and in the euen the meate offring, and the Kings burnt offring and his meate offering, with the burnt offring of all the people of the lande, and their meate offring, and their drinke offrings: and powre thereby all the blood of the burnt offring, and all the blood of the sacrifice, and the brasen altar shalbe 16 for me to inquire of God. And Vrijah the Priest did according 17 to all that King Ahaz had commanded. And King Ahaz brake the borders of the bases, and tooke the caldrons from off them, and tooke downe the sea from the brasen oxen that were vn-18 der it, and put it vpon a pauement of stones. And the vaile for the Sabbath (that they had made in the house) and the Kings entrie without turned he to the house of the Lord, be-19 cause of the King of Asshur. Concerning the rest of the actes of Ahaz, which he did, are they not written in the booke of the 20 Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and was burved with his fathers in the citie of Dauid, and Hezekiah his sonne reigned in his steade.

In the twelft yeere of Ahaz King of Iudah began Hoshea the 17 sonne of Elah to reigne in Samaria ouer Israel, and reigned 2 nine yeeres. And he did euill in the sight of the Lord, but 3 not as the Kinges of Israel, that were before him. And Shalmaneser king of Asshur came vp against him, and Hoshea be-4 came his seruant, and gaue him presents. And the King of Asshur founde treason in Hoshea: for he had sent messengers to So King of Egypt, and brought no present vnto the King of Asshur, as he had done veerely: therfore the king of Asshur 5 shut him vp, and put him in prison. Then the king of Asshur came vp throughout all the lande, and went against Samaria, 6 and besieged it three yeere. In the ninth yeere of Hoshea, the King of Asshur tooke Samaria, and caryed Israel away vnto Asshur, and put them in Halah, and in Habor by the river of 7 Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes. For when the children of Israel sinned against the Lord their God, which had brought them out of the land of Egypt, from vnder ye hand of 8 Pharaoh king of Egypt, and feared other gods, And walked according to the facions of the Heathen, whom the Lord had cast out before the children of Israel, and after the maners of the 9 Kings of Israel, which they vsed, And the children of Israel

had done secretly things that were not vpright before the Lord their God, and throughout all their cities had built hie places, both from the tower of the watch, to the defensed citie, And 10 had made them images and groues vpon euery hie hill, and vnder euery greene tree, And there burnt incense in all the 11 hie places, as did the heathen, whom the Lord had taken away before them, and wrought wicked things to anger the Lord, And serued idoles: whereof the Lord had sayd vnto them, Ye 12 shall do no such thing, Notwithstanding the Lord testified to 13 Israel, and to Iudah by all the Prophets, and by all the Seers, saving. Turne from your euill waves, and keepe my commandements and my statutes, according to all the Lawe, which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by my seruants the Prophets. Neuerthelesse they would not obey, but 14 hardened their neckes, like to the neckes of their fathers, that did not beleeue in the Lord their God. And they refused his 15 statutes and his couenant, that he made with their fathers, and his testimonies (wherewith he witnessed vnto them) and they followed vanitie, and became vaine, and followed the heathen that were round about them: concerning whome the Lord had charged them, that they should not do like them. nally they left all the commandements of the Lord their God, and made them molten images, euen two calues, and made a groue, and worshipped all the hoste of heauen, and serued Baal. And they made their sonnes and their daughters passe 17 thorowe the fire, and vsed witchcraft and inchantments, yea, solde them selues to doe euill in the sight of the Lord, to anger Therefore the Lord was exceeding wroth with Israel, 18 and put them out of his sight, and none was left but the tribe of Iudah onely. Yet Iudah kept not the commandements of the 19 Lord their God, but walked according to the facion of Israel, which they vsed. Therefore the Lord cast off all the seede of 20 Israel, and afflicted them, and deliuered them into the handes of spoylers, vntill he had cast them out of his sight. For he cut 21 off Israel from the house of Dauid, and they made Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat King: and Ieroboam drewe Israel away from following the Lord, and made them sinne a great sinne. For the 22 children of Israel walked in all the sinnes of Ieroboam, which he did, and departed not therefrom, Vntill the Lord put Israel 23 away out of his sight, as he had said by all his seruants the

Prophets, and caryed Israel away out of their land to Asshur 24 vnto this day. And the King of Asshur brought folke from Babel, and from Cuthah, and from Aua, and from Hamath, and from Sepharuaim, and placed them in the cities of Samaria in steade of the children of Israel: so they possessed Samaria, 25 and dwelt in the cities thereof. And at the beginning of their dwelling there, they feared not the Lord: therefore the Lord 26 sent lions among them, which slewe them. Wherefore they spake to the King of Asshur, saying, The nations which thou hast remoued, and placed in the cities of Samaria, knowe not the maner of the God of the land: therefore he hath sent lions among them, and behold, they slay them, because they knowe 27 not the maner of the God of the land. Then the King of Asshur commanded, saying, Carie thither one of the Priestes whome ye brought thence, and let him goe and dwell there, and teache 28 them the maner of the God of the countrey. So one of the Priestes, which they had carved from Samaria, came and dwelt in Beth-el, and taught them how they shoulde feare the Lord. 29 Howbeit euery nation made their gods, and put them in the houses of the hie places, which the Samaritanes had made, eu-30 ery nation in their cities, wherein they dwelt. For the men of Babel made Succoth-Benoth: and the men of Cuth made Ner-31 gal, and the men of Hamath made Ashima. And the Auims made Nibhaz, and Tartak: and the Sepharuims burnt their children in the fire to Adrammelech, and Anammelech the gods 32 of Sepharuaim. Thus they feared the Lord, and appoynted out Priestes out of them selues for the hie places, who prepared for 33 them sacrifices in the houses of the hie places. They feared the Lord, but serued their gods after the maner of the nations 34 whome they caryed thence. Vnto this day they doe after the olde maner: they neyther feare God, neyther doe after their ordinances, nor after their customes, nor after the Lawe, nor after the commandement, which the Lord commanded the chil-35 dren of Iaakob, whom he named Israel, And with whom the Lord had made a couenant, and charged them, saying, Feare none other gods, nor bowe your selues to them, nor serue them, 36 nor sacrifice to them: But feare the Lord which brought you out of the land of Egypt with great power, and a stretched out arme: him feare ye, and worshippe him, and sacrifice to him. 37 Also keepe ye diligently the statutes and the ordinances, and

the Lawe, and the commandement, which he wrote for you, that ye do them continually, and feare not other gods. And for- 38 get not the couenant that I haue made with you, neither feare ye other gods, But feare the Lord your God, and he will deli- 39 uer you out of the handes of all your enemies. Howbeit they 40 obeyed not, but did after their olde custome. So these nations 41 feared the Lord, and serued their images also: so did their children, and their childrens children: as did their fathers, so do they vnto this day.

Now in the third yeere of Hoshea, sonne of Elah King of Is- 18 rael. Hezekiah the sonne of Ahaz king of Iudah began to reigne. He was fiue and twentie yeere olde when he began to reigne, 2 and reigned nine and twenty yeere in Ierusalem. His mothers name also was Abi the daughter of Zachariah. And he did 3 vprightly in the sight of the Lord, according to all that Dauid his father had done. He tooke away the hie places, and brake 4 the images, and cut downe the groues, and brake in pieces the brasen serpent that Moses had made: for vnto those dayes the children of Israel did burne incense to it, and hee called it Nehushtan. He trusted in the Lord God of Israel: so that after 5 him was none like him among all the Kings of Iudah, neither were there any such before him. For he claue to the Lord, and 6 departed not from him, but kept his commandements, which the Lord had commanded Moses. So the Lord was with him, 7 and he prospered in all thinges, which he tooke in hande: also he rebelled against the King of Asshur, and serued him not. He smote the Philistims vnto Azzah, and the coastes thereof, 8 from the watch towre vnto the defensed citie. And in the 9 fourth yere of King Hezekiah, (which was the seuenth yeere of Hoshea sonne of Elah King of Israel) Shalmaneser King of Asshur came vp against Samaria, and besieged it. And after 10 three yeeres they tooke it, euen in the sixt yeere of Hezekiah: that is, the ninth yeere of Hoshea King of Israel was Samaria Then the King of Asshur did carry away Israel vnto 11 Asshur, and put them in Halah and in Habor, by the riuer of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes, Because they woulde 12 not obey the voyce of the Lord their God, but transgressed his couenant: that is, all that Moses the seruant of the Lord had commanded, and would neyther obey nor doe them. More- 13 ouer, in the fourteenth yeere of King Hezekiah, Saneherib King

of Asshur came vp against all the strong cities of Iudah, and 14 tooke them. Then Hezekiah King of Iudah sent vnto the King of Asshur to Lachish, saying, I have offended: depart from me, and what thou layest vpon me, I wil beare it. And the King of Asshur appoynted vnto Hezekiah King of Iudah three hu-15 dreth talents of siluer, and thirty talets of golde. Therefore Hezekiah gaue all the siluer that was found in the house of 16 the Lord, and in the treasures of the Kings house. At the same season did Hezekiah pul off the plates of the doores of the Temple of the Lord, and the pillars (which the sayd Hezekiah King of Iudah had couered ouer) and gaue them to the King 17 of Asshur. And the King of Asshur sent Tartan, and Rabsaris, and Rabshakeh from Lachish to King Hezekiah with a great hoste against Ierusalem. And they went vp, and came to Ierusalem, and when they were come vp, they stood by the conduite of the vpper poole, which is by the path of the fullers 18 fielde, And called to the King. Then came out to them Eliakim the sonne of Hilkiah, which was steward of the house, and Shebnah the chanceller, and Ioah the sonne of Asaph the 19 recorder. And Rabshakeh sayde vnto them, Tell ye Hezekiah, I pray you, Thus saith the great King, euen the great King of 20 Asshur, What confidence is this wherein thou trustest? Thou thinkest, Surely I have eloquence, but counsell and strength are for the warre. On whom then doest thou trust, that thou 21 rebellest against me? Lo, thou trustest now in this broken staffe of reede, to wit, on Egypt, on which if a man leane, it will goe into his hand, and pearce it: so is Pharaoh king of 22 Egypt vnto all that trust on him. But if ye say vnto me, We trust in the Lord our God, is not that he whose hie places, and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and hath sayd to Iudah and Ierusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar in 23 Ierusalem? Now therefore give hostages to my lord the King of Asshur, and I will give thee two thousand horses, if thou 24 be able to set riders vpon them. For how canst thou despise any captaine of the least of my masters seruants, and put thy 25 trust on Egypt for charets and horsemen? Am I now come vp without the Lord to this place, to destroy it? the Lord sayd to 26 me, Goe vp against this land, and destroy it. Then Eliakim the sonne of Hilkiah, and Shebnah, and Ioah said vnto Rabshakeh, Speake I pray thee, to thy seruants in the Aramites

language, for we vnderstand it, and talke not with vs in the Iewes tongue, in the audience of the people that are on the wall. But Rabshakeh saide vnto them, Hath my master sent 27 me to thy master and to thee to speake these words, and not to the men which sit on the wall, that they may eate their owne doung, and drinke their owne pisse with you? So Rabshakeh 28 stoode and cryed with a loude voyce in the Iewes language, and spake, saying, Heare the wordes of the great King, of the king of Asshur. Thus sayth the King, Let not Hezekiah de- 29 ceiue vou: for he shall not be able to deliuer vou out of mine Neither let Hezekiah make vou to trust in the Lord. 30 saying, The Lord will surely deliuer vs, and this citie shall not be given ouer into the hand of the king of Asshur. Hearken 31 not vnto Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Asshur, Make appointment with me, and come out to me, that euery man may eate of his owne vine, and euery man of his owne figge tree, and drinke euery man of the water of his owne well, Till 32 I come, and bring you to a land like your owne land, euen a land of wheate and wine, a land of bread and vineyardes, a lande of oliues oyle, and hony, that ye may liue and not die: and obey not Hezekiah, for he deceiueth you, saving, The Lord will deliuer vs. Hath any of the gods of the nations deliuered 33 his lande out of the hand of the King of Asshur? Where is 34 the god of Hamah, and of Arpad? where is the god of Sepharuaim, Hena and Iuah? how have they delivered Samaria out Who are they among all the gods of the na- 35 of mine hand? tions, that have delivered their lande out of mine hand, that the Lord should deliuer Ierusalem out of mine hand? But the 36 people helde their peace, and answered not him a worde: for the Kings commandement was, saying, Answere ye him not. Then Eliakim, the sonne of Hilkiah which was steward of the 37 house, and Shebnah the chanceller, and Ioah the sonne of Asaph the recorder came to Hezekiah with their clothes rent, and tolde him the wordes of Rabshakeh.

And when King Hezekiah heard it, he rent his clothes and 19 put on sackecloth, and came into the house of the Lord, And 2 sent Eliakim which was the stewarde of the house, and Shebnah the chanceller, and the Elders of the Priestes clothed in sackecloth to Isaiah the Prophet the sonne of Amoz. And 3 they said vnto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day is a day

of tribulation and of rebuke, and blasphemie: for the childre are come to the birth, and there is no strength to bring foorth. 4 If so be the Lord thy God hath heard all the wordes of Rabshakeh, whome the King of Asshur his master hath sent to raile on the liuing God, and to reproch him with wordes which the Lord thy God hath heard, then lift thou vp thy prayer for 5 the remnant that are left. So the seruants of King Hezekiah 6 came to Isaiah. And Isaiah said vnto them, So shall ye say to your master, Thus sayeth the Lord, Be not afraide of the words which thou hast heard, wherewith the seruants of the 7 king of Asshur haue blasphemed me. Beholde, I will sende a blast vpon him, and he shall heare a noyse, and returne to his owne lande: and I will cause him to fall by the sworde 8 in his owne lande. So Rabshakeh returned, and founde the King of Asshur fighting against Libnah: for he had heard that 9 he was departed from Lachish. He heard also men say of Tirhakah King of Ethiopia, Beholde, he is come out to fight against thee: he therefore departed and sent other messen-10 gers vnto Hezekiah, saying, Thus shall ye speake to Hezekiah King of Iudah, and say, Let not thy God deceive thee in whome thou trustest, saying, Ierusalem shall not be deliuered into 11 the hande of the King of Asshur. Beholde, thou hast heard what the Kings of Asshur haue done to all landes, how they 12 haue destroyed them: and shalt thou be deliuered? Haue the gods of the heathen deliuered them which my fathers haue destroyed? as Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of 13 Eden, which were in Thelasar? Where is the King of Hamath, and the King of Arpad, and the King of the citie of Shepharu-14 aim. Hena and Iuah? So Hezekiah received the letter of the hande of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went vp into the house of the Lord, and Hezekiah spread it before the And Hezekiah prayed before the Lord, and saide, O 15 Lord. Lord God of Israel, which dwellest betweene the Cherubims, thou art very God alone ouer all the kingdomes of the earth: 16 thou hast made the heaven and the earth. Lord, bow downe thine eare, and heare: Lord open thine eyes and behold, and heare the wordes of Saneherib, who hath sent to blaspheme 17 the liuing God. Trueth it is, Lord, that the Kings of Asshur 18 haue destroyed the nations and their landes, And haue set fire on their gods: for they were no gods, but the worke of mans hands, euen wood and stone: therefore they destroyed them. Nowe therefore, O Lord our God, I beseech thee, saue 19 thou vs out of his hande, that all the kingdomes of the earth may knowe, that thou, O Lord, art onely God. Then Isa- 20 iah the sonne of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, I have heard that which thou hast prayed me, concerning Saneherib King of Asshur. the worde that the Lord hath spoken against him, O Virgine, daughter of Zion, he hath despised thee, and laughed thee to scorne: O daughter of Ierusalem, he hath shaken his head at thee. Whome hast thou railed on? and whome hast thou blas- 22 phemed? and against whome hast thou exalted thy vovce, and lifted vp thine eyes on hie? euen against the Holie one of Israel. By thy messengers thou hast rayled on the Lord, and 23 said, By the multitude of my charets I am come vp to the toppe of the mountaines, by the sides of Lebanon, and will cut downe the hie cedars thereof, and the faire firre trees thereof, and I will goe into the lodging of his borders, and into the forest of his Carmel. I have digged, and drunke the waters of oth- 24 ers, and with the plant of my feete haue I dried all the floods closed in. Hast thou not heard, howe I have of olde time made 25 it, and haue formed it long ago? and should I nowe bring it, that it should be destroyed, and laid on ruinous heapes, as cities defensed? Whose inhabitants haue small power, and 26 are afraid, and confounded: they are like the grasse of the field, and greene herbe, or grasse on ye house toppes, or as corne blasted before it be growen. I knowe thy dwelling, yea, 27 thy going out, and thy comming in, and thy furie against me. And because thou ragest against me, and thy tumult is come 28 vp to mine eares, I will put mine hooke in thy nostrels, and my bridle in thy lippes, and will bring thee backe againe the same way thou camest. And this shalbe a signe vnto thee, O 29 Hezekiah, Thou shalt eate this yeere such things as growe of them selues, and the next yeere such as growe without sowing, and the third yeere sowe ye and reape, and plant vineyardes, and eate the fruites thereof. And the remnant that is escaped 30 of the house of Iudah, shall againe take roote downewarde, and beare fruite vpwarde. For out of Ierusalem shall goe a rem- 31 nant, and some that shall escape out of mount Zion: the zeale of the Lord of hostes shall doe this. Wherefore thus saith the 32 Lord, concerning the King of Asshur, He shall not enter into this citie, nor shoote an arrowe there, nor come before it with shield, nor cast a mount against it: But he shall returne the way he came, and shall not come into this citie, saith the Lord. For I will defende this citie to saue it for mine owne sake, and for Dauid my seruants sake. And the same night the Angell of the Lord went out and smote in the campe of Asshur an hundreth foure score and fiue thousande: so when they rose earely in the morning, behold, they were all dead corpses. So Saneherib King of Asshur departed, and went his way, and returned, and dwelt in Nineueh. And as he was in the Temple worshipping Nisroch his god, Adramelech and Sharezer his sonnes slewe him with the sworde: and they escaped into the land of Ararat, and Esarhaddon his sonne reigned in his steade.

About that time was Hezekiah sicke vnto death: and the 20 Prophet Isaiah the sonne of Amoz came to him, and said vnto him, Thus saith the Lord, Put thine house in an order: for thou 2 shalt die, and not liue. Then he turned his face to the wall, 3 and prayed to the Lord, saying, I beseech thee, O Lord, remember nowe, howe I have walked before thee in trueth and with a perfite heart, and haue done that which is good in thy 4 sight: and Hezekiah wept sore. And afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle of the court, the worde of the Lord came to 5 him, saying, Turne againe, and tell Hezekiah the captaine of my people, Thus saith the Lord God of Dauid thy father, I haue heard thy prayer, and seene thy teares: behold, I have healed thee, and ye third day thou shalt go vp to ye house of ye Lord, 6 And I wil adde vnto thy dayes fiftene yere, and wil deliuer thee and this citie out of the hand of the King of Asshur, and will defende this citie for mine owne sake, and for Dauid my seru-7 ats sake. Then Isaiah sayde, Take a lumpe of dry figges. And 8 they tooke it, and layed it on the boyle, and he recouered. For Hezekiah had saide vnto Isaiah, What shalbe the signe that the Lord will heale me, and that I shall goe vp into the house 9 of the Lord the thirde day? And Isaiah answered, This signe shalt thou have of the Lord, that the Lord will doe that he hath spoken, Wilt thou that the shadowe goe forwarde ten de-10 grees, or go backe ten degrees? And Hezekiah answered, It is a light thing for the shadowe to passe forward ten degrees:

not so then, but let ye shadow go backe ten degrees. And Isa- 11 iah the Prophet called vnto the Lord, and he brought againe the shadowe ten degrees backe by the degrees whereby it had gone downe in the diall of Ahaz. The same season Berodach 12 Baladan the sonne of Baladan King of Babel, sent letters and a present to Hezekiah: for he had heard howe that Hezekiah was sicke. And Hezekiah heard them, and shewed them all 13 his treasure house, to wit, the siluer, and the golde, and the spices, and the precious ovntment, and all the house of his armour, and al that was founde in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, and in all his realme, that Hezekiah shewed them not. Then Isaiah the Prophet came vnto King Hezekiah, 14 and saide vnto him, What saide these men? and from whence came they to thee? And Hezekiah said, They be come from a farre countrey, euen from Babel. Then saide he, What haue 15 they seene in thine house? And Hezekiah answered, All that is in mine house haue they seene: there is nothing among my treasures, that I have not shewed the. And Isaiah said vnto 16 Hezekiah, Heare the worde of the Lord. Beholde, the dayes 17 come, that all that is in thine house, and what so euer thy fathers have layed vp in store vnto this day, shall be carved into Babel: Nothing shall be left, saith the Lord. And of thy 18 sonnes, that shall proceede out of thee, and which thou shalt beget, shall they take away, and they shalbe eunuches in the palace of the King of Babel. Then Hezekiah said vnto Isa- 19 iah, The word of the Lord which thou hast spoken, is good: for saide he, Shall it not be good, if peace and trueth be in my dayes? Concerning the rest of the actes of Hezekiah, and all 20 his valiant deedes, and howe he made a poole and a cundite, and brought water into the citie, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? And Hezekiah 21 slept with his fathers: and Manasseh his sonne reigned in his steade.

Manasseh was twelue yeere olde when he began to reigne, 21 and reigned fiftie and fiue yeere in Ierusalem: his mothers name also was Hephzi-bah. And he did euill in the sight of the 2 Lord after the abomination of the heathen, whom the Lord had cast out before the children of Israel. For he went backe and 3 built the hie places, which Hezekiah his father had destroyed: and he erected vp altars for Baal, and made a groue, as did

Ahab King of Israel, and worshipped all the hoste of heauen 4 and served them. Also he built altars in the house of the Lord. of the which the Lord saide, In Ierusalem will I put my Name. 5 And he built altars for al the hoste of ye heauen in the two cour-6 tes of the house of the Lord. And he caused his sonnes to passe through the fire, and gaue him selfe to witchcraft and sorcerie, and he vsed them that had familiar spirits and were soothsayers, and did much euill in the sight of the Lord to anger And he set the image of the groue, that he had made, in the house, whereof ye Lord had saide to Dauid and to Salomon his sonne, In this house and in Ierusalem, which I haue chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, will I put my Name for 8 euer. Neither will I make the feete of Israel, mooue any more out of the lande, which I gaue their fathers: so that they will obserue and doe all that I have commanded them, and according to all the Lawe that my seruant Moses commanded them. 9 Yet they obeyed not, but Manasseh ledde them out of the way, to doe more wickedly then did the heathen people, whom the 10 Lord destroyed before the children of Israel. Therefore the 11 Lord spake by his seruants the Prophets, saying, Because that Manasseh King of Iudah hath done such abominations, and hath wrought more wickedly then al that the Amorites (which were before him) did, and hath made Iudah sinne also with his 12 idoles, Therefore thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Beholde, I will bring an euill vpon Ierusalem and Iudah, that who so 13 heareth of it, both his eares shall tingle. And I will stretch ouer Ierusalem the line of Samaria, and the plommet of the house of Ahab: and I will wipe Ierusalem, as a man wipeth 14 a dish, which he wipeth, and turneth it vpside downe. I will forsake the remnant of mine inheritance, and deliuer them into the hande of their enemies, and they shalbe robbed 15 and spoyled of all their aduersaries, Because they have done euil in my sight, and haue prouoked mee to anger, since the 16 time their fathers came out of Egypt vntill this day. ouer Manasseh shed innocent blood exceeding much, till hee replenished Ierusalem from corner to corner, beside his sinne wherwith he made Iudah to sinne, and to doe euill in the sight 17 of the Lord. Concerning the rest of the actes of Manasseh, and all that hee did, and his sinne that he sinned, are they not writ-18 ten in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? And Manasseh slept with his fathers, and was buried in the garden of his own house, euen in the garden of Vzza: and Amon his sonne reigned in his steade. Amon was two and twentie 19 yere olde, when he began to reigne, and hee reygned two yeere in Ierusalem: his mothers name also was Meshullemeth the daughter of Haruz of Iotbah. And he did euill in the sight of 20 the Lord, as his father Manasseh did. For hee walked in all 21 the way that his father walked in, and serued the idoles that his father serued, and worshipped them. And he forsooke the 22 Lord God of his fathers, and walked not in the way of the Lord. And the seruantes of Amon conspired against him, and slewe 23 the King in his owne house. And the people of the land slewe 24 all them that had conspired against King Amon, and the people made Iosiah his sonne King in his steade. Concerning the 25 rest of the actes of Amon, which he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? And they 26 buried him in his sepulchre in the garden of Vzza: and Iosiah his sonne reigned in his steade.

Iosiah was eight veere olde when he beganne to reigne, and 22 hee reigned one and thirtie yeere in Ierusalem. His mothers name also was Iedidah the daughter of Adaiah of Boz-And hee did vprightly in the sight of the Lord, and 2 walked in all the waves of Dauid his father, and bowed neither to the right hand, nor to the left. And in the eighteenth 3 yeere of King Iosiah, the King sent Shaphan the sonne of Azaliah the sonne of Meshullam the chanceller to ye house of the Lord, saying, Goe vp to Hilkiah the high Priest, that hee may 4 summe the siluer which is brought into the house of the Lord, which the keepers of the doore have gathered of the people. And let them deliuer it into the hande of them that doe the 5 worke, and haue the ouersight of the house of the Lord: let them give it to them that worke in the house of the Lord, to repaire the decayed places of the house: To wit, vnto the 6 artificers and carpenters and masons, and to bye timber, and hewed stone to repaire the house. Howebeit, let no rekoning 7 bee made with them of the money, that is deliuered into their hand: for they deale faithfully. And Hilkiah the high Priest 8 sayde vnto Shaphan the chanceller, I haue found the booke of the Lawe in the house of the Lord: and Hilkiah gaue the booke to Shaphan, and hee reade it. So Shaphan the chanceller 9

came to ye King, and brought him word againe, and saide, Thy seruants have gathered the money, that was found in the house, and haue deliuered it vnto the hands of them that doe the worke, and haue the ouersight of the house of the Lord. 10 Also Shaphan the chanceller shewed the King saying, Hilkiah the Priest hath deliuered me a booke. And Shaphan read it 11 before the King. And when the King had heard the wordes 12 of the booke of the Law, he rent his clothes. Therefore the King commanded Hilkiah the Priest, and Ahikam the sonne of Shaphan, and Achbor the sonne of Michaiah, and Shaphan 13 the chanceller, and Asahiah the Kings seruant, saying, Go ye and inquire of the Lord for me, and for the people, and for all Iudah concerning the wordes of this booke that is founde: for great is the wrath of the Lord that is kindled against vs, because our fathers have not obeyed the wordes of this booke, to 14 doe according vnto all that which is written therein for vs. So Hilkiah the Priest and Ahikam, and Achbor and Shaphan, and Asahiah went vnto Huldah the Prophetesse the wife of Shallum, ye sonne of Tikuah, the sonne of Harhas keeper of the wardrobe: (and she dwelt in Ierusalem in the colledge) and 15 they communed with her. And shee answered them, Thus sayth the Lord God of Israel, Tel the man that sent you to mee, 16 Thus sayth the Lord, Behold, I wil bring euill vpon this place, and on the inhabitants thereof, euen al the words of the booke 17 which ye King of Iudah hath read, Because they haue forsaken mee, and haue burnt incense vnto other gods, to anger me with all ye works of their hands: my wrath also shalbe kin-18 dled against this place and shall not be queched: But to the King of Iudah, who sent you to inquire of the Lord, so shall ye say vnto him, Thus sayeth the Lord God of Israel, The wordes 19 that thou hast heard, shall come to passe. But because thine heart did melt, and thou hast humbled thy selfe before the Lord, when thou heardest what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants of the same, to wit, that it should be destroyed and accursed, and hast rent thy clothes, and wept 20 before me, I have also heard it, saith the Lord. Beholde therefore, I wil gather thee to thy fathers, and thou shalt be put in thy graue in peace, and thine eyes shall not see all the euil, which I will bring vpon this place. Thus they brought the King worde againe.

Then the King sent, and there gathered vnto him all the El- 23 ders of Iudah and of Ierusalem. And the King went vp into the 2 house of the Lord, with all the men of Iudah and all the inhabitants of Ierusalem with him, and the Priests and Prophets, and all the people both small and great: and he reade in their eares all the wordes of the booke of the couenant, which was found in the house of the Lord. And the King stood by the 3 pillar, and made a couenant before the Lord, that they shoulde walke after the Lord, and keepe his commandements, and his testimonies, and his statutes with all their heart, and with all their soule, that they might accomplish the wordes of this couenant written in this booke. And all the people stood to Then the King commanded Hilkiah the hie 4 the couenant. Priest and the priests of the second order, and the keepers of the doore, to bring out of ye Temple of the Lord all the vessels that were made for Baal, and for the groue, and for all the hoste of heauen, and he burnt them without Ierusalem in the fieldes of Kedron, and carved the pouder of them into Beth-And he put downe the Chemarims, whom the Kings of 5 Iudah had founded to burne incense in the hie places, and in the cities of Iudah, and about Ierusalem, and also them that burnt incense vnto Baal, to the sunne and to the moone, and to the planets, and to all the hoste of heaven. And he brought 6 out the groue from the Temple of the Lord without Ierusalem vnto the valley of Kedron, and burnt it in the valley Kedron, and stampt it to pouder, and cast the dust thereof vpon the graues of the children of the people. And hee brake downe 7 the houses of the Sodomites, that were in the house of the Lord, where the women woue hangings for the groue. he brought all the priests out of the cities of Iudah, and defiled the hie places where the Priests had burnt incense, euen from Geba to Beer-sheba, and destroyed the hie places of the gates, that were in the entring in of the gate of Ioshua the gouernour of the citie, which was at the left hand of the gate of the citie. Neuerthelesse the Priests of the hie places came not vp to the 9 altar of the Lord in Ierusalem, saue onely they did eate of the vnleauened bread among their brethren. He defiled also 10 Topheth, which was in the valley of the children of Hinnom, that no man shoulde make his sonne or his daughter passe through the fire to Molech. He put downe also the horses that 11

the Kings of Iudah had given to the sunne at the entring in of the house of the Lord, by the chamber of Nethan-melech the eunuche, which was ruler of the suburbes, and burnt the 12 charets of the sunne with fire. And the altars that were on the top of the chamber of Ahaz, which the Kings of Iudah had made, and the altars which Manasseh had made in the two courts of the house of the Lord did the King breake downe, and hasted thence, and cast the dust of them in the brooke 13 Kedron. Moreouer the King defiled the hie places that were before Ierusalem and on the right hand of the mount of corruption (which Salomon the King of Israel had buylt for Ashtoreth the idole of the Zidonians, and for Chemosh the idole of the Moabites, and for Milchom the abomination of the children of 14 Ammon) And he brake the images in pieces, and cut downe 15 the groues and filled their places with the bones of men. Furthermore the altar that was at Beth-el, and the hie place made by Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, which made Israel to sinne, both this altar and also the hie place, brake he downe, and burnt the hie place, and stampt it to powder and burnt the And as Iosiah turned himselfe, he spied the graues, 16 groue. that were in the mount, and sent and tooke the bones out of the graues, and burnt them vpon the altar and polluted it, according to the word of the Lord, that the man of God proclaimed, 17 which cryed the same wordes. Then he sayde, What title is that which I see? And the men of the citie sayd vnto him, It is the sepulchre of the man of God, which came from Iudah, and tolde these things that thou hast done to the altar of Beth-el. 18 Then sayde he, Let him alone: let none remooue his bones. So his bones were saued with the bones of the Prophet that came 19 from Samaria. Iosiah also tooke away all the houses of the hie places, which were in the cities of Samaria, which the Kings of Israel had made to anger the Lord, and did to them according 20 to all the factes that he had done in Beth-el. And he sacrificed all the Priests of the hie places, that were there vpon the altars, and burnt mens bones vpon them, and returned to Ierusalem. 21 Then the king commanded all the people, saying, Keepe the passeouer vnto the Lord your God, as it is written in the booke 22 of this couenant. And there was no Passeouer holden like that from the dayes of the Iudges that iudged Israel, nor in all the 23 dayes of the Kinges of Israel, and of the Kings of Iudah. And

in the eightenth yere of King Iosiah was this Passeouer celebrated to the Lord in Ierusalem. Iosiah also tooke away them 24 that had familiar spirits, and the soothsayers, and the images, and the idoles, and al the abominations that were espied in the lande of Iudah and in Ierusalem, to perform the wordes of the Lawe, which were written in the booke that Hilkiah the Priest found in the house of the Lord. Like vnto him was 25 there no King before him, that turned to the Lord with al his heart, and with all his soule, and with all his might according to all the Lawe of Moses, neither after him arose there anie like him. Notwithstanding the Lord turned not from the 26 fiercenesse of his great wrath wherewith he was angrie against Iudah, because of all the prouocatios wherwith Manasseh had Therefore the Lord saide, I will put Iudah 27 prouoked him. also out of my sight, as I have put away Israel, and will cast off this citie Ierusalem, which I have chosen, and the house whereof I said, My name shalbe there. Concerning the rest of 28 the actes of Iosiah, and all that hee did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Iudah? In his 29 dayes Pharaoh Nechoh King of Egypt went vp against the King of Asshur to the river Perath. And King Iosiah went against him, whome when Pharaoh sawe, he slewe him at Megiddo. Then his seruants carved him dead from Megiddo, and brought 30 him to Ierusalem, and buried him in his owne sepulchre. And the people of the lande tooke Iehoahaz the sonne of Iosiah, and anointed him, and made him King in his fathers steade. Iehoahaz was three and twentie yeere olde when he beganne 31 to reigne, and reigned three moneths in Ierusalem. His mothers name also was Hamutal the daughter of Ieremiah of Libnah. And he did euill in the sight of the Lord, according to 32 all that his fathers had done. And Pharaoh Nechoh put him 33 in bondes at Riblah in the lande of Hamath, while he reigned in Ierusalem, and put the lande to a tribute of an hundreth talents of siluer, and a talent of golde. And Pharaoh Nechoh 34 made Eliakim the sonne of Iosiah King in steade of Iosiah his father, and turned his name to Iehoiakim, and tooke Iehoahaz away, which when he came to Egypt, dyed there. Iehoiakim gaue the siluer and the golde to Pharaoh, and taxed the land to give the money, according to the commadement of Pharaoh: he leuyed of euery man of the people of the lande,

according to his value, siluer and golde to giue vnto Pharaoh
Nechoh. Iehoiakim was fiue and twentie yere olde, when he
began to reigne, and he reigned eleuen yeeres in Ierusalem.
His mothers name also was Zebudah the daughter of Pedaiah
of Rumah. And he did euill in the sight of the Lord, according
to all that his fathers had done.

In his dayes came Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel vp, and 24 Iehoiakim became his seruant three yeere: afterwarde he turned, 2 and rebelled against him. And the Lord sent against him bandes of the Caldees, and bands of the Aramites, and bands of the Moabites, and bandes of the Ammonites, and he sent them against Iudah to destroy it, according to the worde of the 3 Lord, which he spake by his seruants the Prophets. Surely by the commandement of the Lord came this vpon Iudah, that he might put them out of his sight for the sinnes of Manasseh, 4 according to all that he did, And for the innocent blood that he shed, (for he filled Ierusalem with innocent blood) there-5 fore the Lord would not pardon it. Concerning the rest of the actes of Iehoiakim, and all that he did, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kinges of Iudah? 6 So Iehoiakim slept with his fathers, and Iehoiachin his sonne 7 reigned in his steade. And the King of Egypt came no more out of his lande: for the King of Babel had taken from the riuer of Egypt, vnto the riuer Perath, all that pertained to the 8 King of Egypt. Iehoiachin was eighteene yere old, when he beganne to reigne, and reigned in Ierusalem three moneths. His mothers name also was Nehushta, the daughter of Elnathan of 9 Ierusalem. And he did euill in the sight of the Lord, according 10 to all that his father had done. In that time came the seruants of Nebuchad-nezzar king of Babel vp against Ierusalem: 11 so the citie was besieged. And Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel 12 came against the citie, and his seruants did besiege it. Then Iehoiachin the king of Iudah came out against the King of Babel, he, and his mother and his seruants, and his princes, and his eunuches: and the King of Babel tooke him in the eyght 13 yeere of his reigne. And he caryed out thence all the treasures of the house of the Lord, and the treasures of the Kings house, and brake all the vessels of gold, which Salomon King of Israel had made in the Temple of the Lord, as the Lord had saide. 14 And he carved away all Ierusalem, and all the princes, and all

the strong men of warre, euen ten thousande into captiuitie, and all the workemen, and cunning men: so none remained sauing the poore people of the lande. And he carved away 15 Iehoiachin into Babel, and the Kings mother, and the Kinges wives, and his eunuches, and the mightie of the lande carved he away into captiuitie from Ierusalem to Babel, And al the 16 men of warre, euen seuen thousand, and carpenters, and lockesmithes a thousande: all that were strong and apt for warre, did the King of Babel bring to Babel captiues. And the King 17 of Babel made Mattaniah his vncle King in his steade, and changed his name to Zedekiah. Zedekiah was one and twen- 18 tie yeere olde, when he began to reigne, and he reigned eleuen yeeres in Ierusalem. His mothers name also was Hamutal the daughter of Ieremiah of Libnah. And he did euill in the sight 19 of the Lord, according to all that Iehoiakim had done. There- 20 fore certainly the wrath of the Lord was against Ierusalem and Iudah vntill he cast them out of his sight. And Zedekiah rebelled against the King of Babel.

And in the ninth veere of his reigne, the tenth moneth and 25 tenth day of the moneth Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel came, he, and all his hoste against Ierusalem, and pitched against it, and they built fortes against it round about it. So the citie 2 was besieged vnto the eleueth veere of King Zedekiah. the ninth day of the moneth the famine was sore in the citie, so that there was no bread for the people of the lande. Then 4 the citie was broken vp, and all the men of warre fled by night, by the way of the gate, which is betweene two walles that was by the Kings garden: nowe the Caldees were by the citie round about: and the King went by the way of the wildernesse. But 5 the armie of the Caldees pursued after the King, and tooke him in the desertes of Iericho, and all his hoste was scattered from him. Then they tooke the King, and caried him vp to the King 6 of Babel to Riblah, where they gaue judgement vpon him. And 7 they slew the sonnes of Zedekiah before his eyes, and put out the eyes of Zedekiah, and bounde him in chaines, and caried him to Babel. And in the fift moneth, and seuenth day of 8 the moneth, which was the nineteenth yere of King Nebuchadnezzar King of Babel, came Nebuzar-adan chiefe stewarde and seruaunt of the King of Babel, to Ierusalem, And burnt the 9 house of the Lord, and the Kings house, and all the houses of

10 Ierusalem, and all the great houses burnt he with fire. all the armie of the Caldees that were with the chiefe stew-11 arde, brake downe the walles of Ierusalem round about. And the rest of the people that were left in the citie, and those that were fled and fallen to the King of Babel, with the remnant of the multitude, did Nebuzar-adan chiefe steward carie away 12 captiue. But the chiefe steward left of the poore of the land to 13 dresse the vines, and to till the land. Also the pillars of brasse that were in the house of the Lord, and the bases, and the brasen Sea that was in the house of the Lord, did the Caldees breake, and caried the brasse of them to Babel. The pots also and the besomes, and the instruments of musike, and the incense dishes, and al the vessels of brasse that they ministred 15 in, tooke they away. And the asshe pannes, and the basens, and all that was of gold, and that was of siluer, tooke the chiefe 16 steward away, With the two pillars, one Sea and the bases, which Salomon had made for the house of the Lord: the brasse 17 of all these vessels was without weight. The height of the one pillar was eighteene cubits, and the chapiter thereon was brasse, and the height of the chapiter was with networke three cubites, and pomegranates vpon the chapiter rounde about, all of brasse: and likewise was the second pillar with the net-18 worke. And the chiefe steward tooke Seraiah the chiefe Priest. and Zephaniah the second Priest, and the three keepers of the 19 doore. And out of the citie hee tooke an Eunuch that had the ouersight of the men of warre, and fiue men of them that were in the Kinges presence, which were founde in the citie, and Sopher captaine of the hoste, who mustred the people of the lande, and threescore men of the people of the lande, that were 20 founde in the citie. And Nebuzar-adan the chiefe stewarde tooke them, and brought them to the King of Babel to Riblah. 21 And the King of Babel smote them, and slew them at Riblah in the land of Hamath. So Iudah was caried away captiue out 22 of his owne land. Howbeit there remained people in the land of Iudah, whom Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel left, and made Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam the sonne of Shaphan ruler ouer 23 them. Then when all the captaines of the host and their men heard, that the king of Babel had made Gedaliah gouernour, they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, to wit, Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah, and Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and Seraiah the sonne of Tanhumeth the Netophathite, and Iaazaniah the sonne of Maachathi, they and their men. And Gedaliah sware 24 to them, and to their men, and sayd vnto them, Feare not to be the seruants of the Caldees: dwell in the land, and serue the King of Babel, and ve shalbe well. But in the seuenth moneth 25 Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah the sonne of Elishama of the Kings seede, came, and ten men with him, and smote Gedaliah, and he died, and so did he the Iewes, and the Caldees that were with him at Mizpah. Then all ye people both small and 26 great, and the captaines of the armie arose, and came to Egypt: for they were afraide of the Caldees. Notwithstanding in the 27 seuen and thirtieth veere after Iehoiachin King of Iudah was caried away, in the twelft moneth and the seuen and twentieth day of the moneth, Euil-merodach King of Babel in the veere that hee began to reigne, did lift vp the head of Iehoiachin King of Iudah out of the prison, And spake kindly to him, and set 28 his throne aboue the throne of the Kings that were with him in Babel, And changed his prison garments: and he did contin- 29 ually eate bread before him, all the dayes of his life. And his 30 portion was a continual portion given him by the King, euery day a certaine, all the dayes of his life.

## THE FIRST BOOK OF THE CHRONICLES.

dam, Sheth, Enosh, Kenan, Mahalaleel, Iered, Henoch, Methushelah, Lamech, Noah, She, Ham, and Iapheth.
The sonnes of Iapheth were Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Iauan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras. 6 And the sonnes of Gomer, Ashchenaz, and Iphath and Tog-Also the sonnes of Iauan, Elishah and Tarshishah, 7 armah. 8 Kittim, and Dodanim. The sonnes of Ham were Cush, and 9 Mizraim. Put and Canaan. And the sonnes of Cush. Siba and Hauilah, and Sabta, and Raamah, and Sabtecha. Also the 10 sonnes of Raamah were Sheba and Dedan. And Cush begate 11 Nimrod, who began to be mightie in the earth. And Mizraim 12 begate Ludim and Anamim, Lehabim, and Naphtuhim: Pathrusim also, and Casluhim, of whome came the Philistims, and Caph-Also Canaan begate Zidon his first borne, and Heth, 13 torim. 14, 15 And the Iebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite, And 16 the Hiuuite, and the Arkite, and the Simite, And the Aru-17 adite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite. The sonnes of Shem were Elam and Asshur, and Arpachshad, and Lud, 18 and Aram, and Vz, and Hul, and Gether, and Meshech. Also 19 Arpachshad begate Shelah, and Shelah begate Eber. Eber also were borne two sonnes: the name of the one was Peleg: for in his dayes was ye earth deuided: and his brothers 20 name was Ioktan. Then Ioktan begate Almodad and Sheleph, 21 and Hazermaueth and Ierah, And Hadoram and Vzal and 22, 23 Diklah, And Ebal, and Abimael, and Sheba, And Ophir, and 24 Hauilah and Iobab: all these were the sonnes of Ioktan. Shem, 25, 26 Arpachshad, Shelah, Eber, Peleg, Rehu, Serug, Nahor, Terah, 27, 28 Abram, which is Abraham. The sonnes of Abraham were 29 Izhak, and Ishmael. These are their generations. The eldest sonne of Ishmael was Nebaioth, and Kedar, and Adbeel, 30 and Mibsam, Mishma, and Dumah, Massa, Hadad, and Tema, 31 Ietur, Naphish and Kedemah: these are the sonnes of Ishmael. 32 And Keturah Abrahams concubine bare sonnes, Zimran, and

Iokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah: and

the sonnes of Iokshan, Sheba, and Dedan. And the sonnes 33 of Midian were Ephah, and Ephar, and Henoch, and Abida, and Eldaah: All these are the sonnes of Keturah. And Abra- 34 ham begate Izhak: the sonnes of Izhak, Esau, and Israel. The 35 sonnes of Esau were Eliphaz, Reuel, and Ieush, and Iaalam, and Korah. The sonnes of Eliphaz, Teman, and Omar, Zephi, 36 and Gatam, Kenaz, and Timna, and Amalek. The sonnes 37 of Reuel, Nahath, Zerah, Shammah and Mizzah. And the 38 sonnes of Seir, Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan. And the sonnes of Lotan, Hori, 39 and Homam, and Timna Lotans sister. The sonnes of Shobal 40 were Alian, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shephi, and Onam. And the sonnes of Zibeon, Aiah and Anah. The sonne of Anah was 41 Dishon. And the sonnes of Dishon, Amran, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran. The sonnes of Ezer were Bilhan, and Za- 42 auan, and Iaakan. The sonnes of Dishon were Vz, and Aran. And these were the Kings that reigned in the land of Edom, be- 43 fore a King reigned ouer the children of Israel, to wit, Bela the sonne of Beor, and the name of his citie was Dinhabah. Then 44 Bela died, and Iobab the sonne of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead. And whe Iobab was dead, Hussham of the land of 45 the Temanites reigned in his stead. And when Hussham was 46 dead, Hadad the sonne of Bedad which smote Midian in the fielde of Moab, reigned in his steade, and the name of his citie was Auith. So Hadad dyed, and Samlah of Mashrecah reigned 47 in his stead. And Samlah dyed, and Shaul of Rehoboth by the 48 riuer reigned in his stead. And when Shaul was dead, Baal- 49 hanan the sonne of Achbor reigned in his stead. And Baal- 50 hanan dyed, and Hadad reigned in his stead, and the name of his citie was Pai, and his wives name Mehetabel the daughter of Matred the daughter of Mezahab. Hadad dyed also, 51 and there were dukes in Edom, duke Timna, duke Aliah, duke Ietheth, Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon, Duke 52,53 Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar, Duke Magdiel, duke Iram: 54 these were the dukes of Edom.

These are the sonnes of Israel, Reuben, Simeon, Leui and 2 Iudah, Isshachar, and Zebulun, Dan, Ioseph, and Beniamin, 2 Naphtali, Gad, and Asher. The sonnes of Iudah, Er, and Onan, 3 and Shelah. these three were borne to him of ye daughter of Shua the Canaanite: but Er the eldest sonne of Iudah was

4 euil in the sight of the Lord, and he slew him. And Thamar his daughter in law bare him Pharez, and Zerah: so al the 5 sonnes of Iudah were fiue. The sonnes of Pharez, Hezron and 6 Hamul. The sonnes also of Zerah were Zimri, and Ethan, and 7 Heman, and Calcol, and Dara, which were fiue in all. And the sonne of Carmi, Achar that troubled Israel, transgress-8 ing in the thing excommunicate. The sonne also of Ethan, 9 Azariah. And the sonnes of Hezron that were borne vnto 10 him, Ierahmeel, and Ram and Chelubai. And Ram begate Aminadab, and Aminadab begate Nahshon prince of the chil-11 dren of Iudah, And Nahshon begate Salma, and Salma begate 12, 13 Boaz, And Boaz begate Obed, and Obed begate Ishai, And Ishai begate his eldest sonne Eliab, and Abinadab the second, 14 and Shimma the third, Nathaneel the fourth, Raddai the fift, 15, 16 Ozem the sixt, and Dauid the seuenth. Whose sisters were Zeruiah and Abigail. And the sonnes of Zeruiah, Abishai, and 17 Ioab, and Asahel. And Abigail bare Amasa: and the father 18 of Amasa was Iether an Ishmeelite. And Caleb the sonne of Hezron begate Ierioth of Azubah his wife, and her sonnes 19 are these, Iesher, and Shobab, and Ardon. And when Azubah was dead, Caleb tooke vnto him Ephrath, which bare him Hur. 20, 21 And Hur begate Vri, and Vri begate Bezaleel. And afterward came Hezron to the daughter of Machir the father of Gilead, and tooke her when hee was threescore yere olde, and shee 22 bare him Segub. And Segub begate Iair, which had three and 23 twentie cities in the land of Gilead. And Gesthur with Aram tooke the townes of Iair from them, and Kenath and the townes thereof, euen threescore cities. All these were the sonnes of 24 Machir the father of Gilead. And after that Hezron was dead at Caleb Ephratah, then Abiah Hezrons wife bare him also 25 Ashur the father of Tekoa. And ye sonnes of Ierahmeel the eldest sone of Hezron were Ram the eldest, then Bunah, and 26 Oren and Ozen and Ahiiah. Also Ierahmeel had another wife 27 named Atarah, which was the mother of Onam. And the sonnes of Ram the eldest sonne of Ierahmeel were Maaz, and 28 Iamin and Ekar. And the sonnes of Onam were Shammai and Iada. And the sonnes of Shammai, Nadab and Abishur. 29 And the name of the wife of Abishur was called Abiahil, and 30 shee bare him Ahban and Molid. The sonnes also of Nadab 31 were Seled and Appaim: but Seled died without children. And

the sonne of Appaim was Ishi, and the sonne of Ishi, Sheshan, and the sonne of Sheshan, Ahlai. And the sonnes of 32 Iada the brother of Shammai were Iether and Ionathan: but Iether dved without children. And the sonnes of Ionathan 33 were Peleth and Zaza. These were the sonnes of Ierahmeel. And Sheshan had no sonnes, but daughters. And Sheshan had 34 a seruant that was an Egyptian named Iarha. And Sheshan 35 gaue his daughter to Iarha his seruant to wife, and she bare And Attai begate Nathan, and Nathan begate 36 him Attai. Zabad, And Zabad begate Ephlal, and Ephlal begate Obed, 37 And Obed begate Iehu, and Iehu begate Azariah, And Azariah 38, 39 begate Helez, and Helez begate Eleasah, And Eleasah begate 40 Sisamai, and Sisamai begate Shallum, And Shallum begate 41 Iekamiah, and Iekamiah begate Elishama. Also the sonnes of 42 Caleb the brother of Ierahmeel, were Mesha his eldest sonne, which was the father of Ziph: and the sonnes of Mareshah the father of Hebron. And the sonnes of Hebron were Korah and 43 Tappuah, and Rekem and Shema. And Shema begate Ra- 44 ham the father of Iorkoam: and Rekem begate Shammai. The 45 sonne also of Shammai was Maon: and Maon was the father of Beth-zur. And Ephah a concubine of Caleb bare Haran and 46 Moza, and Gazez: Haran also begate Gazez. The sonnes of 47 Iahdai were Regem, and Iotham, and Geshan, and Pelet, and Ephah, and Shaaph. Calebs concubine Maachah bare She- 48 ber and Tirhanah. She bare also Shaaph, the father of Mad- 49 mannah, and Sheua the father of Machbenah, and the father of Gibea. And Achsah was Calebs daughter. These were the 50 sonnes of Caleb the sone of Hur the eldest sonne of Ephrathah. Shobal the father of Kiriath-iearim. Salma the father of Beth- 51 lehem, and Hareph the father of Beth-gader. And Shobal the 52 father of Kiriath-iearim had sonnes, and he was the ouerseer of halfe Hammenoth. And the families of Kiriath-iearim were 53 the Ithrites, and the Puthites, and the Shumathites, and ye Mishraites of them came the Zarreathites, and the Eshtaulites. The sonnes of Salma of Beth-lehem, and the Netophathite, the 54 crownes of the house of Ioab, and halfe the Manahthites and the Zorites. And the families of the Scribes dwelling at Iabez. 55 the Tirathites, the Shimmeathites, the Shuchathites, which are the Kenites, that came of Hammath the father of the house of Rechab.

- These also were the sonnes of Dauid which were borne vnto 3 him in Hebron: the eldest Amnon of Ahinoam, the Izraelitesse: 2 the seconde Daniel of Abigail the Carmelitesse: The third Absalom the sonne of Maachah daughter of Talmai King of 3 Geshur: the fourth Adoniiah the sonne of Haggith: The fift 4 Shepatiah of Abital: ye sixt Ithream by Eglah his wife. These sixe were borne vnto him in Hebron: and there hee reigned seuen yeere and sixe moneths: and in Ierusalem he reigned 5 three and thirtie yeere. And these foure were borne vnto him in Ierusalem, Shimea, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Salomon 6 of Bathshua the daughter of Ammiel: Ibhar also, and El-7 ishama, and Eliphalet, And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Iaphia, 8,9 And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine in nomber. These are all the sonnes of Dauid, besides the sonnes of the con-10 cubines, and Thamar their sister. And Salomons sonne was Rehoboam, whose sonne was Abiah, and Asa his sonne, and 11 Iehoshaphat his sonne, And Ioram his sonne, and Ahaziah 12 his sonne, and Ioash his sonne, And Amaziah his sonne, and 13 Azariah his sonne, and Iotham his sonne, And Ahaz his sonne, 14 and Hezekiah his sonne, and Manasseh his sonne, And Amon 15 his sonne, and Iosiah his sonne. And of the sonnes of Iosiah, the eldest was Iohanan, the second Iehoiakim, the thirde Zedekiah, 16 and the fourth Shallum. And the sonnes of Iehoiakim were 17 Ieconiah his sonne, and Zedekiah his sonne. And the sonnes of 18 Ieconiah, Assir and Shealtiel his sonne: Malchiram also and Pedaiah, and Shenazar, Iecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah. 19 And the sonnes of Pedaiah were Zerubbabel, and Shimei: and the sonnes of Zerubbabel were Meshullam, and Hananiah, and 20 Shelomith their sister, And Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, 21 and Hazadiah, and Iushabheshed, fiue in nomber. And the sonnes of Hananiah were Pelatiah, and Iesaiah: the sonnes of Rephaiah, the sonnes of Arnan, the sonnes of Obadiah, the 22 sonnes of Shechaniah. And the sonne of Shechaniah was Shemaiah: and the sonnes of Shemaiah were Hattush and Igeal, 23 and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, sixe. And the sonnes of Neariah were Elioenai, and Hezekiiah, and Azrikam, three. 24 And the sonnes of Elioenai were Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Iohanan, and Delaiah, and Anani, seuen.
  - 4 The sonnes of Iudah were Pharez, Hezron, and Carmi, and

Hur, and Shobal. And Reaiah the sonne of Shobal begat Ia- 2 hath, and Iahath begate Ahumai, and Lahad: these are the families of the Zoreathites. And these were of the father of 3 Etam, Izreel, and Ishma and Idbash: and the name of their sister was Hazelelponi. And Penuel was the father of Gedor, 4 and Ezer the father of Hushah: these are the sonnes of Hur the eldest sonne of Ephratah, the father of Beth-lehem. But 5 Asher the father of Tekoa had two wives, Heleah, and Naarah. And Naarah bare him Ahuzam, and Hepher, and Temeni and 6 Haashtari: these were the sonnes of Naarah. And the sonnes 7 of Heleah were Zereth, Iezohar and Ethnan. Also Coz begate 8 Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the sonne of Harum. But Iabez was more honourable then his brethren: 9 and his mother called his name Iabez, saving, Because I bare him in sorowe. And Iabez called on the God of Israel, saying, 10 If thou wilt blesse me in deede, and enlarge my coastes, and if thine hand be with me, and thou wilt cause me to be deliuered from euill, that I be not hurt. And God graunted the thing that he asked. And Chelub the brother of Shuah begate 11 Mehir, which was the father of Eshton. And Eshton begate 12 Beth-rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of the citie of Nahash: these are the men of Rechah. And the sonnes of 13 Kenaz were Othniel and Zeraiah, and the sonne of Othniel, Hathath. And Meonothai begate Ophrah. And Seraiah be- 14 gate Ioab the father of the valley of craftesmen: for they were craftesmen. And the sonnes of Caleb the sonne of Iephun- 15 neh were Iru, Elah, and Naam. And the sonne of Elah was And the sonnes of Iehaleel were Ziph, and Ziphah, 16 Tiria, and Asareel. And the sonnes of Ezrah were Iether 17 and Mered, and Epher, and Ialon, and he begate Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa. Also his wife 18 Iehudiiah bare Iered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Socho, and Iekuthiel the father of Zanoah: and these are the sonnes of Bithiah ye daughter of Pharaoh which Mered tooke. And the sonnes of the wife of Hodiah, the sister of Na- 19 ham the father of Keilah were the Garmites, and Eshtemoa the Maachathite. And the sonnes of Shimon were Amnon and 20 Rinnah, Ben-hanam and Tilon. And the sonnes of Ishi were Zoheth, and Benzoheth. The sonnes of Shelah, the sonne of 21 Iudah were Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the father of

Mareshah, and the families of the householdes of them that 22 wrought fine linnen in the house of Ashbea. And Iokim and the men of Chozeba and Ioash, and Saraph, which had the dominion in Moab, and Iashubi Lehem. These also are aun-23 cient things. These were potters, and dwelt among plants and hedges: there they dwelt with the king for his worke. 24 The sonnes of Simeon were Nemuel, and Iamin, Iarib, Zerah, 25 and Shaul, Whose sonne was Shallum, and his sonne, Mib-26 sam, and his sonne Mishma. And the sonnes of Mishma, Hamuel was his sonne, Zacchur his sonne, and Shimei his 27 sonne. And Shimei had sixteene sonnes, and sixe daughters, but his brethren had not many children, neither was all their 28 familie like to the children of Iudah in multitude. And they dwelt at Beer-sheba, and at Moladah, and at Hazar Shual, 29, 30 And at Bilhah, and at Ezem, and at Tolad, And at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at Ziklag, And at Beth-marcaboth, and at Hazar Susim, at Beth-birei, and at Shaaraim, these were their 32 cities vnto the reigne of Dauid. And their townes were Etam, 33 and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, fiue cities. And all their townes that were rounde about these cities vnto Baal, These are their habitations and the declaration of their ge-34 nealogie, And Meshobab, and Iamlech, and Ioshah the sonne 35 of Amashiah, And Ioel and Iehu the sonne of Ioshibiah, the 36 sonne of Seraiah, the sonne of Asiel, And Elionai, and Iaakobah, and Ieshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Iesimiel, and Be-37 naiah, And Ziza the sonne of Shiphei, the sonne of Allon, the sonne of Iedaiah, the sonne of Shimri, the sonne of Shemaiah. 38 These were famous princes in their families, and increased 39 greatly their fathers houses. And they went to the entring in of Gedor, euen vnto the East side of the valley, to seeke pas-40 ture for their sheepe. And they found fat pasture and good, and a wide land, both quiet and fruitfull: for they of Ham had 41 dwelt there before. And these described by name, came in the dayes of Hezekiah king of Iudah, and smote their tents, and the inhabitants that were found there, and destroyed them vtterly vnto this day, and dwelt in their roume, because there 42 was pasture there for their sheepe. And besides these, fiue hundreth men of the sonnes of Simeon went to mount Seir, and Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rophaiah, and Vzziel the sonnes of 43 Ishi were their captaines, And they smote the rest of Amalek

that had escaped, and they dwelt there vnto this day.

The sonnes also of Reuben the eldest sonne of Israel (for he 5 was the eldest, but had defiled his fathers bed, therefore his birthright was given vnto the sonnes of Ioseph the sonne of Israel, so that the genealogie is not rekoned after his birthright. For Iudah preuailed aboue his brethren, and of him came the 2 prince, but the birthright was Iosephs) The sonnes of Reuben 3 the eldest sonne of Israel, were Hanoch and Pallu, Hezron and Carmi. The sonnes of Ioel, Shemaiah his sonne, Gog his 4 sonne, and Shimei his sonne, Michah his sonne, Reaiah his 5 sonne, and Baal his sonne. Beerah his sonne: whom Tilgath 6 Pilneeser King of Asshur caryed away: he was a prince of the Reubenites. And when his brethren in their families rekoned 7 the genealogie of their generations, Ieiel and Zechariah were the chiefe, And Bela the sonne of Azaz, the sonne of Shema, 8 the sonne of Ioel, which dwelt in Aroer, euen vnto Nebo and Baal meon. Also Eastwarde he inhabited vnto the entring in 9 of the wildernes from the riuer Perath for they had much cattel in the land of Gilead. And in the dayes of Saul they warred 10 with the Hagarims, which fell by their hands: and they dwelt in their tentes in all the East partes of Gilead. And the chil- 11 dren of Gad dwelt ouer against them in the land of Bashan, vnto Salchah. Ioel was the chiefest, and Shapham the second, 12 but Iaanai and Shaphat were in Bashan. And their brethren 13 of the house of their fathers were Michael, and Meshullam, and Sheba, and Sorai, and Iacan, and Zia and Eber, seuen. These are the childre of Abihail, the sonne of Huri, the sonne 14 of Iaroah, the sonne of Gilead, the sonne of Michael, the sonne of Ieshishai, the sonne of Iahdo, the sonne of Buz. Ahi the 15 sonne of Abdiel, the sonne of Guni was chiefe of the houshold of their fathers. And they dwelt in Gilead in Bashan, and in 16 the townes thereof, and in all the suburbes of Sharon by their borders. All these were rekoned by genealogies in the dayes 17 of Iotham King of Iudah, and in the dayes of Ieroboam King The sonnes of Reuben and of Gad, and of halfe the 18 tribe of Manasseh of those that were viliant men, able to beare shield, and sworde, and to draw a bowe, exercised in warre, were foure and fourtie thousand, seuen hundreth and three score, that went out to the warre. And they made warre with 19 the Hagarims, with Ietur, and Naphish, and Nodab. And they 20

were holpen against them, and the Hagarims were deliuered into their hande, and all that were with them: for they cryed to God in the battel, and he heard them, because they trusted 21 in him. And they led away their cattel, euen their camels fiftie thousand, and two hundreth, and fiftie thousand sheepe, and two thousand asses, and of persons an hundreth thousand. 22 For many fel downe wounded, because the warre was of God. 23 And they dwelt in their steads vntill the captiuitie. And the children of the halfe tribe of Manasseh dwelt in the land, from Baashan vnto Baal Hermon, and Senir, and vnto mount Her-24 mon: for they increased. And these were the heads of the housholds of their fathers, euen Epher and Ishi, and Eliel and Azriel, and Ieremiah, and Hodauiah, and Iahdiel, strong men, valiant and famous, heades of the housholdes of their fathers. 25 But they transgressed against the God of their fathers, and went a whoring after the gods of the people of the lande, whome 26 God had destroyed before them. And the God of Israel stirred vp the spirit of Pul king of Asshur, and the spirite of Tilgath Pilneeser king of Asshur, and he caryed them away: euen the Reubenites and the Gadites, and the halfe tribe of Manasseh, and brought them vnto Halah and Habor, and Hara, and to the riuer Gozan, vnto this day.

The sonnes of Leui were Gershon, Kohath, and Merari. And **6**, 2 the sonnes of Kohath, Amram, Izhar, and Hebron, and Vzziel. 3 And the children of Amram, Aaron, and Moses and Miriam. And the sonnes of Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and Eleazar, and 4 Ithamar. Eleazar begate Phinehas. Phinehas begate Abishua, 5,6 And Abishua begate Bukki, and Bukki begate Vzzi, And Vzzi 7 begate Zerahiah, and Zerahiah begate Meraioth. Meraioth 8 begate Amariah, and Amariah begate Ahitub, And Ahitub 9 begate Zadok, and Zadok begate Ahimaaz, And Ahimaaz be-10 gate Azariah, and Azariah begate Iohanan, And Iohanan begate Azariah (it was hee that was Priest in the house that Sa-11 lomon built in Ierusalem) And Azariah begate Amariah, and 12 Amariah begate Ahitub, And Ahitub begate Zadok, and Zadok 13 begate Shallum, And Shallum begate Hilkiah, and Hilkiah 14 begate Azariah, And Azariah begate Seraiah, and Seraiah 15 begate Iehozadak, And Iehozadak departed when the Lord caried away into captiuitie Iudah and Ierusalem by the hand

16 of Nebuchad-nezzar. The sonnes of Leui were Gershom, Ko-

And these be the names of the sonnes of 17 hath and Merari. Gershom, Libni, and Shimei. And the sonnes of Kohath were 18 Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron and Vzziel. The sonnes of 19 Merari, Mahli and Mushi: and these are the families of Leui concerning their fathers. Of Gershom, Libni his sonne, Iahath 20 his sonne, Zimmah his sonne, Ioah his sonne, Iddo his sonne, 21 Zerah his sonne. Ieaterai his sonne. The sonnes of Kohath. 22 Aminadab his sonne, Korah his sonne, Assir his sonne, Elka- 23 nah his sonne, and Ebiasaph his sonne, and Assir his sonne, Tahath his sonne, Vriel his sonne, Vzziah his sonne, and Shaul 24 his sonne. And the sonnes of Elkanah, Amasai, and Ahimoth. 25 Elkanah. the sonnes of Elkanah, Zophai his sonne, and Na- 26 hath his sonne, Eliab his sonne, Ieroham his sonne, Elkanah 27 his sonne, And the sonnes of Shemuel, the eldest Vashni, then 28 The sonnes of Merari were Mahli, Libni his sonne, 29 Shimei his sonne, Vzzah his sonne, Shimea his sonne, Hag- 30 giah his sonne. Asaiah his sonne. And these be they whom 31 Dauid set for to sing in the house of the Lord, after that the Arke had rest. And they ministred before the Tabernacle, 32 euen the Tabernacle of the Congregation with singing, vntill Salomon had built ve house of the Lord in Ierusalem: then they continued in their office, according to their custome. And 33 these ministred with their children: of the sonnes of Kohath, Heman a singer, the sonne of Ioel, the sonne of Shemuel, The 34 sonne of Elkanah, the sonne of Ieroham, the sonne of Eliel, the sonne of Toah, The sonne of Zuph, the sonne of Elka- 35 nah, the sonne of Mahath, the sonne of Amasai, The sonne 36 of Elkanah, the sonne of Ioel, the sonne of Azariah, the sonne of Zephaniah, The sonne of Tahath, the sonne of Assir, the 37 sonne of Ebiasaph, the sonne of Korah, The sonne of Izhar, 38 the sonne of Kohath, the sonne of Leui, the sonne of Israel. And his brother Asaph stoode on his right hand: and Asaph 39 was the sonne of Berechiah, the sonne of Shimea, The sonne 40 of Michael, the sonne of Baaseiah, the sonne of Malchiah, The 41 sonne of Ethni, the sonne of Zerah, the sonne of Adaiah, The 42 sonne of Ethan, the sonne of Zimmah, the sonne of Shimei, The sonne of Iahath, the sonne of Gershom, the sonne of Leui. 43 And their brethren the sonnes of Merari were on the left hand. 44 euen Ethan the sonne of Kishi, the sonne of Abdi, the sonne of Malluch, The sonne of Hashabiah, the sonne of Amaziah, the 45

46 sonne of Hilkiah, The sonne of Amzi, the sonne of Bani, the 47 sonne of Shamer, The sonne of Mahli, the sonne of Mushi, the 48 sonne of Merari, the sonne of Leui. And their brethren the Leuites were appointed vnto all the seruice of the Tabernacle 49 of the house of God. But Aaron and his sonnes burnt incense vpon the altar of burnt offering, and on the altar of incense, for all that was to do in the most holy place, and to make an atonement for Israel, according to all that Moses the seruant 50 of God had commanded. These are also the sonnes of Aaron, Eleazar his sonne, Phinehas his sonne, Abishua his sonne, 51, 52 Bukki his sonne, Vzzi his sonne, Zerahiah his sonne, Meraioth 53 his sonne, Amariah his sonne, Ahitub his sonne, Zadok his 54 sonne, and Ahimaaz his sonne. And these are the dwelling places of them throughout their townes and coastes, euen of the sonnes of Aaron for the familie of the Kohathites, for the lot 55 was theirs. So they gaue them Hebron in the lande of Iudah 56 and the suburbes thereof rounde about it. But the fielde of the citie, and the villages thereof they gaue to Caleb the sonne of 57 Iephunneh. And to the sonnes of Aaron they gaue the cities of Iudah for refuge, euen Hebron and Libna with their suburbes, 58 and lattir, and Eshtemoa with their suburbes. And Hilen with 59 her suburbes, and Debir with her suburbes, And Ashan and 60 her suburbes, and Bethshemesh and her suburbes: And of the tribe of Beniamin, Geba and her suburbes, and Alemeth with her suburbes, and Anathoth with her suburbes: all their cities 61 were thirteene cities by their families. And vnto the sonnes of Kohath the remnant of the familie of the tribe, euen of the 62 halfe tribe of the halfe of Manasseh, by lot ten cities. And to the sonnes of Gershom according to 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, 63 thirteene cities. Vnto the sonnes of Merari according to their families out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, 64 and out of the tribe of Zebulun, by lot twelue cities. the children of Israel gaue to the Leuites cities with their sub-65 urbes. And they gaue by lot out of the tribe of the children of Iudah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, and out of the tribe of the children of Beniamin, these cities, which 66 they called by their names. And they of the families of the sonnes of Kohath, had cities and their coastes out of the tribe of Ephraim. And they gaue vnto them cities of refuge, Shechem 67 in mount Ephraim, and her suburbes, and Gezer and her suburbes, Iokmeam also and her suburbes, and Bethhoron with 68 her suburbes, And Aialon and her suburbes, and Gath Rim- 69 mon and her suburbes. And out of the halfe tribe of Manasseh. 70 Aner and her suburbes, and Bileam and her suburbes, for the families of the remnant of the sonnes of Kohath. sonnes of Gershom out of the familie of the halfe tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan, and her suburbes, and Ashtaroth with her suburbes. And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kedesh and her 72 suburbes. Daberath and her suburbes. Ramoth also and her 73 suburbes, and Anem with her suburbes, And out of the tribe 74 of Asher. Mashal and her suburbes, and Abdon and her suburbes. And Hukok and her suburbs, and Rehob and her sub- 75 urbes, And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilea and 76 her suburbes, and Hammon and her suburbes, and Kiriathaim Vnto the rest of the children of Merari 77 and her suburbes. were given out of ve tribe of Zebulun Rimmon and her suburbes, Tabor and her suburbes, And on the other side Iorden 78 by Iericho, euen on the Eastside of Iorden, out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the wildernesse with her suburbes, and Iahzah with her suburbes, And Kedemoth with her suburbes, 79 and Mephaath with her suburbes. And out of the tribe of Gad 80 Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbes, and Mahanaim with her suburbes, And Heshbon with her suburbes, and Iaazer with 81 her suburbes.

And the sonnes of Issachar were Tola and Puah, Iashub, 7 and Shimron, foure, And the sonnes of Tola, Vzzi, and Rephaiah, and Ieriel, and Iahmai, and Iibsam, and Shemuel, heads in the housholdes of their fathers. Of Tola were valiant men of warre in their generations, whose nomber was in the dayes of Dauid two and twentie thousand, and sixe hundreth. And 3 the sonne of Vzzi was Izrahaiah, and the sonnes of Izrahaiah, Michael, and Obadiah, and Ioel, and Isshiah, fiue men all princes. And with them in their generations after the houshold of their fathers were bandes of men of warre for battel, sixe and thirtie thousand: for they had many wives and children. And their brethren among all the families of Issachar were valiant men of warre, rekoned in all by their genealogies foure score and seven thousand. The sonnes of Beniamin 6

7 were Bela, and Becher, and Iediael, three. And the sonnes of Bela, Ezbon, and Vzzi, and Vzziel, and Ierimoth, and Iri, fiue heads of the housholds of their fathers, valiant men of warre, and were rekoned by their genealogies, two and twentie thou-8 sand and thirtie and foure. And the sonnes of Becher, Zemirah, and Ioash, and Eliezer, and Elioenai, and Omri, and Ierimoth, and Abiah, and Anathoth, and Alameth: all these were 9 the sonnes of Becher. And they were nombred by their genealogies according to their generations, and the chiefe of the houses of their fathers, valiant men of warre, twenty thousand and two hundreth. And the sonne of Iediael was Bilhan, and the sonnes of Bilhan, Ieush, and Beniamin, and Ehud, and 11 Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and Ahishahar. All these were the sonnes of Iediael, chiefe of the fathers, valiant men of warre, seuenteene thousand and two hundreth, march-12 ing in battel aray to the warre. And Shuppim, and Huppim were ye sonnes of Ir, but Hushim was the sonne of another. 13 The sonnes of Naphtali, Iahziel, and Guni, and Iezer, and Shal-14 lum of the sonnes of Bilhah. The sonne of Manasseh was Ashriel whom she bare vnto him, but his concubine of Aram 15 bare Machir the father of Gilead. And Machir tooke to wife the sister of Huppim and Shuppim, and the name of their sister was Maachah. And the name of the second sonne was 16 Zelophehad, and Zelophehad had daughters. And Maachah the wife of Machir bare a sonne, and called his name Peresh, and the name of his brother was Sheresh: and his sonnes were 17 Vlam and Rakem. And the sonne of Vlam was Bedan. These were the sonnes of Gilead the sonne of Machir, the sonne of 18 Manasseh. And his sister Molecheth bare Ishod, and Abiezer, 19 and Mahalah. And the sonnes of Shemida were Ahian, and 20 Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam. The sonnes also of Ephraim were Shuthelah, and Bered his sonne, and Tahath his sonne, 21 and his sonne Eladah, and Tahath his sonne, And Zabad his sonne, and Shuthelah his sonne, and Ezer, and Elead: and the men of Gath that were borne in the land, slewe them, be-22 cause they came downe to take away their cattel. Therefore Ephraim their father mourned many dayes, and his brethren 23 came to comfort him. And when he went in to his wife, she conceiued, and bare him a sonne, and he called his name Be-24 riah, because affliction was in his house. And his daughter

was Sherah, which built Beth-horon the nether, and the vpper, and Vzzen Sheerah. And Rephah was his sonne, and 25 Resheph, and Telah his sonne, and Tahan his sonne, Laadan 26 his sonne, Ammihud his sonne, Elishama his sonne, Non his 27 sonne, Iehoshua his sonne. And their possessions and their 28 habitations were Beth-el, and the villages thereof, and Eastward Naaran, and Westwarde Gezer with the villages thereof, Shechem also and the villages thereof, vnto Azzah, and the villages thereof, And by the places of the children of Man- 29 asseh, Beth-shean and her villages, Taanach and her villages, Megiddo and her villages. Dor and her villages. In those dwelt the children of Ioseph the sonne of Israel. The sonnes of 30 Asher were Imnah, and Isuah, and Ishuai, and Beriah, and Serah their sister. And the sonnes of Beriah, Heber, and 31 Malchiel, which is the father of Birzauith. And Heber be- 32 gate Iaphlet, and Shomer, and Hotham, and Shuah their sister. And the sonnes of Iaphlet were Pasach, and Bimhal, and 33 Ashuath: these were the children of Iaphlet. And the sonnes 34 of Shamer, Ahi, and Rohgah, Iehubbah, and Aram. And the 35 sonnes of his brother Helem were Zophah, and Iimna, and Shelesh and Amal. The sonnes of Zophah, Suah, and Harnepher, 36 and Shual, and Beri, and Imrah, Bezer and Hod, and Shamma, 37 and Shilshah, and Ithran, and Beera. And the sonnes of 38 Iether, Iephunneh, and Pispa and Ara. And the sonnes of Vlla, 39 Harah, and Haniel, and Rizia. All these were the children of 40 Asher, the heads of their fathers houses, noble men, valiant men of warre and chiefe princes, and they were rekoned by their genealogies for warre and for battell to the nomber of sixe and twentie thousand men.

Beniamin also begate Bela his eldest sonne, Ashbel the second, and Aharah the third, Nohah the fourth, and Rapha 2 the fift. And the sonnes of Bela were Addar, and Gera, and 3 Abihud, And Abishua, and Naaman and Ahoah, And Gera, 4,5 and Shephuphan, and Huram. And these are the sonnes of 6 Ehud: these were the chiefe fathers of those that inhabited Geba: and they were caryed away captiues to Monahath, And 7 Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he caryed them away captiues: and he begate Vzza, and Ahihud. And Shaharaim begate certaine in the coutrey of Moab, after he had sent away Hushim and Baara his wiues. He begate, I say, of Hodesh his 9

10 wife, Iobab and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham, And Ieuz and Shachia and Mirma: these were his sonnes, and chiefe fa-11, 12 thers. And of Hushim he begat Ahitub and Elpaal. And the sonnes of Elpaal were Eber, and Misham and Shamed (which 13 built Ono, and Lod, and the villages thereof) And Beriah and Shema (which were the chiefe fathers among the inhabitants of 14 Aialon: they draue away the inhabitants of Gath) And Ahio, 15 Shashak and Ierimoth, And Sebadiah, and Arad, and Ader, 16, 17 And Michael, and Ispah, and Ioha, the sonnes of Beriah, And 18 Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hizki, and Heber, And Ish-19 merai and Izliah, and Iobab, the sonnes of Elpaal, Iakim also, 20 and Zichri, and Sabdi, And Elienai, and Zillethai, and Eliel, 21 And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrah the sonnes of Shimei, 22, 23 And Ishpan, and Eber, and Eliel, And Abdon, and Zichri, and 24, 25 Hanan, And Hananiah, and Elam, and Antothiiah, Iphedeiah 26 and Penuel ye sonnes of Shashak, And Shamsherai, and She-27 hariah, and Athaliah, And Iaareshiah, and Eliah, and Zichri, 28 the sonnes of Ieroham. These were the chiefe fathers according to their generations, euen princes, which dwelt in Ierusalem. 29 And at Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon, and the name of 30 his wife was Maachah. And his eldest sonne was Abdon, 31 then Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab, And Gidor, and 32 Ahio, and Zacher. And Mikloth begate Shimeah: these also dwelt with their brethren in Ierusalem, euen by their brethren. 33 And Ner begate Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begate 34 Ionathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal. And the sonne of Ionathan was Merib-baal, and Merib-baal begate And the sonnes of Micah were Pithon, and Melech, 35 Micah. 36 and Tarea, and Ahaz. And Ahaz begate Iehoadah, and Iehoadah begate Alemeth, and Azmaueth, and Zimri, and Zimri begate 37 Moza, And Moza begate Bineah, whose sonne was Raphah, 38 and his sonne Eleasah, and his sonne Azel. And Azel had sixe sonnes, whose names are these, Azrikam, Bocheru and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: all these 39 were the sonnes of Azel. And the sonnes of Eshek his brother were Vlam his eldest sonne, Iehush the second, and Eliphelet 40 the third. And the sonnes of Vlam were valiant men of warre which shot with the bow, and had many sonnes and nephewes, an hundreth and fiftie: all these were of the sonnes of Beni-

amin.

I. CHRONICLES 9. 1

Thus all Israel were nombred by their genealogies: and be- 9 holde, they are written in the booke of the Kings of Israel and of Iudah, and they were caried away to Babel for their transgression. And the chiefe inhabitants that dwelt in their owne 2 possessions, and in their owne cities, euen Israel the Priestes, the Leuites, and the Nethinims. And in Ierusalem dwelt of 3 the children of Iudah, and of the children of Beniamin, and of the children of Ephraim, and Manasseh. Vthai the sonne 4 of Amihud the sonne of Omri, the sonne of Imri, the sonne of Bani: of the children of Pharez, the sonne of Iudah. And of 5 Shiloni. Asaiah the eldest, and his sonnes. And the sonnes 6 of Zerah, Ieuel, and their brethren sixe hundreth and ninetie. And of the sonnes of Beniamin, Sallu the sonne of Meshul-7 lam, the sonne of Hodauiah, the sonne of Hasenuah. And Ib- 8 neiah the sonne of Ieroham, and Elah the sonne of Vzzi, the sonne of Michri, and Meshullam the sonne of Shephatiah, the sonne of Reuel, the sonne of Ibniiah. And their brethren ac- 9 cording to their generations nine hundreth, fiftie and sixe: all these men were chiefe fathers in the housholdes of their fathers. And of the Priestes, Iedaiah, and Iehoiarib, and Iachin, 10 And Azariah the sonne of Hilkiah, ye sonne of Meshullam, 11 the sonne of Zadok, the sonne of Meraioth, the sonne of Ahitub the chiefe of the house of God, And Adaiah the sonne 12 of Ieroham, ye sonne of Pashur, the sonne of Malchiiah, and Maasai the sonne of Adiel, the sonne of Iahzerah, the sonne of Meshullam, the sonne of Meshillemith, the sonne of Immer. And their brethre the chiefe of the households of their 13 fathers a thousand, seuen hundreth and three score valiant men, for the worke of the seruice of the house of God. And 14 of the Leuites, Shemaiah the sonne of Hasshub, the sonne of Azrikam, the sonne of Hashabiah of the sonnes of Merari, And Bakbakkar, Heresh and Galal, and Mattaniah the sonne 15 of Micha, the sonne of Zichri, the sonne of Asaph, And Oba- 16 diah the sonne of Shemaiah, the sonne of Galal, the sonne of Ieduthun, and Berechiah, the sonne of Asa, the sonne of Elkanah, that dwelt in the villages of the Netophathites. And the 17 porters were Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and their brethren: Shallum was the chiefe. For they were 18 porters to this time by companies of the children of Leui vnto the Kinges gate eastward. And Shallum the sonne of Kore 19

the sonne of Ebiasaph the sonne of Korah, and his brethren the Korathites (of the house of their father) were ouer the worke, and office to keepe the gates of the Tabernacle: so their families were ouer the hoste of the Lord, keeping the entrie. 20 And Phinehas ye sonne of Eleazar was their guide, and the 21 Lord was with him. Zechariah the sonne of Meshelemiah was the porter of the doore of the Tabernacle of the Congregation. 22 All these were chosen for porters of the gates, two hundreth and twelue, which were nombred according to their genealogies by their townes. Dauid established these and Samuel the 23 Seer in their perpetuall office. So they and their children had the ouersight of the gates of the house of the Lord, euen 24 of the house of the Tabernacle by wardes. The porters were in foure quarters Eastward, Westward, Northward and South-25 ward. And their brethren, which were in their townes, came 26 at seuen dayes from time to time with them. For these foure chiefe porters were in perpetuall office, and were of the Leuites and had charge of the chambers, and of the treasures in the 27 house of God. And they lay rounde about the house of God, because the charge was theirs, and they caused it to be opened 28 euery morning. And certaine of them had the rule of the ministring vessels: for they brought them in by tale, and brought 29 them out by tale. Some of them also were appoynted ouer the instruments, and ouer all the vessels of the Sanctuarie, and of the floure, and the wine, and the oyle, and the incense, and 30 the sweete odours. And certaine of the sonnes of the Priestes 31 made oyntments of sweete odours. And Mattithiah one of the Leuites which was the eldest sonne of Shallum the Korhite. had the charge of the things that were made in the frying 32 panne. And other of their brethren the sonnes of Kohath had the ouersight of the shewbread to prepare it euery Sabbath. 33 And these are the singers, the chiefe fathers of the Leuites, which dwelt in the chambers, and had none other charge: for 34 they had to do in that busines day and night: These were the chiefe fathers of the Leuites according to their generations, 35 and the principall which dwelt at Ierusalem. And in Gibeon dwelt ve father of Gibeon, Ieiel, and the name of his wife was 36 Maachah. And his eldest sonne was Abdon, then Zur, and 37 Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab, And Gedor, and Ahio, 38 and Zechariah, and Mikloth. And Mikloth begate Shimeam:

they also dwelt with their brethren at Ierusalem, euen by their brethren. And Ner begate Kish, and Kish begate Saul, and 39 Saul begate Ionathan and Malchishua, and Abinadab and Eshbaal. And the sonne of Ionathan was Merib-baal: and Merib-40 baal begate Micah. And the sonnes of Micah were Pithon, 41 and Melech and Tahrea. And Ahaz begate Iarah, and Iarah 42 begat Alemeth, and Azmaueth, and Zimri, and Zimri begate Moza. And Moza begate Binea, whose sonne was Rephaiah, 43 and his sonne was Eleasah, and his sonne Azel. And Azel had 44 sixe sonnes, whose names are these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ismael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: these are the sonnes of Azel.

Then the Philistims fought against Israel: and the men 10 of Israel fled before the Philistims, and fell downe slaine in mount Gilboa. And the Philistims pursued after Saul and af- 2 ter his sonnes, and the Philistims smote Ionathan, and Abinadab, and Malchishua the sonnes of Saul. And the bat- 3 tel was sore against Saul; and the archers hit him, and he was wounded of the archers. Then sayde Saul to his armour 4 bearer, Drawe out thy sworde, and thrust me thorowe therewith, lest these vncircumcised come and mocke at me: but his armour bearer would not, for he was sore afraid: therefore Saul tooke the sword and fell vpon it. And when his ar- 5 mour bearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise vpon the sworde, and dyed. So Saul dyed and his three sonnes, and 6 all his house, they dyed together. And when all the men of 7 Israel that were in the valley, sawe how they fledde, and that Saul and his sonnes were dead, they for sooke their cities, and fled away, and the Philistims came, and dwelt in them. And 8 on the morrowe when the Philistims came to spoyle them that were slaine, they found Saul and his sonnes lying in mount Gilboa. And when they had stript him, they tooke his head 9 and his armour, and sent them into the land of the Philistims round about, to publish it vnto their idoles, and to the people. And they layd vp his armour in the house of their god, and set 10 vp his head in the house of Dagon. When all they of Iabesh 11 Gilead heard all that the Philistims had done to Saul, Then 12 they arose (all the valiant men) and tooke the body of Saul, and the bodies of his sonnes, and brought them to Iabesh, and buryed the bones of them vnder an oke in Iabesh, and fasted

seuen dayes. So Saul dyed for his transgression, that he committed against the Lord, euen against the word of the Lord, which he kept not, and in that he sought and asked counsel
of a familiar spirit, And asked not of the Lord: therefore he slewe him, and turned the kingdome vnto Dauid the sonne of Ishai.

11 Then all Israel gathered themselues to Dauid vnto Hebron, 2 saying, Beholde, we are thy bones and thy flesh. And in time past, euen when Saul was King, thou leddest Israel out and in: and the Lord thy God sayde vnto thee, Thou shalt feede my people Israel, and thou shalt be captaine ouer my people 3 Israel. So came all the Elders of Israel to the King to Hebron, and Dauid made a couenant with them in Hebron before the Lord. And they anounted Dauid King ouer Israel, according 4 to the word of the Lord by the hand of Samuel. And Dauid and all Israel went to Ierusalem, which is Iebus, where were 5 the Iebusites, the inhabitants of the land. And the inhabitants of Iebus said to Dauid, Thou shalt not come in hither. Neuertheles Dauid tooke the towre of Zion, which is the city 6 of Dauid. And Dauid sayd, Whosoeuer smiteth the Iebusites first, shalbe the chiefe and captaine. So Ioab the sonne of 7 Zeruiah went first vp, and was captaine. And Dauid dwelt 8 in the tower: therefore they called it the citie of Dauid. And he built the citie on euery side, from Millo euen round about, 9 and Ioab repaired the rest of the citie. And Dauid prospered, 10 and grewe: for the Lord of hostes was with him. These also are the chiefe of the valiant men that were with Dauid, and ioyned their force with him in his kingdome with al Israel, to make him King ouer Israel, according to the worde of the Lord. 11 And this is the nomber of the valiant men whome Dauid had, Iashobeam the sonne of Hachmoni, the chiefe among thirtie: he lift vp his speare against three hundreth, whom he slewe at 12 one time. And after him was Eleazar the sonne of Dodo the 13 Ahohite, which was one of the three valiant men. He was with Dauid at Pas-dammim, and there the Philistims were gathered together to battel: and there was a parcell of ground full 14 of barley, and the people fled before the Philistims. And they stood in the middes of the field, and saued it, and slewe the 15 Philistims: so the Lord gaue a great victorie. And three of the thirtie captaines went to a rocke to Dauid, into the caue

of Adullam. And the armie of the Philistims camped in the valley of Rephaim. And when Dauid was in the hold, the 16 Philistims garison was at Beth-lehem. And Dauid longed, 17 and said, Oh, that one would give me to drinke of the water of the well of Beth-lehem that is at the gate. Then these three 18 brake thorowe the hoste of the Philistims, and drewe water out of the well of Beth-lehem that was by the gate, and tooke it and brought it to Dauid: but Dauid would not drinke of it, but powred it for an oblation to the Lord, And said, Let not my 19 God suffer me to do this: should I drinke the blood of these mens liues? for they have brought it with the ieopardie of their liues: therefore he would not drinke it: these things did these three mightie men. And Abishai the brother of Ioab, 20 he was chiefe of the three, and he lift vp his speare against three hundreth, and slew them, and had the name among the Among the three he was more honourable then the 21 two, and he was their captaine: but he attained not vnto the first three. Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada (the sonne of a 22 valiant man) which had done many actes, and was of Kabzeel, he slewe two strong men of Moab: he went downe also and slewe a lion in the middes of a pit in time of snowe. And he 23 slewe an Egyptian, a man of great stature, euen fiue cubites long, and in the Egyptians hand was a speare like a weauers beame: and he went downe to him with a staffe, and plucked the speare out of the Egyptians hand, and slewe him with his owne speare. These things did Benaiah ye sonne of Iehoiada, 24 and had the name among the three worthies. Behold, he was 25 honourable among thirtie, but he attained not vnto the first three. And Dauid made him of his counsell. These also were 26 valiant men of warre, Asahel the brother of Ioab, Elhanan the sonne of Dodo of Beth-lehem, Shammoth the Harodite, Helez 27 the Pelonite, Ira the sonne of Ikkesh the Tekoite, Abiezer the 28 Antothite, Sibbecai the Husathite, Ilai the Ahohite, Maharai 29, 30 the Netophathite, Heled ye sonne of Baanah the Netophathite, Ithai the sonne of Ribai of Gibeah of the children of Beni- 31 amin, Benaiah the Pirathonite, Hurai of the rivers of Gaash, 32 Abiel the Arbathite, Azmaueth the Baharumite, Elihaba the 33 Shaalbonite, The sonnes of Hashem the Gizonite, Ionathan 34 the sonne of Shageh the Harite, Ahiam the sonne of Sacar the 35 Hararite, Eliphal the sonne of Vr, Hepher the Mecherathite, 36

Ahiiah the Pelonite, Hezro the Carmelite, Naarai the sonne of Ezbai, Ioel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the sonne of Haggeri, Zelek the Ammonite, Nahrai the Berothite, the armour bearer of Ioab, the sonne of Zeruiah, Ira the Ithrite, Garib the Ithrite, Vriah the Hittite, Zabad the sonne of Ahlai, Adina the sonne of Shiza the Reubenite, a captaine of the Reubenites, and thirtie with him, Hanan the sonne of Maachah, and Ioshaphat the Mithnite, Vzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Ieiel the sonnes of Otham the Aroerite, Iediael the sonne of Shimri, and Ioha his brother the Tizite, Eliel the Mahauite, and Ieribai and Ioshauiah the sonnes of Elnaam, and Ithmah the Moabite, Eliel and Obed, and Iaasiel the Mesobaite.

These also are they that came to Dauid to Ziklag, while he **12** was yet kept close, because of Saul the sonne of Kish: and 2 they were among the valiant and helpers of the battel. They were weaponed with bowes, and could vse the right and the left hand with stones and with arrowes and with bowes, and were 3 of Sauls brethren, euen of Beniamin. The chiefe were Ahiezer, and Ioash the sonnes of Shemaah a Gibeathite, and Ieziel, and Pelet the sonnes of Asinaueth, Berachah and Iehu the Antoth-4 ite, And Ishmaiah the Gibeonite, a valiant man among thirtie, and aboue the thirtie, and Ieremiah, and Iehaziel, and Io-5 hanan, and Ioshabad the Gederathite, Eluzai, and Ierimoth, and Bealiah, and Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite, 6 Elkanah, and Ishiah, and Azariel, and Ioezer, Iashobeam of 7 Hakorehim, And Ioelah, and Zebadiah, the sonnes of Iero-8 ham of Gedor, And of the Gadites there separated them selues some vnto Dauid into the holde of the wildernesse, valiant men of warre, and men of armes, and apt for battel, which coulde handle speare and shielde, and their faces were like the faces of lyons, and were like the roes in the mountaines in swift-9 nesse, Ezer the chiefe, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third, 10, 11 Mishmanah the fourth, Ieremiah the fift, Attai the sixt, Eliel 12, 13 the seuenth, Iohanan the eight, Elzabad the ninth, Ieremiah 14 the tenth, Macbannai the eleuenth. These were the sonnes of Gad, captaines of the hoste: one of the least could resist an 15 hundreth, and the greatest a thousand. These are they that went ouer Iorden in the first moneth when he had filled ouer all his bankes, and put to flight all them of the valley, toward the 16 East and the West. And there came of the children of Beniamin, and Iudah to the hold vnto Dauid, And Dauid went out 17 to meete them, and answered and sayde vnto them, If yee be come peaceably vnto me to helpe me, mine heart shall be knit vnto you, but if you come to betray me to mine aduersaries, seeing there is no wickednes in mine handes, the God of our fathers beholde it, and rebuke it. And the spirit came vpon 18 Amasai, which was the chiefe of thirtie, and he said, Thine are we, Dauid, and with thee, O sonne of Ishai. Peace, peace be vnto thee, and peace be vnto thine helpers: for thy God helpeth thee. Then Dauid received them, and made them captaines of the garison. And of Manasseh some fell to Dauid, when 19 he came with the Philistims against Saul to battell, but they helped them not: for the Princes of the Philistims by aduisement sent him away, saving, He will fall to his master Saul for our heads. As he went to Ziklag, there fell to him of Man- 20 asseh, Adnah, and Iozabad, and Iediael, and Michael, and Iozabad, and Elihu, and Ziltai, heads of the thousands that were of Manasseh. And they helped Dauid against that bad: for 21 they were all valiant men and were captaines in the hoste. For 22 at that time day by day there came to Dauid to helpe him, vntill it was a great hoste, like the hoste of God. And these are 23 the nombers of the captaines that were armed to battell, and came to Dauid to Hebron to turne the kingdome of Saul to him, according to the worde of the Lord. The children of Iudah that 24 bare shield and speare, were sixe thousand and eight hundreth armed to the warre. Of the children of Simeon valiant men of 25 warre, seuen thousand and an hundreth. Of the children of 26 Leui foure thousande and sixe hundreth. And Iehoiada was 27 the chiefe of them of Aaron: and with him three thousande and seuen hundreth. And Zadok a yong man very valiant, 28 and of his fathers housholde came two and twentie captaines. And of the children of Benjamin the brethren of Saul three 29 thousande: for a great part of them vnto that time kept the warde of the house of Saul. And of the children of Ephraim 30 twentie thousande, and eight hundreth valiant men and famous men in the housholde of their fathers. And of the halfe 31 tribe of Manasseh eighteene thousand, which were appointed by name to come and make Dauid King. And of the children of 32 Issachar which were men that had vnderstanding of the times, to knowe what Israel ought to doe: the heades of them were

two hundreth, and all their brethren were at their comman-33 dement. Of Zebulun that went out to battel, expert in warre, and in all instruments of warre, fiftie thousande which could 34 set the battell in aray: they were not of a double heart. And of Naphtali a thousand captaines, and with them with shielde 35 and speare seuen and thirtie thousande. And of Dan expert in battell, eyght and twentie thousande, and sixe hundreth. 36 And of Asher that went out to the battell and were trained in 37 the warres, fourtie thousand. And of the other side of Iorden of the Reubenites, and of the Gadites, and of the halfe tribe of Manasseh with all instruments of warre to fight with, an 38 hundreth and twentie thousand. All these men of warre that coulde leade an armie, came with vpright heart to Hebron to make Dauid King ouer all Israel: and all the rest of Israel was 39 of one accorde to make Dauid King: And there they were with Dauid three dayes, eating and drinking: for their brethren had 40 prepared for them. Moreover they that were neere them vntill Issachar, and Zebulun, and Naphtali brought bread vpon asses, and on camels, and on mules, and on oxen, euen meate, floure, figges, and reisins, and wine and oyle, and beeues and sheepe abundantly: for there was ioy in Israel.

And Dauid counselled with the captaines of thousandes and 13 2 of hundreths, and with all the gouernours. And Dauid said to all the Congregation of Israel, If it seeme good to you, and that it proceedeth of the Lord our God, we will sende to and from vnto our brethren, that are left in all the lande of Israel (for with them are the Priests and the Leuites in the cities and their suburbes) that they may assemble them selues vnto vs. 3 And we will bring againe the Arke of our God to vs: for we 4 sought not vnto it in the dayes of Saul. And all the Congregation answered, Let vs doe so: for the thing seemed good in the 5 eyes of all the people. So Dauid gathered all Israel together from Shihor in Egypt, euen vnto the entring of Hamath, to 6 bring the Arke of God from Kiriath-iearim. And Dauid went vp and all Israel to Baalath, in Kiriath-iearim, that was in Iudah, to bring vp from thence the Arke of God the Lord that dwelleth betweene the Cherubims, where his Name is called 7 on. And they caryed the Arke of God in a newe cart out of the 8 house of Abinadab: and Vzza and Ahio guided the cart. And Dauid and all Israel played before God with all their might, both with songes and with harpes, and with violes, and with timbrels and with cymbales and with trumpets. And when 9 they came vnto the thresshing floore of Chidon, Vzza put forth his hand to holde the Arke, for the oxen did shake it. But the 10 wrath of the Lord was kindled against Vzza, and he smote him, because he layed his hande vpon the Arke: so he dyed there before God. And Dauid was angrie, because the Lord had made 11 a breach in Vzza, and he called the name of that place Perezvzza vnto this day. And Dauid feared God that day, saying, 12 Howe shall I bring in to me the Arke of God? Therefore Dauid 13 brought not the Arke to him into the citie of Dauid, but caused it to turne into the house of Obed Edom the Gittite. So the 14 Arke of God remained in the house of Obed Edom, euen in his house three moneths: and the Lord blessed the house of Obed Edom, and all that he had.

Then sent Hiram the King of Tyrus messengers to Dauid, 14 and cedar trees, with masons and carpenters to builde him Therefore Dauid knewe that the Lord had con- 2 firmed him King ouer Israel, and that his kingdome was lift vp on hie, because of his people Israel. Also Dauid tooke 3 moe wiues at Ierusalem, and Dauid begate moe sonnes and daughters. And these are the names of the children which he 4 had at Ierusalem, Shammua, and Shobab, Nathan, and Salomon, And Ibhar, and Elishua, and Elpalet, And Nogah, 5,6 and Nepheg, and Iaphia, And Elishama, and Beeliada, and 7 Eliphalet. But when the Philistims heard that Dauid was 8 anointed King ouer Israel, all the Philistims came vp to seeke Dauid. And when Dauid heard, he went out against them. And the Philistims came, and spred them selues in the valley 9 of Rephaim. Then Dauid asked counsel at God, saying, Shall 10 I goe vp against the Philistims, and wilt thou deliuer them into mine hande? And the Lord saide vnto him, Goe vp: for I will deliuer them into thine hande. So they came vp to Baal- 11 perazim, and Dauid smote them there: and Dauid said, God hath deuided mine enemies with mine hande, as waters are deuided: therefore they called the name of that place, Baalperazim. And there they had left their gods: and Dauid said, 12 Let them euen be burnt with fire. Againe the Philistims came 13 and spread them selues in the valley. And when Dauid asked 14 againe counsell at God, God said to him, Thou shalt not goe vp

after them, but turne away from them, that thou mayest come
vpon them ouer against the mulberie trees. And when thou
hearest the noyse of one going in the toppes of the mulberie
trees, then goe out to battel: for God is gone foorth before thee,
to smite the hoste of the Philistims. So Dauid did as God had
commanded him: and they smote the hoste of the Philistims
from Gibeon euen to Gezer. And the fame of Dauid went out
into all landes, and the Lord brought the feare of him vpon all
nations.

And Dauid made him houses in the citie of Dauid, and pre-15 pared a place for the Arke of God, and pitched for it a tent. 2 Then Dauid saide, None ought to carie the Arke of God, but the Leuites: for the Lord hath chosen them to beare the Arke of the 3 Lord, and to minister vnto him for euer. And Dauid gathered all Israel together to Ierusalem to bring vp the Arke of the Lord 4 vnto his place, which he had ordeined for it. And Dauid as-5 sembled the sonnes of Aaron, and the Leuites. Of the sonnes 6 of Kohath, Vriel the chiefe, and his brethren sixe score. Of the sonnes of Merari, Asaiah the chiefe, and his brethren two hun-7 dreth and twentie. Of the sonnes of Gershom, Ioel the chiefe, 8 and his brethren an hundreth and thirtie. Of the sonnes of Elizaphan, Shemaiah the chiefe, and his brethren two hun-Of the sonnes of Hebron, Eliel the chiefe, and his 10 brethren fourescore. Of the sonnes of Vzziel, Amminadab the 11 chiefe, and his brethren an hundreth and twelue. And Dauid called Zadok and Abiathar the Priestes, and of the Leuites, Vriel, Asaiah and Ioel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab: 12 And he saide vnto them, Ye are the chiefe fathers of the Leuites: sanctifie your selues, and your brethren, and bring vp the Arke of the Lord God of Israel vnto the place that I have prepared 13 for it. For because ye were not there at the first, the Lord our God made a breach among vs: for we sought him not after due 14 order. So the Priestes and the Leuites sanctified them selves 15 to bring vp the Arke of the Lord God of Israel. And the sonnes of the Leuites bare the Arke of God vpon their shoulders with the barres, as Moses had commanded, according to the worde 16 of the Lord. And Dauid spake to the chiefe of the Leuites, that they should appoint certaine of their brethren to sing with instruments of musike, with violes and harpes, and cymbales, that they might make a sounde, and lift vp their voyce with

ioye. So the Leuites appointed Heman the sonne of Ioel, and of 17 his brethren Asaph the sonne of Berechiah, and of the sonnes of Merari their brethren, Ethan the sonne of Kushaiah, And 18 with them their brethren in the seconde degree, Zechariah, Ben, and Iaaziel, and Shemiramoth, and Iehiel, and Vnni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneah, and Obed Edom, and Ieiel the porters. So He- 19 man, Asaph and Ethan were fingers to make a sounde with cymbales of brasse, And Zechariah, and Aziel, and Shemi- 20 ramoth, and Iehiel, and Vnni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and Benaiah with violes on Alamoth, And Mattithiah, and Elipheleka and Mikneah, and Obed Edom, and Ieiel, and Azaziah, with harpes vpon Sheminith Ienazzeah. But Chenaniah the chiefe 22 of the Leuites had the charge, bearing ve burden in the charge, for he was able to instruct. And Berechiah and Elkanah were 23 porters for the Arke. And Shecaniah and Iehoshaphat and 24 Nethaneel and Amasai, and Zechariah, and Benaiah, and Eliezer the Priestes did blowe with trumpets before the Arke of God, and Obed Edom and Ieiiah were porters for the Arke. Dauid and the Elders of Israel and the captaines of thousandes went to bring vp the Arke of the couenant of the Lord from the house of Obed Edom with iove. And because that God helped 26 the Leuites that bare the Arke of the couenant of the Lord, they offered seuen bullockes and seuen rammes. And Dauid had 27 on him a linen garment, as all the Leuites that bare the Arke, and the singers and Chenaniah that had the chiefe charge of the singers: and vpon Dauid was a linnen Ephod. Thus all Is- 28 rael brought vp the Arke of the Lordes couenant with shouting and sounde of cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbales, making a sound with violes and with harpes. And when the 29 Arke of the couenant of the Lord came into the citie of Dauid, Michal the daughter of Saul looked out at a windowe, and sawe King Dauid dauncing and playing, and she despised him in her heart.

So they brought in the Arke of God, and set it in the middes of the Tabernacle that Dauid had pitched for it, and they offred burnt offrings and peace offrings before God. And when 2 Dauid had made an ende of offering the burnt offering and the peace offerings, hee blessed the people in the Name of the Lord. And he dealt to euery one of Israel both man and woman, to eu-

ery one a cake of breade, and a piece of flesh, and a bottel of 4 wine. And he appointed certaine of the Leuites to minister before the Arke of the Lord, and to rehearse and to thanke and 5 prayse the Lord God of Israel: Asaph the chiefe, and next to him Zechariah, Ieiel, and Shemiramoth, and Iehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed Edom, euen Ieiel with instruments, violes and harpes, and Asaph to make 6 a sound with cymbales, And Benaiah and Iahaziel Priestes, with trumpets continually before the Arke of the couenant of 7 God. Then at that time Dauid did appoint at the beginning to give thankes to the Lord by the hand of Asaph and his 8 brethren. Praise the Lord and call vpon his Name: declare 9 his workes among the people. Sing vnto him, sing praise 10 vnto him, and talke of all his wonderfull workes. Reioyce in his holy Name: let the hearts of them that seeke the Lord 11 reioyce. Seeke the Lord and his strength: seeke his face con-12 tinually. Remember his marueilous workes that he hath done, 13 his wonders, and the judgements of his mouth, O seede of Is-14 rael his seruant, O the children of Iaakob his chosen. He is the Lord our God: his iudgements are throughout all the earth. 15 Remember his couenant for euer, and the worde, which hee 16 commanded to a thousand generations: Which he made with 17 Abraham, and his othe to Izhak: And hath confirmed it to Iaakob for a Law, and to Israel for an euerlasting couenant, 18 Saying, To thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your 19 inheritance. When ye were fewe in number, yea, a very fewe, 20 and strangers therein, And walked about from nation to na-21 tion, and from one kingdome to another people, He suffered no man to do them wrong, but rebuked Kings for their sakes, 22 saying, Touch not mine anoynted, and doe my Prophets no 23 harme. Sing vnto the Lord all the earth: declare his saluation 24 from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, and his 25 wonderful workes among all people. For the Lord is great and much to be praised, and hee is to bee feared aboue all gods. 26 For all the gods of the people are idoles, but the Lord made the 27 heauens. Prayse and glory are before him: power and beautie 28 are in his place. Giue vnto the Lord, ye families of the peo-29 ple: giue vnto the Lord glory and power. Giue vnto the Lord ye glory of his Name: bring an offring and come before him, 30 and worship the Lord in the glorious Sanctuarie. Tremble ye

before him, al the earth: surely the world shalbe stable and not moue. Let the heavens reioyce, and let the earth be glad, 31 and let them say among the nations, The Lord reigneth. Let 32 the sea roare, and all that therein is: Let the field be ioyfull and all that is in it. Let the trees of the wood then reioyce at 33 the presence of the Lord: for he commeth to judge the earth. Prayse the Lord, for hee is good, for his mercie endureth for 34 euer. And say ve, Saue vs, O God, our saluation, and gather 35 vs, and deliuer vs from the heathen, that we may prayse thine holy Name, and glorie in thy praise. Blessed be the Lord God 36 of Israel for euer and euer: and let all people say, So be it, and praise the Lord. Then he left there before the Arke of 37 the Lordes couenant Asaph and his brethren to minister continually before the Arke, that which was to be done euery day: And Obed Edom and his brethren, three score and eight: and 38 Obed Edom the sonne of Ieduthun, and Hosah were porters. And Zadok the Priest and his brethren the Priestes were be- 39 fore the Tabernacle of ve Lord, in the hie place that was at Gibeon, To offer burnt offrings vnto the Lord, vpon the burnt 40 offring altar continually, in the morning and in the euening, euen according vnto all that is written in the law of the Lord, which hee commanded Israel. And with them were Heman, 41 and Ieduthun, and the rest that were chosen (which were appointed by names) to praise the Lord, because his mercie endureth for euer. Euen with them were Heman and Ioduthun, 42 to make a sound with the cornets and with the cymbales, with excellent instruments of musicke: and the sonnes of Ieduthun were at the gate. And all the people departed, euerie man to 43 his house; and Dauid returned to blesse his house.

Nowe afterward when Dauid dwelt in his house, he saide 17 to Nathan the Prophet, Beholde, I dwell in an house of cedar trees, but the Arke of the Lordes couenant remaineth vnder curtaines. Then Nathan said to Dauid, Do all that is in thine 2 heart: for God is with thee. And the same night euen the 3 word of God came to Nathan, saying, Goe, and tell Dauid my 4 seruant, Thus saith the Lord, Thou shalt not buylde me an house to dwell in: For I haue dwelt in no house, since the day 5 that I brought out the childre of Israel vnto this daye, but I haue bene from tent to tent, and from habitation to habitation. Wheresoeuer I haue walked with all Israel spake I one word to 6

any of the judges of Israel (whome I commanded to feede my people) saying, Why haue ye not built mee an house of cedar 7 trees? Nowe therefore thus shalt thou say vnto my seruant Dauid, Thus saith the Lord of hostes, I tooke thee from the sheepecoat and from following the sheepe, that thou shouldest 8 bee a prince ouer my people Israel. And I have bene with thee whithersoeuer thou hast walked, and haue destroyed all thine enemies out of thy sight, and haue made thee a name, like the 9 name of the great men that are in the earth. (Also I will appoynt a place for my people Israel, and will plant it, that they may dwell in their place, and moue no more: neither shall the 10 wicked people vexe them any more, as at the beginning, And since the time that I commanded judges ouer my people Israel) And I wil subdue all thine enemies: therefore I say vnto thee, 11 that the Lord wil buylde thee an house. And when thy dayes shalbe fulfilled to go with thy fathers, then will I rayse vp thy seede after thee, which shalbe of thy sonnes, and will stablish 12 his kingdome. He shall builde me an house, and I will stab-13 lish his throne for euer. I wil be his father, and he shalbe my sonne, aud I will not take my mercie away from him, as I tooke 14 it from him that was before thee. But I wil establish him in mine house, and in my kingdome for euer, and his throne 15 shalbe stablished for euer, According to all these wordes, and 16 according to al this vision. So Nathan spake to Dauid. And Dauid the King went in and sate before the Lord and said, Who am I, O Lord God, and what is mine house, that thou hast 17 brought me hitherto? Yet thou esteeming this a small thing, O God, hast also spoken concerning the house of thy seruaut for a great while, and hast regarded me according to the estate 18 of a man of hie degree, O Lord God. What can Dauid desire more of thee for the honour of thy seruant? for thou knowest 19 thy seruant. O Lord, for thy seruantes sake, euen according to thine heart hast thou done all this great thing to declare all 20 magnificence. Lord, there is none like thee, neither is there any God besides thee, according to all that we have heard with 21 our eares. Moreouer what one nation in the earth is like thy people Israel, whose God went to redeeme them to be his people, and to make thy selfe a Name, and to doe great and terrible things by casting out nations from before thy people, whom 22 thou hast deliuered out of Egypt? For thou hast ordeined thy people Israel to be thine owne people for euer, and thou Lord art become their God. Therefore nowe Lord, let the thing that 23 thou hast spoken concerning thy seruant and concerning his house, be confirmed for euer, and doe as thou hast sayd, And 24 let thy name be stable and magnified for euer, that it may be sayd, The Lord of hostes, God of Israel, is the God of Israel, and let the house of Dauid thy seruant bee stablished before thee. For thou, O my God, hast reueiled vnto the eare of thy seruant, that thou wilt builde him an house: therefore thy seruant hath bene bolde to pray before thee. Therefore nowe Lord (for 26 thou art God, and hast spoken this goodnesse vnto thy seruant) Now therfore, it hath pleased thee to blesse the house of 27 thy seruant, that it may bee before thee for euer: for thou, O Lord, hast blessed it, and it shalbe blessed for euer.

And after this Dauid smote the Philistims, and subdued 18 them, and tooke Gath, and the villages thereof out of the hand of the Philistims. And he smote Moab, and the Moabites be- 2 came Dauids seruants, and brought giftes. And Dauid smote 3 Hadarezer King of Zobah vnto Hamath, as he went to stablish his border by the riuer Perath. And Dauid tooke from him a 4 thousand charets, and seuen thousand horsemen, and twentie thousand footemen, and destroyed all the charets, but he reserued of them an hundreth charets. Then came the Aramites 5 of Damascus to succour Hadarezer King of Zobah, but Dauid slewe of the Aramites two and twentie thousand. And Dauid 6 put a garison in Aram of Damascus, and the Aramites became Dauids seruants, and brought giftes: and the Lord preserued Dauid wheresoeuer he went. And Dauid tooke the shieldes of 7 gold that were of the seruants of Hadarezer, and brought them to Ierusalem. And from Tibhath, and from Chun (cities of 8 Hadarezer) brought Dauid exceeding much brasse, wherewith Salomon made the brasen Sea, and the pillars and the vessels Then Tou King of Hamath heard howe Dauid had 9 smitten all the hoste of Hadarezer King of Zobah: Therefore 10 he sent Hadoram his sonne to King Dauid, to salute him, and to reioyce with him, because he had fought against Hadarezer, and beaten him (for Tou had warre with Hadarezer) who brought all vessels of golde and siluer and brasse. And King Dauid did 11 dedicate them vnto the Lord, with the siluer and golde that hee brought from all the nations, from Edom, and from Moab,

and from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistims, and And Abishai the sonne of Zeruiah smote of 12 from Amalek. 13 Edom in the salt valley eighteene thousand, And he put a garison in Edom, and all the Edomites became Dauids seruantes: and the Lord preserued Dauid wheresoeuer he went. 14 So Dauid reigned ouer all Israel, and executed judgement and 15 iustice to all his people. And Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah was ouer the hoste, and Iehoshaphat the sonne of Ahilud recorder, 16 And Zadok the sonne of Ahitub, and Abimelech the sonne of 17 Abiathar were the Priests, and Shausha the Scribe, And Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada was ouer the Cherethites and the Pelethites: and the sonnes of Dauid were chiefe about the King. After this also Nahash the King of the children of Ammon 19 2 dyed, and his sonne reigned in his stead. And Dauid said, I will shew kindnesse vnto Hanun the sonne of Nahash, because his father shewed kindnesse vnto me. And Dauid sent messengers to comfort him for his father. So the seruants of Dauid came into the lande of the children of Ammon to Hanun 3 to comfort him. And the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun, Thinkest thou that Dauid doeth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters vnto thee? Are not his seruants come to thee to search, to seeke and to spie out the land? 4 Wherefore Hanun tooke Dauids seruants, and shaued them, and cut off their garments by the halfe vnto the buttocks, and 5 sent them away. And there went certaine and tolde Dauid concerning the men: and he sent to meete them (for the men were exceedingly ashamed) and the King saide, Tarie at Ieri-6 cho, vntill your beardes be growen: then returne. When the children of Ammon saw that they stanke in the sight of Dauid,

then sent Hanun and the children of Ammon a thousande talents of siluer to hire them charets and horsemen out of Aram
Naharaim and out of Aram Maachah, and out of Zobah. And

they hired them two and thirty thousande charets, and the King of Maachah and his people, which came and pitched before Medeba: and the children of Ammon gathered themselues

8 together from their cities, and came to the battell. And when Dauid heard, he sent Ioab and all the hoste of the valiant men.

9 And the children of Ammon came out, and set their battell in aray at the gate of the citie. And the Kings that were come,10 were by them selues in the fielde. When Ioab saw that the

front of the battel was against him before and behinde, then he chose out of all the choyse of Israel, and set him selfe in aray to meete the Aramites. And the rest of the people he deliuered 11 vnto the hande of Abishai his brother, and they put them selues in aray against the children of Ammon. And he saide, If Aram 12 be too strong for me, then thou shalt succour me: and if the children of Ammon preuaile against thee, then I wil succour thee. Be strong, and let vs shewe our selues valiant for our 13 people, and for the cities of our God, and let the Lord doe that which is good in his owne sight. So Ioab and the people that 14 was with him, came neere before the Aramites vnto the battel, and they fled before him. And when the children of Ammon 15 sawe that the Aramites fled, they fled also before Abishai his brother, and entred into the citie: so Ioab came to Ierusalem. And when the Aramites sawe that they were discomfited be- 16 fore Israel, they sent messengers and caused the Aramites to come forth that were beyond the riuer: and Shophach the captaine of the hoste of Hadarezer went before them. And when 17 it was shewed Dauid, he gathered all Israel, and went ouer Iorden, and came vnto them, and put him selfe in aray against them: And when Dauid had put him selfe in battel aray to meete the Aramites, they fought with him. But the Aramites 18 fled before Israel, and Dauid destroyed of the Aramites seuen thousand charets, and fourtie thousand footemen, and killed Shophach the captaine of the hoste. And when the seruants 19 of Hadarezer sawe that they fell before Israel, they made peace with Dauid, and serued him. And the Aramites would no more succour the children of Ammon.

And when the yere was expired, in the time that Kings goe out a warfare, Ioab caryed out the strength of the armie, and destroyed the countrey of the children of Ammon, and came and besieged Rabbah (but Dauid taryed at Ierusalem) and Ioab smote Rabbah and destroyed it. Then Dauid tooke the crowne of their King from off his head, and founde it the weight of a talent of golde, with precious stones in it: and it was set on Dauids head, and he brought away the spoyle of the citie exceeding much. And he caryed away the people that were in it, and cut them with sawes, and with harowes of yron, and with axes: euen thus did Dauid with all the cities of the children of Ammon. Then Dauid and all the people came againe

to Ierusalem. And after this also there arose warre at Gezer with the Philistims: then Sibbechai the Hushathite slewe Sippai, of the children of Haraphah, and they were subdued. And there was yet another battell with the Philistims: and Elhanan the sonne of Iair slewe Lahmi, the brother of Goliath the Gittite, whose spearestaffe was like a weauers beame. And yet againe there was a battel at Gath, where was a man of a great stature, and his fingers were by sixes, euen foure and twentie,
and was also the sonne of Haraphah. And when he reuiled Israel, Iehonathan the sonne of Shimea Dauids brother did slay
him. These were borne vnto Haraphah at Gath, and fell by the hand of Dauid: and by the hands of his seruants.

And Satan stoode vp against Israel, and prouoked Dauid 21 2 to nomber Israel. Therefore Dauid said to Ioab, and to the rulers of the people, Go, and nomber Israel from Beer-sheba euen to Dan, and bring it to me, that I may knowe the nomber 3 of them. And Ioab answered, The Lord increase his people an hundreth times so many as they be, O my lord the King: are they not all my lords seruats? wherefore doeth my lord require this thing? why should he be a cause of trespasse 4 to Israel? Neuerthelesse the Kings word preuailed against Ioab. And Ioab departed and went thorowe all Israel, and re-5 turned to Ierusalem. And Ioab gaue the nomber and summe of the people vnto Dauid: and all Israel were eleuen hundreth thousande men that drewe sword: and Iudah was foure hun-6 dreth and seventie thousande men that drewe sword. the Leuites and Beniamin counted he not among them: for the 7 Kings worde was abominable to Ioab. And God was displeased 8 with this thing: therefore he smote Israel. Then Dauid saide vnto God, I haue sinned greatly, because I haue done this thing: but now, I beseech thee, remooue the iniquitie of thy seruant: 9 for I haue done very foolishly. And the Lord spake vnto Gad 10 Dauids Seer, saying, Goe and tell Dauid, saying, Thus saith the Lord, I offer thee three thinges: choose thee one of them, 11 that I may doe it vnto thee. So Gad came to Dauid, and sayde 12 vnto him, Thus saith the Lord, Take to thee Either three yeeres famine, or three moneths to be destroyed before thine aduersaries, and the sworde of thine enemies to take thee, or els the sworde of the Lord and pestilence in the lande three dayes, that the Angel of the Lord may destroy throughout all the coastes of Israel: nowe therefore aduise thee, what word I shall bring againe to him that sent me. And Dauid said vnto 13 Gad, I am in a wonderfull strait. let me nowe fall into the hande of the Lord: for his mercies are exceeding great, and let me not fall into the hande of man. So the Lord sent a pesti- 14 lence in Israel, and there fell of Israel seuentie thousande men. And God sent the Angel into Ierusalem to destroy it. And as he 15 was destroying, the Lord behelde, and repented of the euill and sayde to the Angel that destroyed, It is now ynough, let thine hande cease. Then the Angel of the Lord stoode by the thresshing floore of Ornan the Iebusite. And Dauid lift vp his eyes, 16 and sawe the Angel of the Lord stande betweene the earth and the heaven with his sworde drawen in his hand, and stretched out towarde Ierusalem. Then Dauid and the Elders of Israel, which were clothed in sacke, fell vpon their faces. And Dauid 17 said vnto God. Is it not I that commanded to nomber the people? It is euen I that have sinned and have committed euil, but these sheepe what have they done? O Lord my God, I beseech thee, let thine hande be on me and on my fathers house, and not on thy people for their destruction. Then the Angel of the 18 Lord commanded Gad to say to Dauid, that Dauid should goe vp, and set vp an altar vnto the Lord in the thresshing floore of Ornan the Iebusite. So Dauid went vp according to the saving 19 of Gad, which he had spoken in the Name of the Lord. And Or- 20 nan turned about, and sawe the Angel, and his foure sonnes, that were with him, hid them selues, and Ornan thresshed wheat. And as Dauid came to Ornan, Ornan looked and sawe 21 Dauid, and went out of the thresshing floore, and bowed himselfe to Dauid with his face to the grounde. And Dauid saide 22 to Ornan, Giue me the place of thy thresshing floore, that I may builde an altar therein vnto the Lord: giue it me for sufficient money, that the plague may be stayed from the people. Then Ornan saide vnto Dauid, Take it to thee, and let my lord 23 the King do that which seemeth him good: loe, I give thee bullockes for burnt offrings, and thresshing instruments for wood, and wheat for meate offring, I giue it all. And King Dauid 24 saide to Ornan, Not so: but I will bye it for sufficient money: for I wil not take that which is thine for the Lord, nor offer burnt offrings without cost. So Dauid gaue to Ornan for that 25 place sixe hundreth shekels of golde by weight. And Dauid 26 built there an altar vnto the Lord, and offred burnt offrings, and peace offrings, and called vpon the Lord, and he answered him by fire from heauen vpon the altar of burnt offring. And when the Lord had spoken to the Angel, he put vp his sworde againe into his sheath. At that time when Dauid sawe that the Lord had heard him in the thresshing floore of Ornan the Iebusite, then he sacrificed there. (But the Tabernacle of the Lord which Moses had made in the wildernesse, and the altar of burnt offring were at that season in the hie place at Gibeon. And Dauid could not go before it to aske counsel at God: for he was afraide of the sworde of the Angel of the Lord.)

And Dauid saide, This is the house of the Lord God, and 222 this is the altar for the burnt offring of Israel. And Dauid commanded to gather together the strangers that were in the lande of Israel, and he set masons to hewe and polish stones to builde 3 the house of God. Dauid also prepared much yron for the navles of the doores and of the gates, and for the iovnings, and 4 abundance of brasse passing weight, And cedar trees without nomber: for the Zidonians and they of Tyrus brought much 5 cedar wood to Dauid. And Dauid saide, Salomon my sonne is yong and tender, and we must builde an house for the Lord, magnificall, excellent and of great fame and dignitie throughout all countreyes. I will therefore nowe prepare for him. So 6 Dauid prepared very much before his death. Then he called Salomon his sonne, and charged him to builde an house for the 7 Lord God of Israel. And Dauid said to Salomon, My sonne, I purposed with my selfe to builde an house to the Name of the 8 Lord my God, But the worde of the Lord came to me, saying, Thou hast shed much blood, and hast made great battels: thou shalt not builde an house vnto my Name: for thou hast shead 9 much blood vpon the earth in my sight. Beholde, a sonne is borne to thee, which shalbe a man of rest, for I will giue him rest from all his enemies rounde about: therefore his name is Salomon: and I will sende peace and quietnes vpon Israel in 10 his daves. Hee shall builde an house for my Name, and he shalbe my sonne, and I will be his father, and I will establish 11 the throne of his kingdome vpon Israel for euer. Nowe therefore my sonne, the Lord shalbe with thee, and thou shalt prosper, and thou shalt builde an house to the Lord thy God, as he 12 hath spoken of thee. Onely the Lord give thee wisedome and vnderstanding, and give thee charge over Israel, even to keepe the Lawe of the Lord thy God. Then thou shalt prosper, if thou 13 take heede to obserue the statutes and the judgements which the Lord commanded Moses for Israel: be strong and of good courage: feare not, neither bee afraide. For beholde, accord- 14 ing to my pouertie haue I prepared for the house of the Lord an hundreth thousand talents of golde, and a thousand thousande talents of siluer, and of brasse and of yron passing weight: for there was abundance: I have also prepared timber and stone, and thou mayest prouide more thereto. Moreouer thou hast 15 workmen with thee enough, hewers of stone, and workemen for timber, and all men expert in euery worke. Of golde, of siluer, 16 and of brasse, and of yron there is no nomber: Vp therefore, and be doing, and the Lord wilbe with thee. Dauid also com- 17 manded all the princes of Israel to helpe Salomon his sonne, saying, Is not the Lord your God with you, and hath given 18 you rest on euerie side? for hee hath given the inhabitants of the land into mine hand, and the land is subdued before the Lord and before his people. Nowe set your hearts and your 19 soules to seeke the Lord your God, and arise, and builde the Sanctuarie of the Lord God to bring the Arke of the couenant of the Lord, and the holy vessels of God into the house built for the Name of the Lord.

So when Dauid was olde and full of dayes, he made Salomon 23 his sonne King ouer Israel. And hee gathered together all the 2 princes of Israel with the Priestes and the Leuites. And the 3 Leuites were numbred from ye age of thirtie yeere and aboue, and their nomber according to their summe was eight and thirtie thousand men. Of these foure and twentie thousande were 4 set to aduance the worke of the house of the Lord, and sixe thousand were ouerseers and judges. And foure thousand 5 were porters, and foure thousande praised the Lord with instruments which he made to praise the Lord. So Dauid deuided 6 offices vnto them, to wit, to the sonnes of Leui, to Gershon, Kohath, and Merari. Of the Gershonites were Laadan and 7 Shimei. The sonnes of Laadan, the chiefe was Iehiel, and 8 Zetham and Ioel, three. The Sonnes of Shimei, Shelomith, 9 and Haziel, and Haram, three: these were the chiefe fathers of Laadan. Also the sonnes of Shimei were Iahath, Zina, Ieush, 10 and Beriah: these foure were ye sonnes of Shimei. And Ia- 11

hath was the chiefe, and Zizah the seconde, but Ieush and Beriah had not many sonnes: therfore they were in the families 12 of their father, counted but as one. The sonnes of Kohath were 13 Amram, Izhar, Hebron aud Vzziel, foure. The sonnes of Amram, Aaron and Moses: and Aaron was separated to sanctifie the most holy place, hee and his sonnes for euer to burne incense before the Lord, to minister to him, and to blesse in his 14 Name for euer. Moses also the man of God, and his children 15 were named with the tribe of Leui. The sonnes of Moses were 16 Gershom, and Eliezer, Of the sonnes of Gershom was Shebuel 17 the chiefe. And the sonne of Eliezer was Rehabiah the chiefe: for Eliezer had none other sonnes: but the sonnes of Rehabiah 18 were very many. The sone of Izhar was Shelomith ve chiefe. 19 The sonnes of Hebron were Ieriah the first, Amariah the sec-20 ond, Iahaziel the third, and Iekamiam the fourth. The sones 21 of Vzziel were Michah the first, and Isshiah the second. The sonnes of Merari were Mahli and Mushi. The sonnes of Mahli, 22 Eleazar and Kish. And Eleazar dyed, and had no sonnes, but daughters, and their brethren the sonnes of Kish tooke 23 them. The sonnes of Mushi were Mahli, and Eder, and Ier-These were the sonnes of Leui according to 24 imoth, three. the house of their fathers, euen the chiefe fathers according to their offices, according to the nomber of names and their summe that did the worke for the seruice of the house of the 25 Lord from the age of twentie yeeres and aboue. For Dauid sayde, The Lord God of Israel hath given rest vnto his peo-26 ple, that they may dwell in Ierusalem for euer. And also the Leuites shall no more beare the Tabernacle and al the vessels 27 for the seruice thereof. Therefore according to the last wordes of Dauid, the Leuites were nombred from twentie yeere and 28 aboue, And their office was vnder the hand of the sonnes of Aaron, for the seruice of the house of the Lord in the courtes, and chambers, and in the purifiyng of all holy thinges, and in the worke of the service of the house of God. Both for the shewbread, and for the fine floure, for the meate offring, and for the vnleauened cakes, and for the fryed things, and for that 30 which was rosted, and for all measures and cise, And for to stand euery morning, to give thanks and praise to the Lord, 31 and likewise at euen, And to offer all burnt offrings vnto the Lord, in the Sabbaths, in the moneths, and at the appointed

times, according to the nomber and according to their custome continually before the Lord, And that they should keepe the 32 charge of the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and the charge of ye holy place, and the charge of ye sonnes of Aaron their brethren in the seruice of ye house of the Lord.

These are also the diuisions of the sonnes of Aaron: The 24 sonnes of Aaron were Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar. But Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no chil- 2 dren: therefore Eleazar and Ithamar executed the Priestes office. And Dauid distributed them, euen Zadok of the sonnes of 3 Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sonnes of Ithamar according to their offices in their ministration. And there were found more 4 of the sonnes of Eleazar by the number of men, then of the sonnes of Ithamar. and they deuided them, to wit, among the sonnes of Eleazar, sixteene heads, according to the houshould of their fathers, and among ye sonnes of Ithamar, according to the housholde of their fathers, eight. Thus they distributed 5 them by lot the one from the other, and so the rulers of the Sanctuarie and the rulers of the house of God were of the sonnes of Eleazar and of the sonnes of Ithamar. And Shemaiah the 6 sonne of Nethaneel the scribe of the Leuites, wrote them before ye King and the princes, and Zadok the Priest, and Ahimelech the sonne of Abiathar, and before ve chiefe fathers of the Priests and of the Leuites, one familie being reserued for Eleazar, and another reserved for Ithamar. And the first lot 7 fell to Iehoiarib, and the second to Iedaiah, The third to Harim, 8 the fourth to Seorim, The fifth to Malchiiah, the sixt to Mi- 9 iamin, The seuenth to Hakkoz, the eight to Abiiah, The ninth 10, 11 to Ieshua, the tenth to Shecaniah, The eleuenth to Eliashib, 12 the twelft to Iakim, The thirteenth to Huppa, the fouretenth 13 to Ieshebeab, The fiftenth to Bilgah, the sixtenth to Immer, 14 The seuententh to Hezir, the eightenth to Happizzer, The nine- 15, 16 tenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Iehezekel, The one and 17 twentie to Iachin, the two and twentie to Gamul, The three 18 and twentie to Deliah, the foure and twentie to Maaziah. These 19 were their orders according to their offices, when they entred into the house of the Lord according to their custome vnder the hande of Aaron their father, as the Lord God of Israel had commanded him. And of the sonnes of Leui that remained of 20 the sonnes of Amram, was Shubael, of the sonnes of Shubael,

21 Iedeiah, Of Rehabiah. euen of the sonnes of Rehabiah, the 22 first Isshiiah, Of Izhari, Shelomoth, of the sonnes of Shelo-23 moth, Iahath, And his sonnes Ieriah the first, Amariah the 24 second, Iahaziel the thirde, and Iekameam the fourth. The sonne of Vzziel was Michah, ye sonne of Michah was Shamir, The brother of Michah was Isshiiah, the sonne of Isshiiah, 26 Zechariah, The sonnes of Merari, were Mahli and Mushi, the 27 sonne of Iaaziiah was Beno, The sonnes of Merari of Iahaziah 28 were Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur and Ibri. Of Mahli came 29 Eleazar, which had no sonnes. Of Kish. the sonne of Kish 30 was Ierahmeel, And the sonnes of Mushi were Mahli, and Eder, and Ierimoth: these were sonnes of the Leuites after the 31 houshold of their fathers. And these also cast lots with their brethren the sonnes of Aaron before King Dauid, and Zadok and Ahimelech and the chiefe fathers of the Priests, and of the Leuites, euen the chiefe of the families against their yonger brethren.

So Dauid and the captaines of the armie separated for the 25 ministerie the sonnes of Asaph, and Heman, and Ieduthun, who should sing prophesies with harpes, with violes, and with cymbales, and their nomber was euen of the men for the office 2 of their ministerie, to wit, Of the sonnes of Asaph, Zaccur, and Ioseph, and Nethaniah, and Asharelah the sonnes of Asaph were vnder the hand of Asaph, which sang prophesies by the 3 commission of the King. Of Ieduthun, the sonnes of Ieduthun, Gedaliah, and Zeri, and Ieshaiah, Ashabiah and Mattithiah, six, vnder the hands of their father: Ieduthun sang prophecies with an harpe, for to give thankes and to praise the Lord. 4 Of Heman, the sonnes of Heman, Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Vzziel, Shebuel, and Ierimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, and Romamtiezer, Ioshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, and Ma-5 hazioth. All these were the sonnes of Heman, the Kings Seer in the wordes of God to lift vp the horne: and God gaue to He-6 man fourtene sonnes and three daughters. All these were vnder the hande of their father, singing in the house of the Lord with cymbales, violes and harpes, for the seruice of the house of God, and Asaph, and Ieduthun, and Heman were at the Kings 7 commandement. So was their nomber with their brethre that were instruct in ye songs of the Lord, euen of al that were 8 cunning, two hundreth foure score and eight. And they cast

lottes, charge against charge, aswel small as great, the cunning man as the scholer. And the first lot fell to Ioseph which 9 was of Asaph, the second, to Gedaliah, who with his brethren and his sonnes were twelue. The third, to Zaccur, he, his 10 sonnes and his brethren were twelue. The fourth, to Izri, he, 11 his sonnes and his brethren twelue. The fift, to Nethaniah, he, 12 his sonnes and his brethren twelue. The sixt, to Bukkiah, he, 13 his sonnes and his brethren twelue. The seuenth, to Ieshare- 14 lah, he, his sonnes and his brethren twelue. The eight, to 15 Ieshaiah, he, his sonnes and his brethren twelue. The ninth, 16 to Mattaniah, he, his sonnes and his brethren twelue. tenth, to Shimei, he, his sonnes and his brethren twelue. eleuenth, to Azareel, he, his sonnes and his brethren twelue. The twelft, to Ashabiah, he, his sonnes and his brethren twelue. 19 The thirteenth, to Shubael, he, his sonnes and his brethren 20 The fourtenth, to Mattithiah, he, his sonnes and his 21 The fifteenth, to Ierimoth, he, his sonnes 22 brethren twelue. and his brethren twelue. The sixteenth, to Hananiah, he, his 23 sonnes and his brethren twelue. The seuenteenth, to Iosh- 24 bekashah, he, his sonnes and his brethren twelue. The eigh- 25 teenth, to Hanani, he, his sonnes and his brethren twelue. The ninteenth, to Mallothi, he, his sonnes and his brethren 26 The twentieth, to Eliathah, he, his sonnes and his 27 brethren twelue. The one and twentieth, to Hothir, he, his 28 sonnes and his brethren twelue. The two and twentieth, to 29 Giddalti, he, his sonnes and his brethren twelue. The three 30 and twentieth, to Mahazioth, he, his sonnes and his brethren The foure and twentieth, to Romamti-ezer, he, his 31 sonnes and his brethren twelue.

Concerning the diuisions of the porters, of the Korhites, **26**Meshelemiah the sonne of Kore of the sonnes of Asaph. And 2
the sonnes of Meshelemiah, Zechariah the eldest, Iediael the seconde, Zebadiah the third, Iathniel the fourth, Elam the 3
fift, Ichohanan the sixt, and Eliehoenai the seuenth. And 4
the sonnes of Obed Edom, Shemaiah the eldest, Iehozabad the second, Ioah the third, and Sacar the fourth, and Nethaneel the fift, Ammiel the sixt, Issachar the seuenth, Peulthai 5
the eight: for God had blessed him. And to Shemaiah his 6
sonne, were sonnes borne, that ruled in the house of their father, for they were men of might. The sonnes of Shemaiah 7

were Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad and his brethren, 8 strong men: Elihu also, and Semachiah. All these were of the sonnes of Obed Edom, they and their sonnes and their brethren mightie and strong to serue, euen three score and 9 two of Obed Edom. And of Meshelemiah sonnes and brethren, 10 eighteene mightie men. And of Hosah of the sonnes of Merari, the sonnes were Shuri the chiefe, and (though he was not 11 the eldest, yet his father made him the chiefe) Helkiah the second, Tebaliah the third, and Zechariah the fourth: all the 12 sonnes and the brethren of Hosa were thirteene. Of these were the diuisions of the porters of the chiefe men, having the charge against their brethren, to serue in the house of the 13 Lord. And they cast lottes both small and great for the house 14 of their fathers, for euery gate. And the lot on the East side fel to Shelemiah: then they cast lottes for Zechariah his sonne 15 a wise couseller, and his lot came out Northward: To Obed Edom Southwarde, and to his sonnes the house of Asuppim: 16 To Shuppim and to Hosah Westwarde with the gate of Shallecheth by the paued streete that goeth vpward, warde ouer 17 against warde. Eastward were sixe Leuites, and Northwarde foure a day, and Southward foure a day, and toward Asuppim 18 two and two. In Parbar towarde the West were foure by the 19 paued streete, and two in Parbar. These are the diuisions of the porters of the sonnes of Kore, and of the sonnes of Mer-20 ari. And of the Leuites. Ahiiah was ouer the treasures of the house of God, and ouer the treasures of the dedicate things. 21 Of the sonnes of Laadan the sonnes of the Gershunnites descending of Laadan, the chiefe fathers of Laadan were Ger-22 shunni and Iehieli. The sonnes of Iehieli were Zethan and Ioel his brother, appoynted ouer the treasures of the house of the 23 Lord. Of the Amramites, of the Izharites, of the Hebronites 24 and of the Ozielites. And Shebuel the sonne of Gershom, 25 the sonne of Moses, a ruler ouer the treasures. And of his brethren which came of Eliezer, was Rehabiah his sonne, and Ieshaiah his sonne, and Ioram his sonne, and Zichri his sonne, 26 and Shelomith his sonne. Which Shelomith and his brethren were ouer al the treasures of the dedicate things, which Dauid the King, and the chiefe fathers, the captaines ouer thousands, and hundreths, and the captaines of the armie had dedicated. 27 (For of the battels and of the spoyles they did dedicate to maintaine the house of the Lord) And all that Samuel the Seer had 28 dedicate and Saul the sonne of Kish and Abner the sonne of Ner, and Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah, and whosoeuer had dedicate any thing, it was vnder the hand of Shelomith, and his brethren. Of the Izharites was Chenaniah and his sonnes, for 29 the busines without ouer Israel, for officers and for Iudges. Of 30 the Hebronites. Ashabiah and his brethren, men of activitie. a thousande, and seuen hundreth were officers for Israel beyonde Iorden Westward, in all the busines of the Lord, and for the seruice of the King. Among the Hebronites was Iediiah 31 the chiefest, euen the Hebronites by his generations according to the families. And in the fourtieth vere of the reigne of Dauid they were sought for: and there were founde among them men of activitie at Iazer in Gilead. And his brethren men of ac- 32 tiuitie, two thousand and seuen hundreth chiefe fathers, whom King Dauid made rulers ouer the Reubenites, and the Gadites. and the halfe tribe of Manasseh, for euery matter perteining to God, and for the Kings busines.

The children of Israel also after their number, even the chiefe 27 fathers and captaines of thousandes and of hundreths, and their officers that serued the King by divers courses, which came and in went out, moneth by moneth throughout al the moneths of the veere: in euery course were foure and twentie thousand. Ouer the first course for the first moneth was 2 Iashobeam the sonne of Zabdiel: and in his course were foure and twentie thousand. Of the sonnes of Perez was the chiefe 3 ouer all the princes of the armies for the first moneth. And 4 ouer the course of the second moneth was Dodai, an Ahohite, and this was his course, and Mikloth was a captaine, and in his course were foure and twentie thousand. The captaine of the 5 thirde hoste for the third moneth was Benaiah the sonne of Iehoiada the chiefe Priest: and in his course were foure and twentie thousand. This Benaiah was mightie among thir- 6 tie and aboue the thirtie, and in his course was Amizabad The fourth for the fourth moneth was Asahel the 7 brother of Ioab, and Zebadiah his sonne after him: and in his course were foure and twentie thousand. The fift for ye fift 8 moneth was prince Shamhuth the Izrahite: and in his course foure and twentie thousand. The sixt for the sixt moneth was 9 Ira the sonne of Ikkesh the Tekoite: and in his course foure and

The seuenth for the seuenth moneth was 10 twentie thousand. Helez the Pelonite, of the sonnes of Ephraim: and in his course 11 foure and twentie thousand. The eight for the eight moneth was Sibbecai the Hushathite of the Zarhites: and in his course 12 foure and twentie thousand. The ninth for the ninth moneth was Abiezer the Anethothite of the sonnes of Iemini: and in his 13 course foure and twentie thousand. The tenth for the tenth moneth was Maharai, the Netophathite of the Zarhites: and in his course foure and twentie thousand. The eleueth for the eleuenth moneth was Benaiah the Pirathonite of the sonnes of 15 Ephraim: and in his course foure and twentie thousand. The twelft for the twelft moneth was Heldai the Netophathite, of 16 Othniel: and in his course foure and twentie thousand. Moreouer the rulers ouer the tribes of Israel were these: ouer the Reubenites was ruler, Eliezer the sonne of Zichri: ouer the 17 Shimeonites, Shephatiah the sonne of Maachah: Ouer the Leuites, Hashabiah the sonne of Remuel: ouer them of Aharon, 18 and Zadok: Ouer Iudah, Elihu of the brethren of Dauid: ouer 19 Issachar, Omri the sonne of Michael: Ouer Zebulun, Ishmaiah the sonne of Obadiah: ouer Naphtali, Ierimoth the sonne 20 of Azriel: Ouer the sonnes of Ephraim, Hoshea the sonne of Azazziah: ouer the halfe tribe of Manasseh, Ioel the sonne of 21 Pedaiah: Ouer the other halfe of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the sonne of Zechariah: ouer Beniamin, Iaasiel the sonne of 22 Abner: Ouer Dan, Azariel the sonne of Ieroham. these are 23 the princes of the tribes of Israel. But Dauid tooke not the nober of them from twentie yeere olde and vnder, because the Lord had sayde that he would increase Israel like vnto the And Ioab the sonne of Zeruiah be-24 starres of the heavens. ganne to nomber: but hee finished it not, because there came wrath for it against Israel, neither was the nomber put into 25 the Chronicles of King Dauid. And ouer the Kings treasures was Azmaueth the sonne of Adiel: and ouer the treasures in the fieldes, in the cities and in the villages and in the towers 26 was Iehonathan the sonne of Vzziah: And ouer the workemen in the fielde that tilled the ground, was Ezri the sonne of 27 Chelub: And ouer them that dressed the vines, was Shimei the Ramathite: and ouer that which apperteined to the vines, 28 and ouer the store of the wine was Sabdi the Shiphmite: And ouer the olive trees and mulberie trees that were in the valleys, was Baal Hanan the Gederite: and ouer the store of the oyle was Ioash: And ouer the oxen that fed in Sharon, was 29 Shetrai the Sharonite: and ouer the oxen in the valleyes was Shaphat the sonne of Adlai: And ouer the camels was Obil the 30 Ishmaelite: and ouer the asses was Iehdeiah the Meronothite: And ouer the sheepe was Iaziz the Hagerite: all these 31 were the rulers of the substance that was King Dauids. And 32 Iehonathan Dauids vncle a man of counsell and vnderstanding (for he was a scribe) and Iehiel the sonne of Hachmoni were with the Kings sonnes. And Ahitophel was the Kings counseller, and Hushai the Archite the Kings friend. And after 34 Ahitophel was Iehoiada the sonne of Benaiah and Abiathar: and captaine of the Kings armie was Ioab.

Nowe Dauid assembled all the princes of Israel: the princes 28 of the tribes, and the captaines of the bandes that serued the King, and the captaines of thousands and the captaines of hundreths, and the rulers of all the substance and possession of the King, and of his sonnes, with the eunuches, and the mightie, and all the men of power, vnto Ierusalem. And King Dauid 2 stoode vp vpon his feete; and saide, Heare ve me, my brethren and my people: I purposed to have buylt an house of rest for the Arke of the couenant of the Lord, and for a footestoole of our God, and haue made ready for the building. But God 3 sayde vnto me, Thou shalt not buylde an house for my Name, because thou hast bene a man of warre, and hast shed blood. Yet as the Lord God of Israel chose me before all the house of 4 my father, to be King ouer Israel for euer (for in Iudah woulde he chuse a prince, and of the house of Iudah is the house of my father, and among the sonnes of my father he delited in me to make me King ouer all Israel) So of all my sonnes (for the Lord 5 hath giuen me many sonnes) he hath euen chosen Salomon my sonne to sit vpon the throne of the kingdome of the Lord ouer And he sayd vnto me, Salomon thy sonne, he shall 6 build mine house and my courtes: for I have chosen him to be my sonne, and I will be his father. I will stablish therefore 7 his kingdome for euer, if he endeuour himselfe to do my commandements, and my judgements, as this day. Now therefore 8 in the sight of all Israel the Congregation of the Lord, and in the audience of our God, keepe and seeke for all the commandements of the Lord your God, that ye may possesse this good

lande, and leaue it for an inheritance for your children after 9 you for euer. And thou, Salomon my sonne, know thou the God of thy father, and serue him with a perfit heart, and with a willing minde: For the Lord searcheth all hearts, and vnderstandeth all the imaginations of thoughts: if thou seeke him, he will be found of thee, but if thou forsake him, he will cast 10 thee off for euer. Take heede now, for the Lord hath chosen thee to buylde the house of the Sanctuarie: be strong there-11 fore, and doe it. Then Dauid gaue to Salomon his sonne the paterne of the porch and of the houses thereof, and of the closets thereof, and of the galleries thereof, and of the chambers thereof that are within, and of the house of the mercieseate, 12 And the paterne of all that he had in his minde for the courtes of the house of the Lord, and for all the chambers round about, for the treasures of the house of God, and for the treasures of 13 the dedicate things, And for the courses of the Priestes, and of the Leuites, and for all the woorke for the seruice of the house of the Lord, and for all the vessels of the ministerie of the house 14 of the Lord. He gaue of golde by weight, for the vessels of gold, for all the vessels of all maner of seruice, and all the vessels of siluer by weight, for all maner vessels of all maner of seruice. 15 The weight also of golde for the candlestickes, and gold for their lampes, with the weight for euery candlesticke, and for the lampes thereof, and for the candlestickes of siluer by the weight of the candlesticke, and the lampes thereof, according 16 to the vse of euery candlesticke, And the weight of the gold for the tables of shewbread, for euery table, and siluer for the 17 tables of siluer. And pure golde for the fleshhookes, and the bowles, and plates, and for basens, golde in weight for euery 18 basen, and for siluer basens, by weight for euery basen, And for the altar of incense, pure golde by weight, and golde for the paterne of the charet of the Cherubs that spread themselues, 19 and couered the Arke of the couenant of the Lord: All, said he, by writing sent to me by the hand of the Lord, which made me 20 vnderstand all the workemanship of the paterne. And Dauid said to Salomon his sonne, Be strong, and of a valiant courage and doe it: feare not, nor be afraide: for the Lord God, euen my God is with thee: he will not leave thee nor forsake thee till thou hast finished all the worke for the seruice of the house of 21 the Lord. Beholde also, the companies of the Priests and the

Leuites for all the seruice of the house of God, euen they shall be with thee for the whole worke, with euery free heart that is skilfull in any maner of seruice. The princes also and all the people will be wholy at thy commandement.

Moreouer Dauid the King sayde vnto all the Congregation, 29 God hath chosen Salomon mine onely sonne youg and tender, and the worke is great: for this house is not for man, but for the Lord God. Now I have prepared with all my power for the 2 house of my God, golde for vessels of golde, and siluer for them of siluer, and brasse for things of brasse, yron for things of yron, and wood for things of wood, and onix stones, and stones to be set, and carbuncle stones and of divers colours, and all precious stones, and marble stones in aboundance. Moreouer, 3 because I have delite in the house of my God, I have of mine owne golde and siluer, which I have given to the house of my God, beside all that I have prepared for the house of the Sanctuarie. Euen three thousand talents of gold of the golde of 4 Ophir, and seuen thousand talents of fined siluer to ouerlay the walles of the houses. The golde for the things of golde, 5 and the siluer for things of siluer, and for all the worke by the handes of artificers: and who is willing to fill his hand to day vnto the Lord? So the princes of the families, and the 6 princes of the tribes of Israel, and the captaines of thousands and of hundreths, with the rulers of the Kings worke, offred willingly, And they gaue for the seruice of the house of God 7 five thousande talents of golde, and ten thousand pieces, and ten thousand talents of siluer, and eighteene thousand talents of brasse, and one hundreth thousand talents of yron. And 8 they with whom precious stones were found, gaue them to the treasure of ye house of the Lord, by the hand of Iehiel the Gershunnite. And the people rejoyced when they offred willingly: 9 for they offred willingly vnto ye Lord, with a perfite heart. And Dauid the King also rejoyced with great joy. Therefore Dauid 10 blessed the Lord before all the Congregation, and Dauid sayde, Blessed be thou, O Lord God, of Israel our father, for euer and euer. Thine, O Lord, is greatnesse and power, and glory, and 11 victorie and praise: for all that is in heauen and in earth is thine: thine is the kingdome, O Lord, and thou excellest as head ouer all. Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou 12 reignest ouer all, and in thine hand is power and strength, and

in thine hande it is to make great, and to give strength vnto 13 all. Now therefore our God, we thanke thee, and prayse thy 14 glorious Name. But who am I, and what is my people, that we shoulde be able to offer willingly after this sort? for all things come of thee: and of thine owne hand we have given For we are stragers before thee, and soiourners, like all our fathers: our dayes are like ye shadowe vpon the earth, 16 and there is none abiding. O Lord our God, all this abundance that we have prepared to buylde thee an house for thine 17 holy Name, is of thine hand and all is thine. I knowe also, my God, that thou tryest the heart, and hast pleasure in righteousnesse: I haue offred willingly in the vprightnesse of mine heart all these things: now also haue I seene thy people which 18 are found here, to offer vnto thee willingly with ioy. O Lord God of Abraham, Izhak and Israel our fathers, keepe this for euer in the purpose, and the thoughts of the heart of thy peo-19 ple, and prepare their hearts vnto thee. And giue vnto Salomon my sonne a perfit heart to keepe thy commandements, thy testimonies, and thy statutes, and to doe all things, and 20 to builde the house which I have prepared. And Dauid said to all the Congregation, Now blesse the Lord your God. And all the Congregation blessed the Lord God of their fathers, and bowed downe their heads, and worshipped the Lord and the 21 King. And they offred sacrifices vnto the Lord, and on the morowe after that day, they offered burnt offrings vnto the Lord, euen a thousande yong bullocks, a thousand rammes and a thousand sheepe, with their drinke offrings, and sacrifices in 22 abundance for all Israel. And they did eate and drinke before the Lord the same day with great ioy, and they made Salomon the sonne of Dauid King the seconde time, and anoynted 23 him prince before the Lord, and Zadok for the hie Priest. So Salomon sate on the throne of the Lord, as King in steade of Dauid his father, and prospered: and all Israel obeyed him. 24 And all the princes and men of power, and all the sonnes of 25 King Dauid submitted them selues vnder King Salomon. And the Lord magnified Salomon in dignitie, in the sight of all Israel, and gaue him so glorious a kingdome, as no King had 26 before him in Israel. Thus Dauid the sonne of Ishai reigned 27 ouer all Israel. And the space that he reigned ouer Israel, was fourtie veere: seuen veere reigned he in Hebron, and three and

thirtie yeere reigned he in Ierusalem: And he dyed in a good 28 age, full of dayes, riches and honour, and Salomon his sonne reigned in his steade. Concerning the actes of Dauid the King 29 first and last, behold, they are written in the booke of Samuel the Seer, and in the booke of Nathan the Prophet, and in the booke of Gad the Seer, With all his reigne and his power, and 30 times that went ouer him, and ouer Israel and ouer all the kingdomes of the earth.

## THE SECOND BOOK OF THE CHRONICLES.

hen Salomon the sonne of Dauid was confirmed in his kingdome: and the Lord his God was with him, and magnified him highly. And Salomon spake vnto all Israel, to the captaines of thousandes, and of hundreths, and to the judges, and to all the gouernours in all Is-3 rael, euen the chiefe fathers. So Salomon and all the Congregation with him went to the hie place that was at Gibeon: for there was the Tabernacle of the Congregation of God which Moses the seruant of the Lord had made in the wildernesse. 4 But the Arke of God had Dauid brought vp from Kiriath-iearim, when Dauid had made preparation for it: for he had pitched 5 a tent for it in Ierusalem. Moreover the brasen altar that Bezaleel the sonne of Vri, the sonne of Hur had made, did hee set before the Tabernacle of the Lord: and Salomon and the 6 Congregation sought it. And Salomon offred there before the Lord vpon the brasen altar that was in the Tabernacle of the Congregation: euen a thousand burnt offrings offred he vpon 7 it. The same night did God appeare vnto Salomon, and sayde 8 vnto him, Aske what I shall give thee. And Salomon sayde vnto God. Thou hast shewed great mercy vnto Dauid my fa-9 ther and hast made me to reigne in his stead. Nowe therefore, O Lord God, let thy promise vnto Dauid my father be true: for thou hast made mee King ouer a great people, like to 10 the dust of the earth. Give me now wisdome and knowledge, that I may go out and go in before this people: for who can 11 iudge this thy great people? And God sayde to Salomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, treasures nor honour, nor the liues of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life, but hast asked for thee wisdome and knowledge that thou mightest judge my people, ouer whome 12 I have made thee King, Wisdome and knowledge is granted vnto thee, and I will give thee riches and treasures and honour, so that there hath not bene the like among the Kings which were before thee, neither after thee shall there be the like.

Then Salomon came from the hie place, that was at Gibeon, 13 to Ierusalem from before the Tabernacle of the Congregation, and reigned ouer Israel. And Salomon gathered the charets 14 and horesemen: and he had a thousand and foure hundreth charets, and twelve thousande horsemen, whome he placed in the charet cities, and with the King at Ierusalem. And the 15 King gaue siluer and gold at Ierusalem as stones, and gaue cedar trees as the wilde figge trees, that are abundantly in Also Salomon had horses brought out of Egypt 16 the playne. and fine linen: the Kings marchants received the fine linen for a price. They came vp also and brought out of Egypt some 17 charet, worth sixe hundreth shekels of siluer, that is an horse for an hundreth and fiftie: and thus they brought horses to all the Kings of the Hittites, and to the Kings of Aram by their meanes.

Then Salomon determined to builde an house for the Name 2 of the Lord, and an house for his kingdome. And Salomon 2 tolde out seuentie thousand that bare burdens, and fourescore thousande men to hewe stones in the mountaine, and three thousand and sixe hundreth to ouersee them. And Salomon 3 sent to Huram the king of Tyrus, saying, As thou hast done to Dauid my father, and didst sende him cedar trees to buylde him an house to dwell in, so do to me. Behold, I buylde an 4 house vnto the Name of the Lord my God, to sanctifie it vnto him, and to burne sweete incense before him, and for the continuall shewbread, and for the burnt offrings of the morning and euening, on the Sabbath dayes, and in the new moneths, and in the solemne feastes of the Lord our God: this is a perpetuall thing for Israel. And the house which I buylde, is great: 5 for great is our God aboue all gods. Who is he then that can 6 be able to buylde him an house, when the heauen, and the heauen of heauens can not conteine him? who am I then that I should buylde him an house? but I do it to burne incense before him. Sende me nowe therefore a cunning man that can 7 worke in golde, in siluer, and in brasse, and in yron, and in purple, and crimosin and blue silke, and that can graue in grauen worke with the cunning men that are with me in Iudah and in Ierusalem, whom Dauid my father hath prepared. Sende 8 mee also cedar trees, firre trees and Algummim trees from Lebanon: for I knowe that thy servants can skill to hewe tim-

ber in Lebanon: and beholde, my seruantes shalbe with thine, 9 That they may prepare me timber in abundance: for the house 10 which I doe buylde, is great and wonderfull. And behold, I will give to thy servants the cutters and the hewers of timber twentie thousand measures of beaten wheate, and twentie thousand measures of barley, and twentie thousand baths of 11 wine, and twentie thousand baths of oyle. Then Huram King of Tyrus answered in writing which he sent to Salomon, Because the Lord hath loued his people, he hath made thee King 12 ouer them. Huram sayd moreouer, Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, which made the heauen and the earth, and that hath giuen vnto Dauid the King a wise sonne, that hath discretion, prudence and vnderstanding to buylde an house for the Lord, 13 and a palace for his kingdome. Now therefore I haue sent a 14 wise man, and of vnderstanding of my father Hurams, The sonne of a woman of the daughters of Dan: and his father was a man of Tyrus, and he can skill to worke in golde, in siluer, in brasse, in yron, in stone, and in timber, in purple, in blue silke, and in fine linen, and in crimosin, and can graue in all grauen workes, and broyder in all broydered worke that shalbe giuen him, with thy cunning men, and with the cunning men of my 15 lord Dauid thy father. Now therefore the wheate and the barley, the oyle and the wine, which my lorde hath spoken of, let 16 him send vnto his seruants. And we wil cut wood in Lebanon as much as thou shalt neede, and will bring it to thee in raftes by the sea to Iapho, so thou mayest cary them to Ierusalem. 17 And Salomon nombred al the strangers that were in the land of Israel, after the nombring that his father Dauid had nombred them: and they were found an hundreth and three and 18 fiftie thousand, and sixe hundreth. And he set seuentie thousande of them to the burden, and fourescore thousande to hewe stones in the mountaine, and three thousande and sixe hundreth ouerseers to cause the people to worke.

3 So Salomon began to buyld the house of the Lord in Ierusalem, in mount Moriah which had bene declared vnto Dauid his father, in the place that Dauid prepared in the thresshing floore of Ornan the Iebusite. And he beganne to buylde in the seconde moneth and the second day, in the fourth yeere of his reigne. And these are the measures, whereon Salomon grounded to buylde the house of God: the length of cubites after the

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first measure was threescore cubites, and the breadth twenty cubites: And the porch, that was before the length in the 4 front of the breadth was twentie cubits, and the height was an hundreth and twentie, and he ouerlayd it within with pure golde. And the greater house he sieled with firre tree which 5 he ouerlayd with good golde, and graued thereon palme trees and chaines. And hee ouerlayde the house with precious stone 6 for beautie: and the golde was gold of Paruaim. The house, 7 I say, the beames, postes, and walles thereof and the doores thereof ouerlayde he with gold, and graued Cherubims vpon the walles. He made also the house of the most holy place: 8 the length thereof was in the front of the breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof twentie cubites: and he ouerlayde it with the best golde, of sixe hundreth talents. And the weight of the nayles was fiftie shekels of golde, and 9 hee ouerlayde the chambers with golde. And in the house 10 of the most holy place he made two Cherubims wrought like children, and ouerlayd them with golde. And the winges of 11 the Cherubims were twentie cubites long: the one wing was fiue cubites, reaching to the wall of the house, and the other wing fiue cubites, reaching to the wing of the other Cherub. Likewise the wing of ye other Cherub was flue cubites, reach- 12 ing to the wall of the house, and the other wing fiue cubites ioyning to the wing of the other Cherub. The wings of these 13 Cherubims were spread abroade twentie cubites: they stoode on their feete, and their faces were toward the house. made also the vaile of blew silke and purple, and crimosin, and fine linen, and wrought Cherubims thereon. And he made be- 15 fore the house two pillars of fiue and thirtie cubites hie: and the chapiter that was vpon the top of eche of them, was fiue cubites. He made also chaines for the oracle, and put them on 16 the heads of the pillars, and made an hundreth pomegranates, and put them among the chaines. And he set vp the pillars 17 before the Temple, one on the right hande and the other on the left, and called that on the right hand Iachin, and that on the left hand Boaz.

And hee made an altar of brasse twentie cubites long, and 4 twentie cubites broade, and ten cubites hie. And he made a 2 molten Sea of ten cubites from brim to brim, rounde in compasse, and fiue cubites hie: and a line of thirtie cubites did

3 compasse it about. And vnder it was ye facion of oxen, which did compasse it rounde about, tenne in a cubite compassing the 4 Sea about: two rowes of oxen were cast when it was molten. It stoode vpon twelue oxen: three looked toward the North, and three looked towarde the West, and three looked towarde the South, and three looked towarde the East, and the Sea stoode about vpon them, and all their hinder parts were inwarde. 5 And the thickenesse thereof was an hande breadth, and the brim thereof was like the worke of the brim of a cuppe with 6 floures of lilies: it conteined three thousand baths. He made also ten caldrons, and put fiue on the right hand, and fiue on the left, to wash in them, and to clense in them that which apperteined to the burnt offrings: but the Sea was for the Priests 7 to wash in. And he made ten candlestickes of golde (according to their forme) and put them in the Temple, fiue on the right 8 hand, and fiue on the left. And he made ten tables, and put them in the Temple, fiue on the right hand, and fiue on the 9 left: and he made an hundreth basens of golde. And he made the court of the Priests, and the great court and doores for the 10 court, and ouerlayd the doores thereof with brasse. And he 11 set the Sea on the right side Eastward toward the South. And Huram made pottes and besoms and basens, and Huram finished the worke that hee shoulde make for King Salomon for 12 the house of God, To wit, two pillars, and the bowles and the chapiters on the top of ye two pillars, and two grates to couer the two bowles of the chapiters which were vpon the toppe of 13 the pillars: And foure hundreth pomegranates for the two grates, two rowes of pomegranates for every grate to cover the 14 two bowles of the chapiters, that were vpon the pillars. 15 made also bases, and made caldrons vpon the bases: And a 16 Sea, and twelue bulles vnder it: Pottes also and besomes, and fleshhookes, and all these vessels made Huram his father, to 17 King Salomon for the house of the Lord, of shining brasse. In the playne of Iorden did the King cast them in clay betweene 18 Succoth and Zeredathah. And Salomon made al these vessels in great abundance: for the weight of brasse could not be 19 rekoned. And Salomon made al the vessels that were for the house of God: the golden altar also and the tables, whereon 20 the shewbread stoode. Moreouer the candlestickes, with their lampes to burne them after the maner, before the oracle, of pure golde. And the floures and the lampes, and the snuffers 21 of gold, which was fine golde. And the hookes, and the basens, 22 and the spoones, and the ashpans of pure golde: the entrie also of the house and doores thereof within, euen of the most holy place: and the doores of the house, to wit, of the Temple were of golde.

So was all the worke finished that Salomon made for the 5 house of the Lord, and Salomon brought in the things that Dauid his father had dedicated, with the siluer and the golde, and all the vessels, and put them among the treasures of the house of God. Then Salomon assembled the Elders of Israel. 2 and all the heads of the tribes, the chiefe fathers of the children of Israel vnto Ierusalem to bring vp the Arke of the couenant of the Lord from the citie of Dauid, which is Zion. And all ye 3 men of Israel assembled vnto the King at the feast: it was in ye seuenth moneth. And all the Elders of Israel came, and the 4 Leuites tooke vp the Arke. And they caried vp the Arke and 5 the Tabernacle of the Congregation: and all the holy vessels that were in the Tabernacle, those did the Priests and Leuites bring vp. And King Salomon and all the Congregation of Is- 6 rael that were assembled vnto him, were before ye Arke, offring sheepe and bullocks, which could not be told nor nobred for multitude. So the Priests brought the Arke of the couenant 7 of the Lord vnto his place, into the Oracle of the house, into the most Holy place, euen vnder the wings of the Cherubims. For ye Cherubims stretched out their wings ouer the place of 8 the Arke, and the Cherubims couered the Arke and the barres thereof aboue. And they drewe out the barres, that the en- 9 des of the barres might bee seene out of the Arke before the Oracle, but they were not seene without: and there they are vnto this day. Nothing was in the Arke, saue the two Tables, 10 which Moses gaue at Horeb, where the Lord made a couenant with the children of Israel, when they came out of Egypt. And 11 when the Priestes were come out of the Sanctuarie (for all the Priests that were present, were sanctified and did not waite by course. And the Leuites the singers of all sortes, as of As- 12 aph, of Heman, of Ieduthun, and of their sonnes and of their brethren, being clad in fine linen, stoode with cymbales, and with violes and harpes at the East ende of the altar, and with them an hundreth and twentie Priestes blowing with trumpets: And they were as one, blowing trumpets, and singing, and made one sounde to bee heard in praysing and thanking the Lord, and when they lift vp their voyce with trumpets and with cymbales, and with instruments of musicke, and when they praysed the Lord, singing, For he is good, because his mercie lasteth for euer) then the house, euen the house of the Lord
 was filled with a cloude, So that the Priests could not stand to minister, because of the cloude: for the glory of the Lord had filled the house of God.

Then Salomon sayd, The Lord hath sayde that he would 6 2 dwell in the darke cloude: And I have built thee an house 3 to dwell in, an habitation for thee to dwell in for euer. the King turned his face, and blessed all the Congregation of 4 Israel (for all the Congregation of Israel stoode there) And he said, Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who spake with his mouth vnto Dauid my father, and hath with his hand ful-5 filled it, saying, Since the day that I brought my people out of the land of Egypt, I chose no citie of al the tribes of Israel to buylde an house, that my Name might be there, neyther chose 6 I any man to be a ruler ouer my people Israel: But I haue chosen Ierusalem, that my Name might be there, and haue 7 chosen Dauid to be ouer my people Israel. And it was in the heart of Dauid my father to builde an house vnto the Name 8 of the Lord God of Israel, But the Lord sayde to Dauid my father, Whereas it was in thine heart to buylde an house vnto my 9 Name, thou diddest well, that thou wast so minded. Notwithstanding thou shalt not build the house, but thy sonne which shall come out of thy lovnes, he shall buylde an house vnto my 10 Name. And the Lord hath performed his worde that he spake: and I am risen vp in the roume of Dauid my father, and am set on the throne of Israel as the Lord promised, and haue built 11 an house to the Name of the Lord God of Israel. And I have set the Arke there, wherein is the couenant of the Lord, that 12 he made with the children of Israel. And the King stoode before the altar of the Lord, in the presence of all the Congrega-13 tion of Israel, and stretched out his hands, (For Salomon had made a brasen skaffold and set it in the middes of the court, of fiue cubites long, and fiue cubites broade, and three cubites of height, and vpon it he stoode, and kneeled downe vpon his knees before all the Congregation of Israel, and stretched out

his hands toward heauen) And sayd, O Lord God of Israel, 14 there is no God like thee in heaven nor in earth, which keepest couenant, and mercie vnto thy seruants, that walke before thee with all their heart. Thou that hast kept with thy seruant 15 Dauid my father, that thou hast promised him: for thou spakest with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it with thine hand, as appeareth this day. Therefore now Lord God of Israel, keepe 16 with thy seruant Dauid my father, that thou hast promised him, saying, Thou shalt not want a man in my sight, that shall sit vpon the throne of Israel: so that thy sonnes take heede to their wayes, to walke in my Lawe, as thou hast walked before me. And now, O Lord God of Israel, let thy worde be 17 verified, which thou spakest vnto thy seruant Dauid. (Is it 18 true in deede that God will dwell with man on earth? beholde, the heavens, and the heavens of heavens are not able to conteine thee: how much more vnable is this house, which I haue buylt?) But haue thou respect to the prayer of thy seruant, 19 and to his supplication, O Lord my God, to heare the crye and prayer which thy seruant prayeth before thee, That thine eyes 20 may be open toward this house day and night, euen toward the place, whereof thou hast sayde, that thou wouldest put thy Name there, that thou mayest hearken vnto the prayer, which thy seruant prayeth in this place. Heare thou therefore the 21 supplication of thy seruant, and of thy people Israel, which they pray in this place: and heare thou in the place of thine habitation, euen in heauen, and when thou hearest, be mercifull. When a man shall sinne against his neighbour, and he 22 lave vpon him an othe to cause him to sweare, and the swearer shall come before thine altar in this house, Then heare thou 23 in heauen, and doe, and iudge thy seruants, in recompensing the wicked to bring his way vpon his head, and in justifying the righteous, to give him according to his righteousnes. And 24 when thy people Israel shalbe ouerthrowen before the enemie, because they have sinned against thee, and turne againe, and confesse thy Name, and pray, and make supplication before thee in this house, Then heare thou in heauen, and be merci- 25 full vnto the sinne of thy people Israel, and bring them againe vnto the land which thou gauest to them and to their fathers. When heauen shall be shut vp, and there shalbe no rayne, be- 26 cause they have sinned against thee, and shall pray in this

place, and confesse thy Name, and turne from their sinne, 27 when thou doest afflict them, Then heare thou in heauen. and pardon the sinne of thy seruants, and of thy people Israel (when thou hast taught them the good way wherein they may walke) and giue rayne vpon thy lande, which thou hast giuen 28 vnto thy people for an inheritance. When there shalbe famine in the land, when there shalbe pestilence, blasting, or mildew, when there shall be grashopper, or caterpiller, when their enemie shall besiege them in the cities of their land, or any plague 29 or any sickenesse, Then what prayer and supplication so euer shalbe made of any man, or of all thy people Israel, whe euery one shall knowe his owne plague, and his owne disease, and 30 shall stretch forth his hands toward this house, Heare thou then in heauen, thy dwelling place, and be merciful, and giue euery man according vnto all his wayes, as thou doest knowe his heart (for thou onely knowest the hearts of the children of 31 men) That they may feare thee, and walke in thy wayes as long as they liue in the land which thou gauest vnto our fa-32 thers. Moreover, as touching ye stranger which is not of thy people Israel, who shall come out of a farre countrey for thy great Names sake, and thy mighty hande, and thy stretched 33 out arme: when they shall come and pray in this house, Heare thou in heauen thy dwelling place, and doe according to all that the stranger calleth for vnto thee, that all the people of the earth may knowe thy Name, and feare thee like thy people Israel, and that they may knowe, that thy Name is called vpon 34 in this house which I have built. When thy people shall goe out to battell against their enemies, by the way that thou shalt send them, and they pray to thee, in the way towarde this citie, which thou hast chosen, euen toward the house which I haue 35 built to thy Name, Then heare thou in heauen their prayer 36 and their supplication, and judge their cause. If they sinne against thee (for there is no man that sinneth not) and thou be angry with them and deliuer them vnto the enemies, and they take them and cary them away captiue vnto a land farre or 37 neere, If they turne againe to their heart in the lande whither they be caryed in captiues, and turne and pray vnto thee in the lande of their captiuitie, saying, We have sinned, we have 38 transgressed and haue done wickedly, If they turne againe to thee with all their heart, and with all their soule in the land of their captiuitie, whither they have caryed them captives, and pray toward their land, which thou gauest vnto their fathers, and toward the citie which thou hast chosen, and toward the house which I have built for thy Name, Then heare thou in 39 heaven, in the place of thine habitation their prayer and their supplication, and iudge their cause, and be mercifull vnto thy people, which have sinned against thee. Nowe my God, I beseech thee, let thine eyes be open, and thine eares attent vnto the prayer that is made in this place. Nowe therefore arise, 41 O Lord God, to come into thy rest, thou, and the Arke of thy strength: O Lord God, let thy Priestes be clothed with saluation, and let thy Saints reioyce in goodnesse. O Lord God, 42 refuse not the face of thine anoynted: remember the mercies promised to Dauid thy servant.

And when Salomon had made an ende of praying, fire came 7 downe from heauen, and consumed the burnt offring and the sacrifices: and the glory of the Lord filled the house. So that 2 the Priestes could not euter into the house of the Lord, because the glory of the Lord had filled the Lordes house. And when 3 all the children of Israel saw the fire, and the glory of the Lord come downe vpon the house, they bowed themselues with their faces to the earth vpon the pauement, and worshipped and praysed the Lord, saying. For he is good, because his mercy lasteth for euer. Then the King and all the people offred sac- 4 rifices before the Lord. And King Salomon offered a sacrifice 5 of two and twentie thousand bullockes, and an hundreth and twentie thousand sheepe. so the King and all the people dedicated the house of God. And the Priests waited on their of- 6 fices, and the Leuites with the instruments of musicke of the Lord, which King Dauid had made to praise the Lord, Because his mercy lasteth for euer: whe Dauid praysed God by them, the Priestes also blewe trumpets ouer against them: and all they of Israel stoode by. Moreouer Salomon halowed the mid-7 dle of the court that was before the house of the Lord: for there hee had prepared burnt offerings, and the fatte of the peace offerings, because the brasen altar which Salomon had made, was not able to receive the burnt offering, and the meate offring, and the fat. And Salomon made a feast at that time of 8 seuen dayes, and all Israel with him, a very great Congregation, from the entring in of Hamath, vnto the riuer of Egypt.

9 And in the eight day they made a solemne assemblie: for they had made the dedication of the altar seuen daies, and the feast 10 seuen dayes. And the three and twentieth day of the seuenth moneth, he sent the people away into their tentes, ioyous and with glad heart, because of the goodnesse that the Lord had 11 done for Dauid and for Salomon, and for Israel his people. So Salomon finished the house of the Lord, and the Kings house, and all that came into Salomons heart to make in the house 12 of the Lord: and he prospered in his house. And the Lord appeared to Salomon by night and said to him, I have heard thy prayer, and haue chosen this place for my selfe to be an house 13 of sacrifice. If I shut the heaven that there be no raine, or if I commaund the grashopper to deuoure the lande, or if I sende 14 pestilence among my people, If my people, among whome my Name is called vpon, doe humble them selues, and praye, and seeke my presence, and turne from their wicked wayes, then will I heare in heauen, and be mercifull to their sinne, and wil 15 heale their land: Then mine eies shalbe open and mine eares 16 attent vnto the prayer made in this place. For I have nowe chosen and sanctified this house, that my Name may be there for euer: and mine eyes and mine heart shalbe there perpet-17 ually. And if thou wilt walke before me, as Dauid thy father walked, to doe according vnto all that I have commanded thee. 18 and shalt observe my statutes and my judgements, Then will I stablish the throne of thy kingdome, according as I made the couenant with Dauid thy father, saying, Thou shalt not want a 19 man to be ruler in Israel. But if ye turne away, and forsake my statutes and my commandements which I haue set before you, and shall goe and serue other gods, and worshippe them, 20 Then will I plucke them vp out of my lande, which I haue giuen them, and this house which I have sanctified for my Name, will I cast out of my sight, and will make it to be a prouerbe and a 21 common talke among all people. And this house which is most hie, shall be an astonishment to euery one that passeth by it, so that he shall say, Why hath the Lord done thus to this lande, 22 and to this house? And they shall answere, Because they forsooke the Lord God of their fathers, which brought them out of the lande of Egypt, and haue taken holde on other gods, and haue worshipped them, and serued them, therefore hath he brought all this euill vpon them.

And after twentie yeere when Salomon had built the house 8 of the Lord, and his owne house, Then Salomon built the cities 2 that Huram gaue to Salomon, and caused the children of Is-And Salomon went to Hamath Zobah, 3 rael to dwell there. and ouercame it. And he built Tadmor in the wildernesse, 4 and repayred all the cities of store which hee built in Hamath. And he built Beth-horon the ypper, and Beth-horon the nether, 5 cities defensed with walles, gates and barres: Also Baalath, 6 and all the cities of store that Salomon had, and all the charet cities, and the cities of the horsemen, and euery pleasant place that Salomon had a minde to builde in Ierusalem, and in Lebanon. and throughout all the lande of his dominion. And all the 7 people that were left to ye Hittites, and ye Amorites, and Perizzites, and the Hiuuites, and the Iebusites, which were not of Israel, But of their children which were left after them in the 8 lande, whome the children of Israel had not consumed, euen them did Salomon make tributaries vntill this day. the children of Israel did Salomon make no seruantes for his worke: for they were men of warre, and his chiefe princes, and the captaines of his charets and of his horsemen. So these 10 were the chiefe of the officers which Salomon had, euen two hundreth and fiftie that bare rule ouer the people. Then Sa- 11 lomon brought vp the daughter of Pharaoh out of the citie of Dauid, into the house that he had built for her: for he saide, My wife shall not dwel in the house of Dauid King of Israel: for it is holy, because that the Arke of the Lord came vnto it. Then Salomon offered burnt offrings vnto the Lord, on the al- 12 tar of the Lord, which he had built before the porche, To offer 13 according to the commandement of Moses euery day, in the Sabbaths, and in the newe moones, and in the solemne feastes, three times in the yeere, that is, in the feast of the Vnleauened bread, and in the feast of the Weekes, and in the feast of the Tabernacles. And he set the courses of the Priestes to their offices, according to the order of Dauid his father, and the Leuites in their watches, for to praise and minister before the Priestes euery day, and the porters by their courses, at euery gate: for so was the commandement of Dauid the man of God. And 15 they declined not from the commandement of the King, concerning the Priests and the Leuites, touching al things, and touching the treasures. Nowe Salomon had made prouision 16 for all the worke, from the day of the foundation of the house of the Lord, vntill it was finished: so the house of the Lord was perfite. Then went Salomon to Ezion-geber, and to Eloth by the sea side in the lande of Edom. And Huram sent him by the handes of his seruants, shippes, and seruants that had knowledge of the sea: and they went with the seruants of Salomon to Ophir, and brought thence foure hundreth and fiftie talents of golde, and brought them to King Salomon.

And when the Queene of Sheba heard of the fame of Salomon, she came to proue Salomon with hard questions at Ierusalem, with a very great traine, and camels that bare sweete odours and much golde, and precious stones: and when she came to Salomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart. 2 And Salomon declared her all her questions, and there was nothing hid from Salomon, which he declared not vnto her. 3 Then the Queene of Sheba sawe the wisedome of Salomon, and 4 the house that he had buylt. And the meate of his table, and the sitting of his seruants, and the order of his wayters, and their apparel, and his butlers, and their apparel, and his burnt offrings which he offred in the house of the Lord, and she was 5 greatly astonied. And she saide to the King, It was a true worde which I heard in mine owne lande of thy sayings, and 6 of thy wisedome: Howbeit I beleeued not their report, vntil I came, and mine eyes had seene it: and beholde, the one halfe of thy great wisedom was not told me: for thou exceedest the fame 7 that I heard. Happie are thy men, and happie are these thy seruants, which stande before thee alway, and heare thy wise-8 dome. Blessed be the Lord thy God, which loued thee, to set thee on his throne as King, in the steade of the Lord thy God: because thy God loueth Israel, to establish it for euer, therefore hath he made thee King ouer them, to execute judgement and Then she gaue the King sixe score talents of golde, 9 iustice. and of sweete odours exceeding much and precious stones: neither was there such sweete odours since, as the Queene of 10 Sheba gaue vnto King Salomon. And the seruants also of Huram, and the seruants of Salomon which brought golde from 11 Ophir, brought Algummim wood and precious stones. the King made of the Algummim wood staires in the house of the Lord, and in the Kings house, and harpes and violes for singers: and there was no such seene before in the lande of Iu-

And King Salomon gaue to the Queene of Sheba euery 12 pleasant thing that she asked, besides for that which she had brought vnto the King: so she returned and went to her owne countrey, both she, and her seruants. Also the weight of golde 13 that came to Salomon in one yeere, was sixe hundreth three score and sixe talents of golde, Besides that which chapmen 14 and marchants brought: and all the Kings of Arabia, and the princes of the countrey brought golde and siluer to Salomon. And King Salomon made two hundreth targets of beaten golde, 15 and sixe hundreth shekels of beaten golde went to one target, And three hundreth shieldes of beaten golde: three hundreth 16 shekels of golde went to one shielde, and the King put them in the house of the wood of Lebanon. And the King made a 17 great throne of vuorie and ouerlaid it with pure golde. And the 18 throne had sixe steppes, with a footestoole of gold fastened to the throne, and stayes on either side on the place of the seate, and two lyons standing by the stayes. And twelue lyons stoode 19 there on the sixe steps on either side: there was not the like made in any kingdome. And all King Salomons drinking ves- 20 sels were of golde, and all the vessels of the house of the wood of Lebanon were of pure gold: for siluer was nothing esteemed in ye dayes of Salomon. For the Kings ships went to Tarshish 21 with the seruants of Huram, euery three yeere once came the ships of Tarshish, and brought golde, and siluer, yuorie, and apes, and peacockes. So King Salomon excelled all the Kings 22 of the earth in riches and wisedome. And all the Kings of the 23 earth sought the presence of Salomon, to heare his wisedome that God had put in his heart. And they brought euery man 24 his present, vessels of siluer, and vessels of golde, and raiment, armour, and sweet odours, horses, and mules, from yeere to yeere. And Salomon had foure thousand stalles of horses, and 25 charets, and twelue thousand horsmen, whom he bestowed in the charet cities, and with the King at Ierusalem. And he 26 reigned ouer all the Kings from the Riuer euen vnto the land of the Philistims, and to the border of Egypt. And the King 27 gaue siluer in Ierusalem, as stones, and gaue cedar trees as the wilde fig trees, that are aboundant in the plaine. they brought vnto Salomon horses out of Egypt, and out of all landes. Concerning the rest of the actes of Salomon first and 29 last, are they not written in the booke of Nathan the Prophet,

and in the prophecie of Ahiiah the Shilonite, and in the visions
of Ieedo the Seer against Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat? And
Salomon reigned in Ierusalem ouer all Israel fourtie yeeres.
And Salomon slept with his fathers, and they buryed him in
the citie of Dauid his father: and Rehoboam his sonne reigned
in his steade.

Then Rehoboam went to Shechem: for to Sheche came all 10 2 Israel to make him king. And when Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat heard it, (which was in Egypt, whither he had fled from the presence of Salomon the King) he returned out of Egypt. 3 And they sent and called him: so came Ieroboam and all Israel, 4 and communed with Rehoboam, saying, Thy father made our yoke grieuous: nowe therefore make thou the grieuous seruitude of thy father, and his sore yoke, that he put vpon vs, 5 lighter, and we will serue thee. And he sayde to them, Depart yet three dayes, then come againe vnto me. And the people de-6 parted. And King Rehoboam tooke counsel with the olde men that had stande before Salomon his father, while hee yet liued, saying, What counsell giue ye that I may answere this people? 7 And they spake vnto him, saying, If thou be kinde to this people, and please them, and speake louing words to them, they 8 will be thy seruants for euer. But hee left the counsel of the ancient men that they had given him, and tooke counsell of the yong men that were brought vp with him, and waited on him. 9 And he sayd vnto them, What counsel giue ye, that we may answere this people, which have spoken to mee, saying, Make the 10 yoke which thy father did put vpon vs, lighter? And the yong men that were brought vp with him, spake vnto him, saying, Thus shalt thou answere the people that spake to thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heavie, but make thou it lighter for vs: thus shalt thou say vnto them, My least part shalbe 11 bigger then my fathers loines. Now whereas my father did burden you with a grieuous yoke, I will yet increase your yoke: my father hath chastised you with roddes, but I will correct 12 you with scourges. Then Ieroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the King had appointed saying,
13 Come againe to me the third day. And the King answered them sharply: and King Rehoboam left the counsel of the an-14 cient men, And spake to them after ye counsell of the yong men, saying, My father made your yoke grieuous, but I wil incease it: my father chastised you with rods, but I will correct you with scourges. So the king hearkened not vnto the people: 15 for it was the ordinance of God that the Lord might performe his saying, which hee had spoken by Ahiiah the Shilonite to Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat. So when all Isarael sawe that 16 the King would not heare them, the people answered the King, saying, What portion haue we in Dauid? for we haue none inheritance in the sonue of Ishai. O Israel, euery man to your tents: now see to thine owne house, Dauid. So all Israel departed to their tents. Howbeit Rehoboam reigned ouer the 17 children of Israel, that dwelt in the cities of Iudah. Then King 18 Rehoboam sent Hadoram that was ouer the tribute, and the children of Israel stoned him with stones, that he died: then King Rehoboam made speede to get him vp to his charet, to flee to Ierusalem. And Israel rebelled against the house of 19 Dauid vnto this day.

And when Rehoboam was come to Ierusalem, he gathered of 11 the house of Iudah and Beniamin nine score thousande chosen men of warre to fight against Israel, and to bring the kingdome againe to Rehoboam. But the worde of the Lord came to 2 Shemaiah the man of God, saying, Speake vnto Rehoboam, 3 the sonne of Salomon King of Iudah, and to all Israel that are in Iudah, and Beniamin, saving. Thus savth the Lord, 4 Ye shall not goe vp, nor fight against your brethren: returne euery man to his house: for this thing is done of me. They obeyed therfore the word of the Lord, and returned from going against Ieroboam. And Rehoboam dwelt in Ierusalem, 5 and buylt strong cities in Iudah. Hee buylt also Beth-lehem, 6 and Etam, and Tekoa, And Beth-zur, and Shoco, and Adul- 7 lam, And Gath, and Maresha, and Ziph, And Adoraim, and 8,9 Lachish, and Azekah, And Zorah, and Aialon, and Hebron, 10 which were in Iudah and Beniamin, strong cities. And he re- 11 paired the strong holdes and put captaines in them, and store of vitaile, and oyle and wine. And in all cities he put shieldes 12 and speares, and made them exceeding strong: so Iudah and Benjamin were his. And the Priests and the Leuites that were 13 in all Israel, resorted vnto him out of all their coastes. For 14 the Leuites left their suburbes and their possession, and came to Iudah and to Ierusalem: for Ieroboam and his sonnes had cast them out from ministring in the Priestes office vnto the

15 Lord. And he ordeyned him Priests for the hie places, and for 16 the deuils and for the calues which he had made. And after the Leuites there came to Ierusalem of all the tribes of Israel, such as set their heartes to seeke the Lord God of Israel, to 17 offer vnto the Lord God of their fathers. So they strengthened the kingdome of Iudah, and made Rehoboam the sonne of Salomon mightie, three yeere long: for three yeere they walked in 18 in the way of Dauid and Salomon. And Rehoboam tooke him Mahalath ye daughter of Ierimoth the sonne of Dauid to wife, 19 and Abihail the daughter of Eliab the sonne of Ishai, Which 20 bare him sonnes Ieush, and Shemariah, and Zaham. And after her he tooke Maakah ye daughter of Absalom which bare 21 him Abiiah, and Atthai, and Ziza, and Shelomith. And Rehoboam loued Maakah ye daughter of Absalom aboue all his wiues and his concubines: for he tooke eighteene wiues, and three score concubines, and begate eyght and twentie sonnes, 22 and three score daughters. And Rehoboam made Abiiah the sonne of Maakah the chiefe ruler among his brethren: for he 23 thought to make him King. And he taught him: and dispersed all his sonnes throughout all the countreis of Iudah and Beniamin vnto euery strong citie: and hee gaue them aboundance of vitaile, and desired many wives.

And when Rehoboam had established the kingdome and **12** made it strong, hee forsooke the Lawe of the Lord, and all Is-2 rael with him. Therefore in the fift yeere of King Rehoboam, Shishak the King of Egypt came vp against Ierusalem (be-3 cause they had transgressed against the Lord) With twelue hundreth charets, and three score thousande horsemen, and the people were without nomber, that came with him from 4 Egypt, euen the Lubims, Sukkiims, and the Ethiopians. And he tooke the strong cities which were of Iudah, and came vnto 5 Ierusalem. Then came Shemaiah the Prophet to Rehoboam, and to the princes of Iudah, that were gathered together in Hierusalem, because of Shishak, and sayde vnto them, Thus sayth the Lord, Ye haue forsaken me, therefore haue I also 6 left you in the handes of Shishak. Then the princes of Israel, and the King humbled themselues, and sayde, The Lord And when the Lord sawe that they humbled themselues, the worde of the Lord came to Shemaiah, saying, They haue humbled theselues, therefore I will not destroy them, but I will sende them deliuerance shortly, and my wrath shall not bee powred out vpon Ierusalem by the hand of Shishak. Neuerthelesse they shalbe his sernants: so shall they knowe 8 my seruice, and the seruice of the kingdomes of the earth. Then Shishak King of Egypt came vp against Ierusalem, and 9 tooke the treasures of the house of the Lord, and the treasures of the Kings house he tooke euen all, and hee caried away the shields of golde, which Salomon had made. In stead whereof 10 King Rehoboam made shieldes of brasse, and committed them to the handes of the chiefe of the garde, that wayted at the doore of the Kings house. And when the King entred into the 11 house of the Lord, the garde came and bare them and brought them againe vnto the garde chamber. And because hee hum- 12 bled himselfe, the wrath of the Lord turned from him, that hee woulde not destroy all together. And also in Iudah the things prospered. So King Rehoboam was strong in Ierusalem and 13 reigned: for Rehoboam was one and fourtie vere olde, when he began to reigne, and reigned seuenteene yeres in Ierusalem, the citie which the Lord had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel to put his Name there. And his mothers name was Naamah an Ammonitesse. And he did euill: for hee prepared 14 not his heart to seeke the Lord. The actes also of Rehoboam. 15 first and last, are they not written in the booke of Shemaiah the Prophet, and Iddo the Seer, in rehearsing the genealogie? and there was warre alway betweene Rehoboam and Ieroboam. And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried in the 16 citie of Dauid, and Abiiah his sonne reigned in his stead.

In the eyghteenth yeere of King Ieroboam began Abiiah to reigne ouer Iudah. He reigned three yere in Ierusalem: (his 2 mothers name also was Michaiah the daughter of Vriel of Gibea) and there was warre betweene Abiiah and Ieroboam. And 3 Abiiah set the battel in aray with the armie of valiant men of warre, euen foure hundreth thousand chosen men. Ieroboam also set the battell in aray against him with eight hundreth thousande chosen men which were strong and valiant. And 4 Abiiah stood vp vpon mount Zemeraim, which is in mount Ephraim, and sayde, O Ieroboam, and all Israel, heare you me, Ought you not to know that the Lord God of Israel hath giuen 5 the kingdome ouer Israel to Dauid for euer, euen to him and to his sonnes by a couenant of salt? And Ieroboam the sonne of 6

Nebat the seruant of Salomon the sonne of Dauid is risen vp, 7 and hath rebelled against his lord: And there are gathered to him vayne men and wicked, and made themselues strong against Rehoboam the sonne of Salomon: for Rehoboam was but a childe and tender hearted, and coulde not resist them. 8 Now therefore ye thinke that yee be able to resist against the kingdome of the Lord, which is in the handes of the sonnes of Dauid, and ye bee a great multitude, and the golden calues 9 are with you which Ieroboam made you for gods. Haue ye not driuen away the Priestes of the Lord the sonnes of Aaron and the Leuites, and haue made you Priests like the people of other countreis? whosoeuer commeth to consecrate with a yong bullocke and seuen rams, the same may be a Priest of them that 10 are no gods. But wee belong vnto the Lord our God, and haue not forsaken him, and the Priestes the sonnes of Aaron min-11 ister vnto the Lord, and the Leuites in their office. And they burne vnto the Lord euery morning and euery euening burnt offerings and sweete incense, and the breade is set in order vpon the pure table, and the candlesticke of golde with the lampes thereof, to burne euery euening: for we keepe the watch of 12 the Lord our God: but ye haue forsaken him. And behold, this God is with vs, as a captaine, and his Priests with the sounding trumpets, to crie an alarme against you. O yee children of Israel, fight not against the Lord God of your fathers: for ye 13 shall not prosper. But Ieroboam caused an ambushment to compasse, and come behind them, when they were before Iu-14 dah, and the ambushment behinde them. Then Iudah looked, and beholde, the battel was before and behinde them, and they cried vnto the Lord, and the Priests blewe with the trumpets, 15 And the men of Iudah gaue a shoute: and euen as the men of Iudah shouted, God smote Ieroboam and also Israel before Abi-16 iah and Iudah. And the children of Israel fledde before Iudah. 17 and God deliuered them into their hande. And Abiiah and his people slewe a great slaughter of them, so that there fel downe 18 wounded of Israel five hundreth thousand chosen men. the children of Israel were brought vnder at that time: and the children of Iudah preuailed, because they stayed vpon the Lord 19 God of their fathers. And Abiiah pursued after Ieroboam, and tooke cities from him, euen Beth-el, and the villages thereof, and Ieshanah with her villages, and Ephron with her villages.

And Ieroboam recouered no strength againe in the dayes of 20 Abiiah, but the Lord plagued him, and he dyed. So Abiiah 21 waxed mightie, and marryed foureteene wiues, and begate two and twentie sonnes, and sixteene daughters. The rest of the 22 actes of Abiiah and his maners and his sayings are written in the storie of the Prophet Iddo.

So Abiiah slept with his fathers, and they buryed him in 14 the citie of Dauid, and Asa his sonne reigned in his steade: in whose dayes the lande was quiet ten yeere. And Asa did that 2 was good and right in the eyes of the Lord his God. For he 3 tooke away the altars of the strange gods and the hie places, and brake downe the images, and cut downe the groues, And 4 commanded Iudah to seeke the Lord God of their fathers, and to doe according to the Lawe and the comandement. And 5 he tooke away out of all the cities of Iudah the hie places, and the images: therefore the kingdome was quiet before him. He built also strong cities in Iudah, because the lande was in 6 rest, and he had no warre in those yeeres: for the Lord had giuen him rest. Therefore he saide to Iudah, Let vs builde 7 these cities and make walles about, and towers, gates, and barres, whiles the lande is before vs: because we have sought the Lord our God, we have sought him, and he hath given vs rest on euery side: so they built and prospered. And Asa 8 had an armie of Iudah that bare shieldes and speares, three hundreth thousande, and of Beniamin that bare shieldes and drewe bowes, two hundreth and foure score thousande: all these were valiant men. And there came out against them 9 Zerah of Ethiopia with an hoste of ten hundreth thousande, and three hundreth charets, and came vnto Mareshah. Then 10 As a went out before him, and they set the battell in aray in the valley of Zephathah beside Mareshah. And Asa cryed vnto the 11 Lord his God, and saide, Lord, it is nothing with thee to helpe with many, or with no power: helpe vs, O Lord our God: for we rest on thee, and in thy Name are we come against this multitude: O Lord, thou art our God, let not man preuaile against thee. So the Lord smote the Ethiopians before Asa and before 12 Iudah, and the Ethiopians fled. And Asa and the people that 13 was with him, pursued them vnto Gerar. And the Ethiopians hoste was ouerthrowen, so that there was no life in them: for they were destroyed before the Lord and before his hoste: and

they caryed away a mightie great spoyle. And they smote all the cities rounde about Gerar: for the feare of the Lord came vpon them, and they spoyled all the cities, for there was exceeding much spoyle in them. Yea, and they smote the tents of cattel, and carried away plentie of sheepe and camels, and returned to Ierusalem.

Then the Spirite of God came vpon Azariah the sonne of 15 2 Obed. And he went out to meete Asa, and said vnto him, O Asa, and all Iudah, and Beniamin, heare ye me. The Lord is with you, while ye be with him: and if ye seeke him, he wil be founde of you, but if ye forsake him, he will forsake 3 you. Nowe for a long season Israel hath bene without the 4 true God, and without Priest to teach and without Lawe. But whosoeuer returned in his affliction to the Lord God of Israel, 5 and sought him, he was founde of them. And in that time there was no peace to him, that did goe out and goe in: but 6 great troubles were to all the inhabitants of the earth. For nation was destroyed of nation, and citie of citie: for God trou-7 bled them with all aduersitie. Be ye strong therefore, and let not your handes be weake: for your worke shall haue a re-8 warde. And when Asa heard these wordes, and the prophesie of Obed the Prophet, he was encouraged, and tooke away the abominations out of all the lande of Iudah, and Beniamin, and out of the cities which he had taken of mount Ephraim, and he renued the altar of the Lord, that was before the porche of 9 the Lord. And he gathered all Iudah and Beniamin, and the strangers with them out of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and out of Simeon: for there fell many to him out of Israel, when they 10 sawe that the Lord his God was with him. So they assembled to Ierusalem in the third moneth, in the fifteenth yere of 11 the reigne of Asa. And they offred vnto the Lord the same time of the spoyle, which they had brought, euen seuen hun-12 dreth bullockes, and seuen thousande sheepe. And they made a couenant to seeke the Lord God of their fathers, with all their 13 heart, and with all their soule. And whosoeuer will not seeke the Lord God of Israel, shalbe slaine, whether he were small or 14 great, man or woman. And they sware vnto the Lord with a loude voyce, and with shouting and with trumpets, and with And all Iudah reioyced at the othe: for they had 15 cornets. sworne vnto the Lord with all their heart, and sought him with

a whole desire, and he was founde of them. And the Lord gaue them rest rounde about. And King Asa deposed Maachah his 16 mother from her regencie, because she had made an idole in a groue: and Asa brake downe her idole, and stamped it, and burnt it at the brooke Kidron. But the hie places were not 17 taken away out of Israel: yet the heart of Asa was perfit all his dayes. Also he brought into the house of God the things that 18 his father had dedicate, and that he had dedicate, siluer, and golde, and vessels. And there was no warre vnto the fiue and 19 thirtieth yeere of the reigne of Asa.

In the sixe and thirtieth yeere of the reigne of Asa came 16 Baasha king of Israel vp against Iudah, and built Ramah to let none passe out or goe in to Asa king of Iudah. Then Asa 2 brought out siluer and gold out of the treasures of the house of the Lord, and of the Kings house, and sent to Benhadad King of Aram that dwelt at Damascus, saying, There is a couenant 3 betweene me and thee, and betweene my father and thy father: behold, I have sent thee silver and golde: come, breake thy league with Baasha King of Israel that hee may depart from me. And Benhadad hearkened vnto King Asa, and sent 4 the captaines of the armies which hee had, against the cities of Israel. And they smote Iion, and Dan, and Abel-maim, and all the store cities of Naphtali. And when Baasha heard it, he 5 left building of Ramah, and let his worke cease. Then Asa the 6 King tooke all Iudah, and caryed away the stones of Ramah and the tymber thereof, wherewith Baasha did builde, and he built therewith Geba and Mizpah. And at that same time 7 Hanani the Seer came to Asa King of Iudah, and saide vnto him, Because thou hast rested vpon the king of Aram, and not rested in the Lord thy God, therefore is the hoste of the King of Aram escaped out of thine hande. The Ethiopians and the 8 Lubims, were they not a great hoste with charets and horsemen, exceeding many? yet because thou diddest rest vpon the Lord, he deliuered them into thine had. For the eyes of the 9 Lord beholde all the earth to shewe him selfe strong with them that are of perfite heart towarde him: thou hast then done foolishly in this: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have warres. Then Asa was wroth with the Seer, and put him into a prison: 10 for he was displeased with him, because of this thing. And Asa oppressed certaine of the people at the same time. And be- 11

hold, the actes of Asa first and last, loe, they are written in the booke of the Kings of Iudah and Israel. And Asa in the nine and thirtieth yeere of his reigne was diseased in his feete, and his disease was extreme: yet he sought not the Lord in his disease, but to the Phisicions. So Asa slept with his fathers, and dyed in the one and fourtieth yeere of his reigne. And they buryed him in one of his sepulchres, which he had made for him selfe in the citie of Dauid, and layed him in the bed, which they had filled with sweete odours and divers kindes of spices made by the arte of the apoticarie: and they burnt odours for him with an exceeding great fire.

And Iehosphat his sonne reigned in his steade, and preuailed 2 against Israel. And he put garisons in all the strong cities of Iudah, and set bandes in the lande of Iudah and in the cities 3 of Ephraim, which Asa his father had taken. And the Lord was with Iehoshaphat, because he walked in the first wayes 4 of his father Dauid, and sought not Baalim, But sought the Lord God of his father, and walked in his commandements, and 5 not after the trade of Israel. Therefore the Lord stablished the kingdome in his hande, and all Iudah brought presents to Iehoshaphat, so that he had of riches and honour in abun-6 dance. And he lift vp his heart vnto the wayes of the Lord, and he tooke away moreouer the hie places and the groues out of 7 Iudah. And in the thirde yere of his reigne he sent his princes, Ben-hail, and Obadiah, and Zechariah, and Nethaneel, and 8 Michaiah, that they should teach in the cities of Iudah, And with them Leuites, Shemaiah, and Nethaniah, and Zebadiah, and Asahel, and Shemiramoth, and Iehonathan, and Adoniiah, and Tobiiah, and Tob-adoniiah, Leuites, and with the El-9 ishama and Iehoram Priestes. And they taught in Iudah, and had the booke of the Lawe of the Lord with them, and went about throughout all the cities of Iudah, and taught the peo-10 ple. And the feare of the Lord fell vpon all the kingdomes of ye lands that were round about Iudah, and they fought not 11 against Iehoshaphat. Also some of the Philistims brought Iehoshaphat giftes and tribute siluer, and the Arabians brought him flockes, seuen thousande and seuen hundreth rammes, 12 and seuen thousande and seuen hundreth hee goates. So Iehoshaphat prospered and grewe vp on hie: and he built in 13 Iudah palaces and cities of store. And he had great workes

in the cities of Iudah, and men of warre, and valiant men in Ierusalem. And these are the nombers of them after the 14 house of their fathers, In Iudah were captaines of thousands, Adnah the captaine, and with him of valiant men three hundreth thousande. And at his hande Iehohanan a captaine, 15 and with him two hundreth and fourescore thousande. And at 16 his hande Amasiah the sonne of Zichri, which willingly offered him selfe vnto the Lord, and with him two hundreth thousand valiant men. And of Beniamin, Eliada a valiant man, 17 and with him armed men with bowe and shielde two hundreth thousand. And at his hand Iehozabad, and with him an hundreth and fourescore thousand armed to the warre. These 19 waited on the King, besides those which the King put in the strong cities thoroughout all Iudah.

And Iehoshaphat had riches and honour in abundance, but 18 he was joyned in affinitie with Ahab. And after certaine yeeres 2 he went downe to Ahab to Samaria: and Ahab slew sheepe and oxen for him in great nomber, and for the people that he had with him, and entised him to goe vp vnto Ramoth Gilead. And 3 Ahab King of Israel saide vnto Iehoshaphat King of Iudah, Wilt thou goe with mee to Ramoth Gilead? And hee answered him, I am as thou art, and my people as thy people, and wee will iovne with thee in the warre. And Iehoshaphat sayde vnto 4 the King of Israel, Aske counsel, I pray thee, at the worde of the Lord this day. Therefore the King of Israel gathered of 5 Prophets foure hundreth men, and sayde vnto them, Shall we goe to Ramoth Gilead to battel, or shall I cease? And they sayd, Go vp: for God shall deliuer it into the Kings hand. But 6 Iehoshaphat sayde, Is there heere neuer a Prophet more of the Lord that wee might inquire of him? And the King of Israel 7 sayd vnto Iehoshaphat, There is yet one man, by whome wee may aske counsell of the Lord, but I hate him: for he doeth not prophesie good vnto me, but alway euil: it is Michaiah the sonne of Imla. Then Iehoshaphat said, Let not the King And the King of Israel called an eunuche, and said, 8 Call quickly Michaiah the sonne of Imla. And the King of Is- 9 rael, and Iehoshaphat King of Iudah sate either of them on his throne clothed in their apparel: they sate euen in the threshing floore at the entring in of the gate of Samaria: and all the Prophets prophesied before them. And Zidkiah ve sonne of 10

Chenaanah made him hornes of yron, and sayde, Thus sayth the Lord, With these shalt thou push the Aramites vntill thou 11 hast consumed them. And all the Prophets prophesied so, saying, Go vp to Ramoth Gilead, and prosper: for the Lord 12 shall deliuer it into the hand of the King. And the messenger that went to call Michaiah, spake to him, saying, Beholde, the wordes of the Prophets declare good to the King with one accord: let thy word therefore, I pray thee, be like one of theirs, 13 and speake thou good. And Michaiah saide, As the Lord li-14 ueth, whatsoeuer my God saith, that will I speake. came to the King, and the King said vnto him, Michaiah, shall we go to Ramoth Gilead to battel, or shall I leaue off? And he said, Goe yee vp, and prosper, and they shalbe deliuered into 15 your hand. And the King sayd to him, Howe oft shall I charge thee, that thou tell mee nothing but the trueth in the Name 16 of the Lord? Then he said, I saw al Israel scattered in the mountaines, as sheepe that have no shepheard: and the Lord sayd, These haue no Master: let them returne euery man to his 17 house in peace. And the King of Israel sayde to Iehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee, that he would not prophesie good vnto me, 18 but euill? Againe hee saide, Therefore heare ye the worde of the Lord: I sawe the Lord sit vpon his throne, and all the hoste 19 of heauen standing at his right hand, and at his left. And the Lord sayd, Who shall perswade Ahab King of Israel, that he may go vp, and fall at Ramoth Gilead? And one spake and said 20 thus, and another said that. Then there came forth a spirit and stoode before the Lord, and said, I will perswade him. And 21 the Lord said vnto him, Wherein? And he saide, I will goe out, and bee a false spirit in the mouth of all his Prophets. And hee said, Thou shalt perswade, and shalt also preuaile: 22 goe forth and do so. Now therefore behold, the Lord hath put a false spirit in the mouth of these thy Prophets, and the Lord 23 hath determined euill against thee. Then Zidkiah the sonne of Chenaanah came neere, and smote Michaiah vpon the cheeke, and sayde, By what way went the Spirit of the Lord from me, 24 to speake with thee? And Michaiah saide, Behold, thou shalt see that day when thou shalt goe from chamber to chamber to 25 hide thee. And the King of Israel sayde, Take ye Michaiah, and cary him to Amon the gouernour of the citie, and to Ioash 26 the Kings sonne, And say, Thus saith the King, Put this man

in the prison house, and feede him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction vntil I returne in peace. And Micha- 27 iah said, If thou returne in peace, the Lord hath not spoken by me. And he saide, Heare, all ye people. So the King of Israel 28 and Iehoshaphat the King of Iudah went vp to Ramoth Gilead. And the King of Israel said vnto Iehoshaphat, I will change 29 my selfe, and enter into the battel: but put thou on thine apparel. So the King of Israel changed himselfe, and they went into the battel. And the King of Aram had commanded the 30 captaines of the charets that were with him, saying, Fight you not with small, nor great, but against the King of Israel onely. And when the captaines of the charets saw Iehoshaphat, they 31 sayde, It is the King of Israel: and they compassed about him to fight. But Iehoshaphat cryed, and the Lord helped him and moued them to depart from him. For when the captaines 32 of the charets saw that hee was not the King of Israel, they turned backe from him. Then a certaine man drewe a bowe 33 mightily, and smote the King of Israel betweene the ioyntes of his brigandine: Therefore he saide to his charetman, Turne thine hand, and carie mee out of the host: for I am hurt. And 34 the battel increased that day: and the King of Israel stood still in his charet against the Aramites vntil euen, and dyed at the time of the sunne going downe.

And Iehoshaphat the King of Iudah returned safe to his 19 house in Ierusalem. And Iehu the sonne of Hanani the Seer 2 went out to meete him, and said to King Iehoshaphat, Wouldest thou helpe the wicked, and loue them that hate the Lord? therefore for this thing the wrath of the Lord is voon thee. Neuerthe-3 les good things are found in thee, because thou hast taken away ye groues out of the land, and hast prepared thine heart to seeke God. So Iehoshaphat dwelt at Ierusalem, and re- 4 turned and went through the people from Beer-sheba to mount Ephraim, and brought them againe vnto the Lord God of their fathers. And hee set judges in the lande throughout all the 5 strong cities of Iudah, citie by citie, And said to the iudges, 6 Take heede what ye doe: for yee execute not the iudgements of man, but of the Lord, and he will be with you in the cause and iudgement. Wherefore nowe let the feare of the Lord be 7 vpon you: take heede, and do it: for there is no iniquitie with the Lord our God, neither respect of persons, nor receiuing of

8 reward. Moreouer in Ierusalem did Iehoshaphat set of the Leuites, and of the Priests and of the chiefe of the families of Israel, for the iudgement and cause of the Lord: and they 9 returned to Ierusale. And he charged them, saying, Thus shall yee doe in the feare of the Lord faithfully and with a 10 perfite heart. And in euery cause that shall come to you of your brethren that dwel in their cities, betweene blood and blood, betweene law and precept, statutes and iudgements, ye shall judge them, and admonish them that they trespasse not against the Lord, that wrath come not vpon you and vpon your 11 brethren. This shall ye do and trespasse not. And behold, Amariah the Priest shalbe the chiefe ouer you in all matters of the Lord, and Zebadiah ye sonne of Ishmael, a ruler of the house of Iudah, shalbe for al the Kings affaires, and the Leuites shalbe officers before you. Bee of courage, and doe it, and the Lord shalbe with the good.

After this also came the children of Moab and the children of **20** Ammon, and with them of the Ammonites against Iehoshaphat 2 to battell. Then there came that tolde Iehoshaphat, saying, There commeth a great multitude against thee from beyonde the Sea, out of Aram: and beholde, they bee in Hazzon Tamar, 3 which is En-gedi. And Iehoshaphat feared, and set him selfe to seeke the Lord, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Iu-4 dah. And Iudah gathered them selues together to aske counsel of the Lord: they came euen out of all the cities of Iudah 5 to inquire of the Lord, And Iehoshaphat stoode in the Congregation of Iudah and Ierusalem in the house of the Lord 6 before the new court, And saide, O Lord God of our fathers, art not thou God in heauen? and reignest not thou on all the kingdomes of the heathen? and in thine hande is power and 7 might, and none is able to withstand thee. Diddest not thou our God cast out ye inhabitants of this lande before thy people Israel, and gauest it to the seede of Abraham thy friende for 8 euer? And they dwelt therein, and haue built thee a Sanc-9 tuarie therein for thy Name, saying, If euill come vpon vs, as the sworde of iudgement, or pestilence, or famine, we will stande before this house and in thy presence (for thy name is in this house) and will crie vnto thee in our tribulation, and 10 thou wilt heare and helpe. And now beholde, the children of Ammon and Moab, and mount Seir, by whome thou wouldest

not let Israel goe, when they came out of the land of Egypt: but they turned aside from them, and destroyed them not: Behold, I say, they reward vs, in comming to cast vs out of 11 thine inheritance, which thou hast caused vs to inherit. our God, wilt thou not judge them? for there is no strength in vs to stand before this great multitude that commeth against vs, neither doe wee knowe what to doe: but our eyes are toward thee. And all Iudah stoode before the Lord with their 13 yong ones, their wives, and their children. And Iahaziel the 14 sonne of Zechariah the sonne of Benaiah, the sonne of Ieiel, the sonne of Mattaniah, a Leuite of the sonnes of Asaph was there. vpon whome came the Spirite of ye Lord, in the middes of the Congregation. And he said, Hearken ye, all Iudah, and ye 15 inhabitantes of Ierusalem, and thou, King Iehoshaphat: thus saith the Lord vnto you, Feare you not, neither be afraide for this great multitude: for the battel is not yours, but Gods. To 16 morowe goe vee downe against them: beholde, they come vp by the cleft of Ziz, and ye shall finde them at the ende of the brooke before the wildernesse of Ieruel. Ye shall not neede 17 to fight in this battell: stand still, moue not, and behold the saluation of the Lord towardes you: O Iudah, and Ierusalem, feare ye not, neither be afraid: to morow goe out against them. and the Lord wilbe with you. Then Iehoshaphat bowed downe 18 with his face to the earth, and all Iudah and the inhabitants of Ierusalem fell downe before the Lord, worshipping the Lord. And the Leuites of the children of the Kohathites and of the 19 childre of the Corhites stood vp to prayse the Lord God of Israel with a loude voyce on hie. And when they arose early in 20 the morning, they went forth to the wildernesse of Tekoa: and as they departed, Iehoshaphat stoode and sayde, Heare ye me, O Iudah, and ye inhabitants of Ierusalem: put your trust in the Lord your God, and ye shalbe assured: beleeue his Prophets, and ye shall prosper. And when he had consulted with the 21 people, and appoynted singers vnto the Lord, and them that should prayse him that is in the beautifull Sanctuarie, in going forth before the men of armes, and saying, Prayse ye the Lord, for his mercy lasteth for euer, And when they began to 22 shoute, and to prayse, the Lord layed ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Iudah, and they slewe one another. For the 23

children of Ammon and Moab rose against the inhabitants of mount Seir, to slay and to destroy them and when they had made an end of the inhabitantes of Seir, euery one helped to 24 destroy another. And when Iudah came towarde Mizpah in the wildernes, they looked vnto the multitude: and behold, the 25 carkeises were fallen to the earth, and none escaped. And when Iehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoyle of them, they founde among them in abundance both of substance and also of bodies laden with precious iewels, which they tooke for themselues, till they could cary no more: they were three dayes in gathering of the spoyle: for it was much. 26 And in the fourth day they assembled themselues in the valley of Berachah: for there they blessed the Lord: therefore they called the name of that place, The valley of Berachah vnto 27 this day. Then euery man of Iudah and Ierusalem returned with Iehoshaphat their head, to goe againe to Ierusalem with ioy: for the Lord had made them to reioyce ouer their enemies. 28 And they came to Ierusalem with viols and with harpes, and 29 with trumpets, euen vnto the house of the Lord. And the feare of God was vpon all the kingdomes of the earth, whe they had heard that the Lord had fought against ye enemies of Israel. 30 So the kingdom of Iehoshaphat was quiet, and his God gaue 31 him rest on euery side. And Iehoshaphat reigned ouer Iudah, and was fiue and thirtie yeere olde, when he began to reigne: and reigned flue and twentie yeere in Ierusalem, and his moth-32 ers name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi. And he walked in the way of Asa his father, and departed not therefrom, doing 33 that which was right in the sight of the Lord. Howbeit the hie places were not taken away: for the people had not yet pre-34 pared their hearts vnto the God of their fathers. Concerning the rest of the actes of Iehoshaphat first and last, beholde, they are written in the booke of Iehu the sonne of Hanani, which is 35 mentioned in the booke of the kings of Israel. Yet after this did Iehoshaphat King of Iudah ioyne himselfe with Ahaziah 36 King of Israel, who was given to do euill. And he ioyned with him, to make ships to go to Tarshish: and they made the 37 shippes in Ezion Gaber. Then Eliezer ye sonne of Dodauah of Mareshah prophecied against Iehoshaphat, saying, Because thou hast ioyned thy selfe with Ahaziah, the Lord hath broken thy workes. and the shippes were broken, that they were not

able to go to Tarshish.

Iehosphaphat then slept with his fathers, and was buried 21 with his fathers in the citie of Dauid: and Iehoram his sonne reigned in his steade. And he had brethren the sonnes of 2 Iehoshaphat, Azariah, and Iehiel, and Zechariah, and Azariah, and Michael, and Shephatiah. All these were the sonnes of Iehoshaphat King of Israel. And their father gaue them great 3 giftes of siluer and of golde, and of precious things, with strong cities in Iudah, but the kingdome gaue he to Iehoram: for he And Iehoram rose vp vpon the kingdom of 4 was the eldest. his father, and made himselfe strong, and slew all his brethren with the sworde, and also of the princes of Israel. Iehoram 5 was two and thirtie yeere olde, when he began to reigne, and he reigned eyght veere in Ierusalem. And he walked in the 6 way of the Kings of Israel, as the house of Ahab had done: for he had the daughter of Ahab to wife, and he wrought euill in the eyes of the Lord. Howbeit the Lord would not destroy the 7 house of Dauid, because of the couenant that he had made with Dauid, and because he had promised to give a light to him, and to his sonnes for euer. In his dayes Edom rebelled from vnder 8 the hand of Iudah, and made a King ouer them. And Iehoram 9 went forth with his princes, and all his charets with him: and hee rose vp by night, and smote Edom, which had compassed him in, and the captaines of the charets. But Edom rebelled 10 from vnder the hande of Iudah vnto this day. then did Libnah rebell at the same time from vnder his hand, because he had forsaken the Lord God of his fathers. Moreover hee made 11 hie places in the mountaines of Iudah, and caused the inhabitants of Ierusalem to commit fornication, and compelled Iudah thereto. And there came a writing to him from Elijah the 12 Prophet, saying, Thus sayth the Lord God of Dauid thy father, Because thou hast not walked in the waves of Iehoshaphat thy father, nor in the wayes of Asa King of Iudah, But hast walked 13 in the way of the kings of Israel, and hast made Iudah and the inhabitantes of Ierusalem to go a whoring, as the house of Ahab went a whoring, and hast also slaine thy brethre of thy fathers house, which were better then thou. Beholde, with a 14 great plague will the Lord smite thy people, and thy children, and thy wives, and all thy substance, And thou shalt be in 15 great diseases in the disease of thy bowels, vntill thy bowels

fall out for the disease, day by day. So the Lord stirred vp against Iehoram the spirite of the Philistims, and the Arabians that were beside the Ethiopians. And they came vp into Iudah, and brake into it, and caryed away all the substance that was found in the Kings house, and his sonnes also, and his wiues, so that there was not a sonne left him, saue Iehoahaz, the yongest of his sonnes. And after all this, the Lord smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease. And in processe of time, euen after the end of two yeeres, his guttes fell out with his disease: so he dyed of sore diseases: and his people made no burning for him like the burning of his fathers.
When he began to reigne, he was two and thirtie yeere olde, and reigned in Ierusalem eight yeere, and liued without being desired: yet they buryed him in the citie of Dauid, but not among the sepulchres of the Kings.

And the inhabitants of Ierusalem made Ahaziah his yongest **22** sonne King in his steade: for the armie that came with the Arabians to the campe, had slavne all the eldest: therefore 2 Ahaziah the sonne of Iehoram King of Iudah reigned. Two and fourtie yeere olde was Ahaziah when he began to reigne, and he reigned one yeere in Ierusalem. and his mothers name 3 was Athaliah the daughter of Omri. He walked also in the waves of the house of Ahab: for his mother counselled him 4 to doe wickedly. Wherefore he did euill in the sight of the Lord, like the house of Ahab: for they were his counsellers af-5 ter the death of his father, to his destruction. And he walked after their counsel, and went with Iehoram the sonne of Ahab King of Israel to fight against Hazael king of Aram at Ramoth 6 Gilead: and the Aramites smote Ioram. And he returned to be healed in Izreel, because of the woundes wherewith they had wounded him at Ramah, when he fought with Hazael King of Aram. Nowe Azariah the sonne of Iehoram King of Iudah went downe to see Iehoram the sonne of Ahab at Izreel, because hee 7 was diseased. And the destruction of Ahaziah came of God in that he went to Ioram: for when he was come, he went forth with Iehoram against Iehu the sonne of Nimshi, whom 8 the Lord had anointed to destroy the house of Ahab. Therefore when Iehu executed iudgement vpon the house of Ahab, and found the princes of Iudah and the sonnes of the brethren 9 of Ahaziah that waited on Ahaziah, he slew them also. And

he sought Ahaziah, and they caught him where he was hid in Samaria, and brought him to Iehu, and slewe him, and buryed him, because, sayd they, he is the sonne of Iehoshaphat, which sought the Lord with all his heart. So the house of Ahaziah was not able to reteine the kingdome. Therefore when Athaliah 10 the mother of Ahaziah sawe that her sonne was dead, shee arose and destroyed all the Kings seede of the house of Iudah. But Iehoshabeath the daughter of ye King, tooke Ioash 11 the sonne of Ahaziah, and stale him from among the Kings sonnes, that shoulde be slayne, and put him and his nource in the bed chamber: so Iehoshabeath the daughter of King Iehoram the wife of Iehoiada the Priest (for shee was the sister of Ahaziah) hid him from Athaliah: so she slew him not. And 12 hee was with them hid in the house of God sixe yeeres, whiles Athaliah reigned ouer the land.

And in the seuenth yeere Iehoiada waxed bolde, and tooke 23 the captaines of hundreths, to wit, Azariah the sonne of Ieroham, and Ishmael the sonne of Iehohanan, and Azariah the sonne of Obed, and Maasiah the sonne of Adaiah, and Elishaphat the sonne of Zichri in couenant with him. And they went 2 about in Iudah, and gathered the Leuites out of all the cities of Iudah, and the chiefe fathers of Israel: and they came to And al the Congregation made a couenant with 3 the King in the house of God: and he sayde vnto them, Behold, the Kings sonne must reigne, as the Lord hath sayd of This is it that ye shall do, The third 4 the sonnes of Dauid. part of you that come on the Sabbath of the Priests, and the Leuites, shalbe porters of the doores. And another third part 5 towarde the Kings house, and another thirde part at the gate of the foundation, and al the people shalbe in the courts of the house of the Lord. But let none come into the house of the 6 Lord, saue the Priests, and the Leuites that minister: they shall go in, for they are holy: but all the people shall keepe the watch of the Lord. And the Leuites shall compasse the King 7 rounde about, and euery man with his weapon in his hand, and he that entreth into the house, shall be slaine, and be you with the King, when he commeth in, and when he goeth So the Leuites and all Iudah did according to all things 8 that Iehoiada the Priest had commanded, and tooke euery man his men that came on the Sabbath, with them that went out

on the Sabbath: for Iehoiada the Priest did not discharge the 9 courses. And Iehoiada the Priest deliuered to the captaines of hundreths speares, and shieldes, and bucklers which had 10 bene King Dauids, and were in the house of God. And he caused all the people to stand (euery man with his weapon in his hande) from the right side of the house, to ye left side of the house by the altar and by the house round about ye king. 11 Then they brought out the Kings sonne, and put vpon him the crowne and gaue him the testimonie, and made him King. And Iehoiada and his sonnes anoynted him, and sayd, God saue 12 the King. But when Athaliah heard the noyse of the people running and praising the king, she came to the people into 13 the house of the Lord. And when she looked, beholde, the King stoode by his pillar at the entring in, and the princes and the trumpets by the King, and all the people of the land reioyced, and blew the trumpets, and the singers were with instruments of musike, and they that could sing prayse: then 14 Athaliah rent her clothes, and said, Treason, treason. Then Iehoiada the Priest brought out the captaines of hundreths that were gouernours of the hoste, and said vnto them, Haue her foorth of the ranges, and he that followeth her, let him dye by the sword: for the Priest had said, Slay her not in the 15 house of the Lord. So they layde hands on her: and when she was come to the entring of the horsegate by the Kings house, 16 they slew her there. And Iehoiada made a couenant betweene him, and all the people, and the King, that they would be the 17 Lords people. And all the people went to the house of Baal, and destroyed, and brake his altars and his images, and slew 18 Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars. And Iehoiada appointed officers for the house of the Lord, vnder the handes of the Priestes and Leuites, whome Dauid had distributed for the house of the Lord, to offer burnt offrings vnto the Lord, as it is written in the Law of Moses, with reioycing and singing by the 19 appoyntment of Dauid. And he set porters by the gates of ye house of the Lord, that none that was vncleane in any thing, 20 should enter in. And he tooke the captaines of hundreths, and the noble men, and the gouernours of the people, and all the people of the land, and he caused the King to come downe out of the house of the Lord, and they went thorowe the hie gate of the Kings house, and set the King vpon the throne of the kingdome. Then all the people of the land reioyced, and the citie 21 was quiet, after that they had slaine Athaliah with the sword.

Ioash was seuen yere olde, when he began to reigne, and he 24 reigned fourty yeere in Ierusalem: and his mothers name was Zibiah of Beer-sheba. And Ioash did vprightly in the sight of 2 the Lord, all the dayes of Iehoiada the Priest. And Iehoiada 3 tooke him two wives, and he begate sonnes and daughters. And afterward it came into Ioash mind, to renew the house of 4 the Lord. And he assembled the Priests and the Leuites, and 5 said to them, Goe out vnto the cities of Iudah, and gather of all Israel money to repaire the house of your God, from yeere to yeere, and haste the thing: but the Leuites hasted not. There- 6 fore the King called Iehoiada, the chiefe, and said vnto him, Why hast thou not required of the Leuites to bring in out of Iudah and Ierusalem the taxe of Moses the seruant of the Lord, and of the Congregation of Israel, for the Tabernacle of the testimonie? For wicked Athaliah, and her children brake vp the 7 house of God: and all the things that were dedicate for the house of the Lord, did they bestowe vpon Baalim. Therefore 8 the King commanded, and they made a chest, and set it at the gate of the house of the Lord without. And they made procla-9 mation thorow Iudah and Ierusalem, to bring vnto the Lord the taxe of Moses the seruant of God, layde vpon Israel in the wildernesse. And all the princes and all the people rejoyced, 10 and brought in, and cast into the chest, vntill they had fin-And when it was time, they brought the chest vnto 11 the Kings officer by the hand of the Leuites: and when they saw that there was much siluer, then the Kings Scribe (and one appoynted by the hie Priest) came and emptied the chest, and tooke it, and caried it to his place againe: thus they did day by day, and gathered siluer in abundance. And the King 12 and Iehoiada gaue it to such as did the labour and worke in the house of the Lord, and hyred masons and carpenters to repayre the house of the Lord: they gaue it also to workers of yron and brasse, to repayre the house of the Lord. So the workemen 13 wrought, and the worke amended through their hands: and they restored the house of God to his state, and strengthened And when they had finished it, they brought the rest of 14 the siluer before the King and Iehoiada, and he made thereof vessels for the house of the Lord, euen vessels to minister.

both morters and incense cuppes, and vessels of golde, and of siluer: and they offred burnt offrings in the house of the Lord 15 continually all the dayes of Iehoiada. But Iehoiada waxed olde, and was ful of dayes and dyed. An hundreth and thirtie 16 yeere olde was he when he dyed. And they buried him in the citie of Dauid with the kings, because he had done good in Is-17 rael, and toward God and his house. And after the death of Iehoiada, came the princes of Iudah, and did reuerence to the 18 King, and the King hearkened vnto them. And they left the house of the Lord God of their fathers, and serued groues and idoles: and wrath came vpon Iudah and Ierusalem, because 19 of this their trespasse. And God sent Prophets amog the, to bring them againe vnto the Lord: and they made protestation 20 among them, but they would not heare. And the Spirit of God came vpon Zechariah the sonne of Iehoiada the Priest, which stoode aboue the people, and sayde vnto them, Thus sayth God, Why transgresse ye the commandements of the Lord? surely ye shall not prosper: because ye haue forsaken the Lord, he 21 also hath forsaken you. Then they conspired against him and stoned him with stones at the commandement of the King, 22 in the court of the house of the Lord. Thus Ioash the King remembred not the kindnesse which Iehoiada his father had done to him, but slewe his sonne. And when he dyed, he sayd, 23 The Lord looke vpon it, and require it. And when the yeere was out, the host of Aram came vp against him, and they came against Iudah and Ierusalem, and destroyed all the princes of the people from among the people, and sent all the spoyle of 24 them vnto the King of Damascus. Though the armie of Aram came with a small company of men, yet the Lord deliuered a very great armie into their hand, because they had forsaken the Lord God of their fathers: and they gaue sentence against 25 Ioash. And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in great diseases) his owne seruants conspired against him for the blood of the children of Iehoiada the Priest, and slewe him on his bed, and he dyed, and they buryed him in the citie of Dauid: but they buryed him not in the sepulchres 26 of the Kings. And these are they that conspired against him, Zabad the sonne of Shimrath an Ammonitesse, and Iehozabad 27 the sonne of Shimrith a Moabitesse. But his sonnes, and the summe of the taxe gathered by him, and the foundation of the

house of God, behold, they are written in the storie of the booke of the Kings. And Amaziah his sonne reigned in his steade.

Amaziah was fiue and twentie yere old when he began to 25 reigne, and he reigned nine and twentie yeere in Ierusalem: and his mothers name was Iehoaddan, of Ierusalem. And he 2 did vprightly in the eyes of the Lord, but not with a perfite heart. And when the kingdome was established vnto him, he 3 slewe his seruants, that had slaine the King his father. But he 4 slewe not their children, but did as it is written in the Lawe, and in the booke of Moses, where the Lord commanded, saving, The fathers shall not dye for the children, neyther shall the children die for the fathers, but euery man shall dye for his owne sinne. And Amaziah assembled Iudah, and made them 5 captaines ouer thousandes, and captaines ouer hundreths, according to the houses of their fathers, thorowout all Iudah and Beniamin: and he nombred them from twentie veere olde and aboue, and founde among them three hundreth thousand chosen men, to goe foorth to the warre, and to handle speare and shield. He hyred also an hundreth thousand valiant men out 6 of Israel for an hundreth talents of siluer. But a man of God 7 came to him, saying, O King, let not the armie of Israel goe with thee: for the Lord is not with Israel, neither with all the house of Ephraim. If not, goe thou on, doe it, make thy selfe 8 strong to the battel, but God shall make thee fall before the enemie: for God hath power to helpe, and to cast downe. And 9 Amaziah sayde to the man of God, What shall we doe then for the hundreth talents, which I have given to the hoste of Israel? Then the man of God answered, The Lord is able to give thee more then this. So Amaziah separated them, to wit, the armie 10 that was come to him out of Ephraim, to returne to their place: wherefore their wrath was kindled greatly against Iudah, and they returned to their places with great anger. Then Amaziah 11 was encouraged, and led forth his people, and went to the salt valley, and smote of the children of Seir, ten thousand. And 12 other ten thousand did the children of Iudah take aliue, and caryed them to the top of a rocke, and cast them downe from the top of the rocke, and they all burst to pieces. But the men 13 of the armie, which Amaziah sent away, that they should not goe with his people to battell, fell vpon the cities of Iudah from Samaria vnto Beth-horon, and smote three thousand of them,

14 and tooke much spoyle. Now after that Amaziah was come from the slaughter of the Edomites, he brought the gods of the children of Seir, and set them vp to be his gods, and worshipped 15 them, and burned incense vnto them. Wherefore the Lord was wroth with Amaziah, and sent vnto him a Prophet, which sayd vnto him, Why hast thou sought the gods of the people, which were not able to deliuer their owne people out of thine hand? 16 And as he talked with him, he said vnto him, Haue they made thee the Kings counseler? cease thou: why should they smite thee? And the Prophet ceased, but said, I knowe that God hath determined to destroy thee, because thou hast done this, and 17 hast not obeyed my counsell. Then Amaziah King of Iudah tooke counsell, and sent to Ioash the sonne of Iehoahaz, the sonne of Iehu King of Israel, saving, Come, let vs see one an-18 other in the face. But Ioash King of Israel sent to Amaziah King of Iudah, saying, The thistle that is in Lebanon, sent to the cedar that is in Lebanon, saying, Giue thy daughter to my sonne to wife: and the wilde beast that was in Lebanon went 19 and trode downe the thistle. Thou thinkest: lo, thou hast smitten Edom, and thine heart lifteth thee vp to bragge: abide now at home: why doest thou prouoke to thine hurt, that thou 20 shouldest fall, and Iudah with thee? But Amaziah would not heare: for it was of God, that he might deliuer them into his 21 had, because they had sought the gods of Edom. So Ioash the King of Israel went vp: and he, and Amaziah King of Iudah saw one another in the face at Bethshemesh, which is in 22 Iudah. And Iudah was put to the worse before Israel, and 23 they fled euery man to his tents. But Ioash the King of Israel tooke Amaziah King of Iudah, the sonne of Ioash, the sonne of Iehoahaz in Bethshemesh, and brought him to Ierusalem, and brake downe the wall of Ierusalem, from the gate of Ephraim 24 vnto the corner gate, foure hundreth cubites. And he tooke all the gold and the siluer, and all the vessels that were found in the house of God with Obed Edom, and in the treasures of the Kings house, and the children that were in hostage, and 25 returned to Samaria. And Amaziah the sonne of Ioash King of Iudah liued after the death of Ioash sonne of Iehoahaz King 26 of Israel, fifteene yeere. Concerning the rest of the actes of Amaziah first and last, are they not written in the booke of the 27 Kings of Iudah and Israel? Nowe after the time that Amaziah did turne away from ye Lord, they wrought treason against him in Ierusalem: and when he was fled to Lachish, they sent to Lachish after him, and slewe him there. And they brought 28 him vpon horses, and buried him with his fathers in the citie of Iudah.

Then all the people of Iudah tooke Vzziah, which was six- 26 teene yeere olde, and made him King in the steade of his father Amaziah. He buylt Eloth, and restored it to Iudah af- 2 ter that the King slept with his fathers. Sixteene yeere olde 3 was Vzziah, when he began to reigne, and he reigned two and fiftie yere in Ierusalem, and his mothers name was Iecoliah of Ierusalem. And hee did vprightly in the sight of the Lord, 4 according to al that his father Amaziah did. And he sought 5 God in the dayes of Zechariah (which vnderstoode the visions of God) and when as he sought the Lord, God made him to prosper. For he went forth and fought against the Philistims 6 and brake downe the wall of Gath, and the wall of Iabneh, and the wall of Ashdod, and built cities in Ashdod, and among the Philistims. And God helped him against ye Philistims, and 7 against the Arabians that dwelt in Gur-baal and Hammeunim. And the Ammonites gaue gifts to Vzziah, and his name spred 8 to the entring in of Egypt: for he did most valiantly. Moreouer 9 Uzziah buylt towres in Ierusalem at the corner gate, and at the valley gate, and at the turning, and made them strong. And 10 he built towres in the wildernesse, and digged many cisternes: for he had much cattell both in the valleyes and playnes, plowmen, and dressers of vines in the mountaines, and in Carmel: for he loued husbandrie. Vzziah had also an hoste of fight- 11 ing men that went out to warre by bandes, according to the count of their nomber vnder the hande of Ieiel the Scribe, and Maaseiah the ruler, and vnder the hand of Hananiah, one of the Kings captaines. The whole number of the chiefe of the 12 families of the valiant men were two thousande and sixe hundreth. And vnder their hande was the armie for warre, three 13 hundreth and seuen thousand, and fiue hundreth that fought valiantly to helpe the King against the enemie. And Vzziah 14 prepared them throughout all the hoste, shieldes, and speares, and helmets, and brigandines, and bowes, and stones to sling. He made also very artificial engins in Ierusalem, to be vpon 15 the towres and vpon the corners, to shoote arrowes and great

stones: and his name spred farre abroade, because God did 16 helpe him marueilously, till he was mightie. But when he was strong, his heart was lift vp to his destruction: for he transgressed against the Lord his God, and went into the Temple 17 of the Lord to burne incense vpon the altar of incense. And Azariah the Priest went in after him, and with him foure score 18 Priests of the Lord, valiant men. And they withstoode Vzziah the King, and said vnto him, It perteineth not to thee, Vzziah, to burne incense vnto the Lord, but to the Priests the sonnes of Aaron, that are consecrated for to offer incense: goe forth of the Sanctuarie: for thou hast transgressed, and thou shalt 19 haue none honour of the Lord God. Then Vzziah was wroth, and had incense in his hand to burne it: and while he was wroth with the Priestes, the leprosie rose vp in his forehead before the Priestes in the house of the Lord beside the incense 20 altar. And when Azariah the chiefe Priest with al the Priestes looked voon him, behold, he was leprous in his forehead, and they caused him hastily to depart thence: and he was euen 21 compelled to go out, because the Lord had smitten him. And Vzziah the king was a leper vnto the day of his death, and dwelt as a leper in an house apart, because he was cut off from the house of ye Lord: and Iotham his sonne ruled ouer 22 the Kings house, and judged the people of the land. Concerning the rest of the acts of Vzziah, first and last, did Isaiah the 23 Prophet the sonne of Amoz write. So Vzziah slept with his fathers, and they buryed him with his fathers in the fielde of the burial, which perteined to the kings: for they said, He is a leper. And Iotham his sonne reigned in his steade.

Iotham was fiue and twentie yere olde when he began to reigne, and reigned sixteene yeere in Ierusalem, and his mothers are name was Ierushah the daughter of Zadok. And hee did vprightly in the sight of the Lord according to all that his father Vzziah did, saue that hee entred not into the Temple of the Lord, and the people did yet corrupt their wayes. He buylt the hie gate of the house of the Lord, and he buylt very much on the wall of the castle. Moreouer hee buylt cities in the mountaines of Iudah, and in the forests he buylt palaces and towres. And he fought with the King of the children of Ammon, and

preuailed against them. And the children of Ammon gaue him the same yere an hundreth talents of siluer, and ten thousande measures of wheate, and ten thousand of barley: this did the children of Ammon giue him both in the second yeere and the third. So Iotham became mightie because hee directed his 6 way before the Lord his God. Concerning the rest of the acts 7 of Iotham, and all his warres and his wayes, loe, they are written in the booke of the Kings of Israel, and Iudah. He was fiue 8 and twentie yeere olde when he began to reigne, and reigned sixteene yeere in Ierusalem. And Iotham slept with his fathers, and they buryed him in the citie of Dauid: and Ahaz his sonne reigned in his stead.

Ahaz was twentie yeere old when he began to reigne, and 28 reigned sixteene yeere in Ierusalem, and did not vprightly in the sight of the Lord, like Dauid his father. But he walked in 2 the waves of ve Kings of Israel, and made euen molten images for Baalim. Moreouer he burnt incense in the valley of Ben- 3 hinnom, and burnt his sonnes with fire, after the abominations of the heathen whom the Lord had cast out before the children of Israel. He sacrificed also and burnt incense in the hie 4 places, and on hilles, and vnder euery greene tree. Wherefore 5 the Lord his God deliuered him into the hand of the King of the Aramites, and they smote him, and tooke of his, many prisoners, and brought them to Damascus: and he was also deliuered into the hande of the King of Israel, which smote him with a great slaughter. For Pekah the sonne of Remaliah slewe in 6 Iudah sixe score thousand in one day, all valiant men, because they had forsaken the Lord God of their fathers. And Zichri a 7 mighty man of Ephraim slew Maaseiah the Kings sonne, and Azrikam the gouernour of the house, and Elkanah the second after the King. And the children of Israel tooke prisoners of 8 their brethren, two hudreth thousand of women, sonnes and daughters, and caried away much spoyle of them, and brought the spoyle to Samaria. But there was a Prophet of the Lordes, 9 (whose name was Oded) and he went out before the hoste that came to Samaria, and said vnto them, Behold, because the Lord God of your fathers is wroth with Iudah, he hath deliuered them into your hand, and ye have slaine them in a rage, that reacheth vp to heauen. And nowe ye purpose to keepe 10 vnder the children of Iudah and Ierusalem, as seruants and handmaides vnto you: but are not you such, that sinnes are with you before the Lord your God? Nowe therefore heare 11

me, and deliuer the captiues againe, which ye haue taken prisoners of your brethren: for the fierce wrath of the Lord is to-Wherefore certaine of the chiefe of the children 12 ward vou. of Ephraim, Azariah the sonne of Iehohanan, Berechiah the sonne of Meshillemoth, and Iehizkiah the sonne of Shallum, and Amasa the sonne of Hadlai, stood vp against them that 13 came from the warre, And said vnto them, Bring not in the captiues hither: for this shalbe a sinne vpon vs against the Lord: ye entende to adde more to our sinnes and to our trespasse, though our trespasse be great, and the fierce wrath of 14 God is against Israel. So the armie left the captiues and the 15 spoyle before the princes and all the Congregation. And the men that were named by name, rose vp and tooke the prisoners, and with the spoyle clothed all that were naked among them, and arayed them, and shod them, and gaue them meate, and gaue them drinke, and anoynted them, and caryed all that were feeble of them vpon asses, and brought them to Iericho the citie of Palme trees to their brethren: so they returned to 16 Samaria. At that time did King Ahaz sende vnto the Kings of 17 Asshur, to helpe him. (For the Edomites came moreouer, and 18 slew of Iudah, and caryed away captiues. The Philistims also inuaded the cities in the low countrey, and toward the South of Iudah, and tooke Bethshemesh, and Aialon, and Gederoth and Shocho, with the villages thereof, and Timnah, with her villages, and Gimzo, with her villages, and they dwelt there. 19 For the Lord had humbled Iudah, because of Ahaz King of Israel: for he had brought vengeance vpon Iudah, and had grieu-20 ously transgressed against the Lord) And Tilgath Pilneeser king of Asshur came vnto him, who troubled him and did not 21 strengthen him. For Ahaz tooke a portion out of the house of the Lord and out of the Kings house and of the Princes, and 22 gaue vnto the king of Asshur: yet it helped him not. And in ye time of his tribulation did he yet trespasse more against ye 23 Lord, (this is King Ahaz) For he sacrificed vnto the gods of Damascus, which plagued him, and he sayd, Because the gods of the Kings of Aram helped them, I wil sacrifice vnto them, and they will helpe me: yet they were his ruine, and of all Is-24 rael. And Ahaz gathered the vessels of ye house of God, and brake the vessels of the house of God, and shut vp the doores of the house of the Lord, and made him altars in euery corner

of Ierusalem. And in euery citie of Iudah hee made hie places, 25 to burne incense vnto other gods, and prouoked to anger the Lord God of his fathers. Concerning the rest of his actes, and 26 all his wayes first and last, beholde, they are written in the booke of the Kings of Iudah, and Israel. And Ahaz slept with 27 his fathers, and they buried him in the citie of Ierusalem, but brought him not vnto the sepulchres of the Kings of Israel: and Hezekiah his sonne reigned in his stead.

Hezekiah began to reigne, when he was fiue and twentie 29 yeere olde, and reigned nine and twentie yeres in Ierusalem: and his mothers name was Abiiah the daughter of Zechariah. And hee did vprightly in the sight of the Lord, according to all 2 that Dauid his father had done. He opened the doores of the 3 house of the Lord in the first veere, and in the first moneth of his reigne, and repared them. And he brought in the Priests 4 and the Leuites, and gathered them into the East streete, And 5 said vnto them, Heare me, ve Leuites: sanctifie nowe your selues, and sanctifie the house of the Lord God of your fathers, and cary forth the filthinesse out of the Sanctuarie. For 6 our fathers have trespassed, and done euill in the eyes of the Lord our God, and haue forsaken him, and turned away their faces from the Tabernacle of the Lord, and turned their backes. They have also shut the doores of ye porch, and quenched the 7 lampes, and haue neither burnt incense, nor offred burnt offrings in the Sanctuarie vnto the God of Israel. Wherfore the 8 wrath of the Lord hath bin on Iudah and Ierusalem: and he hath made them a scattering, a desolation, and an hissing, as ye see with your eyes. For lo, our fathers are fallen by the 9 sword, and our sonnes, and our daughters, and our wives are in captiuitie for the same cause. Now I purpose to make a 10 couenant with the Lord God of Israel, that he may turne away his fierce wrath from vs. Now my sonnes, be not deceived: 11 for the Lord hath chosen you to stand before him, to serue him, and to be his ministers, and to burne incense. Then the 12 Leuites arose, Mahath ye sonne of Amashai, and Ioel the sonne of Azariah of the sonnes of the Kohathites: and of the sonnes of Merari. Kish the sonne of Abdi. and Azariah the sonne of Iehalelel: and of the Gershonites, Ioah the sonne of Zimmah, and Eden the sonne of Ioah: And of the sonnes of Elizaphan, 13 Shimri, and Iehiel: and of the sonnes of Asaph, Zechariah, and

14 Mattaniah: And of the sonnes of Heman, Iehiel, and Shimei: and of the sonnes of Ieduthun. Shemaiah and Vzziel. they gathered their brethren, and sanctified themselues and came according to the commandement of the King, and by the 16 words of the Lord, for to clense the house of the Lord. And the Priests went into the inner partes of the house of the Lord, to clense it, and brought out all the vncleannesse that they founde in the Temple of the Lord, into the court of the house of the Lord: and the Leuites tooke it, to cary it out vnto the 17 brooke Kidron. They began the first day of the first moneth to sanctifie it, and the eight day of the moneth came they to the porche of the Lord: so they sanctified the house of the Lord in eight dayes, and in the sixeteenth day of the first moneth they 18 made an ende. Then they went in to Hezekiah ye King, and sayde, We have clensed all the house of the Lord and the altar of burnt offring, with all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread 19 table, with all the vessels thereof: And all the vessels which King Ahaz had cast aside when he reigned, and transgressed, haue we prepared and sanctified: and beholde, they are be-20 fore the altar of the Lord. And Hezekiah the King rose early, and gathered the princes of the citie, and went vp to the house 21 of the Lord. And they brought seuen bullockes, and seuen rammes, and seuen lambes, and seuen hee goates, for a sinne offring for the kingdome, and for the sanctuarie, and for Iudah. And he commanded the Priests the sonnes of Aaron, to offer 22 them on the altar of the Lord. So they slewe the bullockes, and the Priests received the blood, and sprinkled it vpon the altar: they slew also the rammes and sprinkled the blood vpon the altar, and they slew the lambes, and they sprinkled the 23 blood vpon the altar. Then they brought the hee goates for the sinne offring before the King and the Congregation, and they 24 layde their hands vpon them. And the Priests slewe them, and with the blood of them they clensed the altar to reconcile all Israel: for the King had commanded for all Israel the burnt 25 offring and the sinne offring. He appointed also the Leuites in the house of the Lord with cymbales, with violes, and with harpes, according to the commandement of Dauid, and Gad the Kings Seer, and Nathan the Prophet: for the commandement was by the hande of the Lord, and by the hande of his Prophets. 26 And the Leuites stood with the instruments of Dauid, and the

Priests with the trumpets. And Hezekiah commanded to offer 27 the burnt offring vpon the altar: and when the burnt offring began, the song of the Lord beganne with the trumpets, and the instruments of Dauid King of Israel. And al the Congregation 28 worshipped, singing a song, and they blew the trumpets: all this continued vntill the burnt offring was finished. And when 29 they had made an ende of offring, the King and all that were present with him, bowed themselues, and worshipped. Then 30 Hezekiah the King and the princes commanded the Leuites to prayse the Lord with the wordes of Dauid, and of Asaph the Seer. so they praysed with ioy, and they bowed themselues, and worshipped. And Hezekiah spake, and sayde, 31 Now ye have consecrate your selves to the Lord: come neere and bring the sacrifices and offerings of prayse into the house of the Lord. And the Congregation brought sacrifices; and offrings of prayses, and euery man that was willing in heart, offred burnt offrings. And the nomber of the burnt offrings, 32 which the Congregation brought, was seuentie bullockes, an hundreth rammes, and two hundreth lambes: all these were for a burnt offring to the Lord: And for sanctification sixe hundreth bullockes, and three thousand sheepe. But the Priests 34 were too few, and were not able to flay all the burnt offrings: therefore their brethren the Leuites did helpe them, til they had ended the worke, and vntill other Priests were sanctified: for the Leuites were more vpright in heart to sanctifie themselues, then the Priests. And also the burnt offerings were 35 many with the fat of the peace offrings and the drinke offrings for the burnt offring. so the seruice of the house of the Lord was set in order. Then Hezekiah reioyced and all the people, 36 that God had made the people so ready: for the thing was done suddenly.

And Hezekiah sent to all Israel, and Iudah, and also wrote letters to Ephraim and Manasseh, that they should come to the house of the Lord at Ierusalem, to keepe the Passeouer vnto the Lord God of Israel. And the King and his princes 2 and all the Congregation had taken counsel in Ierusalem to keepe the Passeouer in the second moneth. For they could 3 not keepe it at this time, because there were not Priests enow sanctified, neither was the people gathered to Ierusalem. And 4 the thing pleased the King, and all the Congregation. And 5

they decreed to make proclamation throughout all Israel from Beersheba euen to Dan, that they should come to keepe the Passeouer vnto the Lord God of Israel at Ierusalem: for they had not done it of a great time, as it was written. postes went with letters by the commission of the King, and his princes, thorowout all Israel and Iudah, and with the commandement of the King, saying, Ye children of Israel, turne againe vnto the Lord God of Abraham, Izhak, and Israel, and he will returne to the remnant that are escaped of you, out 7 of ye hands of the Kings of Asshur. And be not ye like your fathers, and like your brethren, which trespassed against the Lord God of their fathers: and therfore he made them desolate, 8 as ye see. Be not ye now stiffenecked like your fathers, but giue the hand to the Lord, and come into his sanctuarie, which he hath sanctified for euer, and serue the Lord your God, and 9 the fiercenesse of his wrath shall turne away from you. For if ye returne vnto the Lord, your brethren and your children shall finde mercy before them that led them captiues, and they shall returne vnto this lande: for the Lord your God is gracious and mercifull, and will not turne away his face from you, if ye 10 conuert vnto him. So the postes went from citie to citie thorow the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, euen vnto Zebulun: but 11 they laughed them to scorne, and mocked them. Neuerthelesse divers of Asher, and Manasseh, and of Zebulun submitted 12 themselues, and came to Ierusalem. And the hand of God was in Iudah, so that he gaue them one heart to doe the commandement of the King, and of the rulers, according to the worde 13 of the Lord. And there assembled to Ierusalem much people, to keepe the feast of ye vnleauened bread in the second mon-14 eth, a very great assemblie. And they arose, and tooke away the altars that were in Ierusalem: and all those for incense 15 tooke they away, and cast them into the brooke Kidron. Afterwarde they slewe the Passeouer the fourteenth day of the seconde moneth: and the Priestes and Leuites were ashamed, and sanctified themselues, and brought the burnt offrings into the 16 house of the Lord. And they stoode in their place after their maner, according to the Lawe of Moses the man of God: and the Priestes sprinkled the blood, received of the handes of the 17 Leuites. Because there were many in the Congregation that were not sanctified, therefore the Leuites had the charge of the killing of ye Passeouer for all that were not cleane, to sanctifie it to the Lord. For a multitude of the people, euen a multi- 18 tude of Ephraim, and Manasseh, Issachar and Zebulun had not cleansed themselues, yet did eate the Passeouer, but not as it was written: wherefore Hezekiah prayed for them, saying, The good Lord be mercifull toward him, That prepareth his whole 19 heart to seeke the Lord God, the God of his fathers, though he be not cleansed, according to the purification of the Sanctuarie. And the Lord heard Hezekiah, and healed the people. 20 And the children of Israel that were present at Ierusalem, kept 21 the feast of the vnleauened bread seuen dayes with great ioye, and the Leuites, and the Priestes praysed the Lord, day by day, singing with loude instruments vnto the Lord. And Hezekiah 22 spake comfortably vnto all the Leuites that had good knowledge to sing vnto the Lord: and they did eate in that feast seuen dayes, and offred peace offrings, and praysed the Lord God of their fathers. And the whole assembly tooke counsel 23 to keepe it other seuen dayes. So they kept it seuen dayes with iov. For Hezekiah King of Iudah had giuen to the Congrega- 24 tion a thousande bullockes, and seuen thousand sheepe. And the princes had given to the Congregation a thousand bullocks. and ten thousand sheepe: and many Priests were sanctified. And all the Congregation of Iudah rejoyced with the Priestes 25 and the Leuites, and all the Congregation that came out of Israel, and the strangers that came out of the land of Israel, and that dwelt in Iudah. So there was great joye in Ierusalem: for 26 since the time of Salomon the sonne of Dauid King of Israel there was not the like thing in Ierusalem. Then the Priests 27 and the Leuites arose, and blessed the people, and their voyce was heard, and their prayer came vp vnto heauen, to his holy habitation.

And when all these thinges were finished, all Israel that **31** were found in the cities of Iudah, went out and brake the images, and cut downe the groues, and brake downe the hie places, and the altars thorowout all Iudah and Beniamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, vntil they had made an ende: afterwarde all the children of Israel returned euery man to his possession, into their owne cities. And Hezekiah appoynted the courses of 2 the Priests and Leuites by their turnes, euery man according to his office, both Priestes and Leuites, for the burnt offring and

peace offrings, to minister and to give thankes, and to prayse 3 in the gates of the tentes of the Lord. (And the Kings portion was of his owne substance for the burnt offrings, euen for ye burnt offrings of the morning and of the euening, and the burnt offrings for the Sabbaths, and for the new moones, and for the solemne feastes, as it is written in the Law of the Lord) 4 He commanded also the people that dwelt in Ierusalem, to give a part to the Priestes, and Leuites, that they might be encour-5 aged in the Law of the Lord. And when the commandement was spread, the children of Israel brought abundance of first fruites, of corne, wine, and oyle, and honie, and of all the increase of the fielde, and the tithes of all things brought they 6 abundantly. And the children of Israel and Iudah that dwelt in ye cities of Iudah, they also brought the tithes of bullockes and sheepe, and the holy tithes which were consecrate vnto the 7 Lord their God, and laide them on many heapes. In the thirde moneth they beganne to lay the foundation of the heapes, and 8 finished them in the seuenth moneth. And when Hezekiah and the princes came, and saw the heapes, they blessed the 9 Lord and his people Israel. And Hezekiah questioned with the 10 Priests and the Leuites concerning the heapes. And Azariah the chiefe Priest of the house of Zadok answered him, and sayde, Since the people beganne to bring the offrings into the house of the Lord, we have eaten and have bene satisfied, and there is left in abundance: for the Lord hath blessed his people, 11 and this abundance that is left. And Hezekiah commanded to prepare chambers in the house of the Lord: and they prepared 12 them. And carved in the first fruites, and the tithes, and the dedicate things faithfully: and ouer them was Conaniah the 13 Leuite, the chiefe, and Shimei his brother the seconde. And Iehiel, and Azariah, and Nahath, and Asahel, and Ierimoth, and Iozabad, and Eliel, and Ismachiah, and Mahath, and Benaiah were ouerseers by the appointment of Conaniah, and Shimei his brother, and by the commandement of Hezekiah 14 the King, and of Azariah the chiefe of the house of God. And Kore the sonne of Imnah the Leuite porter towarde the East, was ouer the things that were willingly offred vnto God, to distribute the oblations of the Lord, and the holy things that were 15 consecrate. And at his hande were Eden, and Miniamin, and Ieshua, and Shemaiah, Amariah, and Shechaniah, in the cities of the Priestes, to distribute with fidelitie to their brethren by courses, both to the great and small, Their daily portion: be- 16 side their generation being males from three yeere olde and aboue, euen to all that entred into the house of the Lord to their office in their charge, according to their courses: Both 17 to the generation of the Priestes after the house of their fathers, and to the Leuites from twentie yeere olde and aboue, according to their charge in their courses: And to the gener- 18 ation of all their children, their wives, and their sonnes and their daughters throughout all ye Congregation: for by their fidelitie are they partakers of the holy things. Also to the 19 sonnes of Aaron, the Priestes, which were in the fieldes and suburbes of their cities, in euery citie the men that were appointed by names, should give portions to all the males of the Priestes, and to all the generation of the Leuites. And thus 20 did Hezekiah throughout al Iudah, and did well, and vprightly, and truely before the Lord his God. And in all the workes that 21 he began for the service of the house of God, both in the Law and in the commandements, to seeke his God, he did it with all his heart, and prospered.

After these things faithfully described, Saneherib King of 32 Asshur came and entred into Iudah, and besieged the strong cities, and thought to winne them for him selfe. When Hezekiah2 sawe that Saneherib was come, and that his purpose was to fight against Ierusalem, Then he tooke counsell with his princes and his nobles, to stoppe the water of the fountaines without the citie: and they did helpe him. So many of the people as- 4 sembled themselues, and stopt all the fountaines, and the riuer that ranne through the middes of the countrey, saying, Why should the Kings of Asshur come, and finde much water? And 5 he tooke courage, and built all the broken wall, and made vp the towers, and another wall without, and repayred Millo in the citie of Dauid, and made many dartes and shields. And he 6 set captaines of warre ouer the people, and assembled them to him in the broade place of the gate of the citie, and spake comfortably vnto them, saying, Be strong and couragious: feare 7 not, neither be afraide for the King of Asshur, neither for all the multitude that is with him: for there be more with vs, then is with him. With him is an arme of flesh, but with vs is the 8 Lord our God for to helpe vs, and to fight our battels. Then

the people were confirmed by the wordes of Hezekiah King 9 of Iudah. After this, did Saneherib King of Asshur send his seruants to Ierusalem (while he was against Lachish, and all his dominion with him) vnto Hezekiah King of Iudah and vnto 10 all Iudah that were at Ierusalem, saying, Thus saith Saneherib the King of Asshur, Wherein doe ye trust, that ye will 11 remaine in Ierusalem, during the siege? Doeth not Hezekiah entice you to give ouer your selues vnto death by famine and by thirst, saying, The Lord our God shall deliuer vs out of the 12 hande of the King of Asshur? Hath not the same Hezekiah taken away his hie places and his altars, and commanded Iudah and Ierusalem, saying, Ye shall worshippe before one altar, 13 and burne incense vpon it? Knowe ye not what I and my fathers have done vnto all the people of other countreyes? were the gods of the nations of other landes able to deliuer their land 14 out of mine hande? Who is he of al the gods of those natios (that my fathers have destroied) that could deliuer his people out of mine hande? that your God should be able to deliuer you 15 out of mine hand? Nowe therefore let not Hezekiah deceiue you, nor seduce you after this sort, neither beleeue ye him: for none of all the gods of any nation or kingdome was able to deliuer his people out of mine hande and out of the hande of my fathers: howe much lesse shall your gods deliuer you 16 out of mine hande? And his seruants spake yet more against 17 the Lord God, and against his seruant Hezekiah. He wrote also letters, blaspheming the Lord God of Israel and speaking against him, saying, As the gods of the nations of other countreies could not deliuer their people out of mine hand, so shall not the God of Hezekiah deliuer his people out of mine hande. 18 Then they cryed with a loude voyce in the Iewes speach vnto the people of Ierusalem that were on the wall, to feare them 19 and to astonish them, that they might take the citie. they spake against the God of Ierusalem, as against the gods 20 of the people of the earth, euen the workes of mans hands, But Hezekiah the King, and the Prophet Isaiah the sonne of Amoz 21 prayed against this and cryed to heauen. And the Lord sent an Angel which destroyed all the valiant men, and the princes and captaines of the hoste of the King of Asshur: so he returned with shame to his owne lande. And when he was come into the house of his god, they that came foorth of his owne bowels, slewe him there with the sworde. So the Lord saued 22 Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Ierusalem from the hande of Saneherib King of Asshur, and from the hande of all other, and maintained them on euery side. And many brought of- 23 frings vnto the Lord to Ierusalem, and presents to Hezekiah King of Iudah, so that he was magnified in the sight of all nations from thencefoorth. In those dayes Hezekiah was sicke 24 vnto the death, and prayed vnto the Lord, who spake vnto him, and gaue him a signe. But Hezekiah did not render accord- 25 ing to the rewarde bestowed vpon him: for his heart was lift vp, and wrath came vpon him, and vpon Iudah and Ierusalem. Notwithstanding Hezekiah humbled him selfe (after that his 26 heart was lifted vp) he and the inhabitants of Ierusalem, and the wrath of the Lord came not vpon them in the dayes of Hezekiah. Hezekiah also had exceeding much riches and hon- 27 our, and he gate him treasures of siluer, and of golde, and of precious stones, and of sweete odours, and of shieldes, and of all pleasant vessels: And of store houses for the increase of 28 wheat and wine and oyle, and stalles for all beasts, and rowes for the stables. And he made him cities, and had possession 29 of sheepe and oxen in abundance: for God had given him substance exceeding much. This same Hezekiah also stopped 30 the vpper water springs of Gihon, and led them streight vnderneath towarde the citie of Dauid Westwarde, so Hezekiah prospered in all his workes. But because of the ambassadours 31 of the princes of Babel, which sent vnto him to enquire of the wonder that was done in the lande, God left him to trie him, and to knowe all that was in his heart. Concerning the rest 32 of the actes of Hezekiah, and his goodnesse, beholde, they are written in the vision of Ishiah the Prophet, the sonne of Amoz, in the booke of the Kings of Iudah and Israel. So Hezekiah 33 slept with his fathers, and they buryed him in the highest sepulchre of the sonnes of Dauid: and all Iudah and the inhabitants of Ierusalem did him honour at his death: and Manasseh his sonne reigned in his stead.

Manasseh was twelue yeere olde, when he beganne to reigne, **33** and he reigned fiue and fiftie yeere in Ierusalem: And he did 2 euill in the sight of the Lord, like the abominations of the heathen, who the Lord had cast out before the children of Israel. For he went backe and built the hie places, which Hezekiah his 3

father had broken downe: and he set vp altars for Baalim, and made groues, and worshipped all the hoste of the heauen, and 4 serued them. Also he built altars in the house of the Lord, whereof the Lord had saide, In Ierusalem shall my Name be 5 for euer. And he built altars for all the hoste of the heauen in 6 the two courtes of the house of the Lord. And he caused his sonnes to passe through the fire in the valley of Ben-hinnom: he gaue him selfe to witchcraft and to charming and to sorcerie, and he vsed them that had familiar spirits, and soothsayers: hee did very much euill in the sight of the Lord to anger 7 him. He put also the carued image, which he had made, in the house of God: whereof God had said to Dauid and to Salomon his sonne. In this house and in Ierusalem, which I haue chosen before all the tribes of Israel, will I put my Name for 8 euer, Neither will I make the foote of Israel to remooue any more out of the lande which I have appointed for your fathers, so that they take heede, and do all that I have commanded them, according to the Lawe and statutes and iudgements by 9 the hande of Moses. So Manasseh made Iudah and the inhabitants of Ierusalem to erre, and to doe worse then the heathen, whome the Lord had destroyed before the children of Israel. 10 And the Lord spake to Manasseh and to his people, but they 11 would not regarde. Wherefore the Lord brought vpon them the captaines of the hoste of the King of Asshur, which tooke Manasseh and put him in fetters, and bound him in chaines, 12 and carved him to Babel. And when he was in tribulation, he prayed to the Lord his God, and humbled him selfe greatly 13 before the God of his fathers. And prayed vnto him: and God was entreated of him, and heard his prayer, and brought him againe to Ierusalem into his kingdome: then Manasseh knewe 14 that the Lord was God. Nowe after this he built a wall without the citie of Dauid, on the Westside of Gihon in the valley, euen at the entrie of the fish gate, and compassed about Ophel, and raised it very hie, and put captaines of warre in all the 15 strong cities of Iudah. And he tooke away the strange gods and the image out of the house of the Lord, and all the altars that he had built in the mount of the house of the Lord, and 16 in Ierusalem, and cast them out of the citie. Also he prepared the altar of the Lord, and sacrificed thereon peace offerings, and of thankes, and commanded Iudah to serue the Lord God of Israel. Neuerthelesse the people did sacrifice stil in the hie 17 places, but vnto the Lord their God. Concerning the rest of 18 the actes of Manasseh, and his prayer vnto his God, and the words of the Seers, that spake to him in ye Name of the Lord God of Israel, beholde, they are written in the booke of the Kings of Israel. And his prayer and how God was intreated 19 of him, and all his sinne, and his trespasse, and the places wherein he built hie places, and set groues and images (before he was humbled) behold, they are written in the booke of the So Manasseh slept with his fathers, and they buried 20 him in his owne house: and Amon his sonne reigned in his stead. Amon was two and twentie yeere olde, when he began 21 to reigne, and reigned two yeere in Ierusalem. But he did euill 22 in the sight of the Lord, as did Manasseh his father: for Amon sacrificed to all the images, which Manasseh his father had made, and serued them, And he humbled not him selfe before 23 the Lord, as Manasseh his father had humbled himselfe: but this Amon trespassed more and more. And his seruants con- 24 spired against him, and slewe him in his owne house. But the 25 people of the land slewe all them that had conspired against King Amon: and the people of the land made Iosiah his sonne King in his steade.

Iosiah was eight veere olde when hee began to reigne, and 34 he reigned in Ierusalem one and thirtie yeere. And he did 2 vprightly in the sight of ye Lord, and walked in the wayes of Dauid his father, and bowed neither to the right hand nor to the left. And in the eight yeere of his reigne (when he was 3 vet a childe) he began to seeke after the God of Dauid his father: and in the twelft yeere he began to purge Iudah, and Ierusalem from the hie places, and the groues, and the carued images, and molten images: And they brake downe in his 4 sight the altars of Baalim, and hee caused to cut downe the images that were on hie vpon them: he brake also the groues, and the carued images, and the molten images, and stampt them to pouder, and strowed it vpon the graues of them that had sacrificed vnto them. Also he burnt the bones of the Priests 5 vpon their altars, and purged Iudah and Ierusalem. And in 6 the cities of Manasseh, and Ephraim, and Simeon, euen vnto Naphtali, with their maules they brake all round about. And 7 when he had destroyed the altars and the groues, and had bro-

ken and stamped to pouder the images, and had cut downe all the idoles throughout all the land of Israel, hee returned 8 to Ierusalem. Then in the eightenth yere of his reigne, when hee had purged the lande and the Temple, he sent Shaphan the sonne of Azaliah, and Maaseiah the gouernour of the citie, and Ioah the sonne of Ioahaz the recorder, to repaire the house 9 of the Lord his God. And when they came to Hilkiah the hie Priest, they deliuered ye money that was brought into the house of God, which the Leuites that kept the doore, had gathered at the hand of Manasseh, and Ephraim, and of all the residue of Israel, and of all Iudah and Beniamin, and of the in-10 habitantes of Ierusalem. And they put it in the hands of them that should doe the worke and had the ouersight in the house of the Lord: and they gaue it to the workemen that wrought in 11 the house of ye Lord, to repaire and amend the house. Euen to the workemen and to the builders gaue they it, to bye hewed stone and timber for couples and for beames of the houses, 12 which the Kings of Iudah had destroyed. And the men did the worke faithfully, and the ouerseers of them were Iahath and Obadiah the Leuites, of the children of Merari, and Zechariah, and Meshullam, of the children of the Kohathites to set it forward: and of the Leuites all that could skill of instruments of 13 musike. And they were ouer the bearers of burdens, and them that set forwarde all the workemen in euery worke: and of the 14 Leuites were scribes, and officers and porters. And when they brought out the money that was brought into the house of the Lord, Hilkiah the Priest found the booke of the Lawe of the 15 Lord given by the hand of Moses. Therefore Hilkiah answered and sayde to Shaphan the chaceler, I have found the booke of the Law in the house of the Lord: and Hilkiah gaue the booke 16 to Shaphan. And Shaphan caried the booke to the King, and brought the King worde againe, saying, All that is committed 17 to the hand of thy seruants, that do they. For they have gathered the money that was found in the house of the Lord, and haue deliuered it into the handes of the ouerseers, and to the 18 handes of the workemen. Also Shaphan ye chanceler declared to the King, saying, Hilkiah the Priest hath giuen mee a booke, 19 and Shaphan read it before the King. And when the King had 20 heard the wordes of the Lawe, he tare his clothes. And the King commanded Hilkiah, and Ahikam the sonne of Shaphan, and Abdon the sonne of Micah, and Shaphan the chanceler, and Asaiah the Kings seruant, saying, Goe and enquire of the 21 Lord for me, and for the rest in Israel and Iudah, concerning the wordes of this booke that is founde: for great is the wrath of the Lord that is fallen vpon vs, because our fathers haue not kept the worde of the Lord, to doe after all that is written in this booke. Then Hilkiah and they that the King had 22 appoynted, went to Huldah the Prophetesse ye wife of Shallum, the sonne of Tokhath, the sonne of Hasrah keeper of the wardrobe (and she dwelt in Ierusalem within the colledge) and they communed hereof with her. And shee answered them, 23 Thus sayth the Lord God of Israel, Tell yee the man that sent you to me, Thus saith the Lord, Beholde, I will bring eu- 24 ill vpon this place, and vpon the inhabitantes thereof, euen all the curses, that are written in the booke which they have read before the King of Iudah: Because they have forsaken 25 me, and burnt incense vnto other gods, to anger mee with al the workes of their hands, therefore shall my wrath fall vpon this place, and shall not be quenched. But to the King of Iu- 26 dah, who sent you to enquire of the Lord, so shall ve sav vnto him, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, The words which thou hast heard, shall come to passe. But because thine heart did 27 melt, and thou didest humble thy selfe before God, when thou heardest his wordes against this place and against the inhabitantes thereof, and humbledst thy selfe before mee and tarest thy clothes, and weptest before mee, I have also heard it, sayth the Lord. Beholde, I will gather thee to thy fathers, and thou 28 shalt bee put in thy graue in peace, and thine eyes shall not see all the euill, which I will bring vpon this place, and vpon the inhabitants of the same. Thus they brought ye King word againe. Then the King sent and gathered all the Elders of 29 Iudah and Ierusalem. And the King went vp into the house 30 of the Lord, and all the men of Iudah, and the inhabitants of Ierusalem, and the Priests and the Leuites, and all the people from the greatest to the smallest, and hee read in their eares all the wordes of the booke of the couenant that was found in the house of the Lord. And the King stood by his pillar, 31 and made a couenant before the Lord, to walke after the Lord, and to keepe his commandements, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his soule, and that he

would accomplish the wordes of the couenant written in the same booke. And he caused all that were found in Ierusalem, and Beniamin to stande to it: and the inhabitants of Ierusalem did according to the couenant of God, euen the God of their fathers. So Iosiah tooke away al the abominations out of all the countreis that perteined to the children of Israel, and compelled all that were found in Israel, to serue the Lord their God: so all his dayes they turned not backe from the Lord God of their fathers.

Moreouer Iosiah kept a Passeouer vnto the Lord in Ierusalem, 35 and they slewe the Passeouer in the fourtenth day of the first 2 moneth. And he appointed the Priestes to their charges, and 3 incouraged them to the service of the house of the Lord, And he sayd vnto the Leuites that taught all Israel and were sanctified vnto the Lord, Put the holy Arke in the house which Salomon the sonne of Dauid King of Israel did build: it shalbe no more a burden vpon your shoulders: serue now the Lord 4 your God and his people Israel, And prepare your selues by the houses of your fathers according to your courses, as Dauid the King of Israel hath written, and according to the writing of 5 Salomon his sonne, And stande in the Sanctuarie according to the deuision of the families of your brethren the children of the people, and after the deuision of the familie of the Leuites: 6 So kill the Passeouer and sanctifie your selues, and prepare your brethren that they may doe according to the worde of 7 the Lord by the hand of Moses. Iosiah also gaue to the people sheepe, lambs and kiddes, all for the Passeouer, euen to all that were present, to the nomber of thirtie thousand, and three thousande bullocks: these were of the Kings substance. 8 And his princes offred willingly vnto the people, to the Priests and to the Leuites: Hilkiah, and Zechariah, and Iehiel, rulers of the house of God, gaue vnto the Priests for the Passeouer, euen two thousand and sixe hundreth sheepe, and three hun-9 dreth bullockes. Conaniah also and Shemaiah and Nethaneel his brethren, and Hashabiah and Ieiel, and Iozabad, chiefe of the Leuites gaue vnto the Leuites for the Passeouer, fiue thou-10 sand sheepe, and fiue hundreth bullockes. Thus the seruice was prepared, and the Priests stoode in their places, also the Leuites in their orders, according to the Kings commandement: 11 And they slewe the Passeouer, and the Priests sprinkled the

blood with their handes, and the Leuites flayed them. And 12 they tooke away from the burnt offering to give it according to the deuisions of the families of the children of the people, to offer vnto the Lord, as it is written in the booke of Moses, and so of the bullockes. And they rosted the Passeouer with 13 fire, according to ye custome, but the sanctified things they sod in pots, pannes, and cauldrons, and distributed them quickely to all the people. Afterwarde also they prepared for them 14 selues and for the Priestes: for the Priestes the sonnes of Aaron were occupied in offering of burnt offrings, and the fat vntill night: therefore the Leuites prepared for them selues, and for the Priests the sonnes of Aaron. And the singers the sonnes 15 of Asaph stoode in their standing according to the commandement of Dauid, and Asaph, and Heman, and Ieduthun the Kings Seer: and the porters at euery gate, who might not depart from their seruice: therefore their brethren the Leuites prepared for them. So all the service of the Lord was pre- 16 pared the same day, to keepe the Passeouer, and to offer burnt offerings vpon the altar of the Lord, according to the commandement of King Iosiah. And the children of Israel that were 17 present, kept the Passeouer the same time, and the feast of the vnleauened bread seuen dayes. And there was no Passeouer 18 kept like that, in Israel, from the dayes of Samuel the Prophet: neyther did all the Kings of Israel keepe such a Passeouer as Iosiah kept, and the Priestes and the Leuites, and all Iudah, and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of Ierusalem. This Passeouer was kept in the eighteenth yeere of the reigne 19 of Iosiah. After all this, when Iosiah had prepared the Tem- 20 ple. Necho King of Egypt came vp to fight against Carchemish by Perath, and Iosiah went out against him. But he sent mes- 21 sengers to him, saying, What haue I to doe with thee, thou King of Iudah? I come not against thee this day, but against the house of mine enemie, and God commanded me to make haste: leaue of to come against God, which is with me, least he destroy thee. But Iosiah would not turne his face from him, 22 but changed his apparel to fight with him, and hearkened not vnto the wordes of Necho, which were of the mouth of God, but came to fight in the valley of Megiddo. And the shoot- 23 ers shot at king Iosiah: then the King saide to his seruants, Cary me away, for I am very sicke. So his seruants tooke him 24 out of that charet, and put him in the seconde charet which he had, and when they had brought him to Ierusalem, he dyed, and was buryed in the sepulchres of his fathers: and all Iudah and Ierusalem mourned for Iosiah. And Ieremiah lamented Iosiah, and al singing men and singing women mourned for Iosiah in their lamentations to this day, and made the same for an ordinance vnto Israel: and beholde, they be written in the lamentations. Concerning the rest of the actes of Iosiah and his goodnesse, doing as it was written in the Lawe of the Lord, And his deedes, first and last, behold, they are written in the booke of the Kings of Israel and Iudah.

Then the people of the lande tooke Iehoahaz the sonne of 36 Iosiah, and made him king in his fathers steade in Ierusalem. 2 Iehoahaz was three and twentie veere old when he began to 3 reigne, and he reigned three moneths in Ierusalem. And the King of Egypt tooke him away at Ierusalem, and condemned the lande in an hundreth talents of siluer, and a talent of gold. 4 And the King of Egypt made Eliakim his brother King ouer Iudah and Ierusalem, and turned his name to Iehoiakim: and Necho tooke Iehoahaz his brother, and carved him to Egypt. 5 Iehoiakim was fiue and twentie yeere old, when he began to reigne, and he reigned eleuen yeere in Ierusalem, and did euill 6 in the sight of the Lord his God. Against him came vp Nebuchadnezzar King of Babel, and bounde him with chaines to 7 cary him to Babel. Nebuchadnezzar also caryed of the vessels of the house of the Lord to Babel, and put them in his temple at 8 Babel. Concerning the rest of the actes of Iehoiakim, and his abominations which he did, and that which was founde vpon him, behold, they are written in the booke of the Kings of Israel and Iudah, and Iehoiachin his sonne reigned in his stead. 9 Iehoiachin was eight yeere olde when he beganne to reigne, and he reigned three moneths and ten dayes in Ierusalem, 10 and did euill in the sight of the Lord. And when the yeere was out, King Nebuchadnezzar sent and brought him to Babel with the precious vessels of the house of the Lord, and he made Zedekiah his brother King ouer Iudah and Ierusalem. 11 Zedekiah was one and twentie yeere olde, when he beganne 12 to reigne, and reigned eleuen yeere in Ierusalem. did euill in the sight of the Lord his God, and humbled not

himselfe before Ieremiah the Prophet at the commandement

of the Lord, But he rebelled moreouer against Nebuchadnez- 13 zar, which had caused him to sweare by God: and he hardened his necke and made his heart obstinate that he might not returne to the Lord God of Israel. All the chiefe of the Priestes 14 also and of the people trespassed wonderfully, according to all the abominations of the heathen, and polluted the house of the Lord which he had sanctified in Ierusalem. Therefore the 15 Lord God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising earely and sending: for he had compassion on his people, and on his habitation. But they mocked the messengers of 16 God and despised his wordes, and misused his Prophets, vntill the wrath of the Lord arose against his people, and till there was no remedie. For he brought vpon them the King of the 17 Caldeans, who slewe their vong men with the sworde in the house of their Sanctuarie, and spared neither yong man, nor virgin, ancient, nor aged. God gaue all into his hande, And all 18 the vessels of the house of God great and small, and the treasures of the house of the Lord, and the treasures of the King, and of his princes: all these carved he to Babel. And they 19 burnt the house of God, and brake downe the wall of Ierusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and all the precious vessels thereof, to destroy all. And they that were left 20 by the sworde, carved he away to Babel, and they were seruants to him and to his sonnes, vntill the kingdome of the Persians had rule, To fulfill the worde of the Lord by the mouth 21 of Ieremiah, vntill the lande had her fill of her Sabbaths: for all the dayes that she lay desolate, she kept Sabbath, to fulfill seuentie veeres. But in the first veere of Cyrus King of Persia 22 (when the worde of the Lord, spoken by the mouth of Ieremiah, was finished) the Lord stirred vp the spirit of Cyrus King of Persia, and he made a proclamation through all his kingdome, and also by writing, saying, Thus saith Cyrus King of Persia, 23 All the kingdomes of the earth hath the Lord God of heauen giuen me, and hath commanded me to build him an house in Ierusalem, that is in Iudah. Who is among you of all his people, with whom the Lord his God is? let him goe vp.

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of the captiuitie (whome Nebuchadnezzar King of Babel had caried away vnto Babel) and returned to Ierusalem, and to Iu-

dah, euery one vnto his citie, Which came with Zerubbabel, to 2 wit, Ieshua, Nehemiah, Seraiah, Reelaiah, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispar, Biguai, Rehum, Baanah. The number of the men of the people of Israel was, The sonnes of Parosh, two thousand, an 3 hudreth seuentie and two: The sonnes of Shephatiah, three 4 hundreth, seuentie and two: The sonnes of Arah, seuen hun- 5 dreth, and seventie and five: The sonnes of Pahath Moab, of 6 the sonnes of Ieshua and Ioab, two thousand, eight hundreth and twelue: The sonnes of Elam, a thousande, two hundreth 7 and foure and fiftie: The sonnes of Zattu, nine hundreth and 8 fiue and fourtie: The sonnes of Zaccai, seuen hundreth and 9 The sonnes of Bani, sixe hundreth and two and 10 threescore: fourtie: The sonnes of Bebai, sixe hundreth, and three and 11 twentie: The sonnes of Azgad a thousand, two hundreth and 12 The sonnes of Adonikam, sixe hundreth, 13 two and twentie: three score and sixe: The sonnes of Biguai, two thousand, and 14 sixe and fiftie: The sonnes of Adin, foure hundreth and foure 15 and fiftie: The sonnes of Ater of Hizkiah, ninetie and eight: 16 The sonnes of Bezai, three hundreth and three and twentie: 17 The sonnes of Iorah, an hudreth and twelue: The sonnes of 18, 19 Hasshum, two hundreth and three and twentie: The sonnes 20 of Gibbar, ninetie and fiue: The sonnes of Beth-lehem, an hun- 21 dreth and three and twentie: The men of Netophah, sixe and 22 fiftie: The men of Anothoth, an hundreth and eight and twen- 23 tie: The sonnes of Azmaueth, two and fourtie: The sonnes 24, 25 of Kiriath-arim, of Chephirah, and Beeroth, seuen hundreth and three and fourtie: The sonnes of Haramah and Gaba, 26 six hundreth, and one and twentie: The men of Michmas, an 27 hundreth and two and twentie: The sonnes of Beth-el and Ai, two hundreth, and three and twentie: The sonnes of Nebo, two and fiftie: The sonnes of Magbish, an hundreth and sixe and fiftie: The sonnes of the other Elam, a thousand, and two 31 hundreth, and foure and fiftie: The sonnes of Harim, three 32 hundreth and twentie: The sonnes of Lod-hadid, and Ono, seuen hundreth, and fiue and twentie: The sonnes of Iericho, 34 three hundreth and fiue and fourtie: The sonnes of Senaah, 35 three thousand, sixe hundreth and thirtie. The Priests: of 36 the sonnes of Iedaiah of the house of Ieshua, nine hundreth seuentie and three: The sonnes of Immer, a thousand and 37 two and fiftie: The sonnes of Pashur, a thousand, two hun- 38

39 dreth and seuen and fourtie: The sonnes of Harim, a thou-40 sande and seuenteene. The Leuites: the sonnes of Ieshua. and Kadmiel of the sonnes of Hodauiah, seuentie and foure. 41 The Singers: the sonnes of Asaph, an hundreth and eight and 42 twentie. The sonnes of the porters: the sonnes of Shallum, the sonnes of Ater, the sonnes of Talmon, the sonnes of Akkub, the sonnes of Hatita, the sonnes of Shobai: all were an hundreth 43 and nine and thirtie. The Nethinims: the sonnes of Ziha, the 44 sonnes of Hasupha, the sonnes of Tabbaoth, The sonnes of 45 Keros, the sonnes of Siaha, the sonnes of Padon, The sonnes 46 of Lebanah, the sonnes of Hagabah, the sonnes of Akkub. The sonnes of Hagab, the sonnes of Shamlai, the sonnes of Hanan, The sonnes of Giddel, the sonnes of Gahar, the sonnes of Rea-48 iah, The sonnes of Rezin, the sonnes of Nekoda, the sonnes 49 of Gazzam, The sonnes of Vzza, the sonnes of Paseah, the 50 sonnes of Besai. The sonnes of Asnah, the sonnes of Meunim. 51 the sonnes of Nephusim, The sonnes of Bakbuk, the sonnes 52 of Hakupa, the sonnes of Harhur. The sonnes of Bazluth, the 53 sonnes of Mehida, the sonnes of Harsha, The sonnes of Bar-54 cos, the sonnes of Sisara, the sonnes of Thamah, The sonnes 55 of Neziah, the sonnes of Hatipha, The sonnes of Salomons seruantes: the sonnes of Sotai, the sonnes of Sophereth, the 56 sonnes of Peruda, The sonnes of Iaalah, the sonnes of Darkon, 57 the sonnes of Giddel, The sonnes of Shephatiah, the sonnes of Hattil, the sonnes of Pochereth Hazzebaim, the sonnes of All the Nethinims, and the sonnes of Salomons seru-59 ants were three hundreth ninetie and two. And these went vp from Telmelah, and from Telharsha, Cherub, Addan, and Immer, but they could not discerne their fathers house and their 60 seede, whether they were of Israel. The sonnes of Delaiah, the sonnes of Tobiah, the sonnes of Nekoda, six hundreth and 61 two and fiftie. And of the sonnes of the Priestes, the sonnes of Habaiah, the sonnes of Coz, the sonnes of Barzillai: which tooke of the daughters of Barzillai the Giliadite to wife, and 62 was called after their name. These sought their writing of the genealogies, but they were not founde: therefore were they put 63 from the Priesthood. And Tirshatha saide vnto them, that they should not eate of the most holy thing, tell there rose vp 64 a Priest with Vrim and Thummim. The whole Congregation together was two and fourtie thousande, three hundreth and

threescore. Beside their servants and their maydes: of whome 65 were seuen thousande, three hundreth and seuen and thirtie: and among them were two hundreth singing men and singing women. Their horses were seuen hundreth, and sixe and thir- 66 tie: their mules, two hundreth and fiue and fourtie: camels foure hundreth, and fiue and thirtie: their asses, sixe thousand, seuen hundreth and twentie. And certeine of the 68 chiefe fathers, when they came to the house of the Lord, which was in Ierusalem, they offred willingly for the house of God, to set it vp vpon his fundation. They gaue after their abil- 69 itie vnto the treasure of the worke, euen one and threescore thousand drammes of golde, and five thousand pieces of silver, and an hundreth Priests garments. So the Priests and the 70 Leuites, and a certeine of the people, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims dwelt in their cities, and all Israel in their cities.

And when the seuenth moneth was come, and the children 3 of Israel were in their cities, the people assembled themselues as one man vnto Ierusalem. Then stoode vp Ieshua rhe sonne 2 of Iozadak, and his brethren the Priests, and Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealtiel, and his brethren, and builded the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings thereon, as it is written in ye Lawe of Moses the man of God, And they set the 3 altar vpon his bases (for feare was among them, because of the people of those countreis) therefore they offered burnt offrings thereon vnto the Lord, euen burnt offrings in the morning, and at euen. They kept also the feast of the Tabernacles, 4 as it is written, and the burnt offring dayly, by nomber according to the custome day by day, And afterwarde the continual 5 bnrnt offring, both in the newe moneths and in all the feast daves that were consecrate vnto the Lord, and in all the oblations willingly offered vnto the Lord. From the first day of 6 the seuenth moneth began they to offer burnt offrings vnto the Lord: but the foundation of the Temple of the Lord was not They gaue money also vnto the masons, and to the 7 workemen, and meat and drinke, and oyle vnto them of Zidon and of Tyrus, to bring them cedar wood from Lebanon to the sea vnto Iapho, according to the graunt that they had of Cyrus King of Persia. And in the seconde yeere of their comming 8 vnto the house of God in Ierusalem in the second moneth be-

gan Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealtiel, and Ieshua the sonne of Iozadak, and the remnant of their brethren the Priests and the Leuites, and all they that were come out of the captiuitie vnto Ierusalem, and appointed the Leuites from twentie yeere olde and aboue, to set forwarde the worke of the house of the Lord. And Ieshua stood with his sonnes, and his brethren, and Kadmiel with his sonnes, and the sonnes of Iudah together to set forward ve workemen in the house of God, and the sonnes of Henadad with their sonnes, and their brethren the Leuites. 10 And when the builders layed the foundation of the Temple of the Lord, they appoynted the Priestes in their apparel with trumpets, and the Leuites the sonnes of Asaph with cymbales. to prayse the Lord, after the ordinance of Dauid King of Israel. 11 Thus they sang when they gaue prayse, and when they gaue thankes vnto the Lord, For he is good, for his mercie endureth for euer toward Israel. And all the people shouted with a great shoute, when they praysed the Lord, because the foundation of 12 the house of the Lord was layed. Many also of the Priests and the Leuites and the chiefe of the fathers, ancient men which had seene the first house, (when the foundation of this house was laved before their eyes) wept with a loud voyce, and many 13 shouted aloud for ioy, So that the people coulde not discerne the sound of the shoute for iov, from the novse of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loude crie, and the novse was heard farre off.

Byt the aduersaries of Iudah and Beniamin heard, that the 4 children of the captiuitie builded the Temple vnto the Lord God And they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chiefe 2 of Israel. fathers, and sayd vnto them, We wil builde with you: for we seeke the Lord your God as ye do, and we have sacrificed vnto him since the time of Esar Haddon king of Asshur, which brought 3 vs vp hither. Then Zerubbabel, and Ieshua, and the rest of the chiefe fathers of Israel, sayde vnto them, It is not for you, but for vs to buyld the house vnto our God: for we our selues together wil buylde it vnto the Lord God of Israel, as king 4 Cyrus the king of Persia hath commanded vs. Wherefore the people of the land discouraged the people of Iudah, and trou-5 bled them in buylding, And they hired counsellers against them, to hinder their deuise, all the dayes of Cyrus King of 6 Persia, euen vntill the reigne of Darius King of Persia. And

in the reigne of Ahashuerosh (in the beginning of his reigne) wrote they an accusation against the inhabitants of Iudah and And in the daies of Artahshashte, Mithredath, 7 Ierusalem. Tabeel, and the rest of their companions wrote when it was peace, vnto Artahshashte king of Persia, and the writing of the letter was the Aramites writing, and the thing declared was in the language of the Aramites. Rehum the chancelour, 8 and Shimshai the scribe wrote a letter against Ierusalem to Artahshashte the King, in this sort. Then wrote Rehum the 9 chauncelour, and Shimshai the scribe, and their companions Dinaie, and Apharsathcaie, Tarpelaie, Apharsaie, Archeuaie, Bablaie, Shushanchaie, Dehaue, Elmaie, And the rest of the 10 people whom the great and noble Asnappar brought ouer, and set in the cities of Samaria, and other that are beyonde the Riuer and Cheeneth. This is the copie of the letter that they 11 sent vnto King Artahshashte, THY SERVANTS the men bevond the Riuer and Cheeneth, salute thee. Be it knowen 12 vnto the King that ye Iewes, which came vp from thee to vs, are come vnto Ierusalem (a citie rebellious and wicked) and buylde, and lay the foundations of the walles, and haue ioyned the foundations. Be it known nowe vnto the King, that if 13 this citie be built, and the foundations of the walles layed, they will not give tolle, tribute, nor custome: so shalt thou hinder the Kings tribute. Nowe therefore because wee haue bene 14 brought vp in the Kings palace, it was not meete for vs to see the Kings dishonour: for this cause haue we sent and certified the King, That one may searche in the booke of the Chronicles 15 of thy fathers, and thou shalt finde in the booke of the Chronicles, and perceive that this citie is rebellious and noysome vnto Kings and prouinces, and that they have moved sedition of olde time, for the which cause this citie was destroyed. Wee 16 certifie the King therefore, that if this citie be buylded, and the foundation of the walles layd, by this meanes the portion beyonde the Riuer shall not be thine. The King sent an answere 17 vnto Rehum the Chauncelour, and Shimshai the Scribe, and so the rest of their companions that dwelt in Samaria, and vnto the other beyond the Riuer, Shelam and Cheeth. The letter 18 which yee sent vnto vs, hath bene openly read before me. And 19 I have commanded and they have searched, and founde, that this citie of olde time hath made insurrection against kings,

and hath rebelled, and rebellion hath bene committed therein.

There haue bene mightie kings also ouer Ierusalem, which haue ruled ouer all beyonde the Riuer, and tolle, tribute, and custome was given vnto them. Make ye now a decree, that those men may cease, and that the citie be not buylt, till I haue given another commandement. Take heede nowe that ye fayle not to doe this: why should domage grow to hurt the King? When the copie of king Artahshashtes letter was read before Rehum and Shimshai the scribe, and their companions, they went vp in all the haste to Ierusalem vnto the Iewes, and caused them to cease by force and power. Then ceased the worke of the house of God, which was in Ierusalem, and did stay vnto the second yeere of Darius King of Persia.

Then Haggai a Prophet and Zechariah the sonne of Iddo a 5 Prophet prophecied vnto the Iewes that were in Iudah, and Ierusalem, in the name of the God of Israel, euen vnto them. 2 Then Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealtiel, and Ieshua the sonne of Iozadak arose, and began to builde the house of God at Ierusalem, and with them were the Prophetes of God, which 3 helped them. At the same time came to them Tatnai, which was captaine beyonde the Riuer, and Shether-boznai and their companions, and sayd thus vnto them, Who hath given you commandement to buylde this house, and to lay the founda-4 tions of these walles? Then sayde we vnto them after this maner, What are the names of the men that buylde this buyld-But the eye of their God was vpon the Elders of the Iewes, that they coulde not cause them to cease, till the matter came to Darius: and then they answered by letters there-6 unto. The copie of the letter, that Tatnai captaine beyond the Riuer, and Shether-boznai and his companions, Apharsechaie, 7 (which were beyond the Riuer) sent vnto King Darius. sent a letter vnto him, wherein it was written thus, VNTO 8 DARIVS the king, all peace. Be it knowen vnto the King, that we went into the prouince of Iudea, to the house of the great God, which is builded with great stones, and beames are layde in the walles, and this worke is wrought speedily, and 9 prospereth in their hands. Then asked we those Elders, and sayd vnto them thus, Who hath given you commandement to buylde this house, and to lay the foundation of these walles? 10 We asked their names also, that we might certifie thee, and that we might write the names of the men that were their rulers. But they answered vs thus, and sayd, We are the seruants of the God of heaven and earth, and buylde the house that was buylt of olde and many yeeres ago, which a great King of Israel builded, and founded it. But after that our fathers had 12 prouoked the God of heauen vnto wrath, he gaue them ouer into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar King of Babel the Caldean, and he destroyed this house, and carved the people away captiue vnto Babel. But in the first yere of Cyrus King of Babel. 13 King Cyrus made a decree to buylde this house of God. And 14 the vessels of golde and siluer of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar tooke out of the Temple, that was in Ierusalem, and brought them into the Temple of Babel, those did Cyrus the king take out of the Temple of Babel, and they gaue them vnto one Sheshbazzar by his name, whome he had made cap-And he sayde vnto him, Take these vessels and goe 15 thy way, and put them in the Temple that is in Ierusalem, and let the house of God be buylt in his place. Then came the 16 same Sheshbazzar and layde the foundation of the house of God, which is in Ierusalem, and since that time euen vntill nowe, hath it bene in buylding, yet is it not finished. Nowe 17 therefore if it please the King, let there be searche made in the house of the Kings treasures, which is there in Babel, whether a decree hath bene made by King Cyrus, to build this house of God in Ierusalem, and let the King send his minde concerning this.

Then King Darius gaue commandement, and they made search in the librarie of the treasures, which were there layd vp in Babel. And there was founde in a coffer (in the palace 2 that was in the prouince of the Medes) a volume, and therein was it thus written, as a memoriall, IN THE FIRST yeere of 3 King Cyrus, King Cyrus made a decree for the house of God in Ierusalem, Let the house be buylt, euen the place where they offred sacrifices, and let the walles thereof be ioyned together: let the height thereof be three score cubites, and the breadth thereof three score cubites, Three orders of great stones, and 4 one order of timber, and let the expenses be giuen of the Kings house. And also let them render the vessels of the house of 5 God (of golde and siluer, which Nebuchadnezzar tooke out of the Temple, which was in Ierusalem, and brought vnto Ba-

bel) and let him goe vnto the Temple that is in Ierusalem to 6 his place, and put them in the house of God. Therefore Tatnai captaine beyond the Riuer, and Shethar Boznai, (and their companions Apharsecaie, which are beyonde the Riuer) be ye 7 farre from thence. Suffer ye the worke of this house of God, that the captaine of the Iewes and the Elders of the Iewes may 8 buylde this house of God in his place. For I have given a commandement what ve shall doe to the Elders of these Iewes. for the buylding of this house of God, that of the reuenues of the King, which is of the tribute beyonde the Riuer, there be incontinently expenses given vnto these men that they cease not. And that which they shall have neede of, let it be given vnto them day by day, whether it be yong bullockes, or rammes, or lambes for the burnt offrings of the God of heauen, wheate, salt, wine, and oyle, according to the appoyntment of the Priestes 10 that are in Ierusalem, that there bee no fault, That they may haue to offer sweete odours vnto the God of heauen, and prave 11 for the Kings life, and for his sonnes. And I have made a decree, that whosoeuer shall alter this sentence, the wood shall be pulled downe from his house, and shall be set vp, and he shalbe hanged thereon, and his house shalbe made a dunghill And the God that hath caused his Name to dwell 12 for this. there, destroy all Kings and people that put to their hand to alter, and to destroy this house of God, which is in Ierusalem. 13 I Darius haue made a decree, let it be done with speede. Then Tatnai the captaine beyond the Riuer, and Shethar Boznai and their companions, according to that which Darius had sent, so 14 they did speedily. So the Elders of the Iewes builded, and they prospered by the prophecying of Haggai the Prophet, and Zechariah the sonne of Iddo, and they buylded and finished it, by the appoyntment of the God of Israel, and by the commandement of Cyrus and Darius, and Artahshashte king of Persia. 15 And this house was finished the thirde day of the moneth Adar, which was the sixt yeere of the reigne of King Darius. the children of Israel, the Priestes, and the Leuites, and the residue of the children of the captiuitie kept the dedication of 17 this house of God with ioy, And offred at the dedication of this house of God an hundreth bullockes, two hundreth rams, foure hundreth lambes, and twelue goates, for the sinne of all Israel, 18 according to the number of the tribes of Israel. And they set

the Priests in their order, and the Leuites in their courses ouer the seruice of God in Ierusalem, as it is written in the booke of Moses. And the childre of the captiuitie kept the Passeouer on 19 ye fourtenth day of the first moneth. (For the Priests and the 20 Leuites were purified altogether) and they killed the Passeouer for all the children of the captiuitie, and for their brethren the Priests, and for themselues. So the children of Israel which 21 were come againe out of captiuitie, and all such as had separated themselues vnto them, from the filthines of the Heathen of the land, to seeke the Lord God of Israel, did eate, And they 22 kept ye feast of vnleauened bread seuen dayes with ioy: for the Lord had made them glad, and turned the heart of the King of Asshur vnto them, to incourage them in the worke of the house of God, euen the God of Israel.

Now after these things, in the reigne of Artahshashte King 7 of Persia, was Ezra the sonne of Serajah, the sonne of Azarjah. the sonne of Hilkiah. The sonne of Shallum, the sonne of 2 Zadok, the sonne of Ahitub, The sonne of Amariah, the sonne 3 of Azariah, the sonne of Meraioth, The sonne of Zeraiah, the 4 sonne of Vzzi, the sonne of Bukki, The sonne of Abishua, the 5 sonne of Phinehas, the sonne of Eleazar, the sonne of Aaron, This Ezra came vp from Babel, and was a 6 the chiefe Priest. Scribe prompt in the Lawe of Moses, which the Lord God of Israel had giuen, and the King gaue him all his request according to the hande of the Lord his God which was vpon him. And there went vp certaine of the children of Israel, and of the 7 Priests, and the Leuites, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims vnto Ierusalem, in the seuenth vere of King Ar-And hee came to Ierusalem in the fift moneth, 8 which was in the seuenth yeere of the King. For vpon the first 9 day of the first moneth began he to goe vp from Babel, and on the first day of the fift moneth came he to Ierusalem, according to the good hande of his God that was vpon him. For 10 Ezra had prepared his heart to seeke the Lawe of the Lord, and to doe it, and to teach the precepts and judgements in Israel. And this is the copie of the letter that King Artahshashte gaue 11 vnto Ezra the Priest and scribe, euen a writer of the words of the commadements of ve Lord, and of his statutes ouer Israel. ARTAHSHASHTE King of Kings to Ezra the Priest and per- 12 fite scribe of the Lawe of the God of heauen, and to Cheeneth.

13 I have given commandement, that every one, that is willing in my kingdome of the people of Israel, and of the Priestes, 14 and Leuites to goe to Ierusalem with thee, shall goe. fore art thou sent of the King and his seuen counsellers, to enquire in Iudah and Ierusalem, according to the lawe of thy 15 God, which is in thine hand, And to carry the siluer and the gold, which the King and his cousellers willingly offer vnto the 16 God of Israel (whose habitation is in Ierusalem) And all the siluer and gold that thou canst finde in all the prouince of Babel, with the free offring of the people, and that which the Priestes offer willingly to the house of their God which is in 17 Ierusalem, That thou mayest bye speedily with this siluer, bullocks, rammes, lambes, with their meate offrings and their drinke offrings: and thou shalt offer them vpon the altar of the 18 house of your God, which is in Ierusalem. And whatsoeuer it pleaseth thee and thy brethren to do with the rest of the siluer, and gold, doe ve it according to the will of your God. 19 And the vessels that are given thee for the service of the house 20 of thy God, those deliuer thou before God in Ierusalem. And the residue that shall be needeful for the house of thy God, which shall be meete for thee to bestowe, thou shalt bestowe 21 it out of the Kings treasure house, And I King Artahshashte haue given commandemet to all the treasurers which are beyond the Riuer, that whatsoeuer Ezra the Priest and Scribe of the Law of the God of heauen shall require of you, that it be 22 done incontinently, Vnto an hundreth talents of siluer, vnto an hundreth measures of wheate, and vnto an hundreth baths of wine, and vnto an hundreth baths of ovle, and salt with-23 out writing. Whatsoeuer is by the commandement of the God of heauen, let it be done speedily for the house of the God of heauen: for why should he be wroth against the realme of the 24 King, and his children? And we certifie you, that vpon any of the Priestes, Leuites, singers, porters, Nethinims, or Ministers in this house of God, there shall no gouernour laye vpon them 25 tolle, tribute nor custome. And thou Ezra (after the wisedome of thy God, that is in thine hand) set judges and arbiters, which may judge all the people that is beyond the Riuer, euen all that knowe the Lawe of thy God, and teach ye them that know it 26 not. And whosoeuer will not doe the Lawe of thy God, and the Kings lawe, let him have judgement without delay, whether

it be vnto death, or to banishment, or to confiscation of goods, or to imprisonment. Blessed be the Lord God of our fathers, 27 which so hath put in the Kings heart, to beautifie the house of the Lord that is in Ierusalem, And hath enclined mercy to- 28 ward me, before the King and his counsellers, and before all the Kings mightie Princes: and I was comforted by the hand of the Lord my God which was vpon me, and I gathered the chiefe of Israel to goe vp with me.

These are now the chiefe fathers of them, and the genealo-8 gie of them that came vp with mee from Babel, in the reigne of King Artahshashte. Of the sonnes of Phinehas, Gershom: 2 of the sonnes of Ithamar, Daniel: of the sonnes of Dauid, Hattush: Of the sonnes of Shechaniah, of the sonnes of Pharosh, 3 Zechariah, and with him the count of the males, an hundreth and fiftie. Of the sonnes of Pahath Moab, Elihoenai, the sonne 4 of Zerahiah, and with him two hundreth males. Of the sonnes 5 of Shechaniah, the sonne of Iahaziel, and with him three hundreth males. And of the sonnes of Adin. Ebed the sonne of 6 Ionathan, and with him fiftie males. And of the sonnes of 7 Elam, Ieshaiah the sonne of Athaliah, and with him seuentie males. And of the sonnes of Shephatiah, Zebadiah the sonne 8 of Michael, and with him fourescore males. Of the sonnes of 9 Ioab, Obadiah the sonne of Iehiel, and with him two hundreth and eighteene males. And of the sonnes of Shelomith the 10 sonne of Iosiphiah, and with him an hundreth and threescore males. And of the sonnes of Bebai, Zechariah the sonne of Be- 11 bai, and with him eight and twentie males. And of the sonnes 12 of Azgad, Iohanan the sonne of Hakkatan, and with him an And of the sonnes of Adonikam, 13 hundreth and ten males. that were the last, whose names are these: Eliphelet, Iehiel and Shemaiah, and with them three score males. And of the 14 sonnes of Biguai, Vthai, and Zabbud, and with them seuentie males. And I gathered them to the Riuer that goeth toward 15 Ahaua, and there abode we three dayes: then I viewed the people, and the Priests, and found there none of the sonnes of Leui. Therefore sent I to Eliezer, to Ariel, to Shemeiah, and 16 to Elnathan, and to Iarib, and to Elnathan, and to Nathan, and to Zechariah, and to Meshullam the chiefe, and to Ioiarib and to Elnathan, men of vnderstanding, And I gaue them 17 commandement, to Iddo the chiefest at the place of Casiphia.

and I told them the words that they should speake to Iddo, and to his brethren the Nethinims at the place of Casiphia, that they should cause the ministers of the house of our God 18 to come vnto vs. So by the good hande of our God which was vpon vs, they brought vs a man of vnderstanding of the sonnes of Mahali the sonne of Leui the sonne of Israel, and Sherebiah with his sonnes and his brethren, euen eighteene. 19 Also Hashabiah, and with him Ieshaiah of the sonnes of Mer-20 ari, with his brethren, and their sonnes twentie. And of the Nethinims, whom Dauid had set, and the Princes for the seruice of the Leuites, two hundreth and twentie of the Nethinims. 21 which all were named by name. And there at the Riuer, by Ahaua, I proclaimed a fast, that we might humble our selues before our God, and seeke of him a right way for vs, and for our 22 children, and for all our substance. For I was ashamed to require of the King an armie and horsemen, to helpe vs against the enemie in the way, because we had spoken to the King, saying, The hande of our God is vpon all them that seeke him in goodnesse, but his power and his wrath is against all them So we fasted, aud besought our God for 23 that forsake him. 24 this: and he was intreated of vs. Then I separated twelue of the chiefe of the Priests, Sherebiah, and Hashabiah, and 25 ten of their brethren with them. And weighed them the siluer and the gold, and the vessels, euen the offring of ye house of our God, which the King and his counselers, and his Princes, 26 and all Israel that were present had offred. And I weighed vnto their hand sixe hundreth and fiftie talents of siluer, and in siluer vessel, an hundreth talents, and in golde, an hundreth 27 talents: And twentie basins of golde, of a thousand drammes, and two vessels of shining brasse very good, and precious as 28 golde. And I said vnto them, Ye are consecrate vnto the Lord, and the vessels are consecrate, and the gold and the siluer are 29 freely offred vnto the Lord God of your fathers. Watch ye, and keepe them vntill ye weigh them before the chiefe Priestes and the Leuites, and the chiefe fathers of Israel in Ierusalem in the 30 chambers of the house of the Lord. So the Priests and the Leuites received the weight of the silver and of the golde, and of the vessels to bring them to Ierusalem, vnto the house of 31 our God. Then we departed from the Riuer of Ahauah on the twelft day of the first moneth, to go vnto Ierusalem, and the

hand of our God was vpon vs, and deliuered vs from the hand of the enemie, and of such as layde waite by the way. we came to Ierusalem, and abode there three dayes. And on 33 ye fourth day was the siluer weighed, and the golde and the vessell in the house of our God by the hand of Meremoth the sonne of Vriah the Priest, and with him was Eleazar the sonne of Phinehas, and with them was Iozabad the sonne of Ieshua. and Noadiah the sonne of Binnui the Leuites. By number and 34 by weight of euery one, and all the weight was written at the Also the children of the captiuitie, which were 35 come out of captiuitie, offred burnt offrings vnto the God of Israel, twelue bullockes for all Israel, ninetie and sixe rammes, seuentie and seuen lambes, and twelue hee goates for sinne: all was a burnt offring of the Lord. And they deliuered the 36 Kings commission vnto the Kings officers, and to the captaines beyond the Riuer: and they promoted the people, and the house of God.

When as these things were done, the rulers came to me, saying. The people of Israel, and the Priestes, and the Leuites are not separated from the people of the lands (as touching their abominations) to wit, of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Iebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites. For they have taken their daugh- 2 ters to theselues, and to their sonnes, and they have mixed the holy seede with the people of the landes, and the hande of the princes and rulers hath bene chiefe in this trespasse. But 3 when I heard this saying, I rent my clothes and my garment, and pluckt off the heare of mine head, and of my beard, and sate downe astonied. And there assembled vnto me all that 4 feared the words of the God of Israel, because of the transgression of them of the captiuitie. And I sate downe astonied vntil the euening sacrifice. And at the euening sacrifice I arose vp 5 from mine heauinesse, and when I had rent my clothes and my garment, I fell vpon my knees, and spred out mine hands vnto the Lord my God, And said, O my God, I am confounded and 6 ashamed, to lift vp mine eyes vnto thee my God: for our iniquities are increased ouer our head, and our trespasse is growen vp vnto the heauen. From the dayes of our fathers have we 7 bin in a great trespasse vnto this day, and for our iniquities haue we, our Kings, and our Priestes bene deliuered into the

hand of the kings of the lands, vnto the sword, into captiuitie, into a spoyle, and into confusion of face, as appeareth this day. 8 And now for a litle space grace hath bene shewed from the Lord our God, in causing a remnant to escape, and in giuing vs a nayle in his holy place, that our God may light our eyes, and 9 giue vs a litle reuiuing in our seruitude. For though we were bondmen, yet our God hath not forsaken vs in our bondage, but hath enclined mercy vnto vs in the sight of the Kings of Persia, to give vs life, and to erect the house of our God, and to redresse the places thereof, and to give vs a wall in Iudah 10 and in Ierusalem. And nowe, our God, what shall we say af-11 ter this? for we have forsaken thy commandements, Which thou hast commanded by thy seruants the Prophets, saying, The land whereunto ve go to possesse it, is an vncleane land, because of the filthines of the people of the lands, which by their abominations, and by their vncleannes haue filled it from 12 corner to corner. Now therfore shall ye not give your daughters vnto their sonnes, neither shall ye take their daughters vnto your sonnes, nor seeke their peace nor wealth for euer, that yee may be strong and eate the goodnes of the lande, and 13 leaue it for an inheritance to your sonnes for euer. And after all that is come vpon vs for our euill deedes, and for our great trespasses, (seeing that thou our God hast stayed vs from being beneath for our iniquities, and hast given vs such deliverance) 14 Should we returne to breake thy commadements, and ioyne in affinitie with the people of such abominations? wouldest not thou be angrie towarde vs till thou haddest consumed vs, so 15 that there should be no remnant nor any escaping? O Lord God of Israel, thou art iust, for we have bene reserved to escape, as appeareth this day: beholde, we are before thee in our trespasse: therfore we canot stand before thee because of it.

Whiles Ezra prayed thus, and confessed himselfe weeping, and falling downe before the house of God, there assembled vnto him of Israel a very great Congregation of men and women and children: for the people wept with a great lamentation.

Then Shechaniah the sonne of Iehiel one of the sonnes of Elam answered, and sayd to Ezra, We haue trespassed against our God, and haue taken strange wives of the people of the land, yet nowe there is hope in Israel concerning this. Now therfore let vs make a covenant with our God, to put away all the wives

(and such as are borne of them) according to the counsell of the Lord, and of those that feare the commandements of our God. and let it be done according to the Lawe. Arise: for the mat- 4 ter belogeth vnto thee: we also wil be with thee: be of comfort and do it. Then arose Ezra, and caused the chiefe Priestes, 5 the Leuites, and all Israel, to sweare that they would doe according to this worde. So they sware. And Ezra rose vp from 6 before the house of God, and went into the chamber of Iohanan the sonne of Eliashib: he went euen thither, but he did eate neither bread, nor drunke water: for he mourned, because of the transgression of them of the captiuitie. And they caused a 7 proclamation to goe throughout Iudah and Ierusalem, vnto all them of the captiuitie, that they should assemble themselues vnto Ierusalem. And whosoeuer woulde not come within three 8 dayes according to the counsel of the Princes and Elders, all his substance should be forfait, and he should be separate from the Congregation of them of the captiuitie. Then all the men 9 of Iudah and Beniamin assembled theselues vnto Ierusalem within three dayes, which was the twentieth day of the ninth moneth, and all the people sate in the streete of the house of God, trembling for this matter, and for the raine. Ezra the Priest stoode vp, and said vnto them, Ye haue transgressed, and haue taken strange wives, to increase the trespasse of Israel. Now therefore give praise vnto the Lord God 11 of your fathers, and do his will, and separate your selues from the people of the land, and from the strange wives. And all 12 the Congregation answered, and sayd with a loude voyce, So will we do according to thy wordes vnto vs. But the people 13 are many, and it is a raynie weather, and we are not able to stande without, neither is it the worke of one day or two: for we are many that haue offended in this thing. Let our rulers 14 stand therefore before all the Congregation, and let all them which have taken strange wives in our cities, come at the time appoynted, and with them the Elders of euery citie and the Iudges thereof, til the fierce wrath of our God for this matter turne away from vs. Then were appoynted Ionathan the 15 sonne of Asah-el, and Iahaziah the sonne of Tikuah ouer this matter, and Meshullam and Shabbethai the Leuites helped them. And they of the captiuitie did so, and departed, euen 16 Ezra the Priest, and the men that were chiefe fathers to the

familie of their fathers by name, and sate downe in the first 17 day of the tenth moneth to examine the matter. And vntill the first day of the first moneth they were finishing the busi-18 nesse with al the men that had taken strange wives. of the sonnes of the Priests there were men founde, that had taken strange wives, to wit, of the sonnes of Ieshua, the sonne of Iozadak, and of his brethren, Maaseiah, Aeliezer, and Iarib 19 and Gedaliah. And they gaue their hads, that they would put away their wives, and they that had trespassed, gaue a 20 ramme for their trespasse. And of the sonnes of Immer, Ho-21 nani, and Zebadiah. And of the sonnes of Harim, Maaseiah. 22 and Eliiah, and Shemaiah, and Iehiel, and Vzziah. ye sonnes of Pashur, Elioenai, Maaseiah, Ishmael, Nethaneel, 23 Iozabad, and Elasah. And of the Leuites, Iozabad and Shimei, and Kelaiah, (which is Kelitah) Pethahiah, Iudah and Eliezer. 24 And of the singers, Eliashib. And of the porters, Shallum, 25 and Telem, and Vri. And of Israel: of the sonnes of Parosh, Ramiah, and Iesiah, and Malchiah, and Miamin, and Eleazar, 26 and Malchiiah, and Benaiah. And of the sonnes of Elam, Mattaniah, Zechariah, and Iehiel, and Abdi, and Ieremoth, and 27 Eliah. And of the sonnes of Zattu, Elioenai, Eliashib, Matta-28 niah, and Ierimoth, and Zabad, and Aziza. And of the sonnes 29 of Bebai, Iehohanan, Hananiah, Zabbai, Athlai. And of the sonnes of Bani, Meshullam, Malluch, and Adaiah, Iashub, and 30 Sheal, Ieramoth. And of the sonnes of Pahath Moab, Adna, and Chelal, Benaiah, Maaseiah, Mattaniah, Bezaleel, and Bin-31 nui, and Manasseh. And of the sonnes of Harim, Eliezer, 32 Ishiiah, Malchiah, Shemaiah, Shimeon, Beniamin, Malluch, 33 Shamariah. Of the sonnes of Hashum, Mattenai, Mattattah, 34 Zabad, Eliphelet, Ieremai, Manasseh, Shimei. Of the sonnes 35 of Bani, Maadai, Amram, and Vel, Banaiah, Bediah, Chel-36, 37 luh, Vaniah, Meremoth, Eliashib, Mattaniah, Mattenai, and 38, 39 Iaasau, And Banni, and Bennui, Shimei, And Shelemiah, 40, 41 and Nathan, and Adaiah, Machnadebai, Shashai, Sharai, Aza-42 reel, and Shelemiah, Shemariah, Shallum, Amariah, Ioseph. 43 Of the sonnes of Nebo, Ieiel, Mattithiah, Zabad, Zebina, Iadau, 44 and Ioel, Benaiah. All these had taken strange wives: and among them were women that had children.

## THE BOOK OF NEHEMIAH.

he words of Nehemiah the sonne of Hachaliah. In  $oldsymbol{1}$ ye moneth Chisleu, in the twentieth yeere, as I was in the palace of Shushan, Came Hanam, one of my 2 brethren, he and the men of Iudah, and I asked them concerning the Iewes that were deliuered, which were of the residue of the captiuitie, and concerning Ierusalem. And they 3 sayde vnto me, The residue that are left of the captiuitie there in the prouince, are in great affliction and in reproche, and the wall of Ierusalem is broken downe, and the gates thereof are burnt with fire. And when I heard these wordes, I sate 4 downe and wept, and mourned certeine dayes, and I fasted and prayed before the God of heauen, And sayde, O Lord God 5 of heaven, the great and terrible God, that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that loue him, and obserue his commandements. I pray thee, let thine eares be attet, and thine eies 6 open, to heare the praier of thy seruat, which I pray before thee dayly, day and night for ve childre of Israel thy seruats, and confesse the sinnes of the children of Israel, which we have sinned against thee, both I and my fathers house haue sinned: We have grieuously sinned against thee, and 7 haue not kept the commandements, nor the statutes, nor the iudgements, which thou commandedst thy seruant Moses. I 8 beseeche thee, remember the worde that thou commandedst thy seruant Moses, saying, Ye wil transgresse, and I will scatter you abroade among the people. But if ye turne vnto me, 9 and keepe my commandements, and doe them, though your scattering were to the vttermost part of the heauen, yet will I gather you from thence, and will bring you vnto the place that I have chosen to place my Name there. Now these are thy 10 seruants and thy people, whome thou hast redeemed by thy great power, and by thy mightie hand. O Lord, I beseech thee, 11 let thine eare now hearken to the prayer of thy seruant, and to the prayer of thy seruants, who desire to feare thy Name, and I pray thee, cause thy seruant to prosper this day, and give him fauour in the presence of this man: for I was the Kings butler.

Nowe in the moneth Nisan in the twentieth yere of king 2

Artahshashte, the wine stoode before him, and I tooke vp the wine, and gaue it vnto the King. nowe I was not before time sad 2 in his presence. And the king said vnto me, Why is thy coutenance sad, seeing thou art not sicke? this is nothing, but sorow 3 of heart. Then was I sore afrayd, And I said to the King, God saue the King for euer: why should not my countenance be sad, when the citie and house of the sepulchres of my fathers lieth 4 waste, and the gates thereof are deuoured with fire? And the King said vnto me, For what thing doest thou require? Then 5 I prayed to the God of heauen, And sayde vnto the King, If it please the King, and if thy seruant haue found fauour in thy sight, I desire that thou wouldest send me to Iudah vnto the 6 city of the sepulchres of my fathers, that I may buyld it. And the King sayd vnto me, (the Queene also sitting by him) How long shall thy iourney be? and when wilt thou come againe? So it pleased the King, and he sent me, and I set him a time. 7 After I saide vnto the King, If it please the King, let them give mee letters to the captaines beyond the Riuer, that they may 8 conuay me ouer, till I come into Iudah, And letters vnto Asaph the keeper of the Kings parke, that hee may give me timber to buylde the gates of the palace (which apperteined to the house) and for the walles of the citie, and for the house that I shall enter into. And the King gaue me according to the good hand of 9 my God vpon me. Then came I to the captaines beyonde the Riuer, and gaue them the Kings letters. And the King had sent 10 captaines of the armie and horsemen with me. But Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah a seruant an Ammonite heard it, and it grieued them sore, that there was come a man which sought 11 the wealth of the children of Israel. So I came to Ierusalem, 12 and was there three dayes. And I rose in the night, I, and a fewe men with me: for I told no man, what God had put in mine heart to do at Ierusalem, and there was not a beast with 13 me, saue the beast whereon I rode. And I went out by night by the gate of the valley, and came before the dragon well, and to the dung porte, and vewed the walles of Ierusalem, howe they were broken downe, and the portes thereof deuoured with the 14 fire. Then I went foorth vnto the gate of the fountaine, and to the Kings fishpoole, and there was no rowme for the beast 15 that was vnder me to passe. Then went I vp in ye night by the brooke, and viewed the wall, and turned backe, and comming backe, I entred by the gate of the valley and returned. And the rulers knewe not whither I was gone, nor what I did, 16 neither did I as yet tell it vnto the Iewes, nor to the Priestes, nor to the noble men, nor to the rulers, nor to the rest that laboured in the worke. Afterward I said vnto them. Ye see 17 the miserie that we are in, how Ierusalem lyeth waste, and the gates thereof are burnt with fire: come and let vs buylde the wall of Ierusalem, that we be no more a reproche. Then I 18 tolde them of the hande of my God, (which was good ouer me) and also of the Kings wordes that he had spoken vnto me. And they sayd, Let vs rise, and buyld. So they strengthened their hand to good. But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah 19 the servant an Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian heard it. they mocked vs and despised vs, and said, What a thing is this that ye doe? Will ye rebell against the King? Then answered 20 I them, and sayd to them, The God of heauen, he will prosper vs, and we his seruants will rise vp and buylde: but as for you, ve haue no portion nor right, nor memoriall in Ierusalem.

Then arose Eliashib the hie Priest with his brethren the 3 Priestes, and they buylt the sheepegate: they repayred it, and set vp the doores thereof: euen vnto the tower of Meah repayred they it, and vnto the tower of Hananeel. And next 2 vnto him buylded the men of Iericho, and beside him Zaccur the sonne of Imri. But the fish port did the sonnes of Senaah 3 buylde, which also layde the beames thereof, and set on the doores thereof, the lockes thereof, and the barres thereof. And 4 next vnto them fortified Merimoth, the sonne of Vrijah, the sonne of Hakkoz: and next vnto them fortified Meshullam, the sonne of Berechiah, the sonne of Meshezabeel: and next vnto them fortified Zadok, the sonne of Baana: And next vnto them 5 fortified the Tekoites: but the great men of them put not their neckes to the worke of their lordes. And the gate of the olde 6 fishpoole fortified Iehoiada the sonne of Paseah, and Meshullam the sonne of Besodaiah: they laid the beames thereof, and set on the doores thereof, and the lockes thereof, and the barres thereof. Next vnto them also fortified Melatiah the 7 Gibeonite, and Iadon the Meronothite, men of Gibeon, and of Mizpah, vnto the throne of the Duke, which was beyond the Riuer. Next vnto him fortified Vzziel the sonne of Harhohiah 8 of the golde smithes: next vnto him also fortified Hananiah,

the sonne of Harakkahim, and they repayred Ierusalem vnto 9 the broad wall. Also next vnto them fortified Rephaiah, the sonne of Hur, the ruler of the halfe part of Ierusalem. next vnto him fortified Iedaiah the sonne of Harumaph, euen ouer against his house: and next vnto him fortified Hattush, 11 the sonne of Hashabniah. Malchiiah the sonne of Harim, and Hashub the sonne of Pahath Moab fortified the seconde por-12 cion, and the tower of the fornaces. Next vnto him also fortified Shallum, the sonne of Halloesh, the ruler of the halfe 13 part of Ierusalem, he, and his daughters. The valley gate fortified Hanum, and the inhabitants of Zanuah: they buylt it, and set on the doores thereof, the lockes thereof, and the barres thereof, euen a thousand cubites on the wall vnto the 14 dung porte. But the dung port fortified Malchiah, the sonne of Rechab, the ruler of the fourth part of Beth-haccarem: he built it, and set on the doores thereof, the lockes thereof, and 15 the barres thereof. But the gate of the fountaine fortified Shallun, the sonne of Col-hozeh, the ruler of the fourth part of Mizpah: he builded it, and couered it, and set on the doores thereof, the lockes thereof, and the barres thereof, and the wall vnto the fishpoole of Shelah by the Kings garden, and vnto the 16 steppes that goe downe from the citie of Dauid. After him fortified Nehemiah the sonne of Azbuk, the ruler of ve halfe part of Beth-zur, vntill the otherside ouer against the sepulchres of Dauid, and to the fishpoole that was repaired, and vnto the 17 house of the mightie. After him fortified the Leuites, Rehum the sonne of Bani, and next vnto him fortified Hashabiah the 18 ruler of the halfe part of Keilah in his quarter. After him fortified their brethren: Bauai, the sonne of Henadad the ruler 19 of the halfe part of Keilah: And next vnto him fortified Ezer, the sonne of Ieshua the ruler of Mizpah, the other portion ouer 20 against the going vp to the corner of the armour. After him was earnest Baruch the sonne of Zacchai, and fortified another portion from the corner vnto the doore of the house of Eliashib 21 the hie Priest. After him fortified Merimoth, the sonne of Vriiah, the sonne of Hakkoz, another portion from the doore of the house of Eliashib, euen as long as the house of Eliashib ex-22 tended. After him also fortified the Priests, the men of the After them fortified Beniamin, and Hasshub ouer against their house: after him fortified Azariah, the sonne of Maaseiah, the sonne of Ananiah, by his house. After him for- 24 tified Binnui, the sonne of Henadad another portion, from the house of Azariah vnto the turning and vnto the corner. Palal, 25 the sonne of Vzai, from ouer against the corner, and the high tower, that lieth out from the Kings house, which is beside the court of the prison. After him, Pedaiah, the sonne of Parosh. And the Nethinims they dwelt in ye fortresse vnto the place 26 ouer against the water gate, Eastwarde, and to the tower that After him fortified the Tekoites another portion 27 lveth out. ouer against the great tower, that lyeth out, euen vnto the wall of the fortresse. From aboue the horsegate forth fortified the 28 Priests, euery one ouer against his house. After them fortified 29 Zadok the sonne of Immer ouer against his house: and after him fortified Shemaiah, the sonne of Shechadiah the keeper of the East gate. After him fortified Hananiah, the sonne of 30 Shelemiah, and Hanun, the sonne of Zalaph, the sixt, another portion after him fortified Meshullam, the sonne of Berechiah, ouer against his chamber. After him fortified Malchiah the 31 goldesmiths sonne, vntil the house of the Nethinims, and of ye marchants ouer against the gate Miphkad, and to the chamber in the corner. And betweene the chamber of the corner vnto 32 the sheepegate fortified the goldesmithes and the marchantes.

But when Sanballat heard that we builded the wall, then 4 was he wroth and sore grieued, and mocked the Iewes, And 2 sayde before his brethren and the armie of Samaria, thus he sayde, What doe these weake Iewes? wil they fortifie them selues? wil they sacrifice? will they finish it in a day? will they make the stones whole againe out of the heapes of dust, seeing they are burnt? And Tobiah the Ammonite was beside him, 3 and said, Although they buylde, yet if a foxe goe vp, he shall euen breake downe their stonie wall. Heare, O our God (for 4 we are despised) and turne their shame vpon their owne head, and give them vnto a pray in the lande of their captivitie, And 5 couer not their iniquitie, neither let their sinne be put out in thy presence: for they have provoked vs before the builders. So we built the wall, and all the wall was ioyned vnto the halfe 6 thereof, and the heart of the people was to worke. But when 7 Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodims heard that the walles of Ierusalem were repayred, (for the breaches began to be stopped) then they

8 were very wroth, And conspired all together to come and to 9 fight against Ierusalem, and to hinder them. The we prayed vnto our God, and set watchmen by them, day and night, be-10 cause of them. And Iudah said, The strength of the bearers is weakened, and there is much earth, so that we are not able 11 to build the wall. Also our adversaries had sayde, They shall not knowe, neither see, till we come into the middes of them 12 and slay them, and cause the worke to cease. But when the Iewes (which dwelt beside them) came, they told vs ten times, From all places whence ye shall returne, they wil be vpon vs. 13 Therefore set I in the lower places behind the wall vpon the toppes of the stones, and placed the people by their families, 14 with their swordes, their speares and their bowes. Then I behelde, and rose vp, and said vnto the Princes, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, Be not afrayde of them: remember the great Lord, and fearefull, and fight for your brethren, your sonnes, and your daughters, your wives, and your houses. 15 And when our enemies heard that it was knowen vnto vs, then God brought their counsell to nought, and we turned all againe 16 to the wall, euery one vnto his worke. And from that day. halfe of the yong men did the labour, and the other halfe part of them helde the speares, and shieldes, and bowes, and habergins: and the rulers stoode behinde all the house of Iudah. 17 They that buylded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, and they that laded, did the worke with one hand, and with 18 the other helde the sworde. For euery one of the buylders had his sworde girded on his loynes, and so buylded: and he 19 that blewe the trumpet, was beside me. Then saide I vnto the Princes, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, The worke is great and large, and we are separated vpon the wall, 20 one farre from another. In what place therefore ye heare the sound of the trumpet, resort ye thither vnto vs: our God shall 21 fight for vs. So we laboured in the worke, and halfe of them helde the speares, from the appearing of the morning, till the 22 starres came foorth. And at the same time said I vnto the people, Let euery one with his seruant lodge within Ierusalem, that they may be a watch for vs in the night, and labour in the 23 day. So neither I, nor my brethren, nor my seruants, nor the men of the warde, (which followed me) none of vs did put off our clothes, saue euery one put them off for washing.

Nowe there was a great crie of the people, and of their wives 5 against their brethren the Iewes. For there were that said, 2 We, our sonnes and our daughters are many, therefore we take vp corne, that we may eate and liue. And there were that 3 saide, We must gage our landes, and our vineyardes, and our houses, and take vp corne for the famine. There were also that 4 said, We have borowed money for the Kings tribute vpon our landes and our vineyardes. And nowe our flesh is as the flesh 5 of our brethren, and our sonnes as their sonnes: and lo, we bring into subjection our sonnes and our daughters, as seruants, and there be of our daughters nowe in subjection, and there is no power in our handes: for other men haue our landes and our vineyardes. Then was I very angrie when I heard 6 their crie and these wordes. And I thought in my minde, and I 7 rebuked the princes, and the rulers, and saide vnto them, You lay burthens euery one vpon his brethren: and I set a great assemblie against them, And I said vnto them, We (according 8 to our abilitie) have redeemed our brethren the Iewes, which were solde vnto the heathen: and will you sell your brethren againe, or shall they be solde vnto vs? Then helde they their peace, and could not answere. I said also, That which ye do, 9 is not good. Ought ye not to walke in the feare of our God, for the reproche of the heathen our enemies? For euen I, my 10 brethren, and my seruants doe lende them money and corne: I pray you, let vs leaue off this burden. Restore, I pray you, 11 vnto them this day their landes, their vineyardes, their oliues, and their houses, and remit the hundreth part of the siluer and of the corne, of the wine, and of the oyle that ye exact of them. Then said they. We will restore it, and will not require it of 12 them: we will doe as thou hast said. Then I called the Priestes, and caused them to sweare, that they shoulde doe according to this promise. So I shooke my lappe, and said, So let God shake 13 out every man that wil not perfourme this promise from his house, and from his labour: euen thus let him be shaken out, and emptied. And all the Cogregation said, Amen, and praised the Lord: and the people did according to this promise. And 14 from the time that the King gaue me charge to be gouernour in the lande of Iudah, from the twentieth yeere, euen vnto the two and thirtieth yeere of King Artahshashte, that is, twelue yeere, I, and my brethren haue not eaten the bread of the

For the former gouernours that were before me, 15 gouernour. had bene chargeable vnto the people, and had taken of them bread and wine, besides fourtie shekels of siluer: yea, and their seruants bare rule ouer the people: but so did not I, because of 16 the feare of God. But rather I fortified a portion in the worke of this wall, and we bought no lande, and all my seruants came 17 thither together vnto the worke. Moreouer there were at my table an hundreth and fiftie of the Iewes, and rulers, which 18 came vnto vs from among the heathen that are about vs. And there was prepared daily an oxe, and sixe chosen sheepe, and birdes were prepared for me, and within ten dayes wine for all in abundance. Yet for all this I required not the bread of the gouernour: for the bondage was grieuous vnto this people. 19 Remember me, O my God, in goodnesse, according to all that I haue done for this people.

And when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and Geshem the Arabian, 6 and the rest of our enemies heard that I had built the wall, and that there were no more breaches therein, (though at that 2 time I had not set vp the doores vpon the gates) Then sent Sanballat and Geshem vnto me, saying, Come thou that we may meete together in the villages in the plaine of Ono: and 3 they thought to doe me euill. Therefore I sent messengers vnto them, saying, I haue a great worke to doe, and I can not come downe: why should the worke cease, whiles I leaue it, 4 and come downe to you? Yet they sent vnto me foure times after this sort. And I answered them after the same maner. 5 Then sent Sanballat his servant after this sorte vnto me the 6 fift time, with an open letter in his hand. Wherein was written, It is reported among the heathen, and Gashmu hath sayd it, that thou and the Iewes thinke to rebel, for the which cause thou buildest the wall and thou wilt bee their King according Thou hast also ordeyned the Prophets to 7 to these wordes. preach of thee at Ierusalem, saying, There is a King in Iudah: and nowe according to these wordes it shall come to the Kings eares: come now therefore, and let vs take counsell together. 8 Then I sent vnto him, saying, It is not done according to these wordes that thou sayest: for thou feynest them of thine owne For all they afrayed vs, saying, Their handes shalbe weakened from the worke, and it shall not be done: nowe there-10 fore incourage thou me. And I came to the house of Shemaiah the sonne of Delaiah the sonne of Mehetabeel, and he was shut vp, and he said, Let vs come together into the house of God in the middes of the Temple, and shut the doores of the Temple: for they will come to slay thee: yea, in the night will they come to kill thee. Then I said. Should such a man as I. flee? Who is 11 he, being as I am, that would go into the Temple to liue? I will not goe in. And loe, I perceived, that God had not sent him, 12 but that he pronounced this prophecie against me: for Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him. Therefore was he hyred, that I  $_{13}$ might be afrayde, and doe thus, and sinne, and that they might haue an euill report that they might reproche me. My God, re- 14 member thou Tobiah, and Sanballat according vnto these their workes, and Noadiah the Prophetesse also, and the rest of the Prophets that would have put me in feare. Notwithstanding 15 the wall was finished on the fiue and twentieth day of Elul, in two and fiftie dayes. And when all our enemies heard thereof. 16 euen all the heathen that were about vs, they were afraid, and their courage failed them: for they knew, that this worke was wrought by our God. And in these dayes were there many 17 of the princes of Iudah, whose letters went vnto Tobiah, and those of Tobiah came vnto them. For there were many in Iu- 18 dah, that were sworne vnto him: for he was the sonne in lawe of Shechaniah, the sonne of Arah: and his sonne Iehonathan had the daughter of Meshullam, the sonne of Berechiah. Yea, 19 they spake in his praise before me, and tolde him my wordes, and Tobiah sent letters to put me in feare.

Nowe when the wall was builded, and I had set vp the doores, 7 and the porters, and the singers and the Leuites were appointed, Then I commanded my brother Hanani and Hananiah the prince2 of the palace in Ierusalem (for he was doubtlesse a faithfull man, and feared God aboue many) And I saide vnto them, Let 3 not the gates of Ierusalem be opened, vntill the heate of the sunne: and while they stande by, let them shut the doores, and make them fast: and I appointed wardes of the inhabitants of Ierusalem, euery one in his warde, and euery one ouer against his house. Nowe the citie was large and great, but the peo-4 ple were few therein, and the houses were not buylded. And 5 my God put into mine heart, and I gathered the princes, and the rulers, and the people, to count their genealogies: and I found a booke of the genealogie of them, which came vp at the

6 first, and found written therein. These are the sonnes of the prouince that came vp from the captiuitie that was caried away (whome Nebuchadnezzar King of Babel had caryed away) and they returned to Ierusalem and to Iudah, euery one vnto his 7 citie. They which came with Zerubbabel, Ieshua, Nehemiah, Azariah, Raamiah, Nahamani, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispereth, Biguai, Nehum, Baanah. This is the nomber of the men of 8 the people of Israel. The sonnes of Parosh, two thousande 9 an hundreth seuentie and two. The sonnes of Shephatiah, 10 three hundreth seuentie and two. The sonnes of Arah, sixe 11 hundreth fiftie and two. The sonnes of Pahath Moab of ve sonnes of Ieshua, and Ioab, two thousand, eight hundreth and 12 eighteene. The sonnes of Elam, a thousand, two hundreth 13 fiftie and foure. The sonnes of Zattu, eight hundreth and 14 fiue and fourtie. The sonnes of Zacchai, seuen hundreth and 15 three score. The sonnes of Binnui, sixe hundreth and eight 16 and fourtie. The sonnes of Bebai, sixe hundreth and eight 17 and twentie. The sonnes of Azgad, two thousand, three hun-18 dreth and two and twentie. The sonnes of Adonikam, sixe 19 hundreth three score and seuen. The sonnes of Biguai, two The sonnes of Adin, sixe 20 thousand three score and seuen. 21 hundreth, and fiue and fiftie. The sonnes of Ater of Hizkiah, 22 ninetie and eight. The sonnes of Hashum, three hundreth 23 and eight and twentie. The sonnes of Bezai, three hundreth 24 and foure and twentie. The sonnes of Hariph, an hundreth The sonnes of Gibeon, ninetie and fiue. 25. 26 and twelue. men of Beth-lehem and Netophah, an hundreth foure score 27 and eight. The men of Anathoth, an hundreth and eight and The me of Beth-azmaueth, two and fourty. men of Kiriath-iearim, Chephirah and Beeroth, seuen hun-30 dreth, and three and fourtie. The men of Ramah and Gaba, 31 sixe hundreth and one and twentie. The men of Michmas, an 32 hundreth and two and twentie. The men of Beth-el and Ai, 33 an hundreth and three and twentie. The men of the other 34 Nebo, two and fifty. The sonnes of the other Elam, a thou-35 sand, two hundreth and foure and fiftie. The sonnes of Harim, 36 three hundreth and twentie. The sonnes of Iericho, three hun-37 dreth and fiue and fourtie. The sonnes of Lod-hadid and Ono, 38 seuen hundreth and one and twentie. The sonnes of Senaah, 39 three thousand, nine hundreth and thirtie. The Priestes: the

sonnes of Iedaiah of the house of Ieshua, nine hundreth seuentie and three. The sonnes of Immer, a thousand and two and 40 fiftie. The sonnes of Pashur, a thousande, two hundreth and 41 The sonnes of Harim, a thousande and 42 seuen and fourtie. The Leuites: the sonnes of Ieshua of Kadmiel. 43 seuenteene. and of the sonnes of Hodiuah, seuentie and foure. The singers: 44 the children of Asaph, an hundreth, and eight and fourtie. The porters: the sonnes of Shallum, the sonnes of Ater, the 45 sonnes of Talmon, the sonnes of Akkub, the sonnes of Hatita, the sonnes of Shobai, an hundreth and eight and thirtie. The 46 Nethinims: the sonnes of Ziha, the sonnes of Hashupha, the sonnes of Tabaoth, The sonnes of Keros, the sonnes of Sia, the 47 sonnes of Padon. The sonnes of Lebana, the sonnes of Hagaba. 48 the sonnes of Shalmai. The sonnes of Hanan, the sonnes of 49 Giddel, the sonnes of Gahar, The sonnes of Reaiah, the sonnes 50 of Rezin, the sonnes of Nekoda, The sonnes of Gazzam, ye 51 sonnes of Vzza, the sonnes of Paseah, The sonnes of Besai, the 52 sonnes of Meunim, the sonnes of Nephishesim, The sonnes of 53 Bakbuk, the sonnes of Hakupha, the sonnes of Harhur, The 54 sonnes of Bazlith, the sonnes of Mehida, the sonnes of Harsha. The sonnes of Barkos, the sonnes of Sissera, the sonnes 55 of Tamah, The sonnes of Neziah, the sonnes of Hatipha, The 56,57 sonnes of Salomons seruantes, the sonnes of Sotai, the sonnes of Sophereth, ye sonnes of Perida, The sonnes of Iaala, the 58 sonnes of Darkon, the sonnes of Giddel, The sonnes of Shep- 59 hatiah, the sonnes of Hattil, the sonnes of Pochereth of Zebaim, the sonnes of Amon. All the Nethinims, and the sonnes of Sa- 60 lomons servantes were three hundreth, ninetie and two. And 61 these came vp from Tel-melah, Tel-haresha, Cherub, Addon, and Immer: but they could not shewe their fathers house, nor their seede, or if they were of Israel. The sonnes of Delaiah: 62 the sonnes of Tobiah, the sonnes of Nekoda, six hundreth and two and fourtie. And of the Priestes: the sonnes of Haba- 63 iah, the sonnes of Hakkoz, the sonnes of Barzillai, which tooke one of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite to wife, and was named after their name. These sought their writing of the ge- 64 nealogies, but it was not founde: therefore they were put from the Priesthood. And the Tirshatha sayd vnto them, that they 65 should not eate of the most holy, till there rose vp a Priest with Vrim and Thummim. All the Congregation together was two 66

67 and fourtie thousand, three hundreth and threescore, Besides their seruantes and their maydes, which were seuen thousand, three hundreth and seuen and thirtie: and they had two hundreth and fiue and fourtie singing men and singing women. 68 Their horses were seuen hundreth and sixe and thirtie, and 69 their mules two hundreth and fiue and fourtie. foure hundreth and fiue and thirtie, and sixe thousande, seuen 70 hundreth and twentie asses. And certaine of the chiefe fathers gaue vnto the worke. The Tirshatha gaue to the treasure, a thousand drammes of golde, fiftie basins, fiue hundreth 71 and thirtie Priests garments. And some of the chiefe fathers gaue vnto the treasure of the worke, twentie thousand drams of golde, and two thousande and two hundreth pieces of siluer. 72 And the rest of the people gaue twentie thousand drammes of golde, and two thousande pieces of siluer, and three score <sup>73</sup> and seuen Priestes garments. And the Priestes, and Leuites, and the porters and the singers and the rest of the people and the Nethinims, and all Israel dwelt in their cities: and when the seuenth moneth came, the children of Israel were in their cities.

And all the people assembled themselues together, in the streete that was before the watergate, and they spake vnto Ezra the Scribe, that hee would bring the booke of ye Law of 2 Moses, which the Lord had commanded to Israel. And Ezra the Priest brought the Lawe before the Congregation both of men and women, and of all that coulde heare and vnderstand 3 it, in the first day of the seuenth moneth, And he read therein in the streete that was before the watergate (from the morning vntill the midday) before men and women, and them that vnderstoode it, and the eares of all the people hearkened vnto 4 the booke of the Lawe. And Ezra the Scribe stoode vpon a pulpit of wood which he had made for the preaching, and beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and Ananiah, and Vriiah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah on his right hande, and on his left hand Pedaiah, and Mishael, and Malchiah, and Hashum, and 5 Hashbadana, Zechariah, and Meshullam. And Ezra opened the booke before all the people: for hee was aboue all the peo-6 ple: and when he opened it, all the people stoode vp. And Ezra praysed the Lord the great God, and all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting vp their handes: and they bowed

themselues, and worshipped the Lord with their faces toward the grounde. Also Ieshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Iamin, 7 Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Iozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Leuites caused the people to vnderstand the lawe, and the people stood in their place. And 8 they read in the booke of the Lawe of God distinctly, and gaue the sense, and caused them to vnderstand the reading. Then 9 Nehemiah (which is Tirshatha) and Ezra the Priest and scribe. and the Leuites that instructed the people, saide vnto all the people, This day is holie vnto ve Lord your God: mourne not, neither weepe: for all the people wept, who they heard the words of the Lawe. He saide also vnto the, Go, and eate of 10 the fat, and drinke the sweete, and send part vnto them, for whome none is prepared: for this day is holie vnto our Lord: be ye not sorie therefore: for the ioy of the Lord is your strength. And the Leuites made silence throughout all the people, sav- 11 ing, Holde your peace: for the day is holy, be not sad therefore. Then all the people went to eate and to drinke, and to send 12 away part, and to make great joy, because they had vnderstand the wordes that they had taught them. And on the second day 13 the chiefe fathers of all the people, the Priests and the Leuites were gathered vnto Ezra the scribe, that he also might instruct them in the wordes of the Lawe. And they found written in 14 the Law, (that the Lord had commanded by Moses) that the children of Israel should dwel in boothes in the feast of the seuenth moneth, And that they shoulde cause it to bee de- 15 clared and proclaimed in all their cities, and in Ierusalem, saying, Go forth vnto the mount, and bring oliue branches, and pine branches, and branches of myrtus, and palme branches, and branches of thicke trees, to make boothes, as it is written. So the people went foorth and brought them, and made 16 them boothes, euerie one vpon the roofe of his house, and in their courtes, and in the courtes of the house of God, and in the streete by the watergate, and in the streete of the gate of Ephraim. And all the Congregation of them that were come 17 againe out of the captiuitie made boothes, and sate vnder the boothes: for since the time of Ieshua the sonne of Nun vnto this day, had not the children of Israel done so, and there was very great ioy. And he read in the booke of the Lawe of God euery 18 day, from the first day vnto the last day. and they kept the

feast seuen dayes, and on the eight day a solemne assemblie, according vnto the maner.

In the foure and twentieth day of this moneth the children 9 of Israel were assembled with fasting, and with sackecloth, and 2 earth vpon them. (And they that were of the seede of Israel were separated from all the strangers) and they stoode and 3 confessed their sinnes and the iniquities of their fathers. And they stood vp in their place and read in the booke of the Lawe of the Lord their GOD foure times on the day, and they con-4 fessed and worshipped the Lord their God foure times. Then stoode vp vpon the staires of the Leuites Ieshua, and Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, and Chenani, 5 and cryed with a loud voyce vnto the Lord their God. the Leuites said, euen Ieshua and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodiiah, Shebaniah and Pethahiah, Stande vp, and praise the Lord your God for euer, and euer, and let them praise thy glorious Name, O God, which excelleth aboue 6 all thankesgiuing and praise. Thou art Lord alone: thou hast made heauen, and the heauen of all heauens, with all their hoste, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and al that are in them, and thou preseruest them all, and the 7 host of the heaven worshippeth thee. Thou art, O Lord, the God, that hast chosen Abram, and broughtest him out of Vr 8 in Caldea, and madest his name Abraham, And foundest his heart faithful before thee, and madest a couenant with him, to give vnto his seede the lande of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, and Perizzites, and Iebusites, and Girgashites, and 9 hast performed thy wordes, because thou art iust. Thou hast also considered the affliction of our fathers in Egypt, and heard 10 their cry by the red Sea, And shewed tokens and wonders vpon Pharaoh, and on all his seruants, and on all the people of his land: for thou knewest that they dealt proudely against them: therefore thou madest thee a Name, as appeareth this 11 day. For thou didest breake vp the Sea before them, and they went through the middes of the Sea on dry lande: and those that pursued them, hast thou cast into the bottomes as a stone, 12 in the mightie waters: And leddest them in the day with a pillar of a cloude, and in the night with a pillar of fire to give them 13 light in the way that they went. Thou camest downe also vpon mount Sinai, and spakest vnto them from heauen, and gauest them right iudgements, and true lawes, ordinances and good commandements, And declaredst vnto them thine holy Sab- 14 bath, and commandedst them precepts, and ordinances, and lawes, by the hande of Moses thy seruant: And gauest them 15 bread from heauen for their hunger, and broughtest forth water for them out of the rocke for their thirst: and promisedst them that they should goe in, and take possession of the land: for the which thou haddest lift vp thine hand for to give them. But they and our fathers behaued them selues proudely, and 16 hardened their neck, so that they hearkened not vnto thy commandements. But refused to obey, and would not remember 17 thy marueilous works that thou haddest done for them, but hardened their neckes, and had in their heads to returne to their bondage by their rebellion: but thou, O God of mercies, gratious and full of compassion, of long suffring and of great mercie, yet forsookest them not. Moreouer, when they made 18 them a molten calfe (and said, This is thy God that brought thee vp out of the land of Egypt) and committed great blasphemies. Yet thou for thy great mercies forsookest them not 19 in the wildernesse: the pillar of the cloude departed not from them by day to leade them the way, neither the pillar of fire by night, to shew them light, and the way whereby they should goe. Thou gauest also thy good Spirite to instruct them, and 20 withheldest not thy MAN from their mouth, and gauest them water for their thirst. Thou didest also feede them fourtie 21 yeres in ye wildernes: they lacked nothing: their clothes waxed not old, and their feete swelled not. And thou gauest them 22 kingdomes and people, and scatteredst them into corners: so they possessed the land of Sihon and the land of ye King of Heshbon, and the land of Og King of Bashan. And thou did- 23 dest multiplie their children, like the starres of the heauen, and broughtest them into the lande, whereof thou haddest spoken vnto their fathers, that they should goe, and possesse it. So the children went in, and possessed the lande, and thou 24 subduedst before them the inhabitants of the lande, euen the Canaanites, and gauest them into their handes, with their Kings and the people of the lande, that they might do with them what they would. And they tooke their strong cities and 25 the fat lande, and possessed houses, full of all goods, cisternes digged out, vineyardes, and oliues, and trees for foode in abun-

dance, and they did eate, and were filled, and became fat, and 26 liued in pleasure through thy great goodnesse. Yet they were disobedient, and rebelled against thee, and cast thy Lawe behinde their backes, and slewe thy Prophets (which protested among them to turne them vnto thee) and committed great 27 blasphemies. Therefore thou deliueredst them into the hande of their enemies that vexed them: yet in the time of their affliction, when they cryed vnto thee, thou heardest them from the heaven, and through thy great mercies thou gauest them sauiours, who saued them out of the hande of their aduer-But when they had rest, they returned to doe euill before thee: therefore leftest thou them in the hande of their enemies, so that they had the dominion ouer them, yet when they conuerted and cryed vnto thee, thou heardest them from heauen, and deliueredst them according to thy great mercies 29 many times. And protestedst among them that thou mightest bring them againe vnto thy Lawe: but they behaued them selues proudely, and hearkened not vnto thy commandements, but sinned against thy judgements ( which a man should doe and liue in them) and pulled away the shoulder, and were stiff-30 enecked, and woulde not heare. Yet thou diddest forbeare them many yeeres, and protestedst among them by thy Spirite, euen by the hande of thy Prophets, but they woulde not heare: therefore gauest thou them into the hande of the people of the 31 lands. Yet for thy great mercies thou hast not consumed them, neither forsaken them: for thou art a gracious and mercifull 32 God. Nowe therefore our God, thou great God, mightie and terrible, that keepest couenant and mercie, let not all the affliction that hath come vnto vs, seeme a litle before thee, that is, to our Kings, to our princes, and to our Priests, and to our Prophets, and to our fathers, and to all thy people since the 33 time of the Kings of Asshur vnto this day. Surely thou art iust in all that is come voon vs: for thou hast dealt truely, 34 but we have done wickedly. And our kings and our princes, our Priests and our fathers have not done thy Lawe, nor regarded thy commandements nor thy protestations, wherewith 35 thou hast protested among them. And they have not served thee in their kingdome, and in thy great goodnesse that thou shewedst vnto them, and in the large and fat lande which thou diddest set before them, and have not converted from their euill workes. Beholde, we are seruants this day, and the lande 36 that thou gauest vnto our fathers, to eate the fruite thereof, and the goodnesse thereof, beholde, we are seruants therein. And it yeeldeth much fruit vnto the kings whom thou hast set 37 ouer vs, because of our sinnes: and they have dominion ouer our bodyes and ouer our cattell at their pleasure, and we are in great affliction. Now because of all this we make a sure 38 couenant, and write it, and our princes, our Leuites and our Priestes seale vnto it.

Now they that sealed were Nehemiah the Tirshatha the 10 sonne of Hachaliah, and Zidkiiah. Serajah, Azariah, Ieremiah. 2 Pashur, Amariah, Malchiah, Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch, 3,4 Harim, Merimoth, Obadiah, Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch, Meshark, 7 lam, Abiiah, Miamin, Maaziah, Bilgai, Shemaiah: these are 8 the Priestes. And the Leuites: Ieshua the sonne of Azaniah, 9 Binnui, of the sonnes of Henadad, Kadmiel. And their brethren 10 Shebaniah, Hodiiah, Kelita, Pelaiah, Hanun, Micha, Rehob, 11 Hashabiah, Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah, Hodiah, Bani, Ben-12, 13 The chiefe of the people were Parosh, Pahath Moab, 14 Elam, Zattu, Bani, Bunni, Azgad, Bebai, Adoniah, Biguai, 15, 16 Adin, Ater, Hizkiiah, Azzur, Hodiah, Hashum, Bezai, Ha- 17, 18, 19 riph, Anathoth, Nebai, Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir, Meshez-20, 21 abeel, Zadok, Iaddua, Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah, Hoshea, Hana22, 23 niah, Hashub, Hallohesh, Pileha, Shobek, Rehum, Hashab- 24, 25 nah, Maaseiah, And Ahiiah, Hanan, Anan, Malluch, Harim, 26, 27 Baanah. And the rest of the people, the Priestes, the Leuites. 28 the porters, the singers, the Nethinims, and all that were separated from the people of the landes vnto the Lawe of God, their wives, their sonnes, and their daughters, all that coulde vnderstande. The chiefe of them received it for their brethren, 29 and they came to the curse and to the othe to walke in Gods Law, which was given by Moses the servant of God, to observe and doe all the commandements of the Lord our God, and his iudgements and his statutes: And that we would not give our 30 daughters to the people of the lande, neither take their daughters for our sonnes. And if the people of the lande brought 31 ware on the Sabbath, or any vitailes to sell, that we would not take it of them on the Sabbath and on the holy dayes: and that we would let the seuenth yeere be free, and the debtes of euery person. And we made statutes for our selues to give by the 32

yeere the thirde part of a shekel for the seruice of the house 33 of our God, For the shewbread, and for the daily offring, and for the daily burnt offring, the Sabbaths, the newe moones, for the solemne feastes, and for the thinges that were sanctified, and for the sinne offrings to make an atonement for Israel, and 34 for all the worke of the house of our God. We cast also lottes for the offering of the wood, even the Priestes, the Leuites and the people to bring it into the house of our God, by the house of our fathers, yeerely at the times appointed, to burne it vpon the altar of the Lord our God, as it is written in the Lawe, 35 And to bring the first fruites of our land, and the first of all the fruites of all trees, yeere by yeere, into the house of the 36 Lord. And the first borne of our sonnes, and of our cattel, as it is written in the Lawe, and the first borne of our bullockes and of our sheepe, to bring it into the house of our God, vnto 37 ve Priests that minister in the house of our God. And that we should bring the first fruite of our dough, and our offrings, and the fruite of euery tree, of wine and of oyle, vnto the Priests, to the chambers of the house of our God: and the tithes of our lande vnto the Leuites, that the Leuites might have the tithes 38 in all the cities of our trauaile. And the Priest, the sonne of Aaron shall be with the Leuites, when ye Leuites take tithes, and the Leuites shall bring vp the tenth parte of the tithes vnto the house of our God, vnto the chambers of the treasure house. 39 For the children of Israel, and the children of Leui shall bring vp the offerings of the corne, of the wine, and of the oyle, vnto the chabers: and there shalbe the vessels of the Sanctuarie. and the Priestes that minister, and the porters, and the fingers, and we will not forsake the house of our God.

And the rulers of the people dwelt in Ierusalem: the other people also cast lottes, to bring one out of ten to dwel in Ierusalem the holy citie, and nine partes to be in the cities. And the people thanked all the men that were willing to dwell in Ierusalem. These now are the chiefe of the prouince, that dwelt in Ierusalem, but in the cities of Iudah, euery one dwelt in his owne possession in their cities of Israel, the Priestes and the Leuites, and the Nethinims, and the sonnes of Salomons seruants. And in Ierusalem dwelt certaine of the children of Iudah, and of the children of Beniamin. Of the sonnes of Iudah, Athaiah, the sonne of Vziiah, the sonne of Zechariah, the sonne of Amariah.

the sonne of Shephatiah, the sonne of Mahaleel, of the sonnes of Perez, And Maaseiah the sonne of Baruch, the sonne of 5 Col Hozeh, the sonne of Hazaiah, the sonne of Adaiah, the sonne of Ioiarib, the sonne of Zechariah, the sonne of Shiloni. All the sonnes of Perez that dwelt at Ierusalem, were foure 6 hundreth, three score and eight valiant men. These also are 7 the sonnes of Beniamin, Sallu, the sonne of Meshullam, the sonne of Ioed, the sonne of Pedaiah, the sonne of Kolaiah, the sonne of Maaseiah, the sonne of Ithiel, the sonne of Ieshaiah. And after him Gabai, Sallai, nine hundreth and twentie 8 and eight. And Ioel the sonne of Zichri was gouernour ouer 9 them: and Iudah, the sonne of Senuah was the second ouer the citie: Of the Priestes, Iedaiah, the sonne of Ioiarib, Iachin. 10 Seraiah, the sonne of Hilkiah, the sonne of Meshullam, the 11 sonne of Zadok, the sonne of Meraioth, the sonne of Ahitub was chiefe of the house of God. And their brethren that did 12 the worke in the Temple, were eight hundreth, twenty and two: and Adaiah, the sonne of Ieroham, the sonne of Pelaliah, the sonne of Amzi, the sonne of Zechariah, the sonne of Pashur, the sonne of Malchiah: And his brethren, chiefe of the fa- 13 thers, two hundreth and two and fourtie: and Amashsai the sonne of Azareel, the sonne of Ahazai, the sonne of Meshilemoth, the sonne of Immer: And their brethren valiant men, 14 an hundreth and eight and twentie: and their ouerseer was Zabdiel the sonne of Hagedolim. And of the Leuites, Shema- 15 iah, the sonne of Hashub, the sonne of Azrikam, the sonne of Hashabiah, the sonne of Bunni. And Shabbethai, and Ioz- 16 abad of the chiefe of the Leuites were over the workes of the house of God without. And Mattaniah, the sonne of Micha, 17 the sonne of Zabdi, the sonne of Asaph was the chiefe to begin the thankesgiuing and prayer: and Bakbukiah the second of his brethren, and Abda, the sonne of Shammua, the sonne of Galal, the sonne of Ieduthun. All the Leuites in the holy citie 18 were two hundreth foure score and foure. And the porters 19 Akkub, Talmon and their brethren that kept the gates, were an hundreth twentie and two. And the residue of Israel, of 20 the Priests, and of the Leuites dwelt in al the cities of Iudah, euery one in his inheritance. And the Nethinims dwelt in the 21 fortresse, and Ziha, and Gispa was ouer the Nethinims. And 22 the ouerseer of the Leuites in Ierusalem was Vzzi the sonne

of Bani, the sonne of Ashabiah, the sonne of Mattaniah, the sonne of Micha: of the sonnes of Asaph singers were ouer the 23 worke of the house of God. For it was the Kings commandement cocerning them, that faithfull prouision shoulde bee for 24 the singers euery day. And Pethahiah the sonne of Meshezabeel, of the sonnes of Zerah, the sonne of Iudah was at the 25 Kings hand in all matters concerning the people. And in the villages in their landes, some of the children of Iudah dwelt in Kiriath-arba, and in the villages thereof, and in Dibon, and in the villages thereof, and in Iekabzeel. and in the villages 26 thereof, And in Ieshua, and in Moladah, and in Beth palet, 27 And in Hazer-shual, and in Beer-sheba, and in the villages 28 thereof, And in Ziklag, and in Mechonah, and in the villages 29 thereof, And in En-rimmon, and in Zareah, and in Iarmuth, 30 Zanoah, Adullam, and in their villages, in Lachish, and in the fieldes thereof, at Azekah, and in the villages thereof: and they 31 dwelt from Beer-sheba, vnto the valley of Hinnom. And the sonnes of Beniamin from Geba, in Michmash, and Aiia, and 32 Beth-el, and in the villages thereof, Anathoth, Nob, Ananiah, 33, 34, 35 Hazor, Ramah, Gittaim, Hadid, Zeboim, Nebalat, Lod and 36 Ono, in the carpenters valley. And of the Leuites were diuisions in Iudah and in Benjamin. These also are the Priestes and the Leuites that went vp **12** 

with Zerubbabel, the sonne of Shealtiel, and Ieshua: to wit,

2,3 Seraiah, Ieremiah, Ezra, Amariah, Malluch, Hattush, Sheca-

4,5 niah, Rehum, Merimoth, Iddo, Ginnetho, Abiiah, Miamin,

6,7 Maadiah, Bilgah, Shemaiah, and Ioiarib, Iedaiah, Sallu, Amok, Hilkiiah, Iedaiah: these were the chiefe of the Priests, and

8 of their brethren in the dayes of Ieshua. And the Leuites, Ieshua, Binnui, Kadmiel, Sherebiah, Iudah, Mattaniah were

9 ouer the thankesgiuings, he, and his brethren. And Bakbukiah and Vnni, and their brethren were about them in the

And Ieshua begate Ioiakim: Ioiakim also begate 10 watches.

11 Eliashib, and Eliashib begate Ioiada. And Ioiada begate Ionathan,

12 and Ionathan begate Iaddua, And in the daies of Ioiakim were these, the chiefe fathers of the Priests: vnder Seraiah was

13 Meraiah, vnder Ieremiah, Hananiah, Vnder Ezra, Meshul-

14 lam, vnder Amariah, Iehohanan, Vnder Melicu, Ionathan, vn-

15 der Shebaniah, Ioseph, Vnder Harim, Adna, vnder Maraioth,

16 Helkai, Vnder Iddo, Zechariah, vnder Ginnithon, Meshullam,

Vnder Abiiah, Zichri, vnder Miniamin, and vnder Moadiah, 17 Piltai, Vnder Bilgah, Shammua, vnder Shemaiah, Iehonathan, 18 Vnder Ioiarib, Mattenai, vnder Iedaiah, Vzzi, Vnder Sallai, 19, 20 Kallai, vnder Amok, Eber, Vnder Hilkiah, Hashabiah, vnder 21 Iedaiah, Nethaneel. In the dayes of Eliashib, Ioiada, and Io- 22 hanan and Iaddua were the chiefe fathers of the Leuites written, and the Priests in the reigne of Darius the Persian. The 23 sonnes of Leui, the chiefe fathers were written in the booke of the Chronicles euen vnto the dayes of Iohanan the sonne And the chiefe of the Leuites were Hashabiah, 24 of Eliashib. Sherebiah, and Ieshua the sonne of Kadmiel, and their brethren about them to give prayse and thankes, according to the ordinance of Dauid the man of God, ward ouer against warde. Mattaniah and Bakbukiah, Obadiah, Meshullam, Talmon and 25 Akkub were porters keeping the warde at the thresholds of These were in the dayes of Ioiakim, the sonne of 26 Ieshua, the sonne of Iozadak, and in the dayes of Nehemiah the captaine, and of Ezra the Priest and scribe. And in the 27 dedication of the wall at Ierusalem they sought the Leuites out of all their places to bring them to Ierusalem to keepe the dedication and gladnes, both with thankesgiuings and with songs, cymbales, violes and with harpes. Then the singers 28 gathered themselues together both from the plaine countrey about Ierusalem, and from the villages of Netophathi, And 29 from the house of Gilgal, and out of the countreis of Geba, and Azmaueth: for the singers had built them villages round about Ierusalem. And the Priests and Leuites were purified, and 30 clensed the people, and the gates, and the wall. And I brought 31 vp the princes of Iudah vpon the wall, and appointed two great companies to give thankes, and the one went on the right hand of the wall toward the dung gate. And after them went Hosha- 32 iah, and halfe of the princes of Iudah, And Azariah, Ezra and 33 Meshullam, Iudah, Beniamin, and Shemaiah, and Ieremiah, 34 And of the Priests sonnes with trumpets, Zechariah the sonne 35 of Ionathan, the sonne of Shemaiah, the sonne of Mattaniah, the sonne of Michaiah, the sonne of Zaccur, ye sonne of Asaph. And his brethren, Shemaiah, and Azareel, Milalai, Gi- 36 lalai, Maai, Nethaneel, and Iudah, Hanani, with the musicall instruments of Dauid the man of God: and Ezra the scribe went before them. And to the gate of the fountaine, euen ouer 37

against them went they vp by the staires of the citie of Dauid, at the going vp of the wall beyond the house of Dauid, euen 38 vnto the water gate Eastward. And the seconde companie of them that gaue thankes, went on the other side, and I after them, and the halfe of the people was vpon the wall, and vpon 39 the towre of the furnaces euen vnto the broad wall. And vpon the gate of Ephraim, and vpon the olde gate, and vpon the fishgate, and the towre of Hananeel, and the towre of Meah, euen vnto the sheepegate: and they stood in the gate of the warde. 40 So stood the two companies (of them that gaue thankes) in the 41 house of God, and I and the halfe of the rulers with me. The Priests also, Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Michaiah, Elioe-42 nai, Zechariah, Hananiah, with trumpets, And Maaseiah, and Shemaiah, and Eleazar, and Vzzi, and Iehohanan, and Malchiiah, and Elam, and Ezer: and the singers sang loude, hauing 43 Izrahiah which was the ouerseer. And the same day they offered great sacrifices and reioyced: for God had given them great ioy, so that both the women, and the children were ioy-44 full: and the iov of Ierusalem was heard farre off. Also at the same time were men appointed ouer the chambers of the store for the offerings (for the first fruites, and for the tithes) to gather into them out of the fieldes of the cities, the portions of the Law for the Priests and the Leuites: for Iudah reiovced 45 for the Priests and for the Leuites, that serued. And both the singers and the Leuites kept the ward of their God, and the warde of the purification according to the commandement 46 of Dauid, and Salomon his sonne. For in the dayes of Dauid and Asaph, of olde were chiefe singers, and songs of praise and 47 thankesgiuing vnto God. And in the dayes of Zerubbabel, and in the dayes of Nehemiah did al Israel giue portions vnto the singers and porters, euerie day his portion, and they gaue the holy things vnto the Leuites, and the Leuites gaue the holy things vnto the sonnes of Aaron.

And on that day did they reade in the booke of Moses, in the audience of the people, and it was found written therein, that the Ammonite, and the Moabite should not enter into the Congregation of God, Because they met not the children of Israel with bread and with water, but hired Balaam against them, that he should curse them: and our God turned the curse into a blessing. Now when they had heard the Lawe, they sepa-

rated from Israel all those that were mixed. And before this 4 had the Priest Eliashib the ouersight of the chamber of the house of our God, being kinsman to Tobiah: And he had made 5 him a great chamber and there had they aforetime layde the offringes, the incense, and the vessels, and the tithes of corne, of wine, and of oyle (appointed for the Leuites, and the singers, and the porters) and the offringes of the Priests. But in all 6 this time was not I in Ierusalem: for in the two and thirtieth yere of Artahshashte King of Babel, came I vnto the King, and after certaine dayes I obteined of the King. And when I 7 was come to Ierusalem. I vnderstood the euil that Eliashib had done for Tobiah, in that hee had made him a chamber in the court of the house of God, And it grieued me sore: therefore 8 I cast forth all the vessels of the house of Tobiah out of the chamber. And I commanded them to clense ye chambers: and 9 thither brought I againe the vessels of the house of God with the meate offring and the incense. And I perceived that the 10 portions of the Leuites had not bene given, and that every one was fled to his lande, euen the Leuites and singers that executed the worke. Then reproued I the rulers and sayd, Why 11 is the house of God forsaken? And I assembled them, and set them in their place. Then brought all Iudah the tithes of corne 12 and of wine, and of oyle vnto the treasures. And I made trea- 13 surers ouer the treasures, Shelemiah the Priest, and Zadok the scribe, and of the Leuites, Pedaiah, and vnder their hande Hanan the sonne of Zaccur the sonne of Mattaniah: for they were counted faithfull, and their office was to distribute vnto their brethren. Remember me, O my God, herein, and wipe 14 not out my kindenes that I have shewed on the house of my God, and on the offices thereof. In those dayes saw I in Iudah 15 them, that trode wine presses on ye Sabbath, and that brought in sheaues, and which laded asses also with wine, grapes, and figges, and all burdens, and brought them into Ierusalem vpon the Sabbath day: and I protested to them in the day that they sold vitailes. There dwelt men of Tyrus also therein, which 16 brought fish and all wares, and solde on the Sabbath vnto the children of Iudah euen in Ierusalem. Then reprodued I the 17 rulers of Iudah, and sayd vnto them, What euil thing is this that yee doe, and breake the Sabbath day? Did not your fa- 18 thers thus, and our God brought all this plague vpon vs, and

vpon this citie? yet yee increase the wrath vpon Israel, in 19 breaking the Sabbath. And when the gates of Ierusalem beganne to be darke before the Sabbath, I commaded to shut the gates, and charged, that they should not be opened til after the Sabbath, and some of my seruants set I at the gates, that there shoulde no burden be brought in on the Sabbath day. 20 So the chapmen and marchants of al marchandise remained 21 once or twise all night without Ierusalem. And I protested among them, and said vnto them, Why tary ye all night about the wall? If ye do it once againe, I will lay hands vpon you. 22 from that time came they no more on the Sabbath. sayde vnto the Leuites, that they should clense themselues, and that they shoulde come and keepe the gates, to sanctifie the Sabbath day. Remember me, O my God, concerning this, 23 and pardon me according to thy great mercy. In those dayes also I saw Iewes that married wives of Ashdod, of Ammon, and 24 of Moab. And their children spake halfe in ve speach of Ashdod, and could not speake in the Iewes language, and according to the language of the one people, and of the other people. 25 Then I reprodued them, and cursed them, and smote certaine of them, and pulled off their heare, and tooke an othe of them by God, Yee shall not give your daughters vnto their sonnes, neither shall ye take of their daughters vnto your sonnes, nor 26 for your selues. Did not Salomon the king of Israel sinne by these thinges? yet among many nations was there no King like him: for he was beloued of his God, and God had made him King ouer Israel: yet strange women caused him to sinne. 27 Shall wee then obey vnto you, to doe all this great euil, and to transgresse against our God, euen to marry strange wives? 28 And one of the sonnes of Ioiada the sonne of Eliashib the hie Priest was the sonne in law of Sanballat the Horonite: but I 29 chased him from me. Remember them, O my God, that defile the Priesthoode, and the couenant of the Priesthoode, and 30 of the Leuites. Then cleansed I them from all strangers, and appoynted the wardes of the Priestes and of the Leuites, euery 31 one in his office, And for the offring of the wood at times appoynted, and for the first fruites. Remember me, O my God, in

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## THE BOOK OF ESTHER.

 $_{\sim}$  n the dayes of Ahashuerosh (this is Ahashuerosh that  $\, {f 1} \,$ reigned, from India euen vnto Ethiopia, ouer an hun-g dreth, and seuen and twentie prouinces) In those 2 dayes when the King Ahashuerosh sate on his throne, which was in the palace of Shushan. In the third yeere of his 3 reigne, he made a feast vnto all his princes and his seruants, euen the power of Persia and Media, and to the captaines and gouernours of the prouinces which were before him. That he 4 might shewe the riches and glorie of his kingdome, and the honour of his great maiestie many dayes, euen an hundreth and foure score dayes. And when these dayes were expired, 5 the King made a feast to all the people that were founde in the palace of Shushan, both vnto great and small, seuen dayes, in the court of the garden of the Kings palace, Vnder an hang- 6 ing of white, greene, and blue clothes, fastened with cordes of fine linen and purple, in siluer rings, and pillars of marble: the beds were of golde, and of siluer vpon a pauement of porphyre, and marble and alabaster, and blue colour. And they gaue 7 them drinke in vessels of golde, and changed vessel after vessel, and royall wine in abundance according to the power of the King. And the drinking was by an order, none might compel: 8 for so the King had appointed vnto all the officers of his house, that they should do according to euery mans pleasure. Queene Vashti made a feast also for the women in the royall house of King Ahashuerosh. Vpon the seuenth daye when the 10 King was merie with wine, he commanded Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha, Zethar, and Carcas, the seuen eunuches, (that serued in the presence of King Ahashuerosh) To bring Queene Vashti before the King with the crowne roy- 11 all, that he might shewe the people and the princes her beautie: for shee was fayre to looke vpon. But the Queene Vashti 12 refused to come at the Kings worde, which he had given in charge to the eunuches: therefore the King was very angry, and his wrath kindled in him. Then the King said to the 13 wise men, that knew the times (for so was the Kings maner towards all that knew the law and the judgement: And the 14

next vnto him was Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshish, Meres, Marsena, and Memucan the seuen princes of Persia and Media, which sawe the Kings face, and sate the first in 15 the kingdome) What shall we do vnto the Queene Vashti according to the law, because she did not according to the worde of the King Ahashuerosh by the commission of the eunuches? 16 Then Memucan answered before the King and the Princes, The Queene Vashti hath not only done euill against the King, but against all the princes, and against all the people that are in 17 all the prouinces of King Ahashuerosh. For the acte of the Queene shall come abroade vnto all women, so that they shall despise their husbands in their owne eyes, and shall say, The King Ahashuerosh comanded Vashti the Queene to be brought 18 in before him, but she came not. So shall the princesses of Persia and Media this day say vnto all the Kings Princes, when they heare of the acte of the Queene: thus shall there be much 19 despitefulnesse and wrath. If it please the King, let a royal decree proceede from him, and let it be written among the statutes of Persia, and Media, (and let it not be transgressed) that Vashti come no more before King Ahashuerosh: and let the King giue her royal estate vnto her companion that is bet-20 ter then she. And when the decree of the King which shalbe made, shalbe published throughout all his kingdome (though it be great) all the women shall give their husbands honour, both 21 great and small. And this saying pleased the King and the princes, and the King did according to the worde of Memucan. 22 For he sent letters into all the prouinces of the King, into euery prouince according to the writing thereof, and to euery people after their language, that euery man should beare rule in his owne house, and that he should publish it in the language of that same people.

After these things, when the wrath of King Ahashuerosh was appeased, he remembred Vashti, and what she had done, and what was decreed against her. And the Kings seruants that ministred vnto him, sayd, Let them seeke for the King beautifull yong virgins, And let the King appoynt officers through all the prouinces of his kingdome, and let them gather all the beautiful yong virgins vnto the palace of Shushan, into the house of the women, vnder the hand of Hege the Kings eunuche, keeper of the women, to give them their things for

And the mayde that shall please the King, let 4 purification. her reigne in the steade of Vashti. And this pleased the King, In the citie of Shushan, there was a certaine 5 and he did so. Iewe, whose name was Mordecai the sonne of Iair, the sonne of Shimei, the sonne of Kish a man of Iemini, Which had 6 bene carved away from Ierusalem with the captiuitie that was caryed away with Ieconiah King of Iudah (whom Nebuchadnezzar King of Babel had carved away) And he nourished 7 Hadassah, that is Ester, his vncles daughter: for she had neither father nor mother, and the mayde was fayre, and beautifull to looke on: and after the death of her father, and her mother, Mordecai tooke her for his own daughter And when 8 the Kings commandement, and his decree was published, and many maydes were brought together to the palace of Shushan, vnder the hand of Hege, Ester was brought also vnto the Kings house vnder the hande of Hege the keeper of the women. And 9 the mayde pleased him, and she founde fauour in his sight: therefore he caused her things for purification to be given her speedily, and her state, and seuen comely maides to be giver her out of the Kings house, and he gaue change to her and to her maydes of the best in the house of the women. Ester shewed not her people and her kinred: for Mordecai had charged her, that shee should not tell it. Aud Mordecai walked 11 euery day before the court of the womens house, to knowe if Ester did well, and what should be done with her. And when the 12 course of euery mayd came, to go in to King Ahashuerosh, after that she had bene twelue moneths according to the maner of the women (for so were the dayes of their purifications accomplished, sixe moneths with oyle of myrrhe, and sixe moneths with sweete odours and in the purifying of the women: And 13 thus went the maides vnto the King) whatsoeuer she required, was given her, to go with her out of the womens house vnto ye kings house. In the euening she went, and on the morow she 14 returned into the second house of the women vnder the hand of Shaashgaz the Kings eunuche, which kept the concubines: shee came in to the King no more, except shee pleased the King, and that she were called by name. Now when the course 15 of Ester the daughter of Abihail the vncle of Mordecai (which had taken her as his owne daughter) came, that shee should go in to the King, she desired nothing, but what Hege the Kings

eunuche the keeper of the women sayde: and Ester founde fauour in the sight of all them that looked vpon her. So Ester was taken vnto King Ahashuerosh into his house royall in the tenth moneth, which is the moneth Tebeth, in the seuenth yeere of 17 his reigne. And the King loued Ester aboue all the women, and shee founde grace and fauour in his sight more then all the virgins: so that he set the crowne of the kingdome vpon 18 her head, and made her Queene instead of Vashti. Then the King made a great feast vnto all his princes, and his seruants, which was the feast of Ester, and gaue rest vnto the prouinces, 19 and gaue gifts, according to the power of a King. And whe the virgins were gathered ye second time, then Mordecai sate in 20 the Kings gate. Ester had not yet shewed her kindred nor her people, as Mordecai had charged her: for Ester did after the 21 worde of Mordecai, as when she was nourished with him. In those dayes whe Mordecai sate in the Kings gate, two of the Kings eunuches, Bigthan and Teresh, which kept the doore, were wroth, and sought to lay hand on the King Ahashuerosh. 22 And the thing was known to Mordecai, and he tolde it vnto Queene Ester, and Ester certified the King thereof in Mordecais name: and when inquisition was made, it was found so: therefore they were both hanged on a tree: and it was written in the booke of the Chronicles before the King.

After these things did King Ahashuerosh promote Haman the sonne of Hammedatha the Agagite, and exalted him, and 2 set his seate aboue all the princes that were with him. And all the Kings seruants that were at the Kings gate, bowed their knees, and reuerenced Haman: for the King had so commanded concerning him: but Mordecai bowed not the knee, 3 neither did reuerence. Then the Kings seruants which were at the Kings gate, said vnto Mordecai, Why transgressest thou 4 the Kings commandement? And albeit they spake dayly vnto him, yet he would not heare them: therefore they tolde Haman, that they might see how Mordecais matters would stande: for 5 he had tolde them, that he was a Iewe. And when Haman sawe that Mordecai bowed not the knee vnto him, nor did reuer-6 ence vnto him, then Haman was full of wrath. Now he thought it too litle to lay hands onely on Mordecai: and because they had shewed him the people of Mordecai, Haman sought to destroy all the Iewes, that were throughout the whole kingdome of Ahashuerosh, euen the people of Mordecai. In the 7 first moneth (that is the moneth Nisan) in the twelft vere of King Ahashuerosh, they cast Pur (that is a lot) before Haman, from day to day, and from moneth to moneth, vnto the twelft Then Haman said vnto 8 moneth, that is the moneth Adar. King Ahashuerosh, There is a people scattered, and dispersed among the people in all the prouinces of thy kingdome, and their lawes are divers from all people, and they doe not obserue the Kings lawes: therefore it is not the Kings profite to suffer them. If it please the King, let it be written that they 9 may he destroyed, and I will pay ten thousand talents of siluer by the handes of them that have the charge of this businesse to bring it into the Kings treasurie. Then the King tooke his ring 10 from his hand and gaue it vnto Haman the sonne of Hammedatha the Agagite the Iewes aduersarie. And the King sayde 11 vnto Haman, Let the siluer be thine, and the people to doe with them as it pleaseth thee. Then were the Kings scribes called 12 on the thirteenth day of the first moneth, and there was written (according to all that Haman commanded) vnto the Kings officers, and to the captaines that were ouer euery prouince, and to the rulers of euery people, and to euery prouince, according to the writing thereof, and to euery people according to their language: in the name of King Ahashuerosh was it written, and sealed with the Kings ring. And the letters were 13 sent by postes into all the Kings prouinces, to roote out, to kill and to destroy all the Iewes, both yong and olde, children and women, in one day vpon the thirteenth day of the twelft moneth, (which is the moneth Adar) and to spovle them as a pray. The contents of the writing was, that there shoulde be given 14 a commandement in all prouinces, and published vnto all people, that they should be ready against the same day. And the 15 postes compelled by the Kings commandement went forth, and the commandement was given in the palace at Shushan: and the King and Haman sate drinking, but the citie of Shushan was in perplexitie.

Now when Mordecai perceiued all that was done, Mordecai 4 rent his clothes, and put on sackecloth and ashes, and went out into the middes of the citie, and cryed with a great crye, and a bitter. And he came euen before the Kings gate, but he might 2 not enter within the Kings gate, being clothed with sackecloth.

3 And in euery prouince, and place, whither the Kings charge and his commission came, there was great sorowe among the Iewes, and fasting, and weeping and mourning, and many laye 4 in sackecloth and in ashes. Then Esters maydes and her eunuches came and tolde it her: therefore the Queene was very heauie, and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take 5 away his sackedoth from him, but he received it not. Then called Ester Hatach one of the Kings eunuches, whom he had appointed to serue her, and gaue him a commandement vnto 6 Mordecai, to knowe what it was, and why it was. ach went foorth to Mordecai vnto the streete of the citie, which 7 was before the Kings gate. And Mordecai tolde him of all that which had come vnto him, and of the summe of the siluer that Haman had promised to pay vnto the Kings treasures, because 8 of the Iewes, for to destroy them. Also he gaue him the copy of the writing and commission that was given at Shushan, to destroy them, that he might shewe it vnto Ester and declare it vnto her, and to charge her that she should goe in to the King, and make petition and supplication before him for her people. 9 So when Hatach came, he told Ester the wordes of Mordecai. 10 Then Ester sayde vnto Hatach, and commanded him to say 11 vnto Mordecai, All the Kings seruants and the people of the Kings prouinces doe knowe, that whosoeuer, man or woman, that commeth to the King into the inner court, which is not called, there is a law of his, that he shall dye, except him to whom the King holdeth out the golden rodde, that he may liue. Now I have not bene called to come vnto the King these thirtie 12, 13 dayes. And they certified Mordecai of Esters wordes. Mordecai saide, that they should answere Ester thus, Thinke not with thy selfe that thou shalt escape in the Kings house, 14 more then all the Iewes. For if thou holdest thy peace at this time, comfort and deliuerance shall appeare to the Iewes out of another place, but thou and thy fathers house shall perish: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdome for 15 such a time? Then Ester commanded to answere Mordecai. 16 Goe, and assemble all the Iewes that are found in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and eate not, nor drinke in three dayes, day nor night. I also and my maydes will fast likewise, and so will I go in to the King, which is not according to the lawe: and if I 17 perish, I perish. So Mordecai went his way, and did according to all that Ester had commanded him.

And on the third day Ester put on her royal apparel, and 5 stood in the court of the Kings palace within, ouer against the Kings house: and the King sate vpon his royal throne in the Kings palace ouer against the gate of the house. And when the 2 King saw Ester the Queene standing in the court, shee founde fauour in his sight: and the King held out the golden scepter that was in his hand: so Ester drewe neere, and touched the toppe of the scepter. Then saide the King vnto her, What wilt 3 thou, Queene Ester? and what is thy request? it shall be euen given thee to the halfe of ve kingdome. Then saide Ester, If it 4 please the King, let the King and Haman come this day vnto the banket, that I have prepared for him. And the King sayd, 5 Cause Haman to make haste that he may doe as Ester hath sayde. So the King and Haman came to the banket that Ester had prepared. And the King sayd vnto Ester at the banket 6 of wine. What is thy petition, that it may be given thee? and what is thy request? it shall even be performed vnto the halfe of the kingdome. Then answered Ester, and sayd, My peti-7 tion and my request is, If I have found favour in the sight 8 of the King, and if it please the King to give me my petition, and to perfourme my request, let the King and Haman come to the banket that I shall prepare for them, and I will doe to morowe according to the Kings saying. Then went Haman forth 9 the same day ioyfull and with a glad heart. But when Haman sawe Mordecai in the Kings gate, that he stoode not vp, nor moued for him, then was Haman full of indignation at Mordecai. Neuerthelesse Haman refrayned himselfe: and when he 10 came home, he sent, and called for his friends, and Zeresh his wife. And Haman tolde them of the glory of his riches, and 11 the multitude of his children, and all the things wherein the King had promoted him, and how that he had set him aboue the princes and seruants of the King. Haman sayde moreouer, 12 Yea, Ester the Queene did let no man come in with the King to the banket that she had prepared, saue me: and to morowe am I bidden vnto her also with the King. But al this doth 13 nothing auaile me, as long as I see Mordecai ye Iewe sitting at ye Kings gate. Then sayde Zeresh his wife and all his friends 14 vnto him, Let them make a tree of fiftie cubites hie, and to morowe speake thou vnto the King, that Mordecai may be hanged

thereon: then shalt thou goe ioyfully with the King vnto the banket. And the thing pleased Haman, and he caused to make the tree.

The same night the King slept not, and he comanded to bring ye booke of the records, and the chronicles: and they 2 were read before ye King. Then it was found written that Mordecai had tolde of Bigtana, and Teresh two of the Kings eunuches, keepers of the dore, who sought to lay hands on 3 the King Ahashuerosh. Then the King sayde, What honour and dignitie hath bene given to Mordecai for this? And the Kings seruants that ministred vnto him, sayd, There is noth-4 ing done for him. And the King sayde, Who is in the court? (Now Haman was come into the inner court of the Kings house, that he might speake vnto the King to hang Mordecai on the 5 tree that he had prepared for him.) And the Kings seruants said vnto him, Behold, Haman standeth in the court. And the 6 King sayd, Let him come in. And when Haman came in, the King saide vnto him, What shalbe done vnto ye man, whom the King will honour? Then Haman thought in his heart, To whom 7 would the King do honour more then to me? And Haman an-8 swered the King, The man whome the King would honour, Let them bring for him royall apparell, which the King vseth to weare, and the horse that the King rideth vpon, and that the 9 crowne royall may be set vpon his head. And let the raiment and the horse be deliuered by the hand of one of the Kings most noble princes, and let them apparel the man (whome the King will honour) and cause him to ride vpon the horse thorow the streete of the citie, and proclayme before him, Thus shall it be 10 done vnto the man, whome the King will honour. King said to Haman, Make haste, take the rayment and the horse as thou hast said, and doe so vnto Mordecai the Iewe, that sitteth at the Kings gate: let nothing fayle of all that thou 11 hast spoken. So Haman tooke the rayment and the horse, and arayed Mordecai, and brought him on horse backe thorowe the streete of the citie, and proclaymed before him, Thus shall it 12 be done to the man whom the King will honour. And Mordecai came againe to the Kings gate, but Haman hasted home 13 mourning and his head couered. And Haman tolde Zeresh his wife, and all his friends all that had befallen him. Then sayd his wise men, and Zeresh his wife vnto him, If Mordecai be of the seede of the Iewes, before whom thou hast begunne to fall; thou shalt not preuaile against him, but shalt surely fall before him. And while they were yet talking with him, came the 14 Kings eunuches and hasted to bring Haman vnto the banket that Ester had prepared.

So the King and Haman came to banket with the Queene 7 And the King said againe vnto Ester on the second 2 day at the banket of wine, What is thy petition, Queene Ester, that it may be give thee? and what is thy request? It shalbe euen perfourmed vnto the halfe of the kingdome. And Ester 3 the Queene answered, and said. If I have found favour in thy sight, O King, and if it please the King, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request. For we are 4 solde, I, and my people, to be destroyed, to be slavne and to perish: but if we were solde for seruants, and for handmaides, I woulde have helde my tongue: although the adversarie could not recompense the Kings losse. Then King Ahashuerosh an- 5 swered, and said vnto the Queene Ester, Who is he? and where is he that presumeth to doe thus? And Ester said. The aduer- 6 sarie and enemie is this wicked Haman. Then Haman was afrayde before the King and the Queene. And the King arose 7 from ye banket of wine in his wrath, and went into the palace garden: but Haman stood vp. to make request for his life to the Queene Ester: for he sawe that there was a mischiefe prepared for him of the King. And when the King came againe out 8 of the palace garden, into the house where they dranke wine, Haman was fallen vpon the bed whereon Ester sate! therefore the King sayd, Will he force the Queene also before me in the house? As the worde went out of the Kings mouth, they couered Hamans face. And Harbonah one of the eunuches, 9 sayde in the presence of the King, Beholde, there standeth yet the tree in Hamans house fiftie cubites hie, which Haman had prepared for Mordecai, that spake good for the King. Then the King sayd, Hang him thereon. So they hanged Haman on the 10 tree, that he had prepared for Mordecai: then was the Kings wrath pacified.

The same day did King Ahashuerosh giue the house of Haman**8** the aduersarie of the Iewes vnto the Queene Ester. and Mordecai came before the King: for Ester tolde what hee was vnto her. And the King tooke off his ring, which he had taken from 2

Haman, and gaue it vnto Mordecai: and Ester set Mordecai 3 ouer the house of Haman. And Ester spake yet more before the King, and fell downe at his feete weeping, and besought him that he would put away the wickednes of Haman the Agagite, and his deuice that he had imagined against the 4 Iewes. And the King held out the golden scepter toward Ester. 5 Then arose Ester, and stood before the King, And sayd, If it please the King, and if I have found favour in his sight, and the thing be acceptable before the King, and I please him, let it be written, that the letters of the deuice of Haman the sonne of Ammedatha the Agagite may be called againe, which he wrote 6 to destroy the Iewes, that are in all the Kings prouinces. For how can I suffer and see the euil, that shall come vnto my people? Or howe can I suffer and see the destruction of my 7 kinred? And the King Ahashuerosh sayde vnto the Queene Ester, and to Mordecai the Iewe, Behold, I have given Ester the house of Haman, whome they have hanged vpon the tree, 8 because he layd hand vpon the Iewes. Write yee also for the Iewes, as it liketh you in the Kinges name, and seale it with the Kings ring (for the writings written in the Kings name, and 9 sealed with the Kings ring, may no man reuoke) Then were the Kings Scribes called at the same time, euen in the thirde moneth, that is the moneth Siuan, on the three and twentieth day thereof: and it was written, according to all as Mordecai commanded, vnto the Iewes and to the princes, and captaines, and rulers of the prouinces, which were from India euen vnto Ethiopia, an hundreth and seuen and twentie prouinces, vnto euery prouince, according to the writing thereof, and to euery people after their speache, and to the Iewes, according to their 10 writing, and according to their language. And hee wrote in the King Ahashuerosh name, and sealed it with the Kings ring: and he sent letters by postes on horsebacke and that rode on 11 beastes of price, as dromedaries and coltes of mares. Wherein the King graunted the Iewes (in what cities so euer they were) to gather theselues together, and to stand for their life, and to roote out, to slay and to destroy al the power of the people and of the prouince that vexed them, both children and women, 12 and to spoyle their goods: Vpon one day in all the prouinces of King Ahashuerosh, euen in the thirteenth day of the twelft 13 moneth, which is the moneth Adar. The copie of the writing was, howe there should be a commandement given in all and euery prouince, published among all the people, and that the Iewes should be ready against that day to auenge themselues on their enemies. So the postes rode vpon beasts of 14 price, and dromedaries, and went forth with speede, to execute the Kings commandement, and the decree was given at Shushan the palace. And Mordecai went out from the King 15 in royall apparell of blewe, and white, and with a great crowne of gold, and with a garment of fine linen and purple, and the citie of Shushan reioyced and was glad. And vnto the Iewes 16 was come light and iov and gladnes, and honour. Also in all 17 and euery prouince, and in al and euery citie and place, where the Kings commandement and his decree came, there was joy and gladnes to the Iewes, a feast and good day, and many of the people of the land became Iewes: for the feare of the Iewes fell voon them.

So in the twelft moneth, which is the moneth Adar, vpon 9 the thirteenth daye of the same, when the Kings commandement and his decree drew neere to be put in execution, in the day that the enemies of the Iewes hoped to have power ouer them (but it turned contrary: for the Iewes had rule ouer them that hated them) The Iewes gathered themselues to- 2 gether into their cities throughout all the prouinces of the King Ahashuerosh, to lay hande on such as sought their hurt, and no man coulde withstande them: for the feare of them fel vpon al And all the rulers of the prouinces, and the princes 3 and the captaines, and the officers of the King exalted the Iewes: for the feare of Mordecai fell vpon them. For Morde- 4 cai was great in the kings house, and the report of him went through all the prouinces: for this man Mordecai waxed greater and greater. Thus the Iewes smote all their enemies with 5 strokes of the sworde and slaughter, and destruction, and did what they woulde vnto those that hated them. And at Shushan 6 the palace slewe the Iewes and destroyed fiue hundreth men, And Parshandatha, and Dalphon, and Aspatha, And Poratha, 7,8 and Adalia, and Aridatha, And Parmashta, and Arisai, and 9 Aridai, and Vaiezatha, The ten sonnes of Haman, ye sonne of 10 Ammedatha, the aduersarie of the Iewes slewe they: but they layd not their hands on the spoyle. On the same day came ye 11 nomber of those that were slavne, vnto the palace of Shushan

12 before the King. And the King sayd vnto the Queene Ester, The Iewes haue slayne in Shushan the palace and destroyed fiue hundreth men, and the ten sonnes of Haman: what haue they done in the rest of the Kings prouinces? and what is thy petition, that it may be given thee? or what is thy re-13 quest moreouer, that it may be performed? Then sayd Ester, If it please the King, let it be granted also to morow to the Iewes that are in Shushan, to do according vnto this daies decree, that they may hang vpon ye tree Hamans ten sonnes. 14 And the King charged to doe so, and the decree was given at 15 Shushan, and they hanged Hamans ten sonnes. So the Iewes that were in Shushan, assembled themselues vpon the fourteenth day of the moneth Adar, and slew three hundreth men 16 in Shushan, but on the spoyle they layd not their hand. And the rest of the Iewes that were in the Kings prouinces assembled themselues, and stood for their liues, and had rest from their enemies, and slewe of them that hated them, seuentie and fiue thousand: but they layd not their hand on the spoyle. 17 This they did on the thirteenth day of the moneth Adar, and rested the fourteenth day thereof, and kept it a day of feast-18 ing and ioy. But the Iewes that were in Shushan assembled themselues on the thirteenth day, and on the fourteenth therof, and they rested on the fifteenth of the same, and kept it a 19 day of feasting and ioy. Therefore the Iewes of the villages that dwelt in the vnwalled townes, kept the foureteenth day of the moneth Adar with ioy and feasting, euen a joyfull day, 20 and euery one sent presents vnto his neighbour. And Mordecai wrote these words, and sent letters vnto all the Iewes that were through all the prouinces of the King Ahashuerosh, both 21 neere and farre, Inioyning them that they shoulde keepe the fourteenth day of the moneth Adar, and the fifteenth day of 22 the same, euery yeere. According to the dayes wherein the Iewes rested from their enemies, and the moneth which was turned vnto them from sorowe to joy, and from mourning into a joyfull day, to keepe them the dayes of feasting, and joy, and to sende presents euery man to his neyghbour, and giftes to 23 the poore. And the Iewes promised to do as they had begun, 24 and as Mordecai had written vnto them, Because Haman the sonne of Hammedatha the Agagite al the Iewes aduersarie, had imagined against the Iewes, to destroy them, and had cast

Pur (that is a lot) to consume and destroy them. And when 25 she came before the King, he commanded by letters, Let this wicked deuise (which he imagined against the Iewes) turne vpon his owne head, and let them hang him and his sonnes on the tree. Therfore they called these dayes Purim, by the name 26 of Pur, and because of all the wordes of this letter, and of that which they had seene besides this, and of that which had come vnto them. The Iewes also ordeined, and promised for them 27 and for their seede, and for all that ioyned vnto them, that they would not faile to obserue those two dayes euery yeere, according to their writing, and according to their season. And 28 that these dayes shoulde be remembred, and kept throughout euery generation and euery familie, and euery prouince, and euery citie: euen these daies of Purim should not faile among the Iewes, and the memoriall of them should not perish from their seede. And the Queene Ester ye daughter of Abihail and 29 Mordecai the Iew wrote with al authoritie (to cofirme this letter of Purim ve second time) And he sent letters vnto al the 30 Iewes to the hundreth and seuen and twentie prouinces of the kingdome of Ahashuerosh, with words of peace and trueth, To 31 confirme these dayes of Purim, according to their seasons, as Mordecai the Iewe and Ester the Queene had appointed them, and as they had promised for them selues and for their seede with fasting and prayer. And the decree of Ester confirmed 32 these words of Purim, and was written in the booke.

And the King Ahashuerosh layd a tribute vpon the land, 10 and vpon the yles of the sea. And all the actes of his power, 2 and of his might, and the declaration of the dignitie of Mordecai, wherwith the King magnified him, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Media and Persia? For Mordecai the Iewe was the second vnto King Ahashuerosh, 3 and great among the Iewes, and accepted among the multitude of his brethren, who procured the wealth of his people, and spake peaceably to all his seede.

## THE BOOK OF JOB.

here was a man in the lande of Vz called Iob, and this man was an vpright and iust man, one that feared God, and eschewed euill. And he had seue sonnes, and three daughters. His substance also was seuen thousande sheepe, and three thousand camels, and fiue hundreth yoke of oxen, and fiue hundreth shee asses, and his family was very great, so that this man was the greatest of all the 4 men of the East. And his sonnes went and banketted in their houses, euery one his day, and sent, and called their three sis-5 ters to eate and to drinke with them. And when the dayes of their banketting were gone about, Iob sent, and sanctified them, and rose vp early in the morning, and offred burnt offrings according to the nomber of them all. For Iob thought, It may be that my sonnes have sinned, and blasphemed God in 6 their hearts: thus did Iob euery day. Nowe on a day when the children of God came and stoode before the Lord, Satan came 7 also among them. Then the Lord sayde vnto Satan, Whence commest thou? And Satan answered the Lord, saying, From compassing the earth to and from, and from walking in it. 8 And the Lord saide vnto Satan, Hast thou not considered my seruant Iob, how none is like him in the earth? an vpright and 9 iust man, one that feareth God, and escheweth euill? Satan answered the Lord, and sayde, Doeth Iob feare God for 10 nought? Hast thou not made an hedge about him and about his house, and about all that he hath on euery side? thou hast blessed the worke of his hands, and his substance is increased 11 in the land. But stretch out now thine hand and touch all that he hath, to see if he will not blaspheme thee to thy face. 12 Then the Lord sayde vnto Satan, Lo, all that he hath is in thine hand: onely vpon himselfe shalt thou not stretch out thine hand. So Satan departed from the presence of the Lord. 13 And on a day, when his sonnes and his daughters were eating 14 and drinking wine in their eldest brothers house, There came a messenger vnto Iob, and said, The oxen were plowing, and 15 the asses feeding in their places, And the Shabeans came violently, and tooke them: yea, they have slayne the servants with the edge of the sworde: but I onely am escaped alone to tell thee. And whiles he was yet speaking, another came, 16 and sayde. The fire of God is fallen from the heauen, and hath burnt vp the sheepe and the seruants, and deuoured them: but I onely am escaped alone to tell thee. And whiles he was vet 17 speaking, another came, and sayd, The Caldeans set on three bands, and fell vpon the camels, and haue taken them, and have slavne the servantes with the edge of the sworde: but I onely am escaped alone to tell thee. And whiles he was yet 18 speaking, came an other, and sayd, Thy sonnes, and thy daughters were eating, and drinking wine in their eldest brothers house. And behold, there came a great wind from beyonde the 19 wildernesse, and smote the foure corners of the house, which fel vpon the children, and they are dead, and I onely am escaped alone to tell thee. Then Iob arose, and rent his garment, 20 and shaued his head, and fel downe vpon the ground, and worshipped, And sayd, Naked came I out of my mothers wombe, 21 and naked shall I returne thither: the Lord hath given, and the Lord hath taken it: blessed be the Name of the Lord. In 22 all this did not Iob sinne, nor charge God foolishly.

And on a day the children of God came and stood before 2 the Lord, and Satan came also among them, and stoode before the Lord. Then the Lord sayde vnto Satan, Whence commest 2 thou? And Satan answered the Lord, and sayd, From compassing the earth to and from, and from walking in it. And 3 the Lord sayd vnto Satan, Hast thou not considered my seruant Iob, how none is like him in the earth? an vpright and iust man, one that feareth God, and escheweth euill? for yet he continueth in his vprightnesse, although thou mouedst me against him, to destroy him without cause. And Satan answered the 4 Lord, and sayde, Skin for skin, and all that euer a man hath, will he give for his life. But stretch now out thine hand, and 5 touch his bones and his flesh, to see if he will not blaspheme thee to thy face. Then the Lord said vnto Satan, Lo, he is 6 in thine hand, but saue his life. So Satan departed from the 7 presence of the Lord, and smote Iob with sore boyles, from the sole of his foote vnto his crowne. And he tooke a potsharde to 8 scrape him, and he sate downe among the ashes. Then said 9 his wife vnto him, Doest thou continue yet in thine vprightnes? Blaspheme God, and dye. But he said vnto her, Thou speakest 10 like a foolish woman: what? shall we receiue good at the hande of God, and not receiue euill? In all this did not Iob sinne with his lippes. Nowe when Iobs three friends heard of all this euill that was come vpon him, they came euery one from his owne place, to wit, Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite: for they were agreed together to come to lament with him, and to comfort him. So when they lift vp their eyes a farre off, they knewe him not: therefore they lift vp their voyces and wept, and euery one of them rent his garment, and sprinkled dust vpon their heads toward the heauen. So they sate by him vpon the ground seuen dayes, and seuen nights, and none spake a worde vnto him: for they sawe, that the griefe was very great.

Afterward Iob opened his mouth, and cursed his day. And **3**, 2 3 Iob cryed out, and sayd, Let the day perish, wherein I was borne, and the night when it was sayde, There is a man childe 4 conceived. Let that day bee darkenesse, let not God regarde it 5 from aboue, neyther let the light shine vpon it, But let darkenesse, and the shadowe of death staine it: let the cloude remayne vpon it, and let them make it fearefull as a bitter day. 6 Let darkenesse possesse that night, let it not be iovned vnto the dayes of the yeere, nor let it come into the count of the Yea, desolate be that night, and let no iov be in 8 it. Let them that curse the day, (being readie to renue their 9 mourning) curse it. Let the starres of that twilight be dimme through darkenesse of it: let it looke for light, but haue none: 10 neither let it see the dawning of the day, Because it shut not vp the dores of my mothers wombe: nor hid sorowe from mine 11 eyes. Why died I not in the birth? or why dyed I not, when 12 I came out of the wombe? Why did the knees preuent me? 13 and why did I sucke the breasts? For so shoulde I now haue lyen and bene quiet, I should have slept then, and bene at 14 rest, With the Kings and counselers of the earth, which haue 15 buylded themselues desolate places: Or with the princes that 16 had golde, and haue filled their houses with siluer. was I not hid, as an vntimely birth, either as infants, which 17 haue not seene the light? The wicked haue there ceased from their tyrannie, and there they that laboured valiantly, are at The prisoners rest together, and heare not the voyce 19 of the oppressour. There are small and great, and the seruant is free from his master. Wherefore is the light given to 20 him that is in miserie? and life vnto them that have heavie hearts? Which long for death, and if it come not, they would 21 even search it more then treasures: Which ioy for gladnes, 22 and reioyce, when they can finde the grave. Why is the light 23 given to the man whose way is hid, and whom God hath hedged in? For my sighing commeth before I eate, and my roarings 24 are powred out like the water. For the thing I feared, is come 25 vpon me, and the thing that I was afraid of, is come vnto me. I 26 had no peace, neither had I quietnesse, neither had I rest, yet trouble is come.

Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered, and sayde. If we 4, 2 assay to commune with thee, wilt thou be grieued? but who can withholde himselfe from speaking? Behold, thou hast 3 taught many, and hast strengthened the wearie hands. Thy 4 wordes have confirmed him that was falling, and thou hast strengthened the weake knees. But now it is come vpon thee, 5 and thou art grieued: it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled. Is not this thy feare, thy confidence, thy pacience, and the 6 vprightnesse of thy wayes? Remember, I pray thee: who euer 7 perished, being an innocent? or where were the vpright destroyed? As I have seene, they that plow iniquitie, and sowe 8 wickednesse, reape the same. With the blast of God they per- 9 ish, and with the breath of his nostrels are they cosumed. The 10 roaring of the Lion, and the voyce of the Lionesse, and the teeth of the Lions whelpes are broken. The Lyon perisheth for lacke 11 of pray, and the Lyons whelpes are scattered abroade. But a 12 thing was brought to me secretly, and mine eare hath received a litle thereof. In the thoughtes of ye visions of the night, 13 when sleepe falleth on men, Feare came vpon me, and dread 14 which made all my bones to tremble. And the wind passed before me, and made the heares of my flesh to stande vp. Then 16 stoode one, and I knewe not his face: an image was before mine eyes, and in silence heard I a voyce, saying, Shall man be more 17 iust then God? or shall a man be more pure then his maker? Beholde, he founde no stedfastnesse in his Seruants, and laid 18 follie vpon his Angels. Howe much more in them that dwell in 19 houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, which shalbe destroyed before the moth? They be destroyed from the morn- 20 ing vnto the euening: they perish for euer, without regarde.

Doeth not their dignitie goe away with them? do they not die, and that without wisdom?

Call nowe, if any will answere thee, and to which of the 5 2 Saintes wilt thou turne? Doubtlesse anger killeth the foolish, 3 and enuie slayeth the idiote. I have seene the foolish well 4 rooted, and suddenly I cursed his habitation, saying, His children shalbe farre from saluation, and they shall be destroyed 5 in the gate, and none shall deliuer them. The hungrie shall eate vp his haruest: yea, they shall take it from among the 6 thornes, and the thirstie shall drinke vp their substance. For miserie commeth not foorth of the dust, neither doeth affliction 7 spring out of the earth. But man is borne vnto trauaile, as the 8 sparkes flie vpwarde. But I would inquire at God, and turne 9 my talke vnto God: Which doeth great things and vnsearch-10 able, and marueilous things without nomber. He giveth raine 11 vpon the earth, and powreth water vpon the streetes, And setteth vp on hie them that be lowe, that the sorowfull may be 12 exalted to saluation. He scattereth the deuices of the craftie: so that their handes can not accomplish that which they doe 13 enterprise. He taketh the wise in their craftinesse, and the 14 counsel of the wicked is made foolish. They meete with darkenesse in the day time, and grope at noone day, as in the night. 15 But he saueth the poore from the sword, from their mouth, and 16 from the hande of the violent man, So that the poore hath his 17 hope, but iniquitie shall stop her mouth. Beholde, blessed is the man whome God correcteth: therefore refuse not thou the 18 chastising of the Almightie. For he maketh the wound, and 19 bindeth it vp: he smiteth, and his handes make whole. shall deliuer thee in sixe troubles, and in the seuenth the eu-20 ill shall not touch thee. In famine he shall deliuer thee from 21 death: and in battel from the power of the sworde. Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue, and thou shalt not be 22 afraid of destruction when it commeth. But thou shalt laugh at destruction and dearth, and shalt not be afraide of the beast 23 of the earth. For the stones of the fielde shall be in league with thee, and the beastes of the field shall be at peace with thee. 24 And thou shalt knowe, that peace shall be in thy tabernacle, and thou shalt visite thine habitation, and shalt not sinne. 25 Thou shalt perceive also, that thy seede shalbe great, and thy 26 posteritie as the grasse of the earth. Thou shalt goe to thy graue in a ful age, as a ricke of corne commeth in due season into the barne. Lo, thus haue we inquired of it, and so it is: 27 heare this and knowe it for thy selfe.

Byt Iob answered, and said, Oh that my griefe were well 6, 2 weighed, and my miseries were layed together in the balance. For it woulde be nowe heavier then the sande of the sea: there-3 fore my wordes are swallowed vp. For the arrowes of the 4 Almightie are in me, the venime whereof doeth drinke vp my spirit, and the terrours of God fight against me. Doeth the 5 wilde asse bray when he hath grasse? or loweth the oxe when he hath fodder? That which is vnsauerie, shall it be eaten 6 without salt? or is there any taste in the white of an egge? Such things as my soule refused to touch, as were sorowes, 7 Oh that I might haue my desire, and that 8 are my meate. God would grant me the thing that I long for! That is, that 9 God would destroy me: that he would let his hand go, and cut me off. Then should I yet haue comfort, (though I burne 10 with sorowe, let him not spare) because I haue not denved the wordes of the Holy one. What power haue I that I should en- 11 dure? or what is mine end, if I should prolong my life? Is my 12 strength the strength of stones? or is my flesh of brasse? Is it 13 not so, that there is in me no helpe? and that strength is taken from me? He that is in miserie, ought to be comforted of his 14 neighbour: but men haue forsaken the feare of the Almightie. My brethre haue deceived me as a brook, and as the rising 15 of the rivers they passe away. Which are blackish with yee, 16 and wherein the snowe is hid. But in time they are dryed vp 17 with heate and are consumed: and when it is hote they faile out of their places. Or they depart from their way and course, 18 yea, they vanish and perish. They that go to Tema, consid-19 ered them, and they that goe to Sheba, waited for them. But 20 they were confounded: when they hoped, they came thither and were ashamed. Surely nowe are ye like vnto it: ye haue 21 seene my fearefull plague, and are afraide. Was it because 22 I said, Bring vnto me? or giue a rewarde to me of your substance? And deliuer me from the enemies hande, or ransome 23 me out of the hand of tyrants? Teach me, and I wil hold my 24 tongue: and cause me to vnderstande, wherein I have erred. Howe stedfast are the wordes of righteousnes? and what can 25 any of you iustly reproue? Doe ye imagine to reproue wordes, 26

that the talke of the afflicted should be as the winde? Ye make your wrath to fall vpon the fatherlesse, and dig a pit for your
friende. Nowe therefore be content to looke vpon me: for I will
not lie before your face. Turne, I pray you, let there be none iniquitie: returne, I say, and ye shall see yet my righteousnesse in that behalfe. Is there iniquitie in my tongue? doeth not my mouth feele sorowes?

Is there not an appointed time to man vpon earth? and 7 2 are not his dayes as the dayes of an hyreling? As a seruant longeth for the shadowe, and as an hyreling looketh for the 3 ende of his worke. So haue I had as an inheritance the moneths of vanitie, and painefull nights have bene appointed vnto If I layed me downe, I sayde, When shall I arise? and measuring the euening I am euen full with tossing to and from 5 vnto the dawning of the day. My flesh is clothed with wormes and filthinesse of the dust: my skinne is rent, and become hor-6 rible. My dayes are swifter then a weauers shittle, and they 7 are spent without hope. Remember that my life is but a wind, 8 and that mine eye shall not returne to see pleasure. The eye that hath seene me, shall see me no more: thine eyes are vpon 9 me, and I shall be no longer. As the cloude vanisheth and goeth away, so he that goeth downe to the graue, shall come vp 10 no more. He shall returne no more to his house, neither shall 11 his place knowe him any more. Therefore I will not spare my mouth, but will speake in the trouble of my spirite, and muse 12 in the bitternesse of my minde. Am I a sea or a whalefish, 13 that thou keepest me in warde? When I say, My couch shall relieue me, and my bed shall bring comfort in my meditation, 14 Then fearest thou me with dreames, and astonishest me with Therefore my soule chuseth rather to be strangled 16 and to die, then to be in my bones. I abhorre it, I shall not 17 liue alway: spare me then, for my dayes are but vanitie. What is man, that thou doest magnifie him, and that thou settest 18 thine heart vpon him? And doest visite him euery morning, 19 and tryest him euery moment? Howe long will it be yer thou depart from me? thou wilt not let me alone whiles I may swal-20 lowe my spettle. I have sinned, what shall I do vnto thee? O thou preseruer of me, why hast thou set me as a marke against 21 thee, so that I am a burden vnto my selfe? And why doest thou not pardon my trespasse? and take away mine iniquitie? for

nowe shall I sleepe in the dust, and if thou seekest me in the morning, I shall not be found.

Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and saide, Howe long 8, 2 wilt thou talke of these things? and howe long shall the wordes of thy mouth be as a mightie winde? Doeth God peruert judge- 3 ment? or doeth the Almightie subuert iustice? If thy sonnes 4 haue sinned against him, and he hath sent them into the place of their iniquitie. Yet if thou wilt early seeke vnto God, and 5 pray to the Almightie, If thou be pure and vpright, then surely 6 hee will awake vp vnto thee, and he wil make the habitation of thy righteousnesse prosperous. And though thy beginning 7 be small, yet thy latter ende shall greatly encrease. Inquire 8 therefore, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thy selfe to search of their fathers. (For we are but of vesterday, and 9 are ignorant: for our dayes vpon earth are but a shadowe) Shall not they teach thee and tell thee, and ytter the wordes 10 of their heart? Can a rush grow without myre? or can ye 11 grasse growe without water? Though it were in greene and 12 not cutte downe, yet shall it wither before any other herbe. So are the paths of all that forget God, and the hypocrites hope 13 shall perish. His confidence also shalbe cut off, and his trust 14 shalbe as the house of a spyder. He shall leane vpon his 15 house, but it shall not stand: he shall holde him fast by it, yet shall it not endure. The tree is greene before the sunne, 16 and the branches spread ouer the garden thereof. The rootes 17 thereof are wrapped about the fountaine, and are folden about ye house of stones. If any plucke it from his place, and it denie, 18 saying, I have not seene thee, Beholde, it will rejoyce by this 19 meanes, that it may growe in another molde. Behold, God will 20 not cast away an vpright man, neither will he take the wicked by the hand, Till he haue filled thy mouth with laughter, and 21 thy lippes with ioy. They that hate thee, shall be clothed with 22 shame, and the dwelling of the wicked shall not remaine.

Then Iob answered, and sayd, I knowe verily that it is so: **9**, 2 for howe should man compared vnto God, be iustified? If I 3 would dispute with him, hee could not answere him one thing of a thousand. He is wise in heart, and mighty in strength: 4 who hath bene fierce against him and hath prospered? He re- 5 moueth the mountaines, and they feele not when he ouerthroweth them in his wrath. Hee removueth the earth out of her place, 6

7 that the pillars thereof doe shake. He commandeth the sunne, and it riseth not: hee closeth vp the starres, as vnder a signet. 8 Hee himselfe alone spreadeth out the heauens, and walketh 9 vpon the height of the sea. He maketh the starres Arcturus, 10 Orion, and Pleiades, and the climates of the South. He doeth great things, and vnsearcheable: yea, marueilous things without nomber. Lo, when he goeth by me, I see him not: and when 12 he passeth by, I perceiue him not. Behold, when he taketh a pray, who can make him to restore it? who shall say vnto him, 13 What doest thou? God will not withdrawe his anger, and the 14 most mightie helpes doe stoupe vnder him. Howe much lesse shall I answere him? or howe should I finde out my words with 15 him? For though I were iust, yet could I not answere, but I 16 would make supplication to my Judge. If I cry, and he answere me, yet woulde I not beleeue, that he heard my voyce. 17 For he destroyeth mee with a tempest, and woundeth me with-18 out cause. He wil not suffer me to take my breath, but filleth 19 me with bitternesse. If we speake of strength, behold, he is strog: if we speake of judgement, who shall bring me in to 20 pleade? If I woulde iustifie my selfe, mine owne mouth shall condemne mee: if I would be perfite, he shall judge me wicked. 21 Though I were perfite, yet I knowe not my soule: therefore 22 abhorre I my life. This is one point: therefore I said, Hee 23 destroyeth the perfite and the wicked. If the scourge should suddenly slay, should God laugh at the punishment of the in-The earth is given into the hand of ye wicked: he 24 nocent? couereth the faces of the iudges therof: if not, where is he? or 25 who is he? My dayes have bene more swift then a post: they 26 haue fled, and haue seene no good thing. They are passed as with the most swift ships, and as the eagle that flyeth to the 27 pray. If I say, I wil forget my complaynt, I will cease from my 28 wrath, and comfort mee, Then I am afrayd of all my sorowes, 29 knowing that thou wilt not judge me innocent. If I be wicked, 30 why labour I thus in vaine? If I wash my selfe with snowe wa-31 ter, and purge mine hands most cleane, Yet shalt thou plunge mee in the pit, and mine owne clothes shall make me filthie. 32 For he is not a man as I am, that I should answere him, if 33 we come together to judgement. Neyther is there any vmpire 34 that might lay his hand vpon vs both. Let him take his rod 35 away from me, and let not his feare astonish me: Then will I

speake, and feare him not: but because I am not so, I holde me still.

My soule is cut off though I liue: I wil leave my complaint 10 vpon my selfe, and wil speake in the bitternesse of my soule. I will say vnto God, Condemne mee not: shew me, wherefore 2 thou contendest with mee. Thinkest thou it good to oppresse 3 me, and to cast off the labour of thine handes, and to fauour the counsel of the wicked? Hast thou carnall eyes? or doest 4 thou see as man seeth? Are thy dayes as mans dayes? or 5 thy yeres, as the time of man, That thou inquirest of mine 6 iniquitie, and searchest out my sinne? Thou knowest that 7 I can not do wickedly: for none can deliuer me out of thine hand. Thine handes have made me, and fashioned mee wholy 8 rounde about, and wilt thou destroy me? Remember, I pray 9 thee, that thou hast made me as the clay, and wilt thou bring me into dust againe? Hast thou not powred me out as milke? 10 and turned me to cruds like cheese? Thou hast clothed me 11 with skin and flesh, and joyned me together with bones and sinewes. Thou hast given me life, and grace: and thy visita- 12 tion hath preserved my spirit. Though thou hast hid these 13 things in thine heart, yet I knowe that it is so with thee. If 14 I have sinned, then thou wilt streightly looke vnto me, and wilt not holde mee giltlesse of mine iniquitie. If I have done 15 wickedly, wo vnto me: if I haue done righteously, I will not lift vp mine head, being full of confusion, because I see mine But let it increase: hunt thou me as a lyon: re- 16 turne and shew thy selfe marueilous vpon me. Thou renuest 17 thy plagues against me, and thou increasest thy wrath against me: changes and armies of sorowes are against me. fore then hast thou brought me out of the wombe? Oh that I had perished, and that none eye had seene me! And that I 19 were as I had not bene, but brought from the wombe to the graue! Are not my dayes fewe? let him cease, and leaue off 20 from me, that I may take a litle comfort, Before I goe and 21 shall not returne, euen to the land of darkenesse and shadow of death: Into a land, I say, darke as darknes it selfe, and into 22 the shadow of death, where is none order, but the light is there as darkenesse.

Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and sayde, Should 11, 2 not the multitude of wordes be answered? or should a great

3 talker be iustified? Should men holde their peace at thy lyes? and when thou mockest others, shall none make thee ashamed? 4 For thou hast sayde, My doctrine is pure, and I am cleane 5 in thine eyes. But, oh that God would speake and open his 6 lippes against thee! That he might shewe thee the secretes of wisedome, howe thou hast deserued double, according to right: know therefore that God hath forgotten thee for thine iniqui-7 tie. Canst thou by searching finde out God? canst thou finde 8 out ye Almighty to his perfection? The heavens are hie, what canst thou doe? it is deeper then the hell, how canst thou know The measure thereof is longer then the earth, and it is 10 broader then the sea. If hee cut off and shut vp, or gather 11 together, who can turne him backe? For hee knoweth vaine men, and seeth iniquitie, and him that vnderstandeth nothing. 12 Yet vaine man would be wise, though man new borne is like a 13 wilde asse colte. If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out 14 thine hands toward him: If iniquitie be in thine hand, put it farre away, and let no wickednesse dwell in thy Taberna-15 cle. The truely shalt thou lift vp thy face without spot, and 16 shalt be stable, and shalt not feare. But thou shalt forget thy 17 miserie, and remember it as waters that are past. Thine age also shall appeare more cleare then the noone day: thou shalt 18 shine and bee as the morning. And thou shalt bee bolde, because there is hope: and thou shalt digge pittes, and shalt lye 19 downe safely. For when thou takest thy rest, none shall make 20 thee afraide: yea, many shall make sute vnto thee. eyes of the wicked shall faile, and their refuge shall perish, and their hope shalbe sorow of minde.

12, 2 Then Iob answered, and sayde, In deede because that ye are the people onely, wisedome must dye with you. But I haue vnderstanding aswel as you, and am not inferior vnto you: yea, who knoweth not such things? I am as one mocked of his neighbour, who calleth vpon God, and he heareth him: the iust and the vpright is laughed to scorne. Hee that is readie to fall, is as a lampe despised in the opinion of the riche. The tabernacles of robbers doe prosper, and they are in safetie, that prouoke God, whome God hath enriched with his hand. Aske now the beasts, and they shall teach thee, and the foules of the heauen, and they shall tell thee: Or speake to the earth, and it shall shewe thee: or the fishes of the sea, and they shall

declare vnto thee. Who is ignorant of all these, but that the 9 hande of the Lord hath made these? In whose hande is the 10 soule of euery liuing thing, and the breath of all mankinde. Doeth not the eares discerne the words? and the mouth taste 11 meate for it selfe? Among the ancient is wisedome, and in the 12 length of dayes is vnderstanding. With him is wisedome and 13 strength: he hath counsell and vnderstanding. Beholde, he 14 will breake downe, and it can not be built: he shutteth a man vp, and he can not be loosed. Beholde, he withholdeth the wa- 15 ters, and they drie vp: but when he sendeth them out, they destroy the earth. With him is strength and wisedome: hee that 16 is deceived, and that deceiveth, are his. He causeth the counsellers to goe as spoyled, and maketh the judges fooles. looseth the collar of Kings, and girdeth their lovnes with a girdle. He leadeth away the princes as a pray, and ouerthroweth 19 the mightie. He taketh away the speach from the faithfull 20 counsellers, and taketh away the judgement of the ancient. He powreth contempt vpon princes, and maketh the strength 21 of the mightie weake. He discouereth the deepe places from 22 their darkenesse, and bringeth foorth the shadowe of death to light. He increaseth the people, and destroyeth them: he in- 23 largeth the nations, and bringeth them in againe. He taketh 24 away the heartes of the that are the chiefe ouer the people of the earth, and maketh them to wander in the wildernes out of the way. They grope in the darke without light: and he 25 maketh the to stagger like a drunken man.

Loe, mine eye hath seene all this: mine eare hath heard, and vnderstande it. I knowe also as much as you knowe: I am 2 not inferiour vnto you. But I will speake to the Almightie, and 3 I desire to dispute with God. For in deede ye forge lyes, and 4 all you are physitions of no value. Oh, that you woulde holde 5 your tongue, that it might be imputed to you for wisedome! Nowe heare my disputation, and giue eare to the arguments of 6 my lips. Will ye speake wickedly for Gods defence, and talke 7 deceitfully for his cause? Will ye accept his person? or will ye 8 contende for God? Is it well that he shoulde seeke of you? will 9 you make a lye for him, as one lyeth for a man? He will surely 10 reprooue you, if ye doe secretly accept any person. Shall not 11 his excellencie make you afraid? and his feare fall vpon you? Your memories may be compared vnto ashes, and your bodyes 12

13 to bodyes of clay. Holde your tongues in my presence, that I 14 may speake, and let come vpon what will. Wherefore doe I take my flesh in my teeth, and put my soule in mine hande? 15 Loe, though he slay me, yet will I trust in him, and I will re-16 prooue my wayes in his sight. He shalbe my saluation also: 17 for the hypocrite shall not come before him. Heare diligently 18 my wordes, and marke my talke. Beholde nowe: if I prepare 19 me to judgement, I knowe that I shalbe justified. Who is he, that will pleade with me? for if I nowe holde my tongue, I dye. 20 But doe not these two things vnto me: then will I not hide my 21 selfe from thee. Withdrawe thine hande from me, and let not 22 thy feare make me afraide. Then call thou, and I will answere: 23 or let me speake, and answere thou me. Howe many are mine iniquities and sinnes? shewe me my rebellion, and my sinne. 24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and takest me for thine ene-25 mie? Wilt thou breake a leafe driuen to and from? and wilt 26 thou pursue the drie stubble? For thou writest bitter things against me, and makest me to possesse the iniquities of my 27 youth. Thou puttest my feete also in the stocks, and lookest narrowly vnto all my pathes, and makest the print thereof in 28 ye heeles of my feet. Such one consumeth like a rotten thing, and as a garment that is motheaten.

Man that is borne of woman, is of short continuance, and 14 2 full of trouble. He shooteth foorth as a flowre, and is cut downe: he vanisheth also as a shadowe, and continueth not. 3 And yet thou openest thine eyes vpon such one, and causest 4 me to enter into judgement with thee. Who can bring a cleane 5 thing out of filthinesse? there is not one. Are not his dayes determined? the nober of his moneths are with thee: thou 6 hast appointed his boundes, which he can not passe. from him that he may cease vntill his desired day, as an hyrel-7 ing. For there is hope of a tree, if it bee cut downe, that it will 8 yet sproute, and the branches thereof will not cease. Though the roote of it waxe olde in the earth, and the stocke thereof 9 be dead in ye ground, Yet by the sent of water it will bud, 10 and bring foorth boughes like a plant. But man is sicke, and 11 dyeth, and man perisheth, and where is he? As the waters passe from the sea, and as the flood decayeth and dryeth vp, 12 So man sleepeth and riseth not: for hee shall not wake againe, 13 nor be raised from his sleepe till the heauen be no more. Oh

that thou wouldest hide me in the graue, and keepe me secret, vntill thy wrath were past, and wouldest give me terme, and remember me. If a man die, shall he liue againe? All 14 the dayes of mine appointed time will I waite, till my changing shall come. Thou shalt call me, and I shall answere thee: thou 15 louest the worke of thine own hands. But nowe thou nombrest 16 my steppes, and doest not delay my sinnes. Mine iniquitie is 17 sealed vp, as in a bagge, and thou addest vnto my wickednesse. And surely as the mountaine that falleth, commeth to nought. 18 and the rocke that is removued from his place: As the water 19 breaketh the stones, when thou overflowest the things which growe in the dust of ve earth: so thou destroyest ve hope of man. Thou preuailest alway against him, so that he passeth 20 away: he changeth his face when thou castest him away. And 21 he knoweth not if his sonnes shall be honourable, neither shall he vnderstand concerning them, whether they shalbe of lowe degree. But while his flesh is vpon him, he shall be sorowfull, 22 and while his soule is in him, it shall mourne.

Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and saide, Shal a 15, 2 wise man speake words of ye winde, and fill his bellie with the Shall he dispute with wordes not comely? or 3 East winde? with talke that is not profitable? Surely thou hast cast off 4 feare, and restrainest prayer before God. For thy mouth de- 5 clareth thine iniquitie, seeing thou hast chosen ye tongue of the crafty. Thine owne mouth condemneth thee, and not I, 6 and thy lippes testifie against thee. Art thou the first man, 7 that was borne? and wast thou made before the hils? Hast 8 thou heard the secret counsell of God, and doest thou restraine wisedome to thee? What knowest thou that we knowe not? 9 and vnderstandest that is not in vs? With vs are both aun- 10 cient and very aged men, farre older then thy father. Seeme 11 the consolations of God small vnto thee? is this thing strange vnto thee? Why doeth thine heart take thee away, and what 12 doe thine eyes meane, That thou answerest to God at thy 13 pleasure, and bringest such wordes out of thy mouth? What 14 is man, that he should be cleane? and he that is borne of woman, that he shoulde be just? Beholde, he founde no sted- 15 fastnesse in his Saintes: yea, the heavens are not cleane in his sight. How much more is man abominable, and filthie, 16 which drinketh iniquitie like water? I will tell thee: heare 17

18 me, and I will declare that which I have seene: Which wise men haue tolde, as they haue heard of their fathers, and haue 19 not kept it secret: To whome alone the land was given and 20 no stranger passed through them. The wicked man is continually as one that traueileth of childe, and the nomber of 21 yeeres is hid from the tyrant. A sounde of feare is in his eares, and in his prosperitie the destroyer shall come vpon He beleeueth not to returne out of darknesse: for he 22 him. 23 seeth the sworde before him. He wandreth to and from for bread where he may: he knoweth that the day of darkenesse 24 is prepared at hande. Affliction and anguish shall make him afraide: they shall preuaile against him as a King readie to 25 the battell. For he hath stretched out his hand against GOD. 26 and made him selfe strong against the Almightie. Therefore God shall runne vpon him, euen vpon his necke, and against 27 the most thicke part of his shielde. Because he hath couered his face with his fatnesse, and hath colloppes in his flancke. 28 Though he dwell in desolate cities, and in houses which no man 29 inhabiteth, but are become heapes, He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, neither shall he prolong the 30 perfection thereof in the earth. He shall neuer depart out of darkenesse: the flame shall drie vp his branches, and he shall 31 goe away with the breath of his mouth. He beleeueth not that 32 he erreth in vanitie: therefore vanitie shalbe his change. His branch shall not be greene, but shall be cut off before his day. 33 God shall destroy him as the vine her sower grape, and shall 34 cast him off, as the olive doeth her flowre. For the congregation of the hypocrite shalbe desolate, and fire shall deuoure the 35 houses of bribes. For they conceive mischiefe and bring foorth vanitie, and their bellie hath prepared deceite.

16, 2 Bvt Iob answered, and said, I haue oft times heard such things: miserable comforters are ye all. Shall there be none ende of wordes of winde? or what maketh thee bold so to answere? I could also speake as yee doe: (but woulde God your soule were in my soules stead) I could keepe you company in speaking, and could shake mine head at you, But I woulde strengthen you with my mouth, and the comfort of my lips should asswage your sorowe. Though I speake, my sorow can not be asswaged: though I cease, what release haue
7 I? But now hee maketh mee wearie: O God, thou hast made

all my congregation desolate, And hast made me full of wrin- 8 kles which is a witnesse thereof, and my leannes ryseth vp in me, testifying the same in my face. His wrath hath torne me, 9 and hee hateth me, and gnasheth vpon mee with his teeth: mine enemie hath sharpened his eyes against me. They haue 10 opened their mouthes vpon me, and smitten me on the cheeke in reproch; they gather themselues together against me. God 11 hath deliuered me to the vniust, and hath made mee to turne out of the way by the hands of the wicked. I was in welth, 12 but he hath brought me to nought: he hath taken me by the necke, and beaten me, and set me as a marke for himselfe. His archers compasse mee rounde about: he cutteth my reines, 13 and doth not spare, and powreth my gall vpon the ground. He 14 hath broken me with one breaking vpon another, and runneth vpon me like a gyant. I haue sowed a sackcloth vpon my 15 skinne, and haue abased mine horne vnto the dust. My face 16 is withered with weeping, and the shadow of death is vpon mine eyes, Though there be no wickednesse in mine hands, 17 and my prayer be pure. O earth, couer not thou my blood, 18 and let my crying finde no place. For lo, now my witnesse is 19 in the heauen, and my record is on hie. My friends speake 20 eloquently against me: but mine eye powreth out teares vnto God. Oh that a man might pleade with God, as man with his 21 neighbour! For the yeeres accounted come, and I shall go the 22 way, whence I shall not returne.

My breath is corrupt: my dayes are cut off, and the graue 17 is readie for me. There are none but mockers with mee, and 2 mine eye continueth in their bitternesse. Lay downe nowe 3 and put me in suretie for thee: who is hee, that will touch mine hand? For thou hast hid their heart from vnderstand-4 ing: therefore shalt thou not set them vp on hie. For the eyes 5 of his children shall faile, that speaketh flattery to his friends. Hee hath also made mee a byword of the people, and I am as 6 a Tabret before them. Mine eye therefore is dimme for griefe, 7 and all my strength is like a shadowe. The righteous shalbe 8 astonied at this, and the innocent shalbe moued against ye hypocrite. But the righteous wil holde his way, and he whose 9 hands are pure, shall increase his strength. All you therefore turne you, and come nowe, and I shall not finde one wise among you. My dayes are past, mine enterprises are broken, 11

and the thoughts of mine heart Haue changed the nyght for
the day, and the light that approched, for darkenesse. Though I hope, yet the graue shall bee mine house, and I shall make
my bed in the darke. I shall say to corruption, Thou art my father, and to the worme, Thou art my mother and my sister.
Where is then now mine hope? or who shall consider the thing,
that I hoped for? They shall goe downe into the bottome of the pit: surely it shall lye together in the dust.

Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, When will **18**. 2 yee make an ende of your words? cause vs to vnderstande, and 3 then wee will speake. Wherefore are wee counted as beastes. 4 and are vile in your sight? Thou art as one that teareth his soule in his anger. Shall the earth bee forsaken for thy sake? 5 or the rocke remoued out of his place? Yea, the light of the wicked shalbe quenched, and the sparke of his fire shall not The light shalbe darke in his dwelling, and his can-7 dle shalbe put out with him. The steps of his strength shalbe 8 restrained, and his owne counsell shall cast him downe. For hee is taken in the net by his feete, and he walketh vpon the 9 snares. The grenne shall take him by the heele, and the theefe 10 shall come vpon him. A snare is layed for him in the ground, 11 and a trappe for him in the way. Fearefulnesse shall make him afrayde on euery side, and shall drive him to his feete. 12 His strength shalbe famine: and destruction shalbe readie at 13 his side. It shall deuoure the inner partes of his skinne, and 14 the first borne of death shall deuoure his strength. His hope shalbe rooted out of his dwelling, and shall cause him to go 15 to the King of feare. Feare shall dwell in his house (because it is not his) and brimstone shalbe scattered vpon his habita-16 tion. His rootes shalbe dryed vp beneath, and aboue shall his 17 branche be cut downe. His remembrance shall perish from 18 the earth, and he shall have no name in the streete. shall drive him out of the light vnto darkenesse, and chase him 19 out of the world. Hee shall neither haue sonne nor nephewe 20 among his people, nor any posteritie in his dwellings. The posteritie shalbe astonied at his day, and feare shall come vpon 21 the ancient. Surely such are the habitations of the wicked, and this is the place of him that knoweth not God.

19, 2 Byt Iob answered, and said, Howe long will yee vexe my soule, and torment me with wordes? Ye haue now ten times

reproched me, and are not ashamed: ye are impudent toward mee. And though I had in deede erred, mine errour remaineth 4 with me. But in deede if ye will aduance your selues against 5 me, and rebuke me for my reproche. Know nowe, that God 6 hath ouerthrowen me, and hath compassed me with his net. Beholde, I crie out of violence, but I haue none answere: I crie, 7 but there is no iudgement. Hee hath hedged vp my way that 8 I cannot passe, and he hath set darkenesse in my paths. Hee 9 hath spoyled mee of mine honour, and taken the crowne away from mine head. He hath destroyed mee on euery side and I 10 am gone: and he hath removed mine hope like a tree. he hath kindled his wrath against me, and counteth mee as one of his enemies. His armies came together, and made their 12 way vpon me, and camped about my tabernacle. He hath re- 13 mooued my brethre farre from me, and also mine acquaintance were strangers vnto me. My neighbours haue forsaken me, 14 and my familiars have forgotten me. They that dwel in mine 15 house, and my maydes tooke me for a stranger: for I was a stranger in their sight. I called my seruant, but he would not 16 answere, though I prayed him with my mouth. My breath 17 was strange vnto my wife, though I prayed her for the childrens sake of mine owne body. The wicked also despised mee, 18 and when I rose, they spake against me. All my secret friends 19 abhorred me, and they whome I loued, are turned against me. My bone cleaueth to my skinne and to my flesh, and I haue es- 20 caped with the skinne of my teeth. Haue pitie vpon me: haue 21 pitie vpon me, (O yee my friendes) for the hande of God hath touched me. Why do ve persecute me, as God? and are not sat- 22 isfied with my flesh? Oh that my wordes were nowe written! 23 oh that they were written euen in a booke, And grauen with 24 an yron pen in lead, or in stone for euer! For I am sure, that 25 my Redeemer liueth, and he shall stand the last on the earth. And though after my skin wormes destroy this bodie, yet shall 26 I see God in my flesh. Whome I my selfe shall see, and mine 27 eyes shall beholde, and none other for me, though my revnes are consumed within me. But yee sayde, Why is hee perse- 28 cuted? And there was a deepe matter in me. Be ye afraide 29 of the sworde: for the sworde will be auenged of wickednesse, that yee may know that there is a judgement.

Then answered Zophar the Naamathite and saide, Doubtless20, 2

my thoughts cause me to answere, and therefore I make haste. 3 I have heard the correction of my reproch: therefore the spirite 4 of mine vnderstanding causeth me to answere. Knowest thou not this of olde? and since God placed man vpon the earth, 5 That the reiovcing of the wicked is short, and that the iov of 6 hypocrites is but a moment? Though his excellencie mount 7 vp to the heauen, and his head reache vnto the cloudes, Yet shall hee perish for euer, like his dung, and they which haue 8 seene him, shall say, Where is hee? He shall flee away as a dreame, and they shall not finde him, and shall passe away as 9 a vision of the night, So that the eye which had seene him, 10 shall do so no more, and his place shall see him no more. His children shall flatter the poore, and his hands shall restore his 11 substance. His bones are full of the sinne of his youth, and 12 it shall lie downe with him in the dust. When wickednesse 13 was sweete in his mouth, and he hid it vnder his tongue, And fauoured it, and would not forsake it, but kept it close in his 14 mouth, Then his meat in his bowels was turned: the gall of As-15 pes was in the middes of him. He hath deuoured substance, and hee shall vomit it: for God shall drawe it out of his bel-16 lie. He shall sucke the gall of Aspes, and the vipers tongue 17 shall slav him. He shall not see the rivers, nor the floods and 18 streames of honie and butter. He shall restore the labour, and shall deuoure no more: euen according to the substance shalbe 19 his exchange, and he shall enioy it no more. For he hath vndone many: he hath forsaken the poore, and hath spoyled 20 houses which he builded not. Surely he shall feele no quietnes in his bodie, neither shall he reserve of that which he desired. 21 There shall none of his meate bee left: therefore none shall 22 hope for his goods. When he shalbe filled with his abundance, he shalbe in paine, and the hand of all the wicked shall assaile He shall be about to fill his belly, but God shall sende 23 him. vpon him his fierce wrath, and shall cause to rayne vpon him, 24 euen vpon his meate. He shall flee from the yron weapons, 25 and the bow of steele shall strike him through. The arrowe is drawen out, and commeth forth of the body, and shineth of his 26 gall, so feare commeth vpon him. All darkenes shalbe hid in his secret places: the fire that is not blowen, shall deuoure him, and that which remaineth in his tabernacle, shalbe destroyed. 27 The heaven shall declare his wickednes, and the earth shall

rise vp against him. The increase of his house shall go away: 28 it shall flow away in the day of his wrath. This is the portion 29 of the wicked man from God, and the heritage that he shall haue of God for his wordes.

Byt Iob answered, and sayd, Heare diligently my wordes, 21, 2 and this shalbe in stead of your consolations. Suffer mee, that 3 I may speake, and when I have spoken, mocke on. Doe I di- 4 rect my talke to man? If it were so, how should not my spirit be troubled? Marke mee, and be abashed, and lay your hand 5 vpon your mouth. Euen when I remember, I am afrayde, and 6 feare taketh hold on my flesh. Wherefore do the wicked liue, 7 and waxe olde, and grow in wealth? Their seede is estab- 8 lished in their sight with them, and their generation before their eyes. Their houses are peaceable without feare, and the 9 rod of God is not vpon them. Their bullocke gendreth, and 10 fayleth not: their cow calueth, and casteth not her calfe. They 11 send forth their children like sheepe, and their sonnes dance. They take the tabret and harpe, and reioyce in the sound of the 12 organs. They spend their dayes in wealth, and suddenly they 13 go downe to the graue. They say also vnto God, Depart from 14 vs: for we desire not the knowledge of thy waves. Who is the 15 Almightie, that we should serue him? and what profit should we have, if we should pray vnto him? Lo, their wealth is not 16 in their hand: therfore let the counsell of the wicked bee farre from me. How oft shall the candle of the wicked be put out? 17 and their destruction come vpon them? he wil deuide their liues in his wrath. They shall be as stubble before the winde, 18 and as chaffe that the storme carieth away. God wil lay vp 19 the sorowe of the father for his children: when he rewardeth him, hee shall knowe it. His eyes shall see his destruction, 20 and he shall drinke of the wrath of the Almightie. For what 21 pleasure hath he in his house after him, when the nomber of his moneths is cut off? Shall any teache God knowledge, who 22 iudgeth the highest things? One dyeth in his full strength, 23 being in all ease and prosperitie. His breasts are full of milke, 24 and his bones runne full of marowe. And another dieth in the 25 bitternes of his soule, and neuer eateth with pleasure. They 26 shall sleepe both in the dust, and the wormes shall couer them. Behold, I know your thoughts, and the enterprises, wherewith 27 ye do me wrong. For ye say, Where is the princes house? and 28

where is the tabernacle of the wickeds dwelling? May ye not aske the that go by the way? and ye can not deny their signes.

30 But the wicked is kept vnto the day of destruction, and they

31 shall be brought forth to the day of wrath. Who shall declare his way to his face? and who shall reward him for that he

32 hath done? Yet shall he be brought to the graue, and remaine

in the heape. The slimie valley shalbe sweete vnto him, and euery man shall draw after him, as before him there were innumerable. How then comfort ye me in vaine, seeing in your

numerable. How then comfort ye me in vaine, seeing in your answeres there remaine but lyes?

Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered, and sayde, May a **22**, 2 man be profitable vnto God, as he that is wise, may be prof-3 itable to himselfe? Is it any thing vnto the Almightie, that thou art righteous? or is it profitable to him, that thou makest 4 thy wayes vpright? Is it for feare of thee that he will accuse 5 thee? or go with thee into judgement? Is not thy wickednes 6 great, and thine iniquities innumerable? For thou hast taken the pledge from thy brother for nought, and spoyled the clothes 7 of the naked. To such as were wearie, thou hast not given water to drinke, and hast withdrawen bread from the hungrie. 8 But the mightie man had the earth, and he that was in au-9 toritie, dwelt in it. Thou hast cast out widowes emptie, and 10 the armes of the fatherles were broken. Therefore snares are 11 round about thee, and feare shall suddenly trouble thee: Or darkenes that thou shouldest not see, and abundance of waters shall couer thee. Is not God on hie in the heaven? and behold 13 the height of the starres how hie they are. But thou sayest, How should God know? can he judge through the darke cloude? 14 The cloudes hide him that he can not see, and he walketh in 15 the circle of heauen. Hast thou marked the way of the worlde, 16 wherein wicked men haue walked? Which were cut downe before the time, whose foundation was as a riuer that ouer-17 flowed: Which sayd vnto God, Depart from vs, and asked what 18 the Almightie could do for them. Yet hee filled their houses with good things: but let the counsell of the wicked be farre 19 from me. The righteous shall see them, and shall reioyce, 20 and the innocent shall laugh them to scorne. Surely our substance is hid: but the fire hath devoured the remnant of them. 21 Therefore acquaint thy selfe, I pray thee, with him, and make

22 peace: thereby thou shalt have prosperitie. Receive. I prav

thee, the law of his mouth, and lay vp his words in thine heart. If thou returne to the Almightie, thou shalt be buylt vp, and 23 thou shalt put iniquitie farre from thy tabernacle. Thou shalt 24 lay vp golde for dust, and the gold of Ophir, as the flintes of the riuers. Yea, the Almightie shalbe thy defence, and thou 25 shalt haue plentie of siluer. And thou shalt then delite in the 26 Almightie, and lift vp thy face vnto God. Thou shalt make thy 27 praier vnto him, and he shall heare thee, and thou shalt render thy vowes. Thou shalt also decree a thing, and he shall 28 establish it vnto thee, and the light shall shine vpon thy wayes. When others are cast downe, then shalt thou say, I am lifted 29 vp: and God shall saue the humble person. The innocent shall 30 deliuer the yland, and it shalbe preserued by the purenes of thine hands.

Byt Iob answered and sayd, Though my talke be this day 23, 2 in bitternes, and my plague greater then my groning. Would 3 God yet I knew how to finde him, I would enter vnto his place. I would pleade the cause before him, and fill my mouth with ar- 4 guments. I would know the wordes, that he would answere 5 me, and would vnderstand what he would say vnto me. Would 6 he plead against me with his great power? No, but he would put strength in me. There the righteous might reason with 7 him, so I shoulde be deliuered for euer from my Iudge. hold, if I go to the East, he is not there: if to the West, yet I can not perceive him: If to the North where he worketh, yet I can- 9 not see him: he wil hide himselfe in the South, and I cannot beholde him. But he knoweth my way, and trieth mee, and 10 I shall come forth like the gold. My foote hath followed his 11 steps: his way haue I kept, and haue not declined. Neyther 12 haue I departed from the commandement of his lippes, and I have esteemed the words of his mouth more then mine appointed foode. Yet he is in one minde, and who can turne him? 13 yea, he doeth what his minde desireth. For he will performe 14 that, which is decreed of me, and many such things are with him. Therefore I am troubled at his presence, and in consider- 15 ing it, I am afraid of him. For God hath softened mine heart, 16 and the Almightie hath troubled me. For I am not cut off in 17 darknesse, but he hath hid the darkenesse from my face.

Howe should not the times be hid from the Almightie, seeing that they which knowe him, see not his dayes? Some re- 2

moue the land marks, that rob the flockes and feede thereof. 3 They leade away the asse of the fatherles: and take the wid-4 owes oxe to pledge. They make the poore to turne out of the way, so that the poore of the earth hide themselues together. 5 Behold, others as wilde asses in the wildernesse, goe forth to their businesse, and rise early for a praye: the wildernesse 6 giueth him and his children foode. They reape his prouision in the fielde, but they gather the late vintage of the wicked. 7 They cause the naked to lodge without garment, and without 8 couering in the colde. They are wet with the showres of the moutaines, and they imbrace the rocke for want of a couering. 9 They plucke the fatherles from the breast, and take the pledge 10 of the poore. They cause him to go naked without clothing, 11 and take the glening from the hungrie. They that make ovle betweene their walles, and treade their wine presses, suffer 12 thirst. Men cry out of the citie, and the soules of the slayne cry 13 out: yet God doth not charge them with follie. These are they, that abhorre the light: they know not the wayes thereof, nor 14 continue in the paths thereof. The murtherer riseth earely and killeth the poore and the needie: and in the night he is 15 as a theefe. The eye also of the adulterer waiteth for the twilight, and sayth, None eye shall see me, and disguiseth his They digge through houses in the darke, which they marked for themselues in the daye: they knowe not the light. 17 But the morning is euen to them as the shadow of death: if one knowe them, they are in the terrours of the shadowe of death. 18 He is swift vpon the waters: their portion shalbe cursed in 19 the earth: he will not behold the way of the vineyardes. As the dry ground and heate consume the snowe waters, so shall 20 the graue the sinners. The pitifull man shall forget him: the worme shall feele his sweetenes: he shalbe no more remem-21 bered, and the wicked shalbe broke like a tree. He doth euil intreat ye barren, that doeth not beare, neither doeth he good 22 to the widowe. He draweth also the mighty by his power, and 23 when he riseth vp, none is sure of life. Though men giue him assurance to be in safetie, yet his eyes are vpon their wayes. 24 They are exalted for a litle, but they are gone, and are brought lowe as all others: they are destroyed, and cut off as the toppe 25 of an eare of corne. But if it be not so, where is he? or who wil proue me a lver, and make my words of no value?

Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and sayd, Power and 25, 2 feare is with him, that maketh peace in his hie places. Is 3 there any nomber in his armies? and vpon whom shall not his light arise? And howe may a man be iustified with God? or 4 how can he be cleane, that is borne of woman? Behold, he wil 5 giue no light to the moone, and the starres are vncleane in his sight. How much more man, a worme, euen the sonne of man, 6 which is but a worme?

Byt Iob answered, and sayde, Whom helpest thou? him 26, 2 that hath no power? sauest thou the arme that hath no strength? Whome counsellest thou? him that hath no wisedome? thou 3 shewest right well as the thing is. To whom doest thou de- 4 clare these words? or whose spirit commeth out of thee? The 5 dead things are formed vnder the waters, and neere vnto them. The graue is naked before him, and there is no couering for de- 6 struction. He stretcheth out the North ouer the emptie place, 7 and hangeth the earth vpon nothing. He bindeth the waters 8 in his cloudes, and the cloude is not broken vnder them. He 9 holdeth backe the face of his throne: and spreadeth his cloude vpon it. He hath set bounds about the waters, vntil the day 10 and night come to an ende. The pillars of heauen tremble and 11 quake at his reproofe. The sea is calme by his power, and by 12 his vnderstanding he smiteth the pride thereof. His Spirite 13 hath garnished the heavens, and his hand hath formed the crooked serpent. Loe, these are part of his wayes: but how 14 litle a portion heare we of him? and who can vnderstand his fearefull power?

Moreouer Iob proceeded and continued his parable, saying, 27 The liuing God hath taken away my iudgement: for the Almightie hath put my soule in bitternesse. Yet so long as my breath is 3 in me, and the Spirit of God in my nostrels, My lips surely 4 shall speake no wickednesse, and my tongue shall vtter no deceite. God forbid, that I should iustifie you: vntill I dye, I will 5 neuer take away mine innocencie from my selfe. I will keepe 6 my righteousnesse, and wil not forsake it: mine heart shall not reprooue me of my dayes. Mine enemie shall be as the wicked, 7 and he that riseth against me, as the vnrighteous. For what 8 hope hath the hypocrite when he hath heaped vp riches, if God take away his soule? Will God heare his cry, when trouble 9 commeth vpon him? Will he set his delight on the Almightie? 10

11 will he call vpon God at all times? I will teache you what is in the hande of God, and I wil not conceale that which is 12 with the Almightie. Beholde, all ye your selues haue seene 13 it: why then doe you thus vanish in vanitie? This is the portion of a wicked man with God, and the heritage of tyrants, 14 which they shall receive of the Almightie. If his children be in great nomber, the sworde shall destroy them, and his pos-15 teritie shall not be satisfied with bread. His remnant shall be 16 buried in death, and his widowes shall not weepe. Though he shoulde heape vp siluer as the dust, and prepare rayment as 17 the clay, He may prepare it, but the just shall put it on, and 18 the innocent shall deuide the siluer. He buildeth his house as 19 the moth, and as a lodge that the watchman maketh. When the rich man sleepeth, he shall not be gathered to his fathers: 20 they opened their eyes, and he was gone. Terrours shall take him as waters, and a tempest shall cary him away by night. 21 The East winde shall take him away, and he shall depart: and 22 it shall hurle him out of his place. And God shall cast vpon him and not spare, though he would faine flee out of his hand. 23 Euery man shall clap their hands at him, and hisse at him out of their place.

The siluer surely hath his veyne, and ye gold his place, 28 2 where they take it. Yron is taken out of the dust, and brasse 3 is molten out of the stone. God putteth an end to darkenesse, and he tryeth the perfection of all things: he setteth a bond of 4 darkenesse, and of the shadowe of death. The flood breaketh out against the inhabitant, and the waters forgotten of the 5 foote, being higher then man, are gone away. Out of the same earth commeth bread, and vnder it, as it were fire is turned The stones thereof are a place of saphirs, and the dust 7 of it is golde. There is a path which no foule hath knowen, 8 neyther hath the kites eye seene it. The lyons whelpes haue 9 not walked it, nor the lyon passed thereby. He putteth his hand vpon the rockes, and ouerthroweth the mountaines by 10 the rootes. He breaketh riuers in the rockes, and his eye seeth 11 euery precious thing. He bindeth the floods, that they doe not 12 ouerflowe, and the thing that is hid, bringeth he to light. But where is wisdome found? and where is the place of vnderstand-13 ing? Man knoweth not the price thereof: for it is not found in 14 the land of the liuing. The depth sayth, It is not in mee: the

sea also sayth, It is not with me. Golde shall not be given 15 for it, neyther shall siluer be weighed for the price thereof. It shall not be valued with the wedge of golde of Ophir, nor 16 with the precious onix, nor the saphir. The golde nor the 17 chrystall shall be equall vnto it, nor the exchange shalbe for plate of fine golde. No mention shall be made of coral, nor of 18 the gabish: for wisedome is more precious then pearles. Topaz of Ethiopia shall not be equal vnto it, neither shall it be valued with the wedge of pure gold. Whence then commeth 20 wisedome? and where is the place of vnderstanding, Seeing it 21 is hid from the eyes of all the liuing, and is hid from the foules of the heauen? Destruction and death say. We have heard the 22 fame thereof with our eares. But God vnderstandeth the way 23 thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof. For he beholdeth 24 the endes of the world, and seeth all that is vnder heauen, To 25 make the weight of the windes, and to weigh the waters by measure. When he made a decree for the rayne, and a way 26 for the lightening of the thunders, Then did he see it, and 27 counted it: he prepared it and also considered it. And vnto 28 man he said, Behold, the feare of the Lord is wisedome, and to depart from euil is vnderstanding.

So Iob proceeded and continued his parable, saying, Oh 29, 2 that I were as in times past, when God preserved me! When 3 his light shined vpon mine head: and when by his light I walked thorowe the darkenesse, As I was in the dayes of my youth: 4 when Gods prouidence was vpon my tabernacle: When the 5 almightie was yet with me, and my children round about me. When I washed my pathes with butter, and when the rocke 6 powred me out rivers of oyle: When I went out to the gate, 7 euen to the iudgement seat, and when I caused them to prepare my seate in the streete. The yong men saw me, and hid 8 themselues, and the aged arose, and stood vp. The princes 9 stayed talke, and layde their hand on their mouth. The voyce 10 of princes was hidde, and their tongue cleaued to the roofe of their mouth. And when the eare heard me, it blessed me; and 11 when the eve sawe me, it gaue witnesse to me. For I deli- 12 uered the poore that cryed, and the fatherlesse, and him that had none to helpe him. The blessing of him that was ready 13 to perish, came vpon me, and I caused the widowes heart to reiovce. I put on iustice, and it couered me: my iudgement 14

15 was as a robe, and a crowne. I was the eyes to the blinde, and 16 I was the feete to the lame. I was a father vnto the poore, and 17 when I knewe not the cause, I sought it out diligently. I brake also the chawes of the vnrighteous man, and pluckt the praye 18 out of his teeth. Then I sayde, I shall die in my nest, and I 19 shall multiplie my dayes as the sand. For my roote is spread 20 out by the water, and the dewe shall lye vpon my branche. My glory shall renue towarde me, and my bowe shall be restored 21 in mine hand. Vnto me men gaue eare, and wayted, and helde 22 their tongue at my counsell. After my wordes they replied not, 23 and my talke dropped vpon them. And they wayted for me, as for the raine, and they opened their mouth as for the latter 24 rayne. If I laughed on them, they beleeved it not: neither did 25 they cause the light of my countenance to fall. I appoynted out their way, and did sit as chiefe, and dwelt as a King in the army, and like him that comforteth the mourners.

Byt now they that are yonger then I, mocke me: yea, they 30 whose fathers I have refused to set with the dogges of my For whereto shoulde the strength of their handes 3 haue serued mee, seeing age perished in them? For pouertie and famine they were solitary, fleeing into the wildernes, 4 which is darke, desolate and waste. They cut vp nettels by 5 the bushes, and the iuniper rootes was their meate. were chased forth from among men: they shouted at them, as 6 at a theefe. Therfore they dwelt in the clefts of riuers, in the 7 holes of the earth and rockes. They roared among the bushes, 8 and vnder the thistles they gathered themselues. They were the children of fooles and the children of villaines, which were 9 more vile then the earth. And now am I their song, and I am 10 their talke. They abhorre me, and flee farre from mee, and 11 spare not to spit in my face. Because that God hath loosed my corde and humbled mee, they have loosed the bridle before The youth rise vp at my right hand: they have pusht my feete, and haue trode on me as on the paths of their de-They have destroyed my paths: they tooke plea-13 struction. 14 sure at my calamitie, they had none helpe. They came as a great breach of waters, and vnder this calamitie they come Feare is turned vpon mee: and they pursue my 15 on heapes. soule as the winde, and mine health passeth away as a cloude. 16 Therefore my soule is nowe powred out vpon me, and the dayes

of affliction haue taken holde on me. It pearceth my bones in 17 the night, and my sinewes take no rest. For the great vehe- 18 mencie is my garment changed, which compasseth me about as the colar of my coate. He hath cast me into the myre, and 19 I am become like ashes and dust. Whe I cry vnto thee, thou 20 doest not heare me, neither regardest me, when I stand vp. Thou turnest thy selfe cruelly against me, and art enemie vnto 21 mee with the strength of thine hand. Thou takest me vp and 22 causest mee to ride vpon the winde, and makest my strength Surely I knowe that thou wilt bring mee to death, 23 and to the house appointed for all the liuing. Doubtles none 24 can stretch his hand vnto the graue, though they cry in his destruction. Did not I weepe with him that was in trouble? was 25 not my soule in heauinesse for the poore? Yet when I looked 26 for good, euill came vnto me: and when I waited for light, there came darkenesse. My bowels did boyle without rest: for the 27 dayes of affliction are come vpon me. I went mourning with- 28 out sunne: I stood vp in the congregation and cryed. I am a 29 brother to the dragons, and a companion to the ostriches. My 30 skinne is blacke vpon me, and my bones are burnt with heate. Therefore mine harpe is turned to mourning, and mine organs 31 into the voyce of them that weepe.

I made a couenant with mine eyes: why then should I thinke 31 on a mayde? For what portion should I have of God from 2 aboue? and what inheritance of the Almightie from on hie? Is 3 not destruction to the wicked and strange punishment to the workers of iniquitie? Doeth not he beholde my wayes and tell 4 all my steps? If I have walked in vanitie, or if my foote hath 5 made haste to deceite, Let God weigh me in the just balance, 6 and he shall know mine vprightnes. If my steppe hath turned 7 out of the way, or mine heart hath walked after mine eye, or if any blot hath cleaued to mine handes, Let me sowe, and let 8 another eate: yea, let my plantes be rooted out. If mine heart 9 hath bene deceived by a woman, or if I have layde wayte at the doore of my neighbour, Let my wife grinde vnto another 10 man, and let other men bow downe vpon her: For this is a 11 wickednes, and iniquitie to bee condemned: Yea, this is a fire 12 that shall deuoure to destruction, and which shall roote out al mine increase, If I did contemne the judgement of my seru- 13 ant, and of my mayde, when they did contend with me. What 14

then shall I do when God standeth vp? and when he shall 15 visit me, what shall I answere? He that hath made me in the wombe, hath he not made him? hath not he alone facioned 16 vs in the wombe? If I restrained the poore of their desire, or 17 haue caused the eyes of the widow to faile, Or haue eaten my 18 morsels alone, and the fatherles hath not eaten thereof, (For from my youth hee hath growen vp with me as with a father, and from my mothers wombe I have bene a guide vnto her) 19 If I have seene any perish for want of clothing, or any poore 20 without couering, If his loynes haue not blessed me, because 21 he was warmed with the fleece of my sheepe, If I haue lift vp mine hande against the fatherlesse, when I saw that I might 22 helpe him in the gate, Let mine arme fal from my shoulder, 23 and mine arme be broken from the bone. For Gods punishment was fearefull vnto me, and I could not be deliuered from 24 his highnes. If I made gold mine hope, or haue sayd to the 25 wedge of golde, Thou art my confidence, If I reiovced because my substance was great, or because mine hand had gotten 26 much, If I did behold the sunne, when it shined, or the moone, 27 walking in her brightnes, If mine heart did flatter me in se-28 crete, or if my mouth did kisse mine hand, (This also had bene an iniquitie to be condemned: for I had denied the God aboue) 29 If I reiovced at his destruction that hated me, or was mooued 30 to joye when euill came vpon him, Neither haue I suffred my 31 mouth to sinne, by wishing a curse vnto his soule. Did not the men of my Tabernacle say, Who shall give vs of his flesh? we 32 can not bee satisfied. The stranger did not lodge in the streete, 33 but I opened my doores vnto him, that went by the way. If I haue hid my sinne, as Adam, concealing mine iniquitie in my 34 bosome, Though I could have made afraid a great multitude, yet the most contemptible of the families did feare me: so I kept 35 silence, and went not out of the doore. Oh that I had some to heare me! beholde my signe that the Almightie will witnesse for me: though mine aduersary should write a booke against 36 me, Woulde not I take it vpon my shoulder, and binde it as a 37 crowne vnto me? I will tell him the nomber of my goings, and 38 goe vnto him as to a prince. If my lande cry against me, or 39 the furrowes thereof complayne together, If I have eaten the fruites thereof without siluer: or if I have grieved the soules 40 of the masters thereof, Let thistles growe in steade of wheate, and cockle in the stead of Barley. The wordes of Iob are ended.

So these three men ceased to answere Iob, because he es- 32 teemed himselfe just. Then the wrath of Elihu the sonne of 2 Barachel the Buzite, of the familie of Ram, was kindled: his wrath, I say, was kindled against Iob, because he iustified himselfe more then God. Also his anger was kindled against his 3 three friends, because they could not finde an answere, and yet condemned Iob. (Now Elihu had wayted til Iob had spoken: 4 for they were more ancient in yeeres then he) So when Elihu 5 saw, that there was none answere in the mouth of the three men, his wrath was kindled. Therefore Elihu the sonne of 6 Barachel, the Buzite answered, and sayd, I am yong in yeres, and ye are ancient: therefore I doubted, and was afraide to shewe you mine opinion. For I said, The dayes shall speake, 7 and the multitude of yeeres shall teach wisedome. there is a spirite in man, but the inspiration of the Almightie giueth vnderstanding. Great men are not alway wise, neither 9 doe the aged alway understand judgement. Therefore I say. 10 Heare me, and I will shew also mine opinion. Behold, I did 11 waite vpon your wordes, and hearkened vnto your knowledge, whiles you sought out reasons. Yea, when I had considered 12 you, lo, there was none of you that reproued Iob, nor answered his wordes: Lest ve should say. We have found wisedome: for 13 God hath cast him downe, and no man. Yet hath he not di- 14 rected his words to me, neyther will I answere him by your Then they fearing, answered no more, but left off 15 their talke. When I had wayted (for they spake not, but stood 16 still and answered no more) Then answered I in my turne, 17 and I shewed mine opinion. For I am full of matter, and the 18 spirite within me compelleth me. Beholde, my belly is as the 19 wine, which hath no vent, and like the new bottels that brast. Therefore will I speake, that I may take breath: I will open 20 my lippes, and will answere. I will not now accept the person 21 of man, neyther will I giue titles to man. For I may not giue 22 titles, lest my Maker should take me away suddenly.

Wherefore, Iob, I pray thee, heare my talke and hearken 33 vnto all my wordes. Beholde now, I haue opened my mouth: 2 my tongue hath spoken in my mouth. My words are in the 3 vprightnesse of mine heart, and my lippes shall speake pure knowledge. The Spirite of God hath made me, and the breath 4

5 of the Almightie hath given me life. If thou canst give me an-6 swere, prepare thy selfe and stand before me. Beholde, I am according to thy wish in Gods stead: I am also formed of the 7 clay. Beholde, my terrour shall not feare thee, neither shall 8 mine hand be heavie vpon thee. Doubtles thou hast spoken 9 in mine eares, and I have heard the voyce of thy wordes. am cleane, without sinne: I am innocent, and there is none in-10 iquitie in me. Lo, he hath found occasions against me, and 11 counted me for his enemie. He hath put my feete in the 12 stockes, and looketh narrowly vnto all my paths. Behold, in this hast thou not done right: I will answere thee, that God is 13 greater then man. Why doest thou striue against him? for he 14 doeth not give account of all his matters. For God speaketh 15 once or twise, and one seeth it not. In dreames and visions of the night, when sleepe falleth vpon men, and they sleepe 16 vpon their beds. Then he openeth the eares of men, euen by 17 their corrections, which he had sealed. That he might cause man to turne away from his enterprise, and that he might hide 18 the pride of man. And keepe backe his soule from the pit, and 19 that his life should not passe by the sword. He is also striken 20 with sorow vpon his bed, and the griefe of his bones is sore. So that his life causeth him to abhorre bread, and his soule dain-21 tie meate. His flesh faileth that it can not be seene, and his 22 bones which were not seene, clatter. So his soule draweth to 23 the graue, and his life to the buriers. If there be a messenger with him, or an interpreter, one of a thousand to declare vnto 24 man his righteousnesse, Then will he haue mercie vpon him, and will say, Deliuer him, that he go not downe into the pit: 25 for I have received a reconciliation. Then shall his flesh be as fresh as a childes, and shall returne as in the dayes of his 26 youth. He shall pray vnto God, and he will be fauourable vnto him, and he shall see his face with ioy: for he will render vnto 27 man his righteousnes. He looketh vpon men, and if one say, I haue sinned, and peruerted righteousnesse, and it did not prof-28 ite me, He will deliuer his soule from going into the pit, and 29 his life shall see the light. Lo, all these things will God worke 30 twise or thrise with a man, That he may turne backe his soule 31 from the pit, to be illuminate in the light of the liuing. Marke 32 well, O Iob, and heare me: keepe silence, and I will speake. If there be matter, answere me, and speak: for I desire to iustifie

thee. If thou hast not, heare me: holde thy tongue, and I will 33 teach thee wisedome.

Moreouer Elihu answered, and saide, Heare my wordes, 34, 2 ye wise men, and hearken vnto me, ye that haue knowledge. For the eare tryeth the words, as the mouth tasteth meate. 3 Let vs seeke iudgement among vs, and let vs knowe among 4 our selues what is good. For Iob hath saide, I am righteous, 5 and God hath taken away my judgement. Should I lye in my 6 right? my wound of the arrowe is grieuous without my sinne. What man is like Iob, that drinketh scornfulnesse like water? 7 Which goeth in the companie of them that worke iniquitie, and 8 walketh with wicked men? For he hath saide, It profiteth a 9 man nothing that he should walke with God. Therefore hear- 10 ken vnto me, ve men of wisedome, God forbid that wickednesse should be in God, and iniquitie in the Almightie. For 11 he will render vnto man according to his worke, and cause euery one to finde according to his way. And certainely God will 12 not do wickedly, neither will the Almightie peruert judgement. Whome hath he appointed ouer the earth beside him selfe? or 13 who hath placed the whole worlde? If he set his heart vpon 14 man, and gather vnto him selfe his spirit and his breath. All 15 flesh shall perish together, and man shall returne vnto dust. And if thou hast vnderstanding, heare this and hearken to the 16 voyce of my wordes. Shal he that hateth judgement, gouerne? 17 and wilt thou judge him wicked that is most just? Wilt thou 18 say vnto a King, Thou art wicked? or to princes, Ye are vngodly? How much lesse to him that accepteth not the persons 19 of princes, and regardeth not the rich, more then the poore? for they be all the worke of his handes. They shall die suddenly, 20 and the people shalbe troubled at midnight, and they shall passe foorth and take away the mightie without hand. his eyes are vpon the wayes of man, and he seeth all his goings. There is no darkenesse nor shadowe of death, that the workers 22 of iniquitie might be hid therein. For he will not lay on man so 23 much, that he should enter into judgement with God. He shall 24 breake the mightie without seeking, and shall set vp other in their stead. Therefore shall he declare their works: he shall 25 turne the night, and they shalbe destroyed. He striketh them 26 as wicked men in the places of the seers, Because they have 27 turned backe from him, and would not consider all his waves:

28 So that they have caused the voyce of the poore to come vnto 29 him, and he hath heard the cry of the afflicted. And when he giueth quietnesse, who can make trouble? and when he hideth his face, who can beholde him, whether it be vpon nations, or 30 vpon a man onely? Because the hypocrite doeth reigne, and 31 because the people are snared. Surely it appertaineth vnto 32 God to say, I have pardoned, I will not destroy. But if I see not, 33 teach thou me: if I have done wickedly, I will doe no more. Wil he performe the thing through thee? for thou hast reproued it, because that thou hast chosen, and not I. now speake what 34 thou knowest. Let men of vnderstanding tell me, and let a 35 wise man hearken vnto me. Iob hath not spoken of knowl-36 edge, neyther were his wordes according to wisedome. I desire that Iob may be tryed, vnto the ende touching the answeres for 37 wicked men. For he addeth rebellion vnto his sinne: he clappeth his handes among vs, and multiplieth his wordes against God.

Elihu spake moreouer, and said, Thinkest thou this right, **35**. 2 3 that thou hast said, I am more righteous then God? For thou hast said, What profiteth it thee and what auaileth it me, to 4 purge me from my sinne? Therefore will I answere thee, and 5 thy companions with thee. Looke vnto the heauen, and see 6 and behold the cloudes which are hver then thou. sinnest, what doest thou against him, yea, when thy sinnes be 7 many, what doest thou vnto him? If thou be righteous, what giuest thou vnto him? or what receiueth he at thine hand? 8 Thy wickednesse may hurt a man as thou art: and thy righ-9 teousnes may profite ve sonne of man. They cause many that are oppressed, to crye, which crye out for ye violence of the 10 mightie. But none saieth, Where is God that made me, which 11 giueth songs in the nyght? Which teacheth vs more then the beastes of the earth, and giueth vs more wisdome then the 12 foules of the heaven. Then they crye because of the violence of 13 the wicked, but he answereth not. Surely God will not heare 14 vanitie, neyther will the Almightie regard it. Although thou sayest to God, Thou wilt not regard it, yet iudgement is before 15 him: trust thou in him. But nowe because his anger hath not visited, nor called to count the euill with great extremi-16 tie, Therfore Iob openeth his mouth in vaine, and multiplieth wordes without knowledge.

Elihu also proceeded and sayde, Suffer me a litle, and I 36, 2 will instruct thee: for I have yet to speake on Gods behalfe. I will fetche my knowledge afarre off, and will attribute righteousnes vnto my Maker. For truely my wordes shall not be 4 false, and he that is perfect in knowledge, speaketh with thee. Behold, the mighty God casteth away none that is mighty and 5 valiant of courage. He mainteineth not the wicked, but he 6 giueth iudgement to the afflicted. He withdraweth not his 7 eyes from the righteous, but they are with Kings in ye throne, where he placeth them for euer: thus they are exalted. And 8 if they bee bound in fetters and tyed with the cordes of affliction. Then will he shewe them their worke and their sinnes, 9 because they have bene proude. He openeth also their eare to 10 discipline, and commandeth them that they returne from iniguity. If they obey and serue him, they shall end their dayes 11 in prosperity, and their yeres in pleasures. But if they wil 12 not obey, they shall passe by the sworde, and perish without knowledge. But the hypocrites of heart increase the wrath: 13 for they call not when he bindeth them. Their soule dyeth in 14 youth, and their life among the whoremongers. He deliuereth 15 the poore in his affliction, and openeth their eare in trouble. Euen so woulde he have taken thee out of the streight place 16 into a broade place and not shut vp beneath: and that which resteth vpon thy table, had bene full of fat. But thou art ful 17 of the iudgement of the wicked, though iudgement and equitie maintaine all things. For Gods wrath is, least hee should 18 take that away in thine abundance: for no multitude of giftes can deliuer thee. Wil he regard thy riches? he regardeth not 19 golde, nor all them that excel in strength. Be not carefull in 20 the night, howe he destroyeth the people out of their place. Take thou heede: looke not to iniquitie: for thou hast chosen 21 it rather then affliction. Beholde, God exalteth by his power: 22 what teacher is like him? Who hath appointed to him his 23 way? or who can say, Thou hast done wickedly? Remember 24 that thou magnifie his worke, which men behold. All men 25 see it, and men beholde it afarre off. Beholde, God is excel- 26 lent, and we knowe him not, neither can the nomber of his yeres bee searched out. When he restraineth the droppes of 27 water, the rayne powreth down by the vapour thereof, Which 28 raine the cloudes do droppe and let fall abundantly vpon man.

Who can know the diuisions of ye clouds and the thunders of his tabernacle? Beholde, he spreadeth his light vpon it, and couereth the bottome of the sea. For thereby hee iudgeth the people, and giueth meate abundantly. He couereth the light with the clouds, and commandeth them to go against it. His companion sheweth him thereof, and there is anger in rising vp.

**37** At this also mine heart is astonied, and is mooued out of his 2 place. Heare the sound of his voyce, and the noyse that goeth 3 out of his mouth. He directeth it vnder the whole heauen, 4 and his light vnto the endes of the world. After it a noyse soundeth: hee thundereth with the voyce of his maiestie, and 5 hee will not stay them when his voyce is heard. dereth marueilously with his voyce: he worketh great things, 6 which we know not. For he sayth to the snowe, Be thou vpon the earth: likewise to the small ravne and to the great ravne of 7 his power. With the force thereof he shutteth vp euery man, 8 that all men may know his worke. Then the beastes go into 9 the denne, and remaine in their places. The whirlewind com-10 meth out of the South, and the colde from the North winde. At the breath of God the frost is giuen, and the breadth of the wa-11 ters is made narrowe. He maketh also the cloudes to labour. 12 to water the earth, and scattereth the cloude of his light. And it is turned about by his gouernment, that they may doe what-13 soeuer he commandeth them vpon the whole worlde: Whether it be for punishment, or for his lande, or of mercie, he causeth 14 it to come. Hearken vnto this, O Iob: stand and consider the 15 wonderous workes of God. Diddest thou knowe when God dis-16 posed them? and caused the light of his cloud to shine? Hast thou knowen the varietie of the cloude, and the wonderous 17 workes of him, that is perfite in knowledge? Or howe thy clothes are warme, when he maketh the earth quiet through 18 the South winde? Hast thou stretched out the heaves, which 19 are strong, and as a molten glasse? Tell vs what we shall say vnto him: for we can not dispose our matter because of 20 darknes. Shall it be told him when I speake? or shall man 21 speake when he shalbe destroyed? And nowe men see not the light, which shineth in the cloudes, but the winde pas-22 seth and clenseth them. The brightnesse commeth out of the 23 North: the praise thereof is to God, which is terrible. It is

the Almightie: we can not finde him out: he is excellent in power and iudgement, and aboundant in iustice: he afflicteth not. Let men therefore feare him: for he will not regarde any 24 that are wise in their owne conceit.

Then answered the Lord vnto Iob out of the whirle winde, 38 and said, Who is this that darkeneth the counsell by wordes 2 without knowledge? Girde vp nowe thy loynes like a man: I 3 will demande of thee and declare thou vnto me. Where wast 4 thou when I layd the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast vnderstanding. Who hath layde the measures thereof, if 5 thou knowest, or who hath stretched the line ouer it: Where- 6 upon are the foundations thereof set: or who laved the corner stone thereof: When the starres of the morning praysed me 7 together, and all the children of God reiovced: Or who hath 8 shut vp the Sea with doores, when it yssued and came foorth as out of the wombe: When I made the cloudes as a couer- 9 ing thereof, and darkenesse as the swadeling bands thereof: When I stablished my commandement vpon it, and set bar- 10 res and doores. And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no 11 farther, and here shall it stay thy proude waves. Hast thou 12 commanded the morning since thy dayes? hast thou caused the morning to knowe his place. That it might take hold of 13 the corners of the earth, and that the wicked might be shaken out of it? It is turned as clay to facion, and all stand vp as 14 a garment. And from the wicked their light shall be taken 15 away, and the hie arme shalbe broken. Hast thou entred into 16 the bottomes of the sea? or hast thou walked to seeke out the depth? Haue the gates of death bene opened vnto thee? or 17 hast thou seene the gates of the shadowe of death? Hast thou 18 perceived the breadth of the earth? tell if thou knowest all this. Where is the way where light dwelleth? and where is 19 the place of darkenesse, That thou shouldest receive it in the 20 boundes thereof, and that thou shouldest knowe the paths to the house thereof? Knewest thou it, because thou wast then 21 borne, and because the nomber of thy dayes is great? Hast 22 thou entred into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seene the treasures of ye haile. Which I have hid against the time 23 of trouble, against the day of warre and battell? By what way 24 is the light parted, which scattereth the East winde vpon the earth? Who hath deuided the spowtes for the raine? or the 25

26 way for the lightning of ye thunders, To cause it to raine on the earth where no man is, and in the wildernes where there 27 is no man? To fulfil the wilde and waste place, and to cause 28 the bud of the herbe to spring forth? Who is the father of the 29 rayne? or who hath begotten the droppes of the dewe? Out of whose wombe came the yee? who hath ingendred the frost of 30 the heauen? The waters are hid as with a stone: and the face 31 of the depth is frosen. Canst thou restraine the sweete influ-32 ences of the Pleiades? or loose the bandes of Orion? thou bring foorth Mazzaroth in their time? canst thou also 33 guide Arcturus with his sonnes? Knowest thou the course of 34 heaven, or canst thou set the rule thereof in the earth? Canst thou lift vp thy voice to the cloudes that the aboundance of wa-35 ter may couer thee? Canst thou sende the lightenings that 36 they may walke, and say vnto thee, Loe, heere we are? Who hath put wisedome in the reines? or who hath given the heart 37 vnderstanding? Who can nomber cloudes by wisedome? or 38 who can cause to cease the bottels of heave. When the earth groweth into hardnesse, and the clottes are fast together?

Wilt thou hunt the pray for the lyon? or fill the appetite of 39 2 the lyons whelpes, When they couch in their places, and re-3 maine in the couert to lye in waite? Who prepareth for the rauen his meate, when his birdes crie vnto God, wandering for 4 lacke of meate? Knowest thou the time when the wilde goates bring foorth yong? or doest thou marke when the hindes doe 5 calue? Canst thou nomber the moneths that they fulfill? or 6 knowest thou the time when they bring foorth? They bow them selues: they bruise their yong and cast out their sorowes. 7 Yet their yong waxe fatte, and growe vp with corne: they goe 8 foorth and returne not vnto them. Who hath set the wilde asse at libertie? or who hath loosed the bondes of the wilde 9 asse? It is I which have made the wildernesse his house, and 10 the salt places his dwellings. He derideth the multitude of 11 the citie: he heareth not the crie of the driver. He seeketh out the mountaine for his pasture, and searcheth after euery 12 greene thing. Will the vnicorne serue thee? or will he tary by 13 thy cribbe? Canst thou binde the vnicorne with his band to labour in the furrowe? or will he plowe the valleyes after thee? 14 Wilt thou trust in him, because his strength is great, and cast 15 off thy labour vnto him? Wilt thou beleeue him, that he will

bring home thy seede, and gather it vnto thy barne? Hast 16 thou given the pleasant wings vnto the peacockes? or winges and feathers vnto the ostriche? Which leaueth his egges in 17 the earth, and maketh them hote in the dust. And forgetteth 18 that the foote might scatter the, or that the wild beast might breake the. He sheweth himselfe cruell vnto his yong ones, 19 as they were not his, and is without feare, as if he trauailed in vaine. For God had depriued him of wisedom, and hath giuen 20 him no part of vnderstanding. When time is, he mounteth on 21 hie: he mocketh the horse and his rider. Hast thou given the 22 horse strength? or couered his necke with neving? Hast thou 23 made him afraid as the grashopper? his strong neying is fearefull. He diggeth in the valley, and reioyceth in his strength: 24 he goeth foorth to meete the harnest man. He mocketh at 25 feare, and is not afraid, and turneth not backe from the sworde, Though the quiuer rattle against him, the glittering speare 26 and the shield. He swalloweth the ground for fearcenes and 27 rage, and he believeth not that it is the noise of the trumpet. He sayth among the trumpets, Ha, ha: hee smellleth the bat- 28 tell afarre off, and the noyse of the captaines, and the shouting. Shall the hauke flie by thy wisedome, stretching out his wings 29 toward the South? Doeth the eagle mount vp at thy comman- 30 dement, or make his nest on hie? Shee abideth and remaineth 31 in the rocke, euen vpon the toppe of the rocke, and the tower. From thence she spieth for meate, and her eyes beholde afarre 32 off. His young ones also sucke vp blood: and where the slaine 33 are, there is she. Moreouer ye Lord spake vnto Iob, and said, Is this to learne to striue with the Almightie? he that reprooueth God, let him answere to it. Then Iob answered the Lord, saying, Beholde, I am vile: what shall I answere thee? I will 37 lay mine hand vpon my mouth. Once haue I spoken, but I will 38 answere no more, yea twise, but I will proceede no further.

Againe the Lord answered Iob out of the whirle winde, and said, Girde vp now thy loynes like a man: I will demaunde of 2 thee, and declare thou vnto me. Wilt thou disanul my iudge-3 ment? or wilt thou condemne me, that thou mayst be iustified? Or hast thou an arme like God? or doest thou thunder 4 with a voyce like him? Decke thy selfe now with maiestie and 5 excellencie, and aray thy selfe with beautie and glory. Cast 6 abroad the indignation of thy wrath, and beholde every one

7 that is proude, and abase him. Looke on euery one that is arrogant, and bring him lowe: and destroy the wicked in their 8 place. Hide them in the dust together, and binde their faces 9 in a secret place. Then will I confesse vnto thee also, that 10 thy right hand can saue thee. Behold now Behemoth (whom I 11 made with thee) which eateth grasse as an oxe. Behold now, his strength is in his loynes, and his force is in the nauil of 12 his belly. When hee taketh pleasure, his taile is like a cedar: 13 the sinews of his stones are wrapt together. His bones are like staues of brasse, and his small bones like staues of vron. 14 He is the chiefe of the waves of God: he that made him, will 15 make his sworde to approch vnto him. Surely the mountaines bring him foorth grasse, where all the beastes of the fielde play. 16 Lyeth hee vnder the trees in the couert of the reede and fennes? 17 Can the trees couer him with their shadow? or can the wil-18 lowes of the river compasse him about? Behold, he spoyleth the riuer, and hasteth not: he trusteth that he can draw vp Ior-19 den into his mouth. Hee taketh it with his eyes, and thrusteth 20 his nose through whatsoeuer meeteth him. Canst thou drawe out Liuiathan with an hooke, and with a line which thou shalt 21 cast downe vnto his tongue? Canst thou cast an hooke into his 22 nose? canst thou perce his iawes with an angle? Will he make 23 many prayers vnto thee, or speake thee faire? Will hee make a couenant with thee? and wilt thou take him as a seruant for 24 euer? Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? or wilt thou 25 bynd him for thy maydes? Shall the companions baket with 26 him? shall they deuide him among the marchants? thou fill the basket with his skinne? or the fishpanier with his 27 head? Lay thine hand vpon him: remember the battel, and 28 do no more so. Behold, his hope is in vaine: for shall not one perish euen at the sight of him?

None is so fearce that dare stirre him vp. Who is he then that can stand before me? Who hath preuented mee that I shoulde make an ende? Al vnder heauen is mine. I will not keepe silence concerning his partes, nor his power nor his comely proportion. Who can discouer the face of his garmet? or who shall come to him with a double bridle? Who shall open the doores of his face? his teeth are fearefull round about. The maiestie of his scales is like strog shields, and are sure sealed. One is set to another, that no winde can come betweene them.

One is ioyned to another: they sticke together, that they can- 8 not be sundered. His niesings make the light to shine, and his 9 eyes are like the eyelids of the morning. Out of his mouth go 10 lampes, and sparkes of fire leape out. Out of his nostrels com- 11 meth out smoke, as out of a boyling pot or caldron. His breath 12 maketh the coales burne: for a flame goeth out of his mouth. In his necke remayneth strength, and labour is rejected before 13 his face. The members of his bodie are joyned: they are strong 14 in themselues, and cannot be mooued. His heart is as strong 15 as a stone, and as hard as the nether milstone. The mightie 16 are afrayd of his maiestie, and for feare they faint in themselues. When the sword doeth touch him, he will not rise vp, 17 nor for the speare, dart nor habergeon. He esteemeth yron 18 as strawe, and brasse as rotten wood. The archer canot make 19 him flee: ye stones of the sling are turned into stubble vnto him: The dartes are counted as strawe: and hee laugheth at 20 the shaking of the speare. Sharpe stones are vnder him, and 21 he spreadeth sharpe things vpon the myre. He maketh the 22 depth to boyle like a pot, and maketh the sea like a pot of ovntment. He maketh a path to shine after him: one would thinke 23 the depth as an hoare head. In the earth there is none like 24 him: hee is made without feare. He beholdeth al hie things: 25 he is a King ouer all the children of pride.

Then Iob answered the Lord, and sayd, I know that thou 42, 2 canst doe all things, and that there is no thought hidde from Who is hee that hideth counsell without knowledge? 3 therefore haue I spoken that I vnderstood not, euen things too wonderfull for me, and which I knew not. Heare, I beseech 4 thee, and I will speake: I will demaunde of thee, and declare thou vnto me. I have heard of thee by the hearing of the eare, 5 but now mine eye seeth thee. Therefore I abhorre my selfe, 6 and repent in dust and ashes. Now after that the Lord had 7 spoken these wordes vnto Iob, ye Lord also said vnto Eliphaz ye Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for yee haue not spoken of me the thing that is right, like my seruant Iob. Therefore take vnto you nowe 8 seuen bullockes, and seuen rammes, and go to my seruant Iob, and offer vp for your selues a burnt offring, and my seruant Iob shall pray for you: for I wil accept him, least I should put you to shame, because ye have not spoken of me the thing,

9 which is right, like my seruant Iob. So Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the Lord had saide vnto them, and the 10 Lord accepted Iob. Then the Lord turned the captiuitie of Iob, when he prayed for his friends: also the Lord gaue Iob twise so much as he had before. Then came vnto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had bene of his acquaintance before, and did eate bread with him in his house, and had compassion of him, and comforted him for all the euil, that the Lord had brought vpon him, and euery man gaue him a piece of 12 money, and euery one an earing of golde. So the Lord blessed the last dayes of Iob more then the first: for he had foureteene thousand sheepe, and sixe thousand camels, and a thousand 13 voke of oxen, and a thousand shee asses. He had also seue 14 sonnes, and three daughters. And he called the name of one Iemimah, and the name of the seconde Keziah, and the name 15 of the third Keren-happuch. In all the lande were no women found so faire as the daughters of Iob, and their father gaue 16 them inheritaunce among their brethren. And after this liued Iob an hundreth and fourtie yeres, and sawe his sonnes, 17 and his sonnes sonnes, euen foure generations. So Iob dved, being old, and full of dayes.

## THE BOOK OF PSALMS.

of the wicked, nor stand in the way of sinners, nor sit in ye seate of the scornefull: But his delite is in the 2 Lawe of the Lord, and in his Lawe doeth he meditate day and night. For he shall be like a tree planted by the riuers of waters, that will bring foorth her fruite in due season: whose leafe shall not fade: so whatsoeuer he shall doe, shall prosper. The wicked are not so, but as the chaffe, which the 4 winde driueth away. Therefore the wicked shall not stande in 5 the iudgement, nor sinners in the assemblie of the righteous. For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, and the way of 6 the wicked shall perish.

Why doe the heathen rage, and the people murmure in vaine? 2 The Kings of the earth band themselues, and the princes are 2 assembled together against the Lord, and against his Christ. Let vs breake their bands, and cast their cordes from vs. But 3,4 he that dwelleth in the heauen, shall laugh: the Lord shall haue them in derision. Then shall hee speake vnto them in his 5 wrath, and vexe them in his sore displeasure, saying, Euen I 6 haue set my King vpon Zion mine holy mountaine. I will de- 7 clare the decree: that is, the Lord hath said vnto me, Thou art my Sonne: this day haue I begotten thee. Aske of me, and I 8 shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the endes of the earth for thy possession. Thou shalt krush them 9 with a scepter of yron, and breake them in pieces like a potters vessell. Be wise nowe therefore, ye Kings: be learned ye 10 Iudges of the earth. Serue the Lord in feare, and reioyce in 11 trembling. Kisse the sonne, least he be angry, and ye perish 12 in the way, when his wrath shall suddenly burne. blessed are all that trust in him.

A Psalme of Dauid, when he fled from his sonne Absalom. 3 Lord, howe are mine aduersaries increased? howe many rise against me? Many say to my soule, There is no helpe for him 2 in God. Selah. But thou Lord art a buckler for me: my glory, 3 and the lifter vp of mine head. I did call vnto the Lord with 4 my voyce, and he heard me out of his holy mountaine. Selah.

I layed me downe and slept, and rose vp againe: for the Lord susteined me. I will not be afrayde for ten thousand of the people, that should beset me round about. O Lord, arise: helpe me, my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies vpon the cheeke bone: thou hast broken the teeth of the wicked. Saluation belongeth vnto the Lord, and thy blessing is vpon thy people. Selah.

To him that excelleth on Neginoth. A Psalme of Dauid. 4 Heare me when I call, O God of my righteousnes: thou hast set me at libertie, when I was in distresse: haue mercie vpon 2 me and hearken vnto my prayer. O ye sonnes of men, howe long will yee turne my glory into shame, louing vanitie, and 3 seeking lyes? Selah. For be ye sure that the Lord hath chosen to himselfe a godly man: the Lord will heare when I call 4 vnto him. Tremble, and sinne not: examine your owne heart 5 vpon your bed, and be still. Selah. Offer the sacrifices of righ-6 teousnes, and trust in the Lord. Many say, Who will shewe vs any good? but Lord, lift vp the light of thy countenance vpon 7 vs. Thou hast given mee more iove of heart, then they have 8 had, when their wheate and their wine did abound. I will lay mee downe, and also sleepe in peace: for thou, Lord, onely makest me dwell in safetie.

To him that excelleth upon Nehiloth. A Psalme of Dauid. 2 Heare my wordes, O Lord: vnderstande my meditation. Hearken vnto the voyce of my crie, my King and my God: for vnto 3 thee doe I pray. Heare my voyce in the morning, O Lord: for 4 in the morning will I direct me vnto thee, and I will waite. For thou art not a God that loueth wickednes: neither shall euill 5 dwell with thee. The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: for 6 thou hatest all them that worke iniquitie. Thou shalt destroy them that speake lyes: the Lord will abhorre the bloodie man 7 and deceitfull. But I wil come into thine house in the multitude of thy mercie: and in thy feare will I worship toward thine 8 holy Temple. Leade me, O Lord, in thy righteousnes, because 9 of mine enemies: make thy way plaine before my face. no constancie is in their mouth: within, they are very corruption: their throte is an open sepulchre, and they flatter with 10 their tongue. Destroy them, O God: let them fall from their counsels: cast them out for the multitude of their iniquities, 11 because they have rebelled against thee. And let all them that trust in thee, reioyce and triumph for euer, and couer thou them: and let them, that loue thy Name, reioyce in thee. For 12 thou Lord wilt blesse the righteous, and with fauour wilt compasse him, as with a shielde.

To him that excelleth on Neginoth upon the eith tune. A 6 Psalme of Dauid. O lord, rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chastise me in thy wrath. Haue mercie vpon me, O Lord, for 2 I am weake: O Lord heale me, for my bones are vexed. My 3 soule is also sore troubled: but Lord how long wilt thou delay? Returne, O Lord: deliuer my soule: saue me for thy mercies 4 sake. For in death there is no remembrance of thee: in the 5 graue who shall prayse thee? I fainted in my mourning: I 6 cause my bed euery night to swimme, and water my couch with my teares. Mine eye is dimmed for despight, and sunke in 7 because of all mine enemies. Away from mee all ye workers 8 of iniquitie: for the Lord hath heard the voyce of my weeping. The Lord hath heard my petition: the Lord will receiue my 9 prayer. All mine enemies shall be confounded and sore vexed: 10 they shall be turned backe, and put to shame suddenly.

Shigaion of Dauid, which he sang unto the Lord, concerning 7 the wordes of Chush the sonne of Iemini. O Lord my God, in thee I put my trust: saue me from all that persecute me, and deliuer me. Least he deuoure my soule like a lion, and teare 2 it in pieces, while there is none to helpe. O Lord my God, if I 3 haue done this thing, if there be any wickednes in mine handes, If I have rewarded euill vnto him that had peace with 4 mee, (yea I have delivered him that vexed me without cause) Then let the enemie persecute my soule and take it: yea, let 5 him treade my life downe vpon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust. Selah. Arise, O Lord, in thy wrath, and lift vp 6 thy selfe against the rage of mine enemies, and awake for mee according to the judgement that thou hast appointed. So shall 7 the Congregation of the people compasse thee about: for their sakes therefore returne on hie. The Lord shall judge the peo-8 ple: Iudge thou me, O Lord, according to my righteousnesse, and according to mine innocencie, that is in mee. Oh let the 9 malice of the wicked come to an ende: but guide thou the iust: for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reines. Mv de- 10 fence is in God, who preserueth the vpright in heart. God iud- 11 geth the righteous, and him that contemneth God euery day.

Except he turne, he hath whet his sword: he hath bent his bowe and made it readie. Hee hath also prepared him deadly weapons: hee will ordeine his arrowes for them that persecute
me. Beholde, hee shall trauaile with wickednes: for he hath conceiued mischiefe, but he shall bring foorth a lye. Hee hath made a pitte and digged it, and is fallen into the pit that he
made. His mischiefe shall returne vpon his owne head, and his crueltie shall fall vpon his owne pate. I wil praise the Lord according to his righteousnes, and will sing praise to the Name of the Lord most high.

To him that excelleth on Gittith. A Psalme of Dauid. O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy Name in all the worlde!

which hast set thy glory aboue the heauens. Out of the mouth of babes and suckelings hast thou ordeined strength, because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemie and the auenger. When I beholde thine heauens, euen the workes of thy fingers, the moone and the starres which thou hast ordeined, What is man, say I, that thou art mindefull of him? and the sonne of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower then God, and crowned him with glory and worship. Thou hast made him to haue dominion in the workes of thine hands: thou hast put all things vnder his feete: 7,8 All sheepe and oxen: yea, and the beastes of the fielde: The foules of the ayre, and the fish of the sea, and that which passeth through the paths of the seas. O Lord our Lord, howe

excellent is thy Name in all the world!

I will praise the Lord with my whole heart: I will speake of all thy marueilous workes. I will bee glad, and reioyce in thee: I will sing praise to thy Name, O most High, For that mine enemies are turned backe: they shall fall, and perish at thy presence. For thou hast maintained my right and my cause: thou art set in the throne, and iudgest right. Thou hast rebuked the heathen: thou hast destroyed the wicked: thou hast put out their name for euer and euer. O enemie, destructions are come to a perpetual end, and thou hast destroyed the cities: their memoriall is perished with them. But the Lord shall sit for euer: hee hath prepared his throne for iudgement. For he shall iudge the worlde in righteousnes, and shall iudge the people with equitie. The Lord also wil be a refuge for the poore, a

refuge in due time, euen in affliction. And they that know thy 10 Name, will trust in thee: for thou, Lord, hast not failed them Sing praises to the Lord, which dwelleth in 11 that seeke thee. Zion: shewe the people his workes. For whe he maketh in- 12 quisition for blood, hee remembreth it, and forgetteth not the complaint of the poore. Haue mercie vpon mee, O Lord: con- 13 sider my trouble which I suffer of them that hate mee, thou that liftest me vp from the gates of death, That I may shewe 14 all thy praises within the gates of the daughter of Zion, and reiovce in thy saluation. The heathen are sunken downe in 15 the pit that they made: in the nette that they hid, is their foote taken. The Lord is known by executing judgement: the 16 wicked is snared in the worke of his owne handes. Higgaion. Selah. The wicked shall turne into hell, and all nations that 17 forget God. For the poore shall not bee alway forgotten: the 18 hope of the afflicted shall not perish for euer. Vp Lord: let 19 not man preuaile: let the heathen be judged in thy sight. Put 20 them in feare, O Lord, that the heathen may knowe that they are but men. Selah.

Why standest thou farre off, O Lord, and hidest thee in due 10 time, euen in affliction? The wicked with pride doeth per- 2 secute the poore: let them be taken in the craftes that they haue imagined. For the wicked hath made boast of his owne 3 heartes desire, and the couetous blesseth himselfe: he contemneth the Lord. The wicked is so proude that hee seeketh not 4 for God: hee thinketh alwayes, There is no God. His wayes al- 5 way prosper: thy iudgements are hie aboue his sight: therefore defieth he all his enemies. He saith in his heart, I shall neuer 6 be moued, nor be in danger. His mouth is full of cursing and 7 deceite and fraude: vnder his tongue is mischiefe and iniquitie. He lieth in waite in the villages: in the secret places doeth hee 8 murder the innocent: his eyes are bent against the poore. He 9 lyeth in waite secretly, euen as a lyon in his denne: he lyeth in waite to spoyle the poore: he doeth spoyle the poore, when he draweth him into his net. He croucheth and boweth: there- 10 fore heaps of the poore doe fall by his might. He hath said 11 in his heart, God hath forgotten, he hideth away his face, and will neuer see. Arise, O Lord God: lift vp thine hande: forget 12 not the poore. Wherefore doeth the wicked contemne God? he 13 saith in his heart, Thou wilt not regard. Yet thou hast seene 14

it: for thou beholdest mischiefe and wrong, that thou mayest take it into thine handes: the poore committeth himselfe vnto thee: for thou art the helper of the fatherlesse. Breake thou the arme of the wicked and malicious: searche his wickednes, and thou shalt finde none. The Lord is King for euer and euer: the heathen are destroyed foorth of his land. Lord, thou hast heard the desire of the poore: thou preparest their heart: thou bendest thine eare to them, To judge the fatherlesse and poore, that earthly man cause to feare no more.

- In the Lord put I my trust: howe say yee then to my soule, Flee to your mountaine as a birde? For loe, the wicked bende their bowe, and make readie their arrowes vpon the string, that they may secretly shoote at them, which are vpright in heart. For the foundations are cast downe: what hath the righteous done? The Lord is in his holy palace: the Lordes throne is in the heauen: his eyes wil consider: his eye lids will try the children of men. The Lord will try the righteous: but the wicked and him that loueth iniquitie, doeth his soule hate. Vpon the wicked he shall raine snares, fire, and brimstone, and stormie tempest: this is the porcion of their cup. For the righteous Lord loueth righteousnes: his countenance doeth beholde the just.
- To him that excelleth upon the eight tune. A Psalme of **12** Dauid. Helpe Lord, for there is not a godly man left: for the 2 faithfull are fayled from among the children of men. speake deceitfully euery one with his neighbour, flattering with 3 their lips, and speake with a double heart. The Lord cut off all flattering lippes, and the tongue that speaketh proude things: 4 Which haue saide, With our tongue will we preuaile: our lippes 5 are our owne: who is Lord ouer vs? Now for the oppression of the needy, and for the sighes of the poore, I will vp, sayeth the Lord, and will set at libertie him, whom the wicked hath 6 snared. The wordes of the Lord are pure wordes, as the siluer, 7 tried in a fornace of earth, fined seuen folde. Thou wilt keepe them, O Lord: thou wilt preserve him from this generation for 8 euer. The wicked walke on euery side: when they are exalted, it is a shame for the sonnes of men.
- 13 To him that excelleth. A Psalme of Dauid. Howe long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for euer? howe long wilt thou hide

thy face from me? How long shall I take counsell within my 2 selfe, hauing wearinesse dayly in mine heart? how long shall mine enemie be exalted aboue me? Beholde, and heare mee, 3 O Lord my God: lighten mine eyes, that I sleepe not in death: Lest mine enemie say, I haue preuailed against him: and they 4 that afflict me, reioyce when I slide. But I trust in thy mercie: 5 mine heart shall reioyce in thy saluation: I will sing to the Lord, because he hath delt louingly with me.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of Dauid. The foole hath said in his heart, There is no God: they have corrupted, and done an abominable worke: there is none that doeth good. The Lord looked downe from heaven vpon the children of men, 2 to see if there were any that would vnderstand, and seeke God. All are gone out of the way: they are all corrupt: there is none 3 that doeth good, no not one. Doe not all the workers of iniquitie know that they eate vp my people, as they eate bread? they call not vpon the Lord. There they shall be taken with 5 feare, because God is in the generation of the iust. You have 6 made a mocke at the counsell of the poore, because the Lord is his trust. Oh give saluation vnto Israel out of Zion: when 7 the Lord turneth the captivitie of his people, then Iaakob shall reioyce, and Israel shall be glad.

A Psalme of Dauid. Lord, who shall dwell in thy Tabernacle? who shall rest in thine holy Mountaine? He that walketh 2 vprightly and worketh righteousnes, and speaketh the trueth in his heart. He that slandereth not with his tongue, nor 3 doeth euill to his neighbour, nor receiveth a false report against his neighbour. In whose eyes a vile person is contemned, but 4 he honoureth them that feare the Lord: he that sweareth to his owne hinderance and changeth not. He that giveth not 5 his money vnto vsurie, nor taketh reward against the innocent: hee that doeth these things, shall neuer be moued.

Michtam of Dauid. Preserue mee, O God: for in thee doe I 16 trust. O my soule, thou hast sayd vnto the Lord, Thou art my 2 Lord: my weldoing extendeth not to thee, But to the Saints 3 that are in the earth, and to the excellent: all my delite is in them. The sorowes of them, that offer to an other god, shall be 4 multiplied: their offerings of blood will I not offer, neither make mention of their names with my lips. The Lord is the portion 5 of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou shalt mainteine my

6 lot. The lines are fallen vnto me in pleasant places: yea, I
7 haue a faire heritage. I wil prayse the Lord, who hath giuen
8 me counsell: my reines also teach me in the nightes. I haue set the Lord alwayes before me: for hee is at my right hand:
9 therefore I shall not slide. Wherefore mine heart is glad and
10 my tongue reioyceth: my flesh also doeth rest in hope. For thou wilt not leaue my soule in the graue: neither wilt thou
11 suffer thine holy one to see corruption. Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is the fulnesse of ioy: and at thy right hand there are pleasures for euermore.

The prayer of Dauid. Heare the right, O Lord, consider 17 2 my crye: hearken vnto my prayer of lips vnfained. Let my sentence come forth from thy presence, and let thine eyes be-3 holde equitie. Thou hast prooued and visited mine heart in the night: thou hast tryed me, and foundest nothing: for I was 4 purposed that my mouth should not offend. Concerning the workes of men, by the wordes of thy lips I kept mee from the 5 paths of the cruell man. Stay my steps in thy paths, that 6 my feete doe not slide. I have called vpon thee: surely thou wilt heare me, O God: incline thine eare to me, and hearken 7 vnto my wordes. Shewe thy marueilous mercies, thou that art the Sauiour of them that trust in thee, from such as resist thy 8 right hand. Keepe me as the apple of the eye: hide me vn-9 der the shadowe of thy wings, From the wicked that oppresse mee, from mine enemies, which compasse me round about for 10 my soule. They are inclosed in their owne fat, and they haue 11 spoken proudely with their mouth. They have compassed vs now in our steps: they have set their eyes to bring downe to 12 the ground: Like as a lyon that is greedy of pray, and as it 13 were a lyons whelp lurking in secret places. Vp Lord, disappoint him: cast him downe: deliuer my soule from the wicked 14 with thy sworde, From men by thine hand, O Lord, from men of the world, who have their portion in this life, whose bellies thou fillest with thine hid treasure: their children haue ynough, and leave the rest of their substance for their chil-15 dren. But I will beholde thy face in righteousnes, and when I awake. I shalbe satisfied with thine image.

18 To him that excelleth. A Psalme of Dauid the seruant of the Lord, which spake unto the Lord the wordes of this song (in the day that the Lord delivered him for the hande of all this

enemies, and form the and of saul) and sayd, I will loue thee dearely, O Lord my strength. The Lord is my rocke, and my 2 fortresse, and he that deliuereth me, my God and my strength: in him will I trust, my shield, the horne also of my saluation, and my refuge. I will call vpon the Lord, which is worthie to 3 be praysed: so shall I be safe from mine enemies. The sorowes 4 of death compassed me, and the floods of wickednes made me afraide. The sorowes of the graue haue compassed me about: 5 the snares of death ouertooke me. But in my trouble did I 6 call vpon the Lord, and cryed vnto my God: he heard my voyce out of his Temple, and my crye did come before him, euen into his eares. Then the earth trembled, and quaked: the founda-7 tions also of the mountaines mooued and shooke, because he was angrie. Smoke went out at his nostrels, and a consuming 8 fire out of his mouth: coales were kindled thereat. He bowed 9 the heavens also and came downe, and darkenes was vnder his feete. And he rode vpon Cherub and did flie, and he came 10 flying vpon the wings of the winde. He made darkenes his 11 secrete place, and his pauilion round about him, euen darkenesse of waters, and cloudes of the ayre. At the brightnes of 12 his presence his clouds passed, havlestones and coles of fire. The Lord also thundred in the heaven, and the Highest gaue 13 his voyce, haylestones and coales of fire. Then hee sent out his 14 arrowes and scattred them, and he increased lightnings and destroyed them. And the chanels of waters were seene, and 15 the foundations of the worlde were discouered at thy rebuking, O Lord, at the blasting of the breath of thy nostrels. He hath 16 sent downe from aboue and taken mee: hee hath drawen mee out of many waters. He hath deliuered mee from my strong 17 enemie, and from them which hate me: for they were too strong for me. They preuented me in the day of my calamitie: but the 18 Lord was my stay. Hee brought mee foorth also into a large 19 place: hee deliuered mee because hee fauoured me. The Lord 20 rewarded me according to my righteousnes: according to the purenes of mine hands he recompensed me: Because I kept 21 the wayes of the Lord, and did not wickedly against my God. For all his Lawes were before mee, and I did not cast away 22 his commandements from mee. I was vpright also with him, 23 and haue kept me from my wickednes. Therefore the Lord 24 rewarded me according to my righteousnesse, and according

25 to the purenes of mine hands in his sight. With the godly thou wilt shewe thy selfe godly: with the vpright man thou 26 wilt shew thy selfe vpright. With the pure thou wilt shewe thy selfe pure, and with the froward thou wilt shewe thy selfe 27 froward. Thus thou wilt saue the poore people, and wilt cast 28 downe the proude lookes. Surely thou wilt light my candle: 29 the Lord my God wil lighten my darkenes. For by thee I haue broken through an hoste, and by my God I have leaped ouer The way of God is vncorrupt: the worde of the Lord 31 is tried in the fire: he is a shield to all that trust in him. For who is God besides the Lord? and who is mightie saue our 32 God? God girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way 33 vpright. He maketh my feete like hindes feete, and setteth 34 me vpon mine high places. He teacheth mine hands to fight: 35 so that a bowe of brasse is broken with mine armes. hast also given me the shield of thy saluation, and thy right hand hath stayed me, and thy louing kindenes hath caused 36 me to increase. Thou hast enlarged my steps vnder mee, and 37 mine heeles haue not slid. I haue pursued mine enemies. and taken them, and haue not turned againe till I had con-38 sumed them. I have wounded them, that they were not able 39 to rise: they are fallen vnder my feete. For thou hast girded me with strength to battell: them, that rose against me, thou 40 hast subdued vnder me. And thou hast given me the neckes of 41 mine enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me. They cryed but there was none to saue them, euen vnto the Lord, but 42 hee answered them not. Then I did beate them small as the dust before the winde: I did treade them flat as the clay in the 43 streetes. Thou hast delivered me from the contentions of the people: thou hast made me the head of the heathen: a people, 44 whom I have not knowen, shall serve me. As soone as they heare, they shall obey me: the strangers shall be in subjection 45 to me. Strangers shall shrinke away, and feare in their priuie 46 chambers. Let the Lord liue, and blessed be my strength, and 47 the God of my saluation be exalted. It is God that giveth me 48 power to auenge me, and subdueth the people vnder me. O my deliuerer from mine enemies, euen thou hast set mee vp from them, that rose against me: thou hast deliuered mee from 49 the cruell man. Therefore I will prayse thee, O Lord, among 50 the nations, and wil sing vnto thy Name. Great deliuerances

giueth hee vnto his King, and sheweth mercie to his anoynted, euen to Dauid, and to his seede for euer.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of Dauid. The heavens de- 19 clare the glory of God, and the firmament sheweth ye worke Day vnto day vttereth the same, and night 2 vnto night teacheth knowledge. There is no speach nor lan- 3 guage, where their voyce is not heard. Their line is gone 4 forth through all the earth, and their words into the endes of the world: in them hath he set a tabernacle for the sunne. Which commeth forth as a bridegrome out of his chamber, and 5 reioyceth like a mightie man to runne his race. His going out 6 is from the ende of the heaven, and his compasse is vnto the endes of ve same, and none is hid from the heate thereof. The 7 Lawe of the Lord is perfite, converting the soule: the testimonie of the Lord is sure, and giueth wisedome vnto the simple. The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoyce the heart: 8 the commandement of the Lord is pure, and giveth light vnto The feare of the Lord is cleane, and indureth for 9 euer: the iudgements of the Lord are trueth: they are righteous altogether, And more to be desired then golde, yea, then 10 much fine golde: sweeter also then honie and the honie combe. Moreover by them is thy servant made circumspect, and in 11 keeping of them there is great reward. Who can vnderstand 12 his faultes? clense me from secret fautes. Keepe thy seruant 13 also from presumptuous sinnes: let them not reigne ouer me: so shall I be vpright, and made cleane from much wickednes. Let the wordes of my mouth, and the meditation of mine heart 14 be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of Dauid. The Lord heare thee in the day of trouble: the name of ye God of Iaakob defend thee: Send thee helpe from the Sanctuarie, and strengthen thee out of Zion. Let him remember all thine offerings, and turne thy burnt offerings into asshes. Selah: And graunt thee according to thine heart, and fulfill all thy purpose: That we may reioyce in thy saluation, and set vp the banner in the Name of our God, when the Lord shall performe all thy petitions. Now know I that the Lord will helpe his anointed, and will heare him from his Sanctuarie, by the mightie helpe of his right hand. Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: 7

8 but we will remember the Name of ye Lord our God. They are brought downe and fallen, but we are risen, and stand vpright.
9 Saue Lord: let the King heare vs in the day that we call.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of Dauid. The King shall 21 reioyce in thy strength, O Lord: yea how greatly shall he reioyce 2 in thy saluation! Thou hast given him his hearts desire, and 3 hast not denyed him the request of his lips. Selah. For thou diddest preuent him with liberall blessings, and didest set a 4 crowne of pure gold vpon his head. He asked life of thee, 5 and thou gauest him a long life for euer and euer. His glory is great in thy saluation: dignitie and honour hast thou laid 6 vpon him. For thou hast set him as blessings for euer: thou 7 hast made him glad with the ioy of thy countenance. Because the King trusteth in the Lord, and in the mercie of the most 8 High, he shall not slide. Thine hand shall finde out all thine enemies, and thy right hand shall finde out them that hate 9 thee. Thou shalt make them like a fierie ouen in time of thine anger: the Lord shall destroy them in his wrath, and the fire 10 shall deuoure them. Their fruite shalt thou destroy from the 11 earth, and their seede from the children of men. For they intended euill against thee, and imagined mischiefe, but they 12 shall not preuaile. Therefore shalt thou put them aparte, and the strings of thy bowe shalt thou make readie against their 13 faces. Be thou exalted, O Lord, in thy strength: so will we sing and prayse thy power.

To him that excelleth upon Aiieleth Hasshahar. A Psalme of **22** Dauid. My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me, and art so farre from mine health, and from the wordes of my roaring? 2 O my God, I crie by day, but thou hearest not, and by night, but 3 haue no audience. But thou art holy, and doest inhabite the 4 prayses of Israel. Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, 5 and thou didest deliuer them. They called vpon thee, and were deliuered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded. 6 But I am a worme, and not a man: a shame of men, and the 7 contempt of the people. All they that see me, haue me in deri-8 sion: they make a mowe and nod the head, saying, He trusted in the Lord, let him deliuer him: let him saue him, seeing he 9 loueth him. But thou didest draw me out of ye wombe: thou 10 gauest me hope, euen at my mothers breasts. I was cast vpon thee, euen from ye wombe: thou art my God from my mothers belly. Be not farre from me, because trouble is neere: for 11 there is none to helpe me. Many yong bulles have compassed 12 me: mightie bulles of Bashan haue closed me about. gape vpon me with their mouthes, as a ramping and roaring lyon. I am like water powred out, and all my bones are out 14 of iovnt: mine heart is like waxe: it is molten in the middes of my bowels. My strength is dryed vp like a potsheard, and my 15 tongue cleaueth to my iawes, and thou hast brought me into For dogges have compassed me, and the 16 the dust of death. assemblie of the wicked haue inclosed me: they perced mine hands and my feete. I may tell all my bones: yet they beholde, 17 and looke vpon me. They part my garments among them, and 18 cast lottes vpon my vesture. But be thou not farre off, O Lord, 19 my strength: hasten to helpe me. Deliuer my soule from the 20 sword: my desolate soule from the power of the dogge. Saue 21 me from the lyons mouth, and answere me in sauing me from the hornes of the vnicornes. I wil declare thy Name vnto my 22 brethren: in the middes of the Congregation will I praise thee, saying. Prayse the Lord, ye that feare him: magnifie ve him, 23 all the seede of Iaakob, and feare ye him, all the seede of Israel. For he hath not despised nor abhorred ve affliction of the poore: 24 neither hath he hid his face from him, but when he called vnto him, he heard. My prayse shalbe of thee in the great Congre- 25 gation: my vowes will I perfourme before them that feare him. The poore shall eate and be satisfied: they that seeke after the 26 Lord, shall prayse him: your heart shall liue for euer. All the 27 endes of the worlde shall remember themselues, and turne to the Lord: and all the kinreds of the nations shall worship before thee. For the kingdome is the Lords, and he ruleth among 28 the nations. All they that be fat in the earth, shall eate and 29 worship: all they that go downe into the dust, shall bowe before him, euen he that cannot guicken his owne soule. Their 30 seede shall serue him: it shalbe counted vnto the Lord for a generation. They shall come, and shall declare his righteous- 31 nesse vnto a people that shall be borne, because he hath done it.

A Psalme of David. The Lord is my shepheard, I shall not **23** want. He maketh me to rest in greene pasture, and leadeth <sup>2</sup> me by the still waters. He restoreth my soule, and leadeth <sup>3</sup> me in the paths of righteousnesse for his Names sake. Yea, <sup>4</sup>

though I should walke through the valley of the shadowe of death, I will feare no euill: for thou art with me: thy rod and thy staffe, they comfort me. Thou doest prepare a table before me in the sight of mine aduersaries: thou doest anoynt mine head with oyle, and my cuppe runneth ouer. Doubtlesse kindnesse and mercie shall follow me all the dayes of my life, and I shall remaine a long season in the house of the Lord.

A Psalme of David. The earth is the Lordes, and all that 24 2 therein is: the worlde and they that dwell therein. hath founded it vpon the seas: and established it vpon the Who shall ascende into the mountaine of the Lord? 4 and who shall stand in his holy place? Euen he that hath innocent handes, and a pure heart: which hath not lift vp his 5 minde vnto vanitie, nor sworne deceitfully. He shall receiue a blessing from the Lord, and righteousnesse from the God of his 6 saluation. This is the generation of them that seeke him, of 7 them that seeke thy face, this is Iaakob. Selah. Lift vp your heads ye gates, and be ye lift vp ye euerlasting doores, and 8 the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glorie? the Lord, strong and mightie, euen the Lord mightie in battell. 9 Lift vp your heads, ye gates, and lift vp your selues, ye euer-10 lasting doores, and the King of glorie shall come in. Who is this King of glory? the Lord of hostes, he is the King of glorie. Selah.

25 A Psalme of David. Unto thee, O Lord, lift I vp my soule. 2 My God, I trust in thee: let me not be confounded: let not 3 mine enemies reioyce ouer mee. So all that hope in thee, shall not be ashamed: but let them be confounded, that transgresse 4 without cause. Shew me thy waies, O Lord, and teache me 5 thy paths. Leade me foorth in thy trueth, and teache me: for thou art the God of my saluation: in thee doe I trust all the 6 day. Remember, O Lord, thy tender mercies, and thy louing 7 kindnesse: for they have beene for euer. Remember not the sinnes of my youth, nor my rebellions, but according to thy kindenesse remember thou me, euen for thy goodnesse sake, 8 O Lord. Gracious and righteous is the Lord: therefore will 9 he teache sinners in the way. Them that be meeke, will hee 10 guide in iudgement, and teach the humble his way. All the pathes of the Lord are mercie and trueth vnto such as keepe his 11 couenant and his testimonies. For thy Names sake, O Lord, be merciful vnto mine iniquitie, for it is great. What man is 12 he that feareth the Lord? him wil he teache the way that hee shall chuse. His soule shall dwell at ease, and his seede shall 13 inherite the land. The secrete of the Lord is reueiled to them, 14 that feare him: and his couenant to give them vnderstanding. Mine eyes are euer towarde the Lord: for he will bring my feete 15 out of the net. Turne thy face vnto mee, and haue mercie vpon 16 me: for I am desolate and poore. The sorowes of mine heart 17 are enlarged: drawe me out of my troubles. Looke vpon mine 18 affliction and my trauel, and forgiue all my sinnes. Beholde 19 mine enemies, for they are manie, and they hate me with cruell hatred. Keepe my soule, and deliuer me: let me not be confounded, for I trust in thee. Let mine vprightnes and equitie 21 preserue me: for mine hope is in thee. Deliuer Israel, O God, 22 out of all his troubles.

A Psalme of David. Judge me, O Lord, for I have walked in 26 mine innocency: my trust hath bene also in the Lord: therefore shall I not slide. Proue me, O Lord, and trie mee: ex- 2 amine my reines, and mine heart. For thy louing kindnesse 3 is before mine eyes: therefore haue I walked in thy trueth. I 4 haue not hanted with vaine persons, neither kept companie with the dissemblers. I have hated the assemblie of the euill, 5 and have not companied with the wicked. I will wash mine 6 handes in innocencie, O Lord, and compasse thine altar, That 7 I may declare with the voyce of thankesgiuing, and set foorth all thy wonderous woorkes. O Lord, I have loved the habita-8 tion of thine house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth. Gather not my soule with the sinners, nor my life with the 9 bloodie men: In whose handes is wickednes, and their right 10 hand is full of bribes. But I will walke in mine innocencie: 11 redeeme me therefore, and be mercifull vnto me. My foote 12 standeth in vprightnesse: I will praise thee, O Lord, in the Congregations.

A Psalme of David. The Lord is my light and my saluation, whom shall I feare? the Lord is the strength of my life, of whome shall I be afraide? When the wicked, euen mine 2 enemies and my foes came vpon mee to eate vp my flesh; they stumbled and fell. Though an hoste pitched against me, mine 3 heart should not be afraide: though warre be raised against me, I will trust in this. One thing haue I desired of the Lord, 4

that I will require, euen that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the dayes of my life, to beholde the beautie of the Lord. 5 and to visite his Temple. For in the time of trouble hee shall hide mee in his Tabernacle: in the secrete place of his pauillion 6 shall he hide me, and set me vp vpon a rocke. And nowe shall hee lift vp mine head aboue mine enemies rounde about mee: therefore wil I offer in his Tabernacle sacrifices of ioy: I wil sing 7 and praise the Lord. Hearken vnto my voyce, O Lord, when I 8 crie: haue mercie also vpon mee and heare mee. When thou saidest, Seeke ye my face, mine heart answered vnto thee, O 9 Lord, I will seeke thy face. Hide not therefore thy face from mee, nor cast thy seruat away in displeasure: thou hast bene my succour: leaue me not, neither forsake mee, O God of my 10 saluation. Though my father and my mother shoulde forsake 11 me, yet the Lord will gather me vp. Teache mee thy way, O Lord, and leade me in a right path, because of mine enemies. 12 Giue me not vnto the lust of mine aduersaries: for there are false witnesses risen vp against me, and such as speake cru-13 elly. I should have fainted, except I had beleeved to see the 14 goodnes of the Lord in the land of the liuing. Hope in the Lord: be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart, and trust in the Lord.

A Psalme of David. Unto thee, O Lord, doe I crie: O my 28 strength, be not deafe toward mee, lest, if thou answere me 2 not, I be like them that goe downe into the pit. Heare the voyce of my petitions, when I crie vnto thee, when I holde vp 3 mine handes towarde thine holy Oracle. Drawe mee not away with the wicked, and with the woorkers of iniquitie: which speake friendly to their neighbours, when malice is in their 4 hearts. Reward them according to their deedes, and according to the wickednes of their inventions: recompense them af-5 ter the woorke of their handes: render them their reward. For they regarde not the woorkes of the Lord, nor the operation of his handes: therefore breake them downe, and builde them 6 not vp. Praised be the Lord, for he hath heard the voyce of 7 my petitions. The Lord is my strength and my shielde: mine heart trusted in him, and I was helped: therfore mine heart 8 shall reioyce, and with my song will I praise him. The Lord is their strength, and he is the strength of the deliuerances of 9 his anointed. Saue thy people, and blesse thine inheritance:

feede them also, and exalt them for euer.

A Psalme of David. Give vnto the Lord, ye sonnes of the 29 mightie: giue vnto the Lord glorie and strength. Giue vnto the 2 Lord glorie due vnto his Name: worship the Lord in the glorious Sanctuarie. The voyce of the Lord is vpon the waters: the 3 God of glorie maketh it to thunder: the Lord is vpon the great waters. The voyce of the Lord is mightie: the voyce of the 4 Lord is glorious. The voyce of the Lord breaketh the cedars: 5 yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Lebanon. He maketh 6 them also to leape like a calfe: Lebanon also and Shirion like a vong vnicorne. The voice of the Lord deuideth the flames 7 of sire. The voice of the Lord maketh the wildernes to trem- 8 ble: the Lord maketh the wildernes of Kadesh to tremble. The 9 voice of the Lord maketh the hindes to calue, and discouereth the forests: therefore in his Temple doth euery man speake of his glory. The Lord sitteth vpon the flood, and the Lord doeth 10 remaine King for euer. The Lord shall give strength vnto his 11 people: the Lord shall blesse his people with peace.

A Psalme or song of the dedication of the house of David. **30** I will magnifie thee, O Lord: for thou hast exalted mee, and hast not made my foe to reiovce ouer me. O Lord my God, I 2 cried vnto thee, and thou hast restored me. O Lord, thou hast 3 brought vp my soule out of the graue: thou hast reuiued me from them that goe downe into the pit. Sing praises vnto the 4 Lord, ye his Saintes, and give thankes before the remembrance of his Holinesse. For he endureth but a while in his anger: 5 but in his fauour is life: weeping may abide at euening, but iov commeth in the morning. And in my prosperitie I sayde, 6 I shall neuer be moued. For thou Lord of thy goodnes hadest 7 made my mountaine to stande strong: but thou didest hide thy face, and I was troubled. Then cried I vnto thee, O Lord, and 8 praied to my Lord. What profite is there in my blood, when I 9 go downe to the pit? shall the dust give thankes vnto thee? or shall it declare thy trueth? Heare, O Lord, and haue mercy 10 vpon me: Lord, be thou mine helper. Thou hast turned my 11 mourning into ioy: thou hast loosed my sacke and girded mee with gladnesse. Therefore shall my tongue praise thee and 12 not cease: O Lord my God, I will give thankes vnto thee for euer.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David. In thee, O Lord, 31

haue I put my trust: let mee neuer be confounded: deliuer me 2 in thy righteousnesse. Bowe downe thine eare to me: make haste to deliuer mee: be vnto me a stronge rocke, and an house 3 of defence to saue me. For thou art my rocke and my fortresse: 4 therefore for thy Names sake direct mee and guide me. Drawe mee out of the nette, that they have layde privilie for mee: for 5 thou art my strength. Into thine hand I commend my spirit: 6 for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God of trueth. I haue hated them that give them selves to deceitfull vanities: for I 7 trust in the Lord. I wil be glad and reioyce in thy mercie: for thou hast seene my trouble: thou hast knowen my soule in 8 aduersities, And thou hast not shut me vp in the hand of the 9 enemie, but hast set my feete at large. Haue mercie vpon mee, O Lord: for I am in trouble: mine eye, my soule and my bellie 10 are consumed with griefe. For my life is wasted with heauinesse, and my yeeres with mourning: my strength faileth for 11 my paine, and my bones are consumed. I was a reproch among all mine enemies, but specially among my neighbours: and a feare to mine acquaintance, who seeing me in the streete, fled 12 from me. I am forgotten, as a dead man out of minde: I am 13 like a broken vessell. For I have heard the rayling of great men: feare was on euery side, while they conspired together 14 against mee, and consulted to take my life. But I trusted in 15 thee, O Lord: I said, Thou art my God. My times are in thine hande: deliuer mee from the hande of mine enemies, and from 16 them that persecute me. Make thy face to shine vpon thy 17 seruant, and saue me through thy mercie. Let me not be confounded, O Lord: for I have called vpon thee: let the wicked 18 bee put to confusion, and to silence in the graue. Let the lying lips be made dumme, which cruelly, proudly and spitefully 19 speake against the righteous. Howe great is thy goodnesse, which thou hast layde vp for them, that feare thee! and done to them, that trust in thee, euen before the sonnes of men! 20 Thou doest hide them privily in thy presence from the pride of men: thou keepest them secretly in thy Tabernacle from the 21 strife of tongues. Blessed be the Lord: for hee hath shewed his 22 marueilous kindenesse toward me in a strong citie. Though I said in mine haste, I am cast out of thy sight, yet thou heardest 23 the voyce of my prayer, when I cryed vnto thee. Loue ye the Lord all his Saintes: for the Lord preserueth the faithfull, and rewardeth abundantly the proud doer. All ye that trust in the 24 Lord, be strong, and he shall establish your heart.

A Psalme of David to give instruction. Blessed is he whose **32** wickednes is forgiuen, and whose sinne is couered. Blessed 2 is the man, vnto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquitie, and in whose spirite there is no guile. When I helde my tongue, 3 my bones consumed, or when I roared all the day, (For thine 4 hand is heavie vpon me, day and night: and my moysture is turned into ve drought of summer. Selah) Then I acknowl- 5 edged my sinne vnto thee, neither hid I mine iniquitie: for I thought, I will confesse against my selfe my wickednesse vnto the Lord, and thou forgauest the punishment of my sinne. Selah. Therefore shall euery one, that is godly, make his prayer 6 vnto thee in a time, when thou mayest be founde: surely in the flood of great waters they shall not come neere him. Thou 7 art my secret place: thou preseruest me from trouble: thou compassest me about with joyfull deliuerance. Selah. I will 8 instruct thee, and teache thee in the way that thou shalt goe, and I will guide thee with mine eye. Be ye not like an horse, or 9 like a mule, which vnderstand not: whose mouthes thou doest binde with bit and bridle, least they come neere thee. Many 10 sorowes shall come to the wicked: but he, that trusteth in the Lord, mercie shall compasse him. Be glad ve righteous, and 11 reioyce in the Lord, and be ioyfull all ye, that are vpright in heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becommeth vpright 33 men to be thankefull. Prayse the Lord with harpe: sing vnto 2 him with viole and instrument of ten strings. Sing vnto him a 3 newe song: sing cheerefully with a loude voyce. For the word 4 of the Lord is righteous, and all his workes are faithfull. He 5 loueth righteousnesse and iudgement: the earth is full of the goodnesse of the Lord. By the worde of the Lord were the 6 heauens made, and all the hoste of them by the breath of his mouth. He gathereth the waters of the sea together as vpon 7 an heape, and layeth vp the depths in his treasures. Let all 8 the earth feare the Lord: let al them that dwell in the world, feare him. For he spake, and it was done: he commanded, and 9 it stood. The Lord breaketh the counsell of the heathen, and 10 bringeth to nought the deuices of the people. The counsell of 11 the Lord shall stand for euer, and the thoughts of his heart

12 throughout all ages. Blessed is that nation, whose God is the Lord: euen the people that he hath chosen for his inheritance. 13 The Lord looketh downe from heauen, and beholdeth all the 14 children of men. From the habitation of his dwelling he be-15 holdeth all them that dwell in the earth. He facioneth their 16 hearts euery one, and vnderstandeth all their workes. King is not saued by the multitude of an hoste, neither is the 17 mightie man deliuered by great strength. A horse is a vaine 18 helpe, and shall not deliuer any by his great strength. holde, the eye of the Lord is vpon them that feare him, and 19 vpon them, that trust in his mercie, To deliuer their soules 20 from death, and to preserue them in famine. Our soule wait-21 eth for the Lord: for he is our helpe and our shielde. Surely our heart shall reioyce in him, because we trusted in his holy 22 Name. Let thy mercie, O Lord, be vpon vs, as we trust in thee. A Psalme of Dauid, when he changed his behauiour before 34 Abimelech, who droue him away, and he departed. I will alway giue thankes vnto the Lord: his praise shalbe in my mouth 2 continually. My soule shall glory in the Lord: the humble 3 shall heare it, and be glad. Praise ye the Lord with me, and 4 let vs magnifie his Name together. I sought the Lord, and 5 he heard me: yea, he deliuered me out of all my feare. They shall looke vnto him, and runne to him: and their faces shall 6 not be ashamed, saying, This poore man cryed, and the Lord 7 heard him, and saued him out of all his troubles. The Angel of the Lord pitcheth round about them, that feare him, and 8 deliuereth them. Taste ye and see, howe gratious the Lord is: 9 blessed is the man that trusteth in him. Feare the Lord, ye 10 his Saintes: for nothing wanteth to them that feare him. The lyons doe lacke and suffer hunger, but they, which seeke the 11 Lord, shall want nothing that is good. Come children, hear-12 ken vnto me: I will teache you the feare of the Lord. What man is he, that desireth life, and loueth long dayes for to see 13 good? Keepe thy tongue from euill, and thy lips, that they 14 speake no guile. Eschewe euill and doe good: seeke peace 15 and follow after it. The eyes of the Lord are vpon the righ-16 teous, and his eares are open vnto their crie. But the face of the Lord is against them that doe euill, to cut off their re-17 membrance from the earth. The righteous crie, and the Lord heareth them, and deliuereth them out of all their troubles.

The Lord is neere vnto them that are of a contrite heart, and 18 will saue such as be afflicted in Spirite. Great are the troubles of the righteous: but the Lord deliuereth him out of them all. He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken. But 20, 21 malice shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous, shall perish. The Lord redeemeth the soules of his seruants: 22 and none, that trust in him, shall perish.

A Psalme of Dauid. Pleade thou my cause, O Lord, with 35 them that striue with me: fight thou against them, that fight against me. Lay hand yoon the shielde and buckler, and stand 2 vp for mine helpe. Bring out also the speare and stop the way 3 against them, that persecute me: say vnto my soule, I am thy saluation. Let them be confounded and put to shame, that 4 seeke after my soule: let them be turned backe, and brought to confusion, that imagine mine hurt. Let them be as chaffe 5 before the winde, and let the Angel of the Lord scatter them. Let their way be darke and slipperie: and let the Angel of the 6 Lord persecute them. For without cause they have hid the pit 7 and their net for me: without cause have they digged a pit for my soule. Let destruction come vpon him at vnwares, and let 8 his net, that he hath laid privilie, take him: let him fall into Then my soule shalbe ioyfull in the 9 the same destruction. Lord: it shall rejoyce in his saluation. All my bones shall say, 10 Lord, who is like vnto thee, which deliuerest the poore from him, that is too strong for him! yea, the poore and him that is in miserie, from him that spoyleth him! Cruell witnesses 11 did rise vp: they asked of me things that I knewe not. rewarded me euill for good, to have spoyled my soule. Yet 13 I, when they were sicke, I was clothed with a sacke: I humbled my soule with fasting: and my praier was turned vpon my bosome. I behaued my selfe as to my friend, or as to my 14 brother: I humbled my selfe, mourning as one that bewaileth his mother. But in mine aduersitie they reioyced, and gath- 15 ered them selues together: the abiects assembled themselues against me, and knewe not: they tare me and ceased not, With 16 the false skoffers at bankets, gnashing their teeth against me. Lord, how long wilt thou beholde this? deliuer my soule from 17 their tumult, euen my desolate soule from the lions. So will 18 I give thee thankes in a great Congregation: I will praise thee among much people. Let not them that are mine enemies, 19

vniustly reioyce ouer mee, neyther let them winke with the 20 eye, that hate mee without a cause. For they speake not as friendes: but they imagine deceitfull woordes against the quiet 21 of the lande. And they gaped on mee with their mouthes, say-22 ing, Aha, aha, our eye hath seene. Thou hast seene it, O Lord: 23 keepe not silence: be not farre from me, O Lord. Arise and wake to my iudgement, euen to my cause, my God, and my 24 Lord. Iudge me, O Lord my God, according to thy righteous-25 nesse, and let them not reioyce ouer mee. Let them not say in their hearts, O our soule reioyce: neither let them say, We haue 26 deuoured him. Let them bee confounded, and put to shame together, that reioyce at mine hurt: let them bee clothed with 27 confusion and shame, that lift vp themselues against me. But let them be ioyful and glad, that loue my righteousnesse: yea, let them say alway, Let the Lord be magnified, which loueth 28 the prosperitie of his seruant. And my tongue shall vtter thy righteousnesse, and thy praise euery day.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of Dauid, the servant of 36 the Lord. Wickedness sayeth to the wicked man, euen in mine 2 heart, that there is no feare of God before his eyes. For hee flattereth himselfe in his owne eyes, while his iniquitie is foud 3 worthy to be hated. The wordes of his mouth are iniquitie and 4 deceit: hee hath left off to vnderstand and to doe good. imagineth mischiefe vpon his bed: he setteth himselfe vpon 5 a way, that is not good, and doeth not abhorre euill. mercy, O Lord, reacheth vnto the heauens, and thy faithful-6 nesse vnto the cloudes. Thy righteousnesse is like the mightie moutaines: thy iudgements are like a great deepe: thou, Lord, 7 doest saue man and beast. How excellent is thy mercy, O God! therefore the children of men trust vnder the shadowe of 8 thy wings. They shall be satisfied with the fatnesse of thine house, and thou shalt give them drinke out of the river of thy For with thee is the well of life, and in thy light 9 pleasures. 10 shall we see light. Extend thy louing kindnes vnto them that knowe thee, and thy righteousnesse vnto them that are vpright in heart. Let not ye foote of pride come against me, and let not 12 the hand of ye wicked men moue me. There they are fallen that worke iniquity: they are cast downe, and shall not be able to rise.

A Psalme of David. Fret not thy selfe because of the wicked

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men, neither be enuious for the euill doers. For they shall 2 soone bee cut downe like grasse, and shall wither as the greene herbe. Trust thou in the Lord and do good: dwell in the land, 3 and thou shalt be fed assuredly. And delite thy selfe in the 4 Lord, and hee shall give thee thine hearts desire. Commit 5 thy way vnto the Lord, and trust in him, and he shall bring it to passe. And he shall bring foorth thy righteousnes as the 6 light, and thy judgement as the noone day. Waite patiently 7 vpon the Lord and hope in him: fret not thy selfe for him which prospereth in his way: nor for the man that bringeth his enterprises to passe. Cease from anger, and leaue off 8 wrath: fret not thy selfe also to doe euill. For euill doers 9 shalbe cut off, and they that wait vpon the Lord, they shall inherite the land. Therefore yet a litle while, and the wicked 10 shall not appeare, and thou shalt looke after his place, and But meeke men shall possesse the 11 he shall not be found. earth, and shall have their delite in the multitude of peace. The wicked practiseth against the iust, and gnasheth his teeth 12 against him. But the Lord shall laugh him to scorne: for he 13 seeth, that his day is comming. The wicked haue drawen their 14 sworde, and haue bent their bowe, to cast downe the poore and needie, and to slay such as be of vpright conversation. their sword shall enter into their owne heart, and their bowes shalbe broken. A small thing vnto the just man is better, then 16 great riches to the wicked and mightie. For the armes of the 17 wicked shall be broken: but the Lord vpholdeth the iust men. The Lord knoweth the dayes of vpright men, and their inher- 18 itance shall bee perpetuall. They shall not be confounded in 19 the perilous time, and in the daies of famine they shall have ynough. But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the 20 Lord shall be consumed as the fatte of lambes: euen with the smoke shall they consume away. The wicked boroweth and 21 payeth not againe. but the righteous is mercifull, and giueth. For such as be blessed of God, shall inherite the lande, and 22 they that be cursed of him, shalbe cut off. The pathes of man 23 are directed by the Lord: for he loueth his way. Though he 24 fall, hee shall not be cast off: for the Lord putteth vnder his hand. I haue beene yong, and am olde: yet I sawe neuer the 25 righteous forsaken, nor his seede begging bread. But hee is 26 euer mercifull and lendeth, and his seede enjoyeth the bless27, 28 ing. Flee from euill and doe good, and dwell for euer. For the Lord loueth iudgement, and forsaketh not his Saintes: they shall be preserued for euermore: but the seede of the wicked 29 shall be cut off. The righteous men shall inherit the lande, 30 and dwell therein for euer. The mouth of the righteous will speake of wisedome, and his tongue will talke of iudgement. 31 For the Lawe of his God is in his heart, and his steppes shall 32 not slide. The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to But the Lord wil not leave him in his hand, nor 33 slav him. 34 condemne him, when he is judged. Waite thou on the Lord, and keepe his way, and he shall exalt thee, that thou shalt inherite the lande: when the wicked men shall perish, thou shalt 35 see. I have seene the wicked strong, and spreading himselfe 36 like a greene bay tree. Yet he passed away, and loe, he was 37 gone, and I sought him, but he could not be founde. Marke the vpright man, and beholde the iust: for the end of that man 38 is peace. But the transgressours shall be destroyed together, 39 and the ende of the wicked shall bee cut off. But the saluation of the righteous men shalbe of the Lord: he shalbe their 40 strength in the time of trouble. For the Lord shall helpe them, and deliuer them: he shall deliuer them from the wicked, and shall saue them, because they trust in him.

A Psalme of Dauid for remembrance. O Lord, rebuke mee 38 2 not in thine anger, neither chastise me in thy wrath. For thine arrowes haue light vpon me, and thine hand lyeth vpon me. 3 There is nothing sound in my flesh, because of thine anger: 4 neither is there rest in my bones because of my sinne. mine iniquities are gone ouer mine head, and as a weightie 5 burden they are too heavie for me. My woundes are putri-6 fied, and corrupt because of my foolishnes. I am bowed, and 7 crooked very sore: I goe mourning all the day. For my reines 8 are full of burning, and there is nothing sound in my flesh. I am weakened and sore broken: I roare for the very griefe of 9 mine heart. Lord, I powre my whole desire before thee, and 10 my sighing is not hid from thee. Mine heart panteth: my strength faileth me, and the light of mine eyes, euen they are 11 not mine owne. My louers and my friends stand aside from 12 my plague, and my kinsmen stand a farre off. They also, that seeke after my life, laye snares, and they that go about to do me 13 euil, talke wicked things and imagine deceite continually. But

I as a deafe man heard not, and am as a dumme man, which openeth not his mouth. Thus am I as a man, that heareth not, 14 and in whose mouth are no reproofes. For on thee, O Lord, do 15 I waite: thou wilt heare me, my Lord, my God. For I said, 16 Heare me, least they reioyce ouer me: for when my foote slippeth, they extol themselues against me. Surely I am ready 17 to halte, and my sorow is euer before me. When I declare my 18 paine, and am sory for my sinne, Then mine enemies are aliue 19 and are mightie, and they that hate me wrongfully are many. They also, that rewarde euill for good, are mine aduersaries, 20 because I follow goodnesse. Forsake me not, O Lord: be not 21 thou farre from me, my God. Haste thee to helpe mee, O my 22 Lord, my saluation.

To the excellent musician Ieduthun. I thought, I will take 39 heede to my wayes, that I sinne not with my tongue: I will keepe my mouth brideled, while the wicked is in my sight. I 2 was dumme and spake nothing: I kept silece euen from good, and my sorow was more stirred. Mine heart was hote within 3 me, and while I was musing, the fire kindeled, and I spake with my tongue, saying, Lord, let me know mine ende. and 4 the measure of my dayes, what it is: let mee knowe howe long I haue to liue. Beholde, thou hast made my dayes as 5 an hand breadth, and mine age as nothing in respect of thee: surely euery man in his best state is altogether vanitie. Selah. Doubtlesse man walketh in a shadowe, and disquieteth 6 himselfe in vaine: he heapeth vp riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them. And now Lord, what wait I for? mine hope 7 is euen in thee. Deliuer me from all my transgressions, and 8 make me not a rebuke vnto the foolish. I should have bene 9 dumme, and not have opened my mouth, because thou didest it. Take thy plague away from mee: for I am consumed by the 10 stroke of thine hand. When thou with rebukes doest chastise 11 man for iniquitie, thou as a mothe makest his beautie to consume: surely euery man is vanitie. Selah. Heare my prayer, O 12 Lord, and hearken vnto my cry: keepe not silence at my teares, for I am a strager with thee, and a soiourner as all my fathers. Stay thine anger from me, that I may recouer my strength, 13 before I go hence and be not.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David. I Waited pa- 40 ciently for the Lord, and he inclined vnto me, and heard my

2 cry. Hee brought mee also out of the horrible pit, out of the myrie clay, and set my feete vpon the rocke, and ordered my go-3 ings. And he hath put in my mouth a new song of praise vnto our God: many shall see it and feare, and shall trust in the 4 Lord. Blessed is the man that maketh the Lord his trust, and 5 regardeth not the proude, nor such as turne aside to lyes. Lord my God, thou hast made thy wonderfull workes so many, that none can count in order to thee thy thoughts toward vs: I would declare, and speake of them, but they are moe then 6 I am able to expresse. Sacrifice and offering thou didest not desire: (for mine eares hast thou prepared) burnt offring and 7 sinne offering hast thou not required. Then said I, Lo, I come: 8 for in the rolle of the booke it is written of me, I desired to doe thy good will, O my God: yea, thy Lawe is within mine heart. 9 I have declared thy righteousnesse in the great Congregation: 10 loe, I will not refraine my lippes: O Lord, thou knowest. haue not hidde thy righteousnesse within mine heart, but I haue declared thy trueth and thy saluation: I haue not conceiled thy mercy and thy trueth from the great Congregation. 11 Withdrawe not thou thy tender mercie from mee, O Lord: let 12 thy mercie and thy trueth alway preserue me. For innumerable troubles haue compassed mee: my sinnes haue taken such holde vpon me, that I am not able to looke vp: yea, they are moe in nomber then the heares of mine head: therefore mine heart 13 hath failed me. Let it please thee, O Lord, to deliuer mee: 14 make haste, O Lord, to helpe me. Let them be confounded and put to shame together, that seeke my soule to destroye it: let them be driven backward and put to rebuke, that de-15 sire mine hurt. Let them be destroyed for a rewarde of their shame, which say vnto me, Aha, aha. Let all them, that seeke thee, reioyce and be glad in thee: and let them, that loue thy 17 saluation, say alway, The Lord be praysed. Though I be poore and needie, the Lord thinketh on mee: thou art mine helper and my deliuerer: my God, make no tarying.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of Dauid. Blessed is he that iudgeth wisely of the poore: the Lord shall deliuer him in ye time of trouble. The Lord will keepe him, and preserue him aliue: he shalbe blessed vpon the earth, and thou wilt not deliuer him vnto the will of his enemies. The Lord wil strengthen him vpon ye bed of sorow: thou hast turned al his bed in his sick-

Therefore I saide, Lord haue mercie vpon me: heale my 4 nes. soule, for I have sinned against thee. Mine enemies speake 5 euill of me, saying. When shall he die, and his name perish? And if hee come to see mee, hee speaketh lies, but his heart 6 heapeth iniquitie within him, and when he commeth foorth, he telleth it. All they that hate me, whisper together against me: 7 euen against me do they imagine mine hurt. A mischiefe is 8 light vpon him, and he that lyeth, shall no more rise. Yea, my 9 familiar friend, whom I trusted, which did eate of my bread. hath lifted vp the heele against me. Therefore, O Lord, haue 10 mercy vpon mee, and raise me vp: so I shall reward them. Bv 11 this I know that thou fauourest me, because mine enemie doth not triumph against me. And as for me, thou vpholdest me 12 in mine integritie, and doest set me before thy face for euer. Blessed be the Lord God of Israel worlde without ende. So be 13 it, euen so be it.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme to give instruction, com- 42 mitted to the sonnes of Korah. As the harte brayeth for the riuers of water, so panteth my soule after thee, O God. My 2 soule thirsteth for God, euen for the liuing God: when shall I come and appeare before the presence of God? My teares 3 haue bin my meate day and night, while they dayly say vnto me, Where is thy God? When I remembred these things, I 4 powred out my very heart, because I had gone with the multitude, and ledde them into the House of God with the voyce of singing, and prayse, as a multitude that keepeth a feast. Why 5 art thou cast downe, my soule, and vnquiet within me? waite on God: for I will vet give him thankes for the helpe of his presence. My God, my soule is cast downe within me, because 6 I remember thee, from the land of Iorden, and Hermonim, and from the mount Mizar. One deepe calleth another deepe by 7 the noyse of thy water spoutes: all thy waves and thy floods are gone ouer me. The Lord will graunt his louing kindenesse 8 in the day, and in the night shall I sing of him, euen a prayer vnto the God of my life. I wil say vnto God, which is my rocke, 9 Why hast thou forgotten mee? why goe I mourning, when the enemie oppresseth me? My bones are cut asunder, while mine 10 enemies reproch me, saving dayly vnto me, Where is thy God? Why art thou cast downe, my soule? and why art thou disqui- 11 eted within mee? waite on God: for I wil vet giue him thankes:

he is my present helpe, and my God.

Judge me, O God, and defend my cause against the vnmercifull people: deliuer mee from the deceitfull and wicked man.

2 For thou art the God of my strength: why hast thou put me away? why goe I so mourning, when the enemie oppresseth
 3 me? Sende thy light and thy trueth: let them leade mee: let

them bring mee vnto thine holy Mountaine and to thy Tabernadeles. Then wil I go vnto the altar of God, euen vnto the God of

my ioy and gladnes: and vpon the harpe wil I giue thanks vnto thee, O God, my God. Why art thou cast downe, my soule? and why art thou disquieted within mee? waite on God: for I will yet giue him thankes, he is my present helpe, and my God.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme to give instruction, committed to the sonnes of Korah. We have heard with our eares, O God: our fathers have tolde vs the workes, that thou hast done in their dayes, in the olde time: Howe thou hast driven out the heathen with thine hand, and planted them: how thou hast destroyed the people, and caused them to grow. For they inherited not the lande by their owne sworde, neither did their owne arme save them: but thy right hand, and thine arme and the light of thy countenance, because thou didest favour them.

4,5 Thou art my King, O God: send helpe vnto Iaakob. Through thee haue we thrust backe our aduersaries: by thy Name haue

6 we troden downe them that rose vp against vs. For I do not

7 trust in my bowe, neither can my sworde saue me. But thou hast saued vs from our aduersaries, and hast put them to con-

8 fusion that hate vs. Therefore will wee praise God continu-

9 ally, and will confesse thy Name for euer. Selah. But now thou art farre off, and puttest vs to confusion, and goest not
 10 forth with our armies. Thou makest vs to turne backe from the aduersary, and they, which hate vs, spoile for theselues.

11 Thou givest vs as sheepe to bee eaten, and doest scatter vs 12 among the nations. Thou sellest thy people without gaine,

13 and doest not increase their price. Thou makest vs a reproche to our neighbours, a iest and a laughing stocke to them that

14 are round about vs. Thou makest vs a prouerbe among the

15 nations, and a nodding of the head among the people. My confusion is dayly before me, and the shame of my face hath

16 couered me, For the voyce of the slaunderer and rebuker, for

17 the enemie and auenger. All this is come vpon vs, yet doe

wee not forget thee, neither deale wee falsly concerning thy couenant. Our heart is not turned backe: neither our steps 18 gone out of thy paths, Albeit thou hast smitten vs downe into 19 the place of dragons, and couered vs with the shadow of death. If wee haue forgotten the Name of our God, and holden vp our 20 hands to a strange god, Shall not God searche this out? for hee 21 knoweth the secrets of the heart. Surely for thy sake are we 22 slaine continually, and are counted as sheepe for the slaughter. Vp, why sleepest thou, O Lord? awake, be not farre off 23 for euer. Wherefore hidest thou thy face? and forgettest our 24 miserie and our affliction? For our soule is beaten downe vnto 25 the dust: our belly cleaueth vnto the ground. Rise vp for our 26 succour, and redeeme vs for thy mercies sake.

To him that excelleth on Shoshannim a song of love to give 45 instruction, committed to the sonnes of Korah. Mine heart will vtter forth a good matter: I wil intreat in my workes of the King: my tongue is as the pen of a swift writer. fayrer then the children of men: grace is powred in thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for euer. Gird thy sword vpon 3 thy thigh, O most mightie, to wit, thy worship and thy glory, And prosper with thy glory: ride vpon the worde of trueth and 4 of meekenes and of righteousnes: so thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things. Thine arrowes are sharpe to pearce the 5 heart of the Kings enemies: therefore the people shall fall vnder thee. Thy throne, O God, is for euer and euer: the scepter 6 of thy kingdome is a scepter of righteousnesse. Thou louest 7 righteousnes, and hatest wickednesse, because God, euen thy God hath anounted thee with the oyle of gladnes aboue thy All thy garments smelll of myrrhe and aloes, and 8 cassia, when thou commest out of the yuorie palaces, where they have made thee glad. Kings daugthers were among thine 9 honorable wives: vpon thy right hand did stand the Queene in a vesture of golde of Ophir. Hearken, O daughter, and con- 10 sider, and incline thine eare: forget also thine owne people and thy fathers house. So shall the King haue pleasure in thy 11 beautie: for he is thy Lord, and reuerence thou him. And the 12 daughter of Tyrus with the rich of the people shall doe homage before thy face with presents. The Kings daughter is all glo- 13 rious within: her clothing is of broydred golde. She shalbe 14 brought vnto the King in raiment of needle worke: the virgins

that follow after her, and her companions shall be brought vnto
thee. With ioy and gladnes shall they be brought, and shall
enter into the Kings palace. In steade of thy fathers shall
thy children be: thou shalt make them princes through all the
earth. I will make thy Name to be remembred through all
generations: therefore shall the people give thanks vnto thee
world without ende.

To him that excelleth upon Alamoth a song committed to 46 the sonnes of Korah. God is our hope and strength, and helpe 2 in troubles, ready to be found. Therefore will not we feare, though the earth be moued, and though the mountaines fall 3 into the middes of the sea. Though the waters thereof rage and be troubled, and the mountaines shake at the surges of the 4 same. Selah, Yet there is a Riuer, whose streames shall make glad the citie of God: euen the Sanctuarie of the Tabernacles of 5 the most High. God is in the middes of it: therefore shall it not 6 be moued: God shall helpe it very earely. When the nations raged, and the kingdomes were moued, God thundred, and the 7 earth melted. The Lord of hostes is with vs: the God of Iaakob 8 is our refuge. Selah. Come, and behold the workes of the 9 Lord, what desolations he hath made in the earth. He maketh warres to cease vnto the endes of the world: he breaketh the bowe and cutteth the speare, and burneth the chariots with 10 fire. Be still and knowe that I am God: I will be exalted among 11 the heathen, and I wil be exalted in the earth. The Lord of hostes is with vs: the God of Iaakob is our refuge. Selah.

a ioyfull voyce. For the Lord is high, and terrible: a great
King ouer all the earth. He hath subdued the people vnder vs,
and the nations vnder our feete. Hee hath chosen our inheritance for vs: euen the glory of Iaakob whom he loued. Selah.
God is gone vp with triumph, euen the Lord, with the sound of
the trumpet. Sing prayses to God, sing prayses: sing prayses
vnto our King, sing prayses. For God is the King of all the
earth: sing prayses euery one that hath vnderstanding. God reigneth ouer the heathen: God sitteth vpon his holy throne.
The princes of the people are gathered vnto the people of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the world belong to God: he is greatly to be exalted.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme committed to the sonnes of

Korah. All people clap your hands: sing loude vnto God with

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A song or Psalme committed to the sonnes of Korah. Great 48 is the Lord, and greatly to be praysed, in the Citie of our God, euen vpon his holy Mountaine. Mount Zion, lying North- 2 warde, is faire in situation: it is the ioy of the whole earth, and the Citie of the great King. In the palaces thereof God 3 is knowen for a refuge. For lo, the Kings were gathered, and 4 went together. When they sawe it, they marueiled: they were 5 astonied, and suddenly driven backe. Feare came there vpon 6 them, and sorowe, as vpon a woman in trauaile. As with an 7 East winde thou breakest the shippes of Tarshish, so were they destroyed. As we have heard, so have we seene in the citie of 8 the Lord of hostes, in the Citie of our God: God will stablish it for euer, Selah. We waite for thy louing kindnes, O God, in the 9 middes of thy Temple. O God, according vnto thy Name, so is 10 thy prayse vnto the worlds end: thy right hand is full of righteousnes. Let mount Zion reioyce, and the daughters of Iudah 11 be glad, because of thy judgements. Compasse about Zion, 12 and goe round about it, and tell the towres thereof. Marke 13 well the wall thereof: beholde her towres, that ve may tell your posteritie. For this God is our God for euer and euer: he shall 14 be our guide vnto the death.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme committed to the sonnes of 49 Korah. Heare this, all ve people: giue eare, all ve that dwell in the world, As well lowe as hie, both rich and poore. My 2,3 mouth shall speake of wisdome, and the meditation of mine heart is of knowledge. I will incline mine eare to a parable, 4 and vtter my graue matter vpon the harpe. Wherefore should 5 I feare in the euil dayes, when iniquitie shall compasse me about, as at mine heeles? They trust in their goods, and boast 6 them selues in the multitude of their riches. Yet a man can by 7 no meanes redeeme his brother: he can not give his raunsome to God, (So precious is the redemption of their soules, and 8 the continuance for euer) That he may liue still for euer, and 9 not see the graue. For he seeth that wise men die, and also 10 that the ignorant and foolish perish, and leave their riches for others. Yet they thinke, their houses, and their habitations 11 shall continue for euer, euen from generation to generation, and call their lands by their names. But man shall not con- 12 tinue in honour: he is like the beastes that die. This their 13 way vttereth their foolishnes: yet their posteritie delite in their

talke. Selah. Like sheepe they lie in graue: death deuoureth them, and the righteous shall haue domination ouer them in the morning: for their beautie shall consume, when they shall goe from their house to graue. But God shall deliuer my soule from the power of the graue: for he will receiue me. Selah. Be not thou afrayd when one is made rich, and when the glory of his house is increased. For he shall take nothing away when he dieth, neither shall his pompe descende after him. For while he liued, he reioyced himselfe: and men will prayse thee, when thou makest much of thy selfe. He shall enter into the generation of his fathers, and they shall not liue for euer. Man is in honour, and vnderstandeth not: he is like to beasts that perish.

A Psalme of Asaph. The God of Gods, euen the Lord hath 50 spoken and called the earth from the rising vp of the sunne 2 vnto the going downe thereof. Out of Zion, which is the per-3 fection of beautie, hath God shined. Our God shall come and shall not keepe silence: a fire shall deuoure before him, and 4 a mightie tempest shall be mooued round about him. Hee shall call the heaven above, and the earth to judge his peo-Gather my Saints together vnto me, those that make 6 a covenant with me with sacrifice. And the heavens shall declare his righteousnes: for God is judge himselfe. Selah. 7 Heare, O my people, and I wil speake: heare, O Israel, and 8 I wil testifie vnto thee: for I am God, euen thy God. I wil not reproue thee for thy sacrifices, or thy burnt offerings, that 9 haue not bene continually before me. I will take no bullocke 10 out of thine house, nor goates out of thy foldes. For all the beastes of the forest are mine, and the beastes on a thousand 11 mountaines. I knowe all the foules on the mountaines: and 12 the wilde beastes of the fielde are mine. If I bee hungry, I will not tell thee: for the world is mine, and all that therein is. 13 Will I eate the flesh of bulles? or drinke the blood of goates? 14 Offer vnto God praise, and pay thy vowes vnto the most High, 15 And call vpon me in the day of trouble: so will I deliuer thee, 16 and thou shalt glorifie me. But vnto the wicked said God, What hast thou to doe to declare mine ordinances, that thou 17 shouldest take my couenant in thy mouth, Seeing thou hatest to bee reformed, and hast cast my wordes behinde thee? 18 For when thou seest a thiefe, thou runnest with him, and thou art partaker with the adulterers. Thou givest thy mouth to 19 euill, and with thy tongue thou forgest deceit. Thou sittest, 20 and speakest against thy brother, and slanderest thy mothers sonne. These things hast thou done, and I held my tongue: 21 therefore thou thoughtest that I was like thee: but I will reprove thee, and set them in order before thee. Oh cosider 22 this, ye that forget God, least I teare you in pieces, and there be none that can deliver you. He that offereth praise, shall 23 glorifie mee: and to him, that disposeth his way aright, will I shew the saluation of God.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David, when the Prophet 51 Nathan came unto him, after he had gone in to Bath-sheba. Have mercie vpon me, O God, according to thy louing kindnes: according to the multitude of thy compassions put away mine iniquities. Wash me throughly from mine iniquitie, and clense 2 me from my sinne. For I know mine iniquities, and my sinne 3 is euer before me. Against thee, against thee onely haue I 4 sinned, and done euill in thy sight, that thou mayest be just when thou speakest, and pure when thou judgest. Beholde, I 5 was borne in iniquitie, and in sinne hath my mother conceiued Beholde, thou louest trueth in the inwarde affections: 6 therefore hast thou taught mee wisedome in the secret of mine heart. Purge me with hyssope, and I shalbe cleane: wash me, 7 and I shalbe whiter then snowe. Make me to heare iove and 8 gladnes, that the bones, which thou hast broken, may reioyce. Hide thy face from my sinnes, and put away all mine iniqui- 9 ties. Create in mee a cleane heart, O God, and renue a right 10 spirit within me. Cast mee not away from thy presence, and 11 take not thine holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the ioy 12 of thy saluation, and stablish me with thy free Spirit. Then 13 shall I teache thy wayes vnto the wicked, and sinners shalbe Deliuer me from blood, O God, which 14 converted vnto thee. art the God of my saluation, and my tongue shall sing joyfully of thy righteousnes. Open thou my lippes, O Lord, and my 15 mouth shall shewe foorth thy praise. For thou desirest no sac- 16 rifice, though I would give it: thou delitest not in burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a contrite spirit: a contrite and 17 a broken heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. Bee fauourable 18 vnto Zion for thy good pleasure: builde the walles of Ierusalem. Then shalt thou accept ye sacrifices of righteousnes, euen the 19

burnt offering and oblation: then shall they offer calues vpon thine altar.

**52** To him that excelleth. A Psalme of Dauid to give instruction. When Doeg the Edomite came and shewed Saul, and saide to him, Dauid is come to the house of Abimelech. Why boastest thou thy selfe in thy wickednesse, O man of power? 2 the louing kindenesse of God indureth dayly. Thy tongue imagineth mischiefe, and is like a sharpe rasor, that cutteth 3 deceitfully. Thou doest loue euill more then good, and lies 4 more then to speake the trueth. Selah. Thou louest all wordes 5 that may destroye, O deceitfull tongue! So shall God destroy thee for euer: he shall take thee and plucke thee out of thy tabernacle, and roote thee out of ye land of the liuing. Se-6 lah. The righteous also shall see it, and feare, and shall laugh 7 at him, saying, Beholde the man that tooke not God for his strength, but trusted vnto the multitude of his riches, and put 8 his strength in his malice. But I shall bee like a greene oliue tree in the house of God: for I trusted in the mercie of God for 9 euer and euer. I will alway praise thee, for that thou hast done this, and I will hope in thy Name, because it is good before thy Saints.

To him that excelleth on Mahalath. A Psalme of David to give instruction. The foole hath saide in his heart, There is no God. they have corrupted and done abominable wickednes: there is none that doeth good. God looked downe from heaven vpon the children of men, to see if there were any that would vnderstand, and seeke God. Every one is gone backe: they are altogether corrupt: there is none that doth good, no not one. Doe not the workers of iniquitie knowe that they eate vp my people as they eate bread? they call not vpon God. There they were afraide for feare, where no feare was: for God hath scattered the bones of him that besieged thee: thou hast put them to confusion, because God hath cast them off. Oh give saluation vnto Israel out of Zion: when God turneth the captivitie of his people, then Iaakob shall reioyce, and Israel shalbe glad.

To him that excelleth on Neginoth. A Psalme of David, to give instruction. When the Ziphims came and said unto Saul, Is not David hid among us? Save mee, O God, by thy Name, and by thy power iudge me. O God, heare my prayer: hearken vnto the wordes of my mouth. For strangers are risen vp

against me, and tyrants seeke my soule: they have not set God before them. Selah. Beholde, God is mine helper: the Lord 4 is with them that vpholde my soule. He shall rewarde euill 5 vnto mine enemies: Oh cut them off in thy trueth! Then I 6 will sacrifice freely vnto thee: I wil praise thy Name, O Lord, because it is good. For he hath delivered me out of al trouble, 7 and mine eye hath seene my desire vpon mine enemies.

To him that excelleth on Neginoth. A Psalme of David to 55 give instruction. Heare my prayer, O God, and hide not thy selfe from my supplication. Hearken vnto me, and answere 2 me: I mourne in my prayer, and make a noyse, For the voyce 3 of the enemie, and for the vexation of ve wicked, because they haue brought iniquitie vpon me, and furiously hate me. Mine 4 heart trembleth within mee, and the terrours of death are fallen vpon me. Feare and trembling are come vpon mee, and an hor- 5 rible feare hath couered me. And I said, Oh that I had wings 6 like a doue: then would I flie away and rest. Beholde, I woulde 7 take my flight farre off, and lodge in the wildernes. Selah. Hee 8 would make haste for my deliuerance from the stormie winde and tempest. Destroy, O Lord, and deuide their tongues: for 9 I have seene crueltie and strife in the citie. Day and night 10 they goe about it vpon the walles thereof: both iniquitie and mischiefe are in the middes of it. Wickednes is in the middes 11 thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streetes. Surely 12 mine enemie did not defame mee: for I could haue borne it: neither did mine aduersarie exalt himselfe against mee: for I would have hid me from him. But it was thou, O man, euen 13 my companion, my guide and my familiar: Which delited in 14 consulting together, and went into the House of God as companions. Let death sense vpon them: let them goe downe 15 quicke into the graue: for wickednes is in their dwellings, euen in the middes of them. But I will call vnto God, and the Lord 16 will saue me. Euening and morning, and at noone will I pray, 17 and make a noyse, and he wil heare my voice. He hath deli- 18 uered my soule in peace from the battel, that was against me: for many were with me. God shall heare and afflict them, 19 euen hee that reigneth of olde, Selah. because they haue no changes, therefore they feare not God. Hee layed his hande 20 vpon such, as be at peace with him, and he brake his couenant. The wordes of his mouth were softer then butter, yet warre was 21

in his heart: his words were more gentle then oyle, yet they
were swordes. Cast thy burden vpon the Lord, and hee shall
nourish thee: he wil not suffer the righteous to fall for euer.
And thou, O God, shalt bring them downe into the pitte of corruption: the bloudie, and deceitfull men shall not liue halfe their dayes: but I will trust in thee.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David on Michtam, con-56 cerning the dumme doue in a farre countrey, when the Philistims tooke him in Gath. Be mercifull vnto me, O God, for man would swallow me vp: he fighteth continually and vexeth me. 2 Mine enemies would dayly swallowe mee vp: for many fight 3 against me, O thou most High. When I was afrayd, I trusted 4 in thee. I will reioyce in God, because of his word, I trust 5 in God, and will not feare what flesh can doe vnto me. Mine owne wordes grieue me dayly: all their thoughtes are against 6 me to doe me hurt. They gather together, and keepe them selues close: they marke my steps, because they waite for my 7 soule. They thinke they shall escape by iniquitie: O God, cast 8 these people downe in thine anger. Thou hast counted my wandrings: put my teares into thy bottel: are they not in thy 9 register? When I cry, then mine enemies shall turne backe: 10 this I know, for God is with me. I will reioyce in God because of his worde: in the Lord wil I reiovce because of his worde. 11 In God doe I trust: I will not be afrayd what man can doe vnto 12 me. Thy vowes are vpon me, O God: I will render prayses vnto 13 thee. For thou hast deliuered my soule from death, and also my feete from falling, that I may walke before God in the light of the liuing.

To him that excelleth. Destroy not. A Psalme of David on Michtam. When he fled from Saul in the cave. Have mercie vpon me, O God, haue mercie vpon me: for my soule trusteth in thee, and in the shadowe of thy wings wil I trust, till these afflictions ouerpasse. I will call vnto the most high God, euen to the God, that performeth his promise toward me. He will send from heauen, and saue me from the reproofe of him that would swallowe me. Selah. God wil send his mercy, and his trueth. My soule is among lions: I lie among the children of men, that are set on fire: whose teeth are speares and arrowes, and their tongue a sharpe sworde. Exalt thy selfe, O God, aboue the heauen, and let thy glory be vpon all the earth.

They have layd a net for my steps: my soule is pressed downe: 6 they have digged a pit before me, and are fallen into the mids of it. Selah. Mine heart is prepared, O God, mine heart is pre- 7 pared: I will sing and give prayse. Awake my tongue, awake 8 viole and harpe: I wil awake early. I will prayse thee, O Lord, 9 among the people, and I wil sing vnto thee among the nations. For thy mercie is great vnto the heavens, and thy trueth vnto 10 the cloudes. Exalt thy selfe, O God, above the heavens, and 11 let thy glory be vpon all the earth.

To him that excelleth. Destroy not. A Psalme of David on 58 Michtam. Is it true? O Congregation, speake ye iustly? O sonnes of men, iudge ye vprightly? Yea, rather ye imagine 2 mischiefe in your heart: your hands execute crueltie vpon the earth. The wicked are strangers from ve wombe: euen from 3 the belly haue they erred, and speake lyes. Their poyson is 4 euen like the poyson of a serpent: like ye deafe adder that stoppeth his eare. Which heareth not the voyce of the inchanter, 5 though he be most expert in charming. Breake their teeth, 6 O God, in their mouthes: breake the lawes of the yong lions, O Lord. Let them melt like the waters, let them passe away: 7 when hee shooteth his arrowes, let them be as broken. them consume like a snayle that melteth, and like the vntimely fruite of a woman, that hath not seene the sunne. As raw flesh 9 before your pots feele the fire of thornes: so let him cary them away as with a whirlewinde in his wrath. The righteous shall 10 reioyce when he seeeth the vengeance: he shall wash his feete in the blood of the wicked. And men shall say, Verily there is 11 fruite for the righteous: doutlesse there is a God that iudgeth in the earth.

To him that excelleth. Destroy not. A Psalme of David on Michtam. When Saul sent and they did watch the house to kill him. O my God, deliuer mee from mine enemies: defend me from them that rise vp against me. Deliuer me from the wicked doers, and saue me from the bloody men. For loe, they haue layd waite for my soule: the mightie men are gathered against me, not for mine offence, nor for my sinne, O Lord. They runne and prepare themselues without a fault on my 4 part: arise therefore to assist me, and beholde. Euen thou, 5 O Lord God of hostes, O God of Israel awake to visit all the heathen, and be not merciful vnto all that transgresse mali-

6 ciously. Selah. They goe to and from in the euening: they 7 barke like dogs, and goe about the citie. Behold, they brag in their talke, and swords are in their lips: for, Who, say they, 8 doeth heare? But thou, O Lord, shalt have them in derision, 9 and thou shalt laugh at all the heathen. He is strong: but 10 I will waite vpon thee: for God is my defence. My mercifull God will preuent me: God wil let me see my desire vpon mine 11 enemies. Slay them not, least my people forget it: but scatter them abroad by thy power, and put them downe, O Lord our 12 shield, For the sinne of their mouth, and the words of their lips: and let them be taken in their pride, euen for their peri-13 urie and lies, that they speake. Consume them in thy wrath: consume them that they be no more: and let them knowe that God ruleth in Iaakob, euen vnto the ends of the world. Selah. 14 And in the euening they shall go to and from, and barke like 15 dogs, and go about the citie. They shall runne here and there for meate: and surely they shall not be satisfied, though they 16 tary all night. But I wil sing of thy power, and will prayse thy mercy in the morning: for thou hast bene my defence and 17 refuge in the day of my trouble. Vnto thee, O my Strength, wil I sing: for God is my defence, and my mercifull God.

To him that excelleth upon Shushan Eduth, or Michtam. 60 A Psalme of David to teach. When he fought against Aram Naharaim, and against Aram Zobah, when Joab returned and slew twelve thousand Edomites in the salt valley. O God, thou hast cast vs out, thou hast scattered vs, thou hast bene angry, 2 turne againe vnto vs. Thou hast made the land to tremble, and hast made it to gape: heale the breaches thereof, for it 3 is shaken. Thou hast shewed thy people heavy things: thou 4 hast made vs to drinke the wine of giddines. But now thou hast given a banner to them that feare thee, that it may be dis-5 played because of thy trueth. Selah. That thy beloued may be 6 deliuered, helpe with thy right hand and heare me. God hath spoken in his holines: therefore I will reioyce: I shall deuide 7 Shechem, and measure the valley of Succoth. Gilead shalbe mine, and Manasseh shalbe mine: Ephraim also shalbe the 8 strength of mine head: Iudah is my lawgiuer. Moab shalbe my wash pot: ouer Edom will I cast out my shoe: Palestina shew 9 thy selfe ioyfull for me. Who will leade me into the strong 10 citie? who will bring me vnto Edom? Wilt not thou, O God, which hadest cast vs off, and didest not go forth, O God, with our armies? Give vs helpe against trouble: for vaine is the 11 helpe of man. Through God we shall doe valiantly: for he 12 shall tread downe our enemies.

To him that excelleth on Neginoth. A Psalme of David. 61 Heare my cry, O God: giue eare vnto my prayer. From the 2 endes of the earth will I crye vnto thee: when mine heart is opprest, bring me vpon the rocke that is higher then I. For 3 thou hast bene mine hope, and a strong tower against the enemie. I will dwell in thy Tabernacle for euer, and my trust shall 4 be vnder the couering of thy wings. Selah. For thou, O God, 5 hast heard my desires: thou hast giuen an heritage vnto those that feare thy Name. Thou shalt giue the King a long life: his 6 yeeres shalbe as many ages. Hee shall dwell before God for 7 euer: prepare mercie and faithfulnes that they may preserue him. So will I alway sing prayse vnto thy Name in performing 8 dayly my vowes.

To the excelletn musician Ieduthun. A Psalme of David. 62 Yet my soule keepeth silence vnto God: of him commeth my saluation. Yet he is my strength and my saluation, and my 2 defence: therefore I shall not much be mooued. How long wil 3 ye imagine mischiefe against a man? ye shalbe all slaine: ye shalbe as a bowed wall, or as a wall shaken. Yet they consult 4 to cast him downe from his dignitie: their delight is in lies, they blesse with their mouthes, but curse with their hearts. Selah. Yet my soule keepe thou silence vnto God: for mine 5 hope is in him. Yet is hee my strength, and my saluation, and 6 my defence: therefore I shall not be mooued. In God is my 7 saluation and my glory, the rocke of my strength: in God is my trust. Trust in him alway, ye people: powre out your hearts 8 before him, for God is our hope. Selah. Yet the children of 9 men are vanitie, the chiefe men are lies: to lay them vpon a balance they are altogether lighter then vanitie. Trust not 10 in oppression nor in robberie: be not vaine: if riches increase, set not your heart thereon. God spake once or twise, I haue 11 heard it, that power belongeth vnto God, And to thee, O Lord, 12 mercie: for thou rewardest euery one according to his worke.

A Psalme of David. When he was in the wildernesse of Judah. O God, thou art my God, earely will I seeke thee: my soule thirsteth for thee: my flesh longeth greatly after thee in

2 a barren and drye land without water. Thus I beholde thee as in the Sanctuarie, when I beholde thy power and thy glo-3 rie. For thy louing kindnesse is better then life: therefore my 4 lippes shall prayse thee. Thus will I magnifie thee all my life, 5 and lift vp mine hands in thy name. My soule shalbe satisfied, as with marowe and fatnesse, and my mouth shall praise 6 thee with ioyfull lippes, When I remember thee on my bedde, 7 and when I thinke vpon thee in the night watches. Because thou hast bene mine helper, therefore vnder the shadow of thy 8 wings wil I reioyce. My soule cleaueth vnto thee: for thy right 9 hand vpholdeth me. Therefore they that seeke my soule to destroy it, they shall goe into the lowest partes of the earth. 10 They shall cast him downe with the edge of the sword, and 11 they shall be a portion for foxes. But the King shall reioyce in God, and all that sweare by him shall reioyce in him: for the mouth of them that speake lyes, shall be stopped.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David. Heare my vovce, 64 O God, in my prayer: preserue my life from feare of the ene-2 mie. Hide me from the conspiracie of the wicked, and from 3 the rage of the workers of iniquitie. Which have whette their tongue like a sword, and shot for their arrowes bitter wordes. 4 To shoote at the vpright in secrete: they shoote at him sud-5 denly, and feare not. They encourage themselues in a wicked purpose: they commune together to lay snares priuilie, and 6 say, Who shall see them? They have sought out iniquities, and have accomplished that which they sought out, even every 7 one his secret thoughtes, and the depth of his heart. But God will shoote an arrowe at them suddenly: their strokes shalbe 8 at once. They shall cause their owne tongue to fall vpon them: 9 and whosoeuer shall see them, shall flee away. And all men shall see it, and declare the worke of God, and they shall vn-10 derstand, what he hath wrought. But the righteous shall be glad in the Lord, and trust in him: and all that are vpright of heart, shall reioyce.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme or song of David. O God, praise waiteth for thee in Zion, and vnto thee shall the vowe be perfourmed. Because thou hearest the prayer, vnto thee shall all flesh come. Wicked deedes have prevailed against me: but thou wilt be mercifull vnto our transgressions. Blessed is he, whom thou chusest and causest to come to thee; he shall dwell

in thy courtes, and we shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thine House, euen of thine holy Temple. O God of our salu- 5 ation, thou wilt answere vs with fearefull signes in thy righteousnes. O thou the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are farre off in the sea. He stablisheth the mountaines by his power: and is girded about with strength. appeaseth the noyse of the seas and the noyse of the waues thereof, and the tumults of the people. They also, that dwell 8 in the vttermost parts of the earth, shalbe afraide of thy signes: thou shalt make the East and the West to reiovce. Thou vis- 9 itest the earth, and waterest it: thou makest it very riche: the River of God is full of water: thou preparest them corne: for so thou appointest it. Thou waterest abundantly the furrowes 10 thereof: thou causest the raine to descende into the valleies thereof: thou makest it soft with showres, and blessest the bud thereof. Thou crownest ye yeere with thy goodnesse, and thy 11 steppes droppe fatnesse. They drop vpon the pastures of the 12 wildernesse: and the hils shalbe compassed with gladnes. The 13 pastures are clad with sheepe: the valleis also shalbe couered with corne: therefore they shoute for ioye, and sing.

To him that excelleth. A song or Psalme. Rejoice in God, 66 all ye inhabitants of the earth. Sing forth the glory of his 2 name: make his praise glorious. Say vnto God, Howe terrible 3 art thou in thy workes! through the greatnesse of thy power shall thine enemies be in subjection vnto thee. All the worlde 4 shall worship thee, and sing vnto thee, euen sing of thy Name. Selah. Come and beholde the workes of God: he is terrible in 5 his doing towarde the sonnes of men. He hath turned the Sea 6 into drie land: they passe through the riuer on foote: there did we rejoyce in him. He ruleth the worlde with his power: his 7 eyes beholde the nations: the rebellious shall not exalt them selues. Selah. Prayse our God, ye people, and make the voyce 8 of his prayse to be heard. Which holdeth our soules in life, and 9 suffereth not our feete to slippe. For thou, O God, hast proued 10 vs. thou hast tryed vs as siluer is tryed. Thou hast brought 11 vs into the snare, and layed a strait chaine vpon our loynes. Thou hast caused men to ryde ouer our heads: we went into 12 fire and into water, but thou broughtest vs out into a welthie place. I will go into thine House with burnt offrings, and will 13 pay thee my vowes. Which my lippes haue promised, and my 14

mouth hath spoken in mine affliction. I will offer vnto thee the burnt offerings of fat rammes with incense: I will prepare
bullocks and goates. Selah. Come and hearken, all ye that feare God, and I will tell you what he hath done to my soule.
I called vnto him with my mouth, and he was exalted with
my tongue. If I regard wickednesse in mine heart, the Lord
will not heare me. But God hath heard me, and considered
the voyce of my prayer. Praysed be God, which hath not put

backe my prayer, nor his mercie from me.

- To him that excelleth on Neginoth. A Psalme or song. God be mercifull vnto vs, and blesse vs, and cause his face to shine among vs. Selah. That they may know thy way vpon earth, and thy sauing health among all nations. Let the people prayse thee, O God: let all the people prayse thee. Let the people be glad and reioyce: for thou shalt iudge the people righteously, and gouerne the nations vpon the earth. Selah. Let the people prayse thee, O God: let all the people prayse thee. Then shall the earth bring foorth her increase, and God, euen our God shall blesse vs. God shall blesse vs, and all the endes of the earth shall feare him.
- To him that excelleth. A Psalme or song of David. God will 68 arise, and his enemies shalbe scattered: they also that hate 2 him, shall flee before him. As the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away: and as waxe melteth before the fire, 3 so shall the wicked perish at the presence of God. But the righteous shalbe glad, and reioyce before God: yea, they shall 4 leape for ioye. Sing vnto God, and sing prayses vnto his name: exalt him that rideth vpon the heavens, in his Name Iah, and 5 reioyce before him. He is a Father of the fatherlesse, and a 6 Iudge of the widowes, euen God in his holy habitation. God maketh the solitarie to dwell in families, and deliuereth them that were prisoners in stocks: but the rebellious shall dwell 7 in a dry land. O God, when thou wentest forth before thy people: when thou wentest through the wildernesse, (Selah) 8 The earth shooke, and the heavens dropped at the presence of this God: euen Sinai was moued at the presence of God, 9 euen the God of Israel. Thou, O God, sendest a gracious raine vpon thine inheritance, and thou didest refresh it when it was 10 wearie. Thy Congregation dwelled therein: for thou, O God, 11 hast of thy goodnesse prepared it for the poore. The Lord

gaue matter to the women to tell of the great armie. Kings 12 of the armies did flee: they did flee, and she that remained in the house, deuided the spoyle. Though ye have lien among 13 pots, yet shall ye be as the winges of a doue that is couered with siluer, and whose fethers are like yelowe golde. When 14 the Almightie scattered Kings in it, it was white as the snowe in Zalmon. The mountaine of God is like the mountaine of 15 Bashan: it is an high Mountaine, as mount Bashan. leape ye, ye high mountaines? as for this Mountaine, God deliteth to dwell in it: yea, the Lord will dwell in it for euer. The charets of God are twentie thousande thousand Angels. 17 and the Lord is among them, as in the Sanctuarie of Sinai. Thou art gone vp on high: thou hast led captiuitie captiue, and 18 received giftes for men: yea, even the rebellious hast thou led, that the Lord God might dwell there. Praysed be the Lord, 19 euen the God of our saluation, which ladeth vs dayly with benefites. Selah. This is our God, euen the God that saueth vs: 20 and to the Lord God belong the issues of death. Surely God 21 will wound the head of his enemies, and the hearie pate of him that walketh in his sinnes. The Lord hath sayde, I will bring 22 my people againe from Bashan: I will bring them againe from the depths of the Sea: That thy foote may bee dipped in blood, 23 and the tongue of thy dogges in the blood of the enemies, euen in it. They have seene, O God, thy goings, the goings of my 24 God, and my King, which art in the Sanctuarie. The singers 25 went before, the players of instruments after: in the middes were the maides playing with timbrels. Praise yee God in the 26 assemblies, and the Lord, ye that are of the fountaine of Israel. There was litle Beniamin with their ruler, and the princes of 27 Iudah with their assemblie, the princes of Zebulun, and the princes of Naphtali. Thy God hath appointed thy strength: 28 stablish, O God, that, which thou hast wrought in vs. Out of 29 thy Temple vpon Ierusalem: and Kings shall bring presents vnto thee. Destroy the company of the spearemen, and mul- 30 titude of the mightie bulles with the calues of the people, that tread vnder feete pieces of siluer: scatter the people that delite in warre. Then shall the princes come out of Egypt: Ethiopia 31 shall hast to stretche her hands vnto God. Sing vnto God, O 32 yee kingdomes of the earth: sing praise vnto the Lord, (Selah) To him that rideth vpon ye most high heauens, which were 33 from the beginning: beholde, he will send out by his voice a mightie sound. Ascribe the power to God: for his maiestie is vpon Israel, and his strength is in the cloudes. O God, thou art terrible out of thine holie places: the God of Israel is hee that giueth strength and power vnto the people: praised be God.

To him that excelleth upon Shoshannim. A Psalme of David. 69 Save mee, O God: for the waters are entred euen to my soule. 2 I sticke fast in the deepe myre, where no staie is: I am come 3 into deepe waters, and the streames runne ouer me. I am wearie of crying: my throte is drie: mine eyes faile, whiles I 4 waite for my God. They that hate mee without a cause, are moe then the heares of mine heade: they that would destroy mee, and are mine enemies falsly, are mightie, so that I re-5 stored that which I tooke not. O God, thou knowest my fool-6 ishnesse, and my fautes are not hid from thee. Let not them that trust in thee, O Lord God of hostes, be ashamed for me: let not those that seeke thee, be confounded through mee, O God 7 of Israel. For thy sake haue I suffred reproofe: shame hath 8 couered my face. I am become a stranger vnto my brethren, 9 euen an aliant vnto my mothers sonnes. For the zeale of thine house hath eaten mee, and the rebukes of them that rebuked 10 thee, are fallen vpon me. I wept and my soule fasted, but that 11 was to my reproofe. I put on a sacke also: and I became a 12 prouerbe vnto them. They that sate in the gate, spake of mee, 13 and the drunkards sang of me. But Lord, I make my praier vnto thee in an acceptable time, euen in the multitude of thy 14 mercie: O God, heare me in the trueth of thy saluation. Deliuer mee out of the myre, that I sinke not: let me be deliuered 15 from them that hate me, and out of the deepe waters. Let not the water flood drowne mee, neither let the deepe swallowe me 16 vp: and let not the pit shut her mouth vpon me. Heare me, O Lord, for thy louing kindnes is good: turne vnto me accord-17 ing to ye multitude of thy tender mercies. And hide not thy face from thy seruant, for I am in trouble: make haste and 18 heare me. Draw neere vnto my soule and redeeme it: deliuer 19 me because of mine enemies. Thou hast knowen my reproofe and my shame, and my dishonour: all mine aduersaries are 20 before thee. Rebuke hath broken mine heart, and I am full of heauinesse, and I looked for some to haue pitie on me, but

there was none: and for comforters, but I found none. they gaue me gall in my meate, and in my thirst they gaue me vineger to drinke. Let their table be a snare before them, and 22 their prosperitie their ruine. Let their eyes be blinded that 23 they see not: and make their loynes alway to tremble. Powre 24 out thine anger vpon them, and let thy wrathfull displeasure take them. Let their habitation be voide, and let none dwell 25 in their tents. For they persecute him, whome thou hast smit- 26 ten: and they adde vnto the sorrowe of them, whome thou hast Laie iniquitie vpon their iniquitie, and let them 27 not come into thy righteousnesse. Let them be put out of the 28 booke of life, neither let them be written with the righteous. When I am poore and in heauinesse, thine helpe, O God, shall 29 exalt me. I will praise the Name of God with a song, and mag- 30 nifie him with thankesgiuing. This also shall please the Lord 31 better then a yong bullocke, that hath hornes and hoofes. The 32 humble shall see this, and they that seeke God, shalbe glad, and your heart shall liue. For the Lord heareth the poore, 33 and despiseth not his prisoners. Let heaven and earth praise 34 him: the seas and all that moueth in them. For God will saue 35 Zion, and builde the cities of Iudah, that men may dwell there and haue it in possession. The seede also of his seruants shall 36 inherit it: and they that loue his name, shall dwel therein.

To him excelleth. A Psalme of David to put in remembrance. 70 O God, haste thee to deliuer mee: make haste to helpe me, O Lord. Let them be confounded and put to shame, that seeke 2 my soule: let them bee turned backewarde and put to rebuke, that desire mine hurt. Let them be turned backe for a rewarde 3 of their shame, which said, Aha, aha. But let all those that 4 seeke thee, be ioyfull and glad in thee, and let all that loue thy saluation, say alwaies, God be praised. Nowe I am poore and 5 needie: O God, make haste to me: thou art mine helper, and my deliuerer: O Lord, make no tarying.

In thee, O Lord, I trust: let me neuer be ashamed. Rescue mee and deliuer me in thy righteousnes: incline thine eare vnto me and saue me. Be thou my strong rocke, whereunto I 3 may alway resort: thou hast given commandement to saue me: for thou art my rocke, and my fortresse. Deliuer mee, O my 4 God, out of the hande of the wicked: out of the hande of the euill and cruell man. For thou art mine hope, O Lord God, euen 5

6 my trust from my youth. Vpon thee haue I beene stayed from the wombe: thou art he that tooke me out of my mothers bow-7 els: my praise shalbe alwaies of thee. I am become as it were 8 a monster vnto many: but thou art my sure trust. Let my mouth be filled with thy praise, and with thy glory euery day. 9 Cast mee not off in the time of age: forsake me not when my 10 strength faileth. For mine enemies speake of mee, and they 11 that lay waite for my soule, take their counsell together, Saying, God hath forsaken him: pursue and take him, for there 12 is none to deliuer him. Goe not farre from me, O God: my 13 God, haste thee to helpe me. Let them be confounded and consumed that are against my soule: let them be couered with 14 reproofe and confusion, that seeke mine hurt. But I will waite 15 continually, and will praise thee more and more. My mouth shall daily rehearse thy righteousnesse, and thy saluation: for 16 I knowe not the nomber. I will goe forwarde in the strength of the Lord God, and will make mention of thy righteousnesse, 17 euen of thine onely. O God, thou hast taught me from my vouth euen vntill nowe: therefore will I tell of thy wonderous 18 workes, Yea, euen vnto mine olde age and graie head, O God: forsake me not, vntill I have declared thine arme vnto this 19 generation, and thy power to all them, that shall come. And thy righteousnes, O God, I wil exalt on high: for thou hast 20 done great thinges: O God, who is like vnto thee! Which hast shewed me great troubles and aduersities, but thou wilt returne, and reuiue me, and wilt come againe, and take mee vp 21 from the depth of the earth. Thou wilt increase mine honour, 22 and returne and comfort me. Therefore will I praise thee for thy faithfulnesse, O God, vpon instrument and viole: vnto thee 23 will I sing vpon the harpe, O Holy one of Israel. My lippes will reioyce when I sing vnto thee, and my soule, which thou hast 24 deliuered. My tongue also shall talke of thy righteousnesse daily: for they are confounded and brought vnto shame, that seeke mine hurt.

A Psalme of Salomon. Give thy iudgements to the King, O God, and thy righteousnesse to the Kings sonne. Then shall he iudge thy people in righteousnesse, and thy poore with equitie. The mountaines and the hilles shall bring peace to the 4 people by iustice. He shall iudge the poore of the people: he shall saue the children of the needie, and shall subdue the op-

pressor. They shall feare thee as long as the sunne and moone 5 endureth, from generatio to generation. He shall come downe 6 like the rayne vpon the mowen grasse, and as the showres that water the earth. In his dayes shall the righteous florish, and 7 abundance of peace shalbe so long as the moone endureth. His 8 dominion shall be also from sea to sea, and from the Riuer vnto the endes of the land. They that dwell in ye wildernes, 9 shall kneele before him, and his enemies shall licke the dust. The Kings of Tarshish and of the yles shall bring presents: the 10 Kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring giftes. Yea, all Kings 11 shall worship him: all nations shall serue him. For he shall 12 deliuer the poore when he cryeth: the needie also, and him that hath no helper. He shalbe mercifull to the poore and needie, 13 and shall preserve the soules of the poore. He shall redeeme 14 their soules from deceite and violence, and deare shall their blood be in his sight. Yea, he shall liue, and vnto him shall 15 they give of the golde of Sheba: they shall also pray for him continually, and dayly blesse him. An handfull of corne shall 16 be sowen in the earth, euen in the toppe of the mountaines, and the fruite thereof shall shake like the trees of Lebanon: and the children shall florish out of the citie like the grasse of the earth. His name shall be for euer: his name shall in- 17 dure as long as the sunne: all nations shall blesse him, and be blessed in him. Blessed be the Lord God, euen the God of 18 Israel, which onely doeth wonderous things. And blessed be 19 his glorious Name for euer: and let all the earth be filled with his glorie. So be it, euen so be it. HERE END THE prayers of Dauid, the sonne of Ishai.

A Psalme committed to Asaph. Yet God is good to Israel: **73** euen, to the pure in heart. As for me, my feete were almost 2 gone: my steps had well neere slipt. For I feared at the foolish, 3 when I sawe the prosperitie of the wicked. For there are no 4 bandes in their death, but they are lustie and strong. They 5 are not in trouble as other men, neither are they plagued with other men. Therefore pride is as a chayne vnto them, and 6 crueltie couereth them as a garment. Their eyes stande out 7 for fatnesse: they have more then heart can wish. They are 8 licentious, and speake wickedly of their oppression: they talke presumptuously. They set their mouth against heaven, and 9 their tongue walketh through the earth. Therefore his people 10

turne hither: for waters of a full cup are wrung out to them. 11 And they say, Howe doeth God know it? or is there knowledge 12 in the most High? Lo, these are the wicked, yet prosper they 13 alway, and increase in riches. Certainely I have clensed mine 14 heart in vaine, and washed mine hands in innocencie. 15 dayly haue I bene punished, and chastened euery morning. If I say, I will iudge thus, beholde the generation of thy children: 16 I have trespassed. Then thought I to know this, but it was 17 too painefull for me, Vntill I went into the Sanctuarie of God: 18 then vnderstoode I their ende. Surely thou hast set them in 19 slipperie places, and castest them downe into desolation. How suddenly are they destroyed, perished and horribly consumed, 20 As a dreame when one awaketh! O Lord, when thou raisest vs 21 vp. thou shalt make their image despised. Certainely mine 22 heart was vexed, and I was pricked in my reines: So foolish 23 was I and ignorant: I was a beast before thee. Yet I was alway 24 with thee: thou hast holden me by my right hand. Thou wilt guide me by thy counsell, and afterward receive me to glory. 25 Whom haue I in heauen but thee? and I haue desired none in 26 the earth with thee. My flesh fayleth and mine heart also: but 27 God is the strength of mine heart, and my portion for euer. For loe, they that withdrawe themselues from thee, shall perish: 28 thou destroyest all them that goe a whoring from thee. As for me, it is good for me to draw neere to God: therefore I have put my trust in the Lord God, that I may declare all thy workes.

A Psalme to give instruction, committed to Asaph. O God, 74 why hast thou put vs away for euer? why is thy wrath kin-2 dled against the sheepe of thy pasture? Thinke vpon thy Congregation, which thou hast possessed of olde, and on the rod of thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed, and on this 3 mount Zion, wherein thou hast dwelt. Lift vp thy strokes, that thou mayest for euer destroy euery enemie that doeth 4 euill to the Sanctuarie. Thine aduersaries roare in the middes of thy Congregation, and set vp their banners for signes. 5 He that lifted the axes vpon the thicke trees, was renowmed, 6 as one, that brought a thing to perfection: But nowe they breake downe the carued worke thereof with axes and ham-7 mers. They have cast thy Sanctuarie into the fire, and rased it to the grounde, and have defiled the dwelling place of thy 8 Name. They saide in their hearts. Let vs destroy them altogether: they have burnt all the Synagogues of God in the land. We see not our signes: there is not one Prophet more, nor any 9 with vs that knoweth howe long. O God, howe long shall 10 the aduersarie reproche thee? shall the enemie blaspheme thy Name for euer? Why withdrawest thou thine hand, euen thy 11 right hand? drawe it out of thy bosome, and consume them. Euen God is my King of olde, working saluation in the mid- 12 des of the earth. Thou didest deuide the sea by thy power: 13 thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters. brakest the head of Liuiathan in pieces, and gauest him to be meate for the people in wildernesse. Thou brakest vp the 15 fountaine and riuer: thou dryedst vp mightie riuers. The day 16 is thine, and the night is thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sunne. Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: 17 thou hast made summer and winter. Remember this, that the 18 enemie hath reproched the Lord, and the foolish people hath blasphemed thy Name. Giue not the soule of thy turtle doue 19 vnto the beast, and forget not the Congregation of thy poore for euer. Consider thy couenant: for the darke places of the earth 20 are full of the habitations of the cruell. Oh let not the op- 21 pressed returne ashamed, but let the poore and needie prayse Arise, O God: mainteine thine owne cause: re- 22 member thy dayly reproche by the foolish man. Forget not 23 the vovce of thine enemies: for the tumult of them, that rise against thee, ascendeth continually.

To him that excelleth. Destroy not. A Psalme or song com- 75 mitted toAsaph. We will prayse thee, O God, we will prayse thee, for thy Name is neere: therefore they will declare thy When I shall take a convenient time, I 2 wonderous workes. will iudge righteously. The earth and all the inhabitantes 3 thereof are dissolued: but I will establish the pillars of it. Se-I saide vnto the foolish, Be not so foolish, and to the 4 wicked, Lift not vp the horne. Lift not vp your horne on high, 5 neither speake with a stiffe necke. For to come to prefer- 6 ment is neither from the East, nor from the West, nor from the South, But God is the judge: he maketh lowe and he maketh 7 For in the hand of the Lord is a cup, and the wine is 8 red: it is full mixt, and he powreth out of the same: surely all the wicked of the earth shall wring out and drinke the dregges thereof. But I will declare for euer, and sing prayses vnto the 9

10 God of Iaakob. All the hornes of the wicked also will I breake: but the hornes of the righteous shalbe exalted.

**76** To him that excelleth on Neginoth. A Psalme or song committed to Asaph. God is knowen in Iudah: his Name is great 2 in Israel. For in Shalem is his Tabernacle, and his dwelling 3 in Zion. There brake he the arrowes of the bowe, the shielde 4 and the sword and the battell. Selah. Thou art more bright 5 and puissant, then the mountaines of pray. The stout hearted are spoyled: they have slept their sleepe, and all the men of 6 strength haue not found their hands. At thy rebuke, O God 7 of Iaakob, both the chariot and horse are cast a sleepe. Thou, euen thou art to be feared: and who shall stand in thy sight, 8 when thou art angrie! Thou didest cause thy judgement to bee heard from heauen: therefore the earth feared and was still, 9 When thou, O God, arose to iudgement, to helpe all the meeke 10 of the earth. Selah. Surely the rage of man shall turne to thy 11 praise: the remnant of the rage shalt thou restrayne. Vowe and performe vnto the Lord your God, all ye that be rounde about him: let them bring presents vnto him that ought to be 12 feared. He shall cut off the spirit of princes: he is terrible to the Kings of the earth.

For the excellent musician Ieduthun. A Psalme committed 77 to Asaph. My voyce came to God, when I cryed: my voyce came 2 to God, and he heard me. In the day of my trouble I sought ye Lord: my sore ranne and ceased not in the night: my soule 3 refused comfort. I did thinke vpon God, and was troubled: I 4 praied, and my spirit was full of anguish. Selah. Thou keepest 5 mine eyes waking: I was astonied and could not speake. Then I considered the daies of olde, and the yeeres of ancient time. 6 I called to remembrance my song in the night: I communed 7 with mine owne heart, and my spirit searched diligently. Will the Lord absent him selfe for euer? and will he shewe no more 8 fauour? Is his mercie cleane gone for euer? doeth his promise 9 faile for euermore? Hath God forgotten to be mercifull? hath 10 he shut vp his teder mercies in displeasure? Selah. sayde, This is my death: yet I remembred the yeeres of the 11 right hand of the most High. I remembred the workes of the 12 Lord: certainely I remembred thy wonders of olde. I did also meditate all thy woorkes, and did deuise of thine actes, saying, 13 Thy way, O God, is in the Sanctuarie: who is so great a God as our God! Thou art ye God that doest wonders: thou hast 14 declared thy power among the people. Thou hast redeemed 15 thy people with thine arme, euen the sonnes of Iaakob and Ioseph. Selah. The waters sawe thee, O God: the waters 16 sawe thee, and were afraide: yea, the depths trembled. The 17 cloudes powred out water: the heauens gaue a sounde: yea, thine arrowes went abroade. The voyce of thy thunder was 18 rounde about: the lightnings lightened the worlde: the earth trembled and shooke. Thy way is in the Sea, and thy paths 19 in the great waters, and thy footesteps are not knowen. Thou 20 diddest leade thy people like sheepe by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

A Psalme to give instruction committed to Asaph. Heare 78 my doctrine, O my people: incline your eares vnto the wordes I will open my mouth in a parable: I will 2 of my mouth. declare high sentences of olde. Which we have heard and 3 knowen, and our fathers have tolde vs. Wee will not hide 4 them from their children but to the generation to come we wil shewe the praises of the Lord his power also, and his wonderful woorkes that he hath done: How he established a testimonie 5 in Iaakob, and ordeined a Law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should teache their children: That the 6 posteritie might knowe it, and the children, which should be borne, should stand vp, and declare it to their children: That 7 they might set their hope on God, and not forget the workes of God but keepe his commandements: And not to bee as 8 their fathers, a disobedient and rebellious generation: a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirite was not faithfull vnto God. The children of Ephraim being armed 9 and shooting with the bowe, turned backe in the day of battell. They kept not the couenant of God, but refused to walke in 10 his Lawe, And forgate his Actes, and his wonderfull woorkes 11 that he had shewed them. Hee did marueilous thinges in the 12 sight of their fathers in the lande of Egypt: euen in the fielde of Zoan. He deuided the Sea, and led them through: he made 13 also the waters to stand as an heape. In the day time also hee 14 led them with a cloude, and all the night with a light of fire. He claue the rockes in the wildernes, and gaue them drinke as 15 of the great depths. He brought floods also out of the stonie 16 rocke; so that hee made the waters to descend like the riuers.

17 Yet they sinned stil against him, and prouoked the Highest in 18 the wildernesse, And tempted God in their heartes in requir-19 ing meate for their lust. They spake against God also, saying, 20 Can God prepare a table in the wildernesse? Behold, he smote the rocke, that the water gushed out, and the streames ouerflowed: can hee give bread also? or prepare flesh for his people? 21 Therefore the Lord heard and was angrie, and the fire was kin-22 dled in Iaakob, and also wrath came vpon Israel, Because 23 they believed not in God, and trusted not in his helpe. he had comanded the clouds aboue, and had opened the doores 24 of heauen, And had rained downe MAN vpon them for to eate, 25 and had given them of the wheate of heaven. Man did eate 26 the bread of Angels: hee sent them meate yough. He caused the Eastwinde to passe in the heauen, and through his power 27 he brought in the Southwinde. Hee rained flesh also vpon 28 them as dust, and feathered foule as the sand of the sea. And hee made it fall in the middes of their campe even round about 29 their habitations. So they did eate and were well filled: for 30 he gaue them their desire. They were not turned from their 31 lust, but the meate was yet in their mouthes, When the wrath of God came euen vpon them, and slew the strongest of them, 32 and smote downe the chosen men in Israel. For all this, they 33 sinned stil, and beleeued not his wonderous woorkes. Therefore their daies did hee consume in vanitie, and their yeeres 34 hastily. And when hee slewe them, they sought him and they 35 returned, and sought God earely. And they remembred that God was their strength, and the most high God their redeemer. 36 But they flattered him with their mouth, and dissembled with 37 him with their tongue. For their heart was not vpright with 38 him: neither were they faithfull in his couenant. Yet he being merciful forgaue their iniquitie, and destroied them not, but oft times called backe his anger, and did not stirre vp all 39 his wrath. For he remembered that they were flesh: yea, a 40 winde that passeth and commeth not againe. How oft did they prouoke him in the wildernes? and grieue him in the 41 desert? Yea, they returned, and tempted God, and limited the 42 Holie one of Israel. They remembered not his hand, nor the 43 day when he deliuered them from the enemie, Nor him that set his signes in Egypt, and his wonders in the fielde of Zoan, 44 And turned their rivers into blood, and their floods, that they could not drinke. Hee sent a swarme of flies among them, 45 which deuoured them, and frogs, which destroyed them. He 46 gaue also their fruites vnto the caterpiller, and their labour vnto the grassehopper. He destroied their vines with haile, 47 and their wilde figge trees with the hailestone. He gaue their 48 cattell also to the haile, and their flockes to the thunderboltes. Hee cast vpon them the fiercenesse of his anger, indignation 49 and wrath, and vexation by the sending out of euill Angels. He made a way to his anger: he spared not their soule from 50 death, but gaue their life to the pestilence, And smote al the 51 firstborne in Egypt, euen the beginning of their strength in the tabernacles of Ham. But hee made his people to goe out 52 like sheepe, and led them in the wildernes like a flocke. Yea, 53 he caried them out safely, and they feared not, and the Sea couered their enemies. And he brought them vnto the bor- 54 ders of his Sanctuarie: euen to this Mountaine, which his right hand purchased. He cast out the heathe also before them, 55 and caused them to fall to the lot of his inheritance, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tabernacles. Yet they 56 tempted, and prouoked the most high God, and kept not his testimonies. But turned backe and delt falsely like their fa- 57 thers: they turned like a deceitfull bowe. And they prouoked 58 him to anger with their high places, and mooued him to wrath with their grauen images. God heard this and was wroth, and 59 greatly abhorred Israel, So that hee forsooke the habitation of 60 Shilo, euen the Tabernacle where hee dwelt among men, And 61 deliuered his power into captiuitie, and his beautie into the enemies hand. And hee gaue vp his people to the sworde, and 62 was angrie with his inheritance. The fire deuoured their cho- 63 sen men, and their maides were not praised. Their Priestes 64 fell by the sworde, and their widowes lamented not. But the 65 Lord awaked as one out of sleepe, and as a strong man that after his wine crieth out, And smote his enemies in the hinder 66 parts, and put them to a perpetuall shame. Yet he refused the 67 tabernacle of Ioseph, and chose not the tribe of Ephraim: But 68 chose the tribe of Iudah, and mount Zion which he loued. And 69 he built his Sanctuarie as an high palace, like the earth, which he stablished for euer. He chose Dauid also his seruant, and 70 tooke him from the shepefolds. Euen from behinde the ewes 71 with yong brought he him to feede his people in Iaakob, and

nis inheritance in Israel. So he fed them according to the simplicitie of his heart, and guided them by the discretion of his hands.

A Psalme committed to Asaph. O God, the heathen are **79** come into thine inheritance: thine holy Temple haue they de-2 filed, and made Ierusalem heapes of stones. The dead bodies of thy seruats haue they given to be meat vnto foules of ye heauen: and the flesh of thy Saintes vnto the beastes of Their blood haue they shead like waters rounde 4 about Ierusalem, and there was none to burie them. Wee are a reproche to our neighbours, euen a scorne and derision vnto 5 them that are round about vs. Lord, howe long wilt thou be 6 angrie, for euer? shall thy gelousie burne like fire? Powre out thy wrath vpon the heathen that have not knowen thee, and vpon the kingdomes that have not called vpon thy Name. 7 For they have devoured Iaakob and made his dwelling place 8 desolate. Remember not against vs the former iniquities, but make haste and let thy tender mercies preuent vs: for we are 9 in great miserie. Helpe vs, O God of our saluation, for the glorie of thy Name, and deliuer vs, and be mercifull vnto our 10 sinnes for thy Names sake. Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is their God? let him be knowen among the heathen in our sight by the vengeance of the blood of thy seruants 11 that is shed. Let the sighing of the prisoners come before thee: according to thy mightie arme preserve the children of death, 12 And render to our neighbours seuen folde into their bosome their reproche, wherewith they have reproched thee, O Lord. 13 So wee thy people, and sheepe of thy pasture shall praise thee for euer: and from generation to generation we will set foorth thy praise.

To him that excelleth on Shoshannim Eduth. A Psalme committed to Asaph. Heare, O thou Shepheard of Israel, thou that leadest Ioseph like sheepe: shewe thy brightnes, thou that sittest betweene the Cherubims. Before Ephraim and Beniamin and Manasseh stirre vp thy strength, and come to helpe vs. Turne vs againe, O God, and cause thy face to shine that we may be saued. O Lord God of hostes, how long wilt thou be angrie against the prayer of thy people? Thou hast fedde them with the bread of teares, and given them teares to drinke with great measure. Thou hast made vs a strife vnto our neigh-

bours, and our enemies laugh at vs among themselues. Turne 7 vs againe, O God of hostes: cause thy face to shine, and we Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt: thou 8 shalbe saued. hast cast out the heathen, and planted it. Thou madest roume 9 for it, and didest cause it to take roote, and it filled the land. The mountaines were couered with the shadowe of it, and the 10 boughes thereof were like the goodly cedars. Shee stretched 11 out her branches vnto the Sea, and her boughes vnto the Riuer. Why hast thou then broken downe her hedges, so that all they. 12 which passe by the way, haue plucked her? The wilde bore 13 out of the wood hath destroyed it, and the wilde beastes of the fielde haue eaten it vp. Returne we beseech thee, O God of 14 hostes: looke downe from heauen and beholde and visite this vine. And the vineyard, that thy right hand hath planted, and 15 the young vine, which thou madest strong for thy selfe. It is 16 burnt with fire and cut downe: and they perish at the rebuke of thy countenance. Let thine hande be youn the man of thy 17 right hande, and vpon the sonne of man, whome thou madest strong for thine owne selfe. So will not we goe backe from 18 thee: reuiue thou vs, and we shall call vpon thy Name. Turne 19 vs againe, O Lord God of hostes: cause thy face to shine and we shalbe saued.

To him that excelleth upon Gittith. A Psalme committed to 81 Asaph. Sing joyfully vnto God our strength: sing loude vnto the God of Iaakob. Take the song and bring forth the tim- 2 brel, the pleasant harpe with the viole. Blowe the trumpet 3 in the newe moone, euen in the time appointed, at our feast For this is a statute for Israel, and a Law of the God 4 of Iaakob. Hee set this in Ioseph for a testimonie, when hee 5 came out of the land of Egypt, where I heard a language, that I vnderstoode not. I have withdrawen his shoulder from the 6 burden, and his handes have left the pots. Thou calledst in 7 affliction and I deliuered thee, and answered thee in the secret of the thunder: I prooued thee at the waters of Meribah. Selah. Heare, O my people, and I wil protest vnto thee: O Israel, 8 if thou wilt hearken vnto me, Let there bee no strange god in 9 thee, neither worship thou any strange god. For I am the Lord 10 thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide and I will fill it. But my people would not heare 11 my voyce, and Israel would none of me. So I gaue them vp 12

vnto the hardnesse of their heart, and they have walked in
their owne cousels. Oh that my people had hearkened vnto
me, and Israel had walked in my wayes. I would soone have
humbled their enemies, and turned mine hand against their
adversaries. The haters of the Lord should have bene subject
vnto him, and their time should have endured for ever. And
God would have fedde them with the fatte of wheat, and with
honie out of the rocke would I have sufficed thee.

A Psalme committed to Aspah. God standeth in the assemblie of gods: hee iudgeth among gods. How long wil ye iudge vniustly, and accept the persons of the wicked? Selah. Doe right to the poore and fatherlesse: doe iustice to the poore and needie. Deliuer the poore and needie: saue them from the hand of the wicked. They knowe not and vnderstand nothing: they walke in darkenes, albeit all the foundations of the earth be mooued. I haue said, Ye are gods, and ye all are children of the most High. But ye shall die as a man, and yee princes, shall fall like others. O God, arise, therefore iudge thou the earth: for thou shalt inherite all nations.

A song, or Psalme committed to Asaph. Keep not thou si-83 2 lence, O God: bee not still, and cease not, O God. thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee, haue 3 lifted vp the head. They have taken craftic counsell against 4 thy people, and haue consulted against thy secret ones. They haue said. Come and let vs cut them off from being a nation: 5 and let the name of Israel be no more in remembrance. they have consulted together in heart, and have made a league 6 against thee: The tabernacles of Edom, and the Ishmaelites, 7 Moab and the Agarims: Gebal and Ammon, and Amalech, 8 the Philistims with the inhabitants of Tyrus: Asshur also is ioyned with them: they have bene an arme to the children of Doe thou to them as vnto the Midianites: as to 9 Lot. Selah. 10 Sisera and as to Iabin at the river of Kishon. They perished 11 at En-dor, and were dung for the earth. Make them, euen their princes like Oreb and like Zeeb: yea, all their princes like 12 Zebah and like Zalmuna. Which haue said, Let vs take for 13 our possession the habitations of God. O my God, make them 14 like vnto a wheele, and as the stubble before the winde. the fire burneth the forest, and as the flame setteth the moun-15 taines on fire: So persecute them with thy tempest, and make

them afraide with thy storme. Fill their faces with shame, 16 that they may seeke thy Name, O Lord. Let them be con- 17 founded and troubled for euer: yea, let them be put to shame and perish, That they may knowe that thou, which art called 18 Iehouah, art alone, euen the most High ouer all the earth.

To him that excelleth upon Gittith. A Psalme committed to 84 the sonnes of Korah. O Lord of hostes, howe amiable are thy Tabernacles! My soule longeth, yea, and fainteth for the cour- 2 tes of the Lord: for mine heart and my flesh rejoyce in the liuing God. Yea, the sparrowe hath found her an house, and the 3 swallow a nest for her, where she may lay her yong: euen by thine altars, O Lord of hostes, my King and my God. Blessed 4 are they that dwell in thine house: they will euer praise thee. Selah. Blessed is the man, whose strength is in thee, and in 5 whose heart are thy wayes. They going through the vale of 6 Baca, make welles therein: the raine also couereth the pooles. They goe from strength to strength, till euery one appeare be- 7 fore God in Zion. O Lord God of hostes, heare my prayer: 8 hearken, O God of Iaakob. Selah. Beholde, O God, our shielde, 9 and looke vpon the face of thine Anointed. For a day in thy 10 courtes is better then a thousand other where: I had rather be a doore keeper in the House of my God, then to dwell in the Tabernacles of wickednesse. For the Lord God is the sunne 11 and shielde vnto vs: the Lord will give grace and glory, and no good thing will he withhold from them that walke vprightly. O Lord of hostes, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee. 12

To him that excelleth. A Psalme committed to the sonnes of Korah. Lord, thou hast bene fauourable vnto thy land: thou hast brought againe the captiuitie of Iaakob. Thou hast forgiuent the iniquitie of thy people, and couered all their sinnes. Selah. Thou hast withdrawen all thine anger, and hast turned backe from the fiercenes of thy wrath. Turne vs, O God of our saluation, and release thine anger toward vs. Wilt thou be sangry with vs for euer? and wilt thou prolong thy wrath from one generation to another? Wilt thou not turne againe and quicken vs, that thy people may reioyce in thee? Shew vs thy mercie, O Lord, and graunt vs thy saluation. I will hearken what the Lord God will say: for he will speake peace vnto his people, and to his Saintes, that they turne not againe to follie. Surely his saluation is neere to them that feare him, that

glory may dwell in our land. Mercie and trueth shall meete:
righteousnes and peace shall kisse one another. Trueth shall bud out of the earth, and righteousnes shall looke downe from
heauen. Yea, the Lord shall giue good things, and our land
shall giue her increase. Righteousnesse shall go before him, and shall set her steps in the way.

A prayer of David. Incline thine eare, O Lord, and heare 86 2 me: for I am poore and needy. Preserue thou my soule, for I am mercifull: my God, saue thou thy seruant, that trusteth Be mercifull vnto me, O Lord: for I crie vpon thee 4 continually. Reioyce the soule of thy seruant: for vnto thee, 5 O Lord, doe I lift vp my soule. For thou, Lord, art good and mercifull, and of great kindenes vnto all them, that call vpon Giue eare, Lord, vnto my prayer, and hearken to the 6 thee. 7 voyce of my supplication. In the day of my trouble I will 8 call vpon thee: for thou hearest me. Among the gods there is none like thee, O Lord, and there is none that can doe like 9 thy workes. All nations, whome thou hast made, shall come and worship before thee, O Lord, and shall glorifie thy Name. 10 For thou art great and doest wonderous things: thou art God Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walke in thy trueth: knit mine heart vnto thee, that I may feare thy Name. 12 I wil prayse thee, O Lord my God, with all mine heart: yea, I 13 wil glorifie thy Name for euer. For great is thy mercie toward me, and thou hast deliuered my soule from the lowest graue. 14 O God, the proude are risen against me, and the assemblies of violent men haue sought my soule, and haue not set thee be-15 fore them. But thou, O Lord, art a pitifull God and mercifull, 16 slowe to anger and great in kindenes and trueth. Turne vnto me, and haue mercy vpon me: giue thy strength vnto thy seru-17 ant, and saue the sonne of thine handmayd. Shew a token of thy goodnes towarde me, that they which hate me, may see it, and be ashamed, because thou, O Lord, hast holpen me and comforted me.

A Psalme or song committed to the sonnes of Korah. God
2 layde his foundations among the holy mountaines. The Lord
loueth the gates of Zion aboue all the habitations of Iaakob.
3,4 Glorious things are spoken of thee, O citie of God. Selah. I will
make mention of Rahab and Babel among them that knowe
me: beholde Palestina and Tyrus with Ethiopia, There is he

borne. And of Zion it shall be sayde, Many are borne in her: 5 and he, euen the most High shall stablish her. The Lord shall 6 count, when hee writeth the people, He was borne there. Selah. Aswell the singers as the players on instruments shall prayse 7 thee: all my springs are in thee.

A song or Psalme of Heman the Ezrahite to give instruction, 88 committed to the sonnes of Korah for him that excelleth upon Malath Leannoth. O Lord God of my saluation, I cry day and night before thee. Let my prayer enter into thy presence: in- 2 cline thine eare vnto my cry. For my soule is filled with euils, 3 and my life draweth neere to the graue. I am counted among 4 them that go downe vnto the pit, and am as a man without strength: Free among the dead, like the slaine lying in the 5 graue, whome thou remembrest no more, and they are cut off Thou hast layde me in the lowest pit, in 6 from thine hand. darkenes, and in the deepe. Thine indignation lyeth vpon me, 7 and thou hast vexed me with all thy waves. Selah. hast put away mine acquaintance farre from me, and made mee to be abhorred of them: I am shut vp, and cannot get foorth. Mine eye is sorowfull through mine affliction: Lord, I 9 call dayly vpon thee: I stretch out mine hands vnto thee. Wilt 10 thou shewe a miracle to the dead? or shall the dead rise and prayse thee? Selah. Shall thy louing kindenes be declared in 11 the graue? or thy faithfulnes in destruction? Shall thy won- 12 derous workes be knowen in the darke? and thy righteousnes in the land of obliuion? But vnto thee haue I cryed, O Lord, 13 and early shall my prayer come before thee. Lord, why doest 14 thou reject my soule, and hidest thy face from me? I am af- 15 flicted and at the point of death: from my youth I suffer thy terrours, doubting of my life. Thine indignations goe ouer me, 16 and thy feare hath cut me off. They came round about me 17 dayly like water, and compassed me together. My louers and 18 friends hast thou put away from me, and mine acquaintance hid themselues.

A Psalme to give instruction, of Ethan the Ezrahite. I will sing the mercies of the Lord for euer: with my mouth will I declare thy trueth from generation to generation. For I said, 2 Mercie shalbe set vp for euer: thy trueth shalt thou stablish in ye very heauens. I haue made a couenant with my chosen: I 3 haue sworne to Dauid my seruant, Thy seede will I stablish 4

for euer, and set vp thy throne from generation to generation. <sup>5</sup> Selah. O Lord, euen the heauens shall prayse thy wonderous 6 worke: yea, thy trueth in the Congregation of the Saints. For who is equall to the Lord in the heauen? and who is like the 7 Lord among the sonnes of the gods? God is very terrible in the assemblie of the Saints, and to be reuerenced aboue all, that 8 are about him. O Lord God of hostes, who is like vnto thee, 9 which art a mightie Lord, and thy trueth is about thee? Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou 10 stillest them. Thou hast beaten downe Rahab as a man slaine: 11 thou hast scattered thine enemies with thy mightie arme. The heauens are thine, the earth also is thine: thou hast layde the 12 foundation of the world, and all that therein is. Thou hast created the North and the South: Tabor and Hermon shall reiovce 13 in thy Name. Thou hast a mightie arme: strong is thine hand, 14 and high is thy right hand. Righteousnesse and equitie are the stablishment of thy throne: mercy and trueth goe before 15 thy face. Blessed is the people, that can reioyce in thee: they 16 shall walke in the light of thy countenance, O Lord. shall reioyce continually in thy Name, and in thy righteousnes 17 shall they exalt them selues. For thou art the glory of their 18 strength, and by thy fauour our hornes shall be exalted. For our shield apperteineth to the Lord, and our King to the holy 19 one of Israel. Thou spakest then in a vision vnto thine Holy one, and saydest, I have layde helpe vpon one that is mightie: I 20 haue exalted one chosen out of the people. I haue found Dauid 21 my seruant: with mine holy oyle haue I anounted him. Therefore mine hande shall be established with him, and mine arme 22 shall strengthen him. The enemie shall not oppresse him, 23 neither shall the wicked hurt him. But I will destroy his foes 24 before his face, and plague them that hate him. also and my mercie shall be with him, and in my Name shall 25 his horne be exalted. I will set his hand also in the sea, and 26 his right hand in the floods. He shall cry vnto mee, Thou art 27 my Father, my God and the rocke of my saluation. Also I wil make him my first borne, higher then the Kings of the earth. 28 My mercie will I keepe for him for euermore, and my couenant 29 shall stande fast with him. His seede also will I make to en-30 dure for euer, and his throne as the dayes of heauen. if his children forsake my Lawe, and walke not in my judgements: If they breake my statutes, and keepe not my com- 31 mandements: Then will I visite their transgression with the 32 rod, and their iniquitie with strokes. Yet my louing kindnesse 33 will I not take from him, neither will I falsifie my trueth. My 34 couenant wil I not breake, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips. I have sworne once by mine holines, that I will 35 not fayle Dauid, saying, His seede shall endure for euer, and 36 his throne shalbe as the sunne before me. He shalbe established for euermore as the moone, and as a faythfull witnes in the heauen. Selah. But thou hast rejected and abhorred, thou 38 hast bene angry with thine Anoynted. Thou hast broken the 39 couenant of thy seruant, and profaned his crowne, casting it on the ground. Thou hast broken downe all his walles: thou hast 40 layd his fortresses in ruine. All that goe by the way, spoyle 41 him: he is a rebuke vnto his neighbours. Thou hast set vp 42 the right hand of his enemies, and made all his adversaries to reiovce. Thou hast also turned the edge of his sworde, and 43 hast not made him to stand in the battell. Thou hast caused 44 his dignitie to decay, and cast his throne to the ground. dayes of his youth hast thou shortned, and couered him with shame. Selah. Lord, howe long wilt thou hide thy selfe, for 46 euer? shall thy wrath burne like fire? Remember of what 47 time I am: wherefore shouldest thou create in vaine all the children of men? What man liueth, and shall not see death? 48 shall hee deliuer his soule from the hande of the graue? Selah. Lord, where are thy former mercies, which thou swarest vnto 49 Dauid in thy trueth? Remember, O Lord, the rebuke of thy 50 seruants, which I beare in my bosome of all the mightie people. For thine enemies have reproched thee, O Lord, because 51 they have reproched the footesteps of thine Anointed. Praised 52 be the Lord for euermore. So be it, euen so be it.

A prayer of Moses, the man of God. Lord, thou hast bene our habitation from generation to generation. Before the mountaines were made, and before thou hadst formed the earth, and the world, euen from euerlasting to euerlasting thou art our God. Thou turnest man to destruction: againe thou sayest, 3 Returne, ye sonnes of Adam. For a thousande yeeres in thy 4 sight are as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night. Thou hast ouerflowed them: they are as a sleepe: in 5 the morning he groweth like the grasse: In the morning it 6

florisheth and groweth, but in the euening it is cut downe and 7 withereth. For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy Thou hast set our iniquities before 8 wrath are we troubled. thee, and our secret sinnes in the light of thy countenance. 9 For all our dayes are past in thine anger: we have spent our 10 yeeres as a thought. The time of our life is threescore yeeres and ten, and if they be of strength, fourescore yeeres: yet their strength is but labour and sorowe: for it is cut off quickly, and 11 we flee away. Who knoweth the power of thy wrath? for ac-12 cording to thy feare is thine anger. Teach vs so to nomber our 13 dayes, that we may apply our heartes vnto wisdome. Returne 14 (O Lord, howe long?) and be pacified toward thy seruants. Fill vs with thy mercie in the morning: so shall we reioyce and be 15 glad all our dayes. Comfort vs according to the dayes that thou hast afflicted vs, and according to the yeeres that we have 16 seene euill. Let thy worke bee seene towarde thy seruants, 17 and thy glory vpon their children. And let the beautie of the Lord our God be vpon vs, and direct thou the worke of our hands vpon vs, euen direct the worke of our handes.

Who so dwelleth in the secrete of the most High, shall abide 91 2 in the shadowe of the Almightie. I will say vnto the Lord, O mine hope, and my fortresse: he is my God, in him will I trust. 3 Surely he will deliuer thee from the snare of the hunter, and 4 from the novsome pestilence. Hee will couer thee vnder his winges, and thou shalt be sure vnder his feathers: his trueth 5 shall be thy shielde and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraide of the feare of the night, nor of the arrowe that flyeth by day: 6 Nor of the pestilence that walketh in the darkenesse: nor of the 7 plague that destroyeth at noone day. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and tenne thousand at thy right hand, but it shall 8 not come neere thee. Doubtlesse with thine eyes shalt thou 9 beholde and see the reward of the wicked. For thou hast said. The Lord is mine hope: thou hast set the most High for thy 10 refuge. There shall none euill come vnto thee, neither shall 11 any plague come neere thy tabernacle. For hee shall give his 12 Angels charge ouer thee to keepe thee in all thy wayes. They shall beare thee in their handes, that thou hurt not thy foote Thou shalt walke vpon the lyon and aspe: 13 against a stone. the yong lyon and the dragon shalt thou treade vnder feete. 14 Because he hath loued me, therefore will I deliuer him: I will exalt him because hee hath knowen my Name. He shall call 15 vpon me, and I wil heare him: I will be with him in trouble: I will deliuer him, and glorifie him. With long life wil I satisfie 16 him, and shew him my saluation.

A Psalme or song for the Sabbath day. It is a good thing to 92 praise the Lord, and to sing vnto thy Name, O most High, To 2 declare thy louing kindenesse in the morning, and thy trueth in the night. Vpon an instrument of tenne strings, and vpon 3 the viole with the song vpon the harpe. For thou, Lord, hast 4 made mee glad by thy workes, and I wil reioyce in the workes of thine handes. O Lord, how glorious are thy workes! and thy 5 thoughtes are very deepe. An vnwise man knoweth it not, and 6 a foole doeth not vnderstand this, (When the wicked growe 7 as the grasse, and all the workers of wickednesse doe flourish) that they shall be destroyed for euer. But thou, O Lord, 8 art most High for euermore. For loe, thine enemies, O Lord: 9 for loe, thine enemies shall perish: all the workers of iniquitie shall be destroyed. But thou shalt exalt mine horne, like the 10 vnicornes, and I shalbe anounted with fresh ovle. Mine eve 11 also shall see my desire against mine enemies: and mine eares shall heare my wish against the wicked, that rise vp against me. The righteous shall flourish like a palme tree, and shall 12 grow like a Cedar in Lebanon. Such as bee planted in the 13 house of the Lord, shall flourish in the courtes of our God. They shall still bring foorth fruite in their age: they shall be 14 fat and flourishing. To declare that the Lord my rocke is righ- 15 teous, and that none iniquitie is in him.

The Lord reigneth, and is clothed with maiestie: the Lord is 93 clothed, and girded with power: the world also shall be established, that it cannot be mooued. Thy throne is established of 2 olde: thou art from euerlasting. The floodes haue lifted vp, O 3 Lord: the floodes haue lifted vp their voyce: the floods lift vp their waues. The waues of ye sea are marueilous through the 4 noyse of many waters, yet the Lord on High is more mightie. Thy testimonies are very sure: holinesse becommeth thine House, O Lord, for euer.

O Lord God the auenger, O God the auenger, shewe thy **94** selfe clearely. Exalt thy selfe, O Iudge of the worlde, and render a reward to the proude. Lord how long shall the wicked, 3 how long shall the wicked triumph? They prate and speake 4

5 fiercely: all the workers of iniquitie vaunt themselues. smite downe thy people, O Lord, and trouble thine heritage. 6 They slay the widowe and the stranger, and murder the father-7 lesse. Yet they say, The Lord shall not see: neither will the 8 God of Iaakob regard it. Vnderstande ye vnwise among the 9 people: and ye fooles, when will ye be wise? Hee that planted the eare, shall hee not heare? or he that formed the eye, shall 10 he not see? Or he that chastiseth the nations, shall he not correct? hee that teacheth man knowledge, shall he not knowe? 11 The Lord knoweth the thoughtes of man, that they are vanitie. 12 Blessed is the man, whom thou chastisest, O Lord, and teach-13 est him in thy Lawe, That thou mayest giue him rest from the 14 dayes of euill, whiles the pitte is digged for the wicked. Surely the Lord will not faile his people, neither will he forsake his in-15 heritance. For judgement shall returne to justice, and all the 16 vpright in heart shall follow after it. Who will rise vp with me against the wicked? or who will take my part against the work-17 ers of iniquitie? If the Lord had not holpen me, my soule had 18 almost dwelt in silence. When I said, My foote slideth, thy 19 mercy, O Lord, stayed me. In the multitude of my thoughts in 20 mine heart, thy comfortes haue reioyced my soule. Hath the throne of iniquitie fellowship with thee, which forgeth wrong 21 for a Lawe? They gather them together against the soule of 22 the righteous, and condemne the innocent blood. But the Lord 23 is my refuge, and my God is the rocke of mine hope. And hee will recompence them their wickednes, and destroy them in their owne malice: yea, the Lord our God shall destroy them.

Come, let vs reioyce vnto the Lord: let vs sing aloude vnto the rocke of our saluation. Let vs come before his face with praise: let vs sing loude vnto him with Psalmes. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King aboue all gods. In whose hande are the deepe places of the earth, and the heightes of the mountaines are his: To whome the Sea belongeth: for hee made it, and his handes formed the dry land. Come, let vs worship and fall downe, and kneele before the Lord our maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheepe of his hande: to day, if ye will heare his voyce, Harden not your heart, as in Meribah, and as in the day of Massah in the wildernesse. Where your fathers tempted me, proued me, though they had seene my worke. Fourtie yeeres haue I con-

tended with this generation, and said, They are a people that erre in heart, for they have not knowen my wayes. Wherefore 11 I sware in my wrath, saying, Surely they shall not enter into my rest.

Sing vnto the Lord a newe song: sing vnto the Lord, all 96 the earth. Sing vnto the Lord, and prayse his Name: declare 2 his saluation from day to day. Declare his glory among all 3 nations, and his wonders among all people. For the Lord is 4 great and much to be praysed: he is to be feared aboue all For all the gods of the people are idoles: but the Lord 5 made the heavens. Strength and glory are before him: power 6 and beautie are in his Sanctuarie. Giue vnto the Lord, ve 7 families of the people: giue vnto the Lord glory and power. Giue vnto the Lord the glory of his Name: bring an offering, 8 Worship the Lord in the glori- 9 and enter into his courtes. ous Sanctuarie: tremble before him all the earth. Say among 10 the nations. The Lord reigneth: surely the world shalbe stable. and not moue, and he shall judge the people in righteousnesse. Let the heavens reioyce, and let the earth be glad: let the sea 11 roare, and all that therein is. Let the field be joyfull, and all 12 that is in it: let all the trees of the wood then reiovce Before 13 the Lord: for he commeth, for he cometh to judge the earth: he wil judge the world with righteousnes, and the people in his trueth.

The Lord reigneth: let the earth reioyce: let the multi- 97 tude of the yles be glad. Cloudes and darkenes are round 2 about him: righteousnesse and iudgement are the foundation of his throne. There shall goe a fire before him, and burne vp 3 his enemies round about. His lightnings gaue light vnto the 4 worlde: the earth sawe it and was afraide. The mountaines 5 melted like waxe at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth. The heavens declare his righteousnes, and all the people see his glory. Confounded be all 7 they that serue grauen images, and that glory in idoles: worship him all ye gods. Zion heard of it, and was glad: and 8 the daughters of Iudah reioyced, because of thy iudgements, O Lord. For thou, Lord, art most High aboue all the earth: thou 9 art much exalted aboue all gods. Ye that loue the Lord, hate 10 euill: he preserueth the soules of his Saints: hee will deliuer them from the hand of the wicked. Light is sowen for the righ- 11

12 teous, and ioy for the vpright in heart. Reioyce ye righteous in the Lord, and give thankes for his holy remembrance.

A Psalme. Sing vnto the Lord a newe song: for hee hath 98 done marueilous things: his right hand, and his holy arme 2 haue gotten him the victorie. The Lord declared his saluation: his righteousnes hath he reueiled in the sight of ye na-3 tions. He hath remembred his mercy and his trueth toward the house of Israel: all the ends of the earth haue seene the 4 saluation of our God. All the earth, sing ye loude vnto the 5 Lord: crie out and reioyce, and sing prayses. Sing prayse to the Lord vpon the harpe, euen vpon the harpe with a singing 6 voyce. With shalmes and sound of trumpets sing loude before 7 the Lord the King. Let the sea roare, and all that therein is, 8 the world, and they that dwell therein. Let the floods clap 9 their hands, and let the mountaines rejoyce together Before the Lord: for he is come to judge the earth: with righteousnesse shall hee judge the world, and the people with equitie.

The Lord reigneth, let the people tremble: he sitteth be-99 2 tweene the Cherubims, let the earth be moued. The Lord is 3 great in Zion, and he is high aboue all the people. They shall 4 prayse thy great and fearefull Name (for it is holy) And the Kings power, that loueth judgement: for thou hast prepared equitie: thou hast executed iudgement and iustice in Iaakob. 5 Exalt the Lord our God, and fall downe before his footestoole: 6 for he is holy. Moses and Aaron were among his Priests, and Samuel among such as call vpon his Name: these called vpon 7 the Lord, and he heard them. Hee spake vnto them in the cloudie pillar: they kept his testimonies, and the Lawe that he 8 gaue them. Thou heardest them, O Lord our God: thou wast a fauourable God vnto them, though thou didst take vengeance 9 for their inuentions. Exalt the Lord our God, and fall downe before his holy Mountaine: for the Lord our God is holy.

100 A Psalme of Praise. Sing ye loude vnto the Lord, all the
2 earth. Serue the Lord with gladnes: come before him with
3 ioyfulnes. Knowe ye that euen the Lord is God: hee hath
made vs, and not we our selues: we are his people, and the
4 sheepe of his pasture. Enter into his gates with prayse, and
into his courts with reioycing: prayse him and blesse his Name.
5 For the Lord is good: his mercy is euerlasting, and his trueth

For the Lord is good: his mercy is euerlasting, and his trueth is from generation to generation. A Psalme of David. I will sing mercie and iudgement: vnto 101 thee, O Lord, will I sing. I will doe wisely in the perfite way, 2 till thou commest to me: I will walke in the vprightnes of mine heart in the middes of mine house. I wil set no wicked thing 3 before mine eyes: I hate the worke of them that fall away: it shall not cleaue vnto me. A froward heart shall depart from 4 me: I will knowe none euill. Him that priuily slandereth his 5 neighbour, wil I destroy: him that hath a proude looke and hie heart, I cannot suffer. Mine eyes shalbe vnto the faithfull 6 of the lande, that they may dwell with me: he that walketh in a perfite way, he shall serue me. There shall no deceitful 7 person dwell within mine house: he that telleth lyes, shall not remaine in my sight. Betimes will I destroy all the wicked of 8 the land, that I may cut off all the workers of iniquitie from the Citie of the Lord.

A prayer of the afflicted, when he shall be in distresse, and 102 pour forth his meditation before the Lord. O Lord, heare my prayer, and let my crye come vnto thee. Hide not thy face 2 from me in the time of my trouble: incline thine eares vnto me: when I call, make haste to heare me. For my dayes are 3 consumed like smoke, and my bones are burnt like an herthe. Mine heart is smitten and withereth like grasse, because I for- 4 gate to eate my bread. For the voyce of my groning my bones 5 doe cleaue to my skinne. I am like a pelicane of the wilder- 6 nesse: I am like an owle of the deserts. I watch and am as a 7 sparrowe alone vpon the house top. Mine enemies reuile me 8 dayly, and they that rage against me, haue sworne against me. Surely I have eaten asshes as bread, and mingled my drinke 9 with weeping, Because of thine indignation and thy wrath: 10 for thou hast heaued me vp, and cast me downe. My dayes 11 are like a shadowe that fadeth, and I am withered like grasse. But thou, O Lord, doest remaine for euer, and thy remem- 12 brance from generation to generation. Thou wilt arise and 13 haue mercy vpon Zion: for the time to haue mercie thereon, for the appointed time is come. For thy seruants delite in the 14 stones thereof, and haue pitie on the dust thereof. Then the 15 heathen shall feare the Name of the Lord, and all the Kings of the earth thy glory, When the Lord shall build vp Zion, and 16 shall appeare in his glory, And shall turne vnto the prayer of 17 the desolate, and not despise their prayer. This shall be writ- 18

ten for the generation to come: and the people, which shalbe 19 created, shall prayse the Lord. For he hath looked downe from the height of his Sanctuarie: out of the heauen did the 20 Lord beholde the earth, That he might heare the mourning 21 of the prisoner, and deliuer the children of death: That they may declare the Name of the Lord in Zion, and his prayse in 22 Ierusalem, When the people shalbe gathered together, and 23 the kingdomes to serue the Lord. He abated my strength in 24 the way, and shortened my dayes. And I sayd, O my God, take me not away in the middes of my dayes: thy yeeres endure 25 from generation to generation. Thou hast aforetime layde the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the worke of 26 thine hands. They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: euen they all shall waxe olde as doeth a garment: as a vesture shalt 27 thou change them, and they shall be changed. But thou art 28 the same, and thy yeeres shall not fayle. The children of thy seruants shall continue, and their seede shall stand fast in thy sight.

A Psalme of David. My soule, prayse thou the Lord, and 103 2 all that is within me, prayse his holy Name. My soule, prayse 3 thou the Lord, and forget not all his benefites. Which forgiueth 4 all thine iniquitie, and healeth all thine infirmities. Which redeemeth thy life from the graue, and crowneth thee with 5 mercy and compassions. Which satisfieth thy mouth with 6 good things: and thy youth is renued like the eagles. Lord executeth righteousnes and judgement to all that are op-He made his wayes knowen vnto Moses, and his 7 pressed. 8 workes vnto the children of Israel. The Lord is full of com-9 passion and mercie, slowe to anger and of great kindnesse. He 10 will not alway chide, neither keepe his anger for euer. He hath not dealt with vs after our sinnes, nor rewarded vs according 11 to our iniquities. For as high as the heaven is aboue ye earth, 12 so great is his mercie toward them that feare him. As farre as the East is from the West: so farre hath he remooued our 13 sinnes from vs. As a father hath compassion on his children, 14 so hath the Lord compassion on them that feare him. For he knoweth whereof we be made: he remembreth that we are but 15 dust. The dayes of man are as grasse: as a flowre of the fielde, 16 so florisheth he. For the winde goeth ouer it, and it is gone, 17 and the place thereof shall knowe it no more. But the louing

kindnesse of the Lord endureth for euer and euer vpon them that feare him, and his righteousnes vpon childrens children, Vnto them that keepe his couenant, and thinke vpon his com- 18 mandements to doe them. The Lord hath prepared his throne 19 in heauen, and his Kingdome ruleth ouer all. Prayse the Lord, 20 ye his Angels, that excell in strength, that doe his commandement in obeying the voyce of his worde. Prayse the Lord, all 21 ye his hostes, ye his seruants that doe his pleasure. Prayse 22 the Lord, all ye his workes, in all places of his dominion: my soule, prayse thou the Lord.

My soule, prayse thou the Lord: O Lord my God, thou art ex- 104 ceeding great, thou art clothed with glorie and honour. Which 2 couereth himselfe with light as with a garment, and spreadeth the heauens like a curtaine. Which layeth the beames of 3 his chambers in the waters, and maketh the cloudes his chariot, and walketh vpon the wings of the winde. Which maketh 4 his spirits his messengers, and a flaming fire his ministers. He set the earth vpon her foundations, so that it shall neuer 5 Thou coueredst it with the deepe as with a garment: 6 the waters woulde stand aboue the mountaines. But at thy 7 rebuke they flee: at the voyce of thy thunder they haste away. And the mountaines ascend, and the valleis descend to the 8 place which thou hast established for them. But thou hast 9 set them a bounde, which they shall not passe: they shall not returne to couer the earth. He sendeth the springs into the 10 valleis, which runne betweene the mountaines. They shall 11 giue drinke to all the beasts of the fielde, and the wilde asses shall quench their thirst. By these springs shall the foules of 12 the heauen dwell, and sing among the branches. He watereth 13 the mountaines from his chambers, and the earth is filled with the fruite of thy workes. He causeth grasse to growe for the 14 cattell, and herbe for the vse of man, that he may bring forth bread out of the earth, And wine that maketh glad the heart 15 of man, and oyle to make the face to shine, and bread that strengtheneth mans heart. The high trees are satisfied, euen 16 the cedars of Lebanon, which he hath planted, That ye birdes 17 may make their nestes there: the storke dwelleth in the firre trees. The high mountaines are for the goates: the rockes are 18 a refuge for the conies. He appoynted the moone for certaine 19 seasons: the sunne knoweth his going downe. Thou makest 20

darkenesse, and it is night, wherein all the beastes of the forest 21 creepe forth. The lions roare after their praye, and seeke their 22 meate at God. When the sunne riseth, they retire, and couche 23 in their dennes. Then goeth man forth to his worke, and to 24 his labour vntill the euening. O Lord, howe manifolde are thy workes! in wisdome hast thou made them all: the earth is full 25 of thy riches. So is this sea great and wide: for therein are things creeping innumerable, both small beastes and great. 26 There goe the shippes, yea, that Liuiathan, whom thou hast 27 made to play therein. All these waite vpon thee, that thou 28 maiest giue them foode in due season. Thou giuest it to them, and they gather it: thou openest thine hand, and they are filled 29 with good things. But if thou hide thy face, they are troubled: if thou take away their breath, they dye and returne to their 30 dust. Againe if thou send forth thy spirit, they are created, 31 and thou renuest the face of the earth. Glory be to the Lord 32 for euer: let the Lord reiovce in his workes. He looketh on the earth and it trembleth: he toucheth the mountaines, and they 33 smoke. I will sing vnto the Lord all my life: I will prayse my 34 God, while I liue. Let my wordes be acceptable vnto him: I 35 will rejoyce in the Lord. Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and the wicked till there be no more: O my soule, prayse thou the Lord. Prayse ve the Lord.

Praise the Lord, and call vpon his Name: declare his workes 105 2 among the people. Sing vnto him, sing prayse vnto him, and 3 talke of all his wonderous workes. Reioyce in his holy Name: 4 let the heart of them that seeke the Lord, reioyce. Seeke the 5 Lord and his strength: seeke his face continually. Remember his marueilous woorkes, that he hath done, his wonders and 6 the iudgements of his mouth, Ye seede of Abraham his seru-7 ant, ye children of Iaakob, which are his elect. He is the Lord 8 our God: his iudgements are through all the earth. He hath alway remembred his couenant and promise, that he made to 9 a thousand generations, Euen that which he made with Abra-10 ham, and his othe vnto Izhak: And since hath confirmed it to Iaakob for a lawe, and to Israel for an euerlasting couenant, 11 Saying, Vnto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of 12 your inheritance. Albeit they were fewe in nomber, yea, very 13 fewe, and strangers in the land, And walked about from na-14 tion to nation, from one kingdome to another people, Yet suffered he no man to doe them wrong, but reprooued Kings for their sakes, saying, Touche not mine anointed, and doe my 15 Prophets no harme. Moreouer, he called a famine vpon ye 16 land, and vtterly brake the staffe of bread. But he sent a man 17 before them: Ioseph was solde for a slaue. They helde his 18 feete in the stockes, and he was laide in yrons, Vntill his ap- 19 pointed time came, and the counsell of the Lord had tryed him. The King sent and loosed him: euen the Ruler of the people 20 deliuered him. He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all 21 his substance, That he shoulde binde his princes vnto his will, 22 and teach his Ancients wisedome. Then Israel came to Egypt. 23 and Iaakob was a stranger in the land of Ham. And he in- 24 creased his people exceedingly, and made them stronger then their oppressours. He turned their heart to hate his people, 25 and to deale craftily with his seruants. Then sent he Moses 26 his seruant, and Aaron whom he had chosen. They shewed 27 among them the message of his signes, and wonders in the land of Ham. He sent darkenesse, and made it darke: and they 28 were not disobedient vnto his commission. He turned their 29 waters into blood, and slewe their fish. Their land brought 30 foorth frogs, euen in their Kings chambers. He spake, and 31 there came swarmes of flies and lice in all their quarters. He 32 gaue them haile for raine, and flames of fire in their land. He 33 smote their vines also and their figge trees, and brake downe the trees in their coastes. He spake, and the grashoppers 34 came, and caterpillers innumerable. And did eate vp all the 35 grasse in their land, and deuoured the fruite of their ground. He smote also all the first borne in their land, even the begin- 36 ning of all their strength. He brought them forth also with 37 siluer and golde, and there was none feeble among their tribes. Egypt was glad at their departing: for the feare of them had 38 fallen vpon them. He spred a cloude to be a couering, and fire 39 to give light in the night. They asked, and he brought quailes, 40 and he filled them with the bread of heauen. He opened the 41 rocke, and the waters flowed out, and ranne in the drye places like a riuer. For he remembred his holy promise to Abraham 42 his seruant. And he brought forth his people with joy, and his 43 chosen with gladnesse, And gaue them the lands of the hea- 44 then, and they tooke the labours of the people in possession, That they might keepe his statutes, and observe his Lawes. 45 Prayse ye the Lord.

106 Praise ye the Lord. Praise ye the Lord because he is good, 2 for his mercie endureth for euer. Who can expresse the no-3 ble actes of the Lord, or shewe forth all his prayse? Blessed are they that keepe judgement, and doe righteousnesse at all 4 times. Remember me, O Lord, with the fauour of thy people: 5 visite me with thy saluation, That I may see the felicitie of thy chosen, and rejoyce in the joy of thy people, and glorie with 6 thine inheritance. We have sinned with our fathers: we have 7 committed iniquitie, and done wickedly. Our fathers vnderstoode not thy wonders in Egypt, neither remembred they the multitude of thy mercies, but rebelled at the Sea, euen at the 8 red sea. Neuerthelesse he saued them for his Names sake. 9 that he might make his power to be knowen. And he rebuked the red Sea, and it was dryed vp, and he led them in the deepe, And he saued them from ve aduer-10 as in the wildernesse. saries hand, and deliuered them from ve hand of the enemie. 11 And the waters couered their oppressours: not one of them Then beleeued they his wordes, and sang prayse 12 was left. But incontinently they forgate his workes: they 13 vnto him. 14 wayted not for his counsell, But lusted with concupiscence 15 in the wildernes, and tempted God in the desert. gaue them their desire: but he sent leannesse into their soule. 16 They enuied Moses also in the tentes, and Aaron the holy one 17 of the Lord. Therefore the earth opened and swallowed vp 18 Dathan, and couered the companie of Abiram. And the fire was kindled in their assembly: the flame burnt vp the wicked. 19 They made a calfe in Horeb, and worshipped the molten image. 20 Thus they turned their glory into the similitude of a bullocke, 21 that eateth grasse. They forgate God their Sauiour, which had 22 done great things in Egypt, Wonderous woorkes in the lande 23 of Ham, and fearefull things by the red Sea. Therefore he minded to destroy them, had not Moses his chosen stand in the breach before him to turne away his wrath, least he shoulde 24 destroy them. Also they contemned that pleasant land, and 25 beleeued not his worde. But murmured in their tentes, and 26 hearkened not vnto the voice of the Lord. Therefore hee lifted vp his hande against them, to destroy them in the wildernesse, 27 And to destroy their seede among the nations, and to scatter 28 them throughout the countries. They ioyned themselues also

vnto Baalpeor, and did eate the offrings of the dead. Thus 29 they prouoked him vnto anger with their owne inuentions, and the plague brake in vpon them. But Phinehas stoode vp, 30 and executed iudgement, and the plague was staied. it was imputed vnto him for righteousnes from generation to generation for euer. They angred him also at the waters of 32 Meribah, so that Moses was punished for their sakes, Be- 33 cause they vexed his spirite, so that hee spake vnaduisedly with his lippes. Neither destroied they the people, as the Lord 34 had commanded them, But were mingled among the heathen, 35 and learned their workes. And served their idoles, which were 36 their ruine. Yea, they offered their sonnes, and their daughters vnto deuils. And shed innocent blood, even the blood of 38 their sonnes, and of their daughters, whome they offred vnto the idoles of Canaan, and the lande was defiled with blood. Thus were they steined with their owne woorkes, and went a 39 whoring with their owne inuentions. Therefore was the wrath 40 of the Lord kindled against his people, and he abhorred his owne inheritance. And hee gaue them into the hande of the 41 heathen: and they that hated them, were lordes ouer them. Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were humbled 42 vnder their hand. Many a time did hee deliuer them, but they 43 prouoked him by their counsels: therefore they were brought downe by their iniquitie. Yet hee sawe when they were in 44 affliction, and he heard their crie. And he remembred his 45 couenant towarde them and repented according to the multitude of his mercies, And gaue them fauour in the sight of all 46 them that lead them captiues. Saue vs. O Lord our God, and 47 gather vs from among the heathen, that we may praise thine holy Name, and glorie in thy praise. Blessed be the Lord God 48 of Israel for euer and euer, and let all the people say, So be it. Praise vee the Lord.

Praise the Lord, because he is good: for his mercie endureth 107 for euer. Let them, which haue bene redeemed of the Lord, 2 shewe how he hath deliuered them from the hand of the oppressour, And gathered them out of the lands, from the East 3 and from the West, from the North and from the South. When 4 they wandered in the desert and wildernesse out of the waie, and founde no citie to dwell in, Both hungrie and thirstie, 5 their soule fainted in them. Then they cried vnto the Lord 6

in their trouble, and he deliuered them from their distresse, 7 And led them forth by the right way, that they might goe to 8 a citie of habitation. Let them therefore confesse before ye Lord his louing kindnesse, and his wonderfull woorkes before 9 the sonnes of men. For he satisfied the thirstie soule, and 10 filled the hungrie soule with goodnesse. They that dwell in darkenesse and in the shadowe of death, being bounde in mis-11 erie and yron, Because they rebelled against the wordes of 12 the Lord, and despised the counsell of the most High, When he humbled their heart with heauines, then they fell downe 13 and there was no helper. Then they cried vnto the Lord in 14 their trouble, and he deliuered them from their distresse. He brought them out of darkenes, and out of the shadowe of death. 15 and brake their bandes asunder. Let them therefore cofesse before the Lord his louing kindnesse, and his wonderfull woorkes 16 before the sonnes of men. For hee hath broken the gates 17 of brasse, and brast the barres of vron asunder. Fooles by reason of their transgression, and because of their iniquities 18 are afflicted. Their soule abhorreth al meat, and they are 19 brought to deaths doore. Then they crie vnto the Lord in 20 their trouble, and he deliuereth them from their distresse. He sendeth his worde and healeth them, and deliuereth them from 21 their graues. Let them therefore cofesse before the Lord his louing kindnesse, and his wonderful workes before the sonnes 22 of men, And let them offer sacrifices of praise, and declare 23 his workes with reiovcing. They that goe downe to the sea in 24 ships, and occupie by the great waters, They see the woorkes 25 of the Lord, and his wonders in the deepe. For he commaundeth and raiseth the stormie winde, and it lifteth vp the waues 26 thereof. They mount vp to the heauen, and descend to ye 27 deepe, so that their soule melteth for trouble. They are tossed to and from, and stagger like a drunken man, and all their 28 cunning is gone. Then they crie vnto the Lord in their trou-29 ble, and he bringeth them out of their distresse. He turneth 30 the storme to calme, so that the waves thereof are still. When they are quieted, they are glad, and hee bringeth them vnto the 31 hauen, where they would be. Let them therfore confesse before the Lord his louing kindnesse, and his wonderfull woorkes 32 before the sonnes of men. And let them exalt him in the Congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the

He turneth the floodes into a wildernesse, and the 33 springs of waters into drinesse, And a fruitfull land into bar- 34 rennes for the wickednes of them that dwell therein. Againe 35 hee turneth the wildernesse into pooles of water, and the drie lande into water springs. And there he placeth the hungrie, 36 and they builde a citie to dwell in, And sowe the fieldes, and 37 plant vineyardes, which bring foorth fruitfull increase. For 38 he blesseth them, and they multiplie exceedingly, and he diminisheth not their cattell. Againe men are diminished, and 39 brought lowe by oppression, euill and sorowe. He powreth 40 contempt vpon princes, and causeth them to erre in desert places out of the way. Yet he raiseth vp the poore out of mis- 41 erie, and maketh him families like a flocke of sheepe. righteous shall see it, and rejoyce, and all iniquitie shall stoppe her mouth. Who is wise that hee may observe these things? 43 for they shall vnderstand the louing kindnesse of the Lord.

A song or Psalme of David. O God, mine heart is prepared, 108 so is my tongue: I will sing and giue praise. Awake viole and 2 harpe: I will awake early. I will praise thee, O Lord, among 3 the people, and I wil sing vnto thee among the nations. For 4 thy mercy is great aboue the heavens, and thy trueth vnto the clouds. Exalt thy self, O God, aboue the heavens, and let thy 5 glorie be vpon all the earth. That thy beloued may be deli- 6 uered: helpe with thy right hand and heare me. God hath 7 spoken in his holinesse: therefore I will reioyce, I shall deuide Shechem and measure the valley of Succoth. Gilead shalbe 8 mine, and Manasseh shalbe mine: Ephraim also shalbe the strength of mine head: Iuda is my lawgiuer. Moab shalbe my 9 washpot: ouer Edom wil I cast out my shoe: vpon Palestina wil I triumph. Who will leade mee into the strong citie? who 10 will bring me vnto Edom? Wilt not thou, O God, which had- 11 dest forsaken vs, and diddest not goe foorth, O God, with our armies? Giue vs helpe against trouble: for vaine is the helpe 12 Through God we shall doe valiantly: for he shall 13 treade downe our enemies.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David. Holde not thy 109 tongue, O God of my praise. For the mouth of the wicked, and 2 the mouth full of deceite are opened vpon me: they have spoken to me with a lying tongue. They compassed me about also 3 with words of hatred, and fought against me without a cause.

4 For my friendship they were mine aduersaries, but I gaue my 5 selfe to praier. And they have rewarded me euil for good, and 6 hatred for my friendship. Set thou the wicked ouer him, and 7 let the aduersarie stand at his right hand. Whe he shalbe iudged, let him be condemned, and let his praier be turned into 8 sinne. Let his daies be fewe, and let another take his charge. 9, 10 Let his children be fatherlesse, and his wife a widowe. Let his children be vagabonds and beg and seeke bread, comming 11 out of their places destroyed. Let the extortioner catch al that 12 he hath, and let the strangers spoile his labour. Let there be none to extend mercie vnto him: neither let there be any to 13 shewe mercie vpon his fatherlesse children. Let his posteritie be destroied, and in the generation following let their name be 14 put out. Let the iniquitie of his fathers bee had in remembrance with the Lord: and let not the sinne of his mother be 15 done away. But let them alway be before the Lord, that he 16 may cut off their memorial from ve earth. Because he remembred not to shew mercie, but persecuted the afflicted and poore 17 man, and the sorowfull hearted to slav him. As he loued cursing, so shall it come vnto him, and as he loued not blessing, so 18 shall it be farre from him. As he clothed himselfe with cursing like a rayment, so shall it come into his bowels like water, and 19 like ovle into his bones. Let it be vnto him as a garment to couer him, and for a girdle, wherewith he shalbe alway girded. 20 Let this be the rewarde of mine aduersarie from the Lord, and 21 of them, that speake euill against my soule. But thou, O Lord my God, deale with me according vnto thy Name: deliuer me, 22 (for thy mercie is good) Because I am poore and needie, and 23 mine heart is wounded within me. I depart like the shad-24 owe that declineth, and am shaken off as the grashopper. My knees are weake through fasting, and my flesh hath lost all I became also a rebuke vnto them: they that looked 25 fatnes. 26 vpon me, shaked their heads. Helpe me, O Lord my God: saue 27 me according to thy mercie. And they shall know, that this is 28 thine hand, and that thou, Lord, hast done it. Though they curse, yet thou wilt blesse: they shall arise and be confounded, 29 but thy seruant shall reioyce. Let mine aduersaries be clothed with shame, and let them couer themselues with their confu-30 sion, as with a cloke. I will give thankes vnto the Lord greatly 31 with my mouth and praise him among ye multitude. For he will stand at the right hand of the poore, to saue him from them that woulde condemne his soule.

A Psalme of David. The Lord said vnto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, vntill I make thine enemies thy footestoole. The Lord shall send the rod of thy power out of Zion: be thou 2 ruler in the middes of thine enemies. Thy people shall come 3 willingly at the time of assembling thine armie in holy beautie: the youth of thy wombe shalbe as the morning dewe. The Lord 4 sware and wil not repent, Thou art a Priest for euer after ye order of Melchi-zedek. The Lord, that is at thy right hand, 5 shall wound Kings in the day of his wrath. He shalbe iudge 6 among the heathen: he shall fill all with dead bodies, and smite the head ouer great countreis. He shall drinke of the brooke 7 in the way: therefore shall he lift vp his head.

Praise ye the Lord. I will prayse the Lord with my whole 111 heart in the assemblie and Congregation of the iust. workes of the Lord are great, and ought to be sought out of al them that loue them. His worke is beautifull and glorious, 3 and his righteousnesse endureth for euer. He hath made his 4 wonderfull workes to be had in remembrance: the Lord is mercifull and full of compassion. He hath given a portion vnto 5 them that feare him: he wil ever be mindfull of his covenant. He hath shewed to his people the power of his workes in giuing 6 vnto them the heritage of the heathen. The workes of his han-7 des are trueth and iudgement: all his statutes are true. They 8 are stablished for euer and euer, and are done in trueth and equitie. He sent redemption vnto his people: he hath com- 9 manded his couenant for euer: holy and fearefull is his Name. The beginning of wisedome is the feare of the Lord: all they 10 that observe them, have good vnderstanding: his praise endureth for euer.

Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man, that feareth the 112 Lord, and deliteth greatly in his commandements. His seede 2 shall be mightie vpon earth: the generation of the righteous shall be blessed. Riches and treasures shalbe in his house, 3 and his righteousnesse endureth for euer. Vnto the righteous 4 ariseth light in darkenes: he is merciful and full of copassion and righteous. A good man is mercifull and lendeth, and will 5 measure his affaires by iudgement. Surely he shall neuer be 6 moued: but the righteous shalbe had in euerlasting remem-

brance. He will not be afraide of euill tidings: for his heart
is fixed, and beleeueth in the Lord. His heart is stablished: therefore he will not feare, vntill he see his desire vpon his
enemies. He hath distributed and giuen to ye poore: his righteousnesse remaineth for euer: his horne shalbe exalted with
glory. The wicked shall see it and be angrie: he shall gnash with his teeth, and consume away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.

- Praise ye the Lord. Praise, O ye seruants of the Lord, prayse the Name of the Lord. Blessed be the Name of the Lord from hencefoorth and for euer. The Lordes Name is praysed from the rising of ye sunne, vnto ye going downe of the same.

  The Lord is high aboue all nations, and his glorie aboue the
  - 5 heavens. Who is like vnto the Lord our God, that hath his
  - 6 dwelling on high! Who abaseth himselfe to beholde things in 7 the heaven and in the earth! He raiseth the needie out of the
  - 8 dust, and lifteth vp the poore out of the dung, That he may set him with the princes, euen with the princes of his people.
  - 9 He maketh the barren woman to dwell with a familie, and a ioyfull mother of children. Prayse ye the Lord.
- 114 When Israel went out of Egypt, and the house of Iaakob
  - $_{2}\,$  from the barbarous people,  $\,$  Iudah was his sanctification, and
  - 3 Israel his dominion. The Sea sawe it and fled: Iorden was
  - 4 turned backe. The mountaines leaped like rams, and the hils
  - 5 as lambes. What ailed thee, O Sea, that thou fleddest? O
  - 6 Iorden, why wast thou turned backe? Ye mountaines, why
  - 7 leaped ye like rams, and ye hils as lambes? The earth trembled at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God
  - 8 of Iaakob, Which turneth the rocke into waterpooles, and the flint into a fountaine of water.
- Not vnto vs, O Lord, not vnto vs, but vnto thy Name giue the glorie, for thy louing mercie and for thy truethes sake. Where-
  - 3 fore shall the heathen say, Where is nowe their God? But our
  - 4 God is in heauen: he doeth what so euer he will. Their idoles
  - 5 are siluer and golde, euen the worke of mens hands. They have a mouth and speake not: they have eyes and see not.
  - 6 They have eares and heare not: they have noses and smelll
  - 7 not. They have handes and touche not: they have feete and
  - 8 walke not: neither make they a sound with their throte. They that make them are like vnto them: so are all that trust in

them. O Israel, trust thou in the Lord: for he is their helpe 9 and their shielde. O house of Aaron, trust ye in the Lord: for 10 he is their helpe and their shielde. Ye that feare the Lord, 11 trust in the Lord: for he is their helper and their shield. The 12 Lord hath bene mindfull of vs: he will blesse, he will blesse the house of Israel, he will blesse the house of Aaron. He will 13 blesse them that feare the Lord, both small and great. The 14 Lord will increase his graces towarde you, euen toward you and toward your children. Ye are blessed of the Lord, which made 15 the heauen and the earth. The heauens, euen the heauens are 16 the Lordes: but he hath giuen the earth to the sonnes of men. The dead prayse not the Lord, neither any that goe downe into 17 the place of silence. But we will prayse the Lord from hence-18 forth and for euer. Prayse ye the Lord.

I love the Lord, because he hath heard my voyce and my 116 prayers. For he hath inclined his eare vnto me, whe I did call 2 vpon him in my dayes. When the snares of death copassed 3 me, and the griefes of the graue caught me: when I founde trouble and sorowe. Then I called vpon the Name of the Lord, 4 saying, I beseech thee, O Lord, deliuer my soule. The Lord 5 is mercifull and righteous, and our God is full of compassion. The Lord preserueth the simple: I was in miserie and he saued 6 Returne vnto thy rest, O my soule: for the Lord hath 7 bene beneficiall vnto thee, Because thou hast deliuered my 8 soule from death, mine eyes from teares, and my feete from falling. I shall walke before the Lord in the lande of the liu-9 ing. I beleeued, therefore did I speake: for I was sore troubled. 10 I said in my feare, All men are lyers. What shall I render vnto 11, 12 the Lord for all his benefites toward me? I will take the cup 13 of saluation, and call vpon the Name of the Lord. I will pay 14 my vowes vnto the Lord, euen nowe in the presence of all his people. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his 15 Saintes. Beholde, Lord: for I am thy seruant, I am thy seru- 16 ant, and the sonne of thine handmaide: thou hast broken my bondes. I will offer to thee a sacrifice of prayse, and will call 17 vpon the Name of the Lord. I will pay my vowes vnto the 18 Lord, euen nowe in the presence of all his people, In the cour- 19 tes of ve Lords house, euen in the middes of thee, O Ierusalem. Praise ye the Lord.

All nations, praise ye the Lord: all ye people, praise him. 117

<sup>2</sup> For his louing kindnes is great toward vs, and the trueth of the Lord endureth for euer. Praise yee the Lord.

Praise yee the Lord, because he is good: for his mercie en-118 2 dureth for euer. Let Israel now say, That his mercy endureth 3 for euer. Let the house of Aaron nowe say, That his mercy 4 endureth for euer. Let them, that feare the Lord, nowe say, 5 That his mercie endureth for euer. I called vpon the Lord in 6 trouble, and the Lord heard me, and set me at large. The Lord is with mee: therefore I will not feare what man can doe vnto 7 me. The Lord is with mee among them that helpe me: there-8 fore shall I see my desire vpon mine enemies. It is better to 9 trust in the Lord, then to have confidence in man. It is better 10 to trust in the Lord, then to have confidence in princes. All nations have compassed me: but in the Name of the Lord shall I 11 destroy them. They have compassed mee, yea, they have compassed mee: but in the Name of the Lord I shall destroy them. 12 They came about mee like bees, but they were quenched as a fire of thornes: for in the Name of the Lord I shall destroy 13 them. Thou hast thrust sore at me, that I might fall: but the 14 Lord hath holpen me. The Lord is my strength and song: for 15 he hath beene my deliuerance. The voice of ioy and deliuerance shall be in the tabernacles of the righteous, saying, The 16 right hand of the Lord hath done valiantly. The right hand of the Lord is exalted: the right hand of the Lord hath done 17 valiantly. I shall not die, but liue, and declare the woorkes 18 of the Lord. The Lord hath chastened me sore, but he hath 19 not deliuered me to death. Open ye vnto me the gates of righ-20 teousnes, that I may goe into them, and praise the Lord. This 21 is the gate of the Lord: the righteous shall enter into it. I will praise thee: for thou hast heard mee, and hast beene my deli-22 uerance. The stone, which the builders refused, is the head of 23 the corner. This was the Lordes doing, and it is marueilous in 24 our eyes. This is the day, which the Lord hath made: let vs 25 reioyce and be glad in it. O Lord, I praie thee, saue now: O 26 Lord, I praie thee nowe give prosperitie. Blessed be he, that commeth in the Name of the Lord: wee haue blessed you out 27 of the house of the Lord. The Lord is mightie, and hath given vs light: binde the sacrifice with cordes vnto the hornes of the 28 altar. Thou art my God, and I will praise thee, euen my God: 29 therefore I will exalt thee. Praise ye the Lord, because he is

good: for his mercie endureth for euer.

ALEPH. Blessed are those that are vpright in their way, and 119 walke in the Lawe of the Lord. Blessed are they that keepe 2 his testimonies, and seeke him with their whole heart. Surely 3 they woorke none iniquitie, but walke in his waies. hast commanded to keepe thy precepts diligently. Oh that my 5 waies were directed to keepe thy statutes! Then should I not 6 be confounded, when I have respect vnto all thy commandements. I will praise thee with an vpright heart, when I shall 7 learne the judgements of thy righteousnesse. I will keepe thy 8 statutes: forsake mee not overlong. BETH. Wherewith shall 9 a yong man redresse his waie? in taking heede thereto according to thy woorde. With my whole heart haue I sought thee: 10 let me not wander from thy commandements. I have hid thy 11 promise in mine heart, that I might not sinne against thee. Blessed art thou, O Lord: teache mee thy statutes. With my 12, 13 lippes haue I declared all the judgements of thy mouth. I 14 haue had as great delight in the way of thy testimonies, as in all riches. I will meditate in thy precepts, and consider 15 thy waies. I will delite in thy statutes, and I will not forget 16 thy worde. GIMEL. Be beneficiall vnto thy seruant, that I 17 may liue and keepe thy woorde. Open mine eies, that I may 18 see the wonders of thy Lawe. I am a stranger vpon earth: 19 hide not thy commandements from me. Mine heart breaketh 20 for the desire to thy iudgements alway. Thou hast destroied 21 the proud: cursed are they that doe erre from thy commande-Remoue from mee shame and contempt: for I haue 22 kept thy testimonies. Princes also did sit, and speake against 23 me: but thy seruant did meditate in thy statutes. testimonies are my delite, and my counsellers. DALETH. 25 My soule cleaueth to the dust: quicken me according to thy I have declared my waies, and thou heardest me: 26 worde. teache me thy statutes. Make me to vnderstand ye way of 27 thy precepts, and I will meditate in thy wondrous workes. My 28 soule melteth for heauinesse: raise mee vp according vnto thy worde. Take from mee the way of lying, and graunt me gra- 29 ciously thy Lawe. I have chosen the way of trueth, and thy 30 iudgements haue I laied before me. I haue cleaued to thy 31 testimonies, O Lord: confound me not. I will runne the way 32 of thy commandements, when thou shalt enlarge mine heart.

33 HE. Teach mee, O Lord, the way of thy statutes, and I will 34 keepe it vnto the ende. Giue mee vnderstanding, and I will 35 keepe thy Law: yea, I wil keepe it with my whole heart. Direct mee in the path of thy commandements: for therein is my Incline mine heart vnto thy testimonies, and not to 37 couetousnesse. Turne away mine eies from regarding vanitie, 38 and quicken me in thy way. Stablish thy promise to thy seru-39 aunt, because he feareth thee. Take away my rebuke that I 40 feare: for thy judgements are good. Beholde, I desire thy com-41 mandements: quicken me in thy righteousnesse, VAV. And let thy louing kindnesse come vnto me, O Lord, and thy salua-42 tion according to thy promise. So shall I make answere vnto 43 my blasphemers: for I trust in thy woorde. And take not the woorde of trueth vtterly out of my mouth: for I waite for thy 44 iudgements. So shall I alway keepe thy Lawe for euer and 45, 46 euer. And I will walke at libertie: for I seeke thy precepts. I will speake also of thy testimonies before Kings, and will not 47 be ashamed. And my delite shalbe in thy commandements, 48 which I have loued. Mine handes also will I lift vp vnto thy commandements, which I have loved, and I will meditate in 49 thy statutes. ZAIN. Remember the promise made to thy seru-50 ant, wherein thou hast caused me to trust. It is my comfort in 51 my trouble: for thy promise hath guickened me. The proude haue had me exceedingly in derision: yet haue I not declined 52 from thy Lawe. I remembred thy judgements of olde, O Lord, 53 and haue bene comforted. Feare is come vpon mee for the 54 wicked, that forsake thy Lawe. Thy statutes have beene my 55 songes in the house of my pilgrimage. I have remembred thy 56 Name, O Lord, in the night, and haue kept thy Lawe. 57 I had because I kept thy precepts. CHETH. O Lord, that art 58 my portion, I have determined to keepe thy wordes. I made my supplication in thy presence with my whole heart: be mer-59 cifull vnto me according to thy promise. I have considered my 60 waies, and turned my feete into thy testimonies. I made haste 61 and delaied not to keepe thy commandements. The bandes of the wicked haue robbed me: but I haue not forgotten thy Lawe. 62 At midnight will I rise to give thanks vnto thee, because of 63 thy righteous iudgements. I am companion of all them that 64 feare thee, and keepe thy precepts. The earth, O Lord, is full 65 of thy mercie: teache me thy statutes. TETH. O Lord, thou hast delt graciously with thy seruant according vnto thy woorde. Teach me good iudgement and knowledge: for I haue 66 beleeued thy commandements. Before I was afflicted, I went 67 astray: but nowe I keepe thy woorde. Thou art good and gra- 68 cious: teach me thy statutes. The proud haue imagined a lie 69 against me: but I wil keepe thy precepts with my whole heart. Their heart is fatte as grease: but my delite is in thy Lawe. It 70,71 is good for me that I have beene afflicted, that I may learne thy statutes. The Lawe of thy mouth is better vnto me, then 72 thousands of golde and siluer. IOD. Thine hands have made 73 me and fashioned me: giue mee vnderstanding therefore, that I may learne thy commandements. So they that feare thee, 74 seeing mee shall reioyce, because I haue trusted in thy worde. I knowe, O Lord, that thy judgements are right, and that thou 75 hast afflicted me justly. I pray thee that thy mercie may com- 76 fort me according to thy promise vnto thy seruant. Let thy 77 tender mercies come vnto me, that I may liue: for thy Lawe is my delite. Let the proude be ashamed: for they have dealt 78 wickedly and falsely with me: but I meditate in thy precepts. Let such as feare thee turne vnto me, and they that knowe thy 79 testimonies. Let mine heart bee vpright in thy statutes, that 80 I be not ashamed. CAPH. My soule fainteth for thy saluation: 81 vet I waite for thy worde. Mine eves faile for thy promise, 82 saying, when wilt thou comfort me? For I am like a bottell 83 in the smoke: yet doe I not forget thy statutes. Howe many 84 are the dayes of thy seruant? When wilt thou execute judgement on them that persecute me? The proude haue digged 85 pittes for mee, which is not after thy Lawe. All thy comman- 86 dements are true: they persecute me falsely: helpe me. They 87 had almost consumed me vpon the earth: but I forsooke not thy precepts. Quicken me according to thy louing kindnes: so 88 shall I keepe the testimony of thy mouth. LAMED. O Lord, 89 thy worde endureth for euer in heauen. Thy trueth is from 90 generation to generation: thou hast layed the foundation of the earth, and it abideth. They continue euen to this day by 91 thine ordinances: for all are thy seruants. Except thy Lawe 92 had bene my delite, I should now have perished in mine af-I wil neuer forget thy precepts: for by them thou 93 fliction. hast quickened me. I am thine, saue me: for I haue sought 94 thy precepts. The wicked haue waited for me to destroy me: 95

96 but I will consider thy testimonies. I have seene an ende of all perfection: but thy commandement is exceeding large. 97 MEM. Oh howe loue I thy Lawe! it is my meditation continu-98 ally. By thy commandements thou hast made mee wiser then 99 mine enemies: for they are euer with mee. I have had more vnderstading then all my teachers: for thy testimonies are my 100 meditation. I vnderstoode more then the ancient, because I 101 kept thy precepts. I have refrained my feete from euery euil 102 way, that I might keepe thy word. I have not declined from 103 thy iudgements: for thou didest teach me. Howe sweete are thy promises vnto my mouth! yea, more then hony vnto my 104 mouth. By thy precepts I have gotten vnderstanding: there-105 fore I hate all the wayes of falshoode. NUN. Thy worde is 106 a lanterne vnto my feete, and a light vnto my path. I haue sworne and will performe it, that I will keepe thy righteous 107 iudgements. I am very sore afflicted: O Lord, quicken me ac-108 cording to thy word. O Lord, I beseeche thee accept the free 109 offerings of my mouth, and teach mee thy iudgements. My soule is continually in mine hande: yet doe I not forget thy 110 Lawe. The wicked haue layed a snare for mee: but I swarued 111 not from thy precepts. Thy testimonies haue I taken as an 112 heritage for euer: for they are the ioy of mine heart. I haue applied mine heart to fulfill thy statutes alway, euen vnto the 113 ende. SAMECH. I hate vaine inventions: but thy Lawe doe I 114 loue. Thou art my refuge and shield, and I trust in thy worde. Away from mee, yee wicked: for I will keepe the commande-116 ments of my God. Stablish me according to thy promise, that 117 I may liue, and disappoint me not of mine hope. Stay thou mee, and I shall be safe, and I will delite continually in thy 118 statutes. Thou hast troden downe all them that depart from 119 thy statutes: for their deceit is vaine. Thou hast taken away all ye wicked of the earth like drosse: therefore I loue thy testi-120 monies. My flesh trembleth for feare of thee, and I am afraide 121 of thy judgements. AIN. I have executed judgement and jus-122 tice: leaue me not to mine oppressours. Answere for thy seruant in that, which is good, and let not the proude oppresse me. 123 Mine eyes haue failed in waiting for thy saluation, and for thy 124 iust promise. Deale with thy seruant according to thy mercie, and teache me thy statutes. I am thy seruant: graunt mee therefore vnderstanding, that I may knowe thy testimonies.

It is time for thee Lord to worke: for they have destroyed thy 126 Lawe. Therefore loue I thy commandements aboue golde, yea, 127 aboue most fine golde. Therefore I esteeme all thy precepts 128 most iust, and hate all false wayes. PE. Thy testimonies are 129 wonderfull: therefore doeth my soule keepe them. trance into thy wordes sheweth light, and giueth vnderstanding to the simple. I opened my mouth and panted, because 131 I loued thy commandements. Looke vpon mee and bee mer- 132 cifull vnto me, as thou vsest to doe vnto those that loue thy Name. Direct my steppes in thy worde, and let none iniquitie 133 haue dominion ouer me. Deliuer mee from the oppression of 134 men, and I will keepe thy precepts. Shew the light of thy 135 countenance vpon thy seruant, and teache me thy statutes. Mine eyes gush out with rivers of water, because they keepe 136 not thy Lawe. TSADDI. Righteous art thou, O Lord, and iust 137 are thy judgements. Thou hast commanded justice by thy testimonies and trueth especially. My zeale hath euen consumed 139 mee, because mine enemies haue forgotten thy wordes. word is prooued most pure, and thy seruant loueth it. I am 141 small and despised: yet do I not forget thy precepts. Thv 142 righteousnesse is an euerlasting righteousnes, and thy Lawe Trouble and anguish are come vpon me: yet are 143 thy commandements my delite. The righteousnes of thy testimonies is euerlasting: graunt me vnderstanding, and I shall KOPH. I have cried with my whole heart: heare me, 145 O Lord, and I will keepe thy statutes. I called vpon thee: 146 saue mee, and I will keepe thy testimonies. I preuented the 147 morning light, and cried: for I waited on thy word. Mine eyes 148 preuent the night watches to meditate in thy word. Heare my 149 voyce according to thy louing kindenesse: O Lord, quicken me according to thy judgement. They drawe neere, that follow 150 after malice, and are farre from thy Lawe. Thou art neere, 151 O Lord: for all thy commandements are true. I have knowen 152 long since by thy testimonies, that thou hast established them for euer. RESH. Beholde mine affliction, and deliuer mee: for 153 I have not forgotten thy Lawe. Pleade my cause, and deli- 154 uer me: quicken me according vnto thy word. Saluation is 155 farre from the wicked, because they seeke not thy statutes. Great are thy tender mercies, O Lord: quicken me according 156 to thy iudgements. My persecutours and mine oppressours 157

158 are many: yet doe I not swarue from thy testimonies. I saw the transgressours and was grieued, because they kept not thy Consider, O Lord, how I loue thy preceptes: quicken 159 worde. 160 mee according to thy louing kindenesse. The beginning of thy worde is trueth, and all the iudgements of thy righteousnesse 161 endure for euer. SCHIN. Princes haue persecuted mee without cause, but mine heart stood in awe of thy wordes. I rejoyce 163 at thy worde, as one that findeth a great spoyle. I hate fals-164 hoode and abhorre it, but thy Lawe doe I loue. Seuen times a day doe I praise thee, because of thy righteous iudgements. 165 They that loue thy Law, shall have great prosperitie, and they shall have none hurt. Lord, I have trusted in thy saluation, and haue done thy commandements. My soule hath kept thy 168 testimonies: for I loue them exceedingly. I have kept thy precepts and thy testimonies: for all my wayes are before thee. 169 TAV. Let my complaint come before thee, O Lord, and give me 170 vnderstanding, according vnto thy worde. Let my supplication come before thee, and deliuer me according to thy promise. 171 My lippes shall speake praise, when thou hast taught me thy 172 statutes. My tongue shall intreate of thy word: for all thy 173 commandements are righteous. Let thine hand helpe me: for 174 I have chosen thy precepts. I have longed for thy saluation, 175 O Lord, and thy Lawe is my delite. Let my soule liue, and it 176 shall praise thee, and thy judgements shall helpe me. I have gone astraye like a lost sheepe: seeke thy seruant, for I doe not forget thy commandements.

A song of degrees. I called vnto the Lord in my trouble, 2 and hee heard me. Deliuer my soule, O Lord, from lying 3 lippes, and from a deceitfull tongue. What doeth thy deceit-4 full tongue bring vnto thee? or what doeth it auaile thee? It is as the sharpe arrowes of a mightie man, and as the coales of 5 iuniper. Woe is to me that I remaine in Meschech, and dwell 6 in the tentes of Kedar. My soule hath too long dwelt with him 7 that hateth peace. I seeke peace, and when I speake thereof, they are bent to warre.

A song of degrees. I will lift mine eyes vnto the mountaines,
from whence mine helpe shall come. Mine helpe commeth
from the Lord, which hath made the heauen and the earth.
He wil not suffer thy foote to slippe: for he that keepeth thee,
will not slumber. Beholde, he that keepeth Israel, wil neither

slumber nor sleepe. The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy 5 shadow at thy right hand. The sunne shall not smite thee by 6 day, nor the moone by night. The Lord shall preserue thee 7 from all euil: he shall keepe thy soule. The Lord shall preserue thy going out, and thy comming in from henceforth and for euer.

A song of degrees, or Psalme of David. I rejoiced, when they sayd to me, We wil go into the house of the Lord. Our feete shall stand in thy gates, O Ierusalem. Ierusalem is builded as a citie, that is compact together in it selfe: Whereunto the 4 Tribes, euen the Tribes of the Lord go vp according to the testimonie to Israel, to prayse the Name of the Lord. For there 5 are thrones set for iudgement, euen the thrones of the house of Dauid. Pray for the peace of Ierusalem: let them prosper 6 that loue thee. Peace be within thy walles, and prosperitie 7 within thy palaces. For my brethren and neighbours sakes I 8 will wish thee now prosperitie. Because of the House of the 9 Lord our God, I will procure thy wealth.

A song of degrees. I lift vp mine eyes to thee, that dwellest 123 in the heauens. Behold, as the eyes of seruants looke vnto the 2 hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a mayden vnto the hand of her mistres: so our eyes waite vpon the Lord our God vntil he haue mercie vpon vs. Haue mercie vpon vs, O Lord, 3 haue mercie vpon vs: for we haue suffered too much contempt. Our soule is filled too full of ye mocking of the wealthy, and of 4 the despitefulnes of the proude.

A song of degrees, or Psalme of David. If the Lord had not 124 bene on our side, (may Israel now say) If the Lord had not 2 bene on our side, when men rose vp against vs, They had then 3 swallowed vs vp quicke, when their wrath was kindled against vs. Then the waters had drowned vs, and the streame had 4 gone ouer our soule: Then had the swelling waters gone ouer 5 our soule. Praysed be the Lord, which hath not given vs as a 6 praye vnto their teeth. Our soule is escaped, euen as a bird 7 out of the snare of the foulers: the snare is broken, and we are deliuered. Our helpe is in the Name of the Lord, which hath 8 made heaven and earth.

A song of degrees. They that trust in the Lord, shalbe as **125** mount Zion, which can not be removued, but remaineth for euer. As the mountaines are about Ierusalem: so is the Lord 2

- 3 about his people from henceforth and for euer. For the rod of the wicked shall not rest on the lot of the righteous, least the
- 4 righteous put forth their hand vnto wickednes. Doe well, O
- 5 Lord, vnto those that be good and true in their hearts. But these that turne aside by their crooked wayes, them shall the Lord leade with the workers of iniquitie: but peace shalbe vpon Israel.
- A song of degrees, or Psalme of David. When ye Lord brought againe the captiuitie of Zion, we were like them that dreame.
  - 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with ioye: then sayd they among the heathen, The Lord hath done
  - $_{\rm 3}$  great things for them. The Lord hath done great things for
  - 4 vs, whereof we reioyce. O Lord, bring againe our captiuitie,
  - $_{5}$  as the riuers in the South. They that sowe in teares, shall
  - 6 reape in ioy. They went weeping and caried precious seede: but they shall returne with ioye and bring their sheaues.
- A song of degrees, or Psalme of Salomon. Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vaine that build it: except the
  - 2 Lord keepe the citie, the keeper watcheth in vaine. It is in vaine for you to rise earely, and to lie downe late, and eate the
  - 3 bread of sorow: but he wil surely giue rest to his beloued. Beholde, children are the inheritance of the Lord, and the fruite
  - 4 of the wombe his rewarde. As are the arrowes in the hand of
  - 5 ye strong man: so are the children of youth. Blessed is the man, that hath his quiuer full of them: for they shall not be ashamed, when they speake with their enemies in the gate.
- 128 A song of degrees. Blessed is euery one that feareth the
  - 2 Lord and walketh in his wayes. When thou eatest the labours of thine hands, thou shalt be blessed, and it shall be well with
    - 3 thee. Thy wife shalbe as the fruitfull vine on the sides of thine house, and thy children like the oliue plantes round about thy
    - 4 table. Lo, surely thus shall the man be blessed, that feareth
    - 5 the Lord. The Lord out of Zion shall blesse thee, and thou
    - 6 shalt see the wealth of Ierusalem all the dayes of thy life. Yea, thou shalt see thy childrens children, and peace vpon Israel.
- 129 A song of degrees. They have often times afflicted me from 2 my youth (may Israel nowe say) They have often times afflicted me from my youth: but they could not prevaile against 3 me. The plowers plowed vpon my backe, and made long fur-
  - 4 rowes. But the righteous Lord hath cut the cordes of the

wicked. They that hate Zion, shalbe all ashamed and turned 5 backward. They shalbe as the grasse on the house tops, which 6 withereth afore it commeth forth. Whereof the mower filleth 7 not his hand, neither the glainer his lap: Neither they, which 8 go by, say, The blessing of the Lord be vpon you, or, We blesse you in the Name of the Lord.

A song of degrees. Out of the deepe places haue I called vnto 130 thee, O Lord. Lord, heare my voyce: let thine eares attend to 2 the voyce of my prayers. If thou, O Lord, straightly markest 3 iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But mercie is with thee, 4 that thou mayest be feared. I haue waited on the Lord: my 5 soule hath waited, and I haue trusted in his worde. My soule 6 waiteth on the Lord more then the morning watch watcheth for the morning. Let Israel waite on the Lord: for with the Lord 7 is mercie, and with him is great redemption. And he shall 8 redeeme Israel from all his iniquities.

A song of degrees or Psalme of David. Lord, mine heart is 131 not hautie, neither are mine eyes loftie, neither haue I walked in great matters and hid from me. Surely I haue behaued my 2 selfe, like one wained from his mother, and kept silence: I am in my selfe as one that is wained. Let Israel waite on the Lord 3 from hencefoorth and for euer.

A song of degrees. Lord, remember Dauid with all his afflic- 132 tion. Who sware vnto the Lord, and vowed vnto the mightie 2 God of Iaakob, saying, I will not enter into the tabernacle of 3 mine house, nor come vpon my pallet or bed, Nor suffer mine 4 eyes to sleepe, nor mine eye lids to slumber, Vntill I finde out a 5 place for the Lord, an habitation for the mightie God of Iaakob. Lo, we heard of it in Ephrathah, and found it in the fieldes of 6 the forest. We will enter into his Tabernacles, and worship be-7 fore his footestoole. Arise, O Lord, to come into thy rest, thou, 8 and the Arke of thy strength. Let thy Priests be clothed with 9 righteousnesse, and let thy Saints reioyce. For thy seruant 10 Dauids sake refuse not the face of thine Anointed. The Lord 11 hath sworne in trueth vnto Dauid, and he wil not shrinke from it, saying, Of the fruite of thy body will I set vpon thy throne. If thy sonnes keepe my couenant, and my testimonies, that I 12 shall teach them, their sonnes also shall sit vpon thy throne for euer. For the Lord hath chosen Zion, and loued to dwell 13 in it, saying, This is my rest for euer: here will I dwell, for I 14

haue a delite therein. I will surely blesse her vitailes, and will
 satisfie her poore with bread, And will clothe her Priests with
 saluation, and her Saints shall shoute for ioye. There will I make the horne of Dauid to bud: for I haue ordeined a light for
 mine Anoynted. His enemies will I clothe with shame, but on him his crowne shall florish.

- A song of degrees or Psalme of David. Behold, howe good and howe comely a thing it is, brethren to dwell euen together.
  It is like to the precious oyntment vpon the head, that runneth downe vpon the beard, euen vnto Aarons beard, which went downe on the border of his garments: And as the dew of Hermon, which falleth vpon the mountaines of Zion: for there the Lord appointed the blessing and life for euer.
- A song of degrees. Behold, praise ye the Lord, all ye seruants of the Lord, ye that by night stande in the house of the Lord. Lift vp your hands to the Sanctuarie, and praise the Lord. The Lord, that hath made heauen and earth, blesse thee out of Zion.
- Praise ve the Lord. Praise the Name of the Lord: ve seru-135 2 ants of the Lord, praise him. Ye that stande in the House of 3 the Lord, and in the courtes of the House of our God, Praise ye the Lord: for the Lord is good: sing praises vnto his Name: for 4 it is a comely thing. For the Lord hath chosen Iaakob to him-5 selfe, and Israel for his chiefe treasure. For I know that the 6 Lord is great, and that our Lord is aboue all gods. Whatsoeuer pleased the Lord, that did hee in heauen and in earth, in the 7 sea, and in all the depths. He bringeth vp the cloudes from the ends of the earth, and maketh the lightnings with ve raine: 8 he draweth foorth the winde out of his treasures. He smote the first borne of Egypt both of man and beast. He hath sent tokens and wonders into the middes of thee, O Egypt, vpon 10 Pharaoh, and vpon all his seruants. He smote many nations, 11 and slew mightie Kings: As Sihon King of the Amorites, and 12 Og King of Bashan, and all the kingdomes of Canaan: And gaue their lande for an inheritance, euen an inheritance vnto 13 Israel his people. Thy Name, O Lord, endureth for euer: O 14 Lord, thy remembrance is from generation to generation. For the Lord will judge his people, and be pacified towardes his

seruants. The idoles of the heathen are siluer and golde, euen the worke of mens handes. They have a mouth, and speake

not: they have eyes and see not. They have eares and heare 17 not, neither is there any breath in their mouth. They that 18 make them, are like vnto them: so are all that trust in them. Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel: praise the Lord, ye house 19 of Aaron. Praise the Lord, ye house of Leui: ye that feare the 20 Lord, praise the Lord. Praised bee the Lord out of Zion, which 21 dwelleth in Ierusalem. Praise ve the Lord.

Praise ve the Lord, because he is good: for his mercie en- 136 dureth for euer. Praise ye the God of gods: for his mercie 2 endureth for euer. Praise ye the Lord of lordes: for his mer- 3 cie endureth for euer: Which onely doeth great wonders: for 4 his mercie endureth for euer: Which by his wisedome made 5 the heavens: for his mercie endureth for euer: Which hath 6 stretched out the earth vpon the waters: for his mercie endureth for euer: Which made great lightes: for his mercie en- 7 dureth for euer: As the sunne to rule the day: for his mercie 8 endureth for euer: The moone and the starres to gouerne the 9 night: for his mercie endureth for euer: Which smote Egypt 10 with their first borne, (for his mercie endureth for euer) And 11 brought out Israel from among them (for his mercie endureth for euer) With a mightie hande and stretched out arme: for 12 his mercie endureth for euer: Which deuided the red Sea in 13 two partes: for his mercie endureth for euer: And made Is- 14 rael to passe through the mids of it: for his mercie endureth for euer: And ouerthrewe Pharaoh and his hoste in the red 15 Sea: for his mercie endureth for euer: Which led his peo- 16 ple through the wildernes: for his mercie endureth for euer: Which smote great Kings: for his mercie endureth for euer: 17 And slewe mightie Kings: for his mercie endureth for euer: 18 As Sihon King of the Amorites: for his mercie endureth for 19 euer: And Og the King of Bashan: for his mercie endureth 20 for euer: And gaue their land for an heritage: for his mer- 21 cie endureth for euer: Euen an heritage vnto Israel his seru- 22 ant: for his mercie endureth for euer: Which remembred vs 23 in our base estate: for his mercie endureth for euer: And hath 24 rescued vs from our oppressours: for his mercie endureth for euer: Which giueth foode to all flesh: for his mercie endureth 25 for euer. Praise ye the God of heauen: for his mercie endureth 26 for euer.

By the rivers of Babel we sate, and there wee wept, when we 137

2 remembred Zion. Wee hanged our harpes vpon the willowes

- 3 in the middes thereof. Then they that ledde vs captiues, required of vs songs and mirth, when wee had hanged vp our
- 4 harpes, saying, Sing vs one of the songs of Zion. Howe shall
- 5 we sing, said we, a song of the Lord in a strange land? If I
- 6 forget thee, O Ierusalem, let my right hand forget to play. If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleaue to the roofe of my
- 7 mouth: yea, if I preferre not Ierusalem to my chiefe ioy. Remember the children of Edom, O Lord, in the day of Ierusalem,
- 8 which saide, Rase it, rase it to the foundation thereof. O daughter of Babel, worthy to be destroyed, blessed shall he
- 9 be that rewardeth thee, as thou hast serued vs. Blessed shall he be that taketh and dasheth thy children against the stones.
- A Psalme of David. I will praise thee with my whole heart:
  - 2 euen before the gods will I praise thee. I will worship toward thine holy Temple and praise thy Name, because of thy louing kindenesse and for thy trueth: for thou hast magnified thy
  - $^{3}$  Name aboue all things by thy word. When I called, then thou
  - 4 heardest me, and hast encreased strength in my soule. All the Kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord: for they have
  - 5 heard the wordes of thy mouth. And they shall sing of the
  - 6 wayes of the Lord, because the glory of the Lord is great. For the Lord is high: yet he beholdeth the lowly, but the proude he
  - 7 knoweth afarre off. Though I walke in the middes of trouble, yet wilt thou reuiue me: thou wilt stretch foorth thine hand vpon the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall saue
  - 8 me. The Lord will performe his worke toward me: O Lord, thy mercie endureth for euer: forsake not the workes of thine handes.
- To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David. O Lord, thou
  - 2 hast tried me and knowen me. Thou knowest my sitting and
  - 3 my rising: thou vnderstandest my thought afarre off. Thou compassest my pathes, and my lying downe, and art accus-
  - 4 tomed to all my wayes. For there is not a word in my tongue,
  - 5 but loe, thou knowest it wholy, O Lord. Thou holdest mee straite behinde and before, and layest thine hand vpon me.
  - 6 Thy knowledge is too wonderfull for mee: it is so high that I
  - 7 cannot attaine vnto it. Whither shall I goe from thy Spirite?
  - 8 or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascende into heauen, thou art there: if I lye downe in hell, thou art there.

Let mee take the winges of the morning, and dwell in the vt- 9 termost parts of the sea: Yet thither shall thine hand leade 10 me, and thy right hand holde me. If I say, Yet the darkenes 11 shall hide me, euen the night shalbe light about me. Yea, the 12 darkenes hideth not from thee: but the night shineth as the day: the darkenes and light are both alike. For thou hast pos- 13 sessed my reines: thou hast couered me in my mothers wombe. I will praise thee, for I am fearefully and wonderously made: 14 marueilous are thy workes, and my soule knoweth it well. My 15 bones are not hid from thee, though I was made in a secret place, and facioned beneath in the earth. Thine eyes did see 16 me, when I was without forme: for in thy booke were all things written, which in continuance were facioned, when there was none of them before. Howe deare therefore are thy thoughtes 17 vnto me, O God! how great is ye summe of them! If I should 18 count them, they are moe then the sand: when I wake, I am still with thee. Oh that thou wouldest slay, O God, the wicked 19 and bloody men, to whom I say, Depart ye from mee: Which 20 speake wickedly of thee, and being thine enemies are lifted vp in vaine. Doe not I hate them, O Lord, that hate thee? and doe 21 not I earnestly contend with those that rise vp against thee? I 22 hate them with an vnfained hatred, as they were mine vtter enemies. Try mee, O God, and knowe mine heart: prooue me 23 and know my thoughtes, And consider if there be any way of 24 wickednes in me, and leade me in the way for euer.

To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David. Deliuer me, O Lord, from the euill man: preserue me from the cruel man: Which imagine euill things in their heart, and make warre 2 continually. They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent: adders poyson is vnder their lips. Selah. Keepe mee, 4 O Lord, from the handes of the wicked: preserue mee from the cruell man, which purposeth to cause my steppes to slide. The proude have layde a snare for me, and spred a nette with 5 cordes in my pathway, and set grennes for me. Selah. Therefore I saide vnto the Lord, Thou art my God: heare, O Lord, the voyce of my prayers. O Lord God the strength of my saluation, thou hast covered mine head in the day of battel. Let not 8 the wicked have his desire, O Lord: performe not his wicked thought, least they be proude. Selah. As for the chiefe of 9 them, that compasse me about, let the mischiefe of their owne

10 lippes come vpon them. Let coles fal vpon them: let him cast them into the fire, and into the deepe pits, that they rise not.

11 For the backbiter shall not be established vpon the earth: eu-

12 ill shall hunt the cruell man to destruction. I know that the

13 Lord will auenge the afflicted, and judge the poore. Surely the righteous shall prayse thy Name, and the iust shall dwell in thy presence.

A Psalme of David. O Lord, I call vpon thee: haste thee 141 2 vnto me: heare my voyce, when I cry vnto thee. Let my prayer be directed in thy sight as incense, and the lifting vp of mine 3 hands as an euening sacrifice. Set a watch, O Lord, before my 4 mouth, and keepe the doore of my lips. Incline not mine heart to euill, that I should commit wicked workes with men that 5 worke iniquitie: and let me not eate of their delicates. Let the righteous smite me: for that is a benefite: and let him reprooue me, and it shalbe a precious oyle, that shall not breake mine head: for within a while I shall euen pray in their mis-6 eries. When their iudges shall be cast downe in stonie places, 7 they shall heare my wordes, for they are sweete. Our bones lye scattered at the graues mouth, as he that heweth wood or 8 diggeth in the earth. But mine eyes looke vnto thee, O Lord 9 God: in thee is my trust: leave not my soule destitute. Keepe me from the snare, which they have layde for me, and from

10 the grennes of the workers of iniquitie. Let the wicked fall

into his nettes together, whiles I escape.

A Psalme of David, to give instruction, and a prayer, when 142 he was in the cave. I cryed vnto the Lord with my voyce: with 2 my voyce I prayed vnto the Lord. I powred out my meditation before him, and declared mine affliction in his presence. 3 Though my spirit was in perplexitie in me, yet thou knewest my path: in the way wherein I walked, haue they priuily layde 4 a snare for me. I looked vpon my right hand, and beheld, but there was none that would know mme: all refuge failed me, and 5 none cared for my soule. Then cryed I vnto thee, O Lord, and sayde, thou art mine hope, and my portion in the land of the 6 liuing. Hearken vnto my crye, for I am brought very lowe: deliuer me from my persecuters, for they are too strong for me.

7 Bring my soule out of prison, that I may prayse thy Name: then shall the righteous come about me, when thou art beneficiall vnto me.

A Psalme of David. Hear my prayer, O Lord, and hearken 143 vnto my supplication: answere me in thy trueth and in thy righteousnes. (And enter not into judgement with thy seru- 2 ant: for in thy sight shall none that liueth, be iustified) For 3 the enemie hath persecuted my soule: he hath smitten my life downe to the earth: he hath layde me in the darkenes, as they that have bene dead long agoe: And my spirit was in perplexi- 4 tie in me, and mine heart within me was amased. Yet doe I re- 5 member the time past: I meditate in all thy workes, yea, I doe meditate in the workes of thine hands. I stretch forth mine 6 hands vnto thee: my soule desireth after thee, as the thirstie land. Selah. Heare me speedily, O Lord, for my spirit fayleth: 7 hide not thy face from me, els I shall be like vnto them that go downe into the pit. Let me heare thy louing kindenes in 8 the morning, for in thee is my trust: shewe mee the way, that I should walke in, for I lift vp my soule vnto thee. Deliuer me, 9 O Lord, from mine enemies: for I hid me with thee. Teach me 10 to doe thy will, for thou art my God: let thy good Spirit leade me vnto the land of righteousnes. Quicken me, O Lord, for thy 11 Names sake, and for thy righteousnesse bring my soule out of trouble. And for thy mercy slav mine enemies, and destroy all 12 them that oppresse my soule: for I am thy seruant.

A Psalme of David. Blessed be the Lord my strength, which 144 teacheth mine hands to fight, and my fingers to battell. He 2 is my goodnes and my fortresse, my towre and my deliuerer, my shield, and in him I trust, which subdueth my people vnder me. Lord, what is man that thou regardest him! or the 3 sonne of man that thou thinkest vpon him! Man is like to van- 4 itie: his dayes are like a shadow, that vanisheth. Bow thine 5 heauens, O Lord, and come downe: touch the mountaines and they shall smoke. Cast forth the lightning and scatter them: 6 shoote out thine arrowes, and consume them. Send thine 7 hand from aboue: deliuer me, and take me out of the great waters, and from the hand of strangers, Whose mouth talketh 8 vanitie, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood. I wil 9 sing a new song vnto thee, O God, and sing vnto thee vpon a viole, and an instrument of ten strings. It is he that giveth deli- 10 uerance vnto Kings, and rescueth Dauid his seruant from the hurtfull sworde. Rescue me, and deliuer me from the hand of 11 strangers, whose mouth talketh vanitie, and their right hand

is a right hand of falshood: That our sonnes may be as the plantes growing vp in their youth, and our daughters as the
 corner stones, grauen after the similitude of a palace: That our corners may be full, and abounding with diuers sorts, and that our sheepe may bring forth thousands and ten thousand
 in our streetes: That our oxen may be strong to labour: that there be none inuasion, nor going out, nor no crying in our
 streetes. Blessed are the people, that be so, yea, blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord.

A Psalme of David of Praise. O my God and King, I will 145 2 extold thee, and will blesse thy Name for euer and euer. I will blesse thee dayly, and prayse thy Name for euer and euer. 3 Great is the Lord, and most worthy to be praysed, and his 4 greatnes is incomprehensible. Generation shall praise thy 5 works vnto generation, and declare thy power. I wil meditate of the beautie of thy glorious maiestie, and thy wonderfull 6 workes. And they shall speake of the power of thy fearefull 7 actes, and I will declare thy greatnes. They shall breake out into the mention of thy great goodnes, and shall sing aloude of 8 thy righteousnesse. The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow 9 to anger, and of great mercie. The Lord is good to all, and his 10 mercies are ouer all his workes. All thy workes prayse thee, 11 O Lord, and thy Saints blesse thee. They shewe the glory of 12 thy kingdome, and speake of thy power, To cause his power to be knowen to the sonnes of men, and the glorious renoume of 13 his kingdome. Thy kingdome is an euerlasting kingdome, and 14 thy dominion endureth throughout all ages. The Lord vphold-15 eth all that fall, and lifteth vp all that are ready to fall. The eves of all waite voon thee, and thou givest them their meate 16 in due season. Thou openest thine hand, and fillest all things 17 liuing of thy good pleasure. The Lord is righteous in all his 18 wayes, and holy in all his workes. The Lord is neere vnto all 19 that call vpon him: yea, to all that call vpon him in trueth. He wil fulfill the desire of them that feare him: he also wil heare 20 their cry, and wil saue them. The Lord preserueth all them 21 that loue him: but he will destroy all the wicked. My mouth shall speake the prayse of the Lord, and all flesh shall blesse his holy Name for euer and euer.

**146**, 2 Praise ye the Lord. Praise thou the Lord, O my soule. I will prayse the Lord during my life: as long as I haue any being, I

wil sing vnto my God. Put not your trust in princes, nor in 3 the sonne of man, for there is none helpe in him. His breath 4 departeth, and he returneth to his earth: then his thoughtes perish. Blessed is he, that hath the God of Iaakob for his 5 helpe, whose hope is in the Lord his God. Which made heauen 6 and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth his fidelitie for euer: Which executeth iustice for the oppressed: 7 which giueth bread to the hungry: the Lord loseth the prisoners. The Lord giueth sight to the blinde: the Lord rayseth vp 8 the crooked: the Lord loueth the righteous. The Lord keepeth 9 the strangers: he relieueth the fatherlesse and widowe: but he ouerthroweth the way of the wicked. The Lord shall reigne for 10 euer: O Zion, thy God endureth from generation to generation. Prayse ye the Lord.

Praise ye the Lord, for it is good to sing vnto our God: for 147 it is a pleasant thing, and praise is comely. The Lord doth 2 builde vp Ierusalem, and gather together the dispersed of Israel. He healeth those that are broken in heart, and bindeth 3 vp their sores. He counteth the nomber of the starres, and 4 calleth them all by their names. Great is our Lord, and great 5 is his power: his wisdome is infinite. The Lord relieueth the 6 meeke, and abaseth the wicked to the ground. Sing vnto the 7 Lord with prayse: sing vpon the harpe vnto our God, Which 8 couereth the heaven with cloudes, and prepareth raine for the earth, and maketh the grasse to growe vpon the mountaines: Which giveth to beasts their foode, and to the yong rauens that 9 crie. He hath not pleasure in the strength of an horse, neither 10 delighteth he in the legs of man. But the Lord deliteth in 11 them that feare him, and attende vpon his mercie. Prayse the 12 Lord, O Ierusalem: prayse thy God, O Zion. For he hath made 13 the barres of thy gates strong, and hath blessed thy children within thee. He setteth peace in thy borders, and satisfieth 14 thee with the floure of wheate. He sendeth foorth his com- 15 mandement vpon earth, and his worde runneth very swiftly. He giveth snowe like wooll, and scattereth the hoare frost like 16 ashes. He casteth foorth his vce like morsels: who can abide 17 the colde thereof? He sendeth his worde and melteth them: he 18 causeth his winde to blowe, and the waters flowe. He sheweth 19 his word vnto Iaakob, his statutes and his judgements vnto Israel. He hath not dealt so with euery nation, neither haue 20

they knowen his judgements. Prayse ye the Lord.

Praise ye the Lord. Praise ye the Lord from the heauen: 148 2 prayse ye him in the high places. Prayse ye him, all ye his 3 Angels: praise him, all his armie. Prayse ye him, sunne and 4 moone: prayse ye him all bright starres. Prayse ye him, heauens 5 of heavens, and waters, that be aboue the heavens. Let them prayse the Name of the Lord: for he commanded, and they 6 were created. And he hath established them for euer and 7 euer: he hath made an ordinance, which shall not passe. Prayse 8 ye the Lord from the earth, ye dragons and all depths: Fire and hayle, snowe and vapours, stormie winde, which execute Mountaines and all hils, fruitfull trees and all 10 ceders: Beasts and all cattell, creeping things and fethered 11 foules: Kings of the earth and all people, princes and all judges 12 of the worlde: Yong men and maidens, also olde men and chil-13 dren: Let them prayse the Name of the Lord: for his Name onely is to be exalted, and his prayse aboue the earth and the 14 heavens. For he hath exalted the horne of his people, which is a prayse for all his Saintes, euen for the children of Israel, a people that is neere vnto him. Prayse ye the Lord.

Praise ye the Lord. Sing ye vnto the Lord a newe song:

2 let his prayse be heard in the Congregation of Saints. Let
Israel reioyce in him that made him, and let ye children of

3 Zion reioyce in their King. Let them prayse his Name with
the flute: let them sing prayses vnto him with the timbrell and
4 harpe. For the Lord hath pleasure in his people: he will make
5 the meeke glorious by deliuerance. Let ye Saints be ioyfull
6 with glorie: let them sing loud vpon their beddes. Let the
high Actes of God bee in their mouth, and a two edged sword
7 in their hands, To execute vengeance vpon the heathen, and
8 corrections among the people: To binde their Kings in chaines,
9 and their nobles with fetters of yron, That they may execute
vpon them the iudgement that is written: this honour shall be
to all his Saintes. Prayse ye the Lord.

Praise ye the Lord. Praise ye God in his Sanctuarie: prayse ye him in the firmament of his power. Prayse ye him in his mightie Actes: prayse ye him according to his excellent greatnesse. Prayse ye him in the sounde of the trumpet: prayse ye him vpon the viole and the harpe. Prayse ye him with timbrell and flute: praise ye him with virginales and organs.

Prayse ye him with sounding cymbales: prayse ye him with 5 high sounding cymbales. Let euery thing that hath breath 6 prayse the Lord. Prayse ye the Lord.

## THE PROVERBS.

he Parables of Salomon the sonne of Dauid King of Israel, To knowe wisdome, and instruction, to vnderstand ye wordes of knowledge, To receive instruction to do wisely, by iustice and judgement and equitie, 4 To give vnto the simple, sharpenesse of wit, and to the childe 5 knowledge and discretion. A wise man shall heare and increase in learning, and a man of vnderstanding shall attayne 6 vnto wise counsels. To vnderstand a parable, and the inter-7 pretation, the wordes of ve wise, and their darke savings. The feare of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fooles de-8 spise wisedome and instruction. My sonne, heare thy fathers 9 instruction, and forsake not thy mothers teaching. For they shalbe a comely ornament vnto thine head, and as chaines for 10 thy necke. My sonne, if sinners doe intise thee, consent thou If they say, Come with vs, we will lay waite for blood, 12 and lie priuilie for the innocent without a cause: We wil swallow them vp aliue like a graue euen whole, as those that goe 13 downe into the pit: We shall finde all precious riches, and fill 14 our houses with spoyle: Cast in thy lot among vs: we will 15 all haue one purse: My sonne, walke not thou in the way with 16 them: refraine thy foote from their path. For their feete runne 17 to euill, and make haste to shed blood. Certainely as without 18 cause the net is spred before the eyes of all that hath wing: So 19 they lay waite for blood and lie priuily for their liues. Such are the wayes of euery one that is greedy of gaine: he would take 20 away the life of the owners thereof. Wisdome cryeth without: 21 she vttereth her voyce in the streetes. She calleth in the hye streete, among the prease in the entrings of the gates, and vt-22 tereth her wordes in the citie, saying, O ye foolish, howe long will ye loue foolishnes? and the scornefull take their pleasure 23 in scorning, and the fooles hate knowledge? (Turne you at my correction: loe, I will powre out my mind vnto you, and make 24 you vnderstand my wordes) Because I haue called, and ye refused: I have stretched out mine hand, and none woulde re-25 garde. But ye haue despised all my counsell, and would none 26 of my correction. I will also laugh at your destruction, and

mocke, when your feare commeth. Whe your feare cometh 27 like sudden desolation, and your destruction shall come like a whirle wind: whe affliction and anguish shall come vpon you, Then shall they call vpon me, but I will not answere: they 28 shall seeke me early, but they shall not finde me, Because 29 they hated knowledge, and did not chuse the feare of the Lord. They would none of my counsell, but despised all my correction. Therefore shall they eate of ye fruite of their owne way, 31 and be filled with their owne deuises. For ease slaieth the 32 foolish, and the prosperitie of fooles destroyeth them. But he 33 that obeyeth me, shall dwell safely, and be quiet from feare of euill.

My sonne, if thou wilt receive my wordes, and hide my 2 commandements within thee. And cause thine eares to hear- 2 ken vnto wisdome, and encline thine heart to vnderstanding, (For if thou callest after knowledge, and cryest for vnderstand- 3 ing: If thou seekest her as siluer, and searchest for her as for 4 treasures. Then shalt thou vnderstand the feare of the Lord, 5 and finde the knowledge of God. For the Lord giueth wis- 6 dome, out of his mouth commeth knowledge and vnderstanding. He preserueth the state of the righteous: he is a shielde 7 to them that walke vprightly, That they may keepe the wayes 8 of judgement: and he preserveth the way of his Saintes) Then 9 shalt thou vnderstand righteousnes, and judgement, and equitie, and euery good path. When wisdome entreth into thine 10 heart, and knowledge deliteth thy soule, Then shall counsell 11 preserue thee, and vnderstanding shall keepe thee, And deli- 12 uer thee from the euill way, and from the man that speaketh froward things. And from them that leave the wayes of righ- 13 teousnes to walke in the wayes of darkenes: Which reioyce 14 in doing euill, and delite in the frowardnesse of the wicked, Whose wayes are crooked and they are lewde in their paths. 15 And it shall deliuer thee from the strange woman, euen from 16 the stranger, which flattereth with her wordes. Which for- 17 saketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth the couenant of her God. Surely her house tendeth to death, and her paths 18 vnto the dead. All they that goe vnto her, returne not againe, 19 neither take they holde of the wayes of life. Therefore walke 20 thou in the way of good men, and keepe the wayes of the righteous. For the iust shall dwell in the land, and the vpright 21 men shall remaine in it. But the wicked shalbe cut off from ye earth, and the transgressours shalbe rooted out of it.

My sonne, forget not thou my Lawe, but let thine heart 3 2 keepe my commandements. For they shall increase the length 3 of thy dayes and the yeeres of life, and thy prosperitie. Let not mercie and trueth forsake thee: binde them on thy necke, 4 and write them vpon the table of thine heart. So shalt thou finde fauour and good vnderstanding in the sight of God and Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and leane not 6 vnto thine owne wisdome. In all thy wayes acknowledge him, 7 and he shall direct thy wayes. Be not wise in thine owne eyes: 8 but feare the Lord, and depart from euill. So health shalbe 9 vnto thy nauel, and marowe vnto thy bones. Honour the Lord with thy riches, and with the first fruites of all thine increase. 10 So shall thy barnes be filled with abundance, and thy presses 11 shall burst with newe wine. My sonne, refuse not the chas-12 tening of the Lord, neither be grieued with his correction. For the Lord correcteth him, whome he loueth, euen as the father 13 doeth the childe in whom he deliteth. Blessed is the man that findeth wisedome, and the man that getteth vnderstanding. 14 For the marchandise thereof is better then the marchandise of 15 siluer, and the gaine thereof is better then golde. It is more precious then pearles: and all things that thou canst desire, 16 are not to be compared vnto her. Length of dayes is in her 17 right hand, and in her left hand riches and glory. Her wayes 18 are wayes of pleasure, and all her pathes prosperitie. She is a tree of life to them that lay holde on her, and blessed is he 19 that retaineth her. The Lord by wisdome hath layde the foundation of the earth, and hath stablished the heavens through 20 vnderstanding. By his knowledge the depthes are broken vp, 21 and the cloudes droppe downe the dewe. My sonne, let not these things depart from thine eyes, but obserue wisdome, and 22 counsell. So they shalbe life to thy soule, and grace vnto thy 23 necke. Then shalt thou walke safely by thy way: and thy foote 24 shall not stumble. If thou sleepest, thou shalt not bee afraide, 25 and when thou sleepest, thy sleepe shalbe sweete. Thou shalt not feare for any sudden feare, neither for the destruction of 26 the wicked, when it commeth. For the Lord shall be for thine 27 assurance, and shall preserue thy foote from taking. Withhold not the good from the owners thereof, though there be power

in thine hand to doe it. Say not vnto thy neighbour, Go and 28 come againe, and to morow wil I giue thee, if thou now haue it. Intend none hurt against thy neighbour, seeing he doeth 29 dwell without feare by thee. Striue not with a man causelesse, 30 when he hath done thee no harme. Bee not enuious for the 31 wicked man, neither chuse any of his wayes. For the frowarde 32 is abomination vnto the Lord: but his secret is with the righteous. The curse of the Lord is in the house of the wicked: but 33 he blesseth the habitation of the righteous. With the scorne-34 full he scorneth, but hee giueth grace vnto the humble. The 35 wise shall inherite glorie: but fooles dishonour, though they be exalted.

Heare, O ye children, the instruction of a father, and give 4 eare to learne vnderstanding. For I doe give you a good doc- 2 trine: therefore forsake yee not my lawe. For I was my fathers 3 sonne, tender and deare in the sight of my mother, When he 4 taught me, and sayde vnto me, Let thine heart holde fast my woordes: keepe my commandements, and thou shalt liue. Get 5 wisedom: get vnderstading: forget not, neither decline from the woordes of my mouth. Forsake her not, and shee shall 6 keepe thee: loue her and shee shall preserue thee. Wisedome 7 is the beginning: get wisedome therefore: and aboue all thy possession get vnderstanding. Exalt her, and she shall exalt 8 thee: she shall bring thee to honour, if thou embrace her. She 9 shall give a comely ornamet vnto thine head, yea, she shall giue thee a crowne of glorie. Heare, my sonne, and receiue my 10 wordes, and the yeeres of thy life shalbe many. I have taught 11 thee in ve way of wisedom, and led thee in the pathes of righteousnesse. Whe thou goest, thy gate shall not be strait, and 12 when thou runnest, thou shalt not fall. Take holde of instruc- 13 tion, and leave not: keepe her, for shee is thy life. Enter not 14 into the way of the wicked, and walke not in the way of euill men. Auoide it, and goe not by it: turne from it, and passe by. 15 For they can not sleepe, except they have done euill, and their 16 sleepe departeth except they cause some to fall. For they eate 17 the breade of wickednesse, and drinke the wine of violence. But the way of the righteous shineth as the light, that shineth 18 more and more vnto the perfite day. The way of the wicked 19 is as the darkenes: they knowe not wherein they shall fall. My sonne, hearken vnto my wordes, incline thine eare vnto my 20 sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes, but keepe them
in the middes of thine heart. For they are life vnto those that
find them, and health vnto all their flesh. Keepe thine heart
with all diligence: for thereout commeth life. Put away from thee a froward mouth, and put wicked lippes farre from thee.
Let thine eyes beholde the right, and let thine eyelids direct
thy way before thee. Ponder the path of thy feete, and let all
thy waies be ordred aright. Turne not to the right hande, nor to the left, but remooue thy foote from euill.

My sonne, hearken vnto my wisedome, and incline thine 5 2 eare vnto my knowledge. That thou maiest regarde counsell, 3 and thy lippes obserue knowledge. For the lippes of a strange woman drop as an honie combe, and her mouth is more soft 4 then oyle. But the end of her is bitter as wormewood, and 5 sharpe as a two edged sworde. Her feete goe downe to death, 6 and her steps take holde on hell. She weigheth not the way of life: her paths are moueable: thou canst not knowe them. 7 Heare yee me nowe therefore, O children, and depart not from 8 the wordes of my mouth. Keepe thy way farre from her, and 9 come not neere the doore of her house, Least thou give thine 10 honor vnto others, and thy yeeres to the cruell: Least the stranger should be silled with thy strength, and thy labours 11 bee in the house of a stranger, And thou mourne at thine end, 12 (when thou hast consumed thy flesh and thy bodie) And say, How haue I hated instruction, and mine heart despised correc-13 tion! And have not obeied the voyce of them that taught mee, 14 nor enclined mine eare to them that instructed me! I was almost brought into all euil in ye mids of the Congregation and 15 assemblie. Drinke the water of thy cisterne, and of the riuers 16 out of the middes of thine owne well. Let thy fountaines flow 17 foorth, and the rivers of waters in the streetes. But let them bee thine, euen thine onely, and not the strangers with thee. 18 Let thy fountaine be blessed, and reioyce with the wife of thy 19 youth. Let her be as the louing hinde and pleasant roe: let her brests satisfie thee at all times, and delite in her loue contin-20 ually. For why shouldest thou delite, my sonne, in a strange 21 woman, or embrace the bosome of a stranger? For the waies of man are before the eyes of the Lord, and he pondereth all his 22 pathes. His owne iniquities shall take the wicked himselfe, 23 and he shall be holden with the cordes of his owne sinne. Hee

shall die for fault of instruction, and shall goe astray through his great follie.

My sonne, if thou be surety for thy neighbour, and hast 6 striken hands with the stranger, Thou art snared with the 2 wordes of thy mouth: thou art euen taken with the woordes of thine owne mouth. Doe this nowe, my sonne, and deliuer thy 3 selfe: seeing thou art come into the hande of thy neighbour, goe, and humble thy selfe, and sollicite thy friends. Giue no 4 sleepe to thine eyes, nor slumber to thine eyelids. Deliuer thy 5 selfe as a doe from the hande of the hunter, and as a birde from the hande of the fouler. Goe to the pismire, O sluggarde: 6 beholde her waies, and be wise. For shee hauing no guide, 7 gouernour, nor ruler, Prepareth her meat in the sommer, and 8 gathereth her foode in haruest. Howe long wilt thou sleepe, O 9 sluggarde? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleepe? Yet a litle 10 sleepe, a litle slumber, a litle folding of the hands to sleepe. Therefore thy pouertie commeth as one that trauaileth by the 11 way, and thy necessitie like an armed man. The vnthriftie 12 man and the wicked man walketh with a froward mouth. He 13 maketh a signe with his eyes: he signifieth with his feete: he instructeth with his fingers. Lewde things are in his heart: 14 he imagineth euill at all times, and raiseth vp contentions. Therefore shall his destruction come speedily: hee shall be de- 15 stroyed suddenly without recouerie. These sixe things doeth 16 the Lord hate: yea, his soule abhorreth seuen: The hautie 17 eyes, a lying tongue, and the hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that imagineth wicked enterprises, feete that be swift 18 in running to mischiefe. A false witnesse that speaketh lyes, 19 and him that rayseth vp contentions among brethren. sonne, keepe thy fathers commandement, and forsake not thy mothers instruction. Binde them alway vpon thine heart, and 21 tye them about thy necke. It shall leade thee, when thou 22 walkest: it shall watch for thee, when thou sleepest, and when thou wakest, it shall talke with thee. For the commandement 23 is a lanterne, and instruction a light: and corrections for instruction are the way of life, To keepe thee from the wicked 24 woman, and from ye flatterie of ye tongue of a strange woman. Desire not her beautie in thine heart, neither let her take thee 25 with her eye lids. For because of the whorish woman a man 26 is brought to a morsell of bread, and a woman wil hunt for the

precious life of a man. Can a man take fire in his bosome, and
his clothes not be burnt? Or can a man go vpon coales, and
his feete not be burnt? So he that goeth in to his neighbours
wife, shall not be innocent, whosoeuer toucheth her. Men do not despise a thiefe, when he stealeth, to satisfie his soule,
because he is hungrie. But if he be founde, he shall restore seuen folde, or he shall giue all the substance of his house.
But he that committeth adulterie with a woman, he is destitute of vnderstanding: he that doeth it, destroyeth his owne
soule. He shall finde a wounde and dishonour, and his reproch shall neuer be put away. For ielousie is the rage of a
man: therefore he will not spare in the day of vengeance. He cannot beare the sight of any raunsome: neither will he consent, though thou augment the giftes.

My sonne, keepe my wordes, and hide my commandements 2 with thee. Keepe my commandements, and thou shalt liue, 3 and mine instruction as the apple of thine eyes. Binde them vpon thy fingers, and write them vpon the table of thine heart. 4 Say vnto wisedome, Thou art my sister: and call vnderstanding 5 thy kinswoman, That they may keepe thee from the strange woman, euen from the stranger that is smoothe in her wordes. 6 As I was in the window of mine house, I looked through my 7 windowe, And I sawe among the fooles, and considered among 8 the children a yong man destitute of vnderstanding, Who passed through the streete by her corner, and went toward her house, 9 In the twilight in the euening, when the night began to be 10 blacke and darke. And beholde, there met him a woman with an harlots behauiour, and subtill in heart. (She is babling 12 and loud: whose feete can not abide in her house. Nowe she is without, nowe in the streetes, and lyeth in waite at euery cor-13 ner) So she caught him and kissed him and with an impudent 14 face said vnto him, I have peace offerings: this day have I 15 payed my vowes. Therefore came I forth to meete thee, that I 16 might seeke thy face: and I haue found thee. I haue deckt my 17 bed with ornaments, carpets and laces of Egypt. I have per-18 fumed my bedde with myrrhe, aloes, and cynamom. Come, let vs take our fill of loue vntill the morning: let vs take our plea-19 sure in daliance. For mine husband is not at home: he is gone 20 a iourney farre off. He hath taken with him a bagge of siluer, 21 and will come home at the day appointed. Thus with her great

craft she caused him to yeelde, and with her flattering lips she entised him. And he followed her straight wayes, as an oxe 22 that goeth to the slaughter, and as a foole to the stockes for correction, Till a dart strike through his liuer, as a bird hasteth 23 to the snare, not knowing that he is in danger. Heare me now 24 therefore, O children, and hearken to the wordes of my mouth. Let not thine heart decline to her wayes: wander thou not in 25 her paths. For shee hath caused many to fall downe wounded, 26 and the strong men are all slaine by her. Her house is the way 27 vnto ye graue, which goeth downe to the chambers of death.

Doth not wisedome crie? and vnderstanding vtter her vovce? 8 She standeth in the top of the high places by the way in the 2 place of the paths. She cryeth besides the gates before the 3 citie at the entrie of the doores, O men, I call vnto you, and 4 vtter my voyce to the children of men. O ye foolish men, vn- 5 derstand wisedome, and ye, O fooles, be wise in heart. Giue 6 eare, for I will speake of excellent things, and the opening of my lippes, shall teache things that be right. For my mouth shall 7 speake the trueth, and my lippes abhorre wickednesse. All 8 the wordes of my mouth are righteous: there is no lewdenes, nor frowardnesse in them. They are all plaine to him that will 9 vnderstande, and streight to them that woulde finde knowledge. Receiue mine instruction, and not siluer, and knowledge 10 rather then fine golde. For wisdome is better then precious 11 stones: and all pleasures are not to be compared vnto her. I 12 wisdome dwell with prudence, and I find foorth knowledge and counsels. The feare of the Lord is to hate euill as pride, and ar- 13 rogancie, and the euill way: and a mouth that speaketh lewde things, I doe hate. I have counsell and wisedome: I am vn- 14 derstanding, and I haue strength. By me, Kings reigne, and 15 princes decree iustice. By me princes rule and the nobles, and 16 all the judges of the earth. I loue them that loue me: and they 17 that seeke me earely, shall finde me. Riches and honour are 18 with me: euen durable riches and righteousnesse. My fruite 19 is better then golde, euen then fine golde, and my reuenues better then fine siluer. I cause to walke in the way of righ- 20 teousnes, and in the middes of the paths of judgement, That I 21 may cause them that loue me, to inherite substance, and I will fill their treasures. The Lord hath possessed me in the begin- 22 ning of his way: I was before his workes of olde. I was set 23

vp from euerlasting, from the beginning and before the earth. 24 When there were no depths, was I begotten, when there were 25 no fountaines abounding with water. Before the mountaines 26 were setled: and before the hilles, was I begotten. He had not yet made the earth, nor the open places, nor the height of the dust in the worlde. When hee prepared the heavens, I 28 was there, when he set the compasse vpon the deepe. When he established the cloudes aboue, when he confirmed the foun-29 taines of the deepe, When he gaue his decree to the Sea, that the waters shoulde not passe his commandement: when he ap-30 pointed the foundations of the earth, Then was I with him as a nourisher, and I was dayly his delight reioycing alway before 31 him, And tooke my solace in the compasse of his earth: and 32 my delite is with the children of men. Therefore nowe hearken, O children, vnto me: for blessed are they that keepe my 33 wayes. Heare instruction, and be ye wise, and refuse it not: blessed is the man that heareth mee, watching dayly at my 34 gates, and giving attendance at the postes of my doores. For he that findeth me, findeth life, and shall obteine fauour of the 35 Lord. But he that sinneth against me, hurteth his owne soule: and all that hate me, loue death.

Wisedome hath built her house, and hewen out her seuen 9 She hath killed her vitailes, drawen her wine, and 3 prepared her table. She hath sent forth her maydens and 4 cryeth vpon the highest places of the citie, saying, Who so is simple, let him come hither, and to him that is destitute of 5 wisedome, she sayth, Come, and eate of my meate, and drinke 6 of the wine that I haue drawen. Forsake your way, ye foolish, 7 and ye shall liue: and walke in the way of vnderstanding. He that reproueth a scorner, purchaseth to himselfe shame: and 8 he that rebuketh the wicked, getteth himselfe a blot. Rebuke not a scorner, least he hate thee: but rebuke a wise man, and he will loue thee. Giue admonition to the wise, and he will be the wiser: teache a righteous man, and he will increase in 10 learning. The beginning of wisedome is the feare of the Lord, 11 and the knowledge of holy things, is vnderstanding. For thy dayes shalbe multiplied by me, and the yeeres of thy life shalbe 12 augmented. If thou be wise, thou shalt be wise for thy selfe, 13 and if thou be a scorner, thou alone shalt suffer. A foolish woman is troublesome: she is ignorant, and knoweth nothing.

But she sitteth at the doore of her house on a seate in the hie 14 places of the citie, To call them that passe by the way, that 15 go right on their way, saying, Who so is simple, let him come 16 hither, and to him that is destitute of wisedome, shee sayth also, Stollen waters are sweete, and hid bread is pleasant. 17 But he knoweth not, that ye dead are there, and that her gh-18 estes are in the depth of hell.

THE PARABLE OF SALOMON. A wise sonne maketh a 10 glad father: but a foolish sonne is an heauines to his mother. The treasures of wickednesse profite nothing: but righteous- 2 nesse deliuereth from death. The Lord will not famish the 3 soule of the righteous: but he casteth away the substance of the wicked. A slouthfull hand maketh poore: but the hand 4 of the diligent maketh riche. He that gathereth in sommer, 5 is the sonne of wisdome: but he that sleepeth in haruest, is the sonne of confusion. Blessings are vpon the head of the 6 righteous: but iniquitie shall couer the mouth of the wicked. The memorial of the just shalbe blessed: but the name of 7 the wicked shall rotte. The wise in heart will receive com- 8 mandements: but the foolish in talke shalbe beaten. He that 9 walketh vprightly, walketh boldely: but he that peruerteth his wayes, shalbe knowen. He that winketh with the eye, wor- 10 keth sorowe, and he vet is foolish in talke, shalbe beaten. The 11 mouth of a righteous man is a welspring of life: but iniquitie couereth the mouth of the wicked. Hatred stirreth vp con- 12 tentions: but loue couereth all trespasses. In the lippes of him 13 that hath vnderstanding wisdome is founde, and a rod shalbe for the backe of him that is destitute of wisedome. Wise men 14 lay vp knowledge: but ye mouth of the foole is a present destruction. The riche mans goodes are his strong citie: but the 15 feare of the needie is their pouertie. The labour of the righteous tendeth to life: but the revenues of the wicked to sinne. He that regardeth instruction, is in the way of life: but he that 17 refuseth correction, goeth out of the way. He that dissembleth 18 hatred with lying lips, and he that inuenteth slaunder, is a foole. In many wordes there cannot want iniquitie: but he 19 that refrayneth his lippes, is wise. The tongue of the just man 20 is as fined silver: but the heart of the wicked is litle worth. The lippes of the righteous doe feede many: but fooles shall 21 die for want of wisedome. The blessing of the Lord, it maketh 22

23 riche, and he doeth adde no sorowes with it. It is as a pastime to a foole to doe wickedly: but wisedome is vnderstanding That which the wicked feareth, shall come vpon 24 to a man. 25 him: but God wil graunt the desire of the righteous. As the whirlewinde passeth, so is the wicked no more: but the righ-26 teous is as an euerlasting foundation. As vineger is to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so is the slouthful to them 27 that send him. The feare of the Lord increaseth the dayes: 28 but the yeeres of the wicked shalbe diminished. The patient abiding of the righteous shall be gladnesse: but the hope of 29 the wicked shall perish. The way of the Lord is strength to the vpright man: but feare shall be for the workers of iniqui-30 tie. The righteous shall neuer be remooued: but the wicked 31 shall not dwell in the land. The mouth of the just shall be fruitfull in wisdome: but the tongue of the froward shall be cut 32 out. The lips of the righteous knowe what is acceptable: but the mouth of the wicked speaketh froward things.

False balances are an abomination vnto the Lord: but a per-11 2 fite weight pleaseth him. When pride commeth, then com-3 meth shame: but with the lowly is wisdome. The vprightnes of the iust shall guide them: but the frowardnes of the trans-4 gressers shall destroy them. Riches auaile not in the day of 5 wrath: but righteousnes deliuereth from death. teousnes of the vpright shall direct his way: but the wicked 6 shall fall in his owne wickednes. The righteousnesse of the iust shall deliuer them: but the transgressers shall be taken 7 in their owne wickednes. When a wicked man dieth, his hope 8 perisheth, and the hope of the vniust shall perish. The righteous escapeth out of trouble, and the wicked shall come in 9 his steade. An hypocrite with his mouth hurteth his neigh-10 bour: but the righteous shall be deliuered by knowledge. In the prosperitie of the righteous the citie reioyceth, and when 11 the wicked perish, there is ioye. By the blessing of the righteous, the citie is exalted: but it is subuerted by the mouth 12 of the wicked. He that despiseth his neighbour, is destitute of wisedome: but a man of vnderstanding will keepe silence. 13 Hee that goeth about as a slanderer, discouereth a secret: but 14 hee that is of a faithfull heart concealeth a matter. Where no counsell is, the people fall: but where many counsellers are,

15 there is health. Hee shall be sore vexed, that is suretie for a

stranger, and he that hateth suretiship, is sure. A gracious 16 woman atteineth honour, and the strong men atteine riches. Hee that is mercifull, rewardeth his owne soule: but he that 17 troubleth his own flesh, is cruel. The wicked worketh a de- 18 ceitful worke: but hee that soweth righteousnes, shall receiue a sure rewarde. As righteousnes leadeth to life: so hee that 19 followeth euill, seeketh his owne death. They that are of a 20 froward heart, are abomination to the Lord: but they that are vpright in their way, are his delite. Though hande ioyne in 21 hande, the wicked shall not be vnpunished: but the seede of the righteous shall escape. As a iewell of golde in a swines snoute: 22 so is a faire woman, which lacketh discretion. The desire of 23 the righteous is onely good: but the hope of the wicked is indignation. There is that scattereth, and is more increased: but 24 hee that spareth more then is right, surely commeth to pouer-The liberall person shall have plentie: and he that wa- 25 tereth, shall also have raine. He that withdraweth the corne, 26 the people will curse him: but blessing shalbe vpon the head of him that selleth corne. He that seeketh good things, getteth 27 fauour: but he that seeketh euill, it shall come to him. He 28 that trusteth in his riches, shall fall: but the righteous shall florish as a leafe. He that troubleth his owne house, shall in- 29 herite the winde, and the foole shalbe seruant to the wise in heart. The fruite of the righteous is as a tree of life, and he 30 that winneth soules, is wise. Beholde, the righteous shalbe 31 recompensed in the earth: howe much more the wicked and the sinner?

He that loueth instruction, loueth knowledge: but he that 12 hateth correction, is a foole. A good man getteth fauour of 2 the Lord: but the man of wicked immaginations will hee condemne. A man cannot be established by wickednesse: but 3 the roote of the righteous shall not be mooued. A vertuous 4 woman is the crowne of her husband: but she that maketh him ashamed, is as corruption in his bones. The thoughtes of 5 the iust are right: but the counsels of the wicked are deceitfull. The talking of the wicked is to lye in waite for blood: but the 6 mouth of the righteous will deliuer them. God ouerthroweth 7 the wicked, and they are not: but the house of the righteous shall stand. A man shall be commended for his wisedome: 8 but the froward of heart shalbe despised. He that is despised, 9

and is his owne seruant, is better then he that boasteth him-10 selfe and lacketh bread. A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast: but the mercies of the wicked are cruell. that tilleth his lande, shalbe satisfied with bread: but he that 12 followeth the idle, is destitute of vnderstanding. The wicked desireth the net of euils: but the roote of the righteous giueth 13 fruite. The euill man is snared by the wickednesse of his lips, 14 but the iust shall come out of aduersitie. A man shalbe satiate with good things by the fruite of his mouth, and the recom-15 pence of a mans hands shall God give vnto him. The way of a foole is right in his owne eyes: but he that heareth counsell, 16 is wise. A foole in a day shall be known by his anger: but he 17 that couereth shame, is wise. He that speaketh trueth, will 18 shewe righteousnes: but a false witnes vseth deceite. is that speaketh wordes like the prickings of a sworde: but the 19 tongue of wise men is health. The lip of trueth shall be sta-20 ble for euer: but a lying tongue varieth incontinently. Deceite is in the heart of them that imagine euill: but to the coun-21 sellers of peace shall be ioye. There shall none iniquitie come 22 to the iust: but the wicked are full of euill. The lying lips are an abomination to the Lord: but they that deale truely are his 23 delite. A wise man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of the 24 fooles publisheth foolishnes. The hand of the diligent shall 25 beare rule: but the idle shalbe vnder tribute. Heauines in the heart of man doeth bring it downe: but a good worde reioyceth The righteous is more excellent then his neighbour: but 27 the way of the wicked will deceiue them. The deceitfull man rosteth not, that hee tooke in hunting: but the riches of the dili-28 gent man are precious. Life is in the way of righteousnesse, and in that path way there is no death.

A wise sonne will obey the instruction of his father: but a scorner will heare no rebuke. A man shall eate good things by the fruite of his mouth: but the soule of the trespassers shall suffer violence. Hee that keepeth his mouth, keepeth his life:

4 but he that openeth his lips, destruction shall be to him. The sluggard lusteth, but his soule hath nought: but the soule of the diligent shall haue plentie. A righteous man hateth lying wordes: but the wicked causeth slander and shame. Righteousnesse preserueth the vpright of life: but wickednes ouerthroweth the sinner. There is that maketh himselfe riche, and hath

nothing, and that maketh himselfe poore, having great riches. A man will give his riches for the ransome of his life: but the 8 poore cannot heare ye reproch. The light of the righteous 9 reioyceth: but the candle of the wicked shall be put out. Onely 10 by pride doeth man make contention: but with the well aduised is wisdome. The riches of vanitie shall diminish: but he that 11 gathereth with the hand, shall increase them. The hope that 12 is deferred, is the fainting of the heart: but when the desire commeth, it is as a tree of life. He that despiseth the worde, 13 hee shall be destroyed: but hee that feareth the commandement he shalbe rewarded. The instruction of a wise man is as 14 the welspring of life, to turne away from the snares of death. Good vnderstanding maketh acceptable: but the way of the 15 disobedient is hated. Euery wise man will worke by knowl- 16 edge: but a foole will spread abroade folly. A wicked messen- 17 ger falleth into euill: but a faithfull ambassadour is preseru-Pouertie and shame is to him that refuseth instruc- 18 tion: but hee that regardeth correction, shalbe honoured. A 19 desire accomplished deliteth ye soule: but it is an abomination to fooles to depart from euil. He that walketh with the 20 wise, shalbe wise: but a companion of fooles shalbe afflicted. Affliction followeth sinners: but vnto the righteous God will 21 recompense good. The good man shall give inheritance vnto 22 his childrens children: and the riches of the sinner is layde vp for the iust. Much foode is in the fielde of the poore: but 23 the fielde is destroyed without discretion. He that spareth his 24 rodde, hateth his sonne: but he that loueth him, chasteneth him betime. The righteous eateth to the contentation of his 25 minde: but the belly of the wicked shall want.

A wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish destroyeth 14 it with her owne handes. He that walketh in his righteousnes, 2 feareth the Lord: but he that is lewde in his wayes, despiseth him. In the mouth of the foolish is the rod of pride: but the 3 lippes of the wise preserve them. Where none oxen are, there 4 the cribbe is emptie: but much increase cometh by the strength of the oxe. A faithfull witnes will not lye: but a false record 5 will speake lyes. A scorner seeketh wisdome, and findeth it 6 not: but knowledge is easie to him that will vnderstande. Depart from the foolish man, when thou perceivest not in him the lippes of knowledge. The wisdome of ye prudent is to vn-

derstand his way: but the foolishnes of the fooles is deceite. 9 The foole maketh a mocke of sinne: but among the righteous 10 there is fauour. The heart knoweth the bitternes of his soule, 11 and the stranger shall not medle with his ioy. The house of the wicked shalbe destroyed: but the tabernacle of the righ-12 teous shall florish. There is a way that seemeth right to a 13 man: but the issues thereof are the wayes of death. Euen in laughing the heart is sorowful, and the ende of that mirth is The heart that declineth, shall be saciate with 14 heauinesse. 15 his owne wayes: but a good man shall depart from him. The foolish will beleeue euery thing: but the prudent will consider 16 his steppes. A wise man feareth, and departeth from euill: 17 but a foole rageth, and is carelesse. He that is hastie to anger, 18 committeth follie, and a busie body is hated. The foolish do inherite follie: but the prudent are crowned with knowledge. 19 The euill shall bowe before the good, and the wicked at the 20 gates of the righteous. The poore is hated euen of his own 21 neighbour: but the friendes of the rich are many. The sinner despiseth his neighbour: but he that hath mercie on the poore, 22 is blessed. Doe not they erre that imagine euill? but to them 23 that thinke on good things, shalbe mercie and trueth. In all labour there is abundance: but the talke of the lippes bringeth 24 onely want. The crowne of the wise is their riches, and the fol-25 lie of fooles is foolishnes. A faithfull witnes deliuereth soules: 26 but a deceiuer speaketh lyes. In the feare of the Lord is an as-27 sured strength, and his children shall have hope. The feare of the Lord is as a welspring of life, to auoyde the snares of death. 28 In the multitude of the people is the honour of a King, and for 29 the want of people commeth the destruction of the Prince. He that is slowe to wrath, is of great wisdome: but he that is of an 30 hastie minde, exalteth follie. A sounde heart is the life of the 31 flesh: but enuie is the rotting of the bones. He that oppresseth the poore, reprodueth him that made him: but hee honoureth 32 him, that hath mercie on the poore. The wicked shall be cast away for his malice: but the righteous hath hope in his death. 33 Wisedome resteth in the heart of him that hath vnderstanding, 34 and is known in the mids of fooles. Iustice exalteth a nation, 35 but sinne is a shame to the people. The pleasure of a King is in a wise seruant: but his wrath shalbe toward him that is lewde.

A soft answere putteth away wrath: but grieuous wordes 15 stirre vp anger. The tongue of the wise vseth knowledge aright: 2 but the mouth of fooles babbleth out foolishnesse. of the Lord in euery place beholde the euill and the good. A 4 wholesome tongue is as a tree of life: but the frowardnes therof is the breaking of ye minde. A foole despiseth his fathers in- 5 struction: but he that regardeth correction, is prudent. The 6 house of the righteous hath much treasure: but in the reuenues of the wicked is trouble. The lippes of the wise doe spread 7 abroade knowledge: but ye heart of the foolish doth not so. The sacrifice of the wicked is abomination to the Lord: but 8 the prayer of the righteous is acceptable vnto him. The way 9 of the wicked is an abomination vnto the Lord: but he loueth him that followeth righteousnes. Instruction is euill to him 10 that forsaketh the way, and he that hateth correction, shall die. Hell and destruction are before the Lord: how much more the 11 hearts of the sonnes of men? A scorner loueth not him that re- 12 buketh him, neither will he goe vnto the wise. A joyfull heart 13 maketh a chearefull countenance: but by the sorow of the heart the minde is heavie. The heart of him that hath vnderstand- 14 ing, seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of the foole is fedde with foolishnes. All the dayes of the afflicted are euill: but a 15 good conscience is a continual feast. Better is a litle with the 16 feare of the Lord, then great treasure, and trouble therewith. Better is a dinner of greene herbes where loue is, then a stalled 17 oxe and hatred therewith. An angrie man stirreth vp strife: 18 but hee that is slowe to wrath, appeareth strife. The way of 19 a slouthfull man is as an hedge of thornes: but the way of the righteous is plaine. A wise sonne reioyceth the father: but 20 a foolish man despiseth his mother. Foolishnes is joy to him 21 that is destitute of vnderstanding: but a man of vnderstanding walketh vprightly. Without cousel thoughts come to nought: 22 but in the multitude of counsellers there is stedfastnesse. A 23 ioy commeth to a man by the answere of his mouth: and how good is a word in due season? The way of life is on high to the 24 prudent, to auoyde from hell beneath. The Lord will destroye 25 the house of the proude men: but hee will stablish the borders The thoughts of ye wicked are abomination 26 of the widowe. to the Lord: but the pure haue pleasant wordes. He that is 27 greedie of gaine, troubleth his owne house: but he that hateth

giftes, shall liue. The heart of the righteous studieth to answere: but the wicked mans mouth babbleth euil thinges. The Lord is farre off from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous. The light of the eyes reioyceth the heart, and a good name maketh the bones fat. The eare that hearkeneth to the correction of life, shall lodge among the wise.
Hee that refuseth instruction, despiseth his owne soule: but he that obeyeth correction, getteth vnderstanding. The feare of the Lord is the instruction of wisdome: and before honour, goeth humilitie.

The preparations of the heart are in man: but the answere 16 2 of the tongue is of the Lord. All the wayes of a man are cleane 3 in his owne eyes: but the Lord pondereth the spirits. Commit thy workes vnto the Lord, and thy thoughts shalbe directed. 4 The Lord hath made all things for his owne sake: yea, euen 5 the wicked for the day of euill. All that are proude in heart, are an abomination to the Lord: though hand ioyne in hand, he 6 shall not be vnpunished. By mercy and trueth iniquitie shalbe forgiuen, and by the feare of the Lord they depart from euill. 7 When the wayes of a man please the Lord, he will make also 8 his enemies at peace with him. Better is a litle with righteous-9 nesse, then great reuenues without equitie. The heart of man 10 purposeth his way: but the Lord doeth direct his steppes. A diuine sentence shalbe in the lips of the King: his mouth shall 11 not transgresse in iudgement. A true weight and balance are 12 of the Lord: all the weightes of the bagge are his worke. It is an abomination to Kings to commit wickednes: for the throne 13 is stablished by iustice. Righteous lips are the delite of Kings, 14 and the King loueth him that speaketh right things. wrath of a King is as messengers of death: but a wise man 15 will pacifie it. In the light of the Kings coutenance is life: and 16 his fauour is as a cloude of the latter raine. Howe much better is it to get wisedome then golde? and to get vnderstanding, is 17 more to be desired then siluer. The pathe of the righteous is to decline from euil, and hee keepeth his soule, that keepeth 18 his way. Pride goeth before destruction, and an high minde 19 before the fall. Better it is to be of humble minde with the 20 lowly, then to deuide the spoyles with the proude. is wise in his busines, shall finde good: and he that trusteth 21 in the Lord, he is blessed. The wise in heart shall bee called prudent: and the sweetenesse of the lippes shall increase doctrine. Vnderstading is welspring of life vnto them that haue 22 it: and the instruction of fooles is folly. The heart of the wise 23 guideth his mouth wisely, and addeth doctrine to his lippes. Faire wordes are as an hony combe, sweetenesse to the soule, 24 and health to the bones. There is a way that seemeth right 25 vnto man: but the issue thereof are the waves of death. person that traueileth, traueileth for himselfe: for his mouth craueth it of him. A wicked man diggeth vp euill, and in his 27 lippes is like burning fire. A frowarde person soweth strife: 28 and a tale teller maketh division among princes. A wicked 29 man deceiueth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good. He shutteth his eyes to deuise wickednes: he 30 moueth his lippes, and bringeth euil to passe. Age is a crowne 31 of glory, when it is founde in the way of righteousnes. He that 32 is slowe vnto anger, is better then the mightie man: and hee that ruleth his owne minde, is better then he that winneth a The lot is cast into the lap: but the whole disposition 33 thereof is of the Lord.

Better is a dry morsell, if peace be with it, then an house 17 full of sacrifices with strife. A discrete servant shall have rule 2 ouer a lewde sonne, and hee shall deuide the heritage among the brethren. As is the fining pot for siluer, and the fornace for 3 golde, so the Lord trieth the heartes. The wicked giueth heed 4 to false lippes, and a lyer hearkeneth to the naughtie tongue. Hee that mocketh the poore, reprocheth him, that made him: 5 and he that reioyceth at destruction, shall not be vnpunished. Childres children are the crowne of the elders: and the glory 6 of ye children are their fathers. Hie talke becommeth not a 7 foole, much lesse a lying talke a prince. A rewarde is as a 8 stone pleasant in the eyes of them that haue it: it prospereth, whithersoeuer it turneth. Hee that couereth a transgression, 9 seeketh loue: but hee that repeateth a matter, separateth the prince. A reproofe entereth more into him that hath vnder- 10 standing, then an hundreth stripes into a foole. A sedicious 11 person seeketh onely euill, and a cruel messenger shall be sent against him. It is better for a man to meete a beare robbed 12 of her whelpes, then a foole in his follie. He that rewardeth 13 euil for good, euil shall not depart from his house. The be- 14 ginning of strife is as one that openeth the waters: therefore

15 or the contention be medled with, leave off. He that iustifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the iust, euen they 16 both are abomination to the Lord. Wherefore is there a price in the hand of the foole to get wisdome, and he hath none 17 heart? A friende loueth at all times: and a brother is borne for 18 aduersitie. A man destitute of vnderstanding, toucheth the 19 hande, and becommeth suretie for his neighbour. He loueth transgression, that loueth strife: and he that exalteth his gate, 20 seeketh destruction. The froward heart findeth no good: and 21 he that hath a naughtie tongue, shall fall into euill. He that begetteth a foole, getteth himselfe sorow, and the father of a 22 foole can haue no ioy. A ioyfull heart causeth good health: but 23 a sorowfull minde dryeth the bones. A wicked man taketh a 24 gift out of the bosome to wrest the wayes of judgement. Wisdome is in the face of him that hath vnderstanding: but the 25 eyes of a foole are in the corners of the world. A foolish sonne is a griefe vnto his father, and a heauines to her that bare 26 him. Surely it is not good to condemne the iust, nor that ye 27 princes should smite such for equitie. Hee that hath knowledge, spareth his wordes, and a man of vnderstanding is of an 28 excellent spirit. Euen a foole (when he holdeth his peace) is counted wise, and hee that stoppeth his lips, prudent.

For the desire thereof hee will separate himselfe to seeke it, 18 2 and occupie himselfe in all wisdome. A foole hath no delite in 3 vnderstanding: but that his heart may be discouered. When the wicked commeth, then commeth contempt, and with the 4 vile man reproch. The words of a mans mouth are like deepe waters, and the welspring of wisdome is like a flowing riuer. 5 It is not good to accept the person of the wicked, to cause ye 6 righteous to fall in judgement. A fooles lips come with strife, 7 and his mouth calleth for stripes. A fooles mouth is his owne 8 destruction, and his lips are a snare for his soule. The wordes of a tale bearer are as flatterings, and they goe downe into the 9 bowels of the belly. He also that is slouthfull in his worke, is 10 euen the brother of him that is a great waster. The Name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth vnto it, and 11 is exalted. The rich mans riches are his strong citie: and as 12 an hie wall in his imagination. Before destruction the heart of 13 a man is hautie, and before glory goeth lowlines. He that answereth a matter before hee heare it, it is folly and shame vnto

The spirit of a man will susteine his infirmitie: but a 14 him. wounded spirit who can beare it? A wise heart getteth knowl- 15 edge, and the eare of the wise seeketh learning. A mans gift 16 enlargeth him, and leadeth him before great men. He that is 17 first in his owne cause, is iust: then commeth his neighbour, and maketh inquirie of him. The lot causeth contentions to 18 cease, and maketh a partition among the mightie. A brother 19 offended is harder to winne then a strong citie, and their contentions are like the barre of a palace. With the fruite of a 20 mans mouth shall his belly be satisfied, and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled. Death and life are in the power of 21 ve tongue, and they that loue it, shall eate the fruite thereof. He that findeth a wife, findeth a good thing, and receiveth fau- 22 our of the Lord. The poore speaketh with prayers: but the rich 23 answereth roughly. A man that hath friends, ought to shew 24 him selfe friendly: for a friend is neerer then a brother.

Better is the poore that walketh in his vprightnes, then he 19 that abuseth his lips, and is a foole. For without knowledge 2 the minde is not good, and he that hasteth with his feete, sin-The foolishnesse of a man peruerteth his way, and his 3 heart freateth against the Lord. Riches gather many friends: 4 but the poore is separated from his neighbour. A false witnes 5 shall not be vnpunished: and he that speaketh lyes, shall not escape. Many reuerence the face of the prince, and euery man 6 is friend to him that giueth giftes. All the brethren of the 7 poore doe hate him: howe much more will his friends depart farre from him? though hee be instant with wordes, yet they will not. He that possesseth vnderstanding, loueth his owne 8 soule, and keepeth wisdome to finde goodnesse. A false witnes 9 shall not be vnpunished: and he that speaketh lyes, shall perish. Pleasure is not comely for a foole, much lesse for a seru- 10 ant to haue rule ouer princes. The discretion of man deferreth 11 his anger: and his glory is to passe by an offence. The Kings 12 wrath is like the roaring of a lyon: but his fauour is like the dewe vpon ye grasse. A foolish sonne is the calamitie of his 13 father, and the contentions of a wife are like a continuall dropping. House and riches are the inheritance of the fathers: but 14 a prudent wife commeth of the Lord. Slouthfulnes causeth to 15 fall asleepe, and a deceitfull person shall be affamished. He 16 that keepeth the commandement, keepeth his owne soule: but

hee that despiseth his wayes, shall dye. He that hath mercy vpon the poore, lendeth vnto the Lord: and the Lord will recom-18 pense him that which he hath giuen. Chasten thy sonne while 19 there is hope, and let not thy soule spare for his murmuring. A man of much anger shall suffer punishment: and though thou 20 deliuer him, yet wil his anger come againe. Heare counsell and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy lat-21 ter ende. Many deuises are in a mans heart: but the counsell 22 of the Lord shall stand. That that is to be desired of a man, 23 is his goodnes, and a poore man is better then a lyer. feare of the Lord leadeth to life; and he that is filled therewith. 24 shall continue, and shall not be visited with euill. The slouthfull hideth his hand in his bosome, and wil not put it to his 25 mouth againe. Smite a scorner, and the foolish wil beware: and reproue the prudent, and he wil vnderstand knowledge. 26 He that destroyeth his father, or chaseth away his mother, is 27 a lewde and shamefull childe. My sonne, heare no more the instruction, that causeth to erre from ye words of knowledge. 28 A wicked witnes mocketh at iudgement, and the mouth of ye 29 wicked swalloweth vp iniquitie. But iudgements are prepared for the scorners, and stripes for the backe of the fooles.

Wine is a mocker and strong drinke is raging: and whosoeuer 20 2 is deceived thereby, is not wise. The feare of the King is like the roaring of a lyon: hee that prouoketh him vnto anger, sin-3 neth against his owne soule. It is a mans honour to cease from 4 strife: but euery foole will be medling. The slouthfull will not plowe, because of winter: therefore shall he beg in sommer, but 5 haue nothing. The counsell in the heart of man is like deepe waters: but a man that hath vnderstanding, will drawe it out. 6 Many men wil boast, euery one of his owne goodnes: but who 7 can finde a faithfull man? He that walketh in his integritie, is 8 iust: and blessed shall his children be after him. A King that sitteth in the throne of iudgement, chaseth away all euill with 9 his eyes. Who can say, I haue made mine heart cleane, I am 10 cleane from my sinne? Divers weightes, and divers measures, 11 both these are euen abomination vnto the Lord. A childe also is knowen by his doings, whether his worke be pure and right. 12 The Lord hath made both these, euen the eare to heare, and 13 the eye to see. Loue not sleepe least thou come vnto pouer-14 tie: open thine eyes, and thou shalt be satisfied with bread. It

is naught, it is naught, sayth the buyer: but when he is gone apart, he boasteth. There is golde, and a multitude of precious 15 stones: but the lips of knowledge are a precious iewel. his garment, that is suretie for a stranger, and a pledge of him for the stranger. The bread of deceit is sweete to a man: but 17 afterward his mouth shalbe filled with grauel. Establish the 18 thoughtes by counsell: and by counsell make warre. He that 19 goeth about as a slanderer, discouereth secrets: therefore meddle not with him that flattereth with his lips. He that curseth 20 his father or his mother, his light shalbe put out in obscure darkenes. An heritage is hastely gotten at the beginning, but 21 the end thereof shall not be blessed. Say not thou, I wil rec- 22 ompense euill: but waite vpon the Lord, and he shall saue thee. Divers weightes are an abomination vnto the Lord, and deceit- 23 ful balances are not good. The steps of man are ruled by the 24 Lord: how can a man then vnderstand his owne way? It is a 25 destruction for a man to deuoure that which is sanctified, and after the vowes to inquire. A wise King scattereth the wicked, 26 and causeth the wheele to turne ouer them. The light of the 27 Lord is the breath of man, and searcheth all the bowels of the Mercie and trueth preserue the King: for his throne 28 shall be established with mercie. The beautie of yong men 29 is their strength, and the glory of the aged is the gray head. The blewnes of the wound serueth to purge the euill, and the 30 stripes within the bowels of the belly.

The Kings heart is in the hand of the Lord, as the rivers of 21 waters: he turneth it whithersoeuer it pleaseth him. Every 2 way of a man is right in his owne eyes: but the Lord pondereth the hearts. To doe iustice and iudgement is more acceptable 3 to the Lord then sacrifice. A hautie looke, and a proude heart, 4 which is the light of the wicked, is sinne. The thoughtes 5 of the diligent doe surely bring abundance: but whosoeuer is hastie, commeth surely to pouertie. The gathering of treasures by a deceitfull tongue is vanitie tossed to and from of them that seeke death. The robberie of the wicked shall destroy them: for they have refused to execute iudgement. The 8 way of some is perverted and strange: but of the pure man, his worke is right. It is better to dwell in a corner of the house 9 top, then with a contentious woman in a wide house. The 10 soule of the wicked wisheth euill: and his neighbour hath no

11 fauour in his eyes. When the scorner is punished, the foolish is wise: and when one instructeth the wise, he wil receive 12 knowledge. The righteous teacheth the house of the wicked: 13 but God ouerthroweth the wicked for their euill. He that stoppeth his eare at the crying of the poore, he shall also cry and 14 not be heard. A gift in secret pacifieth anger, and a gift in the 15 bosome great wrath. It is iove to the just to doe judgement: 16 but destruction shalbe to the workers of iniquitie. A man that wandreth out of the way of wisdome, shall remaine in the con-17 gregation of the dead. Hee that loueth pastime, shalbe a poore 18 man: and he that loueth wine and oyle, shall not be riche. The wicked shalbe a ransome for the iust, and the transgressour 19 for the righteous. It is better to dwell in the wildernesse, then 20 with a contentious and angry woman. In the house of the wise is a pleasant treasure and oyle: but a foolish man deuoureth it. 21 He that followeth after righteousnes and mercy, shall finde life, 22 righteousnes, and glory. A wise man goeth vp into the citie of the mightie, and casteth downe the strength of the confidence 23 thereof. He that keepeth his mouth and his tongue, keepeth 24 his soule from afflictions. Proude, hautie and scornefull is his 25 name that worketh in his arrogancie wrath. The desire of the 26 slouthfull slayeth him: for his hands refuse to worke. He coueteth euermore greedily, but the righteous giueth and spareth not. The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination: how much 28 more when he bringeth it with a wicked minde? A false witnes 29 shall perish: but hee that heareth, speaketh continually. wicked man hardeneth his face: but the iust, he will direct his 30 way. There is no wisedome, neither vnderstanding, nor coun-31 sell against the Lord. The horse is prepared against the day of battell: but saluation is of the Lord.

A good name is to be chosen aboue great riches, and louing fauour is aboue siluer and aboue golde. The rich and poore meete together: the Lord is the maker of them all. A prudent man seeth the plague, and hideth himselfe: but the foolish goe on still, and are punished. The rewarde of humilitie, and the feare of God is riches, and glory, and life. Thornes and snares are in the way of the frowarde: but he that regardeth his soule, will depart farre from them. Teache a childe in the trade of his way, and when he is olde, he shall not depart from the rich ruleth the poore, and the borower is seruant to

the man that lendeth. He that soweth iniquitie, shall reape 8 affliction, and the rodde of his anger shall faile. He that hath 9 a good eye, he shalbe blessed: for he giueth of his bread vnto Cast out the scorner, and strife shall go out: so 10 contention and reproche shall cease. Hee that loueth pure- 11 nesse of heart for the grace of his lippes, the King shalbe his The eyes of the Lord preserve knowledge: but hee 12 ouerthroweth the wordes of the transgressour. The slouthfull 13 man saith, A lyon is without, I shall be slaine in the streete. The mouth of strage women is as a deepe pit: he with whom 14 the Lord is angry, shall fall therein. Foolishnesse is bounde 15 in the heart of a childe: but the rodde of correction shall drive it away from him. Hee that oppresseth the poore to increase 16 him selfe, and giveth vnto the riche, shall surely come to pouertie. Incline thine eare, and heare the wordes of the wise, and 17 apply thine heart vnto my knowledge. For it shalbe pleasant, 18 if thou keepe them in thy bellie, and if they be directed together in thy lippes. That thy confidence may be in the Lord, 19 I have shewed thee this day: thou therefore take heede. Have 20 not I written vnto thee three times in counsels and knowledge, That I might shewe thee the assurance of the wordes of trueth 21 to answere the wordes of trueth to them that sende to thee? Robbe not the poore, because hee is poore, neither oppresse 22 the afflicted in judgement. For the Lord will defende their 23 cause, and spoyle the soule of those that spoyle them. Make 24 no friendship with an angrie man, neither goe with the furious man, Least thou learne his wayes, and receive destruction to 25 thy soule. Be not thou of them that touch the hand, nor among 26 them that are suretie for debts. If thou hast nothing to paye, 27 why causest thou that he should take thy bed from vnder thee? Thou shalt not remooue the ancient bounds which thy fathers 28 Thou seest that a diligent man in his businesse 29 haue made. standeth before Kings, and standeth not before the base sort.

When thou sittest to eate with a ruler, consider diligently 23 what is before thee, And put the knife to thy throte, if thou 2 be a man given to the appetite. Be not desirous of his deintie 3 meates: for it is a deceivable meate. Travaile not too much 4 to be rich: but cease from thy wisdome. Wilt thou cast thine 5 eyes vpon it, which is nothing? for riches taketh her to her wings, as an eagle, and flyeth into the heaven. Eate thou not 6

the bread of him that hath an euil eye, neither desire his dein-7 tie meates. For as though he thought it in his heart, so will hee say vnto thee, Eate and drinke: but his heart is not with 8 thee. Thou shalt vomit thy morsels that thou hast eaten, and 9 thou shalt lose thy sweete wordes. Speake not in the eares of 10 a foole: for hee will despise the wisdome of thy wordes. mooue not the ancient boundes, and enter not into the fieldes 11 of the fatherlesse. For he that redeemeth them, is mightie: he 12 will defend their cause against thee. Apply thine heart to in-13 struction, and thine eares to the wordes of knowledge. Withhold not correction from the childe: if thou smite him with the 14 rodde, he shall not die. Thou shalt smite him with the rodde, 15 and shalt deliuer his soule from hell. My sonne, if thine heart 16 be wise, mine heart shall reioyce, and I also. And my reynes 17 shall reioyce, when thy lips speake righteous things. Let not thine heart bee enuious against sinners: but let it bee in the 18 feare of the Lord continually. For surely there is an ende, and 19 thy hope shall not be cut off. O thou my sonne, heare, and 20 bee wise, and guide thine heart in the way. Keepe not com-21 pany with drunkards, nor with gluttons. For the drunkard and the glutton shall bee poore, and the sleeper shalbe clothed 22 with ragges. Obey thy father that hath begotten thee, and 23 despise not thy mother when she is olde. Bye the trueth, but sell it not: likewise wisdome, and instruction, and vnderstand-24 ing. The father of the righteous shall greatly reioyce, and hee 25 that begetteth a wise childe, shall haue iov of him. Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall 26 reioyce. My sonne, giue mee thine heart, and let thine eyes 27 delite in my wayes. For a whore is as a deepe ditche, and a 28 strange woman is as a narrowe pitte. Also she lyeth in wait as for a praye, and she increaseth the transgressers among To whome is woe? to whome is sorowe? to whom is 29 men. strife? to whom is murmuring? to whom are woundes without 30 cause? and to whome is the rednesse of the eyes? Euen to them that tarie long at the wine, to them that goe, and seeke 31 mixt wine. Looke not thou vpon the wine, when it is red, and when it sheweth his colour in the cup, or goeth downe pleas-32 antly. In the ende thereof it will bite like a serpent, and hurt 33 like a cockatrise. Thine eyes shall looke vpon strange women, 34 and thine heart shall speake lewde things. And thou shalt bee

as one that sleepeth in the middes of the sea, and as hee that sleepeth in the toppe of the maste. They have stricken mee, 35 shalt thou say, but I was not sicke: they have beaten mee, but I knew not, when I awoke: therefore will I seeke it yet still.

Be not thou enuious against euill men, neither desire to 24 be with them. For their heart imagineth destruction, and 2 their lippes speake mischiefe. Through wisdome is an house 3 builded, and with vnderstanding it is established. And by 4 knowledge shall the chambers bee filled with all precious, and pleasant riches. A wise man is strong: for a man of vnder- 5 standing encreaseth his strength. For with counsel thou shalt 6 enterprise thy warre, and in the multitude of them that can giue counsell, is health. Wisdome is hie to a foole: there- 7 fore he can not open his mouth in the gate. Hee that imag- 8 ineth to doe euill, men shall call him an autour of wickednes. The wicked thought of a foole is sinne, and the scorner is an 9 abomination vnto men. If thou bee faint in the day of aduer- 10 sitie, thy strength is small. Deliuer them that are drawen to 11 death: wilt thou not preserve them that are led to be slaine? If thou say, Beholde, we knew not of it: he that pondereth the 12 heartes, doeth not hee vnderstand it? and hee that keepeth thy soule, knoweth he it not? will not he also recompense euery man according to his workes? My sonne, eate hony, for it 13 is good, and the hony combe, for it is sweete vnto thy mouth. So shall the knowledge of wisdome be vnto thy soule, if thou 14 finde it, and there shall be an ende, and thine hope shall not be cut off. Laye no waite, O wicked man, against the house 15 of the righteous, and spoyle not his resting place. For a just 16 man falleth seuen times, and riseth againe: but the wicked fall into mischiefe. Bee thou not glad when thine enemie falleth, 17 and let not thine heart reioyce when hee stumbleth, Least 18 the Lord see it, and it displease him, and he turne his wrath from him. Fret not thy selfe because of the malicious, nei- 19 ther be enuious at the wicked. For there shall bee none ende 20 of plagues to the euill man: the light of the wicked shall bee put out. My sonne feare the Lord, and the King, and med- 21 dle not with them that are sedicious. For their destruction 22 shall rise suddenly, and who knoweth the ruine of them both? ALSO THESE THINGS PERTEINE TO THE WISE, It is not 23 good to have respect of any person in judgement. He that 24

saith to the wicked, Thou art righteous, him shall the people 25 curse, and the multitude shall abhorre him. But to them that rebuke him, shall be pleasure, and vpon them shall come the 26 blessing of goodnesse. They shall kisse the lippes of him that 27 answereth vpright wordes. Prepare thy worke without, and make readie thy thinges in the fielde, and after, builde thine 28 house. Be not a witnes against thy neighbour without cause: 29 for wilt thou deceive with thy lippes? Say not, I wil doe to him, as he hath done to mee, I will recompence euery man ac-30 cording to his worke. I passed by the fielde of the slouthfull, and by the vineyarde of the man destitute of vnderstanding. 31 And lo, it was al growen ouer with thornes, and nettles had couered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken 32 downe. Then I behelde, and I considered it well: I looked vpon 33 it, and received instruction. Yet a litle sleepe, a litle slumber, 34 a litle folding of the handes to sleepe. So thy pouertie commeth as one that traueileth by the way, and thy necessitie like an armed man.

THESE ARE ALSO PARABLES of Salomon, which the men 25 2 of Hezekiah King of Iudah copied out. The glorie of God is to conceale a thing secret: but the Kings honour is to search 3 out a thing. The heaves in height, and the earth in deep-4 enes, and the Kings heart can no man search out. Take the drosse from the siluer, and there shall proceede a vessell for 5 the finer. Take away the wicked from the King, and his throne 6 shall be stablished in righteousnes. Boast not thy selfe before 7 the King, and stand not in the place of great men. For it is better, that it be saide vnto thee, Come vp hither, then thou to be put lower in the presece of the prince whom thine eyes haue seene. Goe not foorth hastily to strife, least thou know not what to doe in the ende thereof, when thy neighbour hath 9 put thee to shame. Debate thy matter with thy neighbour, and 10 discouer not the secret to another. Least he that heareth it put 11 thee to shame, and thine infamie doe not cease. A word spoken in his place, is like apples of golde with pictures of siluer. 12 He that reprodueth the wise, and the obedient eare, is as a 13 golden earering and an ornament of fine golde. As the colde of the snowe in the time of haruest, so is a faithfull messenger to them that send him: for he refresheth the soule of his mas-14 ters. A man that boasteth of false liberalitie, is like cloudes

and winde without raine. A Prince is pacified by staying of 15 anger, and a soft tongue breaketh the bones. If thou haue 16 found hony, eate that is sufficient for thee, least thou be ouerfull, and vomit it. Withdrawe thy foote from thy neighbours 17 house, least he be weary of thee, and hate thee. A man that 18 beareth false witnes against his neighbour, is like an hammer and a sword, and a sharpe arrowe. Confidence in an vnfayth- 19 full man in time of trouble, is like a broken tooth and a sliding Hee that taketh away the garment in the colde sea- 20 son, is like vineger powred vpon nitre, or like him that singeth songs to an heavy heart. If hee that hateth thee be hungry, 21 giue him bread to eate, and if he be thirstie, giue him water to drinke. For thou shalt lay coles vpon his head, and the Lord 22 shall recompense thee. As the Northwinde driueth away the 23 raine, so doeth an angry countenance the slandering tongue. It is better to dwell in a corner of the house top, then with a 24 contentious woman in a wide house. As are the colde waters 25 to a weary soule, so is good newes from a farre countery. A 26 righteous man falling downe before the wicked, is like a troubled well, and a corrupt spring. It is not good to eate much 27 hony: so to search their owne glory is not glory. A man that 28 refraineth not his appetite, is like a citie which is broken downe and without walles.

As the snowe in the sommer, and as the raine in the haruest 26 are not meete, so is honour vnseemely for a foole. As the 2 sparowe by flying, and the swallow by flying escape, so the curse that is causeles, shall not come. Vnto the horse be- 3 longeth a whip, to the asse a bridle, and a rod to the fooles backe. Answer not a foole according to his foolishnes, least 4 thou also be like him. Answere a foole according to his fool- 5 ishnes, least he be wise in his owne conceite. He that sendeth 6 a message by the hand of a foole, is as he that cutteth off the feete, and drinketh iniquitie. As they that lift vp the legs of 7 the lame, so is a parable in a fooles mouth. As the closing vp of 8 a precious stone in an heape of stones, so is he that giveth glory to a foole. As a thorne standing vp in the hand of a drunk- 9 ard, so is a parable in the mouth of fooles. The excellent that 10 formed all things, both rewardeth the foole and rewardeth the transgressers. As a dog turneth againe to his owne vomit, so 11 a foole turneth to his foolishnes. Seest thou a man wise in his 12

13 owne conceite? more hope is of a foole then of him. The slouthfull man sayth, A lyon is in the way: a lyon is in the streetes. 14 As the doore turneth vpon his hinges, so doeth the slouthfull 15 man vpon his bed. The slouthfull hideth his hand in his bo-16 some, and it grieueth him to put it againe to his mouth. The sluggard is wiser in his owne conceite, then seuen men that 17 can render a reason. He that passeth by and medleth with the strife that belongeth not vnto him, is as one that taketh a 18 dog by the eares. As he that faineth himselfe mad, casteth fire 19 brands, arrowes, and mortall things, So dealeth the deceit-20 full man with his friend and sayth, Am not I in sport? Without wood the fire is quenched, and without a talebearer strife 21 ceaseth. As ye cole maketh burning coles, and wood a fire, so 22 the contentious man is apt to kindle strife. The wordes of a tale bearer are as flatterings, and they goe downe into the bow-23 els of the belly. As siluer drosse ouerlayde vpon a potsheard, 24 so are burning lips, and an euill heart. He that hateth, will counterfaite with his lips, but in his heart he layeth vp deceite. 25 Though he speake fauourably, beleeue him not: for there are 26 seuen abominations in his heart. Hatred may be couered by deceite: but the malice thereof shall be discouered in the con-27 gregation. He that diggeth a pit shall fall therein, and he 28 that rolleth a stone, it shall returne vnto him. A false tongue hateth the afflicted, and a flattering mouth causeth ruine.

Boast not thy selfe of to morowe: for thou knowest not what **27** 2 a day may bring forth. Let another man prayse thee, and not 3 thine owne mouth: a stranger, and not thine owne lips. stone is heavie, and the sand weightie: but a fooles wrath is 4 heavier then them both. Anger is cruell, and wrath is raging: 5 but who can stand before enuie? Open rebuke is better then 6 secret loue. The wounds of a louer are faithful, and the kisses 7 of an enemie are pleasant. The person that is full, despiseth an hony combe: but vnto the hungry soule euery bitter thing 8 is sweete. As a bird that wandreth from her nest, so is a man 9 that wandreth from his owne place. As oyntment and perfume reioyce the heart, so doeth the sweetenes of a mans friend by 10 hearty counsell. Thine owne friend and thy fathers friend forsake thou not: neither enter into thy brothers house in the day of thy calamitie: for better is a neighbour that is neere, then a 11 brother farre off. My sonne, be wise, and reioyce mine heart, that I may answere him that reprocheth me. A prudent man 12 seeth the plague, and hideth himselfe: but the foolish goe on still, and are punished. Take his garment that is surety for a 13 stranger, and a pledge of him for the stranger. He that pray- 14 seth his friend with a loude voyce, rising earely in the morning, it shall be counted to him as a curse. A continual dropping in 15 the day of raine, and a contentious woman are alike. He that 16 hideth her, hideth the winde, and she is as ye oyle in his right hand, that vttereth it selfe. Yron sharpeneth yron, so doeth 17 man sharpen the face of his friend. He that keepeth the fig 18 tree, shall eate the fruite thereof: so he that waiteth vpon his master, shall come to honour. As in water face answereth to 19 face, so the heart of man to man. The graue and destruction 20 can neuer be full, so the eyes of man can neuer be satisfied. As 21 is the fining pot for siluer and the fornace for golde, so is euery man according to his dignitie. Though thou shouldest bray a 22 foole in a morter among wheate braved with a pestell, yet will not his foolishnes depart from him. Be diligent to know ye 23 state of thy flocke, and take heede to the heardes. For riches 24 remaine not alway, nor the crowne from generation to generation. The hey discouereth it selfe, and the grasse appeareth, 25 and the herbes of the mountaines are gathered. The lambes 26 are for thy clothing, and the goates are the price of the fielde. And let the milke of the goates be sufficient for thy foode, for 27 the foode of thy familie, and for the sustenance of thy maydes.

The wicked flee when none pursueth: but the righteous 28 are bolde as a lyon. For the transgression of the land there 2 are many princes thereof: but by a man of vnderstanding and knowledge a realme likewise endureth long. A poore man, if 3 he oppresse the poore, is like a raging raine, that leaueth no foode. They that forsake the Law, prayse the wicked: but they 4 that keepe the Law, set themselues against them. Wicked 5 men vnderstand not iudgemnt: but they that seeke the Lord vnderstand all things. Better is the poore that walketh in his 6 vprightnesse, then hee that peruerteth his wayes, though he be riche. He that keepeth the Law, is a childe of vnderstand-7 ing: but hee that feedeth the gluttons, shameth his father. He 8 that increaseth his riches by vsurie and interest, gathereth them for him that will be mercifull vnto the poore. He that 9 turneth away his eare from hearing the Law, euen his prayer

10 shalbe abominable. He that causeth the righteous to go astray by an euill way, shall fall into his owne pit, and the vpright 11 shall inherite good things. The riche man is wise in his owne conceite: but the poore that hath vnderstanding, can trie him. 12 When righteous men reioyce, there is great glory: but when the 13 wicked come vp, the man is tried. He that hideth his sinnes, shall not prosper: but he that confesseth, and forsaketh them, 14 shall have mercy. Blessed is the man that feareth alway: but 15 he that hardeneth his heart, shall fall into euill. As a roaring lyon, and an hungry beare, so is a wicked ruler ouer the 16 poore people. A prince destitute of vnderstanding, is also a great oppressour: but hee that hateth couetousnes, shall pro-17 long his dayes. A man that doeth violence against the blood of a person, shall flee vnto the graue, and they shall not stay 18 him. He that walketh vprightly, shalbe saued: but he that is 19 froward in his wayes, shall once fall. He that tilleth his land, shall be satisfied with bread: but he that followeth the idle, 20 shall be filled with pouertie. A faythfull man shall abound in blessings, and he that maketh haste to be riche, shall not be 21 innocent. To have respect of persons is not good: for that man 22 will transgresse for a piece of bread. A man with a wicked eye hasteth to riches, and knoweth not, that pouertie shall come 23 vpon him. He that rebuketh a man, shall finde more fauour 24 at length, then he that flattereth with his tongue. Hee that robbeth his father and mother, and sayth, It is no transgres-25 sion, is the companion of a man that destroyeth. He that is of a proude heart, stirreth vp strife: but he that trusteth in the 26 Lord, shall be fatte. Hee that trusteth in his owne heart, is a 27 foole: but he that walketh in wisdome, shall be deliuered. He that giueth vnto the poore, shall not lacke: but he that hideth 28 his eyes, shall haue many curses. When the wicked rise vp, men hide them selues: but when they perish, ye righteous increase.

29 A man that hardeneth his necke when he is rebuked, shall suddenly be destroyed and can not be cured. When the righteous are in authoritie, the people reioyce: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people sigh. A man that loueth wisdome, reioyceth his father: but he that feedeth harlots, wasteth his substance. A King by iudgement mainteineth ye countrey: but a man receiving giftes, destroyeth it. A man that flat-

tereth his neighbour, spreadeth a net for his steps. In the 6 transgression of an euill man is his snare: but the righteous doeth sing and reioyce. The righteous knoweth the cause of 7 the poore: but the wicked regardeth not knowledge. Scorne- 8 full men bring a citie into a snare: but wise men turne away If a wise man contend with a foolish man, whether 9 he be angry or laugh, there is no rest. Bloodie men hate him 10 that is vpright: but the iust haue care of his soule. A foole 11 powreth out all his minde: but a wise man keepeth it in till afterward. Of a prince that hearkeneth to lyes, all his seruants 12 The poore and the vsurer meete together, and 13 are wicked. the Lord lighteneth both their eyes. A King that judgeth the 14 poore in trueth, his throne shalbe established for euer. rodde and correction give wisdome: but a childe set a libertie, maketh his mother ashamed. When the wicked are increased, 16 transgression increaseth: but ye righteous shall see their fall. Correct thy sonne and he will give thee rest, and will give plea- 17 sures to thy soule. Where there is no vision, the people decay: 18 but he that keepeth the Lawe, is blessed. A seruant will not 19 be chastised with words: though he vnderstand, yet he will not Seest thou a man hastie in his matters? there is 20 more hope of a foole, then of him. He that delicately bringeth 21 vp his seruant from youth, at length he will be euen as his sone. An angrie man stirreth vp strife, and a furious man abound- 22 eth in transgression. The pride of a man shall bring him lowe: 23 but the humble in spirit shall enjoy glory. He that is partner 24 with a thiefe, hateth his owne soule: he heareth cursing, and declareth it not. The feare of man bringeth a snare: but he 25 that trusteth in the Lord, shalbe exalted. Many doe seeke the 26 face of the ruler: but euery mans judgement commeth from the Lord. A wicked man is abomination to the just, and he that is 27 vpright in his way, is abomination to the wicked.

THE WORDS OF AGUR THE SONNE OF JAKEH. The 30 prophecie which ye man spake vnto Ithiel, euen to Ithiel, and Vcal. Surely I am more foolish then any man, and haue not 2 the vnderstanding of a man in me. For I haue not learned 3 wisedome, nor atteined to the knowledge of holy things. Who 4 hath ascended vp to heauen, and descended? Who hath gathered the winde in his fist? Who hath bound the waters in a garment? Who hath established all the endes of the world?

What is his name, and what is his sonnes name, if thou canst 5 tell? Euery worde of God is pure: he is a shield to those, that 6 trust in him. Put nothing vnto his wordes, least he reproue 7 thee, and thou be found a lyar. Two things haue I required 8 of thee: denie me them not before I die. Remooue farre from me vanitie and lyes: giue me not pouertie, nor riches: feede 9 me with foode convenient for me, Least I be full, and denie thee, and say, Who is the Lord? or least I be poore and steale, 10 and take the Name of my God in vaine. Accuse not a seruant vnto his master, lest he curse thee, when thou hast offended. 11 There is a generation that curseth their father, and doeth not 12 blesse their mother. There is a generation that are pure in their owne conceite, and yet are not washed from their filthi-13 nesse. There is a generation, whose eies are hautie, and their 14 eye liddes are lifted vp. There is a generation, whose teeth are as swordes, and their chawes as kniues to eate vp the afflicted 15 out of the earth, and the poore from among men. The horse leache hath two daughters which crye, Giue, giue. There be three things that will not be satisfied: yea, foure that say not, 16 It is ynough. The graue, and the barren wombe, the earth that cannot be satisfied with water, and the fire that sayeth 17 not, It is ynough. The eye that mocketh his father and despiseth the instruction of his mother, let ye rauens of the val-18 ley picke it out, and the yong eagles eate it. There be three 19 thinges hid from me: yea, foure that I knowe not, The way of an eagle in the aire, the way of a serpent vpon a stone, ye way of a ship in ye middes of the sea, and the way of a man 20 with a maide. Such is ye way also of an adulterous woman: she eateth and wipeth her mouth, and sayth, I haue not com-21 mitted iniquitie. For three things the earth is moued: yea, 22 for foure it cannot susteine it selfe: For a seruant when he 23 reigneth, and a foole when he is filled with meate, For the hatefull woman, when she is married, and for a handmaid that 24 is heire to her mistres. These be foure small things in the 25 earth, yet they are wise and full of wisedome: The pismires a people not strong, yet prepare they their meate in sommer: 26 The conies a people not mightie, yet make their houses in the 27 rocke: The grashopper hath no King, yet goe they forth all by 28 bandes: The spider taketh holde with her handes, and is in 29 Kings palaces. There be three thinges that order well their going: yea, foure are comely in going, A lyon which is strong 30 among beastes, and turneth not at the sight of any: A lusty 31 grayhound, and a goate, and a King against whom there is no rising vp. If thou hast bene foolish in lifting thy selfe vp, and 32 if thou hast thought wickedly, lay thine hand vpon thy mouth. When one churneth milke, he bringeth foorth butter: and he 33 that wringeth his nose, causeth blood to come out: so he that forceth wrath, bringeth foorth strife.

THE WORDS OF KING LEMUEL: The prophecie which his 31 mother taught him. What my sonne! and what ye sonne of 2 my wombe! and what, O sonne of my desires! Giue not thy 3 strength vnto women, nor thy wayes, which is to destroy Kings. It is not for Kings, O Lemuel, it is not for Kings to drink wine 4 nor for princes strog drinke. Lest he drinke and forget the de- 5 cree, and change the judgement of all the children of affliction. Giue ye strong drinke vnto him that is readie to perish, and 6 wine vnto them that have griefe of heart. Let him drinke, that 7 he may forget his pouertie, and remember his miserie no more. Open thy mouth for the domme in the cause of all the chil- 8 dren of destruction. Open thy mouth: iudge righteously, and 9 iudge the afflicted, and the poore. Who shall finde a vertuous 10 woman? for her price is farre aboue the pearles. The heart 11 of her husband trusteth in her, and he shall have no neede of spoyle. She will doe him good, and not euill all the dayes of 12 She seeketh wooll and flaxe, and laboureth cheere- 13 her life. fully with her handes. She is like the shippes of marchants: 14 shee bringeth her foode from afarre. And she riseth, whiles it 15 is yet night: and giueth the portion to her houshold, and the ordinarie to her maides. She considereth a field, and getteth 16 it: and with the fruite of her handes she planteth a vineyarde. She girdeth her loynes with strength, and strengtheneth her 17 She feeleth that her marchandise is good: her can- 18 dle is not put out by night. She putteth her handes to the 19 wherue, and her handes handle the spindle. She stretcheth 20 out her hand to the poore, and putteth foorth her hands to the needie. She feareth not the snowe for her familie: for all 21 her familie is clothed with skarlet. She maketh her selfe car- 22 pets: fine linen and purple is her garment. Her husband is 23 knowen in the gates, when he sitteth with the Elders of the land. She maketh sheetes, and selleth them, and giueth gird- 24

els vnto the marchant. Strength and honour is her clothing,
and in the latter day she shall reioyce. She openeth her mouth
with wisdome, and the lawe of grace is in her tongue. She ouerseeth the wayes of her housholde, and eateth not the bread
of ydlenes. Her children rise vp, and call her blessed: her husband also shall prayse her, saying, Many daughters haue done
vertuously: but thou surmountest them all. Fauour is deceitfull, and beautie is vanitie: but a woman that feareth the Lord,
she shall be praysed. Giue her of the fruite of her hands, and let her owne workes prayse her in the gates.

## ECCLESIASTES;

## OR, THE PREACHER.

he wordes of the Preacher, the sonne of Dauid King in  $\, {f 1} \,$ Ierusalem. Vanitie of vanities, sayth the Preacher: 2 vanitie of vanities, all is vanitie. What remaineth 3 vnto man in all his trauaile, which he suffereth vnder ye sunne? One generation passeth, and another genera- 4 tion succeedeth: but the earth remaineth for euer. The sunne 5 riseth, and ve sunne goeth downe, and draweth to his place. where he riseth. The winde goeth toward the South, and com- 6 passeth towarde the North: the winde goeth rounde about, and returneth by his circuites. All the riuers goe into the sea, yet 7 the sea is not full: for the rivers goe vnto ye place, whence they returne, and goe. All things are full of labour: man cannot vt- 8 ter it: the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the eare filled with hearing. What is it that hath bene? that that shalbe: 9 and what is it that hath bene done? that which shalbe done: and there is no newe thing vnder the sunne. Is there any 10 thing, whereof one may say, Beholde this, it is newe? it hath bene already in the olde time that was before vs. There is no 11 memorie of the former, neither shall there be a remembrance of the latter that shalbe, with them that shall come after. the Preacher haue bene King ouer Israel in Ierusalem: And I 13 haue given mine heart to search and finde out wisdome by all things that are done vnder the heaven: (this sore travaile hath GOD given to the sonnes of men, to humble them thereby) I 14 haue considered all the workes that are done vnder the sunne, and beholde, all is vanitie, and vexation of the spirit. which is crooked, can none make straight: and that which faileth, cannot be nombred. I thought in mine heart, and said, 16 Behold, I am become great, and excell in wisdome all them that haue bene before me in Ierusalem: and mine heart hath seene much wisedome and knowledge. And I gaue mine heart 17 to knowe wisdome and knowledge, madnes and foolishnes: I knew also that this is a vexation of the spirit. For in the 18 multitude of wisedome is much griefe: and he that increaseth knowledge, increaseth sorowe.

I said in mine heart, Goe to nowe, I will proue thee with ioy: therefore take thou pleasure in pleasant things: and be-2 holde, this also is vanitie. I saide of laughter, Thou art mad: 3 and of ioy, What is this that thou doest? I sought in mine heart to give my selfe to wine, and to leade mine heart in wisdome, and to take holde of follie, till I might see where is that goodnesse of the children of men, which they enjoy vnder the 4 sunne: the whole nomber of the dayes of their life. I haue made my great workes: I haue built me houses: I haue planted 5 me vineyards. I haue made me gardens and orchards, and 6 planted in them trees of all fruite. I have made me cisternes of water, to water therewith the woods that growe with trees. 7 I haue gotten seruants and maides, and had children borne in the house: also I had great possession of beeues and sheepe 8 aboue all that were before me in Ierusalem. I haue gathered vnto me also siluer and gold, and the chiefe treasures of Kings and prouinces: I have provided me men singers and women singers, and the delites of the sonnes of men, as a woman taken 9 captiue, and women taken captiues. And I was great, and increased aboue all that were before me in Ierusalem: also my 10 wisedome remained with me. And whatsoeuer mine eyes desired, I withheld it not from them: I withdrew not mine heart from any ioy: for mine heart reioyced in al my labour: and this 11 was my portion of all my trauaile. Then I looked on all my workes that mine hands had wrought, and on the trauaile that I had laboured to doe: and beholde, all is vanitie and vexation 12 of the spirit: and there is no profite vnder the sunne. And I turned to beholde wisedome, and madnes and follie: (for who is the man that will come after the King in things, which men 13 nowe haue done?) Then I saw that there is profite in wisdome, more then in follie: as the light is more excellent then For the wise mans eyes are in his head, but the 14 darkenes. foole walketh in darknes: yet I know also that the same con-15 dition falleth to them all. Then I thought in mine heart, It befalleth vnto me, as it befalleth to ye foole. Why therefore doe I then labour to be more wise? And I sayd in mine heart, 16 that this also is vanitie. For there shalbe no remembrance of the wise, nor of the foole for euer: for that that now is, in the dayes to come shall all be forgotten. And howe dyeth the wise 17 man, as doeth the foole? Therefore I hated life: for the worke that is wrought vnder the sunne is grieuous vnto me: for all is vanitie, and vexation of the spirit. I hated also all my labour, 18 wherein I had trauailed vnder the sunne, which I shall leaue to the man that shalbe after me. And who knoweth whether 19 he shalbe wise or foolish? yet shall hee haue rule ouer all my labour, wherein I haue trauailed, and wherein I haue shewed my selfe wise vnder the sunne. This is also vanitie. There- 20 fore I went about to make mine heart abhorre all the labour. wherein I had trauailed vnder the sunne. For there is a man 21 whose trauaile is in wisdome, and in knowledge and in equitie: yet to a man that hath not trauailed herein, shall he give his portion: this also is vanitie and a great griefe. For what hath 22 man of all his trauaile and griefe of his heart, wherein he hath trauailed vnder the sunne? For all his dayes are sorowes, and 23 his trauaile griefe: his heart also taketh not rest in the night: There is no profit to man: but that he 24 which also is vanitie. eate, and drinke, and delight his soule with the profit of his labour: I saw also this, that it was of the hand of God. For 25 who could eate, and who could haste to outward things more then I? Surely to a man that is good in his sight, God giueth 26 wisdome, and knowledge, and iov: but to the sinner he giueth paine, to gather, and to heape to give to him that is good before God: this is also vanitie, and vexation of the spirit.

To all things there is an appointed time, and a time to euery **3** purpose vnder the heauen. A time to bee borne, and a time to 2 die: a time to plant, and a time to plucke vp that which is planted. A time to slay, and a time to heale: a time to breake 3 downe, and a time to builde. A time to weepe, and a time to 4 laugh: a time to mourne, and a time to dance. A time to cast 5 away stones, and a time to gather stones: a time to embrace, and a time to be farre from embracing. A time to seeke, and a 6 time to lose: a time to keepe, and a time to cast away. A time 7 to rent, and a time to sowe: a time to keepe silence, and a time to speake. A time to loue, and a time to hate: a time of warre, 8 and a time of peace. What profite hath hee that worketh of the 9 thing wherein he trauaileth? I have seene the trauaile that 10 God hath given to ye sonnes of men to humble them thereby. He hath made every thing beautifull in his time: also he hath 11 set the worlde in their heart, yet can not man finde out the worke that God hath wrought from the beginning euen to the

12 end. I know that there is nothing good in them, but to reioyce, 13 and to doe good in his life. And also that euery man eateth and drinketh, and seeth the commoditie of all his labour. this 14 is the gift of God. I knowe that whatsoeuer God shall doe, it shalbe for euer: to it can no man adde, and from it can none diminish: for God hath done it, that they should feare before 15 him. What is that that hath bene? that is nowe: and that that shalbe, hath now bene: for God requireth that which is 16 past. And moreouer I have seene vnder the sunne the place of iudgement, where was wickednesse, and the place of iustice 17 where was iniquitie. I thought in mine heart, God wil iudge the just and the wicked: for time is there for every purpose and 18 for euery worke. I considered in mine heart the state of the children of men that God had purged them: yet to see to, they 19 are in themselues as beastes. For the condition of the children of men, and the condition of beasts are euen as one condition vnto them. As the one dyeth, so dyeth the other: for they haue all one breath, and there is no excellency of man aboue 20 ye beast: for all is vanitie. All goe to one place, and all was 21 of the dust, and all shall returne to the dust. Who knoweth whether the spirit of man ascend vpward, and the spirit of the 22 beast descend downeward to the earth? Therefore I see that there is nothing better then that a man shoulde rejoyce in his affaires, because that is his portion. For who shall bring him to see what shalbe after him?

So I turned and considered all the oppressions that are wrought 4 vnder the sunne, and beholde the teares of the oppressed, and none comforteth them: and lo, the strength is of the hand of 2 them that oppresse them, and none comforteth them. Wherefore I praysed the dead which now are dead, aboue the liu-3 ing, which are yet aliue. And I count him better then them both, which hath not yet bin: for he hath not seene the euill 4 workes which are wrought vnder the sunne. Also I beheld all trauaile, and all perfection of workes that this is ye enuie of a man against his neighbour: this also is vanitie and vexation 5 of spirit. The foole foldeth his hands, and eateth vp his owne 6 flesh. Better is an handfull with quietnesse, then two hand-7 fuls with labour and vexation of spirit. Againe I returned, and 8 sawe vanitie vnder the sunne. There is one alone, and there is not a second, which hath neither sonne nor brother, yet is

there none end of all his trauaile, neither can his eve be satisfied with riches: neither doeth he thinke, For whome doe I trauaile and defraude my soule of pleasure? this also is vanitie, and this is an euill trauaile. Two are better then one: for 9 they have better wages for their labour. For if they fal, the 10 one wil lift vp his felow: but wo vnto him that is alone: for he falleth, and there is not a second to lift him vp. Also if two 11 sleepe together, then shall they have heate: but to one how should there be heate? And if one ouercome him, two shall 12 stand against him: and a threefolde coard is not easily broken. Better is a poore and wise childe, then an olde and foolish King, 13 which will no more be admonished. For out of the prison he 14 commeth forth to reigne: when as he that is borne in his kingdome, is made poore. I behelde all the liuing, which walke 15 vnder the sunne, with the second childe, which shall stand vp in his place. There is none ende of all the people, nor of all that 16 were before them, and they that come after, shall not reiovce in him: surely this is also vanitie and vexation of spirit. Take 17 heede to thy foote when thou entrest into the House of God, and be more neere to heare then to give the sacrifice of fooles: for they knowe not that they doe euil.

Be not rash with thy mouth, nor let thine heart be hastie 5 to vtter a thing before God: for God is in the heavens, and thou art on the earth: therefore let thy wordes be fewe. For 2 as a dreame commeth by the multitude of businesse: so the voyce of a foole is in the multitude of wordes. When thou hast 3 vowed a vowe to God, deferre not to pay it: for he deliteth not in fooles: pay therefore that thou hast vowed. It is better that 4 thou shouldest not vowe, then that thou shouldest vow and not pay it. Suffer not thy mouth to make thy flesh to sinne: nei- 5 ther say before the Angel, that this is ignorance: wherefore shall God bee angry by thy voyce, and destroy the worke of thine hands? For in the multitude of dreames, and vanities 6 are also many wordes: but feare thou God. If in a countrey 7 thou seest the oppression of the poore, and the defrauding of iudgement and iustice, be not astonied at the matter: for hee that is higher then the highest, regardeth, and there be higher And the abundance of the earth is ouer all: the 8 then thev. King also consisteth by the fielde that is tilled. He that lou- 9 eth siluer, shall not be satisfied with siluer, and he that loueth

riches, shalbe without the fruite thereof: this also is vanitie. 10 When goods increase, they are increased that eate them: and what good commeth to the owners thereof, but the beholding 11 thereof with their eyes? The sleepe of him that traueileth, is sweete, whether he eate litle or much: but the sacietie of the 12 riche will not suffer him to sleepe. There is an euill sickenes that I have seene vnder the sunne: to wit, riches reserved to 13 the owners thereof for their euill. And these riches perish by euill trauel, and he begetteth a sonne, and in his hand is noth-14 ing. As hee came foorth of his mothers belly, he shall returne naked to goe as he came, and shall beare away nothing of his 15 labour, which hee hath caused to passe by his hand. And this also is an euill sickenes that in all pointes as he came, so shall he goe, and what profit hath he that he hath traueiled for the 16 winde? Also all his dayes hee eateth in darkenes with much 17 griefe, and in his sorowe and anger. Beholde then, what I haue seene good, that it is comely to eate, and to drinke, and to take pleasure in all his labour, wherein he traueileth vnder the sunne, the whole nomber of the dayes of his life, which God 18 giueth him: for this is his portion. Also to euery man to whom God hath given riches and treasures, and giveth him power to eate thereof, and to take his part, and to enjoy his labour: this 19 is the gift of God. Surely hee will not much remember the dayes of his life, because God answereth to the ioy of his heart. There is an euill, which I sawe vnder the sunne, and it is 6

much among men: A man to whom God hath given riches and treasures and honour, and he wanteth nothing for his soule of all that it desireth: but God giveth him not power to eate thereof, but a strange man shall eate it vp: this is vanitie, and this is an euill sicknesse. If a man beget an hundreth children and live many yeeres, and the dayes of his yeeres be multiplied, and his soule be not satisfied with good things, and he be not buried, I say that an vntimely fruite is better then he.

For he commeth into vanitie and goeth into darkenesse: and his name shall be covered with darkenesse. Also he hath not seene ye sunne, nor knowen it: therefore this hath more rest then the other. And if he had lived a thousand yeeres twise tolde, and had seene no good, shall not all goe to one place? All the labour of man is for his mouth: yet the soule is not filled.

8 For what hath the wise man more then the foole? what hath

the poore that knoweth how to walke before the liuing? The 9 sight of ye eye is better then to walke in ye lustes: this also is vanitie, and vexation of spirit. What is that that hath bene? 10 the name thereof is nowe named: and it is knowen that it is man: and he cannot striue with him that is stronger then he.

Surely there be many things that increase vanitie: and what 7 auaileth it man? For who knoweth what is good for man in 2 the life and in the nomber of the dayes of the life of his vanitie, seeing he maketh them as a shadowe? For who can shewe vnto man what shall be after him vnder the sunne? A good 3 name is better then a good oyntment, and the day of death, then the day that one is borne. It is better to goe to the house 4 of mourning, then to goe to the house of feasting, because this is the ende of all men: and the liuing shall lay it to his heart. Anger is better then laughter: for by a sad looke the heart is 5 made better. The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning: but the heart of fooles is in the house of mirth. Better it 7 is to heare ye rebuke of a wise man, then that a man should heare the song of fooles. For like ye noyse of the thornes vn- 8 der the pot, so is the laughter of the foole: this also is vanitie. Surely oppression maketh a wise man mad: and the rewarde 9 destroyeth the heart. The ende of a thing is better then the 10 beginning thereof, and the pacient in spirit is better then the proude in spirit. Be not thou of an hastie spirit to be angry: 11 for anger resteth in the bosome of fooles. Say not thou, Why is 12 it that the former dayes were better then these? for thou doest not enquire wisely of this thing. Wisedome is good with an in- 13 heritance, and excellent to them that see the sunne. For man 14 shall rest in the shadowe of wisedome, and in the shadowe of siluer: but the excellencie of the knowledge of wisedome giueth life to the possessers thereof. Beholde the worke of God: for 15 who can make straight that which he hath made crooked? In 16 the day of wealth be of good comfort, and in the day of affliction consider: God also hath made this contrary to that, to the intent that man shoulde finde nothing after him. I have seene 17 all things in the dayes of my vanitie: there is a just man that perisheth in his iustice, and there is a wicked man that continueth long in his malice. Be not thou iust ouermuch, neither 18 make thy selfe ouerwise: wherefore shouldest thou be desolate? Be not thou wicked ouermuch, neither be thou foolish: 19 20 wherefore shouldest thou perish not in thy time? It is good that thou lay hold on this: but yet withdrawe not thine hand from that: for he that feareth God, shall come forth of them 21 all. Wisedome shall strengthen the wise man more then ten 22 mightie princes that are in ye citie. Surely there is no man 23 iust in the earth, that doeth good and sinneth not. Giue not thine heart also to all ye wordes that men speake, lest thou 24 doe heare thy seruant cursing thee. For often times also thine 25 heart knoweth that thou likewise hast cursed others. All this haue I prooued by wisedome: I thought I will be wise, but it 26 went farre from me. It is farre off, what may it be? and it is 27 a profound deepenesse, who can finde it? I have compassed about, both I and mine heart to knowe and to enquire and to search wisedome, and reason, and to knowe the wickednesse of 28 follie, and the foolishnesse of madnesse, And I finde more bitter then death the woman whose heart is as nettes and snares, and her handes, as bands: he that is good before God, shalbe 29 deliuered from her, but the sinner shall be taken by her. Beholde, sayth the Preacher, this haue I found, seeking one by 30 one to finde the count: And yet my soule seeketh, but I finde it not: I haue found one man of a thousand: but a woman among 31 them all haue I not founde. Onely loe, this haue I founde, that God hath made man righteous: but they have sought many inuentions.

Who is as the wise man? and who knoweth the interpreta-8 tion of a thing? the wisedome of a man doth make his face to 2 shine: and the strength of his face shalbe changed. I aduertise thee to take heede to ye mouth of the King, and to the worde 3 of the othe of God. Haste not to goe forth of his sight: stand not in an euill thing: for he will doe whatsoeuer pleaseth him. 4 Where the word of ye King is, there is power, and who shall say 5 vnto him, What doest thou? He that keepeth the commandement, shall knowe none euill thing, and the heart of the wise 6 shall knowe the time and iudgement. For to euery purpose there is a time and iudgement, because the miserie of man is 7 great vpon him. For he knoweth not that which shalbe: for 8 who can tell him when it shalbe? Man is not lorde ouer the spirit to retaine the spirite: neither hath hee power in the day of death, nor deliuerance in the battell, neither shall wicked-9 nesse deliuer the possessers thereof. All this haue I seene, and haue given mine heart to euery worke, which is wrought vnder the sunne, and I sawe a time that man ruleth ouer man to his owne hurt. And likewise I sawe the wicked buried, and 10 they returned, and they that came from the holy place, were yet forgotten in the citie where they had done right: this also is vanitie. Because sentence against an euill worke is not ex- 11 ecuted speedily, therefore the heart of the children of men is fully set in them to doe euill. Though a sinner doe euill an 12 hundreth times, and God prolongeth his dayes, yet I knowe that it shalbe well with them that feare the Lord, and doe reuerence before him. But it shall not be well to the wicked. 13 neither shall he prolong his dayes: he shall be like a shadowe, because he feareth not before God. There is a vanitie, which 14 is done vpon the earth, that there be righteous men to whom it commeth according to the worke of the wicked: and there be wicked men to whom it commeth according to the worke of the iust: I thought also that this is vanitie. And I praysed ioy: 15 for there is no goodnesse to man vnder the sunne, saue to eate and to drinke and to reiovce: for this is adiovned to his labour, the dayes of his life that God hath given him vnder the sunne. When I applied mine heart to knowe wisedome, and to behold 16 the busines that is done on earth, that neither day nor night the eyes of man take sleepe. Then I behelde the whole worke 17 of God, that man cannot finde out ye worke that is wrought vnder the sunne: for the which man laboureth to seeke it, and cannot finde it: yea, and though the wise man thinke to knowe it, he cannot finde it.

I have surely given mine heart to all this, and to declare all this, that the iust, and the wise, and their workes are in the hand of God: and no man knoweth eyther loue or hatred of all that is before them. All things come alike to all: and the same condition is to the iust and to the wicked, to the good and to the pure, and to the polluted, and to him that sacrificeth, and to him that sacrificeth not: as is the good, so is the sinner, he that sweareth, as he that feareth an othe. This is euill among all that is done vnder the sunne, that there is one condition to all, and also the heart of the sonnes of men is full of euill, and madnes is in their heartes whiles they liue, and after that, they goe to the dead. Surely whosoeuer is ioyned to all ye liuing, 4 there is hope: for it is better to a liuing dog, then to a dead lyon.

5 For the liuing knowe that they shall dye, but the dead knowe nothing at all: neither haue they any more a rewarde: for their 6 remembrance is forgotten. Also their loue, and their hatred, and their enuie is now perished, and they have no more por-7 tion for euer, in all that is done vnder the sunne. Goe, eate thy bread with ioy, and drinke thy wine with a cheerefull heart: for 8 God nowe accepteth thy workes. At all times let thy garments 9 be white, and let not oyle be lacking vpon thine head. Reioyce with the wife whom thou hast loued all the dayes of the life of thy vanitie, which God hath given thee vnder the sunne all the dayes of thy vanitie: for this is thy portion in the life, and 10 in thy trauaile wherein thou labourest vnder the sunne. All that thine hand shall finde to doe, doe it with all thy power: for there is neither worke nor inuention, nor knowledge, nor 11 wisedome in the graue whither thou goest. I returned, and I sawe vnder the sunne that the race is not to the swift, nor the battell to the strong, nor yet bread to the wise, nor also riches to men of vnderstanding, neither yet fauour to men of knowl-12 edge: but time and chance commeth to them all. For neither doth man knowe his time, but as the fishes which are taken in an euill net, and as the birdes that are caught in the snare: so are the children of men snared in the euill time when it fal-13 leth vpon them suddenly. I have also seene this wisedome 14 vnder the sunne, and it is great vnto me. A litle citie and fewe men in it, and a great King came against it, and compassed 15 it about, and builded fortes against it. And there was founde therein a poore and wise man, and he deliuered the citie by his 16 wisedome: but none remembred this poore man. Then said I, Better is wisdome then strength: yet the wisedome of the 17 poore is despised, and his wordes are not heard. The wordes of the wise are more heard in quietnes, then the crye of him 18 that ruleth among fooles. Better is wisedome then weapons of warre: but one sinner destroyeth much good.

Dead flies cause to stinke, and putrifie the ointment of the apoticarie: so doeth a litle follie him that is in estimation for wisedome, and for glorie. The heart of a wise man is at his right hand: but the heart of a foole is at his left hand. And also when the foole goeth by the way, his heart faileth, and he tel-4 leth vnto all that he is a foole. If the spirite of him that ruleth, rise vp against thee, leaue not thy place: for gentlenes pacifi-

eth great sinnes. There is an euil that I haue seene vnder 5 the sunne, as an errour that proceedeth from the face of him Follie is set in great excellencie, and the riche 6 that ruleth. set in the lowe place. I have seene servants on horses, and 7 princes walking as seruants on the ground. He that diggeth a 8 pit, shall fal into it, and he that breaketh the hedge, a serpent shall bite him. He that removueth stones, shall hurt himselfe 9 thereby, and hee that cutteth wood, shall be in danger thereby. If the yron be blunt, and one hath not whet the edge, he must 10 then put to more strength: but the excellencie to direct a thing is wisedome. If the serpent bite, when he is not charmed: no 11 better is a babbler. The words of ve mouth of a wise man haue 12 grace: but the lippes of a foole deuoure himselfe. The begin- 13 ning of the wordes of his mouth is foolishnesse, and the latter ende of his mouth is wicked madnesse. For the foole multi- 14 plieth woordes, saying, Man knoweth not what shall be: and who can tell him what shall be after him? The labour of the 15 foolish doeth wearie him: for he knoweth not to goe into the citie. Woe to thee, O lande, when thy King is a childe, and thy 16 princes eate in the morning. Blessed art thou, O land, when 17 thy King is the sonne of nobles, and thy princes eate in time, for strength and not for drunkennesse. By slouthfulnes the 18 roofe of the house goeth to decaie, and by the vdlenesse of the handes the house droppeth through. They prepare bread for 19 laughter, and wine comforteth the liuing, but siluer answereth to all. Curse not the King, no not in thy thought, neither curse 20 the rich in thy bed chamber: for the foule of the heauen shall carie the voice, and that which hath wings, shall declare the matter.

Cast thy bread vpon the waters: for after many daies thou 11 shalt finde it. Giue a portion to seuen, and also to eight: 2 for thou knowest not what euill shalbe vpon ye earth. If the 3 clouds be full, they wil powre forth raine vpon the earth: and if the tree doe fall toward the South, or toward the North, in the place that the tree falleth, there it shalbe. He that observeth 4 ye winde, shall not sow, and he that regardeth the cloudes, shall not reape. As thou knowest not which is ye way of the 5 spirit, nor how the bones doe growe in the wombe of her that is with child: so thou knowest not the worke of God that worketh all. In the morning sowe thy seede, and in the evening let not 6

thine hand rest: for thou knowest not whither shall prosper, this or that, or whether both shalbe a like good. Surely the light is a pleasant thing: and it is a good thing to the eyes to see the sunne. Though a man liue many yeeres, and in them all he reioyce, yet hee shall remember the daies of darkenesse, because they are manie, all that commeth is vanitie. Reioyce, O yong man, in thy youth, and let thine heart cheere thee in the dayes of thy youth: and walke in the waies of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but knowe that for all these things, God wil bring thee to iudgement. Therefore take away griefe out of thine heart, and cause euil to depart from thy flesh: for childehood and youth are vanitie.

Remember nowe thy Creator in the daies of thy youth, whiles 12 the euill daies come not, nor the yeeres approche, wherein thou 2 shalt say, I have no pleasure in them: Whiles the sunne is not darke, nor ye light, nor the moone, nor the starres, nor the 3 cloudes returne after the raine: When the keepers of ye house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow them selues, and the grinders shall cease, because they are few, and they waxe 4 darke that looke out by ye windowes: And the doores shall be shut without by the base sound of the grinding, and he shall rise vp at the voice of the birde: and all the daughters 5 of singing shall be abased. Also they shalbe afraide of the hie thing, and feare shalbe in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grassehopper shall be a burden, and concupiscence shall be driven away: for man goeth to the house of his 6 age, and the mourners goe about in the streete. Whiles the siluer coarde is not lengthened, nor the golden ewer broken, nor the pitcher broken at the well, nor the wheele broken at 7 the cisterne: And dust returne to the earth as it was, and the 8 spirit returne to God that gaue it. Vanitie of vanities, saieth 9 the Preacher, all is vanitie. And the more wise the Preacher was, the more he taught the people knowledge, and caused them to heare, and searched foorth, and prepared many para-The Preacher sought to finde out pleasant wordes, and 11 an vpright writing, euen the wordes of trueth. The wordes of the wise are like goads, and like nailes fastened by the mas-12 ters of the assemblies, which are given by one pastour. And of other things beside these, my sone, take thou heede: for there is none ende in making many bookes, and much reading is a

wearines of the flesh. Let vs heare the end of all: feare God 13 and keepe his commandements: for this is the whole duetie of man. For God will bring euery worke vnto iudgement, with 14 euery secret thing, whether it be good or euill.

## THE SONG OF SOLOMON.

et him kisse me with the kisses of his mouth: for thy loue is better then wine. Because of the sauour of thy good ointments thy name is as an ointment powred out: therefore the virgins loue thee. Drawe me: we will runne after thee: the King hath brought me into his chabers: we will reioyce and be glad in thee: we will re-4 member thy loue more then wine: the righteous do loue thee. I am blacke, O daughters of Ierusalem, but comely, as the tentes 5 of Kedar, and as the curtaines of Salomon. Regard ve me not because I am blacke: for the sunne hath looked vpon mee. The sonnes of my mother were angry against mee: they made me 6 the keeper of ve vines: but I kept not mine owne vine. Shewe me, O thou, whome my soule loueth, where thou feedest, where thou liest at noone: for why should I be as she that turneth 7 aside to the flockes of thy companions? If thou knowe not, O thou the fairest among women, get thee foorth by the steps of the flocke, and feede thy kiddes by the tents of the shepheards. 8 I have compared thee, O my love, to the troupe of horses in 9 the charets of Pharaoh. Thy cheekes are comely with rowes 10 of stones, and thy necke with chaines. We will make thee bor-11 ders of golde with studdes of siluer. Whiles the King was at 12 his repast, my spikenard gaue the smelll thereof. My welbeloued is as a bundle of myrrhe vnto me: he shall lie betweene 13 my breasts. My welbeloued is as a cluster of camphire vnto 14 me in the vines of Engedi. My loue, beholde, thou art faire: 15 beholde, thou art faire: thine eyes are like the doues. My welbeloued, beholde, thou art faire and pleasant: also our bed is The beames of our house are cedars, our rafters are 16 greene: of firre.

2, 2 I am the rose of the fielde, and the lilie of the valleys. Like a lilie amog the thornes, so is my loue among the daughters.
3 Like the apple tree among the trees of the forest, so is my welbeloued among the sonnes of men: vnder his shadow had I delite, and sate downe: and his fruite was sweete vnto my
4 mouth. Hee brought mee into the wine cellar, and loue was
5 his banner ouer me. Stay me with flagons, and comfort me

with apples: for I am sicke of loue. His left hande is vnder 6 mine head, and his right hand doeth imbrace me. I charge 7 you, O daughters of Ierusalem, by the roes and by the hindes of the fielde, that ye stirre not vp, nor waken my loue, vntill she It is the voyce of my welbeloued: beholde, hee com- 8 meth leaping by the mountaines, and skipping by the hilles. My welbeloued is like a roe, or a yong hart: loe, he standeth 9 behinde our wall, looking forth of the windowes, shewing him selfe through the grates. My welbeloued spake and said vnto 10 me, Arise, my loue, my faire one, and come thy way. For be- 11 holde, winter is past: the raine is changed, and is gone away. The flowers appeare in the earth: the time of the singing of 12 birdes is come, and the voyce of the turtle is heard in our land. The figtree hath brought foorth her yong figges: and the vines 13 with their small grapes have cast a sauour: arise my loue, my faire one, and come away. My doue, that art in the holes of 14 ve rocke, in the secret places of the staires, shewe mee thy sight, let mee heare thy voyce: for thy voyce is sweete, and thy sight comely. Take vs the foxes, the little foxes, which destroy 15 the vines: for our vines have small grapes. My welbeloued is 16 mine, and I am his: hee feedeth among the lilies, Vntil the 17 day breake, and the shadowes flee away: returne, my welbeloued, and be like a roe, or a yong hart vpon the mountaines of Bether.

In my bed by night I sought him that my soule loued: I 3 sought him, but I found him not. I will rise therefore nowe, 2 and goe about in the citie, by the streetes and by the open places, and wil seeke him that my soule loueth: I sought him, but I found him not. The watchmen that went about the citie, 3 found mee: to whome I said, Haue you seene him, whome my soule loueth? When I had past a litle from them, then I found 4 him whom my soule loued: I tooke holde on him and left him not, till I had brought him vnto my mothers house into the chamber of her that conceived me. I charge you, O daughters 5 of Ierusalem, by the roes and by the hindes of the fielde, that ye stirre not vp, nor waken my loue vntill she please. Who is shee 6 that commeth vp out of the wildernes like pillars of smoke perfumed with myrrhe and incense, and with all the spices of the marchant? Beholde his bed, which is Salomons: threescore 7 strong men are round about it, of the valiant men of Israel.

8 They all handle the sworde, and are expert in warre, euery one
9 hath his sword vpon his thigh for the feare by night. King
10 Salomon made himselfe a palace of the trees of Lebanon. Hee
made the pillars thereof of siluer, and the pauement thereof of
gold, the hangings thereof of purple, whose middes was paued
11 with the loue of the daughters of Ierusalem. Come forth,
ye daughters of Zion, and behold the King Salomon with the
crowne, wherewith his mother crowned him in ye day of his
mariage, and in the day of the gladnes of his heart.

Behold, thou art faire, my loue: behold, thou art faire: thine eyes are like the doues: among thy lockes thine heare is like the flocke of goates, which looke downe from the mountaine 2 of Gilead. Thy teeth are like a flocke of sheepe in good order, which go vp from the washing: which euery one bring out 3 twinnes, and none is barren among them. Thy lippes are like a threede of scarlet, and thy talke is comely: thy temples are 4 within thy lockes as a piece of a pomegranate. Thy necke is as the tower of Dauid builte for defence: a thousand shieldes 5 hang therein, and all the targates of the strong men. two breastes are as two young roes that are twinnes, feeding 6 among the lilies. Vntill the day breake, and the shadowes flie away, I wil go into the mountaine of myrrhe and to the moun-7 taine of incense. Thou art all faire, my loue, and there is no 8 spot in thee. Come with me from Lebanon, my spouse, euen with me from Lebanon, and looke from the toppe of Amanah, from the toppe of Shenir and Hermon, from the dennes of the 9 lyons, and from the mountaines of the leopards. My sister, my spouse, thou hast wounded mine heart: thou hast wounded mine heart with one of thine eyes, and with a chaine of thy 10 necke. My sister, my spouse, how faire is thy loue? howe much better is thy loue then wine? and the sauour of thine 11 oyntments then all spices? Thy lippes, my spouse, droppe as honie combes: honie and milke are vnder thy tongue, and the 12 sauoure of thy garments is as the sauoure of Lebanon. My sister my spouse is as a garden inclosed, as a spring shut vp, 13 and a fountaine sealed vp. Thy plantes are as an orchard of pomegranates with sweete fruites, as camphire, spikenarde, 14 Euen spikenarde, and saffran, calamus, and cynamon with all the trees of incense, myrrhe and aloes, with all the chiefe 15 spices. O fountaine of the gardens, O well of liuing waters.

and the springs of Lebanon. Arise, O North, and come O 16 South, and blowe on my garden that the spices thereof may flow out: let my welbeloued come to his garden, and eate his pleasant fruite.

I am come into my garden, my sister, my spouse: I gathered 5 my myrrhe with my spice: I ate mine hony combe with mine hony, I dranke my wine with my milke: eate, O friends, drinke, and make you merie, O welbeloued. I sleepe, but mine heart 2 waketh, it is the voyce of my welbeloued that knocketh, saying, Open vnto mee, my sister, my loue, my doue, my vndefiled: for mine head is full of dewe, and my lockes with the droppes of the night. I have put off my coate, howe shall I put it on? I have 3 washed my feete, howe shall I defile them? My welbeloued 4 put in his hand by the hole of the doore, and mine heart was affectioned toward him. I rose vp to open to my welbeloued, 5 and mine hands did drop downe myrrhe, and my fingers pure myrrhe vpon the handels of the barre. I opened to my welbe- 6 loued: but my welbeloued was gone, and past: mine heart was gone when hee did speake: I sought him, but I coulde not finde him: I called him, but hee answered mee not. The watch- 7 men that went about the citie, founde me: they smote me and wounded me: the watchmen of the walles tooke away my vaile from me. I charge you, O daughters of Ierusalem, if you finde 8 my welbeloued, that you tell him that I am sicke of loue. O the 9 fairest among women, what is thy welbeloued more then other welbeloued? what is thy welbeloued more then another louer, that thou doest so charge vs? My welbeloued is white and 10 ruddie, the chiefest of ten thousand. His head is as fine golde, 11 his lockes curled, and blacke as a rauen. His eyes are like 12 doues vpon the riuers of waters, which are washt with milke, and remaine by the full vessels. His cheekes are as a bedde 13 of spices, and as sweete flowres, and his lippes like lilies dropping downe pure myrrhe. His hands as rings of gold set with 14 the chrysolite, his belly like white yuorie couered with saphirs. His legges are as pillars of marble, set vpon sockets of fine 15 golde: his countenance as Lebanon, excellent as the cedars. His mouth is as sweete thinges, and hee is wholy delectable: 16 this is my welbeloued, and this is my louer, O daughters of Ierusalem. O the fairest among women, whither is thy wel- 17 beloued gone? whither is thy welbeloued turned aside, that we

may seeke him with thee?

My welbeloued is gone downe into his garden to the beds of 6 2 spices, to feede in the gardens, and to gather lilies. I am my welbeloueds, and my welbeloued is mine, who feedeth among 3 the lilies. Thou art beautifull, my loue, as Tirzah, comely as 4 Ierusale, terrible as an army with baners. Turne away thine eyes from me: for they ouercome mee: thine heare is like a 5 flocke of goates, which looke downe from Gilead. Thy teeth are like a flocke of sheepe, which goe vp from the washing, which euery one bring out twinnes, and none is barren among them. 6 Thy temples are within thy lockes as a piece of a pomegranate. 7 There are threescore Queenes and fourescore concubines and 8 of the damsels without nober. But my doue is alone, and my vndefiled, she is the onely daughter of her mother, and shee is deare to her that bare her: the daughters have seene her and counted her blessed: euen the Queenes and the concubines, 9 and they have praised her. Who is shee that looketh foorth as the morning, fayre as the moone, pure as the sunne, terri-10 ble as an armie with banners! I went downe to the garden of nuttes, to see the fruites of the valley, to see if the vine bud-11 ded, and if the pomegranates flourished. I knewe nothing, my 12 soule set me as the charets of my noble people. Returne, returne, O Shulamite, returne: returne that we may behold thee. What shall you see in the Shulamite, but as the company of an armie?

Howe beautiful are thy goings with shooes, O princes daugh-7 ter! the ioynts of thy thighs are like iewels: the worke of the 2 hande of a cunning workeman. Thy nauel is as a round cuppe that wanteth not licour: thy belly is as an heape of wheat com-3 passed about with lilies. Thy two breastes are as two young 4 roes that are twinnes. Thy necke is like a towre of yuorie: thine eyes are like the fishe pooles in Heshbon by the gate of Bath-rabbim: thy nose is as the towre of Lebanon, that looketh Thine head vpon thee is as skarlet, and 5 toward Damascus. the bush of thine head like purple: the King is tyed in the 6 rafters. Howe faire art thou, and howe pleasant art thou, O 7 my loue, in pleasures! This thy stature is like a palme tree, 8 and thy brestes like clusters. I saide, I will goe vp into the palme tree, I will take holde of her boughes: thy breastes shall nowe be like the clusters of the vine: and the sauour of thy

nose like apples, And the roufe of thy mouth like good wine, 9 which goeth straight to my welbeloued, and causeth the lippes of the ancient to speake. I am my welbeloueds, and his desire 10 is toward mee. Come, my welbeloued, let vs go foorth into the 11 fielde: let vs remaine in the villages. Let vs get vp early to the 12 vines, let vs see if the vine florish, whether it hath budded the small grape, or whether the pomegranates florish: there will I giue thee my loue. The mandrakes haue giuen a smelll, and in 13 our gates are all sweete things, new and olde: my welbeloued, I haue kept them for thee.

Oh that thou werest as my brother that sucked the brestes 8 of my mother: I would finde thee without, I would kisse thee, then they should not despise thee. I will leade thee and bring 2 thee into my mothers house: there thou shalt teache me: and I will cause thee to drinke spiced wine, and newe wine of the pomegranate. His left hand shalbe vnder mine head, and his 3 right hand shall embrace me. I charge you, O daughters of 4 Ierusale, that you stir not vp, nor waken my loue, vntil she please. (Who is this that commeth vp out of the wildernesse, 5 leaning vpon her welbeloued?) I raysed thee vp vnder an apple tree: there thy mother conceived thee: there she coceived that bare thee. Set mee as a seale on thine heart, and as a 6 signet vpon thine arme: for loue is strong as death: ielousie is cruel as the graue: the coles thereof are fierie coles, and a vehement flame. Much water can not quench loue, neither can 7 the floods drowne it: If a man should give all the substance of his house for loue, they would greatly contemne it. haue a litle sister, and she hath no breastes: what shall we do for our sister when she shalbe spoken for? If shee be a wall, 9 we will builde vpon her a siluer palace: and if she be a doore, we wil keepe her in with bordes of cedar. I am a wall, and 10 my breasts are as towres: then was I in his eyes as one that findeth peace. Salomon had a vine in Baal-hamon: hee gaue 11 the vineyarde vnto keepers: euery one bringeth for ye fruite thereof a thousand pieces of siluer. But my vineyarde which 12 is mine, is before me: to thee, O Salomon appertaineth a thousand pieces of siluer, and two hundreth to them that keepe the fruite thereof. O thou that dwellest in the gardens, the com- 13 panions hearken vnto thy voyce: cause me to heare it. O my 14 welbeloued, flee away, and be like vnto the roe, or to the yong

harte vpon ye mountaines of spices.

## THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH.

vision of Isaiah, the sonne of Amoz, which he sawe 1 concerning Iudah and Ierusalem: in the dayes of Vzziah,
Iotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah Kings of Iudah. Heare, 2
O heauens, and hearken, O earth: for the Lord hath sayde, I have nourished and brought vp children, but they haue rebelled against me. The oxe knoweth his owner, and 3 the asse his masters crib: but Israel hath not knowen: my people hath not vnderstand. Ah, sinfull nation, a people laden 4 with iniquitie: a seede of the wicked, corrupt children: they haue forsaken the Lord: they haue prouoked the holy one of Israel to anger: they are gone backewarde. Wherefore shoulde 5 ye be smitten any more? for ye fall away more and more: the whole head is sicke, and the whole heart is heavie. From the 6 sole of the foote vnto the head, there is nothing whole therein, but wounds, and swelling, and sores full of corruption: they have not bene wrapped, nor bound vp, nor mollified with oyle. Your land is waste: your cities are burnt with fire: strangers 7 deuoure your lande in your presence, and it is desolate like the ouerthrowe of strangers. And the daughter of Zion shall 8 remaine like a cotage in a vineyarde, like a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, and like a besieged citie. Except the Lord of 9 hostes had reserved vnto vs. euen a small remnant: we should haue bene as Sodom, and should haue bene like vnto Gomorah. Heare the worde of the Lord, O princes of Sodom: hearken vnto 10 the Law of our God, O people of Gomorah. What haue I to doe 11 with the multitude of your sacrifices, sayth the Lord? I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and of the fat of fed beasts: and I desire not the blood of bullocks, nor of lambs, nor of goates. When ye come to appeare before me, who required this of your 12 hands to tread in my courts? Bring no more oblations, in 13 vaine: incense is an abomination vnto me: I can not suffer your newe moones, nor Sabbaths, nor solemne dayes (it is iniquitie) nor solemne assemblies. My soule hateth your newe 14 moones and your appointed feastes: they are a burden vnto

15 me: I am weary to beare them. And when you shall stretch out your hands, I wil hide mine eyes from you: and though ye make many prayers, I wil not heare: for your hands are full 16 of blood. Wash you, make you cleane: take away the euill of 17 your workes from before mine eyes: cease to doe euill. Learne to doe well: seeke iudgement, relieue the oppressed: iudge the 18 fatherlesse and defend the widowe. Come nowe, and let vs reason together, sayth the Lord: though your sinnes were as crimsin, they shalbe made white as snowe: though they were 19 red like skarlet, they shalbe as wooll. If ye consent and obey, 20 ye shall eate the good things of the land. But if ye refuse and be rebellious, ve shalbe deuoured with the sword: for the 21 mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. Howe is the faithfull citie become an harlot? it was full of iudgement, and iustice lodged 22 therein, but now they are murtherers. Thy siluer is become 23 drosse: thy wine is mixt with water. Thy Princes are rebellious and companions of theeues: euery one loueth giftes, and followeth after rewards: they iudge not the fatherlesse, nei-24 ther doeth the widowes cause come before them. Therefore sayth the Lord God of hostes, the mightie one of Israel, Ah, I will ease me of mine aduersaries, and auenge me of mine ene-25 mies. Then I will turne mine hand vpon thee, and burne out 26 thy drosse, till it be pure, and take away all thy tinne. And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellers as at the beginning: afterward shalt thou be called a citie of 27 righteousnes, and a faithfull citie. Zion shall be redeemed in 28 iudgement, and they that returne in her, in iustice. And the destruction of the transgressers and of the sinners shalbe to-29 gether: and they that forsake the Lord, shalbe consumed. For they shalbe confounded for the okes, which ye have desired, and ye shall be ashamed of the gardens, that ye haue chosen. 30 For ye shalbe as an oke, whose leafe fadeth: and as a garden 31 that hath no water. And the strong shall be as towe, and the maker thereof, as a sparke: and they shall both burne together, and none shall quench them.

The worde that Isaiah the sonne of Amoz sawe vpon Iudah and Ierusalem. It shall be in the last dayes, that the mountaine of the house of the Lord shalbe prepared in the top of the mountaines, and shall be exalted about the hilles, and all nations shall flowe vnto it. And many people shall go, and say,

Come, and let vs go vp to the mountaine of the Lord, to the house of the God of Iaakob, and hee will teach vs his wayes, and we will walke in his paths: for the Lawe shall go foorth of Zion, and the worde of the Lord from Ierusalem. And he shall 4 iudge among the nations, and rebuke many people: they shall breake their swords also into mattocks, and their speares into siethes: nation shall not lift vp a sworde against nation, neither shall they learne to fight any more. O house of Iaakob, 5 come ve. and let vs walke in the Lawe of the Lord. Surely thou 6 hast forsaken thy people, the house of Iaakob, because they are full of the East maners, and are sorcerers as the Philistims, and abound with strange children. Their land also was 7 full of siluer and golde, and there was none ende of their treasures: and their land was full of horses, and their charets were Their land also was full of idols: they worshipped 8 the worke of their owne hands, which their owne fingers have made. And a man bowed himselfe, and a man humbled him- 9 selfe: therefore spare them not. Enter into the rocke, and hide 10 thee in the dust from before the feare of the Lord, and from the glory of his maiestie. The hie looke of man shall be hum- 11 bled, and the loftinesse of men shalbe abased, and the Lord onely shall be exalted in that day. For the day of the Lord of 12 hostes is voon all the proude and hautie, and voon all that is exalted: and it shalbe made lowe. Euen vpon all the cedars 13 of Lebanon, that are hie and exalted, and vpon all the okes of Bashan, And vpon all the hie mountaines, and vpon all the 14 hilles that are lifted vp, And vpon euery hie tower, and vpon 15 euery strong wall, And vpon all the shippes of Tarshish, and 16 vpon all pleasant pictures. And the hautinesse of men shalbe 17 brought low, and the loftinesse of men shalbe abased, and the Lord shall onely be exalted in that day. And the idoles will 18 he vtterly destroy. Then they shall goe into the holes of the 19 rockes, and into the caues of the earth, from before the feare of the Lord, and from the glory of his maiestie, when he shall arise to destroy the earth. At that day shall man cast away 20 his siluer idoles, and his golden idoles (which they had made themselues to worship them) to the mowles and to the backes, To goe into the holes of the rockes, and into the toppes of the 21 ragged rockes from before the feare of the Lord, and from the glory of his majestie, when he shall rise to destroy the earth.

22 Cease you from the man whose breath is in his nostrels: for wherein is he to be esteemed?

For lo, the Lord God of hostes will take away from Ierusalem 3 and from Iudah the stay and the strength: euen all the staye of 2 bread, and all the stay of water, The strong man, and the man of warre, the judge and the prophet, the prudent and the aged, 3 The captaine of fiftie, and the honourable, and the counseller, 4 and the cunning artificer, and the eloquent man. And I will appoint children to bee their princes, and babes shall rule ouer The people shalbe oppressed one of another, and euery one by his neighbour: the children shall presume against 6 the ancient, and the vile against the honourable. When euery one shall take holde of his brother of the house of his father, and say, Thou hast clothing: thou shalt bee our prince, 7 and let this fall be vnder thine hand. In that day hee shall sweare, saying, I cannot bee an helper: for there is no bread in mine house, nor clothing: therefore make me no prince of the 8 people. Doubtlesse Ierusalem is fallen, and Iudah is fallen downe, because their tongue and workes are against the Lord, 9 to prouoke the eyes of his glory. The triall of their countenance testifieth against them, yea, they declare their sinnes as Sodom, they hide them not. Wo be vnto their soules: for 10 they have rewarded euil vnto themselves. Say ve. Surely it shalbe well with the iust: for they shall eate the fruite of their 11 workes. Woe be to the wicked, it shalbe euill with him: for the 12 reward of his handes shalbe given him. Children are extortioners of my people, and women haue rule ouer them: O my people, they that leade thee, cause thee to erre, and destroy the 13 way of thy paths. The Lord standeth vp to pleade, yea, hee 14 standeth to judge the people. The Lord shall enter into judgement with the Ancients of his people and the princes thereof: for ye haue eaten vp the vineyarde: the spoyle of the poore is in 15 your houses. What have ye to do, that ye beate my people to pieces, and grinde the faces of the poore, saith the Lord, euen 16 the Lord of hoasts? The Lord also saith, Because the daughters of Zion are hautie, and walke with stretched out neckes, and with wandering eyes, walking and minsing as they goe, 17 and making a tinkeling with their feete, Therefore shall the Lord make the heades of the daughters of Zion balde, and the 18 Lord shall discouer their secrete partes. In that day shall the

Lord take away the ornament of the slippers, and the calles, and the round tyres, The sweete balles, and the brasselets, 19 and the bonnets, The tyres of the head, and the sloppes, and 20 the head bandes, and the tablets, and the earings, The rings 21 and the mufflers, The costly apparell and the vailes, and the 22 wimples, and the crisping pinnes, And the glasses and the 23 fine linen, and the hoodes, and the launes. And in steade of 24 sweete sauour, there shall be stinke, and in steade of a girdle, a rent, and in steade of dressing of the heare, baldnesse, and in steade of a stomacher, a girding of sackecloth, and burning in steade of beautie. Thy men shall fall by the sworde, and 25 thy strength in the battell. Then shall her gates mourne and 26 lament, and she, being desolate, shall sit vpon the ground.

And in that day shall seuen women take hold of one man, 4 saying, Wee will eate our owne bread, and we wil weare our owne garments: onely let vs bee called by thy name, and take away our reproche. In that day shall the budde of the Lord bee 2 beautifull and glorious, and the fruite of the earth shalbe excellent and pleasant for them that are escaped of Israel. Then 3 hee that shalbe left in Zion, and hee that shall remaine in Ierusalem, shalbe called holy, and euery one shalbe written among the liuing in Ierusalem, When the Lord shall wash 4 the filthines of the daughters of Zion, and purge the blood of Ierusalem out of the middes thereof by the spirite of judgement, and by the spirit of burning. And the Lord shall cre- 5 ate vpon euery place of mount Zion, and vpon the assemblies thereof, a cloude and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for vpon all the glory shall be a defence. And 6 a couering shalbe for a shadow in the day for the heate, and a place of refuge and a couert for the storme and for the raine.

Now will I sing to my beloued a song of my beloued to his vineyarde, My beloued had a vineyarde in a very fruitefull hill, And hee hedged it, and gathered out the stones of it, and he planted it with the best plants, and hee builte a towre in the middes thereof, and made a wine presse therein: then hee looked that it should bring foorth grapes: but it brought foorth wilde grapes. Now therefore, O inhabitants of Ierusalem and 3 men of Iudah, iudge, I pray you, betweene me, and my vineyarde. What coulde I haue done any more to my vineyard 4 that I haue not done vnto it? why haue I looked that it should

5 bring foorth grapes, and it bringeth foorth wilde grapes? And nowe I will tell you what I will do to my vineyarde: I will take away the hedge thereof, and it shall be eaten vp: I will breake 6 the wall thereof, and it shall be troden downe: And I will laye it waste: it shall not be cut, nor digged, but briers, and thornes shall growe vp: I will also commande the cloudes that they 7 raine no raine vpon it. Surely the vineyard of the Lord of hostes is the house of Israel, and the men of Iudah are his pleasant plant, and hee looked for judgement, but beholde op-8 pression: for righteousnesse, but beholde a crying. Woe vnto them that ioyne house to house, and laye fielde to fielde, till there bee no place, that ye may be placed by your selues in the 9 mids of the earth. This is in mine cares, saith the Lord of hostes. Surely many houses shall be desolate, euen great, and 10 faire without inhabitant. For ten acres of vines shall yelde one bath, and the seede of an homer shall yelde an ephah. Wo vnto them, that rise vp early to follow drunkennes, and to them 12 that continue vntill night, till the wine doe inflame them. And the harpe and viole, timbrel, and pipe, and wine are in their feastes: but they regard not the worke of the Lord, neither 13 consider the worke of his handes. Therefore my people is gone into captiuitie, because they had no knowledge, and the glorie thereof are men famished, and the multitude thereof is dried 14 vp with thirst. Therefore hell hath inlarged it selfe, and hath opened his mouth, without measure, and their glorie, and their multitude, and their pompe, and hee that reioyceth among 15 them, shall descend into it. And man shalbe brought downe, and man shalbe humbled, euen the eyes of the proude shalbe 16 humbled. And the Lord of hostes shalbe exalted in judgement, 17 and the holy God shalbe sanctified in iustice. Then shall the lambes feede after their maner, and the strangers shall eate 18 the desolate places of the fat. Woe vnto them, that draw iniquitie with cordes of vanitie, and sinne, as with cart ropes: 19 Which say, Let him make speede: let him hasten his worke, that wee may see it: and let the counsell of the holy one of Is-20 rael draw neere and come, that we may knowe it. Woe vnto them that speake good of euill, and euill of good, which put darkenes for light, and light for darkenes, that put bitter for 21 sweete, and sweete for sowre. Woe vnto them that are wise 22 in their owne eyes, and prudent in their owne sight. Wo vnto

them that are mightie to drinke wine, and to them that are strong to powre in strong drinke: Which iustifie the wicked 23 for a rewarde, and take away the righteousnesse of the righteous from him. Therefore as the flame of fire devoureth the 24 stubble, and as the chaffe is cosumed of the flame: so their roote shalbe as rottennesse, and their bud shall rise vp like dust, because they have cast off the Lawe of the Lord of hostes. and contemned the word of the holy one of Israel. Therefore is 25 the wrath of the Lord kindled against his people, and hee hath stretched out his hand vpon them, and hath smitten them that the mountaines did tremble: and their carkases were torne in the middes of the streetes, and for all this his wrath was not turned away, but his hande was stretched out still. And 26 he will lift vp a signe vnto the nations a farre, and wil hisse vnto them from the ende of the earth: and beholde, they shall come hastily with speede. None shall faint nor fall among 27 them: none shall slumber nor sleepe, neither shall the girdle of his lovnes be loosed, nor the latchet of his shooes be broken: Whose arrowes shall be sharpe, and all his bowes bent: his 28 horse hoofes shall be thought like flint, and his wheeles like a whirlewinde. His roaring shalbe like a lyon, and he shall 29 roare like lyons whelpes: they shall roare, and lay holde of the praye: they shall take it away, and none shall deliuer it. And 30 in that day they shall roare vpon them, as the roaring of the sea: and if they looke vnto the earth, beholde darkenesse, and sorowe, and the light shalbe darkened in their skie.

In the yeere of the death of King Vzziah, I saw also the Lord sitting vpon an high throne, and lifted vp, and the lower partes thereof filled the Temple. The Seraphims stoode vpon 2 it: euery one had sixe wings: with twaine he couered his face, and with twaine hee couered his feete, and with twaine he did flie. And one cryed to another, and sayde, Holy, holy, holy is 3 the Lord of hostes: the whole world is full of his glory. And 4 the lintles of the doore cheekes moued at the voyce of him that cryed, and the house was filled with smoke. Then I sayd, Wo is 5 me: for I am vndone, because I am a man of polluted lips, and I dwell in the middes of a people of polluted lips: for mine eyes haue seene the King and Lord of hostes. Then flewe one of 6 the Seraphims vnto me with an hote cole in his hand, which he had taken from the altar with the tongs: And he touched my 7

mouth, and sayd, Loe, this hath touched thy lips, and thine in-8 iquitie shall be taken away, and thy sinne shalbe purged. Also I heard the voyce of the Lord, saying, Whome shall I send? and 9 who shall goe for vs? Then I sayd, Here am I, send me. And he sayd, Goe, and say vnto this people, Ye shall heare in deede, but ye shall not vnderstand: ye shall plainely see, and not per-10 ceiue. Make the heart of this people fatte, make their eares heauie, and shut their eyes, lest they see with their eyes, and heare with their eares, and vnderstand with their hearts, and 11 conuert, and he heale them. Then sayd I, Lord, howe long? And he answered. Vntill the cities be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be vtterly 12 desolate, And the Lord haue remoued men farre away, and 13 there be a great desolation in the mids of the land. But yet in it shalbe a tenth, and shall returne, and shalbe eaten vp as an elme or an oke, which have a substance in them, when they cast their leaves: so the holy seede shall be the substance thereof.

And in the dayes of Ahaz, the sonne of Iotham, the sonne 7 of Vzziah king of Iudah, Rezin the King of Aram came vp, and Pekah the sonne of Remaliah King of Israel, to Ierusalem to 2 fight against it, but he could not ouercome it. And it was tolde the house of Dauid, saying, Aram is joyned with Ephraim: therefore his heart was moued, and the heart of his people, 3 as the trees of the forest are moued by the winde. Then sayde the Lord vnto Isaiah, Goe foorth nowe to meete Ahaz (thou and Sheariashub thy sonne) at the ende of the conduit of the vpper 4 poole, in the path of the fullers fielde, And say vnto him, Take heede, and be still: feare not, neither be faint hearted for the two tailes of these smoking firebrands, for the furious wrath of 5 Rezin and of Aram, and of Remaliahs sonne: Because Aram hath taken wicked counsell against thee, and Ephraim, and 6 Remaliahs sonne, saying, Let vs goe vp against Iudah, and let vs waken them vp, and make a breach therein for vs, and set 7 a King in the mids thereof, euen the sonne of Tabeal. 8 sayth the Lord God, It shall not stand, neither shall it be. For the head of Aram is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin: and within fiue and threescore yeere, Ephraim shalbe 9 destroyed from being a people. And the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is Remaliahs sonne. If ye

beleeue not, surely ye shall not be established. And the Lord 10 spake againe vnto Ahaz, saying, Aske a signe for thee of the 11 Lord thy God: aske it, either in the depth beneath or in the height aboue. But Ahaz sayd, I wil not aske, neither will I 12 tempt the Lord. Then he sayd, Heare you nowe, O house of 13 Dauid, Is it a small thing for you to grieue men, that ye will also grieue my God? Therefore the Lord himselfe will giue 14 vou a signe. Beholde, the virgine shall conceiue and beare a sonne, and she shall call his name Immanu-el. Butter and 15 hony shall he eate, till he have knowledge to refuse the euill, and to chuse the good. For afore the childe shall have knowl- 16 edge to eschew the euill, and to chuse the good, the land, that thou abhorrest, shalbe forsaken of both her Kings. The Lord 17 shall bring vpon thee, and vpon thy people, and vpon thy fathers house (the dayes that have not come from the day that Ephraim departed from Iudah) euen the King of Asshur. And 18 in that day shall the Lord hisse for the flie that is at the vttermost part of the floods of Egypt, and for the bee which is in the lande of Asshur. And they shall come and shall light all in 19 the desolate valleys, and in the holes of the rockes, and vpon all thorny places, and vpon all bushy places. In that day shall 20 the Lord shaue with a rasor that is hired, euen by them bevond the Riuer, by the King of Asshur, the head and the heare of the feete, and it shall consume the beard. And in the same 21 day shall a man nourish a yong kow, and two sheepe. And 22 for the abundance of milke, that they shall give, hee shall eate butter: for butter and hony shall euery one eate, which is left within the land. And at the same day euery place, wherein 23 shalbe a thousand vines, shalbe at a thousand pieces of siluer: so it shalbe for the briers and for the thornes. With arrowes 24 and with bowe shall one come thither; because all the land shall be briers and thornes. But on all the mountaines, which 25 shalbe digged with the mattocke, there shall not come thither the feare of briers and thornes: but they shalbe for the sending out of bullocks, and for the treading of sheepe.

Moreover, the Lord sayd vnto me, Take thee a great roll, 8 and write in it with a mans penne, Make speede to the spoyle: haste to the praye. Then I tooke vnto me faithfull witnesses to 2 recorde, Vriah the Priest, and Zechariah the sonne of Ieberechiah. After, I came vnto the Prophetesse, which conceiued, and bare 3

a sonne. Then sayd the Lord to me, Call his name, Mahershalalhash-4 baz. For before the childe shall have knowledge to crye, My father, and my mother, he shall take away the riches of Damas-5 cus and the spoyle of Samaria, before the King of Asshur. And 6 the Lord spake yet againe vnto me, saying, Because this people hath refused the waters of Shiloah that runne softly, and 7 reioyce with Rezin, and the sonne of Remaliah, Nowe therefore, beholde, the Lord bringeth vp vpon them the waters of the Riuer mightie and great, euen the King of Asshur with all his glory, and he shall come vp vpon all their riuers, and goe 8 ouer all their banks, And shall breake into Iudah, and shall ouerflowe and passe through, and shall come vp to the necke, and the stretching out of his wings shall fill the breadth of thy 9 land, O Immanu-el. Gather together on heapes, O ye people, and ye shalbe broken in pieces, and hearken all ye of farre countreys: gird your selues, and you shalbe broken in pieces: 10 gird your selues, and you shalbe broken in pieces. Take counsell together, yet it shall be brought to nought: pronounce a 11 decree, yet shall it not stand: for God is with vs. For the Lord spake thus to me in taking of mine hand, and taught me, that I 12 should not walke in the way of this people, saying. Say ye not, A confederacie to all them, to whome this people sayth a confederacie, neither feare you their feare, nor be afrayd of them. 13 Sanctifie the Lord of hostes, and let him be your feare, and let 14 him be your dread, And he shalbe as a Sanctuarie: but as a stumbling stone, and as a rocke to fall vpon, to both the houses of Israel, and as a snare and as a net to the inhabitants of 15 Ierusalem. And many among them shall stumble, and shall fall and shalbe broken and shalbe snared and shalbe taken. 16 Binde vp the testimonie: seale vp the Law among my disciples. 17 Therefore I will waite vpon the Lord that hath hid his face from 18 the house of Iaakob, and I wil looke for him. Beholde, I and the children whome the Lord hath given me, are as signes and as wonders in Israel, by the Lord of hostes, which dwelleth in 19 mount Zion. And when they shall say vnto you, Enquire at them that have a spirit of divination, and at the soothsayers, which whisper and murmure, Should not a people enquire at 20 their God? from the liuing to the dead? To the Law, and to the testimonie, if they speake not according to this worde: it is be-21 cause there is no light in them. Then he that is afflicted and

famished, shall go to and from in it: and when he shalbe hungry, he shall euen freat himselfe, and curse his King and his gods, and shall looke vpward. And when he shall looke to the 22 earth, beholde trouble, and darkenes, vexation and anguish, and he is driven to darkenes.

Yet the darkenesse shall not be according to the affliction **9** that it had when at the first hee touched lightly the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, nor afteward when he was more grieuous by the way of the sea beyond Iorden in Galile of the Gentiles. The people that walked in darkenes have seene 2 a great light: they that dwelled in the land of the shadowe of death, vpon them hath the light shined. Thou hast multiplied 3 the nation, and not increased their iove: they have reioyced before thee according to the iove in haruest, and as men reiovce when they deuide a spoyle. For the yoke of their burthen, 4 and the staffe of their shoulder and the rod of their oppressour hast thou broken as in the day of Midian. Surely euery 5 battell of the warriour is with noyse, and with tumbling of garments in blood: but this shall be with burning and deuouring of fire. For vnto vs a childe is borne, and vnto vs a Sonne is 6 giuen: and the gouernement is voon his shoulder, and he shall call his name Wonderfull, Counseller, The mightie God, The euerlasting Father, The prince of peace, The increase of his 7 gouernement and peace shall have none end: he shall sit vpon the throne of Dauid, and vpon his kingdome, to order it, and to stablish it with judgement and with justice, from hencefoorth, euen for euer: the zeale of the Lord of hostes will performe this. The Lord hath sent a worde into Iaakob, and it hath lighted 8 vpon Israel. And all the people shall knowe, euen Ephraim, 9 and the inhabitant of Samaria, that say in the pride and presumption of the heart, The brickes are fallen, but we will build 10 it with hewen stones: the wilde figge trees are cut downe, but we will change them into ceders. Neuerthelesse the Lord will 11 raise vp the aduersaries of Rezin against him, and ioyne his enemies together. Aram before and the Philistims behinde, 12 and they shall deuoure Israel with open mouth: yet for all this his wrath is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still. For the people turneth not vnto him that smiteth them, 13 neither doe they seeke the Lord of hostes. Therefore will the 14 Lord cut off from Israel head and taile, branche and rush in

15 one day. The ancient and the honorable man, he is the head: 16 and the prophet that teacheth lies, he is the taile. For the leaders of the people cause them to erre: and they that are 17 led by them are deuoured. Therefore shall the Lord haue no pleasure in their yong men, neither will he haue compassion of their fatherlesse and of their widowes: for euery one is an hypocrite and wicked, and euery mouth speaketh follie: yet for all this his wrath is not turned away, but his hand is stretched 18 out stil. For wickednesse burneth as a fire: it deuoureth the briers and the thornes and will kindle in the thicke places of the forest: and they shall mount vp like the lifting vp of smoke. 19 By the wrath of the Lord of hostes shall the land be darkened. and the people shall be as the meate of ye fire: no man shall 20 spare his brother. And he shall snatch at the right hand, and be hungrie: and he shall eate on the left hand, and shall not be satisfied: euery one shall eate ye flesh of his owne arme. 21 Manasseh, Ephraim: and Ephraim Manasseh, and they both shall be against Iudah vet for all this his wrath is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still.

Woe vnto them that decree wicked decrees, and write grieu-10 2 ous things. To keepe backe ve poore from judgement, and to take away the judgement of the poore of my people, that widowes may be their pray, and that they may spoyle the father-3 lesse. What will ye doe nowe in the day of visitation, and of destruction, which shall come from farre? to whom will ye flee 4 for helpe? and where will ye leaue your glorie? Without me euery one shall fall among them that are bound, and they shall fall downe among the slavne: yet for all this his wrath is not 5 turned away, but his hand is stretched out still. O Asshur, the rodde of my wrath: and the staffe in their hands is mine indig-6 nation. I will sende him to a dissembling nation, and I will giue him a charge against the people of my wrath to take the spoyle and to take the pray, and to treade them vnder feete like 7 the mire in the streete. But he thinketh not so, neither doeth his heart esteeme it so: but he imagineth to destroy and to cut 8 off not a fewe nations. For he sayeth, Are not my princes al-9 together Kings? Is not Calno as Carchemish? Is not Hamath 10 like Arpad? Is not Samaria as Damascus? Like as mine hand hath founde the kingdomes of the idoles, seeing their idoles 11 were aboue Ierusalem, and aboue Samaria: Shall not I, as

I have done to Samaria, and to the idoles thereof, so doe to Ierusalem and to the idoles thereof? But when the Lord hath 12 accomplished all his worke vpon mount Zion and Ierusalem, I will visite the fruite of the proude heart of the King of Asshur, and his glorious and proud lookes, Because he said, By ye 13 power of mine owne hand haue I done it, and by my wisdome, because I am wise: therefore I have removed the borders of the people, and have spoyled their treasures, and have pulled downe the inhabitants like a valiant man. And mine hand 14 hath found as a nest the riches of the people, and as one gathereth egges that are left, so haue I gathered all the earth: and there was none to mooue the wing or to open the mouth, or to whisper. Shall the axe boast it selfe against him that heweth 15 therewith? or shall the sawe exalt it selfe against him that moueth it? as if the rod shoulde lift vp it selfe against him that taketh it vp. or the staffe should exalt it selfe, as it were no wood. Therefore shall the Lord God of hostes send amog his 16 fat men, leannes, and vnder his glorie he shall kindle a burning, like the burning of fire. And the light of Israel shalbe as 17 a fire, and the Holy one thereof as a flame, and it shall burne, and deuoure his thornes and his briers in one day: And shall 18 consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitfull fieldes both soule and flesh: and he shalbe as ve fainting of a standard bearer. And the rest of the trees of his forest shalbe fewe, that 19 a childe may tell them. And at that day shall the remnant of 20 Israel, and such as are escaped of the house of Iaakob, stay no more vpon him that smote them, but shall stay vpon ye Lord, ve Holy one of Israel in trueth. The remnant shall returne, 21 euen the remnant of Iaakob vnto the mightie God. For though 22 thy people, O Israel, be as the sand of the sea, yet shall the remnant of them returne. The consumption decreed shall ouerflow with righteousnesse. For the Lord God of hostes shall 23 make the consumption, euen determined, in the middes of all Therefore thus saith ye Lord God of hostes, O my 24 people, that dwellest in Zion, be not afraid of Asshur: he shall smite thee with a rod, and shall lift vp his staffe against thee after the maner of Egypt: But yet a very litle time, and the 25 wrath shall be consumed, and mine anger in their destruction. And ye Lord of hostes shall raise vp a scourge for him, accord- 26 ing to the plague of Midian in the rocke Oreb: and as his staffe

was vpon the Sea, so he will lift it vp after the maner of Egypt. 27 And at that day shall his burden be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy necke: and the yoke shalbe 28 destroied because of the anounting. He is come to Aiath: he is passed into Migron: at Michmash shall he lay vp his armour. 29 They have gone over the foorde: they lodged in the lodging at 30 Geba: Ramah is afraide: Gibeah of Saul is fled away. Lift vp thy voyce, O daughter Gallim, cause Laish to heare, O poore 31 Anathoth. Madmenah is remoued: the inhabitants of Gebim 32 haue gathered themselues together. Yet there is a time that he will stay at Nob: he shall lift vp his hand towarde the mount 33 of the daughter Zion, the hill of Ierusalem. Beholde, the Lord God of hostes shall cut off the bough with feare, and they of 34 high stature shalbe cut off, and the hie shalbe humbled. And he shall cut away the thicke places of the forest with yron, and Lebanon shall haue a mightie fall. But there shall come a rodde foorth of the stocke of Ishai, 11

2 and a grasse shall growe out of his rootes. And the Spirite of the Lord shall rest vpon him: the Spirite of wisedome and vnderstanding, the Spirite of counsell and strength, the Spirite 3 of knowledge, and of the feare of the Lord, And shall make him prudent in the feare of the Lord: for he shall not judge after the sight of his eies, neither reproue by ve hearing of his 4 eares. But with righteousnesse shall he judge the poore, and with equitie shall he reprodue for the meeke of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with 5 the breath of his lippes shall he slay the wicked. And iustice shall be ye girdle of his lovnes, and faithfulnesse the girdle of The wolfe also shall dwell with the lambe, and 6 his reines. the leopard shall lie with the kid, and the calfe, and the lyon, and the fat beast together, and a litle childe shall leade them. 7 And the kow and the beare shall feede: their yong ones shall lie together: and the lyon shall eate strawe like the bullocke. 8 And the sucking childe shall play vpon the hole of the aspe, and the wained childe shall put his hand vpon the cockatrice hole. Then shall none hurt nor destroy in all the mountaine of mine holines: for the earth shalbe full of the knowledge of the Lord, 10 as the waters that couer the sea. And in that day the roote of Ishai, which shall stand vp for a signe vnto the people, the 11 nations shall seeke vnto it, and his rest shall be glorious. And

in the same day shall the Lord stretche out his hand againe the second time, to possesse the remnant of his people, (which shalbe left) of Asshur, and of Egypt, and of Pathros, and of Ethiopia, and of Elam, and of Shinear, and of Hamath, and of the yles of the sea. And he shall set vp a signe to the nations, 12 and assemble the dispersed of Israel, and gather the scattered of Iudah from the foure corners of the worlde. The hatred also 13 of Ephraim shall depart, and the aduersaries of Iudah shalbe cut off: Ephraim shall not enuie Iudah, neither shall Iudah vexe Ephraim: But they shall flee vpon the shoulders of the 14 Philistims toward the West: they shall spoyle them of the East together: Edom and Moab shall be the stretching out of their hands, and the children of Ammon in their obedience. Lord also shall vtterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptians sea. and with his mightie winde shall lift vp his hand ouer the riuer, and shall smite him in his seuen streames, and cause men to walke therein with shooes. And there shalbe a path to the 16 remnant of his people, which are left of Asshur, like as it was vnto Israel in the day that he came vp out of the land of Egypt.

And thou shalt say in that day, O Lord, I will prayse thee: 12 though thou wast angrie with me, thy wrath is turned away, and thou comfortest me. Beholde, God is my saluation: I will 2 trust, and will not feare: for ye Lord God is my strength and song: he also is become my saluation. Therefore with ioy shall 3 ye drawe waters out of the welles of saluation. And ye shall 4 say in that day, Prayse the Lord: call vpon his Name: declare his workes among the people: make mention of them, for his Name is exalted. Sing vnto the Lord, for he hath done excellent things: this is known in all the worlde. Cry out, and 6 shoute, O inhabitant of Zion: for great is ye holy one of Israel in the middes of thee.

The burden of Babel, which Isaiah the sonne of Amoz did see. Lift vp a standard vpon the hie mountaine: lift vp the 2 voyce vnto them: wagge the hand, that they may goe into the gates of the nobles. I have commanded them, that I have 3 sanctified: and I have called ye mightie to my wrath, and them that reioyce in my glorie. The noyse of a multitude is 4 in the mountaines, like a great people: a tumultuous voyce of the kingdomes of the nations gathered together: the Lord of hostes nombreth the hoste of the battell. They come from a 5

farre countrey, from the end of the heauen: euen the Lord with 6 the weapons of his wrath to destroy the whole land. Howle you, for the day of the Lord is at hande: it shall come as a 7 destroier from the Almightie. Therefore shall all hands be 8 weakened, and all mens hearts shall melt, And they shalbe afraid: anguish and sorowe shall take them, and they shall haue paine, as a woman that trauaileth: euery one shall be amased at his neighbour, and their faces shalbe like flames of 9 fire. Beholde, the day of the Lord commeth, cruel, with wrath and fierce anger to lay the land wast: and he shall destroy the 10 sinners out of it. For the starres of heauen and the planets thereof shall not give their light: the sunne shalbe darkened in his going foorth, and the moone shall not cause her light to 11 shine. And I will visite the wickednes vpon the worlde, and their iniquitie vpon the wicked, and I wil cause the arrogancie of the proud to cease, and will cast downe the pride of tyrants. 12 I will make a man more precious then fine golde, euen a man 13 aboue the wedge of golde of Ophir. Therefore I will shake the heauen, and the earth shall remooue out of her place in the wrath of the Lord of hostes, and in the day of his fierce anger. 14 And it shall be as a chased doe, and as a sheepe that no man taketh vp. euery man shall turne to his owne people, and flee 15 eche one to his owne lande. Euery one that is founde, shall be striken through: and whosoeuer ioyneth himselfe, shall fal by 16 the sworde. Their children also shall be broken in pieces before their eyes: their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives 17 rauished. Beholde, I will stirre vp the Medes against them, 18 which shall not regarde siluer, nor be desirous of golde. With bowes also shall they destroy ye children, and shall haue no compassion vpon the fruit of the wombe, and their eies shall 19 not spare the children. And Babel the glorie of kingdomes, the beautie and pride of the Chaldeans, shall be as the de-20 struction of God in Sodom and Gomorah. It shall not bee inhabited for euer, neither shall it be dwelled in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch his tents there, 21 neither shall the shepheardes make their foldes there. But Ziim shall lodge there, and their houses shall be ful of Ohim: Ostriches shall dwel there, and the Satyrs shall dance there. 22 And Iim shall crie in their palaces, and dragons in their pleasant palaces: and the time thereof is readie to come, and the

daies thereof shall not be prolonged.

For the Lord wil haue compassion of Iaakob, and wil yet 14 chuse Israel, and cause them to rest in their owne lande: and the stranger shall ioyne him selfe vnto them, and they shall cleaue to the house of Iaakob. And the people shall receive 2 them and bring them to their owne place, and the house of Israel shall possesse them in the land of the Lord, for seruants and handmaids: and they shall take them prisoners, whose captives they were, and have rule over their oppressours. And 3 in that day when the Lord shall give thee rest from thy sorrow. and from thy feare, and from the sore bodage, wherein thou didest serue, Then shalt thou take vp this prouerbe against 4 the King of Babel, and say, Howe hath the oppressor ceased? and the gold thirsty Babel rested? The Lord hath broken the 5 rodde of the wicked, and the scepter of the rulers: Which 6 smote the people in anger with a continuall plague, and ruled the nations in wrath: if any were persecuted, he did not let. The whole worlde is at rest and is quiet: they sing for ioye. 7 Also the firre trees rejoyced of thee, and the cedars of Lebanon, 8 saying, Since thou art laid downe, no hewer came vp against vs. Hel beneath is mooued for thee to meete thee at thy comming, raising vp the deade for thee, euen all the princes of the earth, and hath raised from their thrones all the Kinges of the nations. All they shall crie, and saie vnto thee, Art thou be- 10 come weake also as we? art thou become like vnto vs? Thy 11 pompe is brought downe to ye graue, and the sounde of thy violes: the worme is spred vnder thee, and the wormes couer How art thou fallen from heauen, O Lucifer, sonne of 12 the morning? and cutte downe to the grounde, which didest cast lottes vpon the nations? Yet thou saidest in thine heart, I 13 will ascende into heauen, and exalt my throne aboue beside the starres of God: I will sitte also vpon the mount of the Congregation in the sides of the North. I wil ascend aboue ye height 14 of the cloudes, and I will be like the most high. But thou shalt 15 bee brought downe to the graue, to the sides of the pit. that see thee, shall looke vpon thee and consider thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, and that did shake the kingdomes? He made the worlde as a wildernesse, 17 and destroied the cities thereof, and opened not the house of his prisoners. All the Kings of the nations, euen they all sleepe 18

19 in glorie, euery one in his owne house. But thou art cast out of thy graue like an abominable branch: like the raiment of those that are slaine, and thrust thorowe with a sword, which goe downe to the stones of the pit, as a carkeise troden vn-Thou shalt not be ioyned with them in the graue, because thou hast destroied thine owne lande, and slaine thy people: the seede of the wicked shall not be renoumed for euer. 21 Prepare a slaughter for his children, for the iniquitie of their fathers: let them not rise vp nor possesse the land, nor fil the 22 face of the world with enemies. For I wil rise vp against them (sayth the Lord of hostes) and will cut off from Babel the name and the remnant and the sonne, and the nephew, sayth the 23 Lord: And I wil make it a possession to ye hedgehogge, and pooles of water, and I will sweepe it with the besome of de-24 struction, sayeth the Lord of hostes. The Lord of hostes hath sworne, saying, Surely like as I have purposed, so shall it come 25 to passe, and as I have consulted, it shall stand: That I will breake to pieces Asshur in my land, and vpon my mountaines will I treade him vnder foote: so that his voke shall depart from them, and his burden shall be taken from off their shoulder. 26 This is the counsell that is consulted vpon the whole worlde, 27 and this is the hande stretched out ouer all the nations, Because the Lord of hostes hath determined it, and who shall disanull it? and his hande is stretched out, and who shall turne 28 it away? In the yeere that King Ahaz died, was this burden. 29 Reioyce not, (thou whole Palestina) because the rod of him that did beat thee, is broken for out of the serpents roote shall come forth a cockatrise, and the fruit therof shalbe a firv flying ser-For the first borne of the poore shall be fed, and the needie shall lie downe in safetie: and I will kill thy roote with 31 famine, and it shall slay thy remnant. Howle, O gate, crie, O citie: thou whole lande of Palestina art dissolued, for there shall come from the North a smoke, and none shalbe alone, at 32 his time appointed. What shall then one answere the messengers of the Gentiles? That the Lord hath stablished Zion, and the poore of his people shall trust in it.

The burden of Moab. Surely Ar of Moab was destroied, and brought to silece in a night: surely Kir of Moab was destroied, and brought to silence in a night. He shall goe vp to the temple, and to Dibon to the hie places to weepe: for

Nebo and for Medeba shall Moab howle: vpon all their heades shalbe baldnesse, and euery beard shauen. In their streetes 3 shall they bee gilded with sackecloth: on the toppes of their houses, and in their streetes euery one shall howle, and come downe with weeping. And Heshbon shall crie, and Elealeh: 4 their voyce shall bee heard vnto Iahaz: therefore the warriers of Moab shall showt: the soule of euery one shall lament in him selfe. Mine heart shall crie for Moab: his fugitives shall 5 flee vnto Zoar, an heiffer of three yere olde: for they shall goe vp with weeping by the mounting vp of Luhith: and by the way of Horonaim they shall raise vp a crie of destruction. For 6 the waters of Nimrim shall be dried vp: therefore the grasse is withered, the herbes consumed, and there was no greene Therefore what euery man hath left, and their sub- 7 herbe. stance shall they beare to the brooke of the willowes. For the 8 crie went round about the borders of Moab: and the howling thereof vnto Eglaim, and the skriking thereof vnto Beer Elim, Because the waters of Dimon shall be full of blood: for I will 9 bring more vpon Dimon, euen lyons vpon him that escapeth of Moab, and to the remnant of the land.

Send vee a lambe to the ruler of the worlde from the rocke 16 of the wildernesse, vnto the mountaine of the daughter Zion. For it shall be as a birde that flieth, and a nest forsaken: the 2 daughters of Moab shall be at the foordes of Arnon. Gather 3 a cousel, execute iudgement: make thy shadowe as the night in the midday: hide them that are chased out: bewray not him that is fled. Let my banished dwell with thee: Moab be 4 thou their couert from the face of the destroyer: for the extortioner shall ende: the destroyer shalbe consumed, and the oppressour shall cease out of the land. And in mercy shall 5 the throne be prepared, and hee shall sit vpon it in stedfastnesse, in the tabernacle of Dauid, judging, and seeking judgement, and hasting iustice. We have heard of the pride of 6 Moab, (he is very proud) euen his pride, and his arrogancie, and his indignation, but his lies shall not be so. shall Moab howle vnto Moab: euery one shall howle: for the foundations of Kirhareseth shall ye mourne, yet they shalbe For ye vineyards of Heshbon are cut downe, and 8 the vine of Sibmah: the lordes of the heathen haue broken the principal vines thereof: they are come vnto Iaazer: they

wandred in the wildernesse: her goodly branches stretched out 9 them selues, and went ouer the sea. Therefore will I weepe with the weeping of Iaazer, and of the vine of Sibmah, O Heshbon: and Elealeh, I will make thee drunke with my teares, because vpon thy sommer fruits, and vpon thy haruest a showt-10 ing is fallen. And gladnes is taken away, and ioy out of the plentifull fielde: and in the vineyardes shall be no singing nor shouting for iov: the treader shall not tread wine in the wine 11 presses: I have caused the rejoycing to cease. Wherefore, my bowels shall sounde like an harpe for Moab, and mine inwarde 12 partes for Ker-haresh. And when it shall appeare that Moab shall be wearie of his hie places, then shall hee come to his tem-13 ple to praie, but he shall not preuaile. This is the word that 14 the Lord hath spoken against Moab since that time. And nowe the Lord hath spoken, saying, In three yeres, as the yeeres of a hireling, and the glorie of Moab shall be contemned in all the great multitude, and the remnant shalbe very small and feeble.

**17** The burden of Damascus. Beholde, Damascus is taken away 2 from being a citie, for it shall be a ruinous heape. The cities of Aroer shall be forsaken: they shall be for the flockes: for they 3 shall lye there, and none shall make them afraide. The munition also shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdome from Damascus, and the remnant of Aram shall be as the glory of 4 the children of Israel, sayeth the Lord of hostes. And in that day the glorie of Iaakob shall be impouerished, and the fatnes 5 of his flesh shalbe made leane. And it shalbe as when the haruest man gathereth the corne, and reapeth the eares with his arme, and he shall be as he that gathereth the eares in the valley of Rephaim. Yet a gathering of grapes shall be left in it, as the shaking of an oliue tree, two or three beries are in the top of the vpmost boughes, and foure or fiue in the hie branches of the fruite thereof, sayeth the Lord God of Israel. 7 At that day shall a man looke to his maker, and his eyes shall 8 looke to the holy one of Israel. And hee shall not looke to the altars, the workes of his owne hands, neither shall he looke to those thinges, which his owne fingers have made, as groues 9 and images. In that day shall the cities of their strength be as the forsaking of boughes and branches, which they did forsake, because of the children of Israel, and there shall be desolation.

Because thou hast forgotten the God of thy saluation, and hast 10 not remembred the God of thy strength, therefore shalt thou set pleasant plantes, and shalt graffe strange vine branches: In the day shalt thou make thy plant to growe, and in the 11 morning shalt thou make thy seede to florish: but the haruest shall be gone in the day of possession, and there shalbe desperate sorrowe. Ah, the multitude of many people, they shall 12 make a sounde like the novse of the sea: for the novse of the people shall make a sounde like the novse of mightie waters. The people shall make a sounde like the noise of many wa- 13 ters: but God shall rebuke them, and they shall flee farre off, and shalbe chased as the chaffe of the mountaines before the winde, and as a rolling thing before the whirlewinde. loe, in the euening there is trouble: but afore the morning it is gone. This is the portion of them that spoyle vs, and the lot of them that robbe vs.

Oh, the lande shadowing with winges, which is beyond the 18 riuers of Ethiopia. Sending ambassadours by the Sea, euen in 2 vessels of reedes vpon the waters, saving, Go, ve swift messengers, to a nation that is scattered abroade, and spoyled, vnto a terrible people from their beginning euen hitherto: a nation by litle and litle, euen troden vnder foote, whose land the floods haue spoyled. Al ve the inhabitants of ve world and dwellers 3 in the earth, shall see when he setteth vp a signe in the mountaines, and when he bloweth the trumpet, ye shall heare. For 4 so the Lord saide vnto me, I will rest and beholde in my tabernacle, as the heate drying vp the rayne, and as a cloude of dewe in the heate of harvest. For afore the harvest when the floure 5 is finished, and the fruite is riping in the floure, then he shall cut downe the branches with hookes, and shall take away, and cut off the boughes: They shall be left together vnto the foules 6 of the mountaines, and to the beastes of the earth: for the foule shall sommer vpon it, and euery beast of the earth shall winter vpon it. At that time shall a present be brought vnto the Lord 7 of hostes, (a people that is scattered abroade, and spoyled, and of a terrible people from their beginning hitherto, a nation, by litle and litle euen troden vnder foote, whose land the riuers haue spoyled) to the place of the Name of the Lord of hostes, euen the mount Zion.

The burden of Egypt. Beholde, the Lord rideth vpon a swift 19

cloude, and shall come into Egypt, and the idoles of Egypt shall be moued at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt 2 in the middes of her. And I will set the Egyptians against the Egyptians: so euery one shall fight against his brother, and euery one against his neighbour, citie against citie, and 3 kingdome against kingdome. And the spirite of Egypt shall faile in the middes of her, and I will destroy their counsell, and they shall seeke at the idoles, and at the sorcerers, and at them that have spirits of divination, and at the southsayers. 4 And I will deliuer the Egyptians into the hand of the cruell Lordes, and a mightie King shall rule ouer them, sayth the 5 Lord God of hostes. Then the waters of the sea shall faile, and 6 the rivers shall be dryed vp, and wasted. And the rivers shall goe farre away: the rivers of defence shalbe emptied and dryed 7 vp: the reedes and flagges shall be cut downe. The grasse in the riuer, and at the head of the riuers, and all that groweth by the riuer, shall wither, and be driuen away, and be no more. 8 The fishers also shall mourne, and all they that cast angle into the riuer, shall lament, and they that spread their nette vpon 9 the waters, shall be weakened. Moreouer, they that worke in flaxe of divers sortes, shall be confounded, and they that weave 10 nettes. For their nettes shalbe broken, and all they, that make 11 pondes, shalbe heavie in heart. Surely the princes of Zoan are fooles: the counsell of the wise counselers of Pharaoh is become foolish: how say ye vnto Pharaoh, I am the sonne of the wise? 12 I am the sonne of the ancient Kings? Where are nowe thy wise men, that they may tell thee, or may knowe what the 13 Lord of hostes hath determined against Egypt? The princes of Zoan are become fooles: the princes of Noph are deceived, they haue deceived Egypt, even the corners of the tribes thereof. 14 The Lord hath mingled among them the spirite of errours: and they have caused Egypt to erre in euery worke thereof, as a 15 drunken man erreth in his vomite. Neither shall there be any worke in Egypt, which the head may doe, nor the tayle, 16 ye branch nor the rush. In that day shall Egypt be like vnto women: for it shall be afraide and feare because of the moouing of the hand of the Lord of hostes, which he shaketh ouer it. 17 And the land of Iudah shall be a feare vnto Egypt: euery one that maketh mention of it, shalbe afraid thereat, because of

ye counsell of the Lord of hostes, which he hath determined

In that day shall fiue cities in the lande of Egypt 18 vpon it. speake the language of Canaan, and shall sweare by the Lord of hostes, one shall be called the citie of destruction. In that 19 day shall the altar of the Lord be in the middes of the land of Egypt, and a pillar by the border thereof vnto the Lord. And it 20 shall be for a signe and for a witnes vnto the Lord of hostes in the land of Egypt: for they shall crie vnto the Lord, because of the oppressers, and he shall send them a Saujour and a great man, and shall deliuer them. And the Lord shall be knowen 21 of the Egyptians, and the Egyptians shall knowe the Lord in that day, and doe sacrifice and oblation, and shall vowe vowes vnto the Lord, and performe them. So ye Lord shall smite 22 Egypt, he shall smite and heale it: for he shall returne vnto ye Lord, and he shall be intreated of them and shall heale them. In that day shall there be a path from Egypt to Asshur, and 23 Asshur shall come into Egypt, and Egypt into Asshur: so the Egyptians shall worship with Asshur. In that day shall Israel 24 be the third with Egypt and Asshur, euen a blessing in the middes of the land. For the Lord of hostes shall blesse it, 25 saying, Blessed be my people Egypt and Asshur, the worke of mine hands, and Israel mine inheritance.

In the yeere that Tartan came to Ashdod, (when Sargon 20 King of Asshur sent him) and had fought against Ashdod, and taken it, At the same time spake the Lord by ye hand of Isa- 2 iah the sonne of Amoz, saying, Goe, and loose the sackecloth from thy loynes, and put off thy shooe from thy foote. And he did so, walking naked and barefoote. And the Lord said, Like 3 as my seruant Isaiah hath walked naked, and barefoote three yeeres, as a signe and wonder vpon Egypt, and Ethiopia, So 4 shall the King of Asshur take away the captiuitie of Egypt, and the captiuitie of Ethiopia, both yong men and olde men, naked and barefoote, with their buttockes vncouered, to the shame of Egypt. And they shall feare, and be ashamed of Ethiopia their 5 expectation, and of Egypt their glory. Then shall the inhabi- 6 tant of this yle say in that day, Behold, such is our expectation, whither we fledde for helpe to be deliuered from the King of Asshur, and howe shall we be deliuered?

The burden of the desert Sea. As the whirlewindes in the **21** South vse to passe from the wildernesse, so shall it come from the horrible land. A grieuous vision was shewed vnto me, <sup>2</sup>

The transgressour against a transgressour, and the destroyer against a destroyer. Goe vp Elam, besiege Media: I haue caused 3 all the mourning thereof to cease. Therefore are my loynes filled with sorow: sorowes haue taken me as the sorowes of a woman that trauavleth: I was bowed downe when I heard it. 4 and I was amased when I sawe it. Mine heart failed: fearefulnesse troubled me: the night of my pleasures hath he turned 5 into feare vnto me. Prepare thou the table: watch in the watch 6 towre: eate, drinke: arise, ye princes, anoynt the shielde. For thus hath the Lord said vnto me, Go, set a watchman, to tell 7 what he seeth. And he sawe a charet with two horsemen: a charet of an asse, and a charet of a camel: and he hearkened 8 and tooke diligent heede. And he cryed, A lyon: my lorde, I stand continually vpon ve watche towre in the day time, and 9 I am set in my watche euery night: And beholde, this mans charet commeth with two horsemen. And he answered and said, Babel is fallen: it is fallen, and all the images of her 10 gods hath he broken vnto the ground. O my threshing, and the corne of my floore. That which I have heard of the Lord 11 of hostes, the God of Israel, haue I shewed vnto you. burden of Dumah. He calleth vnto me out of Seir, Watchman, 12 what was in ye night? Watchman, what was in the night? The watchman saide, The morning commeth, and also the night. If 13 yee will aske, enquire: returne and come. The burden against Arabia. In the forest of Arabia shall yee tarie all night, euen 14 in the waies of Dedanim. O inhabitants of the lande of Tema, bring foorth water to meete the thirstie, and preuent him that 15 fleeth with his bread. For they flee from the drawen swords. euen from the drawen sword, and from the bent bowe, and from 16 the grieuousnesse of warre. For thus hath the Lord sayd vnto me, Yet a yeere according to the yeeres of an hireling, and all 17 the glorie of Kedar shall faile. And the residue of the nomber of ye strong archers of the sonnes of Kedar shall be fewe: for the Lord God of Israel hath spoken it.

The burden of the valley of vision. What aileth thee nowe that thou art wholy gone vp vnto the house toppes? Thou that art full of noise, a citie full of brute, a ioyous citie: thy slaine men shall not bee slaine with sworde, nor die in battell. All thy princes shall flee together from the bowe: they shalbe bound: all that shall be found in thee, shall be bound

together, which haue fled from farre. Therefore said I, Turne 4 away from me: I wil weepe bitterly: labour not to comfort mee for the destruction of the daughter of my people. For it is a 5 day of trouble, and of ruine, and of perplexitie by the Lord God of hostes in the valley of vision, breaking downe the citie: and a crying vnto the mountaines. And Elam bare the quiuer in 6 a mans charet with horsemen, and Kir vncouered the shield. And thy chiefe valleis were full of charets, and the horsemen 7 set themselues in aray against the gate. And hee discouered 8 the couering of Iudah: and thou didest looke in that day to the armour of the house of the forest. And ve haue seene 9 the breaches of the citie of Dauid: for they were many, and ve gathered the waters of the lower poole. And yee nombred the 10 houses of Ierusalem, and the houses have vee broken downe to fortifie the wall, And have also made a ditche betweene 11 the two walles, for the waters of the olde poole, and have not looked vnto the maker thereof, neither had respect vnto him that formed it of olde. And in that day did the Lord God 12 of hosts call vnto weeping and mourning, and to baldnes and girding with sackecloth. And beholde, ioy and gladnes, slay- 13 ing oxen and killing sheepe, eating flesh, and drinking wine, eating and drinking: for to morowe we shall die. And it was 14 declared in ve eares of the Lord of hostes. Surely this iniguitie shall not be purged from you, til ye die, saith the Lord God of hostes. Thus sayeth the Lord God of hostes, Goe, get 15 thee to that treasurer, to Shebna, the steward of the house, and say, What haste thou to doe here? and whome hast thou here? 16 that thou shouldest here hewe thee out a sepulchre, as he that heweth out his sepulchre in an hie place, or that graueth an habitation for him selfe in a rocke? Beholde, the Lord wil 17 carie thee away with a great captiuitie, and will surely couer thee. He wil surely rolle and turne thee like a bal in a large 18 countrey: there shalt thou die, and there the charets of thy glory shalbe the shame of thy lordes house. And I wil driue 19 thee from thy station, and out of thy dwelling will he destroy thee. And in that day will I call my seruant Eliakim the sonne 20 of Hilkiah, And with thy garments will I clothe him, and with 21 thy girdle will I strengthen him: thy power also will I commit into his hande, and hee shalbe a father of the inhabitats of Ierusalem, and of the house of Iudah. And the key of the 22 house of Dauid will I lay vpon his shoulder: so hee shall open, and no man shall shut: and he shall shut, and no man shall open. And I will fasten him as a naile in a sure place, and hee shall be for the throne of glorie to his fathers house. And they shall hang vpon him all the glorie of his fathers house, euen of the nephewes and posteritie all small vessels, from the vessels of the cuppes, euen to all the instruments of musike. In that day, sayeth the Lord of hostes, shall the naile, that is fastned in the sure place, depart and shall be broken, and fall: and the burden, that was vpon it, shall bee cut off: for the Lord hath spoken it.

The burden of Tyrus. Howle, yee shippes of Tarshish: for it 23 is destroied, so that there is none house: none shall come from 2 the lande of Chittim: it is reueiled vnto them. Be still, vee that dwell in the yles: the marchantes of Zidon, and such as 3 passe ouer the sea, haue replenished thee. The seede of Nilus growing by the abundance of waters, and the haruest of the riuer was her reuenues, and she was a marte of the nations. 4 Be ashamed, thou Zidon: for the sea hath spoken, euen the strength of the sea, saying, I have not trauailed, nor brought forth children, neither nourished yong men, nor brought vp 5 virgins. When the fame commeth to the Egyptians, they shall 6 be sorie, concerning the rumour of Tyrus. Goe you ouer to 7 Tarshish: howle, yee that dwell in the yles. Is not this that your glorious citie? her antiquitie is of ancient daies: her 8 owne feete shall leade her afarre off to be a soiourner. Who hath decreed this against Tyrus (that crowneth men) whose marchantes are princes? whose chapmen are the nobles of the 9 worlde? The Lord of hostes hath decreed this, to staine the pride of all glorie, and to bring to contempt all them that be 10 glorious in the earth. Passe through thy lande like a flood 11 to the daughter of Tarshish: there is no more strength. stretched out his hand vpon the sea: he shooke the kingdomes: the Lord hath giuen a commandement concerning the place 12 of marchandise, to destroy the power thereof. And he saide. Thou shalt no more reioyce when thou art oppressed: O virgin daughter of Zidon: rise vp, goe ouer vnto Chittim: yet there 13 thou shalt have no rest. Behold the lande of the Caldeans: this was no people: Asshur founded it by the inhabitantes of the wildernesse: they set vp the towers thereof: they raised

the palaces thereof and hee brought it to ruine. Howle yee 14 shippes of Tarshish, for your strength is destroyed. And in 15 that day shall Tyrus bee forgotten seuentie yeeres, (according to the yeeres of one King) at the ende of seuentie yeeres shall Tyrus sing as an harlot. Take an harpe and go about the citie: 16 (thou harlot thou hast beene forgotten) make sweete melodie, sing moe songes that thou maiest be remembred. And at the 17 ende of seuentie yeres shall the Lord visite Tyrus, and shee shall returne to her wages, and shall commit fornication with all the kingdomes of the earth, that are in the world. Yet her 18 occupying and her wages shall bee holy vnto the Lord: it shall not be laied vp nor kept in store, but her marchandise shalbe for them that dwell before the Lord, to eate sufficiently, and to haue durable clothing.

Behold, the Lord maketh the earth emptie, and hee maketh 24 it waste: hee turneth it vpside downe, and scattereth abrode the inhabitants thereof. And there shalbe like people, like 2 Priest, and like seruaunt, like master, like maide, like mistresse, like bier, like seller, like lender, like borower, like giuer, like taker to vsurie. The earth shalbe cleane emptied, and vt- 3 terly spoiled: for the Lord hath spoken this worde. The earth 4 lamenteth and fadeth away: the world is feeble and decaied: the proude people of the earth are weakened. The earth also 5 deceiueth, because of the inhabitantes thereof: for they transgressed the lawes: they changed the ordinances, and brake the euerlasting couenant. Therefore hath the curse deuoured the 6 earth, and the inhabitantes thereof are desolate. Wherefore the inhabitants of the land are burned vp, and fewe men are The wine faileth, the vine hath no might: all that were 7 of merie heart, doe mourne. The mirth of tabrets ceaseth: 8 the noyse of them that reioyce, endeth: the ioye of the harpe ceaseth. They shall not drinke wine with mirth: strong drinke 9 shall be bitter to them that drinke it. The citie of vanitie is 10 broken downe: euery house is shut vp, that no man may come There is a crying for wine in the streetes: al ioy is dark- 11 ened: the mirth of the world is gone away. In the citie is left 12 desolation, and the gate is smitten with destruction. Surely 13 thus shall it bee in the middes of the earth, among the people, as the shaking of an oliue tree, and as the grapes when the vintage is ended. They shall lift vp their voyce: they shall shout 14

for the magnificence of the Lord: they shall reioyce from the 15 sea. Wherefore praise yee the Lord in the valleis, euen the 16 Name of the Lord God of Israel, in the yles of the sea. From the vttermost part of the earth wee haue heard praises, euen glory to the iust, and I sayd, My leanesse, my leanesse, woe is mee: the transgressours have offended: yea, the transgres-17 sours have grievously offended. Feare, and the pitte, and the 18 snare are vpon thee, O inhabitant of the earth. And hee that fleeth from the noyse of the feare, shall fall into the pit: and he that commeth vp out of the pit, shall be taken in the snare: for the windowes from on high are open, and the foundations 19 of the earth doe shake. The earth is vtterly broken downe: the earth is cleane dissolued: the earth is mooued exceedingly. 20 The earth shall reele to and from like a drunken man, and shall be removued like a tent, and the iniquitie thereof shall 21 be heavie vpon it: so that it shall fall, and rise no more. And in that day shall the Lord visite the hoste aboue that is on hie, 22 euen the Kinges of the world that are vpon the earth. they shall be gathered together, as the prisoners in the pit: and they shall be shut vp in the prison, and after many daies 23 shall they be visited. Then the moone shall be abashed, and the sunne ashamed, when the Lord of hostes shall reigne in mount Zion and in Ierusalem: and glory shalbe before his ancient men.

**25** O Lord, thou art my God: I will exalt thee, I will prayse thy Name: for thou hast done wonderfull things, according to the 2 counsels of old, with a stable trueth. For thou hast made of a citie an heape, of a strong citie, a ruine: euen the palace of 3 strangers of a citie, it shall neuer be built. Therefore shall the mightie people give glory vnto thee: the citie of the strong 4 nations shall feare thee. For thou hast bene a strength vnto the poore, euen a strength to the needie in his trouble, a refuge against the tempest, a shadow against the heate: for the blaste 5 of the mightie is like a storme against the wall. Thou shalt bring downe the noyse of the strangers, as the heate in a drie place: he wil bring downe the song of the mightie, as the heate 6 in the shadowe of a cloude. And in this mountaine shall the Lord of hostes make vnto all people a feast of fat thinges, euen a feast of fined wines, and of fat thinges full of marow, of wines 7 fined and purified. And he will destroy in this mountaine the couering that couereth all people, and the vaile that is spread vpon all nations. He wil destroy death for euer: and the Lord 8 God wil wipe away the teares from all faces, and the rebuke of his people will he take away out of all the earth: for the Lord hath spoken it. And in that day shall men say, Loe, this is 9 our God: we haue waited for him, and he wil saue vs. This is the Lord, we haue waited for him: we will reioyce and be ioyfull in his saluation. For in this mountaine shall the hand 10 of the Lord rest, and Moab shalbe threshed vnder him, euen as strawe is threshed in Madmenah. And he shall stretche 11 out his hande in the middes of them (as he that swimmeth, stretcheth them out to swimme) and with the strength of his handes shall he bring downe their pride. The defence also of 12 the height of thy walles shall he bring downe and lay lowe, and cast them to the ground, euen vnto the dust.

In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Iudah, We 26 haue a strong citie: saluation shall God set for walles and bulwarkes. Open ye the gates that the righteous nation, which 2 keepeth the trueth, may enter in. By an assured purpose 3 wilt thou preserue perfite peace, because they trusted in thee. Trust in the Lord for euer: for in the Lord God is strength 4 for euermore. For hee will bring downe them that dwell on 5 hie: the hie citie he will abase: euen vnto the ground wil he cast it downe, and bring it vnto dust. The foote shall treade 6 it downe, euen the feete of the poore, and the steppes of the needie. The way of the iust is righteousnesse: thou wilt make 7 equall the righteous path of the iust. Also we, O Lord, haue 8 waited for thee in the way of thy judgemets: the desire of our soule is to thy Name, and to the remembrance of thee. With 9 my soule haue I desired thee in the night, and with my spirit within mee will I seeke thee in the morning: for seeing thy iudgements are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world shall learne righteousnesse. Let mercie bee shewed to the wicked, 10 yet hee will not learne righteousnesse: in the land of vprightnesse will he do wickedly, and will not beholde the maiestie of the Lord. O Lord, they will not beholde thine hie hande: but 11 they shall see it, and bee confounded with the zeale of the people, and the fire of thine enemies shall deuoure them. Lord, 12 vnto vs thou wilt ordeine peace: for thou also hast wrought all our workes for vs. O Lord our God, other lords beside thee, 13

haue ruled vs, but we will remember thee onely, and thy Name. 14 The dead shall not liue, neither shall the dead arise, because thou hast visited and scattered them, and destroyed all their 15 memorie. Thou hast increased the nation, O Lord: thou hast increased the nation: thou art made glorious: thou hast en-16 larged all the coastes of the earth. Lord, in trouble haue they visited thee: they powred out a prayer when thy chastening 17 was voon them. Like as a woman with childe, that draweth neere to the trauaile, is in sorow, and cryeth in her paines, so 18 haue we bene in thy sight, O Lord. We haue coceiued, we haue borne in paine, as though we should have brought forth winde: there was no helpe in the earth, neither did the inhabitants of 19 the world fall. Thy dead men shall liue: euen with my body shall they rise. Awake, and sing, ye that dwel in dust: for thy dewe is as the dew of herbes, and the earth shall cast out the 20 dead. Come, my people: enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doores after thee: hide thy selfe for a very litle while, 21 vntill the indignation passe ouer. For lo, the Lord commeth out of his place, to visite the iniquitie of the inhabitants of the earth vpon them: and the earth shall disclose her blood, and shall no more hide her slaine.

In that day the Lord with his sore and great and mightie **27** sword shall visite Liuiathan, that pearcing serpent, euen Liuiathan, that crooked serpent, and he shall slay the dragon that is in 2,3 the sea. In that daye sing of the vineyarde of redde wine. I the Lord doe keepe it: I will water it euery moment: least any 4 assaile it, I will keepe it night and day. Anger is not in mee: who would set the briers and the thornes against me in battel? 5 I would go through them, I would burne them together. will he feele my strength, that he may make peace with me, 6 and be at one with me? Hereafter, Iaakob shall take roote: Israel shall florish and growe, and the world shall be filled with 7 fruite. Hath hee smitten him as hee smote those that smote him? or is hee slaine according to the slaughter of them that 8 were slaine by him? In measure in the branches thereof wilt thou contende with it, when he bloweth with his rough winde 9 in the day of the East winde. By this therefore shall the iniquitie of Iaakob be purged, and this is all the fruit, the taking away of his sinne: whe he shall make all the stones of the altars, as chalke stones broken in pieces, that the groues and images may not stand vp. Yet the defenced citie shalbe desolate, 10 and the habitation shalbe forsaken, and left like a wildernes. There shall the calfe feede, and there shall he lie, and consume the branches thereof. When the boughes of it are drie, they 11 shalbe broken: the women come, and set them on fire: for it is a people of none vnderstading: therefore hee that made them, shall not haue compassion of them, and he that formed them, shall haue no mercie on them. And in that day shall the Lord 12 thresh from the chanell of the Riuer vnto the riuer of Egypt, and ye shalbe gathered, one by one, O children of Israel. In 13 that day also shall the great trumpet be blowen, and they shall come, which perished in the land of Asshur: and they that were chased into the lande of Egypt, and they shall worship the Lord in the holy Mount at Ierusalem.

Woe to the crowne of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim: for 28 his glorious beautie shall be a fading flowre, which is voon the head of the valley of them that be fat, and are ouercome with wine. Beholde, the Lord hath a mightie and strong hoste, like 2 a tempest of haile, and a whirlewinde that ouerthroweth, like a tempest of mightie waters that ouerflowe, which throwe to the ground mightily. They shall be troden vnder foote, euen 3 the crowne and the pride of the drunkards of Ephraim. For 4 his glorious beautie shall be a fading floure, which is vpon the head of the valley of them that be fatte, and as the hastie fruite afore sommer, which when hee that looketh vpon it, seeth it, while it is in his hand, he eateth it. In that day shall the Lord 5 of hostes be for a crowne of glory, and for a diademe of beautie vnto the residue of his people: And for a spirite of judge- 6 ment to him that sitteth in judgement, and for strength vnto them that turne away the battell to the gate. But they have 7 erred because of wine, and are out of the way by strong drinke: the priest and the prophet haue erred by strong drinke: they are swallowed vp with wine: they have gone astraye through strong drinke: they faile in vision: they stumble in iudgement. For all their tables are full of filthy vomiting: no place 8 Whome shall he teache knowledge? and whome 9 shall he make to vinderstand the thinges that hee heareth? them that are weyned from the milke, and drawen from the breastes. For precept must be vpon precept, precept vpon 10 precept, line vnto line, line vnto line, there a litle, and there

For with a stammering tongue and with a strange 11 a litle. 12 language shall he speake vnto this people. Vnto whome hee saide, This is the rest: give rest to him that is weary: and this 13 is the refreshing, but they would not heare. Therefore shall the worde of the Lord be vnto them precept vpon precept, precept vpon precept, line vnto line, line vnto line, there a litle and there a litle, that they may goe, and fall backward, and 14 be broken, and be snared, and be taken. Wherefore, heare the worde of the Lord, ye scornefull men that rule this people, 15 which is at Ierusalem. Because ye haue said, We haue made a couenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement: though a scourge runne ouer, and passe through, it shall not come at vs: for we have made falshood our refuge, and vn-16 der vanitie are we hid. Therefore thus saith the Lord God. Behold, I will laye in Zion a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation. Hee that beleeueth, shall not 17 make haste. Iudgement also will I laye to the rule, and righteousnesse to the balance, and the haile shall sweepe away the vaine confidence, and the waters shall overflowe the secret 18 place. And your couenant with death shalbe disanulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand: when a scourge shall runne ouer and passe through, then shall ye be trode downe by 19 it. When it passeth ouer, it shall take you away: for it shall passe through euery morning in the day, and in the night, and there shalbe onely feare to make you to vnderstand the hear-For the bed is streight that it can not suffice, and the 21 couering narowe that one can not wrappe himselfe. For the Lord shall stand as in mount Perazim: hee shall be wroth as in the valley of Gibeon, that he may do his worke, his strage 22 worke, and bring to passe his acte, his strange acte. Nowe therefore be no mockers, least your bondes increase: for I haue heard of the Lord of hostes a consumption, euen determined 23 vpon the whole earth. Hearken ye, and heare my voyce: hear-24 ken ye, and heare my speach. Doeth the plowe man plowe all the day, to sowe? doeth he open, and breake the clots of his 25 ground? When he hath made it plaine, wil he not then sowe the fitches, and sowe cummin, and cast in wheat by measure, 26 and the appointed barly and rye in their place? For his God doeth instruct him to haue discretion, and doeth teach him. 27 For fitches shall not be threshed with a threshing instrument, neither shall a cart wheele be turned about vpon the cummin: but ye fitches are beaten out with a staffe, and cummin with a rod. Bread corne when it is threshed, hee doeth not alway 28 thresh it, neither doeth the wheele of his cart still make a noyse, neither will he breake it with the teeth thereof. This 29 also commeth from the Lord of hostes, which is wonderfull in counsell, and excellent in workes.

Ah altar, altar of the citie that Dauid dwelt in: adde vere 29 vnto yere: let them kill lambs. But I wil bring the altar into 2 distresse, and there shalbe heauines and sorowe, and it shall be vnto me like an altar. And I wil besiege thee as a circle. 3 and fight against thee on a mount, and will cast vp ramparts against thee. So shalt thou be humbled, and shalt speake 4 out of the ground, and thy speach shalbe as out of the dust: thy voyce also shall be out of the ground like him that hath a spirite of divination, and thy talking shall whisper out of Moreouer, the multitude of thy strangers shalbe 5 like small dust, and the multitude of strong men shalbe as chaffe that passeth away, and it shall be in a moment, euen Thou shalt be visited of the Lord of hostes with 6 suddenly. thunder, and shaking, and a great novse, a whirlewinde, and a tempest, and a flame of a deuouring fire. And the multi-7 tude of all the nations that fight against the altar, shalbe as a dreame or vision by night: euen all they that make the warre against it, and strong holdes against it, and lay siege vnto it. And it shalbe like as an hungry man dreameth, and beholde, 8 he eateth: and when he awaketh, his soule is emptie: or like as a thirsty man dreameth, and loe, he is drinking, and when he awaketh, beholde, he is faint, and his soule longeth: so shall the multitude of all nations be that fight against mount Zion. Stay your selues, and wonder: they are blinde, and make you 9 blinde: they are drunken but not with wine: they stagger, but not by strong drinke. For the Lord hath couered you with a 10 spirite of slumber, and hath shut vp your eyes: the Prophets, and your chiefe Seers hath he couered. And the vision of 11 them all is become vnto you, as the wordes of a booke that is sealed vp, which they deliuer to one that can reade, saying, Reade this, I pray thee. Then shall he say, I can not: for it is sealed. And the booke is given vnto him that can not 12 reade, saying, Reade this, I pray thee. And he shall say, I can

13 not reade. Therefore the Lord sayd, Because this people come neere vnto me with their mouth, and honour me with their lips, but have removued their heart farre from me, and their feare 14 toward me was taught by the precept of men, Therefore behold, I wil againe doe a marueilous worke in this people, euen a marueilous worke, and a wonder: for the wisdome of their wise men shall perish, and the vnderstanding of their prudent 15 men shalbe hid. Wo vnto them that seeke deepe to hide their counsell from the Lord: for their workes are in darkenes, and 16 they say, Who seeth vs? and who knoweth vs? Your turning of deuises shall it not be esteemed as the potters clay? for shall the worke say of him that made it. Hee made me not? or the thing formed, say of him that facioned it, He had none vnder-17 standing? Is it not yet but a litle while, and Lebanon shall be turned into Carmel? and Carmel shall be counted as a for-18 est? And in that day shall the deafe heare the wordes of the booke, and the eyes of the blinde shall see out of obscuritie, 19 and out of darkenesse. The meeke in the Lord shall receive iove againe, and the poore men shall reiovce in the holy one 20 of Israel. For the cruel man shall cease, and the scornefull shalbe consumed: and all that hasted to iniquitie, shalbe cut 21 off: Which made a man to sinne in ye worde, and tooke him in a snare: which reproued them in the gate, and made the 22 iust to fall without cause. Therefore thus sayth the Lord vnto the house of Iaakob, euen hee that redeemed Abraham, Iaakob shall not now be confounded, neither now shall his face be pale. 23 But when he seeth his children, the worke of mine hands, in the mids of him, they shall sanctifie my Name, and sanctifie 24 the holy one of Iaakob, and shall feare the God of Israel. Then they that erred in spirit, shall have vnderstanding, and they that murmured, shall learne doctrine.

30 Wo to the rebellious children, sayth the Lord, that take counsell, but not of me, and couer with a couering, but not 2 by my spirit, that they may lay sinne vpon sinne: Which walke forth to goe downe into Egypt (and haue not asked at my mouth) to strengthen them selues with the strength of Pharaoh, 3 and trust in the shadowe of Egypt. But the strength of Pharaoh shalbe your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your 4 confusion. For his princes were at Zoan, and his Ambassadours came vnto Hanes. They shalbe all ashamed of the

people that cannot profite them, nor helpe nor doe them good, but shalbe a shame and also a reproche. The burden of the 6 beasts of the South, in a land of trouble and anguish, from whence shall come the yong and olde lyon, the viper and fierie flying serpent against them that shall beare their riches vpon the shoulders of the coltes, and their treasures vpon the bounches of the camels, to a people that cannot profite. For the Egyp- 7 tians are vanitie, and they shall helpe in vaine. Therefore haue I cried vnto her, Their strength is to sit still. Now go, and 8 write it before them in a table, and note it in a booke that it may be for the last day for euer and euer: That it is a rebel- 9 lious people, lying children, and children that would not heare the law of the Lord. Which say vnto the Seers, See not: and 10 to the Prophets, Prophecie not vnto vs right things: but speake flattering things vnto vs: prophecie errours. Depart out of 11 the way: go aside out of the path: cause the holy one of Is-Therefoe thus saith the holy one of 12 rael to cease from vs. Israel, Because you have cast off this worde, and trust in violence, and wickednes, and stay thereupon, Therefore this in- 13 iquitie shalbe vnto you as a breach that falleth, or a swelling in an hie wall, whose breaking commeth suddenly in a moment. And the breaking thereof is like the breaking of a potters pot, 14 which is broken without pitie, and in the breaking thereof is not found a sheard to take fire out of the hearth, or to take water out of the pit. For thus sayd the Lord God, the Holy one of 15 Israel, In rest and quietnes shall ye be saued: in quietnes and in confidence shall be your strength, but ye would not. ve haue sayd, No, but we wil flee away vpon horses. Therefore shall ye flee. We will ride vpon the swiftest. Therefore shall your persecuters be swifter. A thousand as one shall flee at 17 the rebuke of one: at the rebuke of fiue shall ye flee, till ye be left as a ship maste vpon the top of a mountaine, and as a beaken vpon an hill. Yet therefore will the Lord waite, that 18 he may have mercy vpon you, and therefore wil he be exalted, that hee may have compassion vpon you: for the Lord is the God of iudgement. Blessed are all they that waite for him. Surely a people shall dwell in Zion, and in Ierusalem: thou 19 shalt weepe no more: he wil certainly haue mercy vpon thee at the voyce of thy crye: when he heareth thee, he wil answere thee. And when the Lord hath given you the bread of aduer- 20

sitie, and the water of affliction, thy raine shalbe no more kept 21 backe, but thine eyes shall see thy raine. And thine eares shall heare a worde behind thee, saying, This is the way, walke ye in it, when thou turnest to the right hand, and when thou 22 turnest to the left. And ye shall pollute the couering of the images of siluer, and the riche ornament of thine images of golde, and cast them away as a menstruous cloth, and thou shalt say 23 vnto it, Get thee hence. Then shall hee give raine vnto thy seede, when thou shalt sowe the ground, and bread of the increase of the earth, and it shalbe fat and as oyle: in that day 24 shall thy cattell be fed in large pastures. The oxen also and the yong asses, that till the ground, shall eate cleane prouender, which is winowed with the shoouel and with the fanne. 25 And vpon euery hie mountaine, and vpon euery hie hill shall there be riuers and streames of waters, in the day of the great 26 slaughter, when the towers shall fall. Moreouer, the light of the moone shall be as the light of the sunne, and the light of the sunne shalbe seuen folde, and like the light of seuen dayes in the day that the Lord shall binde vp the breach of his people, 27 and heale the stroke of their wound. Beholde, the Name of the Lord commeth from farre, his face is burning, and the burden thereof is heavy: his lips are full of indignation, and his 28 tongue is as a deuouring fire. And his spirit is as a river that ouerfloweth vp to the necke: it deuideth asunder, to fanne the nations with the fanne of vanitie, and there shall be a bridle 29 to cause them to erre in the chawes of the people. But there shall be a song vnto you as in the night, when solemne feast is kept: and gladnes of heart, as he that commeth with a pipe to goe vnto the mount of the Lord, to the mightie one of Israel. 30 And the Lord shall cause his glorious voyce to be heard, and shall declare the lighting downe of his arme with the anger of his countenance, and flame of a deuouring fire, with scattering 31 and tempest, and hailestones. For with the voyce of the Lord 32 shall Asshur be destroyed, which smote with the rod. And in euery place that ye staffe shall passe, it shall cleaue fast, which the Lord shall lay vpon him with tabrets and harpes: and with battels, and lifting vp of hands shall he fight against 33 it. For Tophet is prepared of olde: it is euen prepared for the King: hee hath made it deepe and large: the burning thereof is fire and much wood: the breath of the Lord, like a river of

brimstone, doeth kindle it.

Woe vnto them that goe downe into Egypt for helpe, and 31 stay vpon horses, and trust in charets, because they are many, and in horsemen, because they be very strong: but they looke not vnto the holy one of Israel, nor seeke vnto the Lord. But he 2 yet is wisest: therefore he wil bring euill, and not turne backe his worde, but he will arise against the house of the wicked, and against the helpe of them that worke vanitie. Now the 3 Egyptians are men, and not God, and their horses flesh and not spirite: and when the Lord shall stretch out his hand, the helper shall fall, and hee that is holpen shall fall, and they shall altogether faile. For thus hath the Lord spoken vnto me, 4 As the lyon or lyons whelpe roareth vpon his praye, against whom if a multitude of shepheards be called, hee will not be afraide at their voyce, neither will humble him selfe at their noise: so shall the Lord of hostes come downe to fight for mount Zion, and for the hill thereof. As birds that flie, so shall the 5 Lord of hostes defend Ierusalem by defending and deliuering, by passing through and preserving it. O ye children of Israel, 6 turne againe, in as much as ye are sunken deepe in rebellion. For in that day euery man shall cast out his idoles of siluer, and 7 his idoles of golde, which your handes have made you, even Then shall Asshur fall by the sworde, not of man, 8 neither shall the sworde of man deuoure him, and hee shall flee from the sworde, and his yong men shall faint. And he 9 shall go for feare to his towre, and his princes shall be afraide of the standart, sayeth the Lord, whose fire is in Zion, and his fornace in Ierusalem.

Behold, a King shall reigne in iustice, and the princes shall rule in iudgement. And that man shall bee as an hiding place from the winde, and as a refuge for the tempest: as rivers of water in a drie place, and as the shadowe of a great rocke in a weary land. The eyes of the seeing shall not be shut, and the areas of them that heare, shall hearken. And the heart of the foolish shall vnderstand knowledge, and the tongue of the stutters shalbe ready to speake distinctly. A nigard shall no more be called liberall, nor the churle riche. But the nigarde will speake of nigardnesse, and his heart will worke iniquitie, and do wickedly, and speake falsely against the Lord, to make emptie the hungrie soule, and to cause the drinke of the thirstie to

7 faile. For the weapons of the churle are wicked: hee deuiseth wicked counsels, to vndoe the poore with lying words: and to 8 speake against the poore in judgement. But the liberall man will deuise of liberall things, and he will continue his liberal-Rise vp, ye women that are at ease: heare my voyce, 10 ye carelesse daughters: hearken to my wordes. Yee women, that are carelesse, shall be in feare aboue a yeere in dayes: for the vintage shall faile, and the gatherings shall come no more. 11 Yee women, that are at ease, be astonied: feare, O yee carelesse women: put off the clothes: make bare, and girde sack-12 cloth vpon the loynes. Men shall lament for the teates, euen 13 for the pleasant fieldes, and for the fruitefull vine. Vpon the lande of my people shall growe thornes and briers: yea, vpon 14 all the houses of ioye in the citie of reioysing, Because the palace shalbe forsaken, and the noise of the citie shalbe left: the towre and fortresse shalbe dennes for euer, and the delite 15 of wilde asses, and a pasture for flockes. Vntill the Spirit be powred vpon vs from aboue, and the wildernes become a fruit-16 full fielde, and the plenteous fielde be counted as a forest. And iudgement shall dwel in the desert, and iustice shall remaine 17 in the fruitfull fielde. And the worke of iustice shall bee peace, euen the worke of iustice and quietnesse, and assurance for 18 euer. And my people shall dwell in the tabernacle of peace. 19 and in sure dwellings, and in safe resting places. When it haileth, it shall fall on the forest, and the citie shall be set in 20 the lowe place. Blessed are ye that sowe vpon all waters, and drive thither the feete of the oxe and the asse.

Woe to thee that spoylest, and wast not spoyled: and doest wickedly, and they did not wickedly against thee: when thou shalt cease to spoyle, thou shalt be spoyled: when thou shalt make an ende of doing wickedly, they shall doe wickedly against thee. O Lord, haue mercie vpon vs, wee haue waited for thee: be thou, which waste their arme in the morning, our helpe also in time of trouble. At the noise of the tumult, the people fled: at thine exalting the nations were scattered. And your spoyle shall be gathered like the gathering of caterpillers: and he shall go against him like the leaping of grashoppers. The Lord is exalted: for hee dwelleth on hie: he hath filled Zion with iudgement and iustice. And there shall be stabili-

tie of thy times, strength, saluation, wisdome and knowledge:

for the feare of the Lord shalbe his treasure. Behold, their 7 messengers shall cry without, and ye ambassadours of peace shall weepe bitterly. The pathes are waste: the wayfaring 8 man ceaseth: hee hath broken the couenant: hee hath contemned the cities: he regarded no man. The earth mourneth 9 and fainteth: Lebanon is ashamed, and hewen downe: Sharon is like a wildernes, and Bashan is shaken and Carmel. Now 10 will I arise, saith the Lord: now will I be exalted, now will I lift vp my selfe. Ye shall conceive chaffe, and bring forth stubble: 11 the fire of your breath shall deuoure you. And the people shall 12 be as the burning of lime: and as the thornes cut vp. shall they be burnt in the fire. Heare, yee that are farre off, what I haue 13 done, and ye that are neere, know my power. The sinners 14 in Zion are afraide: a feare is come vpon the hypocrites: who among vs shall dwel with the deuouring fire? who among vs shall dwell with the euerlasting burnings? Hee that walketh 15 in justice, and speaketh righteous things, refusing gaine of oppression, shaking his handes from taking of gifts, stopping his eares from hearing of blood, and shutting his eyes from seeing euill. He shall dwell on hie: his defence shall be the munitions 16 of rockes: bread shalbe given him, and his waters shalbe sure. Thine eyes shall see the King in his glory: they shall beholde 17 the lande farre off. Thine heart shall meditate feare, Where 18 is the scribe? where is the receiver? where is hee that counted the towres? Thou shalt not see a fierce people, a people of a 19 darke speache, that thou canst not perceive, and of a stammering tongue that thou canst not vnderstande. Looke vpon Zion 20 the citie of our solemne feastes: thine eyes shall see Ierusalem a quiet habitation, a Tabernacle that can not be remooued: and the stakes thereof can neuer be taken away, neither shall any of the cordes thereof be broken. For surely there the mightie 21 Lord will be vnto vs, as a place of floods and broade rivers, whereby shall passe no shippe with oares, neither shall great shippe passe thereby. For the Lord is our Iudge, the Lord is 22 our lawe giuer: the Lord is our King, he will saue vs. cordes are loosed: they could not well strengthen their maste, neither coulde they spread the saile: then shall the praye be deuided for a great spoile: yea, the lame shall take away the pray. And none inhabitant shall say, I am sicke: the people 24 that dwell therein, shall have their iniquitie forgiuen.

34 Come neere, ye nations and heare, and hearken, ye people: let the earth heare and all that is therein, the world and al For the indignation of the Lord is 2 that proceedeth thereof. vpon all nations, and his wrath vpon all their armies: hee hath 3 destroyed them and deliuered them to the slaughter. their slaine shalbe cast out, and their stincke shall come vp out of their bodies, and the mountaines shalbe melted with 4 their blood. And all the hoste of heaven shalbe dissolved. and the heavens shall be folden like a booke: and all their hostes shall fall as the leafe falleth from the vine, and as it 5 falleth from the figtree. For my sword shalbe drunken in the heauen: beholde, it shall come downe vpon Edom, euen vpon 6 the people of my curse to judgement. The sword of the Lord is filled with blood: it is made fat with the fat and with the blood of the lambes and the goates, with the fat of the kidneis of the rams: for the Lord hath a sacrifice in Bozrah, and a great 7 slaughter in the land of Edom. And the vnicorne shall come downe with them and the heiffers with the bulles, and their lande shalbe drunken with blood, and their dust made fat with 8 fatnesse. For it is the day of the Lordes vengeance, and the 9 yeere of recompence for the judgement of Zion. And the riuers thereof shall be turned into pitche, and the dust thereof 10 into brimstone, and the land thereof shalbe burning pitch. It shall not be quenched night nor day: the smoke thereof shall goe vp euermore: it shall be desolate from generation to gen-11 eration: none shall passe through it for euer. But the pelicane and the hedgehog shall possesse it, and the great owle, and the rauen shall dwel in it, and he shall stretch out vpon it 12 the line of vanitie, and the stones of emptinesse. The nobles thereof shall call to the kingdome, and there shalbe none, and 13 all the princes thereof shalbe as nothing. And it shall bring foorth thornes in the palaces thereof, nettles and thistles in the strong holdes thereof, and it shall be an habitation for dragons, 14 and a court for ostriches. There shall meete also Ziim and Iim, and the Satyre shall cry to his fellow, and the shricheowle shall rest there, and shall finde for her selfe a quiet dwelling. 15 There shall the owle make her nest, and laye, and hatche, and gather them vnder her shadowe: there shall the vultures also 16 bee gathered, euery one with her make. Seeke in the booke of the Lord, and reade: none of these shall fayle, none shall want

her make: for his mouth hath commanded, and his very Spirit hath gathered them. And he hath cast the lot for them, and 17 his hand hath deuided it vnto them by line: they shall possesse it for euer: from generation to generation shall they dwell in it.

The desert and the wildernes shall rejoyce: and the waste 35 ground shalbe glad and florish as the rose. It shall florish 2 abundantly and shall greatly reioyce also and ioye: the glory of Lebanon shalbe giuen vnto it: the beautie of Carmel, and of Sharon, they shall see the glory of the Lord, and the excellencie of our God. Strengthen the weake handes, and comfort 3 the feeble knees. Say vnto them that are fearefull, Bee you 4 strong, feare not: beholde, your God commeth with vengeance: euen God with a recompense, he will come and saue you. Then 5 shall the eyes of the blinde be lightened, and the eares of the deafe be opened. Then shall ye lame man leape as an hart, 6 and the dumme mans tongue shall sing: for in the wildernes shall waters breake out, and rivers in ye desert. And the dry 7 ground shalbe as a poole, and the thirstie (as springs of water in the habitation of dragons: where they lay) shall be a place for reedes and rushes. And there shalbe a path and a way, 8 and the way shalbe called holy: the polluted shall not passe by it: for he shalbe with them, and walke in the way, and the fooles shall not erre. There shall be no lyon, nor noysome 9 beastes shall ascend by it, neither shall they be found there, that the redeemed may walke. Therefore the redeemed of the 10 Lord shall returne and come to Zion with prayse: and euerlasting joy shall bee yoon their heads: they shall obteine joye and gladnesse, and sorow and mourning shall flee away.

Nowe in the fourteenth yeere of King Hezekiah, Saneherib King of Asshur came vp against al the strong cities of Iudah, and tooke them. And the King of Asshur sent Rabshakeh from 2 Lachish toward Ierusalem vnto King Hezekiah, with a great hoste, and he stood by ye conduite of the vpper poole in the path of the fullers fielde. Then came foorth vnto him Eliakim 3 the sonne of Hilkiah the steward of the house, and Shebna the chanceler, and Ioah the sonne of Asaph the recorder. And Rabshakeh sayde vnto them, Tell you Hezekiah, I pray you, Thus sayth the great King, the King of Asshur, What confidence is this, wherein thou trustest? I say, Surely I haue eloquence, 5

but counsell and strength are for the warre: on whom then 6 doest thou trust, that thou rebellest against me? Loe, thou trustest in this broken staffe of reede on Egypt, whereupon if a man leane, it will goe into his hand, and pearce it: so is 7 Pharaoh King of Egypt, vnto all that trust in him. But if thou say to me, We trust in the Lord our God. Is not that he, whose hie places and whose altars Hezekiah tooke downe, and said to Iudah and to Ierusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar? 8 Nowe therefore give hostages to my lorde the King of Asshur, and I wil give thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy 9 part to set riders vpon them. For howe canst thou despise any captaine of the least of my lordes seruants? and put thy 10 trust on Egypt for charets and for horsemen? And am I now come vp without the Lord to this land to destroy it? The Lord 11 sayd vnto me, Goe vp against this land and destroy it. Then sayd Eliakim and Shebna and Ioah vnto Rabshakeh, Speake, I pray thee, to thy seruants in the Aramites language, (for we vnderstand it) and talke not with vs in the Iewes tongue, in 12 the audience of the people that are on the wall. Then said Rabshakeh, Hath my master sent me to thy master, and to thee to speake these wordes, and not to the men that sit on the wall? that they may eate their owne doung, and drinke 13 their owne pisse with you? So Rabshakeh stood, and cryed with a loude voyce in the Iewes language, and sayd, Heare the 14 wordes of the great King, of the King of Asshur. Thus saith the King, Let not Hezekiah deceiue you: for he shall not be 15 able to deliuer you. Neither let Hezekiah make you to trust in the Lord, saying, The Lord will surely deliuer vs: this citie shall not be given ouer into the hand of the King of Asshur. 16 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus sayth the King of Asshur, Make appointment with me, and come out to me, that every man may eate of his owne vine, and euery man of his owne fig 17 tree, and drinke euery man the water of his owne well, Till I come and bring you to a land like your owne land, euen a land 18 of wheate, and wine, a land of bread and vineyardes, Least Hezekiah deceiue you, saying, The Lord wil deliuer vs. Hath any of the gods of the nations deliuered his land out of the 19 hand of the King of Asshur? Where is the god of Hamath, and of Arpad? where is the god of Sepharuaim? or howe haue they 20 deliuered Samaria out of mine hand? Who is hee among all the gods of these lands, that hath deliuered their countrey out of mine hand, that the Lord should deliuer Ierusalem out of mine hand? Then they kept silence, and answered him not 21 a worde: for the Kings commandement was, saying, Answere him not. Then came Eliakim the sonne of Hilkiah the steward 22 of the house, and Shebna the chanceller, and Ioah the sonne of Asaph the recorder, vnto Hezekiah with rent clothes, and tolde him the wordes of Rabshakeh.

And when the King Hezekiah heard it, he rent his clothes, 37 and put on sackcloth and came into the House of the Lord. And he sent Eliakim the stewarde of the house, aud Shebna 2 the chanceller, with the Elders of the Priestes, clothed in sackcloth vnto Isaiah the Prophet, the sonne of Amoz. And they 3 sayd vnto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day is a day of tribulation and of rebuke and blasphemie: for the children are come to the birth, and there is no strength to bring foorth. If so be 4 the Lord thy God hath heard the wordes of Rabshakeh, whom the King of Asshur his master hath sent to raile on the liuing God, and to reproch him with wordes which the Lord thy God hath heard, then lift thou vp thy prayer for the remnant that are left. So the servants of the King Hezekiah came to 5 Isaiah. And Isaiah sayde vnto them, Thus say vnto your mas- 6 ter, Thus saith the Lord, Be not afrayd of the wordes that thou hast heard, wherewith the seruants of the king of Asshur haue blasphemed me. Beholde, I wil send a blast vpon him, and he 7 shall heare a noyse, and returne to his owne land, and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his owne land. So Rabshakeh 8 returned, and found the King of Asshur fighting against Libnah: for he had heard that he was departed from Lachish. He 9 heard also men say of Tirhakah, King of Ethiopia, Beholde, he is come out to fight against thee: and when he heard it, he sent other messengers to Hezekiah, saying, Thus shall ye 10 speake to Hezekiah King of Iudah, saying, Let not thy God deceive thee, in whom thou trustest, saying, Ierusalem shall not be given into the hand of the King of Asshur. Beholde, 11 thou hast heard what the Kings of Asshur haue done to all lands in destroying them, and shalt thou be deliuered? Haue 12 the gods of the nations deliuered them, which my fathers have destroyed? as Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of Eden, which were at Telassar? Where is the King of 13

Hamath, and the King of Arpad, and the King of the citie of 14 Sepharuaim, Hena and Iuah? So Hezekiah receiued the letter of the hand of the messengers and read it, and he went vp into the House of the Lord, and Hezekiah spread it before the 15, 16 Lord. And Hezekiah prayed vnto the Lord, saying, O Lord of hostes, God of Israel, which dwellest betweene the Cherubims, thou art very God alone ouer all the kingdomes of the 17 earth: thou hast made the heauen and the earth. Encline thine eare, O Lord, and heare: open thine eyes, O Lord, and see, and heare all the wordes of Saneherib, who hath sent to 18 blaspheme the liuing God. Trueth it is, O Lord, that the Kings 19 of Asshur haue destroyed all lands, and their countrey, And haue cast their gods in ye fire: for they were no gods, but the worke of mans hands, euen wood or stone: therefore they de-20 stroyed them. Nowe therefore, O Lord our God, saue thou vs out of his hand, that all the kingdomes of the earth may knowe, 21 that thou onely art the Lord. Then Isaiah the sonne of Amoz sent vnto Hezekiah, saying, Thus sayth the Lord God of Israel, Because thou hast prayed vnto me, concerning Saneherib 22 king of Asshur, This is the worde that the Lord hath spoken against him, the virgine, the daughter of Zion, hath despised thee, and laughed thee to scorne: the daughter of Ierusalem, 23 hath shaken her head at thee. Whome hast thou railed on and blasphemed? and against whome hast thou exalted thy voyce, and lifted vp thine eyes on hie? euen against the holy 24 one of Israel. By thy seruants hast thou railed on the Lord, and sayd, By the multitude of my charets I am come vp to the top of the mountaines to the sides of Lebanon, and will cut downe the hie cedars thereof, and the faire firre trees thereof, and I will goe vp to the heightes of his top and to the forest of 25 his fruitfull places. I have digged and drunke the waters, and with the plant of my feete haue I dryed all the riuers closed Hast thou not heard howe I have of olde time made it, and haue formed it long ago? and should I now bring it, that it should be destroyed, and layde on ruinous heapes, as cities de-27 fensed? Whose inhabitants haue small power, and are afrayd and confounded: they are like the grasse of the field and greene herbe, or grasse on the house tops, or corne blassed afore it be 28 growen. But I know thy dwelling, and thy going out, and thy 29 comming in, and thy fury against me. Because thou ragest

against me, and thy tumult is come vnto mine eares, therefore will I put mine hooke in thy nostrels, and my bridle in thy lips, and wil bring thee backe againe the same way thou camest. And this shalbe a signe vnto thee, O Hezekiah, Thou 30 shalt eate this yeere such as groweth of it selfe: and the second veere, such things as growe without sowing: and in the third yeere, sowe ye and reape, and plant vineyards, and eate the fruite thereof. And the remnant that is escaped of the house 31 of Iudah, shall againe take roote downward and beare fruite vpward. For out of Ierusalem shall goe a remnant, and they 32 that escape out of mount Zion: the zeale of the Lord of hostes shall doe this. Therefore thus sayth the Lord, concerning the 33 King of Asshur, He shall not enter into this citie, nor shoote an arrow there, nor come before it with shield, nor cast a mount against it. By the same way that he came, he shall returne, 34 and not come into this citie, saith the Lord. For I will defend 35 this citie to saue it, for mine owne sake, and for my seruant Dauids sake. Then the Angel of the Lord went out, and smote 36 in the campe of Asshur an hundreth, fourescore, and fiue thousand: so when they arose early in the morning, beholde, they were all dead corpses. So Saneherib king of Asshur departed, 37 and went away and returned and dwelt at Nineueh. And as he 38 was in the temple worshipping of Nisroch his god, Adramelech and Sharezer his sonnes slewe him with the sword, and they escaped into the land of Ararat: and Esarhaddon his sonne reigned in his steade.

About that time was Hezekiah sicke vnto the death, and the Prophet Isaiah sonne of Amoz came vnto him, and sayd vnto him, Thus sayth the Lord, Put thine house in an order, for thou shalt dye, and not liue. Then Hezekiah turned his 2 face to the wall, and prayed to the Lord, And saide, I beseeche 3 thee, Lord, remember nowe howe I haue walked before thee in trueth, and with a perfite heart, and haue done that which is good in thy sight: and Hezekiah wept sore. Then came 4 the worde of the Lord to Isaiah, saying, Goe, and say vnto 5 Hezekiah, Thus saith the Lord God of Dauid thy father, I haue heard thy prayer, and seene thy teares: behold, I will adde vnto thy dayes fifteene yeeres. And I will deliuer thee out of the 6 hand of the King of Asshur, and this citie: for I will defende this citie. And this signe shalt thou haue of ye Lord, that ye Lord 7

8 will do this thing that he hath spoken, Beholde, I will bring againe the shadowe of the degrees (whereby it is gone downe in the diall of Ahaz by the sunne) ten degrees backeward: so the sunne returned by tenne degrees, by the which degrees it was 9 gone downe. The writing of Hezekiah King of Iudah, when he 10 had bene sicke, and was recourred of his sickenesse. I saide in the cutting off of my dayes, I shall goe to the gates of the 11 graue: I am depriued of the residue of my yeeres. I said, I shall not see the Lord, euen the Lord in the land of the liuing: I shall see man no more among the inhabitants of the world. 12 Mine habitation is departed, and is remoued from me, like a shepheards tent: I have cut off like a weauer my life: he will cut me off from the height: from day to night, thou wilt make 13 an ende of me. I rekoned to the morning: but he brake all my bones, like a lion: from day to night wilt thou make an 14 ende of me. Like a crane or a swallow, so did I chatter: I did mourne as a doue: mine eies were lift vp on high: O Lord, it 15 hath oppressed me, comfort me. What shall I say? for he hath said it to me, and he hath done it: I shall walke weakely all my 16 yeeres in the bitternesse of my soule. O Lord, to them that ouerliue them, and to all that are in them, the life of my spirite shalbe knowen, that thou causedst me to sleepe and hast given 17 life to me. Beholde, for felicitie I had bitter griefe, but it was thy pleasure to deliuer my soule from the pit of corruption: for 18 thou hast cast all my sinnes behinde thy backe. For the graue cannot confesse thee: death cannot praise thee: they that goe 19 downe into the pit, cannot hope for thy trueth. But the liuing, the liuing, he shall confesse thee, as I doe this day: the father 20 to the children shall declare thy trueth. The Lord was ready to saue me: therefore we will sing my song, all the dayes of our 21 life in the House of the Lord. Then said Isaiah, Take a lumpe of drye figs and lay it vpon the boyle, and he shall recouer. 22 Also Hezekiah had said, What is ye signe, that I shall goe vp into the House of the Lord?

At the same time, Merodach Baladan, the sonne of Baladan, King of Babel, sent letters, and a present to Hezekiah: for he had heard that he had bene sicke, and was recoursed. And Hezekiah was glad of them, and shewed them the house of the treasures, the siluer, and the golde, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and all the house of his armour, and

all that was founde in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his kingdome that Hezekiah shewed them not. Then came Isaiah the Prophet vnto King Hezekiah, and said 3 vnto him, What said these men? and from whence came they to thee? And Hezekiah saide, They are come from a farre countrey vnto me, from Babel. Then saide he, What haue they 4 seene in thine house? And Hezekiah answered, All that is in mine house haue they seene: there is nothing among my treasures, that I have not shewed them. And Isaiah saide 5 to Hezekiah, Heare the worde of the Lord of hostes, Beholde, 6 the daves come, that all that is in thine house, and which thy fathers have layed vp in store vntill this day, shall be caried to Babel: nothing shall be left, sayeth the Lord. And of thy 7 sonnes, that shall proceede out of thee, and which thou shalt beget, shall they take away, and they shall be eunuches in the palace of the King of Babel. Then said Hezekiah to Isaiah. 8 The worde of the Lord is good, which thou hast spoken: and he saide. Yet let there be peace, and trueth in my dayes.

Comfort ve, comfort ve my people, will your God say. Speake 40, 2 comfortably to Ierusalem, and crye vnto her, that her warrefare is accomplished, that her iniquitie is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lords hand double for all her sinnes. A 3 voyce cryeth in the wildernesse, Prepare ve the way of the Lord: make streight in the desert a path for our God. Eu- 4 ery valley shall be exalted, and euery mountaine and hill shall be made lowe: and the crooked shalbe streight, and the rough places plaine. And the glory of the Lord shalbe reueiled, and 5 all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. A voyce saide, Crie. And he saide, What shall I 6 crie? All flesh is grasse, and all the grace thereof is as the floure of the fielde. The grasse withereth, the floure fadeth, 7 because the Spirite of the Lord bloweth vpon it: surely the people is grasse. The grasse withereth, the floure fadeth: but the 8 worde of our God shall stand for euer. O Zion, that bringest 9 good tidings, get thee vp into the hie mountaine: O Ierusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift vp thy voyce with strength: lift it vp, be not afraide: say vnto the cities of Iudah, Beholde your God. Beholde, the Lord God will come with power, and his 10 arme shall rule for him: beholde, his rewarde is with him, and his worke before him, He shall feede his flocke like a shep- 11

heard: he shall gather the lambes with his arme, and cary 12 them in his bosome, and shall guide them with young. Who hath measured the waters in his fist? and counted heaven with the spanne, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure? and weighed ye mountaines in a weight, and the hilles in 13 a balance? Who hath instructed ye Spirit of the Lord? or was 14 his counseler or taught him? Of whom tooke he counsell, and who instructed him and taught him in the way of iudgement? or taught him knowledge, and shewed vnto him the way of vn-15 derstanding? Beholde, the nations are as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the dust of the balance: beholde, he taketh 16 away the yles as a litle dust. And Lebanon is not sufficient for fire, nor the beastes thereof sufficient for a burnt offering. 17 All nations before him are as nothing, and they are counted to 18 him, lesse then nothing, and vanitie. To whom then wil ye 19 liken God? or what similitude will ye set vp vnto him? The workeman melteth an image, or the goldsmith beateth it out 20 in golde, or the goldesmith maketh siluer plates. Doeth not the poore chuse out a tree that will not rot, for an oblation? he seeketh also vnto him a cunning workeman, to prepare an im-21 age, that shall not be moued. Know ye nothing? haue ye not heard it? hath it not bene tolde you from the beginning? haue 22 ye not vnderstand it by the foundation of the earth? He sitteth vpon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grashoppers, hee stretcheth out ye heauens, as a curtaine, 23 and spreadeth them out, as a tent to dwell in. He bringeth the princes to nothing, and maketh the judges of the earth, 24 as vanitie. As though they were not plated, as though they were not sowen, as though their stocke tooke no roote in the earth: for he did euen blow vpon them, and they withered, and 25 the whirlewinde will take them away as stubble. To whom nowe will ye liken me, that I should be like him, saith the 26 Holy one? Lift vp your eyes on hie, and beholde who hath created these things, and bringeth out their armies by nomber, and calleth them all by names? by the greatnesse of his power 27 and mightie strength nothing faileth. Why sayest thou, O Iaakob, and speakest O Israel, My way is hid from the Lord, 28 and my iudgement is passed ouer of my God? Knowest thou not? or hast thou not heard, that the euerlasting God, the Lord hath created the endes of the earth? he neither fainteth, nor is wearie: there is no searching of his vnderstanding. But he 29 giueth strength vnto him that fainteth, and vnto him that hath no strength, he encreaseth power. Euen the yong men shall 30 faint, and be wearie, and the yong men shall stumble and fall. But they that waite vpon the Lord, shall renue their strength: 31 they shall lift vp the wings as the eagles: they shall runne, and not be wearie, and they shall walke and not faint.

Keep silence before mee, O ylands, and let the people renue 41 their strength: let the come neere, and let them speake: let vs come together into iudgement. Who raised vp iustice from 2 the East, and called him to his foote? and gaue the nations before him, and subdued the Kings? he gaue them as dust to his sword, and as scattered stubble vnto his bowe. He pursued 3 them, and passed safely by the way that he had not gone with his feete. Who hath wrought and done it? he that calleth the 4 generations from the beginning. I the Lord am the first, and with the last I am ve same. The vles sawe it, and did feare, 5 and the ends of the earth were abashed, drew neere, and came. Euery man helped his neighbour, and saide to his brother, Be 6 strong. So the workeman comforted the founder, and he that 7 smote with ve hammer, him that smote by course, saying, It is ready for the sodering, and he fastened it with nayles that it shoulde not be mooued. But thou, Israel, art my seruant, 8 and thou Iaakob, whom I haue chosen, the seede of Abraham my friend. For I have taken thee from the endes of the earth, 9 and called thee before the chiefe thereof, and saide vnto thee, Thou art my seruant: I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away. Feare thou not, for I am with thee: be not afraide, for 10 I am thy God: I will strengthen thee, and helpe thee, and will susteine thee with the right hand of my iustice. Beholde, all 11 they that prouoke thee, shalbe ashamed, and confounded: they shalbe as nothing, and they that striue with thee, shall perish. Thou shalt seeke them and shalt not finde them: to wit, the 12 men of thy strife, for they shall be as nothing, and the men that warre against thee, as a thing of nought. For I the Lord 13 thy God will hold thy right hand, saying vnto thee, Feare not, I wil helpe thee. Feare not, thou worme, Iaakob, and ye men 14 of Israel: I wil helpe thee, sayth the Lord and thy redeemer the holy one of Israel. Behold, I wil make thee a roller, and 15 a newe threshing instrument having teeth: thou shalt thresh

the mountaines, and bring them to pouder, and shalt make the 16 hilles as chaffe. Thou shalt fanne them, and the winde shall carie them away, and the whirlewinde shall scatter them: and thou shalt reioyce in the Lord, and shalt glory in the holy one of 17 Israel. When the poore and the needy seeke water, and there is none (their tongue faileth for thirst: I the Lord will heare 18 them: I the God of Israel will not forsake them) I will open rivers in the toppes of the hils, and fountaines in the middes of the valleis: I will make the wildernesse as a poole of water. 19 and the waste land as springs of water. I will set in the wildernesse the cedar, the shittah tree, and the mirre tree, and the pine tree, and I will set in the wildernesse the firre tree, the 20 elme and the boxe tree together. Therefore let them see and knowe, and let them consider and vnderstande together that the hand of the Lord hath done this, and the holy one of Israel 21 hath created it. Stand to your cause, saith the Lord: bring 22 forth your strong reasons, saith ye King of Iaakob. Let them bring foorth, and let them tell vs what shall come: let them shew the former things what they be, that wee may consider them, and knowe the latter ende of them: either declare vs 23 things for to come. Shewe the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that you are gods: yea, doe good or 24 doe euill, that we may declare it, and beholde it together. Beholde, ye are of no value, and your making is of naught: man 25 hath chosen an abomination by them. I have raised vp from the North, and he shall come: from the East sunne shall he cal vpon my Name, and shall come vpon princes as vpon clay, 26 and as the potter treadeth myre vnder the foote. Who hath declared from the beginning, that we may knowe? or before time, that we may say, He is righteous? Surely there is none that sheweth: surely there is none that declareth: surely there 27 is none that heareth your wordes. I am the first, that saieth to Zion, Beholde, beholde them: and I will give to Ierusalem one 28 that shall bring good tidings. But when I behelde, there was none, and when I inquired of them, there was no counsellor, and when I demaunded of them, they answered not a woorde. 29 Beholde, they are all vanitie: their worke is of nothing, their images are wind and confusion.

Behold, my seruaunt: I will stay vpon him: mine elect, in whom my soule deliteth: I haue put my Spirit vpon him: he

shall bring forth iudgement to the Gentiles. He shall not crie, 2 nor lift vp, nor cause his voice to be heard in the streete. A 3 bruised reede shall hee not breake, and the smoking flaxe shall he not quench: he shall bring foorth judgement in trueth. He 4 shall not faile nor be discouraged till he haue set iudgement in the earth: and the vles shall waite for his lawe. sayeth God the Lord (he that created the heavens and spred them abroad: he that stretched foorth the earth, and the buddes thereof: he that giveth breath vnto the people vpon it, and spirit to them that walke therein) I the Lord haue called thee 6 in righteousnesse, and will hold thine hand, and I will keepe thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, and for a light of the Gentiles, That thou maist open the eyes of the blind, 7 and bring out the prisoners from the prison: and them that sitte in darkenesse, out of the prison house. I am the Lord, 8 this is my Name, and my glory wil I not give to another, neither my praise to grauen images. Beholde, the former thinges 9 are come to passe, and newe things doe I declare: before they come foorth, I tell you of them. Sing vnto the Lord a newe 10 song, and his praise from the ende of the earth: yee that goe downe to the sea, and all that is therein: the yles and the inhabitants thereof. Let the wildernesse and the cities thereof 11 lift vp their voyce, the townes that Kedar doeth inhabite: let the inhabitants of the rocks sing: let them shoute from the toppe of the mountaines. Let them give glorie vnto the Lord, 12 and declare his praise in the ylands. The Lord shall go forth 13 as a gyant: he shall stirre vp his courage like a man of warre: he shall shout and crie, and shall preuaile against his enemies. I have a long time holden my peace: I have beene still and re- 14 frained my selfe: nowe will I crie like a trauailing woman: I will destroy and deuoure at once. I will make waste moun- 15 taines, and hilles, and drie vp all their herbes, and I will make the floods ylands, and I will drie vp the pooles. And I will 16 bring the blinde by a way, that they knewe not, and lead them by paths that they have not knowen: I will make darkenesse light before them, and crooked thinges straight. These thinges will I doe vnto them, and not forsake them. They shall be 17 turned backe: they shall be greatly ashamed, that trust in grauen images, and say to the molten images, Yee are our gods. Heare, ye deafe: and ye blinde, regarde, that ye may see. Who 18, 19

is blinde but my seruaunt? or deafe as my messenger, that I sent? who is blind as the perfit, and blinde as the Lordes seru-20 ant? Seeing many things, but thou keepest them not? open-21 ing the eares, but he heareth not? The Lord is willing for his righteousnesse sake that he may magnifie the Lawe, and 22 exalt it. But this people is robbed and spoiled, and shalbe all snared in dungeons, and they shalbe hid in prison houses: they shall be for a pray, and none shall deliuer: a spoile, and none 23 shall say, Restore. Who among you shall hearken to this, and 24 take heede, and heare for afterwardes? Who gaue Iaakob for a spoyle, and Israel to the robbers? Did not ye Lord, because we have sinned against him? for they woulde not walke in his 25 waies, neither be obedient vnto his Lawe. Therefore hee hath powred vpon him his fierce wrath, and the strength of battell: and it set him on fire round about, and he knewe not, and it burned him vp. vet he considered not.

But nowe thus saveth the Lord, that created thee, O Iaakob: 43 and hee that formed thee, O Israel, Feare not: for I haue redeemed thee: I have called thee by thy name, thou art mine. 2 When thou passest through the waters, I wil be with thee, and through the floods, that they doe not ouerflowe thee. When thou walkest through the very fire, thou shalt not be burnt, 3 neither shall the flame kindle vpon thee. For I am the Lord thy God, the holy one of Israel, thy Sauiour: I gaue Egypt for 4 thy ransome, Ethiopia, and Seba for thee. Because thou wast precious in my sight, and thou wast honourable, and I loued thee, therefore will I giue man for thee, and people for thy sake. 5 Feare not, for I am with thee: I will bring thy seede from the 6 East, and gather thee from the West. I will say to the North, Giue: and to the South, Keepe not backe: bring my sonnes from 7 farre, and my daughters from the ends of the earth. Euery one shall be called by my Name: for I created him for my glo-8 rie, formed him and made him. I will bring foorth the blinde people, and they shall have eyes, and the deafe, and they shall 9 haue eares. Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this and shewe vs former things? let them bring foorth their witnesses, that they may be iustified: but let them heare, and 10 say, It is truth. You are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my seruant, whom I haue chosen: therefore yee shall knowe and beleeue me and yee shall vnderstand that I am: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. I, euen I am the Lord, and beside me there is no Sauiour. I 11, 12 haue declared, and I haue saued, and I haue shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore you are my witnesses, sayeth the Lord, that I am God. Yea, before the 13 day was, I am, and there is none that can deliuer out of mine hand: I will doe it, and who shall let it? Thus sayeth the Lord 14 your redeemer, the holy one of Israel, For your sake I haue sent to Babel, and brought it downe: they are all fugitiues, and the Chaldeans crie in the shippes. I am the Lord your holy one. 15 the creator of Israel, your King. Thus sayeth the Lord which 16 maketh a way in the Sea, and a path in the mighty waters. When hee bringeth out the charet and horse, the armie and 17 the power lie together, and shall not rise: they are extinct, and quenched as towe. Remember yee not the former things, nei- 18 ther regard the things of olde. Behold, I do a new thing: now 19 shall it come foorth: shall vou not knowe it? I wil euen make a way in the desert, and floods in the wildernesse. The wilde 20 beastes shall honour mee, the dragons and the ostriches, because I gaue water in the desert, and floods in the wildernesse to give drinke to my people, even to mine elect. This people 21 haue I formed for my selfe: they shall shewe foorth my praise. And thou hast not called vpon mee, O Iaakob, but thou hast 22 wearied me, O Israel. Thou hast not brought me the sheepe 23 of thy burnt offrings, neither hast thou honoured me with thy sacrifices. I have not caused thee to serve with an offring, nor wearied thee with incense. Thou boughtest mee no sweete 24 sauour with money, neither hast thou made mee drunke with the fatte of thy sacrifices, but thou hast made mee to serue with thy sinnes, and wearied mee with thine iniquities. euen I am he that putteth away thine iniquities for mine owne sake, and will not remember thy sinnes. Put me in remem- 26 brance: let vs be judged together: count thou that thou maist be iustified. Thy first father hath sinned, and thy teachers 27 haue transgressed against me. Therefore I haue prophaned 28 the rulers of the Sanctuarie, and haue made Iaakob a curse, and Israel a reproche.

Yet nowe heare, O Iaakob my seruant, and Israel, whom 44 I haue chosen. Thus sayeth the Lord, that made thee, and 2

formed thee from the wombe: he wil helpe thee. Feare not, O Iaakob, my seruaunt, and thou righteous, whome I haue 3 chosen. For I will powre water vpon the thirstie, and floods vpon the drie grounde: I will powre my Spirit vpon thy seede, 4 and my blessing vpon thy buddes. And they shall grow as among the grasse, and as the willowes by the riuers of wa-5 ters. One shall say, I am the Lordes: another shalbe called by the name of Iaakob: and another shall subscribe with his hand vnto the Lord, and name himselfe by the name of Israel. 6 Thus saith the Lord the King of Israel and his redeemer, the Lord of hostes, I am the first, and I am the last, and without 7 me is there no God. And who is like me, that shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order before me, since I appointed the ancient people? and what is at hand, and what things are 8 to come? let them shewe vnto them. Feare ye not, neither be afraide: haue not I tolde thee of olde, and haue declared it? you are euen my witnesses, whether there be a God beside me, 9 and that there is no God that I knowe not. All they that make an image, are vanitie, and their delectable things shall nothing profite: and they are their owne witnesses, that they see 10 not nor know: therefore they shalbe confounded. Who hath made a god, or molten an image, that is profitable for noth-11 ing? Beholde, all that are of the fellowship thereof, shall be confounded: for the workemen themselues are men: let them all be gathered together, and stand vp, yet they shall feare, 12 and be confounded together. The smith taketh an instrument, and worketh in the coles, and facioneth it with hammers, and worketh it with the strength of his armes: yea, he is an hungred, and his strength faileth: he drinketh no water, and is 13 faint. The carpenter stretcheth out a line: he facioneth it with a red thread, he planeth it, and he purtreyeth it with the compasse, and maketh it after the figure of a man, and according to the beautie of a man that it may remaine in an He will hewe him downe cedars, and take the pine tree and the oke, and taketh courage among the trees of the forest: he planteth a firre tree, and the raine doeth nourish it. 15 And man burneth thereof: for he will take thereof and warme himselfe: he also kindleth it and baketh bread, yet he maketh a god, and worshippeth it: he maketh it an idole and boweth 16 vnto it. He burneth the halfe thereof euen in the fire, and vpon the halfe thereof he eateth flesh: he rosteth the roste and is satisfied: also he warmeth himselfe and sayth, Aha, I am warme, I have bene at the fire. And the residue thereof he 17 maketh a god, euen his idole: he boweth vnto it, and worshippeth and prayeth vnto it, and sayeth, Deliuer me: for thou art my god. They have not knowen, nor vnderstand: for God hath 18 shut their eyes that they cannot see, and their heartes, that they cannot vnderstand. And none considereth in his heart, 19 neither is there knowledge nor vnderstanding to say, I haue burnt halfe of it, euen in the fire, and haue baked bread also vpon the coles thereof: I have rosted flesh, and eaten it, and shall I make the residue thereof an abomination? shall I bowe to the stocke of a tree? He feedeth of ashes: a seduced heart 20 hath deceived him, that he cannot deliver his soule, nor say, Is there not a lye in my right hand? Remember these (O Iaakob 21 and Israel) for thou art my seruant: I have formed thee: thou art my seruant: O Israel forget me not. I haue put away thy 22 transgressions like a cloude, and thy sinnes, as a mist: turne vnto me, for I haue redeemed thee. Reiovce, ve heauens: for 23 the Lord hath done it: shoute, ye lower partes of the earth: brast foorth into prayses, ve mountaines, O forest and euery tree therein: for the Lord hath redeemed Iaakob and will be glorified in Israel. Thus sayeth the Lord thy redeemer and he 24 that formed thee from the wombe, I am the Lord, that made all things, that spred out the heavens alone, and stretched out the earth by my selfe. I destroy the tokens of ye southsayers, 25 and make them that coniecture, fooles, and turne the wise men backwarde, and make their knowledge foolishnesse. He con- 26 firmeth the worde of his servant and performeth the counsell of his messengers, saying to Ierusalem, Thou shalt bee inhabited: and to the cities of Iudah, Yee shall be built vp, and I will repayre the decayed places thereof. He saith to the deepe, Be 27 drye and I will drye vp thy floods. He saith to Cyrus, Thou 28 art my shepheard: and he shall performe all my desire: saying also to Ierusalem, Thou shalt be built: and to the Temple, Thy foundation shall be surely laved.

Thus sayeth the Lord vnto Cyrus his anointed, whose right 45 hand I have holden to subdue nations before him: therefore will I weaken the loynes of Kings and open the doores before him, and the gates shall not be shut: I will goe before 2

thee and make the crooked streight: I will breake the brasen 3 doores, and burst the yron barres. And I will give thee the treasures of darkenesse, and the things hid in secret places, that thou maist know that I am the Lord which call thee by 4 thy name, euen the God of Israel. For Iaakob my seruants sake, and Israel mine elect, I will euen call thee by thy name 5 and name thee, though thou hast not knowen me. I am the Lord and there is none other: there is no God besides me: I 6 girded thee though thou hast not knowen me, That they may knowe from the rising of the sunne and from the West, that there is none besides me. I am the Lord, and there is none 7 other. I forme the light and create darkenes: I make peace 8 and create euill: I the Lord doe all these things. Ye heavens, send the dewe from aboue, and let the cloudes droppe downe righteousnesse: let the earth open, and let saluation and iustice growe foorth: let it bring them foorth together: I the Lord 9 haue created him. Woe be vnto him that striueth with his maker, the potsherd with the potsherds of the earth: shall the clay say to him that facioneth it, What makest thou? or thy 10 worke, It hath none hands? Woe vnto him that sayeth to his father, What hast thou begotten? or to his mother, What hast 11 thou brought foorth? Thus saith the Lord, the holy one of Israel, and his maker, Aske me of things to come concerning my sonnes, and concerning the workes of mine hands: commande 12 you me. I have made the earth, and created man vpon it: I, whose hands have spred out the heavens, I have even com-13 manded all their armie. I have raised him vp in righteousnesse, and I will direct all his waves: he shall build my citie, and he shall let goe my captiues, not for price nor rewarde, 14 saith the Lord of hostes. Thus sayth the Lord, The labour of Egypt, and the marchandise of Ethiopia, and of the Sabeans, men of stature shall come vnto thee, and they shall be thine: they shall follow thee, and shall goe in chaines: they shall fall downe before thee, and make supplication vnto thee, saying, Surely God is in thee, and there is none other God besides. 15 Verely thou, O God, hidest thy selfe, O God, the Sauiour of Is-16 rael. All they shalbe ashamed and also confounded: they shall 17 goe to confusion together, that are the makers of images. But Israel shall be saued in the Lord, with an euerlasting saluation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded worlde without

ende. For thus saith the Lord (that created heauen, God him- 18 selfe, that formed the earth, and made it: he that prepared it, he created it not in vaine: he formed it to be inhabited) I am the Lord, and there is none other. I have not spoken in se- 19 crete, neither in a place of darkenes in the earth: I saide not in vaine vnto the seede of Iaakob, Seeke vou me: I the Lord doe speake righteousnesse, and declare righteous things. Assem- 20 ble your selues, and come: drawe neere together, ve abject of the Gentiles: they have no knowledge, that set vp the wood of their idole, and pray vnto a god, that cannot saue them. Tell 21 ve and bring them, and let them take counsell together, who hath declared this from the beginning? or hath tolde it of olde? Haue not I the Lord? and there is none other God beside me. a iust God, and a Sauiour: there is none beside me. Looke vnto 22 me, and ye shall be saued: all the endes of the earth shall be saued: for I am God, and there is none other. I have sworne 23 by my selfe: the worde is gone out of my mouth in righteousnesse, and shall not returne, That euery knee shall bowe vnto me, and euery tongue shall sweare by me. Surely he shall say, 24 In the Lord haue I righteousnesse and strength: he shall come vnto him, and all that prouoke him, shall be ashamed. whole seede of Israel shall be iustified, and glorie in the Lord.

Bel is bowed downe: Nebo is fallen: their idoles were vpon 46 the beastes, and vpon the cattell: they which did beare you, were laden with a wearie burden. They are bowed downe, 2 and fallen together: for they coulde not rid them of the burden, and their soule is gone into captiuitie. Heare ye me, O house 3 of Iaakob, and all that remaine of the house of Israel, which are borne of me from the wombe, and brought vp of me from Therefore vnto olde age, I the same, euen I will 4 beare you vntill the hoare heares: I have made you: I will also beare you, and I will cary you and I will deliuer you. To whom 5 will ye make me like or make me equall, or copare me, that I should be like him? They draw gold out of the bagge and 6 weigh siluer in the balance, and hire a goldsmith to make a god of it, and they bowe downe, and worship it. They beare 7 it vpon the shoulders: they carie him and set him in his place: so doeth he stand, and cannot remoue from his place. Though one crie vnto him, yet can he not answere, nor deliuer him out of his tribulation. Remember this, and be ashamed: bring it 8

gagaine to minde, O you transgressers. Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none other God, and there is nothing like me, Which declare the last thing from the beginning: and from of olde, the things that were not done, saying, My counsell shall stand, and I will doe whatsoeuer I will. I call a birde from the East, and the man of my counsell from farre: as I haue spoken, so will I bring it to passe: I haue purposed it, and I will doe it. Heare me, ye stubburne hearted, that are farre from iustice. I bring neere my iustice: it shall not be farre off, and my saluation shall not tarie: for I wil giue saluation in Zion, and my glory vnto Israel.

Come downe and sit in the dust: O virgine, daughter Ba-47 bel, sit on the ground: there is no throne, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called, Tender and deli-2 cate. Take the mill stones, and grinde meale: loose thy lockes: make bare the feete: vncouer the legge, and passe through the 3 floods. Thy filthinesse shall be discouered, and thy shame shall be seene: I will take vengeance, and I will not meete thee 4 as a man. Our redeemer, the Lord of hostes is his Name, the 5 holy one of Israel. Sit still, and get thee into darkenesse, O daughter of the Chaldeas: for thou shalt no more be called, The 6 ladie of kingdomes. I was wroth with my people: I haue polluted mine inheritance, and given them into thine had: thou diddest shew them no mercy, but thou didest lay thy very heavy 7 yoke vpon the ancient. And thou saidest, I shall be a ladie for euer, so that thou diddest not set thy mind to these things, 8 neither diddest thou remember ye latter end therof. Therefore nowe heare, thou that art given to pleasures, and dwellest carelesse, Shee sayeth in her heart, I am and none els: I shall not sit as a widowe, neither shall knowe the losse of children. 9 But these two thinges shall come to thee suddenly on one day, the losse of children and widowhoode: they shall come vpon thee in their perfection, for the multitude of thy divinations, 10 and for the great abundance of thine inchanters. For thou hast trusted in thy wickednesse: thou hast sayd, None seeth me. Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, they have caused thee to rebel, and thou hast saide in thine heart, I am, and none 11 els. Therefore shall euill come vpon thee, and thou shalt not knowe the morning thereof: destruction shall fal vpon thee, which thou shalt not be able to put away: destruction shall

come vpon thee suddenly, or thou beware. Stand now among 12 thine inchanters, and in the multitude of thy southsaiers (with whome thou hast wearied thy selfe from thy youth) if so be thou maist haue profit, or if so be thou maist haue strength. Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels: let now the 13 astrologers, the starre gasers, and prognosticatours stand vp, and saue thee from these things, that shall come vpon thee. Beholde, they shall be as stubble: the fire shall burne them: 14 they shall not deliuer their owne liues from the power of the flame: there shalbe no coles to warme at, nor light to sit by. Thus shall they serue thee, with whom thou hast wearied thee, 15 euen thy marchants from thy youth: euery one shall wander to his owne quarter: none shall saue thee.

Hear yee this, O house of Iaakob, which are called by the 48 name of Israel, and are come out of the waters of Iudah: which sweare by the Name of the Lord, and make mention of the God of Israel, but not in truth, nor in righteousnesse. they are called of the holy citie, and staie themselues vpon the God of Israel, whose Name is the Lord of hostes. I have de- 3 clared ye former things of old, and they went out of my mouth, and I shewed them: I did them suddenly, and they came to passe. Because I knewe, that thou art obstinate, and thy 4 necke is an yron sinew, and thy brow brasse. Therefore I haue 5 declared it to thee of old: before it came to passe, I shewed it thee, lest thou shouldest say, Mine idole hath done them, and my carued image, and my molten image hath commanded them. Thou hast heard, behold all this, and wil not yee de- 6 clare it? I have shewed thee newe things, even now, and hid things, which thou knewest not. They are created now, and 7 not of olde, and euen before this thou heardest them not, lest thou shouldest say, Beholde, I knewe them. Yet thou heardest 8 them not, neither diddest know them, neither yet was thine eare opened of olde: for I knewe that thou wouldest grieuously transgresse: therefore haue I called thee a transgressour from the wombe. For my Names sake will I defer my wrath, and 9 for my praise will I refraine it from thee, that I cut thee not off. Behold, I have fined thee, but not as silver: I have cho- 10 sen thee in the fornace of affliction. For mine owne sake. for 11 mine owne sake wil I doe it: for how should my Name be polluted? surely I wil not give my glory vnto another. Heare me, 12

O Iaakob and Israel, my called, I am, I am the first, and I am 13 the last. Surely mine hand hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned the heaues: when I cal 14 them, they stand vp together. All you, assemble your selues, and heare: which among them hath declared these thinges? The Lord hath loued him: he wil doe his will in Babel, and his 15 arme shalbe against the Chaldeans. I, euen I haue spoken it, and I have called him: I have brought him, and his way 16 shall prosper. Come neere vnto me: heare ye this: I haue not spoken it in secret from the beginning: from the time that the thing was, I was there, and now the Lord God and his Spirit 17 hath sent me. Thus saith the Lord thy redeemer, the Holy one of Israel, I am the Lord thy God, which teach thee to profite, 18 and lead thee by the way, that thou shouldest goe. Oh that thou haddest hearkened to my commandements! then had thy prosperitie bene as the floude, and thy righteousnesse as the 19 waves of the sea. Thy seede also had beene as the sande, and the fruite of thy body like the grauell thereof: his name should 20 not have bene cut off nor destroied before me. Goe vee out of Babel: flee yee from the Chaldeans, with a voice of ioy: tel and declare this: shewe it foorth to the ende of the earth: say yee, 21 The Lord hath redeemed his seruant Iaakob. And they were not thirstie: hee led them through the wildernesse: hee caused the waters to flowe out of the rocke for them: for he claue the 22 rocke, and the water gushed out. There is no peace, sayeth the Lord, vnto the wicked.

Hear yee me, O yles, and hearken, yee people from farre. The Lord hath called me from the wombe, and made mention of my name from my mothers bellie. And hee hath made my mouth like a sharpe sworde: vnder the shadowe of his hande hath he hid mee, and made me a chosen shafte, and hid me in his quiuer, And sayd vnto me, Thou art my seruaunt, Israel, for I will be glorious in thee. And I said, I haue labored in vaine: I haue spent my strength in vaine and for nothing: but my iudgement is with the Lord, and my woorke with my God. And now sayeth the Lord, that formed me from the wombe to be his seruaunt, that I may bring Iaakob againe to him (though Israel be not gathered, yet shall I bee glorious in the eyes of the Lord: and my God shall be my strength) And hee sayde, It is a small thing that thou shouldest be my seruaunt, to raise vp

the tribes of Iaakob, and to restore the desolations of Israel: I will also give thee for a light of the Gentiles, that thou maiest bee my saluation vnto the ende of the worlde. Thus saveth 7 the Lord the redeemer of Israel, and his Holie one, to him that is despised in soule, to a nation that is abhorred, to a seruaunt of rulers, Kinges shall see, and arise, and princes shall worship, because of the Lord, that is faithfull: and ye Holy one of Israel, which hath chosen thee. Thus sayeth the Lord, In 8 an acceptable time haue I heard thee, and in a day of saluation haue I helped thee: and I will preserue thee, and wil giue thee for a couenant of ve people, that thou maiest raise vp the earth, and obtaine the inheritance of the desolate heritages: That thou maiest say to the prisoners, Goe foorth: and to them 9 that are in darkenesse. Shewe your selues: they shall feede in the waies, and their pastures shall bee in all the toppes of They shall not be hungrie, neither shall they be 10 the hilles. thirstie, neither shall the heat smite them, nor the sunne: for he that hath compassion on them, shall leade them: euen to the springs of waters shall he drive them. And I will make 11 all my mountaines, as a way, and my paths shalbe exalted. Beholde, these shall come from farre: and loe, these from the 12 North and from the West, and these from the land of Sinim. Reiovce, O heauens: and bee iovfull, O earth: brast foorth 13 into praise, O mountaines: for God hath comforted his people, and will haue mercie vpon his afflicted. But Zion saide, 14 The Lord hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me. Can a woman forget her childe, and not have compassion on 15 the sonne of her wombe? though they should forget, yet wil I not forget thee. Behold, I have graven thee vpon the palme 16 of mine hands: thy walles are euer in my sight. Thy builders 17 make haste: thy destroiers and they that made thee waste, are departed from thee. Lift vp thine eies round about and be- 18 hold: all these gather themselues together and come to thee: as I liue, sayeth the Lord, thou shalt surely put them all vpon thee as a garment, and girde thy selfe with them like a bride. For thy desolations, and thy waste places, and thy land de- 19 stroied, shall surely be now narow for them that shall dwell in it, and they that did deuoure thee, shalbe farre away. children of thy barennesse shall say againe in thine eares, The place is straict for mee: giue place to me that I may dwell.

21 Then shalt thou say in thine heart, Who hath begotten mee these, seeing I am baren and desolate, a captiue and a wanderer to and from? and who hath nourished them? beholde, I 22 was left alone: whence are these? Thus sayeth the Lord God, Beholde, I will lift vp mine hande to the Gentiles and set vp my stadart to the people, and they shall bring thy sonnes in their armes: and thy daughters shall be caried vpon their shoulders. 23 And Kings shalbe thy nourcing fathers, and Queenes shalbe thy nources: they shall worship thee with their faces towarde the earth, and licke vp the dust of thy feete: and thou shalt knowe that I am the Lord: for they shall not be ashamed that 24 waite for me. Shall the pray be taken from the mightie? or 25 the iust captiuitie deliuered? But thus sayeth the Lord, euen the captiuitie of the mightie shall be taken away: and the pray of the tyrant shall be deliuered: for I wil contend with him that 26 contendeth with thee, and I will saue thy children. And will feede them that spoile thee, with their owne flesh, and they shall be drunken with their owne bloode, as with sweete wine: and all flesh shall know that I the Lord am thy sauiour and thy redeemer, the mighty one of Iaakob. 50

Thus sayeth the Lord, Where is that bill of your mothers divorcement, whome I have cast off? or who is the creditour to whome I solde you? Beholde, for your iniquities are yee solde, and because of your transgressions is your mother forsaken. 2 Wherefore came I, and there was no man? I called, and none answered: is mine hand so shortened, that it cannot helpe? or haue I no power to deliuer? Beholde, at my rebuke I drie vp the Sea: I make the floods desert: their fish rotteth for want of wa-3 ter, and dieth for thirst. I clothe the heavens with darkenesse, 4 and make a sacke their couering. The Lord God hath given me a tongue of the learned, that I shoulde knowe to minister a woord in time to him that is weary: he will raise me vp in the morning: in the morning hee will waken mine eare to heare, 5 as the learned. The Lord God hath opened mine eare and I 6 was not rebellious, neither turned I backe. I gaue my backe vnto the smiters, and my cheekes to the nippers: I hidde not 7 my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God will helpe me, therefore shall I not bee confounded: therefore haue I set my face like a flint, and I knowe that I shall not be ashamed. 8 Hee is neere that justifieth mee: who will contend with me?

Let vs stande together: who is mine aduersarie? let him come neere to me. Beholde, the Lord God will helpe me: who is he 9 that can condemne me? loe, they shall waxe olde as a garment: the mothe shall eate them vp. Who is among you that feareth 10 the Lord? let him heare the voyce of his seruant: hee that walketh in darkenesse, and hath no light, let him trust in the Name of the Lord, and staye vpon his God. Beholde, all you 11 kindle a fire, and are compassed about with sparkes: walke in the light of your fire, and in the sparkes that ye haue kindled. This shall ye haue of mine hand: ye shall lye downe in sorowe.

Heare me, ve that follow after righteousnes, and ve that 51 seeke the Lord: looke vnto the rocke, whence ye are hewen, and to the hole of the pit, whence ye are digged. Consider 2 Abraham your father, and Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him. Surely the 3 Lord shall comfort Zion: he shall comfort all her desolations. and he shall make her desert like Eden, and her wildernes like the garden of the Lord: ioy and gladnesse shalbe founde therein: praise, and the voyce of singing. Hearken ye vnto 4 me, my people, and giue eare vnto me, O my people: for a Law shall proceede from me, and I will bring foorth my judgement for the light of the people. My righteousnes is neere: my salu- 5 ation goeth foorth, and mine armes shall judge the people: the yles shall waite for me, and shall trust vnto mine arme. Lift 6 vp your eyes to the heavens, and looke vpon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall waxe olde like a garment, and they that dwell therein, shall perish in like maner: but my saluation shall be for euer, and my righteousnesse shall not bee abolished. Hearken vnto 7 me, ye that know righteousnesse, the people in whose heart is my Lawe. Feare ye not the reproche of men, neither be ye afraide of their rebukes. For the mothe shall eate them vp 8 like a garment, and the worme shall eate them like wool: but my righteousnesse shalbe for euer, and my saluation from generation to generation. Rise vp, rise vp, and put on strength, 9 O arme of the Lord: rise vp as in the olde time in the generations of the worlde. Art not thou the same, that hath cutte Rahab, and wounded the dragon? Art not thou the same, 10 which hath dried the Sea, euen the waters of the great deepe, making the depth of the Sea a way for the redeemed to passe

11 ouer? Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall returne, and come with ioy vnto Zion, and euerlasting ioy shalbe vpon their head: they shall obtaine ioy, and gladnesse: and sorow and 12 mourning shall flee away. I, euen I am he, that comfort you. Who art thou, that thou shouldest feare a mortall man, and 13 the sonne of man, which shalbe made as grasse? And forgettest the Lord thy maker, that hath spred out the heauens, and layde the foundations of the earth? and hast feared continually all the day, because of the rage of the oppressour, which is readie to destroy? Where is now the rage of the oppressour? 14 The captiue hasteneth to be loosed, and that hee should not 15 die in the pitte, nor that his bread should faile. And I am the Lord thy God that deuided the Sea, when his waves roared: 16 the Lord of hostes is his Name. And I have put my wordes in thy mouth, and haue defended thee in the shadowe of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundation 17 of the earth, and say vnto Zion, Thou art my people. Awake, awake, and stande vp, O Ierusalem, which hast drunke at the hande of the Lord the cup of his wrath: thou hast drunken the 18 dregges of the cup of trembling, and wrung them out. There is none to guide her among all the sonnes, whome she hath brought foorth: there is none that taketh her by the hand of all 19 the sonnes that she hath brought vp. These two thinges are come vnto thee: who will lament thee? desolation and destruction and famine, and the sworde: by whome shall I comfort 20 thee? Thy sonnes have fainted, and lye at the head of all the streetes as a wilde bull in a nette, and are full of the wrath of 21 the Lord, and rebuke of thy God. Therefore heare nowe this, 22 thou miserable and drunken, but not with wine. Thus saith thy Lord God, euen God that pleadeth the cause of his people, Beholde, I have taken out of thine hande the cuppe of trembling, euen the dregges of the cuppe of my wrath: thou shalt 23 drinke it no more. But I will put it into their hande that spoile thee: which have said to thy soule, Bowe downe, that wee may goe ouer, and thou hast layde thy bodie as the grounde, and as the streete to them that went ouer.

Aries, arise: put on thy strength, O Zion: put on thy garments of thy beautie, O Ierusalem, the holy citie: for hencefoorth there shall no more come into thee the vncircumcised and the vncleane. Shake thy selfe from the dust: arise, and sit

downe, O Ierusalem: loose the bandes of thy necke, O thou captiue daughter, Zion. For thus sayeth the Lord, Yee were solde 3 for naught: therefore shall ye be redeemed without money. For thus saith the Lord God, My people went downe afore time 4 into Egypt to soiourne there, and Asshur oppressed them without cause. Nowe therefore what haue I here, saith the Lord, 5 that my people is taken away for naught, and they that rule ouer them, make them to howle, saith the Lord? and my Name all the day continually is blasphemed? Therefore my people 6 shall know my Name: therefore they shall know in that day, that I am he that doe speake: beholde, it is I. How beautifull 7 vpon the mountaines are the feete of him, that declareth and publisheth peace? that declareth good tidings, and publisheth saluation, saving vnto Zion, Thy God reigneth? The voyce of 8 thy watchmen shalbe heard: they shall lift vp their voyce, and shoute together: for they shall see eye to eye, when the Lord shall bring againe Zion. O ve desolate places of Ierusalem, 9 bee glad and reioyce together: for the Lord hath comforted his people: he hath redeemed Ierusalem. The Lord hath made 10 bare his holy arme in the sight of all the Gentiles, and all the endes of the earth shall see the saluation of our God. part, depart ye: goe out from thence and touche no vncleane thing: goe out of the middes of her: be ve cleane, that beare the vessels of the Lord. For ye shall not goe out with haste, 12 nor depart by fleeing away: but the Lord will goe before you, and the God of Israel will gather you together. Beholde, my 13 seruant shall prosper: he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very hie. As many were astonied at thee (his visage was so 14 deformed of men, and his forme of the sonnes of men) so shall hee sprinkle many nations: the Kings shall shut their mouthes at him: for that which had not bene tolde them, shall they see, and that which they had not heard, shall they vnderstande.

Who will beleeue our report? and to whom is the arme of **53** the Lord reueiled? But hee shall growe vp before him as a 2 branche, and as a roote out of a dry grounde: he hath neither forme nor beautie: when we shall see him, there shall be no forme that wee should desire him. He is despised and rejected 3 of men: he is a man full of sorowes and hath experience of infirmities: we hidde as it were our faces from him: he was despised and we esteemed him not. Surely hee hath borne our infirmi-

ties, and caried our sorowes: yet wee did iudge him, as plagued, 5 and smitten of God, and humbled. But hee was wounded for our transgressions, hee was broken for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was vpon him, and with his stripes we 6 are healed. All we like sheepe haue gone astraye: wee haue turned euery one to his owne way, and the Lord hath layed 7 vpon him the iniquitie of vs all. Hee was oppressed and he was afflicted, yet did he not open his mouth: hee is brought as a sheepe to the slaughter, and as a sheepe before her shearer is 8 dumme, so he openeth not his mouth. Hee was taken out from prison, and from judgement: and who shall declare his age? for he was cut out of the lande of the liuing: for the transgression 9 of my people was he plagued. And he made his graue with the wicked, and with the riche in his death, though hee had done 10 no wickednesse, neither was any deceite in his mouth. Yet the Lord would breake him, and make him subject to infirmities: when hee shall make his soule an offring for sinne, he shall see his seede and shall prolong his dayes, and the will of the 11 Lord shall prosper in his hand. Hee shall see of the trauaile of his soule, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous seruant iustifie many: for hee shall beare their iniq-12 uities. Therefore will I giue him a portion with the great, and he shall deuide the spoyle with the strong, because hee hath powred out his soule vnto death: and he was counted with the transgressers, and he bare the sinne of many, and prayed for the trespassers.

Rejoice, O barren that diddest not beare: breake forth into ioy and reioyce, thou that diddest not trauaile with childe: for the desolate hath moe children then the married wife, sayeth the Lord. Enlarge the place of thy tents, and let them spread out the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, stretch out thy cords and make fast thy stakes. For thou shalt increase on the right hande and on the left, and thy seede shall possesse the Gentiles, and dwell in the desolate cities. Feare not: for thou shalt not be ashamed, neither shalt thou be confounded: for thou shalt not bee put to shame: yea, thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproch of thy widdowhoode any more. For hee that made thee, is thine husband (whose Name is the Lord of hostes) and thy redeemer the Holy one of Israel, shall be called the God of the whole world.

For the Lord hath called thee, being as a woman forsaken, and 6 afflicted in spirite, and as a yong wife when thou wast refused, For a litle while haue I forsaken thee, but 7 sayth thy God. with great compassion will I gather thee. For a moment, in 8 mine anger, I hid my face from thee for a litle season, but with euerlasting mercy haue I had compassion on thee, sayth the Lord thy redeemer. For this is vnto me as the waters of Noah: 9 for as I have sworne that the waters of Noah should no more goe ouer the earth, so haue I sworne that I would not be angrie with thee, nor rebuke thee. For the mountaines shall 10 remoue and the hilles shall fall downe: but my mercy shall not depart from thee, neither shall the couenant of my peace fall away, saith the Lord, that hath compassion on thee. O thou af- 11 flicted and tossed with tempest, that hast no comfort, beholde, I wil lay thy stones with the carbuncle, and lay thy foundation with saphirs, And I will make thy windowes of emeraudes, 12 and thy gates shining stones, and all thy borders of pleasant And all thy children shalbe taught of the Lord, and 13 much peace shalbe to thy children. In righteousnes shalt thou 14 be established, and be farre from oppression: for thou shalt not feare it: and from feare, for it shall not come neere thee. Beholde, the enemie shall gather himselfe, but without me: 15 whosoeuer shall gather himselfe in thee, against thee, shall fall. Beholde, I have created the smith that bloweth the coa- 16 les in the fire, and him that bringeth forth an instrument for his worke, and I have created the destroyer to destroy. all the weapons that are made against thee, shall not prosper: and euery tongue that shall rise against thee in judgement, thou shalt condemne. This is the heritage of the Lords seruants, and their righteousnesse is of me, sayth the Lord.

Ho, euery one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and ye that haue no siluer, come, bye and eate: come, I say, bye wine and milke without siluer and without money. Wherefore doe 2 ye lay out siluer and not for bread? and your labour without being satisfied? hearken diligently vnto me, and eate that which is good, and let your soule delite in fatnes. Encline your eares, 3 and come vnto me: heare, and your soule shall liue, and I will make an euerlasting couenant with you, euen the sure mercies of Dauid. Beholde, I gaue him for a witnes to the people, for a 4 prince and a master vnto the people. Beholde, thou shalt call 5

a nation that thou knowest not, and a nation that knew not thee, shall runne vnto thee, because of the Lord thy God, and 6 the holy one of Israel: for hee hath glorified thee. Seeke ye the Lord while he may be found: call ye vpon him while he is 7 neere. Let the wicked forsake his wayes, and the vnrighteous his owne imaginations, and returne vnto the Lord, and he wil haue mercy vpon him: and to our God, for hee is very ready 8 to forgiue. For my thoughtes are not your thoughts, neither 9 are your wayes my wayes, sayth the Lord. For as ye heauens are higher then the earth, so are my wayes higher then your 10 wayes, and my thoughtes aboue your thoughts. Surely as the raine commeth downe and the snow from heauen, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth and maketh it to bring forth and bud, that it may give seede to the sower, and bread 11 vnto him that eateth, So shall my worde be, that goeth out of my mouth: it shall not returne vnto me voyde, but it shall accomplish that which I will, and it shall prosper in the thing 12 whereto I sent it. Therefore ye shall go out with ioy, and be led forth with peace: the mountaines and the hilles shall breake foorth before you into iove, and all the trees of the fielde shall 13 clap their handes. For thornes there shall grow firre trees: for nettles shall growe the myrrhe tree, and it shalbe to the Lord for a name, and for an euerlasting signe that shall not be taken away.

56 Thus saith the Lord, Keepe iudgement and doe iustice: for my saluation is at hand to come, and my righteousnes to be 2 reueiled. Blessed is the man that doeth this, and the sonne of man which layeth holde on it: hee that keepeth the Sabbath and polluteth it not, and keepeth his hand from doing any eu-3 ill. And let not the sonne of the stranger, which is ioyned to the Lord, speake and say, The Lord hath surely separate me from his people: neither let the Eunuch say, Beholde, I am a For thus saith the Lord vnto the Eunuches, that 4 drve tree. keepe my Sabbaths, and chuse the thing that pleaseth me, and 5 take holde of my couenant, Euen vnto them wil I giue in mine House and within my walles, a place and a name better then of the sonnes and of the daughters: I will give them an euer-6 lasting name, that shall not be put out. Also the strangers that cleaue vnto the Lord, to serue him, and to loue the Name of the Lord, and to be his seruants: euery one that keepeth the Sabbath, and polluteth it not and imbraceth my couenant, Them wil I bring also to mine holy mountaine, and make them 7 ioyfull in mine House of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted vpon mine altar: for mine House shall be called an house of prayer for all people. The Lord God 8 sayth, which gathereth the scattered of Israel, Yet wil I gather to them those that are to be gathered to them. All ye beastes 9 of the fielde, come to deuoure, euen all ve beastes of the forest. Their watchmen are all blinde: they have no knowledge: they 10 are all dumme dogs: they can not barke: they lie and sleepe and delite in sleeping. And these griedy dogs can neuer haue 11 vnough: and these shepheards cannot vnderstand: for they all looke to their owne way, euery one for his aduantage, and for his owne purpose. Come, I wil bring wine, and we wil fill our 12 selues with strong drinke, and to morowe shalbe as this day, and much more abundant.

The righteous perisheth, and no man considereth it in heart: 57 and mercifull men are taken away, and no man vnderstandeth that the righteous is taken away from the euill to come. Peace 2 shall come: they shall rest in their beds, euery one that walketh before him. But you witches children, come hither, the seede 3 of the adulterer and of the whore. On whome haue ye iested? 4 vpon whome haue ve gaped and thrust out your tongue? are not ye rebellious children, and a false seede? Inflamed with 5 idoles vnder euery greene tree? and sacrificing the children in the valleys vnder the tops of the rocks? Thy portion is in the 6 smooth stones of the riuer: they, they are thy lot: euen to them hast thou powred a drinke offering: thou hast offered a sacrifice. Should I delite in these? Thou hast made thy bed vpon 7 a very hie mountaine: thou wentest vp thither, euen thither wentest thou to offer sacrifice. Behinde the doores also and 8 postes hast thou set vp thy remembrance: for thou hast discouered thy selfe to another then me, and wentest vp, and diddest enlarge thy bed, and make a couenant betweene thee and them, and louedst their bed in euery place where thou sawest it. Thou wentest to the Kings with oyle, and diddest increase 9 thine oyntments and sende thy messengers farre off, and diddest humble thy selfe vnto hell. Thou weariedst thy selfe in 10 thy manifolde iourneys, yet saydest thou not, There is no hope: thou hast found life by thine hand, therefore thou wast not

11 grieued. And whome diddest thou reuerence or feare, seeing thou hast lyed vnto me, and hast not remembred me, neither set thy minde thereon? is it not because I holde my peace, and 12 that of long time? therefore thou fearest not me. I will declare thy righteousnes and thy workes, and they shall not profite 13 thee. When thou cryest, let them that thou hast gathered together deliuer thee: but the winde shall take them all away: vanitie shall pull them away: but he that trusteth in me, shall inherite the lande, and shall possesse mine holy Mountaine. 14 And he shall say, Cast vp, cast vp: prepare the way: take vp 15 the stumbling blocks out of the way of my people. For thus sayth he that is hie and excellent, he that inhabiteth the eternitie, whose Name is the Holy one, I dwell in the high and holy place: with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirite to reuiue the spirite of the humble, and to giue life to them that 16 are of a contrite heart. For I will not contende for euer, neither will I be alwayes wroth, for the spirite should fayle before 17 me: and I have made the breath. For his wicked couetousnesse I am angry with him, and haue smitten him: I hid mee and was angry, yet he went away, and turned after the way of 18 his owne heart. I haue seene his wayes, and wil heale him: I wil leade him also, and restore comfort vnto him, and to those 19 that lament him. I create the fruite of the lips, to be peace: peace vnto them that are farre off, and to them that are neere, 20 sayth the Lord: for I will heale him. But the wicked are like the raging sea, that can not rest, whose waters cast vp myre 21 and dirt. There is no peace, sayth my God, to the wicked.

Crye aloude, spare not: lift vp thy voyce like a trumpet, and shewe my people their transgression, and to the house of Iaakob, their sinnes. Yet they seeke me dayly, and will knowe my wayes, euen as a nation that did righteously, and had not forsaken the statutes of their God: they aske of me the ordinances of iustice: they wil drawe neere vnto God, saying, Wherefore haue we fasted, and thou seest it not? we haue punished our selues, and thou regardest it not. Beholde, in the day of your fast you will seeke your will, and require all your dettes. Beholde, ye fast to strife and debate, and to smite with the fist of wickednesse: ye shall not fast as ye doe to day, to make your voyce to be heard aboue. Is it such a fast that I haue chosen, that a man should afflict his soule for a day,

and to bowe downe his head, as a bull rush, and to lie downe in sackecloth and ashes? wilt thou call this a fasting, or an acceptable day to the Lord? Is not this the fasting, that I 6 haue chosen, to loose the bandes of wickednes, to take off the heavie burdens, and to let the oppressed goe free, and that ye breake euery yoke? Is it not to deale thy bread to the hungry, 7 and that thou bring the poore that wander, vnto thine house? when thou seest the naked, that thou couer him, and hide not thy selfe from thine owne flesh? Then shall thy light breake 8 foorth as the morning, and thine health shall grow speedily: thy righteousnes shall goe before thee, and the glorie of the Lord shall embrace thee. Then shalt thou call, and the Lord 9 shall answere: thou shalt cry and hee shall say, Here I am: if thou take away from the mids of thee the voke, the putting foorth of the finger, and wicked speaking: If thou powre out 10 thy soule to the hungrie, and refresh the troubled soule: then shall thy light spring out in the darkenes, and thy darkenes shalbe as the noone day. And the Lord shall guide thee con- 11 tinually, and satisfie thy soule in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watred garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters faile not. And they shalbe of 12 thee, that shall builde the olde waste places: thou shalt rayse vp the foundations for many generations, and thou shalt be called the repairer of the breach and the restorer of the pathes to dwell in. If thou turne away thy foote from the Sabbath, 13 from doing thy will on mine holy day, and call the Sabbath a delite, to consecrate it, as glorious to the Lord, and shalt honour him, not doing thine owne waves, nor seeking thine owne will, nor speaking a vaine word, Then shalt thou delite in the 14 Lord, and I wil cause thee to mount vpon the hie places of the earth, and feede thee with the heritage of Iaakob thy father: for the mouth of ye Lord hath spoken it.

Beholde, the Lordes hande is not shortened, that it can not 59 saue: neither is his eare heavie, that it cannot heare. But 2 your iniquities have separated betweene you and your God, and your sinnes have hidde his face from you, that he will not heare. For your handes are defiled with blood, and your 3 fingers with iniquitie: your lips have spoken lies and your tongue hath murmured iniquitie. No man calleth for ius-4 tice: no man contendeth for trueth: they trust in vanitie, and

speake vaine things: they conceiue mischiefe, and bring foorth 5 iniquitie. They hatch cockatrice egges, and weaue the spiders webbe: he that eateth of their egges, dieth, and that which is 6 trode vpon, breaketh out into a serpent. Their webbes shall be no garment, neither shall they couer themselues with their labours: for their workes are workes of iniquitie, and the worke 7 of crueltie is in their handes. Their feete runne to euill, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are wicked thoughts: desolation and destruction is in their paths. 8 The way of peace they knowe not, and there is none equitie in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoeuer 9 goeth therein, shall not knowe peace. Therefore is iudgement farre from vs, neither doeth iustice come neere vnto vs: we waite for light, but loe, it is darkenesse: for brightnesse, 10 but we walke in darkenesse. Wee grope for the wall like the blinde, and we grope as one without eyes: we stumble at the noone day as in the twilight: we are in solitarie places, as dead 11 men. We roare all like beares, and mourne like dooues: wee looke for equitie, but there is none: for health, but it is farre For our trespasses are many before thee, and our sinnes testifie against vs: for our trespasses are with vs, and 13 we knowe our iniquities In trespassing and lying against the Lord, and wee haue departed away from our God, and haue spoken of crueltie and rebellion, conceiuing and vttering out of 14 the heart false matters. Therefore iudgement is turned backewarde, and justice standeth farre off: for trueth is fallen in 15 the streete, and equitie cannot enter. Yea, trueth faileth, and hee that refraineth from euill, maketh himselfe a praye: and when the Lord sawe it, it displeased him, that there was no 16 iudgement. And when he sawe that there was no man, hee wondered that none woulde offer him selfe. Therefore his arme 17 did saue it, and his righteousnes it selfe did sustaine it. For he put on righteousnes, as an habergeon, and an helmet of saluation vpon his head, and he put on the garments of vengeance 18 for clothing, and was clad with zeale as a cloke. As to make recompence, as to requite the furie of the aduersaries with a recompence to his enemies: he will fully repaire the ylands. 19 So shall they feare the Name of the Lord from the West, and his glory from the rising of the sunne: for the enemie shall come like a flood: but the Spirit of the Lord shall chase him

away. And the Redeemer shall come vnto Zion, and vnto them 20 that turne from iniquitie in Iaakob, saith the Lord. And I will 21 make this my couenant with them, saith the Lord. My Spirit that is vpon thee, and my wordes, which I haue put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seede, nor out of the mouth of the seede of thy seede, saith the Lord, from hencefoorth euen for euer.

Arise, O Ierusalem: be bright, for thy light is come, and the 60 glorie of the Lord is risen vpon thee. For beholde, darkenesse 2 shall couer the earth, and grosse darkenesse the people: but the Lord shall arise vpon thee, and his glory shall be seene vpon thee. And the Gentiles shall walke in thy light, and 3 Kings at the brightnesse of thy rising vp. Lift vp thine eyes 4 round about, and beholde: all these are gathered, and come to thee: thy sonnes shall come from farre, and thy daughters shalbe nourished at thy side. Then thou shalt see and shine: 5 thine heart shall be astonied and enlarged, because the multitude of the sea shalbe converted vnto thee, and the riches of the Gentiles shall come vnto thee. The multitude of camels shall 6 couer thee: and the dromedaries of Midian and of Ephah: all they of Sheba shall come: they shall bring golde and incense, and shewe foorth the prayses of the Lord. All the sheepe of 7 Kedar shall be gathered vnto thee: the rammes of Nebaioth shall serue thee: they shall come vp to bee accepted vpon mine altar: and I will beautifie the house of my glorie. Who are 8 these that flee like a cloude, and as the doues to their windowes? Surely the yles shall waite for mee, and the shippes of 9 Tarshish, as at the beginning, that they may bring thy sonnes from farre, and their siluer, and their golde with them, vnto the Name of the Lord thy God, and to the Holy one of Israel, because he hath glorified thee. And the sonnes of strangers 10 shall builde vp thy walles, and their Kings shall minister vnto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in my mercie I had compassion on thee. Therefore thy gates shalbe open contin- 11 ually: neither day nor night shall they be shutte, that men may bring vnto thee the riches of the Gentiles, and that their Kings may be brought. For the nation and the kingdome, that 12 will not serue thee, shall perish: and those nations shalbe vtterly destroyed. The glory of Lebanon shall come vnto thee, 13 the firre tree, the elme and the boxe tree together, to beautifie

the place of my Sanctuarie: for I will glorifie the place of my 14 feete. The sonnes also of them that afflicted thee, shall come and bowe vnto thee: and all they that despised thee, shall fall downe at the soles of thy feete: and they shall call thee, The 15 citie of the Lord, Zion of the Holy one of Israel. Where as thou hast bene forsaken and hated: so that no man went by thee, I will make thee an eternall glorie, and a joye from gen-16 eration to generation. Thou shalt also sucke ve milke of the Gentiles, and shalt sucke the breastes of Kings: and thou shalt know, that I the Lord am thy Sauiour, and thy Redeemer, the 17 mightie one of Iaakob. For brasse will I bring golde, and for yron will I bring siluer, and for wood brasse, and for stones yron. I will also make thy gouernement peace, and thine ex-18 actours righteousnesse. Violence shall no more be heard of in thy land, neither desolation, nor destruction within thy borders: but thou shalt call saluation, thy walles, and praise, thy 19 gates. Thou shalt have no more sunne to shine by day, neither shall the brightnesse of the moone shine vnto thee: for the Lord shall be thine euerlasting light, and thy God, thy glorie. 20 Thy sunne shall neuer goe downe, neither shall thy moone be hid: for the Lord shalbe thine euerlasting light, and the dayes 21 of thy sorowe shalbe ended. Thy people also shalbe all righteous: they shall possesse the land for euer, the grasse of my planting shalbe the worke of mine handes, that I may be glori-22 fied. A litle one shall become as a thousande, and a small one as a strong nation: I the Lord wil hasten it in due time.

The Spirit of the Lord God is vpon mee, therefore hath the Lord anoynted mee: hee hath sent mee to preache good tidings vnto the poore, to binde vp the broken hearted, to preach libertie to the captiues, and to them that are bound, the opening of the prison, To preache the acceptable yeere of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all that mourne, To appoint vnto them that mourne in Zion, and to giue vnto them beautic for ashes, the oyle of ioye for mourning, the garment of gladnesse for the spirit of heauinesse, that they might be called trees of righteousnesse, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified. And they shall builde the olde waste places, and raise vp the former desolations, and they shall repaire the cities that were desolate and waste through many generations. And the strangers shall stande and feede your

sheepe, and the sonnes of the strangers shall be your plowmen and dressers of your vines. But ye shall be named the 6 Priestes of the Lord, and men shall say vnto you, The ministers of our God, Ye shall eate the riches of the Gentiles, and shalbe exalted with their glorie. For your shame you shall receive 7 double, and for confusion they shall reioyce in their portion: for in their lande they shall possesse the double: euerlasting iov shall be vnto them. For I the Lord loue iudgement and 8 hate robberie for burnt offering, and I wil direct their worke in trueth, and will make an euerlasting couenant with them. And their seede shall be knowen among the Gentiles, and their buddes among the people. All that see them, shall know them, that they are the seede which the Lord hath blessed. I will 10 greatly reiovce in the Lord, and my soule shall be iovfull in my God: for he hath clothed mee with the garments of saluation, and couered me with the robe of righteousnes: hee hath decked me like a bridegrome, and as a bride tireth herselfe with her iewels. For as the earth bringeth foorth her bud, and as the 11 garden causeth to growe that which is sowen in it: so the Lord God will cause righteousnesse to grow and praise before all the heathen.

For Zions sake I will not holde my tongue, and for Ierusalems 62 sake I wil not rest, vntil the righteousnes thereof breake foorth as the light, and saluation thereof as a burning lampe. And 2 the Gentiles shall see thy righteousnesse, and all Kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name. Thou shalt also be a crowne 3 of glory in the hand of the Lord, and a royall diademe in the hand of thy God. It shall no more be sayd vnto thee, Forsaken, 4 neither shall it be said any more to thy land, Desolate, but thou shalt be called Hephzi-bah, and thy land Beulah: for the Lord deliteth in thee, and thy land shall have an husband. as a yong man marieth a virgine, so shall thy sonnes marry thee: and as a bridegrome is glad of the bride, so shall thy God reioyce ouer thee. I have set watchmen vpon thy walles, 6 O Ierusalem, which all the day and all the night continually shall not cease: ye that are mindfull of the Lord, keepe not silence, And give him no rest, till hee repaire and vntill hee set 7 vp Ierusalem the prayse of the worlde. The Lord hath sworne 8 by his right hand and by his strong arme, Surely I wil no more

giue thy corne to be meate for thine enemies, and surely the sonnes of the strangers shall not drinke thy wine, for the which thou hast laboured. But they that haue gathered it, shall eate it, and prayse the Lord, and the gatherers thereof shall drinke it in the courtes of my Sanctuarie. Go through, go through the gates: prepare you the way for the people: cast vp, cast vp the way, and gather out the stones and set vp a standart for the people. Beholde, the Lord hath proclaimed vnto the endes of the world: tell the daughter Zion, Beholde, thy Sauiour commeth: beholde, his wages is with him, and his worke is before him. And they shall call them, The holy people, the redeemed of the Lord, and thou shalt be named, A citie sought out and not forsaken.

Who is this that commeth from Edom, with red garments 63 from Bozrah? hee is glorious in his apparel and walketh in his great strength: I speake in righteousnesse, and am mightie to 2 saue. Wherefore is thine apparel red, and thy garments like 3 him that treadeth in ye wine presse? I have troden the wine presse alone, and of all people there was none with mee: for I will treade them in mine anger, and tread them vnder foote in my wrath, and their blood shalbe sprinkled vpon my garments, 4 and I will staine all my raiment. For the day of vengeance is 5 in mine heart, and the veere of my redeemed is come. I looked, and there was none to helpe, and I wondered that there was none to vpholde: therefore mine owne arme helped 6 me, and my wrath it selfe sustained me. Therefore I wil tread downe the people in my wrath, and make them drunken in mine indignation, and wil bring downe their strength to the 7 earth. I wil remember the mercies of the Lord and the prayses of the Lord according vnto all that the Lord hath given vs, and for the great goodnesse toward the house of Israel, which hee hath given them according to his tender love, and according to 8 his great mercies. For he saide, Surely they are my people, 9 children that wil not lie: so he was their Saujour. In all their troubles he was troubled, and the Angel of his presence saued them: in his loue and in his mercie he redeemed them, and 10 he bare them and caried them alwayes continually. But they rebelled and vexed his holy Spirit: therefore was hee turned to 11 be their enemie and he fought against them. Then he remembred the olde time of Moses and his people, saying, Where is hee that brought them vp out of the Sea with the shepheard of his sheepe? where is he that put his holy Spirit within him? He led them by the right hand of Moses with his owne glori- 12 ous arme, deuiding the water before them, to make himselfe an euerlasting Name. Hee led them through the deepe, as an 13 horse in the wildernesse, that they should not stumble, As the 14 beast goeth downe into the valley, the Spirite of the Lord gaue them rest: so diddest thou leade thy people, to make thy selfe a glorious Name. Looke downe from heauen, and beholde from 15 the dwelling place of thine holines, and of thy glory. Where is thy zeale and thy strength, the multitude of thy mercies, and of thy compassions? they are restrained from me. Doutles 16 thou art our Father: though Abraham be ignorant of vs, and Israel knowe vs not, vet thou, O Lord, art our Father, and our redeemer: thy Name is for euer. O Lord, why hast thou made 17 vs to erre from thy wayes? and hardened our heart from thy feare? Returne for thy seruants sake, and for the tribes of thine inheritance. The people of thine holinesse haue possessed it. 18 but a litle while: for our aduersaries haue troden downe thy Sanctuarie. We have bene as they, ouer whome thou neuer 19 barest rule, and vpon whom thy Name was not called.

Oh, that thou wouldest breake the heavens, and come downe, 64 and that the mountaines might melt at thy presence! As the 2 melting fire burned, as the fire caused the waters to boyle, (that thou mightest declare thy Name to thy aduersaries) the people did tremble at thy presence. When thou diddest terri- 3 ble things, which we looked not for, thou camest downe, and the mountaines melted at thy presence. For since the beginning 4 of the world they have not heard nor vnderstande with the eare, neither hath ye eye seene another God beside thee, which doeth so to him that waiteth for him. Thou diddest meete him, 5 that reioyced in thee, and did iustly: they remembred thee in thy wayes: beholde, thou art angrie, for we have sinned: yet in them is continuance, and we shall be saued. But we have 6 all bene as an vncleane thing, and all our righteousnes is as filthie cloutes, and we all doe fade like a leafe, and our iniguities like the winde haue taken vs away. And there is none 7 that calleth vpon thy Name, neither that stirreth vp himselfe to take holde of thee: for thou hast hid thy face from vs, and hast consumed vs because of our iniquities. But now, O Lord, 8

thou art our Father: we are the clay, and thou art our potter,
and we all are the worke of thine hands. Be not angry, O Lord,
aboue measure, neither remember iniquitie for euer: lo, we beseech thee beholde, we are all thy people. Thine holy cities
lye waste: Zion is a wildernes, and Ierusalem a desart. The
House of our Sanctuarie and of our glorie, where our fathers
praysed thee, is burnt vp with fire and all our pleasant things
are wasted. Wilt thou holde thy selfe still at these things, O
Lord? wilt thou holde thy peace and afflict vs aboue measure?

12 are wasted. Wilt thou holde thy selfe still at these things, O I have bene sought of them that asked not: I was found 65 of them that sought me not: I sayd, Beholde me, beholde me, 2 vnto a nation that called not vpon my Name. I haue spred out mine handes all the day vnto a rebellious people, which walked in a way that was not good, euen after their owne 3 imaginations: A people that prouoked me euer vnto my face: that sacrificeth in gardens, and burneth incense vpon brickes. 4 Which remaine among the graues, and lodge in the desarts, which eate swines flesh, and the broth of things polluted are 5 in their vessels. Which say, Stand apart, come not neere to me: for I am holier then thou: these are a smoke in my wrath 6 and a fire that burneth all the day. Beholde, it is written before me: I wil not keepe silence, but will render it and recom-7 pense it into their bosome. Your iniquities and the iniquities of your fathers shalbe together (sayth the Lord) which haue burnt incense vpon the mountaines, and blasphemed me vpon the hilles: therefore wil I measure their olde worke into their 8 bosome. Thus sayth the Lord, As the wine is found in the cluster, and one sayth, Destroy it not, for a blessing is in it, so will I doe for my seruants sakes, that I may not destroy them 9 whole. But I will bring a seede out of Iaakob, and out of Iudah, that shall inherit my mountaine: and mine elect shall inherit 10 it, and my seruants shall dwell there. And Sharon shalbe a sheepefolde, and the valley of Achor shalbe a resting place for 11 the cattell of my people, that have sought me. But ye are they

sheepefolde, and the valley of Achor shalbe a resting place for the cattell of my people, that haue sought me. But ye are they that haue forsaken the Lord and forgotten mine holy Mountaine, and haue prepared a table for the multitude, and furnish the drinke offerings vnto the number. Therefore wil I number you to the sword, and all you shall bowe downe to the slaughter, because I called, and ye did not answere: I spake, and ye heard not, but did euil in my sight, and did chuse that thing

which I would not. Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Be- 13 holde, my seruants shall eate, and ye shalbe hungrie: beholde, my seruants shall drinke, and ve shall be thirstie: beholde, my seruants shall reioyce, and ye shalbe ashamed. Beholde, my 14 seruants shall sing for iove of heart, and ye shall crye for sorow of heart, and shall howle for vexation of minde. And ve shall 15 leaue your name as a curse vnto my chosen: for the Lord God shall slav you and call his seruants by another name. He that 16 shall blesse in the earth, shall blesse himselfe in the true God. and he that sweareth in the earth, shall sweare by the true God: for the former troubles are forgotten, and shall surely hide themselues from mine eyes. For lo, I will create newe 17 heauens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembred nor come into minde. But be you glad and reiovce for 18 euer in the things that I shall create: for beholde, I will create Ierusalem, as a reioycing and her people as a ioye. And I wil 19 reiovce in Ierusalem, and iove in my people, and the voyce of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voyce of crying. There shall be no more there a childe of veeres, nor an olde man 20 that hath not filled his dayes: for he that shall be an hundreth veeres old, shall dve as a yong man: but the sinner being an hundreth yeeres olde shall be accursed. And they shall build 21 houses and inhabite them, and they shall plant vineyards, and eate the fruite of them. They shall not build, and another in- 22 habite: they shall not plant, and another eate: for as the dayes of the tree are the dayes of my people, and mine elect shall inioye in olde age the worke of their handes. They shall not 23 labour in vaine, nor bring forth in feare: for they are the seede of the blessed of the Lord, and their buds with them. Yea, 24 before they call, I will answere, and whiles they speake, I will heare. The wolfe and the lambe shall feede together, and the 25 lyon shall eate strawe like the bullocke: and to the serpent dust shall be his meate. They shall no more hurt nor destroy in all mine holy Mountaine, saith the Lord.

Thus saith the Lord, The heauen is my throne, and the **66** earth is my footestoole: where is that house that ye will builde vnto me? and where is that place of my rest? For all these 2 things hath mine hand made, and all these things haue bene, sayth the Lord: and to him will I looke, euen to him, that is poore, and of a contrite spirite and trembleth at my wordes.

3 He that killeth a bullocke, is as if he slewe a man: he that sacrificeth a sheepe, as if he cut off a dogges necke: he that offereth an oblation, as if he offered swines blood: he that remembreth incense, as if he blessed an idole: yea, they have chosen their owne wayes, and their soule deliteth in their abomina-Therefore will I chuse out their delusions, and I will bring their feare vpon them, because I called, and none woulde answere: I spake and they woulde not heare: but they did euill 5 in my sight, and chose the things which I would not. Heare the worde of the Lord, all ye that tremble at his worde, Your brethren that hated you, and cast you out for my Names sake, said, Let the Lord be glorified: but he shall appeare to your 6 ioy, and they shall be ashamed. A voyce soundeth from the citie, euen a voyce from the Temple, the voyce of the Lord, 7 that recompenseth his enemies fully. Before she trauailed, she brought foorth: and before her paine came, she was deli-8 uered of a man childe. Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seene such things? shall ye earth be brought forth in one day? or shall a nation be borne at once? for assoone as Zion 9 trauailed, she brought foorth her children. Shall I cause to trauaile, and not bring forth? shall I cause to bring forth, and 10 shall be baren, saith thy God? Reioyce ye with Ierusalem, and be gladde with her, all ye that loue her: reioyce for ioy 11 with her, all ye that mourne for her, That ye may sucke and be satisfied with the brestes of her consolation: that ye may 12 milke out and be delited with ye brightnes of her glorie. For thus saith the Lord, Beholde, I will extend peace ouer her like a flood, and the glorie of the Gentiles like a flowing streame: then shall ye sucke, ye shall be borne vpon her sides, and be 13 ioyfull vpon her knees. As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you, and ye shall be comforted in Ierusalem. 14 And when ye see this, your hearts shall reioyce, and your bones shall flourish like an herbe; and the hand of the Lord shall be knowen among his seruants, and his indignation against his For beholde, the Lord will come with fire, and his charets like a whirlewinde, that he may recompence his anger 16 with wrath, and his indignation with the flame of fire. For the Lord will judge with fire, and with his sworde all flesh, and the 17 slaine of the Lord shall be many. They that sanctifie themselues, and purifie themselues in the gardens behinde one tree in the middes eating swines flesh, and such abomination, euen the mouse, shall be consumed together, sayeth the Lord. For 18 I will visite their workes, and their imaginations: for it shall come that I will gather all nations, and tongues, and they shall come, and see my glorie. And I will set a signe among them, 19 and will send those that escape of them, vnto the nations of Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, and to them that drawe the bowe, to Tubal and Tauan, vles afarre off, that have not heard my fame, neither haue seene my glorie, and they shall declare my glorie among the Gentiles. And they shall bring all your brethren 20 for an offering vnto the Lord out of all nations, vpon horses. and in charets, and in horse litters, and vpon mules, and swift beastes, to Ierusalem mine holy Mountaine, saith the Lord, as the children of Israel, offer in a cleane vessell in the House of the Lord. And I will take of them for Priestes, and for Leuites, 21 saith the Lord. For as the newe heavens, and the newe earth 22 which I will make, shall remaine before me, saith the Lord, so shall your seede and your name continue. And from moneth 23 to moneth, and from Sabbath to Sabbath shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the Lord. And they shall goe forth, 24 and looke vpon the carkases of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worme shall not dye, neither shall their fire be quenched, and they shalbe an abhorring vnto all flesh.

## THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET JEREMIAH.

he wordes of Ieremiah the sonne of Hilkiah one of the Priests that were at Anathoth in the lande of Beniamin. To whom the worde of the Lord came in the dayes of Iosiah the sonne of Amon King of Iudah in 3 the thirteenth yeere of his reigne: And also in the dayes of Iehoiakim the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah vnto the ende of the eleuenth yeere of Zedekiah, the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah, euen vnto the carving away of Ierusalem captiue in the 4 fift moneth. Then the worde of the Lord came vnto me, sav-5 ing, Before I formed thee in the wombe, I knewe thee, and before thou camest out of the wombe, I sanctified thee, and or-6 deined thee to be a Prophet vnto the nations. Then said I, Oh, 7 Lord God, behold, I can not speake, for I am a childe. the Lord said vnto me, Say not, I am a childe: for thou shalt goe to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoeuer I command 8 thee, shalt thou speake. Be not afraide of their faces: for I 9 am with thee to deliuer thee, saith the Lord. Then the Lord stretched out his hand and touched my mouth, and the Lord said vnto me, Beholde, I haue put my wordes in thy mouth. 10 Beholde, this day haue I set thee ouer the nations and ouer the kingdomes to plucke vp, and to roote out, and to destroye and 11 throwe downe, to builde, and to plant. After this the worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Ieremiah, what seest thou? 12 And I said, I see a rod of an almonde tree. Then saide the Lord vnto me, Thou hast seene aright: for I will hasten my 13 worde to performe it. Againe the worde of the Lord came vnto me the second time, saying, What seest thou? And I saide, I 14 see a seething pot looking out of the North. Then saide the Lord vnto me, Out of the North shall a plague be spred vpon 15 all the inhabitants of the land. For loe, I will call all the families of the kingdomes of the North, saith the Lord, and they shall come, and euery one shall set his throne in the entring of the gates of Ierusalem, and on all the walles thereof rounde 16 about, and in all the cities of Iudah. And I will declare vnto

them my iudgements touching all the wickednesse of them that haue forsaken me, and haue burnt incense vnto other gods, and worshipped the workes of their owne handes. Thou therefore 17 trusse vp thy loynes, and arise and speake vnto them all that I commaund thee: be not afraide of their faces, lest I destroy thee before them. For I, beholde, I this day haue made thee a 18 defenced citie, and an yron pillar and walles of brasse against the whole lande, against the Kings of Iudah, and against the princes thereof, against the Priestes thereof and against the people of the lande. For they shall fight against thee, but they 19 shall not preuaile against thee: for I am with thee to deliuer thee, sayth the Lord.

Moreover, the woorde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, 2 Goe, and crie in the eares of Ierusalem, saving, Thus saveth 2 the Lord, I remember thee, with the kindenes of thy youth and the loue of thy marriage, when thou wentest after me in the wildernes in a lande that was not sowen. Israel was as a thing 3 halowed vnto the Lord, and his first fruits: all they that eat it. shall offend: euil shall come vpon them, saith the Lord. Heare 4 ye the word of the Lord, O house of Iaakob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus sayeth the Lord, What iniquitie 5 haue your fathers founde in mee, that they are gone farre from mee, and haue walked after vanitie, and are become vaine? For they saide not, Where is the Lord that brought vs vp out 6 of the lande of Egypt? that led vs through the wildernesse, through a desert, and waste land, through a drie land, and by the shadow of death, by a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt? And I brought you into a plenti-7 full countrey, to eat the fruit thereof, and the commodities of the same: but when yee entred, yee defiled my land, and made mine heritage an abomination. The priests said not, Where is 8 the Lord? and they that should minister the Lawe, knewe me not: the pastours also offended against me, and the Prophets prophesied in Baal, and went after things that did not profite. Wherefore I wil yet plead with you, saith the Lord, and 9 I will pleade with your childrens children. For goe ye to the 10 yles of Chittim, and beholde, and sende vnto Kedar. and take diligent heede, and see whether there be such things. any nation changed their gods, which yet are no gods? but my people haue chaged their glorie, for that which doeth not prof12 ite. O yee heauens, be astonied at this: bee afraid and vtterly 13 confounded, sayeth the Lord. For my people haue committed two euils: they have forsaken mee the fountaine of liuing waters, to digge them pittes, euen broken pittes, that can 14 holde no water. Is Israel a seruaunt, or is hee borne in the 15 house? why then is he spoiled? The lions roared vpon him and yelled, and they have made his land waste: his cities are 16 burnt without an inhabitant. Also the children of Noph and 17 Tahapanes haue broken thine head. Hast not thou procured this vnto thy selfe, because thou hast forsaken the Lord thy 18 God, when he led thee by the way? And what hast thou now to do in the way of Egypt? to drinke the water of Nilus? or what makest thou in the way of Asshur? to drinke the wa-19 ter of the Riuer? Thine owne wickednes shall correct thee, and thy turnings backe shall reprooue thee: know therefore and beholde, that it is an euil thing, and bitter, that thou hast forsaken the Lord thy God, and that my feare is not in thee, 20 sayeth the Lord God of hostes. For of olde time I haue broken thy yoke, and burst thy bondes, and thou saidest, I will no more transgresse, but like an harlot thou runnest about vpon 21 al hie hilles, and vnder all greene trees. Yet I had planted thee, a noble vine, whose plants were all natural: howe then art thou turned vnto me into the plants of a strange vine? 22 Though thou wash thee with nitre, and take thee much sope, yet thine iniquitie is marked before me, sayeth the Lord God. 23 Howe canst thou say, I am not polluted, neither haue I followed Baalim? beholde thy waies in the valley, and know, what thou hast done: thou art like a swift dromedarie, that runneth 24 by his waies. And as a wilde asse, vsed to the wildernesse, that snuffeth vp the winde by occasion at her pleasure: who can turne her backe? all they that seeke her, will not wea-25 rie themselues, but wil finde her in her moneth. Keepe thou thy feete from barenes, and thy throte from thirst: but thou saidest desperately, No, for I have loued strangers, and them 26 will I follow. As the theefe is ashamed, when he is foud, so is the house of Israel ashamed, they, their kings, their princes 27 and their Priests, and their Prophets, Saying to a tree, Thou art my father, and to a stone, Thou hast begotten me: for they haue turned their back vnto me, and not their face: but in ve 28 time of their troble they wil say, Arise, and help vs. But where are thy gods, that thou hast made thee? let them arise, if they can helpe thee in the time of thy trouble: for according to the nomber of thy cities, are thy gods, O Iudah. Wherefore wil ye 29 pleade with me? ye all haue rebelled against me, sayeth the Lord. I have smitten your children in vaine, they received 30 no correction: your owne sworde hath deuoured your Prophets like a destroying lyon. O generation, take heede to the worde 31 of the Lord: haue I bene as a wildernesse vnto Israel? or a lande of darkenesse? Wherefore sayeth my people then, We are lordes, we will come no more vnto thee? Can a maid for- 32 get her ornament, or a bride her attire? yet my people haue forgotten me, daies without number. Why doest thou prepare 33 thy way, to seeke amitie? euen therefore will I teach thee, that thy waies are wickednesse. Also in thy wings is founde the 34 bloud of the soules of ye poore innocents: I have not found it in holes, but vpon all these places. Yet thou saiest, Because I am 35 giltles, surely his wrath shall turne from mee: beholde, I will enter with thee into iudgement, because thou saiest, I haue not sinned. Why runnest thou about so much to change thy 36 waies? for thou shalt be confounded of Egypt, as thou art confounded of Asshur. For thou shalt goe foorth from thence, and 37 thine hands vpon thine head, because the Lord hath rejected thy confidence, and thou shalt not prosper thereby.

They say, If a man put away his wife, and she goe from him, 3 and become another mans, shall hee returne againe vnto her? shall not this land be polluted? but thou hast played the harlot with many louers: yet turne againe to mee, sayeth the Lord. Lift vp thine eyes vnto the hie places, and beholde, where thou 2 hast not plaied the harlot: thou hast sit waiting for them in the waies, as the Arabian in the wildernesse: and thou hast polluted the lande with thy whoredomes, and with thy mal-Therefore the showres have beene restrained, and the 3 latter raine came not, and thou haddest a whores forehead: thou wouldest not bee ashamed. Diddest thou not stil crie 4 vnto me, Thou art my father, and the guide of my youth? Wil 5 he keepe his anger for euer? will he reserue it to the ende? thus hast thou spoken, but thou doest euill, euen more and more. The Lord saide also vnto me, in the daies of Iosiah the 6 King, Hast thou seene what this rebell Israel hath done? for she hath gone vp vpon euery high mountaine, and vnder euery

7 greene tree, and there plaied the harlot. And I sayde, when shee had done all this, Turne thou vnto me: but she returned 8 not, as her rebellious sister Iudah sawe. When I sawe, howe that by all occasions rebellious Israel had plaied the harlot, I cast her away, and gaue her a bill of diuorcement: yet her rebellious sister Iudah was not afraied, but shee went also, and 9 plaied the harlot. So that for the lightnesse of her whoredome shee hath euen defiled the lande: for shee hath commit-10 ted fornication with stones and stockes. Neuerthelesse for all this, her rebellious sister Iudah hath not returned vnto mee 11 with her whole heart, but fainedly, sayth the Lord. And the Lord said vnto me, The rebellious Israel hath iustified her selfe 12 more then the rebellious Iudah. Goe and crie these woordes towarde the North and say, Thou disobedient Israel, returne, sayeth the Lord, and I will not let my wrath fall vpon you: for I am mercifull, sayeth the Lord, and I will not alway keepe 13 mine anger. But knowe thine iniquitie: for thou hast rebelled against the Lord thy God, and hast scattered thy waies to the straunge gods vnder euery greene tree, but yee woulde 14 not obey my voyce, sayeth the Lord. O yee disobedient children, turne againe, sayeth the Lord, for I am your Lord, and I will take you one of a citie, and two of a tribe and wil bring 15 you to Zion, And I will give you pastours according to mine heart, which shall feede you with knowledge and vnderstand-16 ing. Moreover, when yee be increased and multiplied in the land, in those daies, saieth the Lord, they shall say no more, The Arke of the couenant of the Lord: for it shall come no more to minde, neither shall they remember it, neither shall they 17 visite it, for that shalbe no more done. At that time they shall cal Ierusalem, The throne of the Lord, and all the nations shall be gathered vnto it, euen to the Name of the Lord in Ierusalem: and thence foorth they shall follow no more the hardnesse of 18 their wicked heart. In those daies ye house of Iudah shall walke with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the lande of the North, into the lande, that I haue given 19 for an inheritance vnto your fathers. But I sayde, Howe did I take thee for children and give thee a pleasant lande, even the glorious heritage of the armies of the heathen, and saide, Thou shalt call mee, saying, My father, and shalt not turne from me? 20 But as a woman rebelleth against her husband: so haue yee rebelled against me, O house of Israel, sayeth the Lord. A voice 21 was heard vpon the hie places, weeping and supplications of the children of Israel: for they have perverted their way, and forgotten the Lord their God. O yee disobedient children, returne and I wil heale your rebellions. Behold, we come vnto thee, for thou art the Lord our God. Truely the hope of the 23 hilles is but vaine, nor the multitude of mountaines: but in the Lord our God is the health of Israel. For confusion hath deuoured our fathers labour, from our youth their sheepe and their bullocks, their sonnes and their daughters. Wee lie downe in 25 our confusion, and our shame covereth vs: for we have sinned against the Lord our God, we and our fathers from our youth, even vnto this day, and have not obeyed the voyce of the Lord our God.

O Israel, if thou returne, returne vnto me, saith the Lord: 4 and if thou put away thine abominations out of my sight, then shalt thou not remoue. And thou shalt sweare, The Lord li- 2 ueth in trueth, in iudgement, and in righteousnesse, and the nations shall be blessed in him, and shall glorie in him. For 3 thus saith the Lord to the men of Iudah, and to Ierusalem, Breake vp your fallowe ground, and sowe not among the thornes:4 be circumcised to the Lord, and take away the foreskinnes of your hearts, ye men of Iudah, and inhabitants of Ierusalem, lest my wrath come foorth like fire, and burne, that none can quenche it, because of the wickednesse of your inventions. De- 5 clare in Iudah, and shewe forth in Ierusalem, and say, Blowe the trumpet in the lande: cry, and gather together, and say, Assemble your selues, and let vs goe into strong cities. Set vp the 6 standart in Zion: prepare to flee, and stay not: for I will bring a plague from the North, and a great destruction. The lyon 7 is come vp from his denne, and the destroyer of the Gentiles is departed, and gone forth of his place to lay thy land waste, and thy cities shalbe destroyed without an inhabitant. Wherefore 8 girde you with sackecloth: lament, and howle, for the fierce wrath of the Lord is not turned backe from vs. And in that 9 day, saith the Lord, the heart of the King shall perish, and the heart of the princes and the Priestes shall be astonished, and the Prophets shall wonder. Then saide I, Ah, Lord God, surely 10 thou hast deceived this people and Ierusalem, saying, Ye shall haue peace, and the sworde perceth vnto the heart. At that 11

time shall it bee saide to this people and to Ierusalem, A dry winde in the hie places of the wildernes commeth towarde ye 12 daughter of my people, but neither to fanne nor to clense. A mightie winde shall come vnto me from those places, and nowe 13 will I also give sentence vpon them. Beholde, he shall come vp as the cloudes, and his charets shalbe as a tempest: his horses 14 are lighter then eagles. Woe vnto vs, for wee are destroyed. O Ierusalem, wash thine heart from wickednes, that thou maiest be saued: how long shall thy wicked thoughtes remaine within 15 thee? For a voyce declareth from Dan, and publisheth afflic-16 tion from mount Ephraim. Make ye mention of the heathen, and publish in Ierusalem, Beholde, the skoutes come from a 17 farre countrey, and crie out against the cities of Iudah. They haue compassed her about as the watchmen of the fielde, be-18 cause it hath prouoked me to wrath, saith the Lord. wayes and thine inuentions have procured thee these things, such is thy wickednesse: therefore it shall be bitter, therefore 19 it shall perce vnto thine heart. My bely, my bely, I am pained, euen at the very heart: mine heart is troubled within me: I cannot be still: for my soule hath heard the sounde of the trum-20 pet, and the alarme of the battell. Destruction vpon destruction is cryed, for the whole lande is wasted: suddenly are my 21 tents destroyed, and my curtaines in a moment. Howe long shall I see the standert, and heare the sounde of the trum-22 pet? For my people is foolish, they have not knowen me: they are foolish children, and haue none vnderstanding: they are 23 wise to doe euill, but to doe well they have no knowledge. I haue looked vpon the earth, and loe, it was without forme and 24 voide: and to the heavens, and they had no light. I behelde the mountaines: and loe, they trembled and all the hilles shooke. 25 I behelde, and loe, there was no man, and all the birdes of the 26 heauen were departed. I behelde, and loe, the fruitfull place was a wildernesse, and all the cities thereof were broken downe 27 at the presence of the Lord, and by his fierce wrath. For thus hath the Lord saide, The whole lande shall be desolate: vet 28 will I not make a full ende. Therefore shall the earth mourne, and the heavens above shall be darkened, because I have pronounced it: I have thought it, and will not repent, neither will I 29 turne backe from it. The whole citie shall flee, for the noyse of the horsemen and bowemen: they shall goe into thickets, and clime vp vpon the rockes: euery citie shall be forsaken, and not a man dwell therein. And when thou shalt be destroyed, 30 what wilt thou doe? Though thou clothest thy selfe with skarlet, though thou deckest thee with ornaments of golde, though thou paintest thy face with colours, yet shalt thou trimme thy selfe in vaine: for thy louers will abhorre thee and seeke thy life. For I haue heard a noyse as of a woman trauailing, or as 31 one labouring of her first child, euen the voyce of the daughter Zion that sigheth and stretcheth out her handes: woe is me nowe: for my soule fainteth because of the murtherers.

Run to and from by the streetes of Ierusalem, and beholde 5 nowe, and knowe, and inquire in the open places thereof, if ye can finde a man, or if there be any that executeth judgement, and seeketh the trueth, and I will spare it. For though they 2 say, The Lord liueth, yet doe they sweare falsely. O Lord, are 3 not thine eyes vpon the trueth? thou hast striken them, but they have not sorowed: thou hast consumed them, but they have refused to receive correction: they have made their faces harder then a stone, and haue refused to returne. Therefore 4 I saide, Surely they are poore, they are foolish, for they know not the way of the Lord, nor the judgement of their God. I will 5 get me vnto the great men, and will speake vnto them: for they haue knowen the way of the Lord, and the judgement of their God: but these haue altogether broken the yoke, and burst the bondes. Wherefore a lyon out of the forest shall slay them, 6 and a wolfe of the wildernesse shall destroy them: a leopard shall watch ouer their cities: euery one that goeth out thence, shall be torne in pieces, because their trespasses are many, and their rebellions are increased. Howe should I spare thee for 7 this? thy children haue forsaken me, and sworne by them that are no gods: though I fed them to the full, yet they committed adulterie, and assembled them selues by companies in the harlots houses. They rose vp in the morning like fed horses: 8 for euery man neved after his neighbours wife. Shall I not 9 visite for these things, saith the Lord? Shall not my soule be auenged on such a nation as this? Clime vp vpon their 10 walles, and destroy them, but make not a full ende: take away their batilments, for they are not the Lords. For the house 11 of Israel, and the house of Iudah haue grieuously trespassed against me, saith the Lord. They have denied the Lord, and 12

saide, It is not he, neither shall the plague come vpon vs, nei-13 ther shall we see sworde nor famine. And the Prophetes shall be as winde, and the worde is not in them: thus shall it come 14 vnto them. Wherefore thus saith the Lord God of hostes, Because ye speake such wordes, beholde, I will put my wordes into thy mouth, like a fire, and this people shall be as wood, 15 and it shall deuoure them. Loe, I will bring a nation vpon you from farre, O house of Israel, saith the Lord, which is a mightie nation, and an ancient nation, a nation whose language thou 16 knowest not, neither vnderstandest what they say. Whose 17 quiuer is as an open sepulchre: they are all very strong. And they shall eate thine haruest and thy bread: they shall deuoure thy sonnes and thy daughters: they shall eate vp thy sheepe and thy bullocks: they shall eate thy vines and thy figge trees: they shall destroy with the sworde thy fenced cities, wherein 18 thou didest trust. Neuerthelesse at those dayes, sayth the 19 Lord, I will not make a full ende of you. And when ye shall say, Wherefore doeth the Lord our God doe these things vnto vs? then shalt thou answere them, Like as ye haue forsaken me and serued strange gods in your land, so shall ye serue 20 strangers in a land that is not yours. Declare this in the house 21 of Iaakob, and publish it in Iudah, saying, Heare nowe this, O foolish people, and without vnderstanding, which have eyes 22 and see not, which have eares and heare not. Feare ye not me, saith the Lord? or will ye not be afraide at my presence, which haue placed the sand for the bounds of the sea by the perpetuall decree that it cannot passe it, and though the waves thereof rage, yet can they not preuaile, though they roare, yet can they 23 not passe ouer it? But this people hath an vnfaithfull and re-24 bellious heart: they are departed and gone. For they say not in their heart, Let vs nowe feare the Lord our God, that giueth raine both early and late in due season: hee reserueth vnto vs 25 the appointed weekes of the haruest. Yet your iniquities haue turned away these things, and your sinnes have hindred good 26 things from you. For among my people are founde wicked persons, that lay waite as hee that setteth snares: they have 27 made a pit, to catch men. As a cage is full of birdes, so are their houses full of deceite: thereby they are become great and 28 waxen riche. They are waxen fat and shining: they doe ouerpasse the deedes of the wicked: they execute no judgement, no

not the iudgement of the fatherlesse: yet they prosper, though they execute no iudgement for the poore. Shall I not visite 29 for these things, sayth the Lord? or shall not my soule be auenged on such a nation as this? An horrible and filthie 30 thing is committed in the land. The Prophets prophesie lies, 31 and ye Priests receive giftes in their handes, and my people delite therein. What will ye then doe in the ende thereof?

O ve children of Beniamin, prepare to flee out of the middes 6 of Ierusalem, and blowe the trumpet in Tekoa: set vp a standart vpon Beth-haccerem: for a plague appeareth out of the North and great destruction. I have compared the daughter 2 of Zion to a beautifull and daintie woman. The pastors with 3 their flockes shall come vnto her: they shall pitche their tentes rounde about by her, and euery one shall feede in his place. Prepare warre against her: arise, and let vs goe vp toward 4 the South: wo vnto vs: for the day declineth, and the shadowes of the euening are stretched out. Arise, and let vs goe 5 vp by night, and destroy her palaces. For thus hath the Lord 6 of hostes said, Hewe downe wood, and cast a mounte against Ierusalem: this citie must be visited: all oppression is in the middes of it. As the fountaine casteth out her waters, so she 7 casteth out her malice: crueltie and spoyle is continually heard in her before me with sorowe and strokes. Be thou instructed, 8 O Ierusalem, lest my soule depart from thee, lest I make thee desolate as a land, that none inhabiteth. Thus sayeth the 9 Lord of hostes, They shall gather as a vine, the residue of Israel: turne backe thine hande as the grape gatherer into the baskets. Vnto whome shall I speake, and admonish that they 10 may heare? beholde, their eares are vncircumcised, and they cannot hearken: beholde, the worde of the Lord is vnto them as a reproche: they have no delite in it. Therefore I am full 11 of the wrath of the Lord: I am weary with holding it: I will powre it out vpon the children in the streete, and likewise vpon the assembly of the yong men: for the husband shall euen be taken with the wife, and the aged with him that is full of daies. And their houses with their landes, and wives also 12 shalbe turned vnto strangers: for I will stretch out mine hande vpon the inhabitants of the land, sayeth the Lord. For from 13 the least of them, euen vnto the greatest of them, euery one is giuen vnto couetousnesse, and from the Prophet euen vnto the

14 Priest, they all deale falsely. They have healed also ye hurt of the daughter of my people with sweete woordes, saying, Peace, 15 peace, when there is no peace. Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not ashamed, no neither coulde they have any shame: therefore they shall fall among the slaine: when I shall visite them, they shall be cast 16 downe, sayth the Lord. Thus sayeth the Lord, Stande in the waies and beholde, and aske for the olde way, which is the good way and walke therein, and yee shall finde rest for your soules: 17 but they saide, We will not walke therein. Also I set watchmen ouer you, which said, Take heede to the sound of the trum-18 pet: but they said, We will not take heede. Heare therefore, yee Gentiles, and thou Congregation knowe, what is among 19 them. Heare, O earth, beholde, I will cause a plague to come vpon this people, euen the fruite of their owne imaginations: because they have not taken heede vnto my woordes, nor to 20 my Lawe, but cast it off. To what purpose bringest thou mee incense from Sheba, and sweete calamus from a farre countrey? Your burnt offerings are not pleasant, nor your sacrifices 21 sweete vnto me. Therefore thus sayeth the Lord, Beholde, I will laie stumbling blockes before this people, and the fathers and the sonnes together shall fall vpon them: the neighbour 22 and his friende shall perish. Thus sayeth the Lord, Beholde, a people commeth from the North countrey, and a great na-23 tion shall arise from the sides of the earth. With bowe and shield shall they be weaponed: they are cruell and will haue no compassion: their voyce roareth like the sea, and they ride vpon horses, well appointed, like men of warre against thee, 24 O daughter Zion. We have heard their fame, and our handes waxe feeble sorrowe is come vpon vs, as the sorrowe of a woman 25 in trauaile. Goe not foorth into the fielde, nor walke by the 26 way: for the sword of the enemie and feare is on euery side. O daughter of my people, girde thee with sackecloth, and wallowe thy selfe in the ashes: make lamentation, and bitter mourning as for thine onely sonne: for the destroier shall suddenly come 27 vpon vs. I have set thee for a defence and fortresse among my 28 people, that thou maiest knowe and trie their waies. They are all rebellious traitours, walking craftily: they are brasse, and 29 yron, they all are destroyers. The bellowes are burnt: the lead is consumed in the fire: the founder melteth in vaine: for the

wicked are not taken away. They shall call them reprobate 30 siluer, because the Lord hath rejected them.

The woordes that came to Ieremiah from the Lord, saying, 7 Stand in the gate of the Lordes house and crie this woorde 2 there, and say, Heare the woorde of the Lord, all yee of Iudah that enter in at these gates to worship the Lord. Thus sayeth 3 the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, Amend your waies and your woorkes, and I will let you dwell in this place. not in lying woordes, saying, The Temple of the Lord, the Temple of the Lord: this is the Temple of the Lord. For if you 5 amende and redresse your waies and your woorkes: if you execute judgement betweene a man and his neighbour. And 6 oppresse not the stranger, the fatherlesse and the widow and shed no innocent blood in this place, neither walke after other gods to your destruction, Then will I let you dwell in this 7 place in the lande that I gaue vnto your fathers, for euer and euer. Beholde, you trust in lying woordes, that can not profite. 8 Will you steale, murder, and commit adulterie, and sweare 9 falsely and burne incense vnto Baal, and walke after other gods whome yee knowe not? And come and stande before mee 10 in this House, whereupon my Name is called, and saye, We are deliuered, though we have done all these abominations? Is 11 this House become a denne of theeues, whereupon my Name is called before your eyes? Beholde, euen I see it, sayeth the Lord. But go ye nowe vnto my place which was in Shilo, where I set 12 my Name at the beginning, and beholde, what I did to it for the wickednesse of my people Israel. Therefore nowe because 13 vee haue done all these woorkes, saveth the Lord, (and I rose vp earely and spake vnto you: but when I spake, yee would not heare me, neither when I called, would yee answere). There- 14 fore will I do vnto this House, wherupon my Name is called, wherein also yee trust, euen vnto the place that I gaue to you and to your fathers, as I have done vnto Shilo. And I will 15 cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, euen the whole seede of Ephraim. Therfore thou shalt not 16 pray for this people, neither lift vp crie or praier for them neither intreat me, for I will not heare thee. Seest thou not what 17 they doe in the cities of Iudah and in the streetes of Ierusalem? The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and 18 the women knede the dough to make cakes to the Queene of

heauen and to powre out drinke offrings vnto other gods, that 19 they may prouoke me vnto anger. Doe they prouoke me to anger, sayeth the Lord, and not themselues to the confusion of 20 their owne faces? Therefore thus sayeth the Lord God, Beholde, mine anger and my wrath shall be powred vpon this place, vpon man and vpon beast, and vpon the tree of the fielde, and vpon the fruite of the grounde, and it shall burne 21 and not bee quenched. Thus sayth the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, Put your burnt offerings vnto your sacrifices, and eat 22 the flesh. For I spake not vnto your fathers, nor commanded them, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concern-23 ing burnt offrings and sacrifices. But this thing commanded I them, saying, Obey my voyce, and I will be your God, and yee shalbe my people: and walke yee in all the wayes which I haue 24 commanded you, that it may be well vnto you. But they would not obey, nor incline their eare, but went after the counsels and the stubbernesse of their wicked heart, and went backewarde 25 and not forwarde. Since the day that your fathers came vp out of the lande of Egypt, vnto this day, I haue euen sent vnto you al my seruants the Prophets, rising vp earely euery day, and 26 sending them. Yet would they not heare me nor encline their eare, but hardened their necke and did worse then their fa-27 thers. Therefore shalt thou speake al these words vnto them, but they will not heare thee: thou shalt also crie vnto them, 28 but they will not answere thee. But thou shalt say vnto them, This is a nation that heareth not the voice of the Lord their God, nor receiueth discipline: trueth is perished, and is cleane 29 gone out of their mouth. Cut off thine heare, O Ierusalem, and cast it away, and take vp a complaint on the hie places: for the Lord hath rejected and forsaken the generation of his wrath. 30 For the children of Iudah haue done euill in my sight, sayth the Lord: they have set their abominations in the House, where-31 upon my Name is called, to pollute it. And they have built the hie place of Topheth, which is in the valley of Ben-Hinnom to burne their sonnes and their daughters in the fire, which I 32 commanded them not, neither came it in mine heart. Therefore beholde, the dayes come, sayeth the Lord, that it shall no more be called Topheth, nor the valley of Ben-Hinnom, but the valley of slaughter: for they shall burie in Topheth til there 33 be no place. And ye carkeises of this people shalbe meat for

the foules of the heauen and for the beastes of the earth, and none shall fraie them away. Then I will cause to cease from 34 the cities of Iudah and from the streetes of Ierusalem the voice of mirth and the voice of gladnesse, the voice of the bridegrom and the voice of the bride: for the lande shalbe desolate.

At that time, sayeth the Lord, they shall bring out the bones 8 of the Kings of Iudah, and the bones of their princes, and the bones of the Priests and the bones of the Prophets, and the bones of the inhabitants of Ierusalem out of their graues. And 2 they shall spread them before the sunne and the moone, and all the host of heauen, whom they have loued, and whome they haue serued, and whome they haue followed, and whome they haue sought, and whome they haue worshipped: they shall not be gathered nor be buried, but shall be as doung vpon the earth. And death shall bee desired rather then life of all the 3 residue that remaineth of this wicked familie, which remaine in all the places where I have scattered them, sayeth the Lord of hostes. Thou shalt say vnto them also, Thus sayeth the 4 Lord, Shall they fall and not arise? shall he turne away and not turne againe? Wherefore is this people of Ierusalem turned 5 backe by a perpetuall rebellion? they gaue themselues to deceit. and would not returne. I hearkened and heard, but none 6 spake aright: no man repented him of his wickednesse, saving, What haue I done? euery one turned to their race, as the horse rusheth into the battell. Euen the storke in the aire 7 knoweth her appointed times, and the turtle and the crane and the swallowe observe the time of their comming, but my people knoweth not the judgement of the Lord. Howe doe vee 8 say, Wee are wise, and the Lawe of the Lord is with vs? Loe, certeinly in vaine made hee it, the penne of the scribes is in vaine. The wise men are ashamed: they are afraid and taken. 9 loe, they have rejected the word of the Lord, and what wisdome is in them? Therefore will I giue their wives vnto others, and 10 their fieldes to them that shall possesse them: for every one from the least euen vnto the greatest is given to couetousnesse, and from the Prophet euen vnto the Priest, euery one dealeth falsely. For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my 11 people with sweete woordes, saying, Peace, peace, when there is no peace. Were they ashamed when they had committed 12 abomination? nay, they were not ashamed, neither coulde they

haue any shame: therefore shall they fall among the slaine: when I shall visite them, they shall be cast downe, sayeth the 13 Lord. I wil surely consume them, sayth the Lord: there shalbe no grapes on the vine, nor figges on the figtree, and the leafe shall fade, and the things that I have given them, shall depart 14 from them. Why doe we stay? assemble your selues, and let vs enter into the strong cities, and let vs be quiet there: for the Lord our God hath put vs to silence and given vs water with 15 gall to drinke, because we have sinned against the Lord. We looked for peace, but no good came, and for a time of health, 16 and behold troubles. The neying of his horses was heard from Dan, the whole lande trembled at the noyse of the neying of his strong horses: for they are come, and haue deuoured the land with all that is in it, the citie, and those that dwell therein. 17 For beholde, I will sende serpents, and cockatrices among you, which will not be charmed, and they shall sting you, sayth the 18 Lord. I would have comforted my selfe against sorowe, but 19 mine heart is heavie in me. Behold, the voice of the cry of the daughter of my people for feare of them of a farre countrey, Is not the Lord in Zion? is not her king in her? Why haue they prouoked mee to anger with their grauen images, and with the 20 vanities of a strange god? The haruest is past, the sommer is 21 ended, and we are not holpen. I am sore vexed for the hurt of ye daughter of my people: I am heauie, and astonishment hath 22 taken me. Is there no balme at Gilead? is there no Physition there? Why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recouered.

Oh, that mine head were full of water and mine eyes a fountaine of teares, that I might weepe day and night for the slayne of the daughter of my people. Oh, that I had in the wildernes a cottage of wayfaring men, that I might leaue my people, and go from them: for they be all adulterers and an assembly of rebels, And they bende their tongues like their bowes for lyes: but they haue no courage for the trueth vpon the earth: for they proceede from euill to worse, and they haue not knowen mee, sayth the Lord. Let euery one take heede of his neighbour, and trust you not in any brother: for euery brother will vse deceite, and euery friend will deale deceitfully, And euery one wil deceiue his friende, and wil not speake the trueth: for they haue taught their tongues to speake lies, and take

great paynes to do wickedly. Thine habitation is in the mid- 6 des of deceiuers: because of their deceit they refuse to know me, sayth the Lord. Therefore thus sayth the Lord of hostes, 7 Behold, I wil melt them, and trie them: for what should I els do for the daughter of my people? Their tongue is as an arow 8 shot out, and speaketh deceite: one speaketh peaceably to his neighbour with his mouth, but in his heart hee layeth waite for him. Shal I not visit them for these things, saith the Lord? 9 or shall not my soule be auenged on such a nation as this? Vpon the mountaines will I take vp a weeping and a lamenta- 10 tion, and vpon the fayre places of the wildernes a mourning, because they are burnt vp: so that none can passe through them, neyther can men heare the voyce of the flocke: both the foule of the aire, and the beast are fled away and gone. And I 11 wil make Ierusalem an heape, and a den of dragons, and I will make the cities of Iudah waste, without an inhabitant. Who 12 is wise, to vnderstande this? and to whome the mouth of the Lord hath spoken, euen he shall declare it. Why doth the land perish, and is burnt vp like a wildernesse, that none passeth through? And the Lord sayeth, Because they have forsaken 13 my Lawe, which I set before them, and haue not obeyed my voice, neither walked thereafter, But haue walked after the 14 stubbernesse of their owne heart, and after Baalims, which their fathers taught them, Therefore thus sayth the Lord of 15 hostes, the God of Israel, Behold, I will feede this people with wormewood, and give them waters of gall to drinke: I wil scat- 16 ter them also among the heathen, whom neither they nor their fathers have knowen, and I will send a sworde after them, til I have consumed them. Thus sayeth the Lord of hostes, Take 17 heede, and call for the mourning women, that they may come, and send for skilfull women that they may come, And let them 18 make haste, and let them take vp a lamentation for vs, that our eyes may cast out teares and our eye liddes gush out of water. For a lamentable noyse is heard out of Zion, Howe are 19 we destroyed, and vtterly confounded, for we have forsaken the land, and our dwellings have cast vs out. Therefore heare 20 the worde of the Lord, O ye women, and let your eares regard the words of his mouth, and teach your daughters to mourne, and euery one her neighbour to lament. For death is come 21 vp into our windowes, and is entred into our palaces. to de-

stroy the children without, and the yong men in the streetes. 22 Speake, thus sayth the Lord, The carkeises of men shall lye, euen as the doung vpon the fielde, and as the handfull after 23 the mower, and none shall gather them. Thus saith the Lord, Let not the wise man glory in his wisedome, nor the strong man glorie in his strength, neyther the riche man glorie in his 24 riches. But let him that glorieth, glorie in this, that he vnderstandeth, and knoweth me: for I am the Lord, which shewe mercie, iudgement, and righteousnes in the earth: for in these 25 things I delite, sayth the Lord. Beholde, the dayes come, sayth the Lord, that I wil visite all them, which are circumcised with 26 the vncircumcised: Egypt and Iudah, and Edom, and the children of Ammon, and Moab, and all the vtmost corners of them that dwell in the wildernesse: for all these nations are vncircumcised, and al the house of Israel are vncircumcised in the heart.

Heare ye the worde of the Lord that he speaketh vnto you, 10 2 O house of Israel. Thus saith the Lord, Learne not the way of the heathen, and be not afraid for the signes of heauen, though 3 the heathen be afraid of such. For the customes of the people are vaine: for one cutteth a tree out of the forest (which is the 4 worke of the handes of the carpenter) with the axe, And another decketh it with siluer, and with golde: they fasten it with 5 nailes, and hammers, that it fall not. The idoles stande vp as the palme tree, but speake not: they are borne because they cannot go feare them not, for they cannot do euill, neither can 6 they do good. There is none like vnto thee, O Lord: thou art 7 great, and thy name is great in power. Who would not feare thee, O King of nations? for to thee appertaineth the dominion: for among all the wise men of the Gentiles, and in al their 8 kingdomes there is none like thee. But, altogether they dote, 9 and are foolish: for the stocke is a doctrine of vanitie. plates are brought from Tarshish, and golde from Vphaz, for the worke of the workeman, and the handes of the founder: the blewe silke, and the purple is their clothing: all these things 10 are made by cunning men. But the Lord is the God of trueth: he is the liuing God, and an euerlasting King: at his anger the earth shall tremble, and the nations cannot abide his wrath. 11 (Thus shall you say vnto them, The gods that have not made the heauens and the earth, shall perish from the earth, and from vnder these heauens) He hath made the earth by his 12 power, and established the worlde by his wisedome, and hath stretched out the heaven by his discretion. Hee giveth by his 13 voyce the multitude of waters in the heauen, and he causeth the cloudes to ascend from the endes of the earth: he turneth lightnings to rayne, and bringeth forth the winde out of his treasures. Euery man is a beast by his owne knowledge: eu- 14 ery founder is confounded by the grauen image: for his melting is but falsehood, and there is no breath therein. They are 15 vanitie, and the worke of errours: in the time of their visitation they shall perish. The portion of Iaakob is not like them: 16 for he is the maker of all things, and Israel is the rodde of his inheritance: the Lord of hostes is his Name. Gather vp 17 thy wares out of the land, O thou that dwellest in the strong For thus sayth the Lord, Beholde, at this time I will 18 throwe as with a sling the inhabitants of the lande, and will trouble them, and they shall finde it so. Wo is me for my de- 19 struction, and my grieuous plague: but I thought, Yet it is my sorow, and I will beare it. My tabernacle is destroyed, and all 20 my coardes are broken: my children are gone from me, and are not: there is none to spread out my tent any more, and to set vp my curtaines. For the Pastours are become beasts, and haue 21 not sought the Lord: therefore have they none vnderstanding: and all the flockes of their pastures are scattered. Beholde, 22 the noyse of the brute is come, and a great commotion out of the North countrey to make the cities of Iudah desolate, and a denne of dragons. O Lord, I knowe, that the way of man is 23 not in himselfe, neyther is it in man to walke and to direct his steps. O Lord, correct mee, but with judgement, not in thine 24 anger, least thou bring mee to nothing. Powre out thy wrath 25 vpon the heathen, that knowe thee not, and vpon the families that call not on thy Name: for they have eaten vp Iaakob and deuoured him and consumed him, and haue made his habitation desolate.

The worde that came to Ieremiah from the Lord, saying, 11 Heare ye the wordes of this couenant, and speake vnto the 2 men of Iudah, and to the inhabitants of Ierusalem, And say 3 thou vnto them, Thus sayeth the Lord God of Israel, Cursed be the man that obeyeth not the wordes of this couenant, Which 4 I commanded vnto your fathers, when I brought them out of

the lande of Egypt, from the yron fornace, saying, Obey my voyce, and doe according to all these things, which I commande 5 you: so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God, That I may confirme the othe, that I have sworne vnto your fathers, to give them a lande, which floweth with milke and hony, as appeareth this day. Then answered I and sayde, So be it, O 6 Lord. Then the Lord saide vnto me, Cry all these words in the cities of Iudah, and in the streetes of Ierusalem, saying, 7 Heare yee the words of this couenant, and doe them. haue protested vnto your fathers, whe I brought them vp out of the land of Egypt vnto this day, rising earely and protesting, 8 saying, Obey my voyce. Neuerthelesse they would not obey, nor encline their eare: but euery one walked in the stubbernesse of his wicked heart: therefore I will bring vpon them all the wordes of this couenant, which I commanded them to do, 9 but they did it not. And the Lord sayd vnto me, A conspiracie is found among the men of Iudah, and among the inhabi-10 tants of Ierusalem. They are turned backe to the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to heare my wordes: and they went after other gods to serue them: thus the house of Israel, and the house of Iudah haue broken my couenant, which 11 I made with their fathers. Therefore thus sayth the Lord, Beholde, I will bring a plague vpon them, which they shall not be able to escape, and though they crye vnto me, I will not 12 heare them. Then shall the cities of Iudah, and the inhabitants of Ierusalem goe, and crie vnto the gods vnto whome they offer incense, but they shall not bee able to helpe them 13 in time of their trouble. For according to the number of thy cities were thy gods, O Iudah, and according to the number of the streetes of Ierusalem haue yee set vp altars of confusion, 14 euen altars to burne incense vnto Baal. Therfore thou shalt not pray for this people, neither lift vp a crie, or prayer for them: for when they cry vnto mee in their trouble, I will not 15 heare them. What shoulde my beloued tarie in mine house, seeing they have committed abomination with manie? and the holy flesh goeth away from thee: yet when thou doest euill, 16 thou reioycest. The Lord called thy name, A greene oliue tree, faire, and of goodly fruite: but with noyse and great tumult he 17 hath set fyre vpon it, and the branches of it are broken. For the Lord of hostes that planted thee, hath pronounced a plague

against thee, for the wickednes of the house of Israel, and of the house of Iudah, which they have done against themselues to prouoke me to anger in offering incense vnto Baal. And the 18 Lord hath taught me, and I knowe it, euen then thou shewedst mee their practises. But I was like a lambe, or a bullocke, 19 that is brought to the slaughter, and I knewe not that they had deuised thus against me, saying, Let vs destroy the tree with the fruite thereof, and cut him out of the lande of the liuing, that his name may be no more in memory. But O Lord 20 of hostes, that iudgest righteously, and triest the reines and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for vnto thee haue I opened my cause. The Lord therefore speaketh thus of 21 the men of Anathoth, (that seeke thy life, and say, Prophecie not in the Name of the Lord, that thou die not by our hands) Thus therefore sayth the Lord of hostes, Beholde, I will visite 22 them: the yong men shall die by the sword: their sonnes and their daughters shall die by famine, And none of them shall 23 remaine: for I will bring a plague vpon the men of Anathoth, euen the veere of their visitation.

O Lord, if I dispute with thee, thou art righteous: yet let 12 mee talke with thee of thy judgements: wherefore doeth the way of the wicked prosper? why are all they in wealth that rebelliously transgresse? Thou hast planted them, and they 2 haue taken roote: they grow, and bring forth fruite: thou art neere in their mouth, and farre from their reines. But thou, 3 Lord, knowest me: thou hast seene me, and tried mine heart towarde thee: pull them out like sheepe for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter. Howe long shall the 4 lande mourne, and the herbes of euery fielde wither, for the wickednesse of them that dwell therein? the beastes are consumed and the birdes, because they sayd, He wil not see our If thou hast runne with the footemen and they 5 last ende. haue wearied thee, then howe canst thou match thy selfe with horses? and if thou thoughtest thy selfe safe in a peaceable lande, what wilt thou do in the swelling of Iorden? For euen 6 thy brethren, and the house of thy father, euen they have delt vnfaithfully with thee, and they have cryed out altogether vpon thee: but beleeue them not, though they speake faire to thee. I haue forsaken mine house: I haue left mine heritage: I haue 7 given the dearely beloved of my soule into the hands of her en-

8 emies. Mine heritage is vnto mee, as a lion in the forest: it 9 crieth out against mee, therefore haue I hated it. Shall mine heritage bee vnto mee, as a bird of diuers colours? are not the birdes about her, saying, Come, assemble all ye beastes of the 10 fielde, come to eate her? Many pastors haue destroyed my vineyarde, and troden my portion vnder foote: of my pleasant 11 portion they have made a desolate wildernesse. They have layde it waste, and it, being waste, mourneth vnto me: and the whole lande lyeth waste, because no man setteth his minde on The destroyers are come vpon all the high places in the wildernesse: for the sworde of the Lord shall deuoure from the one end of the land, euen to the other ende of the lande: no 13 flesh shall have peace. They have sowen wheate, and reaped thornes: they were sicke, and had no profite: and they were ashamed of your fruites, because of the fierce wrath of the 14 Lord. Thus sayeth the Lord against all mine euill neighbours, that touch the inheritance, which I have caused my people Israel to inherite, Beholde, I will plucke them out of their lande, 15 and plucke out the house of Iudah from among them. And after that I have plucked them out, I will returne, and have compassion on them, and will bring againe euery man to his 16 heritage, and euery man to his land. And if they will learne the wayes of my people, to sweare by my Name, (The Lord liueth, as they taught my people to sweare by Baal) then shall 17 they be built in the middes of my people. But if they will not obey, then will I vtterly plucke vp, and destroy that nation. sayeth the Lord.

Thus sayth the Lord vnto mee, Goe, and buy thee a linen girdle, and put it vpon thy loynes, and put it not in water. So I bought the girdle according to the commandement of the Lord, and put it vpon my loynes. And the worde of the Lord came vnto me the second time, saying, Take the girdle that thou hast bought, which is vpon thy loynes, and arise, goe towarde Perath, and hide it there in the cleft of the rocke. So I went, and hid it by Perath, as the Lord had commanded me. And after many dayes, the Lord sayde vnto mee, Arise, goe towarde Perath, and take the girdle from thence, which I commanded thee to hide there. Then went I to Perath, and digged, and tooke the girdle from the place where I had hid it, and behold, the girdle was corrupt, and was profitable for nothing. Then

the word of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Thus sayth the 9 Lord, After this maner will I destroy the pride of Iudah, and the great pride of Ierusalem. This wicked people haue refused 10 to heare my word, and walke after ye stubbernesse of their owne heart, and walke after other gods to serue them, and to worship them: therefore they shalbe as this girdle, which is profitable to nothing. For as the girdle cleaueth to the loynes 11 of a man, so haue I tied to me the whole house of Israel, and the whole house of Iudah, saith the Lord, that they might bee my people: that they might have a name and prayse, and glory, but they would not heare. Therefore thou shalt save vnto them 12 this word, Thus sayth the Lord God of Israel, Euery bottell shalbe filled with wine, and they shall say vnto thee, Doe we not knowe that euery bottell shalbe filled with wine? Then 13 shalt thou say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord, Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of this land, even the Kings that sit vpon the throne of Dauid, and the Priestes and the Prophets and all the inhabitantes of Ierusalem with drunkennesse. And I 14 wil dash them one against another, euen the fathers and the sonnes together, saveth the Lord: I will not spare, I will not pitie nor haue compassion, but destroy them. Heare and giue 15 eare, be not proude: for the Lord hath spoken it. Giue glory to 16 the Lord your God before he bring darknes, and or euer your feete stumble in the darke mountaines, and whiles you look for light, he turne it into the shadowe of death and make it as darkenesse. But if ye will not heare this, my soule shall weepe 17 in secrete for your pride, and mine eye shall weepe and drop downe teares, because the Lords flocke is caried away captiue. Say vnto the King and to the Queene, Humble yourselues, sit 18 downe, for the crowne of your glory shall come downe from your heads. The cities of the South shall be shut vp, and no 19 man shall open them: all Iudah shall be caried away captiue: it shall be wholy caried away captiue. Lift vp your eyes and be- 20 holde them that come from the North: where is the flocke that was given thee, even thy beautifull flocke? What wilt thou 21 saye, when hee shall visite thee? (for thou hast taught them to be captaines and as chiefe ouer thee) shall not sorow take thee as a woman in trauaile? And if thou say in thine heart, 22 Wherefore come these things vpon me? For the multitude of thine iniquities are thy skirts discouered and thy heeles made

bare. Can the blacke More change his skin? or the leopard his spots? then may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do euill. Therefore will I scatter them, as the stubble that is taken
away with the South winde. This is thy portion, and ye part of thy measures from me, sayth the Lord, because thou hast
forgotten me and trusted in lyes. Therefore I haue also discouered thy skirts vpon thy face, that thy shame may appeare.
I haue seene thine adulteries, and thy neiings, the filthinesse of thy whoredome on the hils in the fieldes, and thine abominations. Wo vnto thee, O Ierusalem: wilt thou not bee made

cleane? when shall it once be?

The worde of the Lord that came vnto Ieremiah, concern-14 2 ing the dearth. Iudah hath mourned, and the gates thereof are desolate, they have bene brought to heavinesse vnto the 3 grounde, and the cry of Ierusalem goeth vp. And their nobles have sent their inferiours to the water, who came to the welles, and founde no water: they returned with their vessels empty: they were ashamed and confounded, and couered their 4 heads. For the grounde was destroyed, because there was no rayne in the earth: the plowmen were ashamed, and couered 5 their heads. Yea, the hinde also calued in the fielde, and for-6 sooke it, because there was no grasse. And the wilde asses did stande in the hygh places, and drew in their winde like drag-7 ons their eyes did faile, because there was no grasse. O Lord, though our iniquities testifie against vs, deale with vs according to thy name: for our rebellions are many, we sinned against 8 thee. O the hope of Israel, the sauiour thereof in the time of trouble, why art thou as a strager in ye land, as one that pas-9 seth by to tary for a night? Why art thou as a man astonied, and as a strong man that cannot helpe? yet thou, O Lord, art in the middes of vs, and thy Name is called vpon vs: for-10 sake vs not. Thus saith the Lord vnto this people, Thus haue they delited to wander: they have not refrained their feete, therefore the Lord hath no delight in them: but he will now 11 remember their iniquitie, and visite their sinnes. the Lord vnto me, Thou shalt not pray to do this people good. 12 When they fast, I will not heare their cry, and when they offer burnt offering, and an oblation, I will not accept them: but I will consume them by the sworde, and by the famine and by 13 the pestilence. Then answered I, Ah Lord God, beholde, the

prophets say vnto them, Ye shall not see the sworde, neither shall famine come vpon you, but I wil giue you assured peace in this place. Then the Lord said vnto me, The prophets prophe- 14 cie lyes in my Name: I haue not sent them, neither did I command them, neither spake I vnto them, but they prophecie vnto you a false vision, and diuination, and vanitie, and deceitfulnes of their owne heart. Therefore thus saith the Lord. Concern- 15 ing the prophets that prophecie in my Name, whom I have not sent, yet they say, Sworde and famine shall not be in this land, by sword and famine shall those prophets be consumed. And 16 the people to whome these prophets doe prophecie, shalbe cast out in the streetes of Ierusalem, because of the famine, and the sword, and there shall be none to bury them, both they, and their wives, and their sonnes, and their daughters: for I wil powre their wickednes vpon them. Therefore thou shalt say 17 this worde vnto them. Let mine eyes drop downe teares night and day without ceasing: for the virgine daughter of my people is destroyed with a great destruction, and with a sore grieuous plague. For if I go into the field, behold the slaine with the 18 sworde: and if I enter into the citie, behold them that are sicke for hunger also: moreouer the Prophet also and the Priest go a wandring into a land that they know not. Hast thou vtterly 19 rejected Iudah, or hath thy soule abhorred Zion? why hast thou smitten vs, that we cannot be healed? Wee looked for peace, and there is no good, and for the time of health, and behold trouble. We acknowledge, O Lord, our wickednesse and 20 the iniquitie of our fathers: for we have sinned against thee. Doe not abhorre vs: for thy Names sake cast not downe the 21 throne of thy glory: remember and breake not thy couenant with vs. Are there any among the vanities of the Gentiles, 22 that can give raine? or can the heavens give showres? is it not thou, O Lord our God? therefore we will waite vpon thee: for thou hast made all these things.

Then sayde the Lord vnto me, Though Moses and Samuel stoode before mee, yet mine affection coulde not be toward this people: cast them out of my sight, and let them depart. And if they say vnto thee, Whither shall we depart? then tell them, Thus saith the Lord, Such as are appointed to death, vnto death: and such as are for the sworde, to the sworde: and such as are for the famine; and such as are for

3 the captiuitie, to the captiuitie. And I wil appoint ouer them foure kindes, sayth the Lord, the sworde to slay, and the dogs to teare in pieces, and the soules of the heaven, and the beastes 4 of the earth to deuoure, and to destroy. I will scatter them also in all kingdomes of the earth, because of Manasseh the sonne of Hezekiah King of Iudah, for that which he did in Ierusalem. 5 Who shall then have pitie vpon thee, O Ierusalem? or who shalbe sorie for thee? or who shall go to pray for thy peace? 6 Thou hast forsaken me, sayth the Lord, and gone backward: therefore wil I stretch out mine hand against thee, and destroy 7 thee: for I am weary with repenting. And I wil scatter them with the fanne in the gates of the earth I haue wasted, and destroyed my people, yet they would not returne from their 8 waves. Their widdowes are increased by mee aboue the sande of the sea: I have brought vpon them, and against the assembly of the yong men a destroyer at noone day: I haue caused him to fal vpon them, and the citie suddenly, and speedily. 9 Shee that hath borne seuen, hath bene made weake: her heart hath failed: the sunne hath failed her, whiles it was day: she hath bene confounded, and ashamed, and the residue of them will I deliuer vnto the sworde before their enemies, sayth the 10 Lord. Wo is mee, my mother, that thou hast borne mee, a contentious man, and a man that striueth with the whole earth I have neither lent on vsury, nor men have lent vnto me on 11 vsurie: yet euery one doeth curse me. The Lord sayd, Surely thy remnant shall have wealth: surely I will cause thine enemie to intreate thee in the time of trouble, and in the time 12 of affliction. Shall the yron breake the yron, and the brasse 13 that commeth from the North? Thy substance and thy treasures wil I giue to be spoyled without gaine, and that for all 14 thy sinnes euen in all thy borders. And I wil make thee to go with thine enemies into a land that thou knowest not: for a 15 fire is kindled in mine anger, which shall burne you. O Lord, thou knowest, remember me, and visite me, and reuenge me of my persecuters: take mee not away in the continuance of thine anger: know that for thy sake I have suffered rebuke. 16 Thy wordes were founde by me, and I did eate them, and thy worde was vnto me the ioy and reioycing of mine heart: for 17 thy Name is called vpon me, O Lord God of hostes. I sate not in the assembly of the mockers, neither did I reioyce, but sate

alone because of thy plague: for thou hast filled me with indignation. Why is mine heauines continuall? and my plague 18 desperate and cannot be healed? why art thou vnto me as a lyar, and as waters that faile? Therefore thus saith the Lord, 19 If thou returne, then wil I bring thee againe, and thou shalt stand before me: and if thou take away the precious from the vile, thou shalt be according to my worde: let them returne vnto thee, but returne not thou vnto them. And I will make 20 thee vnto this people a strong brasen wall, and they shall fight against thee, but they shall not preuaile against thee: for I am with thee to saue thee and to deliuer thee, saith ye Lord. And 21 I will deliuer thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeeme thee out of the hand of the tyrants.

The worde of the Lord came also vnto mee, saying, Thou 16, 2 shalt not take thee a wife, nor have sonnes nor daughters in this place. For thus sayeth the Lord concerning the sonnes, 3 and concerning the daughters that are borne in this place, and concerning their mothers that beare them, and concerning their fathers, that beget them in this land. They shall 4 die of deathes and diseases: they shall not be lamented, neither shall they be buried, but they shalbe as dung vpon the earth, and they shalbe consumed by the sword, and by famine, and their carkeises shall be meate for the foules of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth. For thus saith the Lord, En- 5 ter not into the house of mourning, neither goe to lament, nor be moued for the: for I have taken my peace, from this people, saith the Lord, euen mercy and compassion. Both the 6 great, and the small shall die in this land: they shall not be buried, neither shall men lament for them nor cut themselues, nor make themselues balde for them. They shall not stretch 7 out the hands for the in the mourning to comfort them for the dead, neither shall they give them the cup of consolation to drinke for their father or for their mother. Thou shalt not 8 also goe into the house of feasting to sit with them to eate and to drinke. For thus sayth the Lord of hostes, the God of Is- 9 rael, Beholde, I wil cause to cease out of this place in your eyes, euen in your dayes the voyce of myrth, and the voyce of gladnes, the voyce of the bridegrome and the voyce of the bride. And when thou shalt shewe this people all these wordes, and 10 they shall say vnto thee, Wherefore hath the Lord pronounced

all this great plague against vs? or what is our iniquitie? and what is our sinne that we have committed against the Lord 11 our God? Then shalt thou say vnto them, Because your fathers have forsaken me, sayth the Lord, and have walked after other gods, and haue serued them, and worshipped them, 12 and haue forsaken me, and haue not kept my Law, (And ye haue done worse then your fathers: for beholde, you walke euery one after the stubbernesse of his wicked heart, and will 13 not heare me) Therefore will I drive you out of this land into a lande that ye knowe not, neither you, nor your fathers, and there shall ye serue other gods day and night: for I will shew 14 you no grace. Behold therfore, saith the Lord, the dayes come that it shall no more be sayde, The Lord liueth, which brought 15 vp the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt, But the Lord liueth, that brought vp the children of Israel from the lande of the North, and from all the landes where hee had scattered them, and I wil bring them againe into their land 16 that I gaue vnto their fathers. Behold, sayth the Lord, I wil send out many fishers, and they shall fish them, and after, will I send out many hunters, and they shall hunt them from euery mountaine and from euery hill, and out of the caues of the 17 rockes. For mine eyes are vpon al their wayes: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquitie hid from mine eyes. 18 And first I will recompense their iniquitie and their sinne double, because they have defiled my lande, and have filled mine inheritance with their filthie carions and their abominations. 19 O Lord, thou art my force, and my strength and my refuge in the day of affliction: the Gentiles shall come vnto thee from the ends of the world, and shall say, Surely our fathers haue 20 inherited lies, and vanitie, wherein was no profite. Shall a 21 man make gods vnto himselfe, and they are no gods? Beholde. therefore I will this once teach them: I will shewe them mine hande and my power, and they shall know that my Name is the Lord.

The sinne of Iudah is written with a pen of yron, and with the poynt of a diamonde, and grauen vpon the table of their heart, and vpon the hornes of your altars. They remember their altars as their children, with their groues by the greene trees vpon the hilles. O my mountaine in the fielde, I will giue thy substance, and all thy treasures to be spoyled, for the

sinne of thy high places throughout all thy borders. And thou 4 shalt rest, and in thee shall be a rest from thine heritage that I gaue thee, and I will cause thee to serue thine enemies in the land, which thou knowest not: for yee haue kindled a fire in mine anger, which shall burne for euer. Thus saith the 5 Lord, Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arme, and withdraweth his heart from the Lord. For 6 he shall be like the heath in the wildernesse, and shall not see when any good commeth, but shall inhabite the parched places in the wildernesse, in a salt land, and not inhabited. Blessed be the man, that trusteth in ye Lord, and whose hope 7 the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree that is planted by the wa- 8 ter, which spreadeth out her rootes by the riuer, and shall not feele when the heate commeth, but her leafe shall be greene, and shall not care for the yeere of drought, neyther shall cease from veelding fruit. The heart is deceitfull and wicked aboue 9 all things, who can knowe it? I the Lord search the heart, and 10 try ye reines, euen to giue euery man according to his wayes, and according to the fruite of his workes. As the partryche 11 gathereth the yong, which she hath not brought forth: so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the middes of his dayes, and at his ende shall bee a foole. As a 12 glorious throne exalted from the beginning, so is the place of our Sanctuarie. O Lord, the hope of Israel, all that forsake 13 thee, shall be confounded: they that depart from thee, shalbe written in the earth, because they have forsaken the Lord, the fountaine of liuing waters. Heale me, O Lord, and I shall 14 bee whole: saue me, and I shall bee saued: for thou art my Behold, they say vnto me, Where is the word of the 15 Lord? let it come nowe. But I have not thrust in my selfe 16 for a pastour after thee, neither haue I desired the day of miserie, thou knowest: that which came out of my lips, was right before thee. Be not terrible vnto mee: thou art mine hope in 17 the day of aduersitie. Let them bee confounded, that perse- 18 cute me, but let not me be confounded: let them be afraide, but let not me be afraide: bring vpon them the day of aduersitie, and destroy them with double destruction. Thus hath the 19 Lord said vnto me. Goe and stande in the gate of the children of the people, whereby the Kings of Iudah come in, and by the which they goe out, and in all ye gates of Ierusalem, And say 20

vnto them, Heare the word of the Lord, ye Kings of Iudah, and al Iudah, and all the inhabitants of Ierusale, that enter in by 21 these gates. Thus sayth the Lord, Take heede to your soules, and beare no burden in the Sabbath day, nor bring it in by the 22 gates of Ierusalem. Neither cary foorth burdens out of your houses in the Sabbath day: neither doe yee any worke, but 23 sanctifie the Sabbath, as I commanded your fathers. But they obeied not, neither inclined their eares, but made their neckes 24 stiffe and would not heare, nor receive correction. Neuerthelesse if ye will heare me, sayth the Lord, and beare no burden through the gates of the citie in the Sabbath day, but sancti-25 fie ye Sabbath day, so that ye do no worke therein, Then shall the Kings and the princes enter in at the gates of this citie, and shall sit vpon the throne of Dauid, and shall ride vpon charets, and vpon horses, both they and their princes, the men of Iudah, and the inhabitants of Ierusalem: and this citie shall re-26 maine for euer. And they shall come from the cities of Iudah. and from about Ierusalem, and from the land of Beniamin, and from the plaine, and from the mountaines, and from the South, which shall bring burnt offrings, and sacrifices, and meate offrings, and incense, and shall bring sacrifice of prayse into the 27 house of the Lord. But if ye will not heare me to sanctifie the Sabbath day, and not to beare a burden nor to go through the gates of Ierusalem in the Sabbath day, then will I kindle a fire in the gates thereof, and it shall deuoure the palaces of Ierusalem, and it shall not be quenched.

The worde which came to Ieremiah from the Lord, saying,
Arise, and go downe into the potters house, and there shall
I shewe thee my words. Then I went downe to the potters
house, and behold, he wrought a worke on the wheeles. And
the vessell that he made of clay, was broken in the hand of the
potter. so he returned, and made it another vessel, as seemed
good to the potter to make it. Then the worde of the Lord
came vnto me, saying, O house of Israel, cannot I doe with
you as this potter, sayth the Lord? beholde, as the clay is in
the potters hande, so are you in mine hande, O house of Israel.
I will speake suddenly against a nation or against a kingdome
to plucke it vp, and to roote it out and to destroy it. But if
this nation, against whom I haue pronounced, turne from their
wickednesse, I will repent of the plague that I thought to bring

vpon them. And I wil speake suddenly concerning a nation, 9 and concerning a kingdome to builde it and to plant it. But 10 if it do euill in my sight and heare not my voyce, I will repent of ye good that I thought to do for them. Speake thou 11 nowe therefore vnto the men of Iudah, and to the inhabitants of Ierusalem, saying, Thus saith ye Lord, Behold, I prepare a plague for you, and purpose a thing against you: returne you therefore euery one from his euill way, and make your wayes and your workes good. But they sayde desperately, Surely 12 wee will walke after our owne imaginations, and doe euery man after the stubburnnesse of his wicked heart. Therefore 13 thus saith the Lord, Aske now among the heathen, who hath heard such thinges? the virgin of Israel hath done very filthily. Will a man forsake the snowe of Lebanon, which commeth from 14 the rocke of the fielde? or shall the colde flowing waters, that come from another place, be forsaken? Because my people 15 hath forgotten me, and haue burnt incense to vanitie, and their prophets have caused them to stumble in their wayes from the auncient waves, to walke in the pathes and way that is not troden, To make their land desolate and a perpetual derision, 16 so that euery one that passeth thereby, shalbe astonished and wagge his head, I will scatter them with an East winde before 17 the enemie: I will shewe them the backe, and not the face in the day of their destruction. Then sayde they, Come, and let 18 vs imagine some deuice against Ieremiah: for the Lawe shall not perish from the Priest, nor counsell from the wise, nor the worde from the Prophet: come, and let vs smite him with the tongue, and let vs not give heede to any of his words. Hear- 19 ken vnto mee, O Lord, and heare the voyce of them that contend with me. Shall euill be recompensed for good? for they 20 haue digged a pit for my soule: remember that I stood before thee, to speake good for the, and to turne away thy wrath from them. Therefore, deliuer vp their children to famine, and let 21 them drop away by the force of the sworde, and let their wives be robbed of their children, and be widowes: and let their husbands be put to death, and let their yong men be slayne by the sword in the battell. Let the crye bee heard from their 22 houses, when thou shalt bring an hoste suddenly vpon them: for they have digged a pit to take me, and hid snares for my feete. Yet Lord thou knowest al their counsel against me ten- 23 deth to death: forgiue not their iniquitie, neither put out their sinne from thy sight, but let them be ouerthrowen before thee: deale thus with them in the time of thine anger.

19 Thus sayth the Lord, Goe, and buy an earthen bottel of a potter, and take of the ancients of the people, and of the an-2 cients of the Priests, And goe forth vnto the valley of Benhinnom, which is by the entrie of the East gate: and thou shalt 3 preache there the wordes, that I shall tell thee, And shalt say, Heare yee the worde of the Lord, O Kings of Iudah, and inhabitantes of Ierusalem, Thus sayth the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, Behold, I will bring a plague vpon this place, 4 the which whosoeuer heareth, his eares shall tingle. Because they have forsaken me, and prophaned this place, and have burnt incense in it vnto other gods, whome neyther they, nor their fathers haue knowen, nor the Kings of Iudah (they haue 5 filled this place also with the blood of innocents, And they haue built the hie places of Baal, to burne their sonnes with fire for burnt offrings vnto Baal, which I commanded not, nor 6 spake it, neither came it into my minde) Therefore behold, the dayes come, sayth the Lord, that this place shall no more be called Topheth, nor ye valley of Ben-hinnom, but the val-7 lev of slaughter. And I will bring the counsell of Iudah and Ierusalem to nought in this place, and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hand of them that seeke their liues: and their carkeises will I giue to be meate for ye foules of the heauen, and to the beastes 8 of the fielde. And I will make this citie desolate and an hissing, so that euery one that passeth thereby, shalbe astonished 9 and hisse because of all ye plagues thereof. And I will feede the with the flesh of their sonnes and with the flesh of their daughters, and euery one shall eate the flesh of his friende in the siege and straitnesse, wherewith their enemies that seeke 10 their liues, shall hold them strait. Then shalt thou breake 11 the bottell in the sight of the men that go with thee, And shalt say vnto them, Thus saith ye Lord of hostes, Euen so will I breake this people and this citie, as one breaketh a potters vessell, that cannot be made whole againe, and they shall 12 bury them in Topheth till there be no place to bury. will I doe vnto this place, sayth the Lord, and to the inhabi-13 tantes thereof, and I will make this citie like Topheth. For

the houses of Ierusalem, and the houses of the Kings of Iudah shalbe defiled as the place of Topheth, because of al the houses vpon whose roofes they have burnt incense vnto all the host of heaven, and have powred out drinke offerings vnto other gods. Then came Ieremiah from Topheth, where the Lord had sent 14 him to prophecie, and he stood in the court of the Lordes house, and sayde to all the people, Thus saith the Lord of hostes, the 15 God of Israel, Beholde, I will bring vpon this citie, and vpon all her townes, all the plagues that I have pronounced against it, because they have hardened their neckes, and would not heare my wordes.

When Pashur, the sonne of Immer, the Priest, which was ap- 20 pointed gouernour in the house of the Lord, heard that Ieremiah prophecied these things, Then Pashur smote Ieremiah the 2 Prophet, and put him in the stockes that were in the hie gate of Beniamin which was by the House of the Lord. And on the 3 morning, Pashur brought Ieremiah out of the stockes. Then said Ieremiah vnto him, The Lord hath not called thy name Pashur, but Magor-missabib. For thus saith the Lord, Be- 4 hold, I will make thee to be a terrour to thy self, and to al thy friends, and they shall fall by the sword of their enemies, and thine eyes shall beholde it, and I will give all Iudah into the hande of the King of Babel, and he shall cary them captiue into Babel, and shall slay them with the sworde. ouer, I will deliuer all the substance of this citie, and all the labours thereof, and all the precious things thereof, and all the treasures of the Kings of Iudah will I giue into the hande of their enemies, which shall spoyle them, and take them away and cary them to Babel. And thou Pashur, and all that dwell 6 in thine house, shall go into captiuitie, and thou shalt come to Babel, and there thou shalt die, and shalt be buryed there, thou and all thy friendes, to whome thou hast prophecied lyes. O Lord, thou hast deceived me, and I am deceived: thou art 7 stronger then I, and hast preuailed: I am in derision daily: euery one mocketh me. For since I spake, I cryed out of wrong, 8 and proclaimed desolation: therefore the word of the Lord was made a reproche vnto me, and in derision daily. Then I said, 9 I will not make mention of him, nor speake any more in his Name. But his worde was in mine heart as a burning fire shut vp in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could

10 not stay. For I had heard the railing of many, and feare on euery side. Declare, said they, and wee wil declare it: all my familiars watched for mine halting, saying, It may be that he is deceived: so we shall prevaile against him, and we shall ex-11 ecute our vengeance vpon him. But the Lord is with me like a mightie gyant: therefore my persecuters shall be ouerthrowen, and shall not preuaile, and shalbe greatly confounded: for they haue done vnwisely, and their euerlasting shame shall neuer 12 be forgotten. But, O Lord of hostes, that tryest the righteous, and seest the reines and the heart, let me see thy vengeance 13 on them: for vnto thee haue I opened my cause. Sing vnto the Lord, praise ye the Lord: for he hath deliuered the soule 14 of the poore from the hande of the wicked. Cursed be the day wherein I was borne: and let not the day wherein my mother 15 bare me, be blessed. Cursed be the man, that shewed my father, saying, A man child is borne vnto thee, and comforted 16 him. And let that man be as the cities, which the Lord hath ouerturned and repented not: and let him heare the cry in the 17 morning, and the showting at noone tide, Because he hath not slaine me, euen from the wombe, or that my mother might 18 haue bene my graue, or her wobe a perpetual conception. How is it, that I came forth of the wombe, to see labour and sorowe, that my dayes shoulde be consumed with shame?

The worde which came vnto Ieremiah from the Lord, when 21 king Zedekiah sent vnto him Pashur, the sonne of Malchiah, 2 and Zephaniah, the sonne of Maaseiah the Priest, saying, Inquire, I pray thee, of the Lord for vs, (for Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel maketh warre against vs) if so be that the Lord will deale with vs according to all his wonderous workes, that 3 he may returne vp from vs. Then said Ieremiah, Thus shall 4 you say to Zedekiah, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Behold, I will turne backe the weapons of warre that are in your hands, wherewith ye fight against the King of Babel, and against the Caldeans, which besiege you without the walles, and I will 5 assemble them into the middes of this citie. And I my selfe will fight against you with an outstretched hand, and with a mighty arme, eue in anger and in wrath, and in great indig-And I will smite the inhabitants of this citie, both 6 nation. 7 man, and beast: they shall die of a great pestilence. And after this, sayeth the Lord, I will deliuer Zedekiah the King of

Iudah, and his seruants, and the people, and such as are left in this citie, from the pestilence, from the sworde and from the famine into the hande of Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel, and into the hande of their enemies, and into the hande of those that seeke their liues, and he shall smite them with the edge of the sworde: he shall not spare them, neither haue pitie nor compassion. And vnto this people thou shalt say, Thus saith 8 the Lord, Beholde, I set before you the way of life, and the way of death. He that abideth in this citie, shall dye by the sword 9 and by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth out, and falleth to the Caldeans, that besiege you, he shall liue, and his life shalbe vnto him for a pray. For I have set my face 10 against this citie, for euill and not for good, saith the Lord: it shalbe given into the hande of the King of Babel, and he shall burne it with fire. And say vnto the house of the King of Iu- 11 dah, Heare ye the worde of the Lord. O house of Dauid, thus 12 saith the Lord, Execute judgement in the morning, and deliuer the oppressed out of the hande of the oppressor, lest my wrath go out like fire and burne, that none can quench it, because of the wickednes of your workes. Beholde, I come against thee, O 13 inhabitant of the valley, and rocke of the plaine, saith the Lord, which say, Who shall come downe against vs? or who shall enter into our habitations? But I will visite you according to the 14 fruite of your workes, saith the Lord, and I will kindle a fire in the forest thereof, and it shall deuoure rounde about it.

Thus said the Lord, Goe downe to the house of the King of 22 Iudah, and speake there this thing, And say, Heare the worde 2 of the Lord, O King of Iudah, that sittest vpon the throne of Dauid, thou and thy seruants, and thy people that enter in by these gates. Thus saith the Lord, Execute ye iudgement 3 and righteousnes, and deliuer the oppressed from the hande of the oppressor, and vexe not the stranger, the fatherlesse, nor the widowe: doe no violence, nor sheade innocent blood in this place. For if ye do this thing, then shall the kings sitting 4 vpon the throne of Dauid enter in by the gates of this House, and ride vpon charets, and vpon horses, both he and his seruants and his people. But if ye will not heare these wordes, 5 I sweare by my selfe, saith the Lord, that this House shalbe waste. For thus hath the Lord spoken vpon the Kings house of 6 Iudah, Thou art Gilead vnto me, and the head of Lebanon, yet

surely I wil make thee a wildernes and as cities not inhabited, 7 And I will prepare destroyers against thee, euery one with his weapons, and they shall cut downe thy chiefe cedar trees, and 8 cast them in the fire. And many nations shall passe by this citie, and they shall say euery man to his neighbour, Where-9 fore hath the Lord done thus vnto this great citie? Then shall they answere, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the Lord their God, and worshipped other gods, and serued them. 10 Weepe not for the dead, and be not moued for them, but weepe for him that goeth out: for he shall returne no more, nor see his 11 native countrey. For thus saith ye Lord, As touching Shallum the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah, which reigned for Iosiah his father, which went out of this place, he shall not returne 12 thither, But he shall die in the place, whither they haue ledde 13 him captiue, and shall see this lande no more. Wo vnto him that buildeth his house by vnrighteousnesse, and his chambers without equitie: he vseth his neighbour without wages, 14 and giueth him not for his worke. He saith, I will build me a wide house and large chambers: so he will make him selfe large windowes, and feeling with cedar, and paint them with 15 vermilion. Shalt thou reigne, because thou closest thy selfe in cedar? did not thy father eate and drinke and prosper, when he 16 executed judgement and justice? When he judged the cause of the afflicted and the poore, he prospered: was not this be-17 cause he knewe me, saith the Lord? But thine eyes and thine heart are but only for thy couetousnesse, and for to sheade innocent blood, and for oppression, and for destruction, euen to 18 doe this. Therefore thus saith the Lord against Iehoiakim, the sonne of Iosiah king of Iudah, They shall not lament him, saying, Ah, my brother, or ah, sister: neither shall they mourne 19 for him, saying, Ah, lord, or ah, his glorie. He shalbe buryed, as an asse is buryed, euen drawen and cast foorth without the 20 gates of Ierusalem. Goe vp to Lebanon, and cry: showte in Bashan and crye by the passages: for all thy louers are de-21 stroyed. I spake vnto thee when thou wast in prosperitie: but thou saidest, I will not heare: this hath bene thy maner from 22 thy youth, that thou wouldest not obey my voyce. The wind shall feede all thy pastors, and thy louers shall goe into captiuitie: and then shalt thou be ashamed and confounded of al 23 thy wickednesse. Thou that dwellest in Lebanon, and makest thy nest in the cedars, howe beautiful shalt thou be when sorowes come vpon thee, as the sorowe of a woman in trauaile? As I liue, saith the Lord, though Coniah the sonne of Iehoiakim 24 King of Iudah, were the signet of my right hand, yet would I plucke thee thence. And I will give thee into the hande of 25 them that seeke thy life, and into the hande of them, whose face thou fearest, euen into the hand of Nebuchad-nezzar king of Babel, and into the hande of the Caldeans. And I will cause 26 them to cary thee away, and thy mother that bare thee, into another countrey, where ye were not borne, and there shall ye die. But to the lande, whereunto they desire to returne, they shall 27 not returne thither. Is not this man Coniah as a despised and 28 broken idole? or as a vessell, wherein is no pleasure? wherefore are they carved away, hee and his seede, and cast out into a lande that they knowe not? O earth, earth, earth, heare the 29 worde of the Lord. Thus saith the Lord. Write this man desti- 30 tute of children, a man that shall not prosper in his dayes: for there shall be no man of his seede that shall prosper and sit vpon the throne of Dauid, or beare rule any more in Iudah.

Woe be vnto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheepe 23 of my pasture, saith the Lord. Therefore thus saith the Lord 2 God of Israel vnto the pastors that feede my people, Yee haue scattered my flock and thrust them out, and haue not visited them: beholde, I will visite you for the wickednesse of your works, saith the Lord. And I will gather the remnant of my 3 sheepe out of all countreyes, whither I had driven them, and will bring them againe to their foldes, and they shall growe and encrease. And I will set vp shepheardes ouer them, which 4 shall feede them: and they shall dread no more nor be afraide, neither shall any of them be lacking, saith the Lord. hold, The dayes come, saith the Lord, that I will raise vnto Dauid a righteous branche, and a King shall reigne, and prosper, and shall execute judgement, and justice in the earth. In 6 his dayes Iudah shalbe saued, and Israel shall dwell safely, and this is the Name wherby they shall call him, The Lord our righteousnesse. Therefore behold, the dayes come, sayth 7 the Lord, that they shall no more say, The Lord liueth, which brought vp the children of Israel out of the lande of Egypt, But the Lord liueth, which brought vp and led the seede of the 8 house of Israel out of the North countrey and from all coun-

tryes where I had scattered them, and they shall dwell in their 9 owne lande. Mine heart breaketh within mee, because of the prophets, all my bones shake: I am like a drunken man (and like a man whome wine hath ouercome) for the presence of the 10 Lord and for his holie wordes. For the lande is full of adulterers, and because of othes the lande mourneth, the pleasant places of the wildernesse are dried vp, and their course is eu-11 ill, and their force is not right. For both the prophet and the Priest doe wickedly: and their wickednesse haue I found in 12 mine House, saith the Lord. Wherefore their way shalbe vnto them as slipperie wayes in the darknesse: they shalbe driuen foorth and fall therein: for I will bring a plague vpon them, 13 euen the yeere of their visitation, saith the Lord. And I haue seene foolishnesse in the prophets of Samaria, that prophe-14 cied in Baal, and caused my people Israel to erre. seene also in the prophets of Ierusalem filthines: they commit adulterie and walke in lies: they strengthen also the hands of the wicked that none can return from his wickednesse: they are all vnto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Go-Therefore thus saith the Lord of hostes concerning 15 morah. the prophets, Beholde, I will feede them with wormewood, and make them drinke the water of gall: for from the prophets of 16 Ierusalem is wickednesse gone forth into all the lande. Thus sayth ye Lord of hosts, Heare not the wordes of the prophets that prophecie vnto you, and teach you vanitie: they speake the vision of their owne heart, and not out of the mouth of the They say still vnto them that despise mee, The Lord 17 Lord. hath sayde. Ye shall have peace: and they say vnto every one that walketh after the stubbernesse of his owne heart, No eu-18 ill shall come vpon you. For who hath stand in the counsel of the Lord that he hath perceived and heard his word? Who 19 hath marked his worde and heard it? Beholde, the tempest of the Lord goeth forth in his wrath, and a violent whirlewinde 20 shall fall downe vpon the head of the wicked. The anger of the Lord shall not returne vntill he have executed, and till he have perfourmed the thoughts of his heart: in the latter 21 dayes ye shall vnderstande it plainely. I have not sent these prophets, sayth the Lord, yet they ranne; I have not spoken to 22 them, and yet they prophecied. But if they had stande in my counsell, and had declared my words to my people, then they

should have turned them from their euill way, and from the wickednesse of their inuentions. Am I a God at hande, saith 23 the Lord, and not a God farre off? Can any hide him selfe in 24 secrete places, that I shall not see him, sayth the Lord? Do not I fill heauen and earth, saieth the Lord? I haue heard 25 what the prophets said, that prophecie lies in my Name, saying, I haue dreamed, I haue dreamed. Howe long? Doe the 26 prophets delite to prophecie lies, euen prophecying the deceit of their owne heart? Thinke they to cause my people to forget 27 my Name by their dreames, which they tell euery man to his nevelbour, as their forefathers have forgotten my Name for Baal? The prophet that hath a dreame, let him tell a dreame, 28 and hee that hath my worde, let him speake my worde faithfully: what is the chaffe to the wheate, sayth the Lord? Is not 29 my word euen like a fire, sayeth the Lord? and like an hammer, that breaketh the stone? Therefore beholde, I will come 30 against the prophets, saieth the Lord, that steale my word euerie one from his neighbour. Beholde, I will come against the 31 prophets, saith the Lord, which have sweete tongues, and say, He saith. Beholde, I will come against them that prophecie 32 false dreames, saith the Lord, and doe tell them, and cause my people to erre by their lies, and by their flatteries, and I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they bring no profite vnto this people, saith the Lord. And when this people, or 33 the prophet, or a Priest shall aske thee, saying, What is the burden of the Lord? thou shalt then say vnto them, What burden? I will euen forsake you, saith the Lord. And the prophet, 34 or the Priest, or the people that shall say, The burden of the Lord, I will euen visite euerie such one, and his house. Thus 35 shall yee say euery one to his neighbour, and euerie one to his brother, What hath the Lord answered? and what hath the Lord spoken? And the burden of the Lord shall yee mention 36 no more: for euery mans worde shall bee his burden: for ye haue peruerted the words of the liuing God, the Lord of hostes our God. Thus shalt thou say to the Prophet, What hath the 37 Lord answered thee? and what hath the Lord spoken? And 38 if you say, The burden of the Lord, Then thus saith the Lord, Because yee say this word, The burden of the Lord, and I haue sent vnto you, saying, Ye shall not say, The burden of the Lord, Therefore beholde, I, euen I will vtterly forget you, and I will 39 forsake you, and the citie that I gaue you and your fathers, and cast you out of my presence. And will bring an euerlasting reproche vpon you, and a perpetual shame which shall neuer be forgotten.

The Lord shewed me, and beholde, two baskets of figges 24 were set before the Temple of the Lord, after that Nebuchadnezzar King of Babel had caryed away captiue Ieconiah ye sonne of Iehoiakim King of Iudah, and the princes of Iudah with the workemen, and cunning men of Ierusalem, and had 2 brought them to Babel. One basket had verie good figges, euen like the figges that are first ripe: and the other basket had verie naughtie figges, which could not be eaten, they were 3 so euill. Then saide the Lord vnto mee, What seest thou, Ieremiah? And I said, Figges: ye good figges verie good, and the naughtie verie naughtie, which cannot be eaten, they are 4 so euill. Againe the worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, 5 Thus sayeth the Lord, the God of Israel, Like these good figges. so will I knowe them that are caryed away captiue of Iudah to bee good, whome I have sent out of this place, into the land of 6 the Caldeans. For I wil set mine eyes vpon them for good, and I will bring them againe to this lande, and I will build them, and not destroy them, and I will plant them, and not roote 7 them out, And I will give them an heart to know me, that I am the Lord, and they shalbe my people, and I wil be their God: for they shall returne vnto mee with their whole heart. 8 And as the naughtie figges which can not bee eaten, they are so euill (surely thus saith the Lord) so wil I giue Zedekiah the King of Iudah, and his princes, and the residue of Ierusalem, that remaine in this lande, and them that dwell in the lande 9 of Egypt: I will euen giue them for a terrible plague to all the kingdomes of the earth, and for a reproche, and for a prouerbe, for a common talke, and for a curse, in all places where I shall 10 cast them. And I will sende the sworde, the famine, and the pestilence among them, till they bee consumed out of the land, that I gaue vnto them and to their fathers.

The word that came to Ieremiah, concerning all the people of Iudah in the fourth yeere of Iehoiakim the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah that was in the first yeere of Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel: The which Ieremiah the Prophet spake vnto all the people of Iudah, and to all the inhabitants of Ierusalem,

saying. From the thirteenth yeere of Iosiah the sonne of Amon 3 King of Iudah, euen vnto this day (that is the three and twentieth veere) the word of the Lord hath come vnto mee, and I have spoken vnto you rising earely and speaking, but ye woulde not heare. And the Lord hath sent vnto you all his 4 seruantes the Prophets, rising early and sending them, but yee would not heare, nor encline your eares to obey. They sayde, 5 Turne againe now euery one from his euill way, and from the wickednes of your inuentions, and ye shall dwell in the lande that the Lord hath given vnto you, and to your fathers for euer and euer. And go not after other gods to serue them and to 6 worshippe them, and prouoke me not to anger with the workes of your hands, and I will not punish you. Neuerthelesse ye 7 would not heare me, saith the Lord, but have provoked mee to anger with the workes of your hands to your owne hurt. Therefore thus saith the Lord of hostes. Because ve haue not 8 heard my wordes. Beholde, I will send and take to mee all the 9 families of the North, saith the Lord, and Nebuchad-nezzar the King of Babel my seruant, and will bring them against this lande, and against the inhabitantes thereof, and against all these nations rounde about, and will destroy them, and make them an astonishment and an hissing, and a continuall des-Moreouer I will take from them the voyce of mirth 10 and the voyce of gladnesse, the voyce of the bridegrome and the voyce of the bride, the noise of the milstones, and the light And this whole land shalbe desolate, and an 11 of the candle. astonishment, and these nations shall serue the King of Babel seuentie veeres. And when the seuentie veres are accom- 12 plished, I will visite the King of Babel and that nation, saith the Lord, for their iniquities, euen the land of the Caldeans, and will make it a perpetual desolation, And I will bring vpon 13 that lande all my wordes which I have pronounced against it, euen all that is written in this booke, which Ieremiah hath prophecied against all nations. For many nations, and great 14 Kings shall euen serue themselues of them: thus will I recompense them according to their deedes, and according to the workes of their owne handes. For thus hath the Lord God of 15 Israel spoken vnto me, Take the cuppe of wine of this mine indignation at mine hand, and cause all the nations, to whome I sende thee, to drinke it. And they shall drinke, and be moued 16

and be mad, because of the sworde that I will sende among 17 them. Then tooke I the cup at the Lordes hand, and made 18 all people to drinke, vnto whome the Lord had sent me: Euen Ierusalem, and the cities of Iudah, and the Kings thereof, and the princes thereof, to make them desolate, an astonishment, 19 an hissing, and a curse, as appeareth this day: Pharaoh also, King of Egypt, and his seruants, and his princes, and all his 20 people: And all sortes of people, and all the Kings of the lande of Vz: and all the Kings of the lande of the Philistims, and Ashkelon, and Azzah, and Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod: 21, 22 Edom, and Moab, and the Ammonites, And all the Kings of Tyrus, and all the kings of Zidon, and the Kings of the Yles, 23 that are beyonde the Sea, And Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, 24 and all that dwell in the vttermost corners. And all the Kings of Arabia, and all the Kings of Arabia, that dwell in the desert, 25 And all the Kings of Zimri, and all the Kings of Elam, and 26 all the Kings of the Medes, And all the Kings of the North, farre and neere one to another, and all the kingdomes of the worlde, which are vpon the earth, and the king of Sheshach 27 shall drinke after them. Therefore say thou vnto them, Thus saith the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, Drinke and bee drunken, and spewe and fall, and rise no more, because of 28 the sworde, which I will sende among you. But if they refuse to take the cuppe at thine hande to drinke, then tell them, 29 Thus saith the Lord of hostes, Ye shall certainely drinke. For loe, I beginne to plague the citie, where my Name is called vpon, and shoulde you goe free? Ye shall not goe quite: for I will call for a sword vpon al the inhabitants of the earth, 30 saith the Lord of hostes. Therefore prophecie thou against them al these words, and say vnto them, The Lord shall roare from aboue, and thrust out his voyce from his holy habitation: he shall roare vpon his habitation, and crie aloude, as they that presse the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the The sounde shall come to the endes of the earth: for 31 earth. the Lord hath a controuersie with the nations, and will enter into judgement with all flesh, and he will give them that 32 are wicked, to the sworde, saith the Lord. Thus saith the Lord of hostes, Behold, a plague shall goe foorth from nation to nation, and a great whirlewinde shalbe raised vp from the 33 coastes of the earth. And the slaine of the Lord shall be at

that day, from one ende of the earth, euen vnto the other ende of the earth: they shall not bee mourned, neither gathered nor buried, but shalbe as the dongue vpon the grounde. Howle, ye 34 shepherdes, and crie, and wallowe your selues in the ashes, ye principall of the flocke: for your dayes of slaughter are accomplished, and of your dispersion, and ye shall fall like precious vessels. And the flight shall faile from the shepherdes, and 35 the escaping from the principall of the flocke. A voyce of the 36 crye of the shepherdes, and an howling of the principall of the flocke shalbe heard: for the Lord hath destroyed their pasture. And the best pastures are destroyed because of the wrath and 37 indignation of the Lord. He hath forsaken his couert, as the 38 lyon: for their land is waste, because of the wrath of the oppressor, and because of ye wrath of his indignatio.

In the beginning of the reigne of Iehoiakim the sonne of 26 Iosiah King of Iudah, came this worde from the Lord, saying, Thus saith the Lord, Sande in the court of the Lordes 2 House, and speake vnto all the cities of Iudah, which come to worshippe in the Lords House, all the wordes that I commaund thee to speake vnto them: keepe not a worde backe, If 3 so be they will hearken, and turne euery man from his euill way, that I may repent me of the plague, which I have determined to bring vpon them, because of the wickednesse of their workes. And thou shalt say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord, 4 If ye will not heare me to walke in my Lawes, which I haue set before you, And to heare ye wordes of my seruants the 5 Prophets, whome I sent vnto you, both rising vp earely, and sending them, and will not obey them. Then will I make this 6 House like Shiloh, and will make this citie a curse to all the nations of the earth. So the Priestes, and the Prophets, and 7 all the people heard Ieremiah speaking these wordes in the House of the Lord. Nowe when Ieremiah had made an end of 8 speaking all that the Lord had commanded him to speake vnto all the people, then the Priestes, and the prophets, and all the people tooke him, and saide, Thou shalt die the death. Why 9 hast thou prophecied in the Name of the Lord, saying, This House shall be like Shiloh, and this citie shalbe desolate without an inhabitant? and all the people were gathered against Ieremiah in the House of the Lord. And when the princes 10 of Iudah heard of these things, they came vp from the Kings

house into the House of the Lord, and sate downe in the entrie 11 of the new gate of the Lords House. Then spake the Priestes, and the prophets vnto the princes, and to all the people, saying, This man is worthie to die: for he hath prophecied against this 12 citie, as ye haue heard with your eares. Then spake Ieremiah vnto all the princes, and to al the people, saying, The Lord hath sent me to prophecie against this house and against this citie 13 all the things that ye have heard. Therefore nowe amende your wayes and your workes, and heare the voyce of the Lord your God, that the Lord may repent him of the plague, that he 14 hath pronounced against you. As for me, beholde, I am in your 15 hands: do with me as ye thinke good and right. But knowe ye for certaine, that if ye put me to death, ye shall surely bring innocent blood vpon your selues, and vpon this citie, and vpon the inhabitants thereof: for of a trueth the Lord hath sent me 16 vnto you, to speake all these words in your eares. Then saide the princes and all the people vnto the Priestes, and to the prophets, This man is not worthie to die: for he hath spoken 17 vnto vs in the Name of the Lord our God. Then rose vp certaine of the Elders of the lande, and spake to all the assem-18 blie of the people, saying, Michah the Morashite prophecied in the dayes of Hezekiah king of Iudah, and spake to al the people of Iudah, saying, Thus saith the Lord of hostes, Zion shall be plowed like a fielde, and Ierusalem shalbe an heape, and the mountaine of the House shalbe as the hie places of Did Hezekiah King of Iudah, and all Iudah put 19 the forest. him to death? did he not feare ye Lord, and prayed before the Lord, and the Lord repented him of the plague, that he had pronounced against them? Thus might we procure great euill 20 against our soules. And there was also a man that prophecied in the Name of the Lord, one Vriiah the sonne of Shemaiah, of Kiriath-iarem, who prophecied against this citie, and against this lande, according to all the wordes of Ieremiah. 21 Nowe when Iehoiakim the King with all his men of power, and all the princes heard his wordes, the King sought to slay him. But when Vriiah heard it, he was afraide and fled, and went 22 into Egypt. Then Iehoiakim the King sent men into Egypt, euen Elnathan the sonne of Achbor, and certaine with him into 23 Egypt. And they fet Vriiah out of Egypt, and brought him vnto Iehoiakim the King, who slew him with the sword, and cast his dead bodie into the graues of the children of the people. But 24 the hande of Ahikam the sonne of Shaphan was with Ieremiah that they shoulde not giue him into the hande of the people to put him to death.

In the beginning of the reigne of Iehoiakim the sonne of 27 Iosiah King of Iudah came this worde vnto Ieremiah from the Lord, saying, Thus saith the Lord to me, Make thee bonds, 2 and yokes, and put them vpon thy necke, And send them to 3 the King of Edom, and to the King of Moab, and to the King of the Ammonites, and to the King of Tyrus, and to the king of Zidon, by the hande of the messengers which come to Ierusale vnto Zedekiah ye king of Iudah, And commande them to saye 4 vnto their masters, Thus saith the Lord of hostes the God of Israel, Thus shall ye say vnto your masters, I haue made the 5 earth, the man, and the beast that are vpon the groud, by my great power, and by my outstreched arme, and haue given it vnto whom it pleased me. But nowe I haue giuen all these 6 landes into the hand of Nebuchad-nezzar the King of Babel my seruant, and the beastes of the fielde haue I also given him to serue him. And all nations shall serue him, and his sonne, 7 and his sonnes sonne vntill the very time of his lande come also: then many nations and great Kinges shall serue themselues of him. And the nation and kingdome which will not 8 serue the same Nebuchad-nezzar king of Babel, and that will not put their necke vnder the yoke of the King of Babel, the same nation will I visite, saith the Lord, with the sworde, and with the famine, and with the pestilence, vntill I haue wholy giuen them into his hands. Therefore heare not your prophets 9 nor your southsayers, nor your dreamers, nor your inchanters, nor your sorcerers, which say vnto you thus, Ye shall not serue the King of Babel. For they prophecie a lie vnto vou to cause 10 you to goe farre from your lande, and that I should cast you out, and you should perish. But the nation that put their 11 neckes vnder the yoke of the King of Babel, and serue him, those wil I let remaine stil in their owne land, saith the Lord, and they shall occupie it, and dwel therein. I spake also to 12 Zedekiah king of Iudah according to all these wordes, saying, Put your neckes vnder the yoke of the King of Babel, and serue him and his people, that ye may liue. Why will ye dye, thou, 13 and thy people by the sworde, by the famine, and by the pesti-

lence, as the Lord hath spoken against the nation, that will not 14 serue the King of Babel? Therefore heare not the words of the prophets, that speake vnto you, saying, Ye shall not serue the 15 King of Babel: for they prophecie a lie vnto you. For I haue not sent them, saith the Lord, yet they prophecie a lie in my name, that I might cast you out, and that ye might perish, both 16 you, and the prophets that prophecie vnto you. Also I spake to the Priests, and to all this people, saying, Thus saith the Lord, Heare not the wordes of your prophets that prophecie vnto you, saying, Behold, the vessels of the house of the Lord shall nowe shortly be brought againe from Babel, for they prophecie a lie 17 vnto you. Heare them not, but serue the King of Babel, that 18 ye may liue: wherefore shoulde this citie be desolate? But if they be Prophets, and if the word of the Lord be with them, let them intreate the Lord of hostes, that the vessels, which are left in the House of the Lord, and in the house of the King 19 of Iudah, and at Ierusalem, go not to Babel. For thus saith the Lord of hostes, concerning the pillars, and concerning the sea, and concerning the bases, and concerning the residue of 20 the vessels that remaine in this citie, Which Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel tooke not, when he caryed away captiue Ieconiah the sonne of Iehoiakim King of Iudah from Ierusalem to Babel, 21 with all the nobles of Iudah and Ierusalem. For thus saith the Lord of hostes the God of Israel, concerning the vessels that remaine in the House of the Lord, and in the house of the King 22 of Iudah, and at Ierusalem, They shall be brought to Babel, and there they shalbe vntil the day that I visite them, saith the Lord: then will I bring them vp, and restore them vnto this place.

And that same yeere in the beginning of the reigne of Zedekiah King of Iudah in the fourth yeere, and in the fifth moneth Hananiah the sonne of Azur the prophet, which was of Gibeon, spake to mee in the House of the Lord in the presence of the Priestes, and of all the people, and said, Thus speaketh the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, saying, I haue broken the yoke of the King of Babel. Within two yeeres space I will bring into this place all the vessels of the Lords House, that Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel tooke away from this place, and caried them into Babel. And I will bring againe to this place Ieconiah the sonne of Iehoiakim King of Iudah, with all

them that were caried away captiue of Iudah, and went into Babel, saith the Lord: for I will breake the yoke of the King of Babel. Then the Prophet Ieremiah saide vnto the Prophet 5 Hananiah in the presence of ye Priests, and in the presence of all the people that stoode in the House of the Lord. Euen 6 the Prophet Ieremiah sayde, So bee it: the Lord so doe, the Lord confirme thy words which thou hast prophecied to restore the vessels of the Lordes House, and al that is caried captiue, from Babel, into this place. But heare thou now this worde 7 that I will speake in thine eares and in the eares of all the The Prophets that have beene before mee and be- 8 fore thee in time past, prophecied against many countreves, and against great kingdomes, of warre, and of plagues, and of pestilence. And the Prophet which prophecieth of peace, 9 when the word of the Prophet shall come to passe, then shall the Prophet be knowen that the Lord hath truely sent him. Then Hananiah the Prophet tooke the yoke from the Prophet 10 Ieremiahs necke, and brake it. And Hananiah spake in the 11 presence of all the people, saying, Thus saith the Lord, Euen so will I breake the yoke of Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel, from the necke of al nations within the space of two yeres: and the Prophet Ieremiah went his way. Then the word of the 12 Lord came vnto Ieremiah the Prophet, (after that Hananiah the Prophet had broken the yoke from the necke of the Prophet Ieremiah) saying, Go, and tell Hananiah, saying, Thus sayth 13 the Lord, Thou hast broken the yokes of wood, but thou shalt make for them yokes of yron. For thus saith the Lord of hostes 14 the God of Israel, I have put a voke of vron vpon the necke of all these nations, that they may serue Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel: for they shall serue him, and I have given him the beasts of the fielde also. Then sayd the Prophet Ieremiah vnto 15 the Prophet Hananiah, Heare nowe Hananiah, the Lord hath not sent thee, but thou makest this people to trust in a lye. Therefore thus saith the Lord, Beholde, I will cast thee from of 16 the earth: this yeere thou shalt die, because thou hast spoken rebelliously against the Lord. So Hananiah the Prophet died 17 the same veere in the seuenth moneth.

Now these are the wordes of the booke that Ieremiah the **29** Prophet sent from Ierusalem vnto the residue of the Elders which were caryed away captiues, and to the Priestes, and to

the Prophets, and to all the people whome Nebuchad-nezzar 2 had caried away captiue from Ierusalem to Babel: (After that Ieconiah the King, and the Queene, and the eunuches, the princes of Iudah, and of Ierusalem, and the workemen, and 3 cunning men were departed from Ierusalem) By the hand of Elasah the sonne of Shaphan and Gemariah the sonne of Hilkiah, (whom Zedekiah King of Iudah sent vnto Babel to 4 Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel) saying, Thus hath the Lord of hostes the God of Israel spoken vnto all that are caryed away captiues, whome I haue caused to be caryed away cap-5 tiues from Ierusalem vnto Babel: Buylde you houses to dwell 6 in, and plant you gardens, and eate the fruites of them. Take you wives, and beget sonnes and daughters, and take wives for your sonnes, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may beare sonnes and daughters, that ye may bee increased 7 there, and not diminished. And seeke the prosperitie of the citie, whither I haue caused you to be caried away captiues, and pray vnto the Lord for it: for in the peace thereof shall 8 you have peace. For thus saith the Lord of hostes the God of Israel, Let not your prophets, and your southsayers that bee among you, deceiue you, neither giue eare to your dreames, 9 which you dreame. For they prophecie you a lie in my Name: 10 I have not sent them, saith the Lord. But thus saith the Lord. That after seuentie yeeres be accomplished at Babel, I will visite you, and performe my good promise toward you, and cause 11 you to returne to this place. For I knowe the thoughtes, that I haue thought towards you, saith the Lord, euen the thoughtes of peace, and not of trouble, to give you an ende, and your hope. 12 Then shall you crie vnto mee, and ye shall go and pray vnto 13 me, and I will heare you, And ye shall seeke mee and finde 14 mee, because ve shall seeke mee with all your heart. And I wil be found of you, saith the Lord, and I will turne away your captiuitie, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places, whither I have cast you, saith the Lord, and will bring you againe vnto the place, whence I caused you 15 to be caryed away captiue. Because ye haue sayd, The Lord 16 hath raised vs vp Prophets in Babel, Therefore thus saith the Lord of the King, that sitteth vpon the throne of Dauid, and of all the people, that dwell in this citie, your brethren 17 that are not gone forth with you into captiuitie: Euen thus

sayth the Lord of hostes, Beholde, I will sende vpon them the sworde, the famine, and the pestilence, and will make them like vile figges, that cannot bee eaten, they are so naughtie. And I will persecute them with the sword, with the famine, 18 and with the pestilence: and I will make them a terror to all kingdomes of the earth, and a curse, and astonishment and an hissing, and a reproche among all the nations whither I haue cast them. Because they have not hearde my words, saith the 19 Lord, which I sent vnto them by my seruantes the Prophetes, rising vp earely, and sending them, but yee woulde not heare, saith the Lord. Heare ve therefore the word of the Lord all 20 ve of the captiuitie, whome I have sent from Ierusalem to Babel. Thus saith the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, of Ahab 21 the sonne of Kolaiah, and of Zedekiah the sonne of Maaseiah, which prophecie lyes vnto you in my Name, Beholde, I will deliuer them into the hande of Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel, and he shall slav them before your eyes. And al they 22 of the captiuitie of Iudah, that are in Babel, shall take vp this curse against them, and say, The Lord make thee like Zedekiah and like Ahab, whome the King of Babel burnt in the fire, Be- 23 cause they have committed vilenie in Israel, and have committed adulterie with their neighbours wiues, and haue spoken lying words in my Name, which I haue not commanded them. euen I knowe it, and testifie it, saith the Lord. shalt also speake to Shemaiah the Nehelamite, saying, Thus 25 speaketh the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, saying, Because thou hast sent letters in thy Name vnto all the people, that are at Ierusalem, and to Zephaniah the sonne of Maaseiah the Priest, and to all the Priests, saying, The Lord hath made 26 thee Priest for Iehoiada the Priest, that yee should bee officers in the House of the Lord, for every man that raueth and maketh himselfe a Prophet, to put him in prison and in the stockes. Nowe therefore why hast not thou reproued Ieremiah 27 of Anathoth, which prophecieth vnto you? For, for this cause 28 hee sent vnto vs in Babel, saying, This captiuitie is long: buyld houses to dwell in, and plant gardens, and eate the fruites of them. And Zephaniah the Priest red this letter in the eares 29 of Ieremiah the Prophet. Then came the worde of the Lord 30 vnto Ieremiah, saying, Send to all them of the captiuitie, say- 31 ing, Thus saith the Lord of Shemaiah the Nehelamite, Because

that Shemaiah hath prophecied vnto you, and I sent him not, and hee caused you to trust in a lye, Therefore thus saieth the Lord, Behold, I wil visite Shemaiah the Nehelamite, and his seede: hee shall not haue a man to dwell among this people, neither shall he beholde the good, that I will doe for my people, sayth the Lord, because he hath spoken rebelliously against the Lord.

The worde, that came to Ieremiah from the Lord, saying, 30 2 Thus speaketh the Lord God of Israel, saying, Write thee all 3 the wordes, that I have spoken vnto thee in a booke. For loe, the dayes come, saith the Lord, that I wil bring againe the captiuitie of my people Israel and Iudah, saith the Lord: for I will restore them vnto the lande, that I gaue to their fathers, and 4 they shall possesse it. Againe, these are the wordes that the 5 Lord spake concerning Israel, and concerning Iudah. For thus saith the Lord, wee haue heard a terrible voyce, of feare and 6 not of peace. Demand now and beholde, if man trauayle with childe? wherefore doe I beholde euery man with his hands on his lovnes as a woman in trauaile, and all faces are turned into 7 a palenesse? Alas, for this day is great: none hath bene like it: it is euen the time of Iaakobs trouble, yet shall he be deli-8 uered from it. For in that day, sayth the Lord of hostes, I will breake his yoke from off thy necke, and breake thy bondes, and 9 strangers shall no more serue themselues of him. But they shall serue the Lord their God, and Dauid their King, whom 10 I will raise vp vnto them. Therefore feare not, O my seruant Iaakob, saith the Lord, neither be afrayde, O Israel: for loe, I will deliuer thee from a farre countrey, and thy seede from the lande of their captiuitie, and Iaakob shall turne againe, and shalbe in rest and prosperitie and none shall make him For I am with thee, sayth the Lord, to saue thee: though I vtterly destroy all the nations where I haue scattered thee, yet will I not vtterly destroy thee, but I will correct thee 12 by iudgement, and not vtterly cut thee off. For thus saith the Lord, Thy bruising is incurable, and thy wound is dolorous. 13 There is none to judge thy cause, or to lay a plaister: there 14 are no medicines, nor help for thee. All thy louers haue forgotten thee: they seeke thee not: for I have striken thee with the wound of an enemie, and with a sharpe chastisement for ye multitude of thine iniquities, because thy sinnes were in-

Why cryest thou for thine affliction? thy sorowe is 15 creased. incurable, for the multitude of thine iniquities: because thy sinnes were increased, I have done these things vnto thee. Therefore all they that deuoure thee, shall be deuoured, and 16 all thine enemies euery one shall goe into captiuitie: and they that spoyle thee, shalbe spoyled, and all they that robbe thee, wil I giue to be robbed. For I will restore health vnto thee. 17 and I will heale thee of thy woundes, saith the Lord, because they called thee, The cast away, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after. Thus saith the Lord, Beholde, I will 18 bring againe the captiuitie of Iaakobs tentes, and haue compassion on his dwelling places: and the citie shalbe builded vpon her owne heape, and the palace shall remaine after the maner thereof. And out of them shall proceede thankesgiu- 19 ing, and the voyce of them that are ioyous, and I will multiplie them, and they shall not bee fewe: I will also glorifie them. and they shall not be diminished. Their children also shall be 20 as afore time, and their congregation shall be established before me: and I will visite all that vexe them. And their noble 21 ruler shall be of themselues, and their gouernour shall proceede from the middes of them, and I will cause him to draw neere, and approche vnto me: for who is this that directeth his heart to come vnto mee, saith the Lord? And ve shall be my 22 people, and I will bee your God. Beholde, the tempest of the 23 Lord goeth foorth with wrath: the whirlewinde that hangeth ouer, shall light vpon the head of the wicked. The fierce wrath 24 of the Lord shall not returne, vntill he haue done, and vntill he haue performed the intents of his heart: in the latter dayes ve shall vnderstand it.

At the same time, saith the Lord, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. Thus saith the Lord, The people which escaped the sworde, founde grace in the wildernes: he walked before Israel to cause him to rest. The Lord hath appeared vnto me of old, say they: Yea, I haue loued thee with an euerlasting loue, therefore with mercie I haue drawen thee. Againe I will builde thee, and thou shalt be builded, O virgine Israel: thou shalt stil be adorned with thy timbrels, and shalt goe foorth in the dance of them that be ioyfull. Thou shalt yet plant vines vpon the mountaines of Samaria, and the planters that plant them, shall make them

For the dayes shall come that the watchmen vpon 6 common. the mount of Ephraim shall cry, Arise, and let vs go vp vnto 7 Zion to the Lord our God. For thus saith the Lord, Reiovce with gladnesse for Iaakob, and shoute for ioye among the chiefe of the Gentiles: publish praise, and say, O Lord, saue thy peo-8 ple, the remnant of Israel. Beholde, I will bring them from the North countrey, and gather them from the coastes of the world, with the blinde and the lame among them, with the woman with childe, and her that is deliuered also: a great 9 companie shall returne hither. They shall come weeping, and with mercie will I bring them againe: I will lead them by the riuers of water in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first borne. 10 Heare the worde of the Lord, O ye Gentiles, and declare in the yles afarre off, and say, Hee that scattered Israel, wil gather 11 him and wil keepe him, as a shepheard doeth his flocke. For the Lord hath redeemed Iaakob, and ransomed him from the 12 hande of him, that was stronger then he. Therefore they shall come, and reioyce in the height of Zion, and shall runne to the bountifulnes of the Lord, euen for the wheat and for the wine, and for the oyle, and for the increase of sheepe, and bullocks: and their soule shalbe as a watered garden, and they 13 shall have no more sorow. Then shall ye virgine reioyce in the dance, and the yong men and the old men together: for I wil turne their mourning into ioy, and wil comfort them, and giue 14 them iov for their sorowes. And I wil replenish the soule of the Priests with fatnesse, and my people shalbe satisfied with my 15 goodnesse, saith the Lord. Thus saith the Lord, A voyce was heard on hie, a mourning and bitter weeping. Rahel weeping for her children, refused to be comforted for her children, be-16 cause they were not. Thus saith the Lord, Refraine thy voyce from weeping, and thine eyes from teares: for thy worke shalbe rewarded, saith the Lord, and they shall come againe from the 17 land of the enemie: And there is hope in thine ende, saith the Lord, that thy children shall come againe to their owne 18 borders. I have heard Ephraim lamenting thus, Thou hast corrected me, and I was chastised as an vntamed calfe: conuert thou me, and I shalbe converted: for thou art the Lord my God. 19 Surely after that I converted, I repented: and after that I was instructed, I smote vpon my thigh: I was ashamed, yea, euen confounded, because I did beare the reproch of my youth. Is 20 Ephraim my deare sonne or pleasant childe? yet since I spake vnto him, I still remembred him: therefore my bowels are troubled for him: I wil surely haue compassion vpon him, saith the Lord. Set thee vp signes: make thee heapes: set thine 21 heart towarde the path and way, that thou hast walked: turne againe, O virgine of Israel: turne againe to these thy cities. How long wilt thou goe astray, O thou rebellious daughter? for 22 the Lord hath created a newe thing in the earth: A WOMAN shall compasse a man. Thus saith the Lord of hostes, the God 23 of Israel, Yet shall they say this thing in the land of Iudah, and in the cities thereof, when I shall bring againe their captiuitie, The Lord blesse thee. O habitation of justice and holy mountaine. And Iudah shall dwell in it, and all the cities thereof 24 together, the husbandmen and they that goe foorth with the flocke. For I have saciate the wearie soule, and I have replen- 25 ished euery sorowfull soule. Therefore I awaked and behelde, 26 and my sleepe was sweete vnto me. Beholde, the dayes come, 27 saith the Lord, that I will sowe the house of Israel, and the house of Iudah with the seede of man and with the seede of beast. And like as I haue watched vpon them, to plucke vp 28 and to roote out, and to throw downe, and to destroy, and to plague them, so wil I watch ouer them, to build and to plant them, saith ye Lord. In those dayes shall they say no more, 29 The fathers have eaten a sowre grape, and the childrens teeth are set on edge. But euery one shall die for his owne iniqui- 30 tie: euery man that eateth the sowre grape, his teeth shalbe set on edge. Beholde, the dayes come, saith the Lord, that I 31 will make a new couenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Iudah, Not according to ye couenant that I made 32 with their fathers, when I tooke them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, the which my couenant they brake, although I was an husband vnto them, saith the Lord. But this shall be the couenant that I will make with the house 33 of Israel, After those dayes, saith the Lord, I will put my Lawe in their inward partes, and write it in their hearts, and wil be their God, and they shalbe my people. And they shall teach 34 no more euery man his neighbour and euery man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for they shall all know me from the least of them vnto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: for I

wil forgiue their iniquitie, and will remember their sinnes no 35 more. Thus saith the Lord, which giveth the sunne for a light to the day, and the courses of the moone and of the starres for a light to the night, which breaketh the sea, when the waues 36 thereof roare: his Name is the Lord of hostes. If these ordinances depart out of my sight, saith the Lord, then shall the seede of Israel cease from being a nation before me, for euer. 37 Thus saith the Lord, If the heavens can be measured, or the fundations of the earth be searched out beneath, then wil I cast off all the seed of Israel, for all that they have done, saith 38 the Lord. Behold, the dayes come, saith the Lord, that the citie shalbe built to the Lord from the tower of Hananeel, vnto 39 the gate of the corner. And the line of the measure shall go foorth in his presence vpon the hil Gareb, and shall compasse 40 about to Goath. And the whole valley of the dead bodies, and of the ashes, and all the fields vnto the brooke of Kidron, and vnto the corner of the horsegate toward the East, shalbe holy vnto the Lord, neither shall it be plucked vp nor destroyed any more for euer.

The worde that came vnto Ieremiah from the Lord, in the 32 tenth yere of Zedekiah king of Iudah, which was the eightenth 2 yeere of Nebuchad-nezzar. For then the King of Babels hoste besieged Ierusalem: And Ieremiah the Prophet was shutte vp in the court of the prison, which was in the King of Iudahs 3 house. For Zedekiah King of Iudah had shut him vp, saying, Wherefore doest thou prophesie, and say, Thus saith the Lord, Beholde, I will give this citie into the handes of the King of 4 Babel, and he shall take it? And Zedekiah the King of Iudah shall not escape out of the hande of the Caldeans, but shall surely be deliuered into the handes of the King of Babel, and shall speake with him mouth to mouth, and his eyes shall 5 beholde his face, And he shall lead Zedekiah to Babel, and there shall he be, vntil I visit him, saith ye Lord: though ye 6 fight with the Caldeans, ye shall not prosper. And Ieremiah 7 said, The word of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Beholde, Hanameel, the sonne of Shallum thine vncle, shall come vnto thee and say, Bye vnto thee my fielde, that is in Anathoth: 8 for the title by kindred appertaineth vnto thee to bye it. Hanameel, mine vncles sonne, came to mee in the court of the prison, according to the word of the Lord, and said vnto me, Bye my field, I pray thee, that is in Anathoth, which is in the countrey of Beniamin: for the right of the possession is thine, and the purchase belongeth vnto thee: bye it for thee. Then I knewe that this was the worde of the Lord. And I bought the 9 field of Hanameel, mine vncles sonne, that was in Anathoth, and weighed him the siluer, euen seuen shekels, and tenne pieces of siluer. And I writ it in the booke and signed it, and 10 tooke witnesses, and weighed him the siluer in the balances. So I tooke the booke of the possession, being sealed accord- 11 ing to the Lawe, and custome, with the booke that was open, And I gaue the booke of the possession vnto Baruch the sonne 12 of Neriah, the sonne of Maaseiah, in the sight of Hanameel mine vncles sonne, and in the presence of the witnesses, written in the booke of the possession, before al the Iewes that sate in the court of the prison. And I charged Baruch before 13 them, saving. Thus saith the Lord of hostes, the God of Is- 14 rael, Take the writings, euen this booke of the possession, both that is sealed, and this booke that is open, and put them in an earthen vessell, that they may continue a long time. For 15 the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel saith thus, Houses and fieldes, and vineyardes shall be possessed againe in this land. Now when I had deliuered the booke of the possession vnto 16 Baruch, the sonne of Neriah, I prayed vnto the Lord, saving, Ah Lord God, beholde, thou hast made the heauen and the 17 earth by thy great power, and by thy stretched out arme, and there is nothing hard vnto thee. Thou shewest mercie vnto 18 thousands, and recompensest the iniquitie of the fathers into the bosome of their children after them: O God the great and mightie, whose Name is ye Lord of hostes, Great in counsell, 19 and mightie in worke, (for thine eyes are open vpon all the wayes of ye sonnes of men, to give to every one according to his wayes, and according to the fruite of his workes) Which 20 hast set signes and wonders in the land of Egypt vnto this day, and in Israel, and among all men, and hast made thee a Name, as appeareth this day, And hast brought thy people Israel 21 out of the land of Egypt with signes, and with wonders, and with a strong hand, with a stretched out arme, and with great terrour, And hast given them this land, which thou diddest 22 sweare to their fathers to give them, even a land, that floweth with milke and hony, And they came in, and possessed it, but 23

they obeyed not thy voyce, neither walked in thy Law: all that thou commaundedst them to doe, they have not done: therefore thou hast caused this whole plague to come vpon them. 24 Beholde, the mounts, they are come into the citie to take it, and the citie is given into the hande of the Caldeans, that fight against it by meanes of the sword, and of the famine, and of the pestilence, and what thou hast spoken, is come to passe, and 25 beholde, thou seest it. And thou hast sayd vnto me, O Lord God, Bye vnto thee the fielde for siluer, and take witnesses: for 26 the citie shall be given into the hand of the Caldeans. 27 came the worde of the Lord vnto Ieremiah, saying, Beholde, I am the LORD GOD of all flesh: is there any thing too hard 28 for me? Therefore thus saith the Lord, Beholde, I wil giue this citie into the hand of the Caldeans, and into the hand of 29 Nebuchad-nezzar, King of Babel, and he shall take it. And the Caldeans shall come and fight against this citie, and set fire on this citie and burne it, with the houses, vpon whose rouses they have offred incense vnto Baal, and powred drinke offrings 30 vnto other gods, to prouoke me vnto anger. For the children of Israel, and the children of Iudah haue surely done euill before me from their youth: for the children of Israel haue surely prouoked me to anger with the workes of their hands, saith 31 the Lord. Therefore this citie hath bene vnto me as a prouocation of mine anger, and of my wrath, from the day, that they built it, euen vnto this day, that I should remoue it out of my 32 sight, Because of all the euill of the children of Israel, and of the children of Iudah, which they have done to prouoke mee to anger, euen they, their Kings, their Princes, their Priests, and their Prophets, and the men of Iudah, and the inhabitants of 33 Ierusalem. And they have turned vnto me the backe and not the face: though I taught them rising vp earely, and instructing 34 them, yet they were not obedient to receive doctrine, But they set their abominations in ye house (whereupon my Name was 35 called) to defile it, And they built the hie places of Baal, which are in the valley of Ben-hinnom, to cause their sonnes and their daughters to passe through the fire vnto Molech, which I commanded them not, neither came it into my minde, that they should doe such abomination, to cause Iudah to sinne. 36 And nowe therefore, thus hath the Lord God of Israel spoken, concerning this citie, whereof ye say, It shalbe deliuered into

the hand of the King of Babel by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence, Beholde, I will gather them out of all 37 countreys, wherein I have scattered them in mine anger, and in my wrath, and in great indignation, and I wil bring them againe vnto this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely. And they shall be my people, and I will be their God. And I 38, 39 wil giue them one heart and one way that they may feare me for euer for ve wealth of them, and of their children after them. And I wil make an euerlasting couenant with them, that I wil 40 neuer turne away from them to doe them good, but I wil put my feare in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me. Yea, I wil delite in them to do them good, and I wil plant them 41 in this land assuredly with my whole heart, and with all my soule. For thus sayth the Lord, Like as I have brought all this 42 great plague vpon this people, so wil I bring vpon them all the good that I have promised them. And the fields shalbe pos- 43 sessed in this land, whereof ve say, It is desolate without man or beast, and shalbe given into the hand of the Caldeans. Men 44 shall buy fields for siluer, and make writings and seale them, and take witnesses in the land of Beniamin, and round about Ierusalem, and in the cities of Iudah, and in the cities of the mountaines, and in the cities of the plaine, and in the cities of the South: for I wil cause their captiuitie to returne, saith the Lord.

Moreover, the worde of the Lord came vnto Ieremiah the 33 second time (while he was yet shut vp in the court of prison) saying, Thus sayth the Lord, the maker thereof, the Lord that 2 formed it, and established it, the Lord is his Name. vnto me, and I will answere thee, and shewe thee great and mightie things, which thou knowest not. For thus saith the 4 Lord God of Israel, concerning the houses of this citie, and concerning the houses of the Kings of Iudah, which are destroyed by the mounts, and by the sword, They come to fight with the 5 Caldeans, but it is to fill themselues with the dead bodies of men, whome I have slaine in mine anger and in my wrath: for I haue hid my face from this citie, because of all their wickednes. Behold, I will giue it health and amendment: for I wil cure 6 them, and will reueile vnto them the abundance of peace, and trueth. And I wil cause the captiuitie of Iudah and the cap- 7 tiuitie of Israel to returne, and will build them as at the first.

8 And I wil clense them from all their iniquitie, whereby they haue sinned against me: yea, I wil pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned against me, and whereby they have 9 rebelled against me. And it shalbe to me a name, a joy, a praise, and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall heare all ye good that I doe vnto them: and they shall feare and tremble for all the goodnes, and for all the wealth, 10 that I shew vnto this citie. Thus sayth the Lord, Againe there shalbe heard in this place (which ye say shalbe desolate, without man, and without beast, euen in the cities of Iudah, and in the streetes of Ierusalem, that are desolate without man, and 11 without inhabitant, and without beast) The voyce of ioy and the voyce of gladnes, the voyce of the bridegrome, and the voyce of the bride, the voyce of them that shall say, Prayse the Lord of hostes, because the Lord is good: for his mercy endureth for euer, and of them that offer the sacrifice of prayse in the House of the Lord, for I will cause to return the captiuitie of 12 the land, as at the first, sayth the Lord. Thus sayth the Lord of hostes, Againe in this place, which is desolate, without man, and without beast, and in all the cities thereof there shall be 13 dwelling for shepheards to rest their flockes. In the cities of the mountaines, in the cities in the plaine, and in the cities of the South, and in the land of Beniamin, and about Ierusalem, and in the cities of Iudah shall the sheepe passe againe, vnder 14 the hand of him that telleth them, sayth the Lord. Beholde, the dayes come, sayth the Lord, that I wil performe that good thing, which I have promised vnto the house of Israel, and to 15 the house of Iudah. In those dayes and at that time, wil I cause the branch of righteousnesse to growe vp vnto Dauid, and he shall execute judgement, and righteousnes in the land. 16 In those dayes shall Iudah be saued, and Ierusalem shall dwell safely, and hee that shall call her, is the Lord our righteous-For thus sayth the Lord, Dauid shall neuer want a 17 nesse. 18 man to sit vpon the throne of the house of Israel. Neither shall the Priests and Leuites want a man before me to offer burnt offerings, and to offer meat offerings, and to doe sacrifice 19 continually. And the worde of the Lord came vnto Ieremiah, 20 saying, Thus sayth the Lord, If you can breake my couenant of the day, and my couenant of the night, that there should 21 not be day, and night in their season. Then may my couenant

be broken with Dauid my seruant, that he should not haue a sonne to reigne vpon his throne, and with the Leuites, and Priests my ministers. As the army of heauen can not be nom- 22 bred, neither the sand of the sea measured: so wil I multiplie the seede of Dauid my seruant, and the Leuites, that minister vnto me. Moreouer, the worde of the Lord came to Ieremiah, 23 saying, Considerest thou not what this people haue spoken, 24 saying, The two families, which the Lord hath chosen, hee hath euen cast them off? thus they have despised my people, that they should be no more a nation before them. Thus sayth the 25 Lord, If my couenant be not with day and night, and if I haue not appointed the order of heaven and earth. Then will I cast 26 away the seede of Iaakob and Dauid my seruant, and not take of his seede to be rulers ouer the seede of Abraham, Izhak, and Iaakob: for I wil cause their captiuitie to returne, and haue compassion on them.

The worde which came vnto Ieremiah from the Lord (when 34 Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel, and all his hoste, and all the kingdomes of the earth, that were vnder the power of his hand, and all people fought against Ierusalem, and against all the cites thereof) saying, Thus sayth the Lord God of Israel, Goe, 2 and speake to Zedekiah King of Iudah, and tell him, Thus sayth the Lord, Beholde, I will give this citie into the hand of the King of Babel, and he shall burne it with fire, And thou 3 shall not escape out of his hand, but shalt surely be taken, and deliuered into his hand, and thine eyes shall beholde the face of the King of Babel, and he shall speake with thee mouth to mouth, and thou shalt go to Babel. Yet heare the worde of 4 the Lord, O Zedekiah, King of Iudah: thus sayth the Lord of thee, Thou shalt not dye by the sword, But thou shalt die in 5 peace: and according to the burning for thy fathers the former Kings which were before thee, so shall they burne odours for thee, and they shall lament thee, saying, Oh lorde: for I haue pronounced the worde, sayth the Lord. Then Ieremiah the 6 Prophet spake all these words vnto Zedekiah King of Iudah in Ierusalem, (When the King of Babels hoste fought against 7 Ierusalem, and against all the cities of Iudah, that were left, euen against Lachish, and against Azekah: for these strong cities remained of the cities of Iudah) This is the worde that 8 came vnto Ieremiah from the Lord, after that the King Zedekiah

had made a couenant with all the people, which were at Ierusalem, 9 to proclaime libertie vnto them, That euery man should let his seruant go free, and euery man his handmayde, which was an Ebrue or an Ebruesse, and that none should serue 10 himselfe of them, to wit, of a Iewe his brother. Now when all the princes, and all the people which had agreed to the couenant, heard that euery one should let his seruant go free, and euery one his handmaide, and that none should serue them selues of them any more, they obeyed and let them go. 11 But afterwarde they repented and caused the seruants and the handmayds, whom they had let go free, to returne, and helde 12 them in subjection as seruants and handmayds. Therefore the worde of the Lord came vnto Ieremiah from the Lord, say-13 ing, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, I made a couenant with your fathers, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt, out 14 of the house of seruants, saying, At the terme of seuen yeres let ye go, euery man his brother an Ebrewe which hath bene solde vnto thee: and when he hath serued the sixe yeres, thou shalt let him go free from thee: but your fathers obeyed me 15 not, neither inclined their eares. And ye were nowe turned, and had done right in my sight in proclayming libertie, euery man to his neighbour, and ye had made a couenant be-16 fore mee in the house, whereupon my Name is called. ye repented, and polluted my Name: for ye haue caused euery man his seruant, and euery man his handmayde, whom ye had set at libertie at their pleasure, to returne, and holde them in subjection to bee vnto you as seruantes and as handmaydes. 17 Therefore thus saith the Lord, Ye have not obeyed mee, in proclayming freedome euery man to his brother, and euery man to his neighbour: beholde, I proclaime a libertie for you, saith the Lord, to the sworde, to the pestilence, and to the famine, and I will make you a terrour to all the kingdomes of the earth. 18 And I will give those men that have broken my couenant, and haue not kept the wordes of the couenant, which they had made before me, when they cut the calfe in twaine, and passed 19 betweene the partes thereof: The princes of Iudah, and the princes of Ierusalem, the Eunuches, and the Priestes, and all the people of the lande, which passed betweene the partes of 20 the calfe, I wil euen giue them into the hand of their enemies, and into the handes of them that seeke their life; and their

dead bodies shalbe for meate vnto the foules of the heauen, and to the beastes of the earth. And Zedekiah King of Iu-21 dah, and his princes will I giue into the hand of their enemies, and into the hande of them that seeke their life, and into the hande of the King of Babels hoste, which are gone vp from you. Beholde, I will commande, saith the Lord, and cause them to 22 returne to this citie, and they shall fight against it, and take it, and burne it with fire: and I will make the cities of Iudah desolate without an inhabitant.

The worde which came vnto Ieremiah from the Lord, in the 35 dayes of Iehoiakim the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah, saving. Go vnto the house of the Rechabites, and speake vnto 2 them, and bring them into the house of the Lord into one of the chambers, and give them wine to drinke. Then tooke I <sup>3</sup> Iaazaniah, the sonne of Ieremiah the sonne of Habazziniah, and his brethren, and all his sonnes, and the whole house of the Rechabites. And I brought them into the House of the 4 Lord, into the chamber of the sonnes of Hanan, the sonne of Igdaliah a man of God, which was by the chamber of the princes, which was aboue the chamber of Maaseiah the sonne of Shallum, the keeper of the treasure. And I set before the sonnes 5 of the house of the Rechabites, pots full of wine, and cuppes, and said vnto them, Drinke wine. But they said, We will 6 drinke no wine: for Ionadab the sonne of Rechab our father commanded vs, saying, Ye shall drinke no wine, neither you nor your sonnes for euer. Neither shall ye build house, nor sow 7 seede, nor plant vineyarde, nor haue any, but all your dayes ye shall dwell in tentes, that ye may liue a long time in the land where ye be strangers. Thus have wee obeyed the voyce of 8 Ionadab the sonne of Rechab our father, in all that he hath charged vs, and wee drinke no wine all our dayes, neither wee, our wives, our sonnes, nor our daughters. Neither builde wee 9 houses for vs to dwell in, neither haue we vineyard, nor fielde, nor seede, But we have remained in tentes, and have obeyed, 10 and done according to all that Ionadab our father commanded vs. But when Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel came vp into 11 the land, we said, Come, and let vs go to Ierusalem, from the hoste of the Caldeans, and from the host of Aram: so we dwel at Ierusalem. Then came the word of the Lord vnto Ieremiah, 12 saying, Thus saith the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, Goe, 13

and tell the men of Iudah, and the inhabitants of Ierusalem, Will ye not receive doctrine to obey my wordes, saith the Lord? 14 The commandement of Ionadab the sonne of Rechab that hee commanded his sonnes, that they should drinke no wine, is surely kept: for vnto this day they drinke none, but obey their fathers commandement: notwithstanding I haue spoken vnto 15 you, rising earely, and speaking, but ye would not obey me. I haue sent also vnto you all my seruants the Prophetes, rising vp earely, and sending, them, saying, Returne nowe euery man from his euill way, and amende your workes, and goe not after other gods to serue them, and ye shall dwel in the lande which I have given vnto you, and to your fathers, but ye would not 16 encline your eare, nor obey mee. Surely the sonnes of Ionadab the sonne of Rechab, haue kept the commandement of their father, which he gaue them, but this people hath not obeyed me. 17 Therefore thus saith the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, Beholde, I will bring vpon Iudah, and vpon all the inhabitants of Ierusalem, all the euill that I have pronounced against them, because I haue spoke vnto them, but they would not heare, and 18 I have called vnto them, but they would not answere. Ieremiah said to the house of the Rechabites, Thus saith the Lord of hostes the God of Israel, Because ye have obeyed the commandement of Ionadab your father, and kept all his precepts, and done according vnto all that hee hath commanded 19 you, Therefore thus saith the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, Ionadab the sonne of Rechab shall not want a man, to stand before me for euer.

And in the fourth yeere of Iehoiakim the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah, came this word vnto Ieremiah from the Lord, saying, Take thee a roule or booke, and write therein all the wordes that I haue spoken to thee against Israel, and against Iudah, and against all the nations, from the day that I spake vnto thee, euen from the dayes of Iosiah vnto this day. It may bee that the House of Iudah will heare of all the euill, which I determined to doe vnto them that they may returne euery man from his euil way, that I may forgiue their iniquitie and their sinnes. Then Ieremiah called Baruch the sonne of Neriah, and Baruch wrote at the mouth of Ieremiah all the wordes of the Lord, which hee had spoken vnto him, vpon a roule or booke. And Ieremiah commanded Baruch, saying, I am shut

vp, and can not go into the House of the Lord. Therefore goe 6 thou, and reade the roule wherein thou hast written at my mouth the words of the Lord in the audience of the people in the Lordes House vpon the fasting day: also thou shalt reade them in the hearing of all Iudah, that come out of their cities. It may be that they will pray before the Lord, and euery one re- 7 turne from his euill way, for great is the anger and the wrath, that the Lord hath declared against this people. So Baruch 8 the sonne of Neriah did according vnto all, that Ieremiah the Prophet commanded him, reading in the booke the wordes of the Lord in the Lords House. And in the fift veere of Iehoiakim 9 the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah, in the ninth moneth, they proclaimed a fast before the Lord to all the people in Ierusalem, and to all the people that came from the cities of Iudah vnto Then read Baruch in the booke the wordes of 10 Ieremiah in the house of the Lord, in the chamber of Gemariah the sonne of Shaphan the secretarie, in the hier court at the entrie of the new gate of the Lordes house, in the hearing of all the people. When Michaiah the sonne of Gemariah, the 11 sonne of Shaphan had heard out of the booke all the wordes of the Lord. Then hee went downe to the Kings house into 12 the Chancellours chamber, and loe, all the princes sate there, euen Elishama the Chancellour, and Delaiah the sonne of Shemaiah, and Elnathan the sonne of Achbor, and Gemariah the sonne of Shaphan, and Zedekiah the sonne of Hananiah, and Then Michaiah declared vnto them all the 13 all the princes. wordes that he had heard when Baruch read in the booke in the audience of the people. Therefore all the princes sent 14 Iehudi the sonne of Nethaniah, the sonne of Shelemiah, the sonne of Chushi, vnto Baruch, saying, Take in thine hande the roule, wherein thou hast read in the audience of the people, and come. So Baruch the sonne of Neriah, tooke the roule in his hand, and came vnto them. And they saide vnto him, Sit 15 downe now, and reade it, that we may heare. So Baruch read it in their audience. Now when they had heard all the wordes, 16 they were afraid both one and other, and said vnto Baruch, We will certifie the King of all these wordes. And they examined 17 Baruch, saying, Tell vs nowe, howe diddest thou write all these wordes at his mouth? Then Baruch answered them, He pro- 18 nounced all these wordes vnto me with his mouth, and I wrote

19 them with ynke in the booke. Then saide the princes vnto Baruch, Goe, hide thee, thou and Ieremiah, and let no man 20 knowe where ye be. And they went in to the King to the court, but they layde vp the roule in the chamber of Elishama the Chancellour and tolde the King all the wordes, that he might 21 heare. So the King sent Iehudi to fet the roule, and he tooke it out of Elishama the Chancellours chamber, and Iehudi read it in the audience of the King, and in the audience of all the 22 princes, which stoode beside the King. Nowe the King sate in the winter House, in the ninth moneth, and there was a fire 23 burning before him. And when Iehudi had read three, or foure sides, hee cut it with the penknife and cast it into the fire, that was on the hearth vntil all the roule was consumed in the fire. 24 that was on the hearth. Yet they were not afraide, nor rent their garmets, neither the King, nor any of his seruants, that 25 heard all these wordes. Neuerthelesse, Elnathan, and Delaiah, and Gemariah had besought the King, that he would not 26 burne ye roule: but he would not heare them. But the King commanded Ierahmeel the sonne of Hammelech, and Seraiah the sonne of Azriel, and Shelemiah the sonne of Abdiel, to take Baruch the scribe, and Ieremiah the Prophet, but the Lord Then the word of the Lord came to Ieremiah (af-27 hid them. ter that the King had burnt the roule and the words which 28 Baruch wrote at the mouth of Ieremiah) saying, Take thee againe another roule and write in it all ye former words that were in the first roule which Iehoiakim the King of Iudah hath 29 burnt, And thou shalt say to Iehoiakim King of Iudah, Thus saith the Lord, Thou hast burnt this roule, saying, Why hast thou written therein, saying, that the King of Babel shall certainly come and destroye this land, and shall take thence both 30 man and beast? Therefore thus saith the Lord of Iehoiakim King of Iudah, Hee shall have none to sit vpon the throne of Dauid, and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the 31 heate, and in the night to the frost. And I will visite him and his seede, and his seruants for their iniquitie, and I will bring vpon them, and vpon the inhabitants of Ierusalem, and vpon the men of Iudah all the euil that I have pronounced against 32 them: but they would not heare. Then tooke Ieremiah another roule, and gaue it Baruch the scribe the sonne of Neriah, which wrote therein at the mouth of Ieremiah all the wordes of the booke which Iehoiakim King of Iudah had burnt in the fire, and there were added besides them many like wordes.

And King Zedekiah the sonne of Iosiah reigned for Coniah 37 the sonne of Iehoiakim, whome Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel made King in the land of Iudah. But neither he, nor his 2 seruants, nor the people of the land would obey the wordes of the Lord, which he spake by the ministerie of the Prophet Ieremiah. And Zedekiah the King sent Iehucal the sonne of 3 Shelemiah, and Zephaniah the sonne of Maaseiah the Priest to the Prophet Ieremiah, saying, Pray now vnto the Lord our God for vs. (Now Ieremiah went in and out among the peo- 4 ple: for they had not put him into the prison. Then Pharaohs 5 hoste was come out of Egypt: and when the Caldeans that besieged Ierusalem, heard tidings of them, they departed from Ierusalem) Then came the worde of the Lord vnto the Prophet 6 Ieremiah, saving. Thus savth the Lord God of Israel, Thus 7 shall ve say to the King of Iudah, that sent you vnto me to inquire of me, Behold, Pharaohs hoste, which is come forth to helpe you, shall returne to Egypt into their owne land. And 8 the Caldeans shall come againe, and fight against this citie, and take it and burne it with fire. Thus sayth the Lord, De- 9 ceiue not your selues, saying, The Caldeans shall surely depart from vs: for they shall not depart. For though ye had 10 smitten the whole hoste of the Caldeans that fight against you, and there remained but wounded men among them, yet should every man rise vp in his tent, and burne this citie with When the hoste of the Caldeans was broken vp from 11 Ierusalem, because of Pharaohs armie, Then Ieremiah went 12 out of Ierusalem to goe into the land of Beniamin, separating himselfe thence from among the people. And when hee 13 was in the gate of Beniamin, there was a chiefe officer, whose name was Iriiah, the sonne of Shelemiah, the sonne of Hananiah, and he tooke Ieremiah the Prophet, saying, Thou fleest to the Caldeans. Then sayde Ieremiah, That is false, I flee 14 not to the Caldeans: but he would not heare him: so Iriiah tooke Ieremiah, and brought him to the princes. Wherefore 15 the princes were angry with Ieremiah, and smote him, and layde him in prison in the house of Iehonathan the scribe: for they had made that the prison. When Ieremiah was en- 16 tred into the dungeon, and into the prisons, and had remained

17 there a long time, Then Zedekiah the King sent, and tooke him out, and the King asked him secretly in his house, and said, Is there any worde from the Lord? And Ieremiah sayd, Yea: for, sayd he, thou shalt be deliuered into the hand of the 18 King of Babel. Moreouer, Ieremiah sayd vnto King Zedekiah, What haue I offended against thee, or against thy seruants, or 19 against this people, that ye haue put me in prison? Where are nowe your prophets, which prophecied vnto you, saying, The King of Babel shall not come against you, nor against this 20 land? Therefore heare nowe, I pray thee, O my lorde the King: let my prayer be accepted before thee, that thou cause mee not to returne to the house of Iehonathan the scribe, least I die 21 there. Then Zedekiah the King commanded, that they should put Ieremiah in the court of the prison, and that they should giue him dayly a piece of bread out of the bakers streete vntill all the bread in the citie were eaten vp. Thus Ieremiah remained in the court of the prison.

Then Shephatiah the sonne of Mattan, and Gedaliah the 38 sonne of Pashur, and Iucal the sonne of Shelemiah, and Pashur the sonne of Malchiah, heard the wordes that Ieremiah had 2 spoken vnto all the people, saying, Thus sayth the Lord, He that remaineth in this citie, shall dye by the sworde, by the famine and by the pestilence: but hee that goeth foorth to the Caldeans, shall liue: for he shall have his life for a praye, and 3 shall liue. Thus sayth the Lord, This citie shall surely be giuen into the hand of the King of Babels armie, which shall 4 take it. Therefore the Princes sayd vnto the King, We beseech you, let this man be put to death: for thus hee weakeneth the hands of the men of warre that remaine in this citie, and the hands of all the people, in speaking such wordes vnto them: for this man seeketh not the wealth of this people, but the hurt. 5 Then Zedekiah the King sayd, Behold, he is in your hands, for 6 ye King can denie you nothing. Then tooke they Ieremiah, and cast him into the dungeon of Malchiah the sonne of Hammelech, that was in the court of the prison: and they let downe Ieremiah with coards: and in the dungeon there was no water 7 but myre: so Ieremiah stacke fast in the myre. Now when Ebed-melech ye blacke More one of ye Eunuches, which was in the kings house, heard that they had put Ieremiah in the 8 dungeon (then the King sate in the gate of Beniamin) And Ebed-melech went out of the Kings house, and spake to the King, saying, My lorde the King, these men haue done eu- 9 ill in all that they have done to Ieremiah the Prophet, whom they have cast into the dungeon, and he dyeth for hunger in the place where he is: for there is no more bread in the citie. Then the King commanded Ebed-melech the blacke More, say- 10 ing, Take from hence thirtie men with thee, and take Ieremiah the Prophet out of the dungeon before he dve. So Ebed-melech 11 tooke the men with him and went to the house of the King vnder the treasurie, and tooke there olde rotten ragges, and olde worne cloutes, and let them downe by coards into the dungeon to Ieremiah. And Ebed-melech the blacke More sayde vnto 12 Ieremiah, Put now these olde rotten ragges and worne, vnder thine arme holes, betweene the coards. And Ieremiah did so. So they drewe vp Ieremiah with coards and tooke him vp out of 13 the dungeon, and Ieremiah remained in the court of the prison. Then Zedekiah the King sent, and tooke Ieremiah the Prophet 14 vnto him, into the thirde entrie that is in the House of the Lord. and the King sayd vnto Ieremiah, I wil aske thee a thing: hide nothing from me. Then Ieremiah sayd to Zedekiah, If I de- 15 clare it vnto thee, wilt not thou slay me? and if I giue thee counsell, thou wilt not heare me. So the King sware secretly 16 vnto Ieremiah, saving. As the Lord liueth that made vs these soules, I will not slay thee, nor give thee into the hands of those men that seeke thy life. Then sayd Ieremiah vnto Zedekiah, 17 Thus sayth the Lord God of hostes, the God of Israel, If thou wilt goe foorth vnto the King of Babels princes, then thy soule shall liue, and this citie shall not be burnt vp with fire, and thou shalt liue, and thine house. But if thou wilt not go forth 18 to the King of Babels princes, then shall this citie be given into the hand of ye Caldeans, and they shall burne it with fire, and thou shalt not escape out of their hands. And Zedekiah 19 the King sayde vnto Ieremiah, I am carefull for the Iewes that are fled vnto the Caldeans, least they deliuer mee into their hands, and they mocke me. But Ieremiah sayd, They shall 20 not deliuer thee: hearken vnto the voyce of the Lord, I beseech thee, which I speake vnto thee: so shall it be well vnto thee, and thy soule shall liue. But if thou wilt refuse to go forth, 21 this is the worde that the Lord hath shewed me. And be- 22 holde, all the women that are left in the King of Iudahs house,

shalbe brought forth to the King of Babels princes: and those women shall say, Thy friends haue perswaded thee, and haue preuailed against thee: thy feete are fastened in the myre, and 23 they are turned backe. So they shall bring out all thy wives, and thy children to the Caldeans, and thou shalt not escape out of their hands, but shalt be taken by the hand of the King of Babel: and this citie shalt thou cause to be burnt with fire. 24 Then said Zedekiah vnto Ieremiah, Let no man know of these 25 words, and thou shalt not die. But if ye princes vnderstand that I have talked with thee, and they come vnto thee, and say vnto thee, Declare vnto vs nowe, what thou hast sayde vnto the King, hide it not from vs, and we will not slay thee: also 26 what the King sayd vnto thee, Then shalt thou say vnto them, I humbly be ought the King that he would not cause me to re-27 turne to Iehonathans house, to die there. Then came all the princes vnto Ieremiah and asked him. And he tolde them according to all these wordes that the King had commanded: so they left off speaking with him, for the matter was not per-28 ceiued. So Ieremiah abode still in the court of the prison, vntill the day that Ierusalem was taken: and he was there, when Ierusalem was taken.

In the ninth yeere of Zedekiah King of Iudah in the tenth 39 moneth, came Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel and all his hoste 2 against Ierusalem, and they besieged it. And in the eleuenth veere of Zedekiah in the fourth moneth, the ninth day of the 3 moneth, the citie was broken vp. And all the princes of the King of Babel came in, and sate in the middle gate, euen Neregal, Sharezer, Samgar-nebo, Sarsechim, Rab-saris, Neregal, Sharezer, Rab-mag with all the residue of the princes of the 4 King of Babel. And when Zedekiah the King of Iudah saw them, and all the men of warre, then they fled, and went out of the citie by night, through the Kings garden, and by the gate betweene the two walles, and he went toward the wildernes. 5 But the Caldeans hoste pursued after them, and ouertooke Zedekiah in the desart of Iericho: and when they had taken him, they brought him to Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel vnto Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he gaue judgement vpon 6 him. Then the King of Babel slewe the sonnes of Zedekiah in Riblah before his eyes: also the King of Babel slewe all the no-7 bles of Iudah. Moreouer he put out Zedekiahs eyes, and bound

him in chaines, to cary him to Babel. And the Caldeans burnt 8 the Kings house, and the houses of the people with fire, and brake downe the walles of Ierusalem. Then Nebuzar-adan the 9 chiefe stewarde caried away captiue into Babel the remnant of the people, that remained in the citie, and those that were fled and fallen vnto him, with the rest of the people that remained. But Nebuzar-adan the chiefe steward left the poore 10 that had nothing in the land of Iudah, and gaue them vineyards and fieldes at the same time. Nowe Nebuchad-nezzar 11 King of Babel gaue charge concerning Ieremiah vnto Nebuzaradan the chiefe stewarde, saying, Take him, and looke well 12 to him, and doe him no harme, but doe vnto him euen as he shall say vnto thee. So Nebuzar-adan the chiefe steward sent. 13 and Nebushazban, Rabsaris, and Neregal, Sharezar, Rab-mag, and all the King of Babels princes: Euen they sent, and tooke 14 Ieremiah out of the court of the prison, and committed him vnto Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam the sonne of Shaphan, that he should cary him home: so he dwelt among the people. Now 15 the worde of the Lord came vnto Ieremiah, while he was shut vp in the court of the prison, saying, Go and speake to Ebed- 16 melech the blacke More, saving, Thus saith the Lord of hostes the God of Israel, Beholde, I wil bring my wordes vpon this citie for euill, and not for good, and they shalbe accomplished in that day before thee. But I wil deliuer thee in that day, 17 saith the Lord, and thou shalt not be given into the hand of the men whome thou fearest. For I will surely deliuer thee, 18 and thou shalt not fall by the sworde, but thy life shall be for a praye vnto thee, because thou hast put thy trust in me, sayth the Lord.

The worde which came to Ieremiah from the Lord after that 40 Nebuzar-adan the chiefe stewarde had let him goe from Ramath, when hee had taken him being bound in chaines among all that were caried away captiue of Ierusalem and Iudah, which were caried away captiue vnto Babel. And the chiefe stewarde 2 tooke Ieremiah, and said vnto him, The Lord thy God hath pronounced this plague vpon this place. Nowe the Lord hath 3 brought it, and done according as he hath said: because ye haue sinned against the Lord, and haue not obeyed his voyce, therefore this thing is come vpon you. And nowe beholde, I 4 loose thee this day from the chaines which were on thine han-

des, if it please thee to come with me into Babel, come, and I will looke well vnto thee: but if it please thee not to come with mee into Babel, tarie still: beholde, all the lande is before thee: whither it seemeth good, and convenient for thee to 5 goe, thither goe. For yet he was not returned: therefore he said, Returne to Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam, the sonne of Shaphan, whom the King of Babel hath made gouernour ouer all the cities of Iudah, and dwell with him among the people, or goe wheresoeuer it pleaseth thee to goe. So the chiefe stew-6 arde gaue him vitailes and a rewarde, and let him goe. Then went Ieremiah vnto Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam, to Mizpah, and dwelt there with him among the people that were 7 left in the lande. Nowe when all the captaines of the hoste, which were in the fieldes, euen they and their men heard, that the King of Babel had made Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam gouernour in the land, and that he had committed vnto him, men, and women, and children, and of the poore of the lande, 8 that were not caried away captiue to Babel, Then they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, euen Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah, and Iohanan, and Ionathan the sonnes of Kareah, and Seraiah the sonne of Tanehumeth, and the sonnes of Ephai, the Netophathite, and Iezaniah the sonne of Maachathi, they and 9 their men. And Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam, the sonne of Shaphan sware vnto them, and to their men, saying, Feare not to serue the Caldeans: dwell in the lande, and serue the King 10 of Babel, and it shall be well with you. As for me, Beholde, I will dwell at Mizpah to serue the Caldeans, which will come vnto vs: but you, gather you wine, and sommer fruites, and oyle, and put them in your vessels, and dwell in your cities, 11 that ye haue taken. Likewise when all the Iewes that were in Moab, and among the Ammonites, and in Edom, and that were in all the countries, heard that the King of Babel had left a remnant of Iudah, and that he had set ouer them Gedaliah the 12 sonne of Ahikam the sonne of Shaphan, Euen all the Iewes returned out of all places where they were driuen, and came to the land of Iudah to Gedaliah vnto Mizpah, and gathered 13 wine and sommer fruites, very much. Moreouer Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the hoste, that were 14 in the fieldes, came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, And said vnto him, Knowest thou not that Baalis the King of the Ammonites

hath sent Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah to slay thee? But Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam beleeued them not. Then Io- 15 hanan the sonne of Kareah spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly, saying, Let me goe, I pray thee, and I will slay Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah, and no man shall know it. Wherefore should he kill thee, that all the Iewes, which are gathered vnto thee, shoulde be scattered, and the remnant in Iudah perish? But Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam said vnto Iohanan 16 the sonne of Kareah, Thou shalt not doe this thing: for thou speakest falsely of Ishmael.

But in the seventh moneth came Ishmael the sonne of Netha-41 niah, the sonne of Elishama of the seede royall, and the princes of the King, and tenne men with him, vnto Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam to Mizpah, and there they did eate bread together in Mizpah. Then arose Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah with 2 these tenne men that were with him, and smote Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam the sonne of Shaphan with the sword, and slewe him, whom the King of Babel had made gouernour ouer the lande. Ishmael also slewe all the Iewes that were with 3 Gedaliah at Mizpah, and all the Caldeans that were found there, and the men of warre. Now the second day that he had 4 slaine Gedaliah, and no man knewe it, There came men from 5 Shechem, from Shiloh, and from Samaria, euen fourescore men, hauing their beardes shauen, and their clothes rent and cut, with offerings and incense in their hands to offer in the house of the Lord. And Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah went forth 6 from Mizpah to meete them, weeping as he went: and when he met them, he said vnto them, Come to Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam. And when they came into the middes of the citie, 7 Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah slewe them, and cast them into the middes of the pit, he and the men that were with But tenne men were founde among them, that saide 8 vnto Ishmael, Slay vs not: for we have treasures in the fielde, of wheate, and of barley, and of oyle, and of honie: so he staved. and slew them not among their brethren. Now the pit wherein 9 Ishmael had cast the dead bodies of the men (whom he had slayne because of Gedaliah) is it, which Asa the King had made because of Basha King of Israel, and Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah filled it with them that were slaine. Then Ish- 10 mael carved away captive all the residue of the people that

were in Mizpah, euen the Kings daughters, and all the people that remained in Mizpah, whom Nebuzar-adan the chiefe steward had committed to Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam, and Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah caried them away captiue, and 11 departed to goe ouer to the Ammonites. But when Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the hoste that were with him, heard of all the euill that Ishmael the sonne of 12 Nethaniah had done, Then they all tooke their men, and went to fight with Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah, and founde him 13 by ye great waters that are in Gibeon. Nowe when all the people whom Ishmael carved away captiue, sawe Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the hoste, that were 14 with him, they were glad. So all the people, that Ishmael had caryed away captiue from Mizpah, returned and came againe, 15 and went vnto Iohanan the sonne of Kareah. But Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah, escaped from Iohanan with eight men, and went to the Ammonites. Then tooke Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the hoste that were with him, all the remnant of the people, whom Ishmael the sonne of Nethaniah had caried away captiue from Mizpah, (after that he had slaine Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam) euen the strong men of warre, and the women, and the children, and the eu-17 nuches, whom hee had brought againe from Gibeon: And they departed and dwelt in Geruth Chimham, which is by Beth-18 lehem, to goe and to enter into Egypt, Because of the Caldeans: for they feared them, because Ishmael ye sonne of Nethaniah had slaine Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam, whom the King of Babel made gouernour in the land.

Then all the captaines of the hoste, and Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and Iezaniah the sonne of Hoshaaiah, and all the people from the least vnto the most came, And saide vnto Ieremiah the Prophete, Heare our prayer, we beseeche thee, and pray for vs vnto the Lord thy God, euen for all this remnant (for we are left, but a fewe of many, as thine eyes doe beholde) That the Lord thy God may shewe vs the way wherein wee may walke, and the thing that we may doe. Then Ieremiah the Prophet said vnto them, I haue heard you: behold, I will pray vnto ye Lord your God according to your wordes, and whatsoeuer thing the Lord shall answere you, I will declare it vnto you: I will keepe nothing backe from you. Then they

said to Ieremiah, The Lord be a witnesse of trueth, and faith betweene vs, if we doe not, euen according to all things for ye which the Lord thy God shall send thee to vs. Whether it be 6 good or euill, we will obey the voyce of the Lord God, to whom we sende thee that it may be well with vs, when wee obey the voyce of the Lord our God. And so after ten dayes came the 7 word of the Lord vnto Ieremiah. Then called he Iohanan the 8 sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the hoste, which were with him, and all ye people from ye least to the most, And 9 saide vnto them, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, vnto whom ye sent me to present your prayers before him, If ye will dwell 10 in this land, then I wil build you, and not destroy you, and I will plant you, and not roote you out: for I repent me of the euill that I haue done vnto you. Feare not for the King of Babel, 11 of whom ye are afraide: be not afraid of him, saith the Lord: for I am with you, to saue you, and to deliuer you from his hand, And I will graunt you mercie that he may have compassion 12 vpon you, and he shall cause you to dwell in your owne land. But if ye say, We will not dwell in this land, neither heare the 13 voyce of the Lord your God, Saying, Nay, but we will goe into 14 the land of Egypt, where we shall see no warre, nor heare the sounde of the trumpet, nor haue hunger of bread, and there will we dwell. (And nowe therefore heare the worde of the 15 Lord, ye remnant of Iudah: thus sayeth the Lord of hostes the God of Israel, If ye set your faces to enter into Egypt, and goe to dwell there) Then the sworde that ye feared, shall take you 16 there in the land of Egypt, and the famine, for the which ye care, shall there hang vpon you in Egypt, and there shall ve die. And all the men that set their faces to enter into Egypt 17 to dwell there, shall die by ye sword, by the famine and by the pestilence, and none of them shall remaine nor escape from the plague, that I will bring vpon them. For thus saith the Lord 18 of hostes the God of Israel, As mine anger and my wrath hath bene powred foorth vpon the inhabitants of Ierusalem: so shall my wrath be powred foorth vpon you, when ye shall enter into Egypt, and ye shall be a detestation, and an astonishment, and a curse and a reproche, and ye shall see this place no more. O 19 ye remnant of Iudah, the Lord hath said concerning you, Goe not into Egypt: knowe certeinely that I have admonished you this day. Surely ye dissembled in your hearts When ye sent 20 me vnto the Lord your God, saying, Pray for vs vnto the Lord our God, and declare vnto vs euen according vnto al that the Lord our God shall say, and we will doe it. Therefore I haue this day declared it you, but you haue not obeyed the voyce of the Lord your God, nor any thing for the which he hath sent me vnto you. Nowe therefore, knowe certeinely that ye shall die by the sworde, by the famine, and by the pestilence, in the place whither ye desire to goe and dwell.

Nowe when Ieremiah had made an ende of speaking vnto 43 ve whole people all the wordes of the Lord their God, for the which the Lord their God had sent him to them, euen all these 2 wordes, Then spake Azariah the sonne of Hoshaiah, and Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the proude men, saying vnto Ieremiah, Thou speakest falsely: the Lord our God hath 3 not sent thee to say, Goe not into Egypt to dwell there, But Baruch ye sonne of Neriah prouoketh thee against vs, for to deliuer vs into the hand of the Caldeans, that they might slay 4 vs, and cary vs away captiues into Babel. So Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the hoste, and all the people obeied not the voyce of the Lord, to dwell in the lande 5 of Iudah. But Iohanan the sonne of Kareah, and all the captaines of the hoste tooke all the remnant of Iudah, that were returned from al nations, whither they had bene driuen, to dwel 6 in ye land of Iudah: Euen men and women, and children, and the Kinges daughters, and euery person, that Nebuzar-adan the chiefe steward had left with Gedaliah the sonne of Ahikam, ye sonne of Shaphan, and Ieremiah the Prophet, and Baruch 7 the sonne of Neriah. So they came into the lande of Egypt: for they obeied not the voice of the Lord: thus came they to Tah-8 panhes. Then came the worde of the Lord vnto Ieremiah in 9 Tahpanhes, saying, Take great stones in thine hand, and hide them in the claie in the bricke kill, which is at the entrie of Pharaohs house in Tanpanhes in ye sight of the men of Iudah, 10 And say vnto them, Thus sayeth the Lord of hostes the God of Israel, Beholde, I will sende and bring Nebuchad-nezzar the King of Babel my seruant, and will set his throne vpon these stones that I have hid, and he shall spread his pauilion over And when he shall come, he shall smite the land of 11 them. Egypt: such as are appoynted for death, to death, and such as are for captiuitie, to captiuitie, and such as are for the sword to

the sword. And I wil kindle a fire in the houses of the gods of 12 Egypt, and he shall burne them and carie them away captiues, and he shall aray himself with the land of Egypt, as a shepheard putteth on his garment, and shall depart from thence in peace. He shall breake also ye images of Beth-shemesh, 13 that is in the lande of Egypt, and the houses of the gods of the Egyptians shall he burne with fire.

The worde that came to Ieremiah concerning all the Iewes, 44 which dwell in the lande of Egypt, and remained at Migdol and at Tahpanhes, and at Noph, and in the coutry of Pathros, saying, Thus sayeth the Lord of hostes the God of Israel, Yee 2 haue seene all the euill that I haue brought vpon Ierusalem, and vpon all the cities of Iudah: and beholde, this day they are desolate, and no man dwelleth therein. Because of their 3 wickednes which they have comitted, to prouoke me to anger in that they went to burne incense, and to serue other gods, who they knew not, neither they nor you nor your fathers. Howbeit I sent vnto you all my seruats the Prophets rising 4 earely, and sending them, saying, Oh doe not this abominable thing that I hate. But they would not heare nor incline their 5 eare to turne from their wickednes, and to burne no more incense vnto other gods. Wherefore my wrath, and mine anger 6 was powred foorth and was kindled in the cities of Iudah, and in the streetes of Ierusalem, and they are desolate, and wasted, as appeareth this day. Therefore now thus saith the Lord of 7 hosts the God of Israel, Wherfore commit ye this great euill against your soules, to cut off from you man and woman, childe and suckling out of Iudah, and leaue you none to remaine? In that yee prouoke mee vnto wrath with the woorkes 8 of your hands, burning incense vnto other Gods in the lande of Egypt whither yee be gone to dwell: that yee might bring destruction vnto your selues, and that ye might be a curse and a reproch among all nations of the earth. Haue yee forgot- 9 ten the wickedness of your fathers, and the wickednesse of the Kings of Iudah and the wickednesse of their wives and your owne wickednes and the wickednes of your wiues, which they have committed in the land of Iudah and in the streetes of Ierusalem? They are not humbled vnto this day, neither haue 10 they feared nor walked in my lawe nor in my statutes, that I set before you and before your fathers. Therefore thus sayeth 11

the Lord of hostes the God of Israel, Beholde, I will set my 12 face against you to euill and to destroy all Iudah, And I will take the remnant of Iudah, that haue set their faces to goe into the lande of Egypt there to dwell, and they shall all bee consumed and fall in the lande of Egypt: they shall euen bee consumed by the sworde and by the famine: they shall die from the least vnto the most, by the sworde, and by the famine, and they shall be a detestation and an astonishment and a curse 13 and a reproche. For I will visite them that dwel in the land of Egypt, as I haue visited Ierusalem, by ye sworde, by the 14 famine, and by the pestilence, So that none of the remnant of Iudah, which are gone into the lande of Egypt to dwell there, shall escape or remaine, that they shoulde returne into the land of Iudah to the which they have a desire to returne to dwell there: for none shall returne, but such as shall escape. 15 Then all the men which knewe that their wives had burnt incense vnto other gods and all the women that stoode by, a great multitude, euen all the people that dwelt in the lande of Egypt 16 in Pathros, answered Ieremiah, saying. The worde that thou hast spoken vnto vs in the Name of the Lord, wee will not heare 17 it of thee, But wee will doe whatsoeuer thing goeth out of our owne mouth, as to burne incense vnto the Queene of heauen, and to powre out drinke offerings vnto her, as we have done, both we and our fathers, our Kings and our princes in the cities of Iudah, and in the streetes of Ierusalem: for then had wee 18 plentie of vitailes and were well and felt none euill. But since wee left off to burne incense to the Queene of heauen, and to powre out drinke offerings vnto her, we have had scarcenesse of all things, and haue beene consumed by the sworde 19 and by the famine. And when we burnt incense to ye Queene of heauen, and powred out drinke offerings vnto her, did wee make her cakes to make her glad, and powre out drinke of-20 ferings vnto her without our husbands? Then said Ieremiah vnto all the people, to the men, and to the women, and to all 21 the people which had given him that answere, saying, Did not the Lord remember the incense, that yee burnt in the cities of Iudah, and in the streetes of Ierusalem, both you, and your fathers, your Kinges, and your princes, and the people of the 22 land, and hath he not considered it? So that the Lord could no longer forbeare, because of the wickednes of your inuentions,

and because of the abominations, which ye have committed: therefore is your lande desolate and an astonishment, and a curse and without inhabitant, as appeareth this day. Because 23 ye haue burnt incense and because ye haue sinned against the Lord, and haue not obeyed the voyce of the Lord, nor walked in his Lawe, nor in his statutes, nor in his testimonies, therefore this plague is come vpon you, as appeareth this day. Moreouer 24 Ieremiah saide vnto all the people and to all the women, Heare the word of the Lord, all Iudah that are in the land of Egypt. Thus speaketh the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, Ye 25 and your wives have both spoken with your mouthes, and fulfilled with your hande, saying. We will performe our vowes that we have vowed to burne incense to the Queene of heaven, and to powre out drinke offerings to her: yee will perfourme your vowes and doe the things that yee haue vowed. Therefore 26 heare the word of the Lord, all Iudah that dwel in the land of Egypt. Beholde, I have sworne by my great Name, sayeth the Lord, that my Name shall no more be called vpon by the mouth of any man of Iudah, in all the lande of Egypt, saying, The Lord God liueth. Behold, I wil watch ouer them for euil 27 and not for good, and all men of Iudah that are in the land of Egypt, shalbe consumed by the sword, and by the famine, vntill they be vtterly destroied. Yet a small nomber that es- 28 cape the sworde, shall returne out of the lande of Egypt into the lande of Iudah: and all the remnant of Iudah that are gone into the lande of Egypt to dwell there, shall know whose words shall stad, mine or theirs. And this shall be a signe vnto you, 29 saith the Lord, whe I visit you in this place, that ye may know that my words shall surely stand against you for euill. Thus 30 sayth the Lord, Beholde, I will give Pharaoh Hophra King of Egypt into the hand of his enemies, and into the hand of them that seeke his life: as I gaue Zedekiah King of Iudah into the hand of Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel his enemie, who also sought his life.

The worde that Ieremiah the Prophet spake vnto Baruch 45 the sonne of Neriah, when he had written these woordes in a booke at the mouth of Ieremiah, in the fourth yeere of Iehoiakim the sonne of Iosiah King of Iudah, saying, Thus sayeth the 2 Lord God of Israel vnto thee, O Baruch, Thou diddest say, Wo 3 is me nowe: for the Lord hath laied sorrow vnto my sorrowe: I

fainted in my mourning, and I can finde no rest. Thus shalt thou say vnto him, The Lord sayeth thus, Behold, that which I haue built, will I destroy, and that which I haue planted, will
I plucke vp, euen this whole lande. And seekest thou great things for thy self? seeke them not: for beholde, I wil bring a plague vpon al flesh, saith the Lord: but thy life wil I giue thee for a pray in all places, whither thou goest.

The wordes of the Lord, which came to Ieremiah the Prophet 46 2 against the Gentiles, As against Egypt, against ye armie of Pharaoh Necho King of Egypt, which was by the riuer Perath in Carchemish, which Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel smote in the fourth yere of Iehoiakim the sonne of Iosiah King of Iu-3 dah. Make readie buckler and shielde, and goe forth to bat-Make readie the horses, and let the horsemen get vp, 4 tell. and stande vp with your sallets, fourbish the speares, and put 5 on the brigandines. Wherefore haue I seene them afraid, and driuen backe? for their mighty men are smitten, and are fled away, and looke not backe: for feare was rounde about, sayeth 6 the Lord. The swift shall not flee away, nor the strong man escape: they shall stumble, and fall towarde the North by the 7 riuer Perath. Who is this, that commeth vp, as a flood, whose 8 waters are mooued like the rivers? Egypt riseth vp like the flood, and his waters are mooued like the riuers, and he sayth, I wil goe vp, and will couer the earth: I wil destroy the citie 9 with them that dwell therein. Come vp, ye horses, and rage ye charets, and let the valiant men come foorth, the blacke Mores, and the Lybians that beare the shield, and the Lydians 10 that handle and bend the bowe. For this is the day of ye Lord God of hostes, and a day of vengeance, that he may auenge him of his enemies: for the sworde shall deuoure, and it shall be saciate, and made drunke with their blood: for the Lord God of hosts hath a sacrifice in the North countrey by the Riuer 11 Perath. Goe vp vnto Gilead, and take balme, O virgine, the daughter of Egypt: in vaine shalt thou vse many medicines: 12 for thou shalt have no health. The nations have heard of thy shame, and thy crie hath filled the lande: for the strong hath stumbled against the strong and they are fallen both together. 13 The woorde that the Lord spake to Ieremiah the Prophet, howe Nebuchad-nezzar king of Babel shoulde come and smite the 14 lande of Egypt. Publish in Egypt and declare in Migdol, and

proclaime in Noph, and in Tahpanhes, and say, Stand still, and prepare thee: for the sworde shall deuoure rounde about thee. Why are thy valiant men put backe? they could not stand, 15 because the Lord did drive them. Hee made many to fall, 16 and one fell vpon another: and they saide, Arise, let vs goe againe to our owne people, and to the land of our natiuitie from the sworde of the violent. They did cry there, Pharaoh King 17 of Egypt, and of a great multitude hath passed the time appointed. As I liue, saith the King, whose Name is the Lord 18 of hostes, surely as Tabor is in the mountaines, and as Carmel is in the sea: so shall it come. O thou daughter dwelling in 19 Egypt, make thee geare to goe into captiuitie: for Noph shall be waste and desolate, without an inhabitant. Egypt is like a 20 faire calfe, but destruction commeth: out of the North it com-Also her hired men are in the middes of her like fat 21 calues: they are also turned backe and fled away together: they could not stand, because the day of their destruction was come vpon them, and the time of their visitation. The voyce thereof 22 shall goe foorth like a serpent: for they shall march with an armie, and come against her with axes, as hewers of wood. They shall cut downe her forest, saith the Lord: for they cannot 23 be counted, because they are moe then ye grashoppers, and are innumerable. The daughter of Egypt shall be confounded: she 24 shall be deliuered into the handes of the people of the North. Thus saith the Lord of hostes, the God of Israel, Behold, I will 25 visite the common people of No and Pharaoh, and Egypt, with their gods and their Kings, euen Pharaoh, and al them that trust in him, And I will deliuer them into the handes of those, 26 that seeke their liues, and into the hand of Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel, and into the handes of his seruants, and afterwarde she shall dwell as in the olde time, saith the Lord. But 27 feare not thou, O my seruant Iaakob, and be not thou afraid, O Israel: for behold, I will deliuer thee from a farre countrey, and thy seede from the land of their captiuitie, and Iaakob shall returne and be in rest, and prosperitie, and none shall make him afraid. Feare thou not, O Iaakob my seruant, saith the Lord: 28 for I am with thee, and I will vtterly destroy all the nations, whither I have driven thee: but I will not vtterly destroy thee, but correct thee by iudgement, and not vtterly cut thee off.

The wordes of the Lord that came to Ieremiah the Prophet, 47

2 against the Philistims, before that Pharaoh smote Azzah. Thus saith the Lord, Beholde, waters rise vp out of the North, and shalbe as a swelling flood, and shall ouerflowe the land, and all that is therein, and the cities with them that dwell therein: then the men shall crie, and all the inhabitants of the land 3 shall howle, At the noise and stamping of ye hoofes of his strong horses, at the noise of his charets, and at the rumbling of his wheeles: ye fathers shall not looke backe to their 4 children, for feeblenes of handes, Because of the day that commeth to destroy all the Philistims, and to destroy Tyrus, and Zidon, and all the rest that take their part: for the Lord will destroy the Philistims, the remnant of the yle of Caphtor. 5 Baldenes is come vpon Azzah: Ashkelon is cut vp with the rest 6 of their valleys. Howe long wilt thou thy selfe? O thou sword of the Lord, how long will it be or thou cease! turne againe into 7 thy scaberd, rest and be still. Howe can it cease, seeing the Lord hath giuen it a charge against Ashkelon, and against the sea banke? euen there hath he appointed it.

Concerning Moab, thus saith ye Lord of hostes, the God of 48 Israel, Woe vnto Nebo: for it is wasted: Kiriathaim is con-2 founded and taken: Misgab is confounded and afraide. Moab shall boast no more of Heshbon: for they have deuised euill against it. Come, and let vs destroy it, that it be no more a nation: also thou shalt be destroyed, O Madmen, and the sworde 3 shall pursue thee. A voyce of crying shall be from Horonaim 4 with desolation and great destruction. Moab is destroyed: her 5 litle ones have caused their crie to be heard. For at the going vp of Luhith, the mourner shall goe vp with weeping: for in the going downe of Horonaim, the enemies haue heard a cry 6 of destruction, Flee and saue your liues, and be like vnto the 7 heath in the wildernesse. For because thou hast trusted in thy workes and in thy treasures, thou shalt also be taken, and Chemosh shall goe forth into captiuitie with his Priestes and 8 his princes together. And the destroyer shall come vpon all cities, and no citie shall escape: the valley also shall perish and 9 the plaine shalbe destroyed as the Lord hath spoken. Giue wings vnto Moab, that it may flee and get away: for the cities 10 thereof shalbe desolate, without any to dwell therein. Cursed be he that doeth the worke of the Lord negligently, and cursed 11 be he that keepeth backe his sword from blood. Moab hath

bene at rest from his youth, and he hath setled on his lees, and hath not bene powred from vessell to vessell, neither hath he gone into captiuitie: therefore his taste remained in him and his sent is not changed. Therefore beholde, the dayes come, 12 saith the Lord, that I will send vnto him such as shall carie him away, and shall emptie his vessels, and breake their bottels. And Moab shalbe ashamed of Chemosh as the house of 13 Israel was ashamed of Beth-el their confidence. Howe thinke 14 you thus, We are mightie and strong men of warre? Moab is 15 destroyed, and his cities burnt vp, and his chose yong men are gone downe to slaughter, saith ye King, whose name is ye Lord of hostes. The destruction of Moab is ready to come, and his 16 plague hasteth fast. All ye that are about him, mourne for 17 him, and all ye that knowe his name, say, Howe is the strong staffe broken, and the beautifull rod! Thou daughter that 18 doest inhabite Dibon, come downe from thy glory, and sit in thirst: for the destroyer of Moab shall come vpon thee, and he shall destroy thy strong holdes. Thou that dwellest in Aroer, 19 stand by the way, and beholde: aske him that fleeth and that escapeth, and say, What is done? Moab is cofouded: for it is 20 destroied: howle, and cry, tell ye it in Arnon, that Moab is made waste, And judgement is come vpon the plaine countrey, vpon 21 Holon and vpon Iahazah, and vpon Mephaath, And vpon Di- 22 bon, and vpon Nebo, and vpon the house of Diblathaim, And 23 vpon Kiriathaim, and vpon Beth-gamul, and vpon Beth-meon, And vpon Kerioth, and vpon Bozrah, and vpon all the cities of 24 ye land of Moab farre or neere. The horne of Moab is cut off, 25 and his arme is broken, saith the Lord. Make ye him drunken: 26 for he magnified himselfe against the Lord: Moab shall wallowe in his vomite, and he also shalbe in derision. For diddest 27 not thou deride Israel, as though he had bene found among theeues? for when thou speakest of him, thou art moued. O 28 ye that dwell in Moab, leave the cities, and dwell in the rockes, and be like the doue, that maketh her nest in the sides of the holes mouth. We have heard the pride of Moab (hee is exceed- 29 ing proude) his stoutnesse, and his arrogancie, and his pride, and the hautinesse of his heart. I know his wrath, saith ye 30 Lord, but it shall not be so: and his dissimulatios, for they do not right. Therefore will I howle for Moab, and I will crie out 31 for all Moab: mine heart shall mourne for the men of Kir-heres.

32 O vine of Sibmah, I will weepe for thee, as I wept for Iazer: thy plants are gone ouer the sea, they are come to the sea of Iazer: ye destroyer is fallen vpon thy somer fruites, and vpon 33 thy vintage, And ioye, and gladnesse is taken from the plentifull fielde, and from the land of Moab: and I have caused wine to faile from the winepresse: none shall treade with shouting: 34 their shouting shall be no shouting. From the cry of Heshbon vnto Elaleh and vnto Iahaz haue they made their noyse from Zoar vnto Horonaim, ye heiffer of three yere old shall go low-35 ing: for ye waters also of Nimrim shalbe wasted. Moreouer, I will cause to cease in Moab, saith the Lord, him that offered in the high places, and him that burneth incense to his gods. 36 Therefore mine heart shall sounde for Moab like a shaume, and mine heart shall sound like a shaume for the men of Ker-heres. 37 because the riches that he hath gotten, is perished. For every head shalbe balde, and euery beard plucked: vpon all the han-38 des shall be cuttings, and vpon the loynes sackecloth. mourning shall be vpon all the house toppes of Moab and in all the streetes thereof: for I haue broken Moab like a vessell 39 wherein is no pleasure, sayeth the Lord. They shall howle, saying, How is he destroyed? howe hath Moab turned the backe with shame? so shall Moab be a derision, and a feare 40 to all them about him. For thus saith the Lord, Beholde, he shall flee as an eagle, and shall spread his wings ouer Moab. 41 The cities are taken, and the strong holdes are wonne, and ye mightie mens hearts in Moab at that day shalbe as ye heart of 42 a woman in trauaile. And Moab shall be destroyed from being a people, because he hath set vp himselfe against the Lord. 43 Feare, and pit and snare shall be vpon thee, O inhabitant of 44 Moab, saith the Lord. He that escapeth from the feare, shall fall in the pit, and he that getteth vp out of the pit, shall be taken in the snare: for I will bring vpon it, euen vpon Moab, 45 the yeere of their visitation, sayeth the Lord. They that fled, stoode vnder the shadowe of Heshbon, because of the force: for the fire came out of Heshbon, and a flame from Sihon, and deuoured the corner of Moab, and the top of the seditious children. 46 Wo be vnto thee, O Moab: the people of Chemosh perisheth: for thy sonnes are taken captiues, and thy daughters led into 47 captiuitie. Yet will I bring againe the captiuitie of Moab in the latter dayes, sayeth the Lord. Thus farre of the judgement of Moab.

Unto the children of Ammon thus saith the Lord, Hath Is- 49 rael no sonnes? or hath he none heire? Why then hath their king possessed God? and his people dwelt in his cities? There- 2 fore beholde the dayes come, sayeth the Lord, that I will cause a novse of warre to be heard in Rabbah of the Ammonites, and it shall be a desolate heape, and her daughters shall be burnt with fire: then shall Israel possesse those that possessed him, saveth the Lord. Howle, O Heshbon, for Ai is wasted: crie ve 3 daughters of Rabbah: girde you with sackecloth: mourne and runne to and from by the hedges: for their King shall goe into captiuitie; and his Priestes, and his princes likewise. Where- 4 fore gloriest thou in the valleis? thy valley floweth away, O rebellious daughter: she trusted in her treasures, saving, Who shall come vnto me? Beholde, I will bring a feare vpon thee, 5 savth the Lord God of hostes, of all those that be about thee. and ye shalbe scattered euery man right foorth, and none shall gather him that fleeth. And afterward I will bring againe the 6 captiuitie of the children of Ammon. To Edom thus sayeth the 7 Lord of hostes: Is wisdome no more in Teman? is counsel perished from their children? is their wisdome vanished? Flee, 8 ye inhabitants of Dedan ( they are turned backe, and haue consulted to dwell) for I have brought the destruction of Esau vpon him, and the time of his visitation. If the grape gatherers 9 come to thee, would they not leave some grapes? if theeues come by night, they will destroy till they have ynough. I have discovered Esau: I have vncouered his secrets, and he shall not be able to hide himselfe: his seede is wasted, and his brethren and his neighbours, and there shall be none to say, Leaue thy fathers children, and I will preserue them aliue, and 11 let thy widowes trust in me. For thus sayth the Lord, Beholde, 12 they whose judgement was not to drinke of the cuppe, have assuredly drunken, and art thou he that shall escape free? thou shalt not goe free, but thou shalt surely drinke of it. For I 13 haue sworne by my selfe, sayeth the Lord, that Bozrah shall be waste, and for a reproche, and a desolation, and a curse, and all the cities thereof shall be perpetual desolations. haue heard a rumour from the Lord, and an ambassadour is sent vnto the heathen, saying, Gather you together, and come against her, and rise vp to the battell. For loe, I will make 15

thee but small among the heathen, and despised among men. 16 Thy feare, and ye pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the cleftes of the rocke, and keepest the height of ye hil: though thou shouldest make thy nest as hie as the 17 eagle, I wil bring thee downe from thece, sayth the Lord. Also Edom shall be desolate: euery one that goeth by it, shall be as-18 tonished, and shall hisse at all the plagues thereof, As in the ouerthrowe of Sodom, and of Gomorah, and the places thereof neere about, saieth the Lord: no man shall dwell there, nei-19 ther shall the sonnes of men remaine in it. Beholde, hee shall come vp like a lyon from the swelling of Iorden vnto the strong dwelling place: for I will make Israel to rest, euen I will make him to haste away from her, and who is a chosen man that I may appoynt against her? for who is like mee? and who will appoint me the time? and who is the shepheard that will 20 stande before me? Therefore heare the counsell of the Lord that hee hath deuised against Edom, and his purpose that hee hath conceived against the inhabitants of Teman: surely the least of the flocke shall drawe them out: surely he shall make 21 their habitations desolate with them. The earth is mooned at the noyse of their fall: the crie of their voice is heard in 22 the red Sea. Behold, he shall come vp, and flie as the Egle, and spreade his wings ouer Bozrah, and at that day shall the heart of the strong men of Edome be as the heart of a woman 23 in trauaile. Vnto Damascus he sayeth, Hamath is confounded and Arpad, for they have heard euill tidings, and they are faint 24 hearted as one on the fearefull sea that can not rest. Damascus is discouraged, and turneth her selfe to flight and feare hath seased her: anguish and sorowes haue taken her as a 25 woman in trauaile. How is the glorious citie not reserved, 26 the citie of my ioy? Therefore her yong men shall fall in her streetes, and all her men of warre shall be cut off in that day, 27 sayeth the Lord of hostes. And I will kindle a fire in the wall of 28 Damascus, which shall cosume the palaces of Benhadad. Vnto Kedar, and to the kingdomes of Hazor, which Nebuchad-nezzar, king of Babel shall smite, thus sayeth the Lord, Arise, and goe 29 vp vnto Kedar, and destroy the men of the East. Their tents and their flocks shall they take away: yea, they shall take to themselues their curtaines and all their vessels, and their camels, and they shall crie vnto them, Feare is on euery side.

Flee, get you farre off (they have consulted to dwell) O ye in- 30 habitants of Hazor, saith the Lord: for Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel hath taken counsell against you, and hath deuised a purpose against you. Arise, and get you vp vnto the welthy 31 nation that dwelleth without care, saith the Lord, which haue neither gates nor barres, but dwel alone. And their camels 32 shall be a bootie, and the multitude of their cattel a spoile, and I will scatter them into all windes, and to the vtmost corners, and I will bring their destruction from al the sides thereof, sayeth the Lord. And Hazor shall be a dwelling for dragons, 33 and desolation for euer: there shall no man dwell there, nor the sonnes of men remaine in it. The woordes of the Lord that 34 came to Ieremiah the Prophet, concerning Elam, in the beginning of the reigne of Zedekiah King of Iudah, saving. Thus 35 sayeth the Lord of hostes, Beholde, I will breake the bowe of Elam, euen the chiefe of their strength. And vpon Elam I will 36 bring the foure windes from the foure quarters of heaven, and will scatter them towardes all these windes, and there shall bee no nation, whither the fugitiues of Elam shall not come. For I will cause Elam to be afraied before their enemies, and 37 before them that seeke their liues, and will bring vpon them a plague, euen the indignation of my wrath, saieth the Lord, and I wil sende the sworde after them till I haue consumed them. And I wil set my throne in Elam, and I wil destroy both the 38 King and the princes from thence, saith the Lord: but in the latter daies I wil bring againe the captiuitie of Elam, sayeth the Lord.

The word that the Lord spake, concerning Babel, and cocerning the land of the Caldeans by the ministerie of Ieremiah the Prophet. Declare among the nations, and publish it, and set vp a standart, proclaime it and conceale it not: say, Babel is taken, Bel is confounded, Merodach is broken downe: her idols are confounded, and their images are burst in pieces. For out of the North there commeth vp a nation against her, which shall make her lande waste, and none shall dwel therein: they shall flee, and depart, both man and beast. In those daies, and at that time, sayeth the Lord, the children of Israel shall come, they, and the children of Iudah together, going, and weeping shall they goe, and seeke the Lord their God. They shall aske the way to Zion, with their faces thitherward, saying, Come,

and let vs cleaue to the Lord in a perpetuall couenant that 6 shall not be forgotten. My people hath beene as lost sheepe: their shepheards have caused them to goe astray, and have turned them away to the mountaines: they have gone from 7 mountaine to hil, and forgotten their resting place. Al that found them, have devoured them, and their enemies saide, We offende not, because they have sinned against the Lord, the habitation of iustice, euen the Lord the hope of their fa-Flee from the middes of Babel, and depart out of the lande of the Caldeans, and be ye as the hee goates before the For loe, I will raise, and cause to come vp against Babel a multitude of mightie natios from the North countrey, and they shall set themselues in aray against her, whereby shee shall be taken: their arrowes shall be as of a strong man, 10 which is expert, for none shall returne in vaine. And Caldea shalbe a spoyle: all that spoyle her, shalbe satisfied, sayth 11 the Lord. Because yee were glad and reioyced in destroying mine heritage, and because ye are growen fatte, as the calues 12 in the grasse, and neied like strong horses, Therefore your mother shall bee sore confounded, and she that bare you, shall be ashamed: beholde, the vttermost of the nations shalbe a 13 desert, a drie land, and a wildernes. Because of the wrath of the Lord it shall not be inhabited, but shall be wholy desolate: euery one that goeth by Babel, shall be astonished, and 14 hisse at all her plagues. Put your selues in aray against Babel rounde about: all ye that bende the bowe, shoote at her, 15 spare no arrowes: for shee hath sinned against the Lord. Crie against her round about: she hath given her hand: her foundations are fallen, and her walles are destroyed: for it is the vengeance of the Lord: take vengeance vpon her: as she hath 16 done, doe vnto her. Destroy the sower from Babel, and him that handleth the sieth in the time of haruest: because of the sworde of the oppressor they shall turne euery one to his peo-17 ple, and they shall flee euery one to his owne land. Israel is like scattered sheepe: the lions have dispersed them: first the King of Asshur hath deuoured him, and last this Nebuchad-18 nezzar King, of Babel hath broken his bones. Therefore thus saith the Lord of hostes the God of Israel, Behold, I wil visit ye King of Babel, and his land, as I haue visited the King of 19 Asshur. And I will bring Israel againe to his habitation: hee

shall feede on Carmel and Bashan, and his soule shall be satisfied vpon the mount Ephraim and Gilead. In those daies, 20 and at that time, sayeth the Lord, the iniquitie of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none: and the sinnes of Iudah, and they shall not be founde: for I will be mercifull vnto them, whome I reserve. Goe vp against the lande of the re- 21 belles, euen against it, and against the inhabitantes of Pekod: destroy, and lay it waste after them, saieth the Lord, and doe according to all that I have commanded thee. A crie of battell 22 is in the land, and of great destruction. Howe is the hammer 23 of the whole world destroied, and broken! howe is Babel become desolate among the nations! I have snared thee, and 24 thou art taken, O Babel, and thou wast not aware: thou art found, and also caught, because thou hast striuen against the Lord. The Lord hath opened his treasure, and hath brought 25 foorth the weapons of his wrath: for this is the woorke of the Lord God of hostes in the lande of the Caldeans. Come against 26 her from the vtmost border: open her store houses: treade on her as on sheaues, and destroy her vtterly: let nothing of her be left. Destroy all her bullockes: let them goe downe to the 27 slaughter. Wo vnto them, for their day is come, and the time of their visitation. The voyce of them that flee, and escape 28 out of the lande of Babel to declare in Zion the vengeance of the Lord our God, and the vengeance of his Temple. Call vp 29 the archers against Babel: al ye that bend the bow, besiege it rounde about: let none thereof escape: recompence her according to her worke, and according to all that she hath done, doe vnto her: for she hath bene proud against the Lord, euen against the holy one of Israel. Therefore shall her yong men 30 fall in the streetes, and al her men of warre shalbe destroied in that day, sayeth the Lord. Beholde, I come vnto thee, O 31 proude man, saith the Lord God of hostes: for thy day is come, euen the time that I will visite thee. And the proude shall 32 stumble and fall, and none shall raise him vp: and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall deuoure all round about him. Thus saieth the Lord of hosts, The children of Israel, and the 33 children of Iudah were oppressed together: and all that tooke them captiues, held them, and would not let them goe. But 34 their strong redeemer, whose Name is the Lord of hostes, he shall maintaine their cause, that he may give rest to the lande,

35 and disguiet the inhabitants of Babel. A sworde is vpon the Caldeans, sayeth the Lord, and vpon the inhabitants of Ba-36 bel, and vpon her princes, and vpon her wise men. A sworde is vpon the soothsaiers, and they shall dote: a sword is vpon 37 her strong men, and they shalbe afraide. A sworde is vpon their horses and vpon their charets, and vpon all the multitude that are in the middes of her, and they shall be like women: a 38 sworde is vpon her treasures, and they shall be spoyled. drought is vpon her waters, and they shall be dried vp: for it is the lande of grauen images, and they dote vpon their idoles. 39 Therefore the Ziims with the Iims shall dwel there, and the ostriches shall dwel therein: for it shall be no more inhabited. neither shall it be inhabited from generation vnto generation. 40 As God destroied Sodom and Gomorah with the places thereof neere about, sayeth the Lord: so shall no man dwell theere, 41 neither shall the sonne of man remaine therein. a people shall come from the North, and a great nation, and many Kings shall be raised vp from the coastes of the earth. 42 They shall holde the bowe and the buckeler: they are cruell and vnmercifull: their voyce shall roare like the sea, and they shall ride vpon horses, and be put in aray like men to the bat-43 tell against thee, O daughter of Babel. The King of Babel hath heard the report of them, and his hands waxed feeble: sorow 44 came vpon him, euen sorowe as of a woman in trauaile. Beholde, hee shall come vp like a lyon from the swelling of Iorden vnto the strong habitation: for I will make Israel to rest, and I will make them to haste away from her: and who is a chosen man that I may appoynt against her? for who is like me, and who will appoynt me the time? and who is the shepheard that 45 will stande before me? Therefore heare the counsell of the Lord that hee hath deuised against Babel, and his purpose that hee hath conceived against the lande of the Caldeans: surely the least of the flocke shall drawe them out: surely he shall 46 make their habitation desolate with them. At the novse of the winning of Babel the earth is moued, and the crye is heard among the nations.

Thus sayth the Lord, Beholde, I wil raise vp against Babel, and against the inhabitants that lift vp their heart against me,
a destroying wind, And wil send vnto Babel fanners that shall fanne her, and shall empty her land: for in the day of trouble

they shalbe against her on euery side. Also to the bender that 3 bendeth his bowe, and to him that lifteth himselfe vp in his brigandine, will I say, Spare not her yong men, but destroy all her hoste. Thus the slaine shall fall in the lande of the 4 Caldeans, and they that are thrust through in her streetes. For Israel hath bene no widowe, nor Iudah from his God, from 5 the Lord of hostes, though their lande was filled with sinne against the holy one of Israel. Flee out of the middes of Ba- 6 bel, and deliuer euery man his soule: be not destroyed in her iniquitie: for this is the time of the Lordes vengeance he will render vnto her a recompence. Babel hath bene as a golden 7 cuppe in the Lordes hand, that made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her wine, therefore do the nations rage. Babel is suddenly fallen, and destroyed: howle for 8 her, bring balme for her sore, if she may be healed. We would 9 haue cured Babel, but she could not be healed: forsake her, and let vs go euery one into his owne countrey: for her judgement is come vp vnto heauen, and is lifted vp to ye cloudes. Lord hath brought forth our righteousnesse: come and let vs declare in Zion the worke of the Lord our God. Make bright 11 the arrowes: gather the shieldes: the Lord hath raised vp the spirit of the King of the Medes: for his purpose is against Babel to destroy it, because it is the vengeance of the Lord, and the vengeance of his Temple. Set vp the standart vpon the 12 walles of Babel, make the watch strong: set vp the watchmen: prepare the skoutes: for the Lord hath both deuised, and done that which he spake against the inhabitantes of Babel. O thou 13 that dwellest vpon many waters, abundant in treasures, thine ende is come, euen the ende of thy couetousnes. The Lord of 14 hostes hath sworne by him selfe, saying, Surely I will fill thee with men, as with caterpillers, and they shall cry and shoute against thee. He hath made the earth by his power, and estab- 15 lished the world by his wisedome, and hath stretched out the heauen by his discretion. Hee giueth by his voyce the mul- 16 titude of waters in the heauen, and he causeth the cloudes to ascend from the endes of the earth: he turneth lightnings to raine, and bringeth forth the winde out of his treasures. Eu- 17 ery man is a beast by his owne knowledge: euery founder is confounded by the grauen image: for his melting is but falsehood, and there is no breath therein. They are vanitie, and 18

the worke of errours: in the time of their visitation they shall 19 perish. The portion of Iaakob is not like them: for he is the maker of all things, and Israel is the rodde of his inheritance: 20 the Lord of hostes is his Name. Thou art mine hammer, and weapons of warre: for with thee will I breake the nations, and 21 with thee wil I destroy kingdomes, And by thee wil I breake horse and horseman, and by thee will I breake the charet and 22 him that rideth therein. By thee also will I breake man and woman, and by thee wil I breake olde and yong, and by thee wil 23 I breake the yong man and the mayde. I wil also breake by thee the shepheard and his flocke, and by thee will I breake the husband man and his yoke of oxen, and by thee will I breake 24 the dukes and princes. And I will render vnto Babel, and to all the inhabitants of the Caldeans all their euil, that they 25 haue done in Zion, euen in your sight, sayth the Lord. Beholde, I come vnto thee, O destroying mountaine, sayth the Lord, which destroyest all the earth: and I will stretch out mine hand vpon thee, and rolle thee downe from the rockes, 26 and wil make thee a burnt mountaine. They shall not take of thee a stone for a corner, nor a stone for foundations, but thou 27 shalt be destroyed for euer, sayth the Lord. Set vp a standard in the lande: blowe the trumpets among the nations: prepare the nations against her: call vp the kingdomes of Ararat. Minni, and Ashchenaz against her: appoynt the prince against 28 her: cause horses to come vp as the rough caterpillers. Prepare against her the nations with the Kings of the Medes, the dukes thereof, and the princes thereof, and all the land of his And the land shall tremble and sorow: for the 29 dominion deuise of the Lord shalbe performed against Babel, to make 30 the lande of Babel waste without an inhabitant. The strong men of Babel haue ceased to fight: they haue remayned in their holdes: their strength hath fayled, and they were like women: they have burnt her dwelling places, and her barres are bro-31 ken. A post shall runne to meete the post, and a messenger to meete the messenger, to shew the King of Babel, that his citie 32 is taken on a side thereof, And that the passages are stopped, and the reedes burnt with fire, and the me of war troubled. 33 For thus sayth the Lord of hosts the God of Israel, the daughter of Babel is like a threshing floore: the time of her threshing is come: yet a litle while, and the time of her haruest shall

come. Nebuchad-nezzar the King of Babel hath deuoured me, 34 and destroyed me: he hath made me an emptie vessel: he swallowed mee vp like a dragon, and filled his belly with my delicates, and hath cast me out. The spoyle of me, and that which 35 was left of me, is brought vnto Babel, shall the inhabitant of Zion say: and my blood vnto the inhabitantes of Caldea, shall Ierusalem say. Therefore thus sayth the Lord, Beholde, I will 36 maintayne thy cause, and take vengeance for thee, and I will drie vp the sea, and drie vp her springes. And Babel shall 37 be as heapes, a dwelling place for dragons, an astonishment, and an hissing, without an inhabitant. They shall rore to- 38 gether like lions, and yell as the lyons whelpes. In their heate 39 I will make them feastes, and I wil make them drunken, that they may rejoyce, and sleepe a perpetual sleepe, and not wake, sayth the Lord. I wil bring them downe like lambes to the 40 slaughter, and like rams and goates. How is Sheshach taken! 41 and howe is the glory of the whole earth taken! how is Babel become an astonishment among the nations! The sea is 42 come vp vpon Babel: he is couered with the multitude of the waves thereof. Her cities are desolate: the land is dry and a 43 wildernes, a land wherein no man dwelleth, neither doth the sonne of man passe thereby. I wil also visite Bel in Babel, and 44 I wil bring out of his mouth, that which he hath swallowed vp, and the nations shall runne no more vnto him, and the wall of Babel shall fall. My people, go out of the middes of her, and 45 deliuer yee euery man his soule from the fierce wrath of the Lord, Least your heart euen faynt, and ye feare the rumour, 46 that shalbe heard in the land: the rumour shall come this yeere, and after that in the other yeere shall come a rumour, and crueltie in the land, and ruler against ruler. Therefore 47 beholde, the dayes come, that I will visite the images of Babel, and the whole land shalbe confounded, and all her slayne shall fall in the middes of her. Then the heauen and the earth, and 48 all that is therein, shall reioyce for Babel: for the destroyers shall come vnto her from the North, saith the Lord. As Babel 49 caused the slaine of Israel to fal, so by Babel the slaine of all the earth did fall. Ye that have escaped the sworde, goe away, 50 stand not still: remember the Lord a farre of, and let Ierusalem come into your minde. Wee are confounded because wee haue 51 heard reproch: shame hath couered our faces, for straungers

52 are come into the Sanctuaries of the Lordes House. Wherefore behold, the dayes come, sayth the Lord, that I will visite her grauen images, and through all her land the wounded shall 53 grone. Though Babel should mount vp to heaven, and though shee should defend her strength on hye, yet from mee shall 54 her destroyers come, sayth the Lord. A sound of a cry commeth from Babel, and great destruction from the land of the 55 Caldeans, Because the Lord hath layde Babel waste and destroyed from her the great voyce, and her waues shall roare 56 like great waters, and a sounde was made by their noyse: Because the destroyer is come vpon her, euen vpon Babel, and her strong men are taken, their bowes are broken: for the Lord 57 God that recompenceth, shall surely recompence. And I will make drunke her princes, and her wise men, her dukes, and her nobles, and her strong men: and they shall sleepe a perpetuall sleepe, and not wake, sayth the King, whose Name is 58 the Lord of hostes. Thus saith the Lord of hostes, The thicke wall of Babel shalbe broken, and her hie gates shall be burnt with fire, and the people shall labour in vaine, and the folke in 59 ye fire, for they shalbe weary. The worde which Ieremiah the Prophet commanded Sheraiah the sonne of Neriiah, the sonne of Maaseiah, when he went with Zedekiah the King of Iudah into Babel, in the fourth yeere of his reigne: and this Sheraiah 60 was a peaceable prince. So Ieremiah wrote in a booke all the euill that should come vpon Babel: euen al these things, that 61 are written against Babel. And Ieremiah sayd to Sheraiah, Whe thou commest vnto Babel, and shalt see, and shalt reade 62 all these wordes. Then shalt thou say, O Lord, thou hast spoken against this place, to destroy it, that none should remaine in it, neither man nor beast, but that it should be desolate 63 for euer. And when thou hast made an ende of reading this booke, thou shalt binde a stone to it, and cast it in the middes 64 of Euphrates, And shalt say, Thus shall Babel be drowned, and shall not rise from the euil, that I will bring vpon her: and they shall be weary. Thus farre are the wordes of Ieremiah.

Zedekiah was one and twentie yeere olde when he began to reigne, and he reigned eleuen yeeres in Ierusalem, and his mothers name was Hamutal, the daughter of Ieremiah of Lib-2 nah. And he did euil in the eyes of the Lord, according to all 3 that Iehoiakim had done. Doubtlesse because the wrath of the Lord was against Ierusalem and Iudah, till he had cast them out from his presence, therefore Zedekiah rebelled against the But in the ninth yeere of his reigne, in the 4 King of Babel. tenth moneth the tenth day of the moneth came Nebuchadnezzar King of Babel, he and all his hoste against Ierusalem, and pitched against it, and buylt fortes against it round about. So the citie was besieged vnto the eleuenth yeere of the King 5 Zedekiah. Now in the fourth moneth, the ninth day of the 6 moneth, the famine was sore in ye citie, so that there was no more bread for ye people of the land. Then the citie was bro-7 ken vp and all the men of warre fled, and went out of the citie by night, by the way of the gate betweene the two walles, which was by the kings garden: (now the Caldeans were by the citie round about) and they went by the way of the wildernes. But 8 the army of the Caldeans pursued after the king, and tooke Zedekiah in the desert of Iericho, and all his host was scattered from him. Then they tooke the king and carved him vp 9 vnto the king of Babel to Riblah in the lande of Hamath, where he gaue judgement vpon him. And the king of Babel slewe the 10 sonnes of Zedekiah, before his eyes he slew also al ye princes of Iudah in Riblah. Then he put out the eyes of Zedekiah, and 11 the king of Babel bound him in chaines, and caried him to Babel, and put him in pryson till the day of his death. Now in 12 the fift moneth in the tenth day of the moneth (which was the nineteenth yere of ye King Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel) came Nebuzar-adan chiefe steward which stoode before the king of Babel in Ierusalem, And burnt the House of the Lord, 13 and the Kings house, and all the houses of Ierusalem, and all the great houses burnt he with fire. And al the armie of the 14 Caldeans that were with the chiefe steward, brake downe all ve walles of Ierusalem round about. Then Nebuzar-adan the 15 chiefe steward caried away captiue certaine of the poore of the people, and the residue of the people that remayned in the citie, and those that were fled, and fallen to the king of Babel, with the rest of the multitude. But Nebuzar-adan the 16 chiefe steward left certaine of the poore of the lande, to dresse the vines, and to till the land. Also the pillars of brasse that 17 were in the House of the Lord, and the bases, and the brasen Sea, that was in the house of ye Lord, the Caldeans brake, and caried all the brasse of them to Babel. The pots also and 18

the besomes, and the instruments of musicke, and the basins, and the incense dishes, and all the vessels of brasse where-19 with they ministred, tooke they away. And the bowles, and the ashpannes, and the basins, and the pots, and the candlestickes, and the incense dishes, and the cuppes, and all that was of golde, and that was of siluer, tooke the chiefe stew-20 ard away, With the two pillars, one Sea, and twelue brasen bulles, that were vnder the bases, which King Salomon had made in ye house of ye Lord: the brasse of all these vessels 21 was without weight. And concerning the pillars, the height of one pillar was eighteene cubites, and a threede of twelue cubites did compasse it, and the thicknesse thereof was foure fin-22 gers: it was holowe. And a chapiter of brasse was vpon it, and the height of one chapiter was fiue cubites with networke, and pomegranates vpon the chapiters round about, all of brasse: the seconde pillar also, and the pomegranates were like vnto And there were ninetie and sixe pomegranates on a side: and all the pomegranates vpon the net worke were an 24 hundreth round about. And the chiefe steward tooke Sheraiah the chiefe Priest, and Zephaniah the seconde Priest, and 25 the three keepers of the doore. Hee tooke also out of the citie an Eunuch, which had the ouersight of the men of warre, and seuen men that were in the Kings presence, which were founde in the citie, and Sopher captayne of the hoste who mustered the people of the lande, and threescore men of the people of 26 the land, that were found in the middes of the citie. Nebuzaradan the chiefe stewarde tooke them, and brought them to 27 the king of Babel to Riblah. And the king of Babel smote them, and slewe them in Riblah, in the lande of Hamath: thus Iudah was caried away captiue out of his owne land. is the people, whome Nebuchad-nezzar caried away captiue, in the seuenth yeere, euen three thousande Iewes, and three 29 and twentie. In the eightenth yere of Nebuchad-nezzar he caried away captiue from Ierusalem eight hundreth thirtie and 30 two persons. In the three and twentieth yeere of Nebuchadnezzar, Nebuzar-adan the chiefe stewarde caried away captiue of the Iewes seuen hundreth fourtie and fiue persons: all the 31 persons were foure thousand and sixe hundreth. And in the seuen and thirtieth yeere of the captiuitie of Iehoiachin King of Iudah, in the twelfth moneth, in the fiue and twentieth day of the moneth, Euil-merodach King of Babel, in the first yeere of his reigne, lifted vp the head of Iehoiachin King of Iudah, and brought him out of pryson, And spake kindly vnto him, and 32 set his throne aboue the throne of the Kings, that were with him in Babel, And changed his pryson garmentes, and he did 33 continually eate bread before him all the dayes of his life. His 34 porcion was a continuall portion giuen him of ye king of Babel, euery day a certaine, all the dayes of his life vntill he died.

## THE LAMENTATIONS OF JEREMIAH.

owe doeth the citie remaine solitarie that was full of people? she is as a widowe: she that was great among the nations, and princesse among the prouinces, is made tributarie. She weepeth continually in the night, and her teares runne downe by her cheekes: among all her louers, she hath none to comfort her: all her friendes haue delt 3 vnfaithfully with her, and are her enemies. Iudah is caried away captiue because of affliction, and because of great seruitude: shee dwelleth among the heathen, and findeth no rest: 4 all her persecuters tooke her in the straites. The wayes of Zion lament, because no man commeth to the solemne feastes: all her gates are desolate: her Priests sigh: her virgins are discom-<sup>5</sup> fited, and she is in heauinesse. Her aduersaries are the chiefe, and her enemies prosper: for the Lord hath afflicted her, for the multitude of her transgressions, and her children are gone into 6 captiuitie before the enemie. And from the daughter of Zion all her beautie is departed: her princes are become like harts that finde no pasture, and they are gone without strength be-7 fore the pursuer. Ierusalem remembred the dayes of her affliction, and of her rebellion, and all her pleasant things, that shee had in times past, when her people fell into the hande of the enemie, and none did helpe her: the aduersarie sawe her, and did 8 mocke at her Sabbaths. Ierusalem hath grieuously sinned, therefore shee is in derision: all that honoured her, despise her, because they have seene her filthinesse: yea, she sigheth 9 and turneth backeward. Her filthinesse is in her skirts: she remembred not her last ende, therefore she came downe wonderfully: she had no comforter: O Lord, behold mine affliction: 10 for the enemie is proud. The enemie hath stretched out his hande vpon al her pleasant things: for she hath seene the heathen enter into her Sanctuarie, whom thou diddest commande, 11 that they shoulde not enter into thy Church. All her people sigh and seeke their bread: they have given their pleasant thinges for meate to refresh the soule: see, O Lord, and consider: for I am become vile. Haue ye no regarde, all yee that 12 passe by this way? behold, and see, if there be any sorowe like vnto my sorowe, which is done vnto mee, wherewith the Lord hath afflicted me in the day of his fierce wrath. From aboue 13 hath hee sent fire into my bones, which preuaile against them: he hath spred a net for my feete, and turned me backe: hee hath made me desolate, and daily in heauinesse. The voke of 14 my transgressions is bounde vpon his hand: they are wrapped, and come vp vpon my necke: hee hath made my strength to fall: the Lord hath deliuered me into their hands, neither am I able to rise vp. The Lord hath troden vnder foote all my 15 valiant men in the middes of me: he hath called an assembly against me to destroy my yong men: the Lord hath troden the wine presse vpon the virgine the daughter of Iudah. For these 16 things I weepe: mine eye, euen mine eye casteth out water, because the comforter that should refresh my soule, is farre from me: my children are desolate, because the enemie preuailed. Zion stretcheth out her handes, and there is none to comfort 17 her: the Lord hath appointed the enemies of Iaakob rounde about him: Ierusalem is as a menstruous woman in the middes of them. The Lord is righteous: for I have rebelled against his 18 commandement: heare, I pray you, all people, and behold my sorowe: my virgins and my vong men are gone into captiuitie. I called for my louers, but they deceived me: my Priestes and 19 mine Elders perished in the citie while they sought their meate to refresh their soules. Behold, O Lord, howe I am troubled: 20 my bowels swell: mine heart is turned within me, for I am ful of heauinesse: the sword spoyleth abroad, as death doeth at home. They have heard that I mourne, but there is none 21 to comfort mee: all mine enemies haue heard of my trouble, and are glad, that thou hast done it: thou wilt bring the day, that thou hast pronounced, and they shalbe like vnto me. Let 22 all their wickednes come before thee: do vnto them, as thou hast done vnto me, for all my transgressions: for my sighes are many, and mine heart is heavy.

How hath the Lord darkened the daughter of Zion in his **2** wrath! and hath cast downe from heauen vnto the earth the beautie of Israel, and remembred not his footestoole in the day of his wrath! The Lord hath destroyed al the habitations of <sup>2</sup> Iaakob, and not spared: he hath throwen downe in his wrath ye

strong holds of the daughter of Iudah: he hath cast the downe to ye ground: he hath polluted the kingdome and the princes 3 thereof. Hee hath cut off in his fierce wrath all the horne of Israel: he hath drawen backe his right hand from before the enemie, and there was kindled in Iaakob like a flame of fire, 4 which deuoured rounde about. He hath bent his bowe like an enemie: his right hand was stretched vp as an aduersarie, and slewe al that was pleasant to the eye in the tabernacle of the 5 daughter of Zion: he powred out his wrath like fire. The Lord was as an enemie: he hath deuoured Israel, and consumed all his palaces: hee hath destroyed his strong holdes, and hath increased in the daughter of Iudah lamentation and mourning. 6 For hee hath destroyed his Tabernacle, as a garden, hee hath destroyed his Congregation: the Lord hath caused the feastes and Sabbathes to bee forgotten in Zion, and hath despised in 7 the indignation of his wrath the King and the Priest. Lord hath forsaken his altar: he hath abhorred his Sanctuarie: he hath giue into the hand of the enemie the walles of her palaces: they have made a noyse in the House of the Lord, 8 as in the day of solemnitie. The Lord hath determined to destroy the wall of the daughter of Zion: hee stretched out a lyne: hee hath not withdrawen his hande from destroying: therefore hee made the rampart and the wall to lament: they were de-9 stroyed together. Her gates are sunke to the grounde: he hath destroyed and broken her barres: her King and her princes are among the Gentiles: the Lawe is no more, neither can her 10 Prophets receive any vision from the Lord. The Elders of the daughter of Zion sit vpon the grounde, and keepe silence: they haue cast vp dust vpon their heades: they haue girded them selues with sackecloth: the virgines of Ierusalem hang downe 11 their heades to the ground. Mine eyes doe saile with teares: my bowels swell: my liuer is powred vpon the earth, for the destruction of the daughter of my people, because the children 12 and sucklings swoone in the streetes of the citie. They have sayd to their mothers, Where is bread and drinke? when they swooned as the wounded in the streetes of the citie, and whe 13 they gaue vp the ghost in their mothers bosome. What thing shall I take to witnesse for thee? what thing shall I compare to thee, O daughter Ierusalem? what shall I liken to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgine daughter Zion? for thy breach

is great like ye sea: who can heale thee? Thy Prophets haue 14 looked out vayne, and foolish things for thee, and they have not discouered thine iniquitie, to turne away thy captiuitie, but haue looked out for thee false prophesies, and causes of banishment. All that passe by the way, clap their hands at thee: 15 they hisse and wagge their head vpon the daughter Ierusalem, saying, Is this the citie that men call, The perfection of beautie, and the ioye of the whole earth? All thine enemies haue 16 opened their mouth against thee: they hisse and gnashe the teeth, saying, Let vs deuoure it: certainely this is the day that we looked for: we have founde and seene it. The Lord hath 17 done that which he had purposed: he hath fulfilled his worde that he had determined of old time: he hath throwen downe, and not spared: hee hath caused thine enemie to reioyce ouer thee, and set vp the horne of thine aduersaries. Their heart 18 cryed vnto the Lord, O wall of the daughter Zion, let teares runne downe like a riuer, day and night: take thee no rest, neither let the apple of thine eye cease. Arise, cry in the night: in 19 the beginning of the watches powre out thine heart like water before the face of the Lord: lift vp thine handes towarde him for the life of thy yong children, that faint for hunger in the corners of all the streetes. Beholde, O Lord, and consider to 20 whome thou hast done thus: shall the women eate their fruite. and children of a spanne long? shall the Priest and the Prophet be slaine in the Sanctuarie of the Lord? The yong and the olde 21 lie on the ground in the streetes: my virgins and my yong men are fallen by the sworde: thou hast slaine them in the day of thy wrath: thou hast killed and not spared. Thou hast called 22 as in a solemne daye my terrours rounde about, so that in the day of the Lordes wrath none escaped nor remained: those that I have nourished and brought vp, hath mine enemie consumed.

I am the man, that hath seene affliction in the rod of his indignation. He hath ledde mee, and brought me into darkenes, 2 but not to light. Surely he is turned against me: he turneth 3 his hand against me all the day. My flesh and my skinne 4 hath he caused to waxe olde, and he hath broken my bones. He hath builded against me, and compassed me with gall, and 5 labour. He hath set me in darke places, as they that be dead 6 for euer. He hath hedged about mee, that I cannot get out: he 7 hath made my chaines heauy. Also when I cry and showte, hee 8

9 shutteth out my prayer. He hath stopped vp my wayes with 10 hewen stone, and turned away my paths. He was vnto me as 11 a beare lying in waite, and as a Lion in secret places. He hath stopped my wayes, and pulled me in pieces: he hath made me 12 desolate. He hath bent his bow and made me a marke for the 13 arrow. Hee caused the arrowes of his quiuer to enter into my 14 reines. I was a derision to all my people, and their song all the 15 day. He hath filled me with bitternes, and made me drunken 16 with wormewood. He hath also broken my teeth with stones, 17 and hath couered me with ashes. Thus my soule was farre 18 off from peace: I forgate prosperitie, And I saide, My strength 19 and mine hope is perished from the Lord, Remembring mine 20 affliction, and my mourning, the wormewood and the gall. Mv 21 soule hath them in remembrance, and is humbled in me. 22 consider this in mine heart: therefore haue I hope. It is the Lordes mercies that wee are not consumed, because his com-23 passions faile not. They are renued every morning: great is 24 thy faithfulnesse. The Lord is my portion, sayth my soule: 25 therefore wil I hope in him. The Lord is good vnto them, that 26 trust in him, and to the soule that seeketh him. It is good 27 both to trust, and to waite for the saluation of the Lord. It is 28 good for a man that he beare the yoke in his youth. He sitteth alone, and keepeth silence, because he hath borne it vpon 29 him. He putteth his mouth in the dust, if there may be hope. 30 Hee giueth his cheeke to him that smiteth him: he is filled full 31, 32 with reproches. For the Lord will not forsake for euer. though he sende affliction, yet will he haue compassion accord-33 ing to the multitude of his mercies. For he doeth not punish 34 willingly, nor afflict the children of men, In stamping vnder 35 his feete all the prisoners of the earth, In ouerthrowing the 36 right of a man before the face of the most high, In subuerting 37 a man in his cause: the Lord seeth it not. Who is he then that sayth, and it commeth to passe, and the Lord commandeth it 38 not? Out of the mouth of the most high proceedeth not euill 39 and good? Wherefore then is the liuing man sorowfull? man 40 suffreth for his sinne. Let vs search and try our wayes, and 41 turne againe to the Lord. Let vs lift vp our hearts with our 42 handes vnto God in the heauens. We have sinned, and have 43 rebelled, therefore thou hast not spared. Thou hast couered vs with wrath, and persecuted vs: thou hast slaine and not

spared. Thou hast couered thy selfe with a cloude, that our 44 prayer should not passe through. Thou hast made vs as the 45 ofscouring and refuse in the middes of the people. All our ene- 46 mies haue opened their mouth against vs. Feare, and a snare 47 is come vpon vs with desolation and destruction. Mine eye 48 casteth out rivers of water, for the destruction of the daughter of my people. Mine eye droppeth without stay and ceaseth 49 not, Till the Lord looke downe, and beholde from heauen. 50 Mine eye breaketh mine heart because of all the daughters of 51 my citie. Mine enemies chased me sore like a birde, without 52 cause. They have shut vp my life in the dungeon, and cast a 53 stone vpon me. Waters flowed ouer mine head, then thought 54 I, I am destroyed. I called vpon thy Name, O Lord, out of the 55 lowe dungeon. Thou hast heard my voyce: stoppe not thine 56 eare from my sigh and from my cry. Thou drewest neere in 57 the day that I called vpon thee: thou saydest, Feare not. O 58 Lord, thou hast maintained the cause of my soule, and hast redeemed my life. O Lord, thou hast seene my wrong, iudge 59 thou my cause. Thou hast seene all their vengeance, and all 60 their deuises against me. Thou hast heard their reproch, O 61 Lord, and all their imaginations against me: The lippes also 62 of those that rose against me, and their whispering against me continually. Behold, their sitting downe and their rising vp, 63 how I am their song. Give them a recompence, O Lord, accord- 64 ing to the worke of their handes. Give them sorow of heart, 65 euen thy curse to them. Persecute with wrath and destroy 66 them from vnder the heauen, O Lord.

How is the golde become so dimme? the most fine golde 4 is changed, and the stones of the Sanctuarie are scattered in the corner of euery streete. The noble men of Zion coparable to fine golde, howe are they esteemed as earthen pitchers, euen the worke of the handes of the potter! Euen the dragons draw out the breastes, and giue sucke to their yong, but the daughter of my people is become cruell like the ostriches in the wildernesse. The tongue of the sucking childe cleaueth to 4 the roofe of his mouth for thirst: the yong children aske bread, but no man breaketh it vnto them. They that did feede delicately, perish in the streetes: they that were brought vp in skarlet, embrace the dongue. For the iniquitie of the daughter of my people is become greater then the sinne of Sodom,

that was destroyed as in a moment, and none pitched campes 7 against her. Her Nazarites were purer then the snowe, and whiter then ye milke: they were more ruddie in bodie, then the 8 redde precious stones; they were like polished saphir. Nowe their visage is blacker then a cole: they can not knowe them in the streetes: their skinne cleaueth to their bones: it is with-9 ered like a stocke. They that be slaine with the sword are better, then they that are killed with hunger: for they fade away as they were striken through for the fruites of the fielde. 10 The hands of the pitifull women haue sodden their owne children, which were their meate in the destruction of the daugh-11 ter of my people. The Lord hath accomplished his indignation: he hath powred out his fierce wrath, he hath kindled a fire 12 in Zion, which hath deuoured the foundations thereof. The Kings of the earth, and all the inhabitants of the world would not have beleeved that the adversarie and the enemie should 13 haue entred into the gates of Ierusalem: For the sinnes of her Prophets, and the iniquities of her Priests, that haue shed 14 the blood of the iust in the middes of her. They have wandred as blinde men in the streetes, and they were polluted with 15 blood, so that they would not touch their garments. But they cried vnto them, Depart, ye polluted, depart, depart, touch not: therefore they fled away, and wandered: they have sayd among 16 the heathen, They shall no more dwell there. The anger of the Lord hath scattered them, he will no more regard them: they reuerenced not the face of the Priestes, nor had compassion of 17 the Elders. Whiles we waited for our vaine helpe, our eyes failed: for in our waiting we looked for a nation that could They hunt our steppes that we cannot goe in 18 not saue vs. our streetes: our ende is neere, our dayes are fulfilled, for our 19 ende is come. Our persecuters are swifter then the eagles of the heauen: they pursued vs vpon the mountaines, and layed 20 waite for vs in the wildernes. The breath of our nostrels, the Anoynted of the Lord was taken in their nets, of whome we sayde, Vnder his shadowe we shalbe preserued aliue among 21 the heathen. Reioyce and be glad, O daughter Edom, that dwellest in the lande of Vz, the cuppe also shall passe through 22 vnto thee: thou shalt be drunken and vomit. Thy punishment is accomplished, O daughter Zion: he will no more carie thee away into captiuitie, but he will visite thine iniquitie, O daughter Edom, he wil discouer thy sinnes.

Remember, O Lord, what is come vpon vs: consider, and be- 5 hold our reproche. Our inheritance is turned to the strangers, 2 our houses to the aliants. We are fatherles, euen without fa- 3 ther, and our mothers are as widowes. Wee haue drunke our 4 water for money, and our wood is solde vnto vs. Our neckes 5 are vnder persecution: we are wearie, and haue no rest. We 6 haue giuen our handes to the Egyptians, and to Asshur, to be satisfied with bread. Our fathers have sinned, and are not, 7 and we have borne their iniquities. Servants have ruled over 8 vs, none would deliuer vs out of their hands. Wee gate our 9 bread with the perill of our lives, because of the sword of the wildernesse. Our skinne was blacke like as an ouen because 10 of the terrible famine. They defiled the women in Zion, and 11 the maydes in the cities of Iudah. The princes are hanged vp 12 by their hande: the faces of the elders were not had in honour. They tooke the yong men to grinde, and the children fell vnder 13 the wood. The Elders have ceased from the gate and the yong 14 men from their songs. The ioy of our heart is gone, our daunce 15 is turned into mourning. The crowne of our head is fallen: wo 16 nowe vnto vs. that we have sinned. Therefore our heart is 17 heavy for these things, our eyes are dimme, Because of the 18 mountaine of Zion which is desolate: the foxes runne vpon it. But thou, O Lord, remainest for euer: thy throne is from gen- 19 eration to generation. Wherefore doest thou forget vs for euer, 20 and forsake vs so long time? Turne thou vs vnto thee, O Lord, 21 and we shalbe turned: renue our dayes as of olde. But thou 22 hast vtterly rejected vs. thou art exceedingly angry against vs.

## THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET EZEKIEL.

t came to passe in the thirtieth yere in the fourth 1 moneth, and in the fift day of the moneth (as I was  $^{\circ}_{\Gamma}$  among the captiues by the riuer Chebar) that the heauens were opened and I sawe visions of GOD. In the fift day of the moneth (which was the fift yere of King Ioiachins 3 captiuitie) The word of the Lord came vnto Ezekiel the Priest, the sonne of Buzi, in the lande of the Caldeans, by the riuer 4 Chebar, where the hande of the Lord was vpon him. looked, and beholde, a whirlewinde came out of the North, a great cloude and a fire wrapped about it, and a brightnesse was about it, and in the middes thereof, to wit, in the middes 5 of the fire came out as the likenesse of amber. Also out of the middes therof came the likenesse of foure beastes, and this was 6 their forme: they had the appearance of a man. And euery 7 one had foure faces, and euery one had foure wings. And their feete were streight feete, and the sole of their feete was like the sole of a calues foote, and they sparkled like the appearance of 8 bright brasse. And the handes of a man came out from vnder their wings in the foure parts of them, and they foure had their 9 faces, and their wings. They where iovned by their wings one to another, and when they went forth, they returned not, but 10 euery one went streight forward. And the similitude of their faces was as the face of a man: and they foure had the face of a lyon on the right side, and they foure had the face of a bullocke 11 on the left side: they foure also had the face of an eagle. Thus were their faces: but their wings were spred out aboue: two wings of euery one were joined one to another, and two couered 12 their bodies. And euery one went streight forward: they went whither their spirit led them, and they returned not when they 13 went forth. The similitude also of the beasts, and their appearance was like burning coles of fire, and like the appearance of lampes: for the fire ran among the beastes, and the fire 14 gaue a glister, and out of the fire there went lightning. 15 the beastes ranne, and returned like vnto lightning. Nowe

as I behelde the beastes, beholde, a wheele appeared vpon the earth by the beastes, having foure faces. The facion of the 16 wheeles and their worke was like vnto a chrysolite: and they foure had one forme, and their facion, and their worke was as one wheele in another wheele. Whe they went, they went 17 vpon their foure sides, and they returned not when they went. They had also rings, and height, and were fearefull to beholde, 18 and their rings were full of eyes, round about them foure. And 19 when the beastes went, the wheeles went with them: and when the beasts were lift vp from the earth, the wheeles were lift vp. Whither the spirit led them, they went, and thither did 20 the spirite of the wheeles leade them, and the wheeles were lifted vp besides them: for the spirit of the beastes was in the wheeles. When the beastes went, they went, and when they 21 stoode, they stoode, and when they were lifted vp from the earth, the wheeles were lifted vp besides them: for the spirite of the beastes was in the wheeles. And the similitude of the 22 firmament vpon the heads of the beasts was wonderfull, like vnto chrystall, spred ouer their heads aboue. And vnder the 23 firmament were their wings streight, the one toward the other: every one had two, which couered the, and euery one had two, which couered their bodies. And when they went foorth, I 24 heard the novse of their wings, like the novse of great waters, and as the voyce of the Almightie, euen the voyce of speach, as the noyse of an host: and when they stood, they let downe their wings. And there was a voyce from the firmament, that was 25 ouer their heads, when they stoode, and had let downe their wings. And aboue the firmament that was ouer their heads, 26 was the facion of a throne like vnto a saphir stone, and vpon the similitude of the throne was by appearance, as the similitude of a man aboue vpon it. And I sawe as the appearance 27 of amber, and as the similitude of fire round about within it to looke to, euen from his loynes vpwarde: and to looke to, euen from his loynes downewarde, I sawe as a likenesse of fire, and brightnesse round about it. As the likenesse of the bowe, that 28 is in the cloude in the day of raine, so was the appearance of the light round about. This was the appearance of the simil- 29 itude of the glorie of the Lord: and when I sawe it, I fell vpon my face, and I heard a voyce of one that spake.

And he said vnto me. Sonne of man, stand vp vpon thy feete. 2

2 and I wil speake vnto thee. And the Spirite entred into me, when he had spoken vnto me, and set me vpon my feete, so 3 that I heard him that spake vnto me. And he said vnto me, Sonne of man, I send thee to the children of Israel, to a rebellious nation that hath rebelled against me: for they and their 4 fathers have rebelled against me, even vnto this very day. For they are impudent children, and stiffe hearted: I do send thee vnto them, and thou shalt say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord 5 God. But surely they will not heare, neither in deede will they cease: for they are a rebellious house: yet shall they knowe 6 that there hath bene a Prophet among them. And thou sonne of man, feare them not, neither be afraide of their wordes, although rebels, and thornes be with thee, and thou remainest with scorpions: feare not their wordes, nor be afrayde at their 7 lookes, for they are a rebellious house. Therefore thou shalt speake my words vnto them: but surely they will not heare, 8 neither will they in deede cease: for they are rebellious. But thou sonne of man, heare what I say vnto thee: be not thou rebellious, like this rebellious house: open thy mouth, and eate 9 that I give thee. And when I looked vp, beholde, an hande was 10 sent vnto me, and loe, a roule of a booke was therein. And he spred it before me, and it was written within and without, and there was written therein, Lamentations, and mourning, and

Moreover he saide vnto me, Sonne of man, eate that thou 3 findest: eate this roule, and goe, and speake vnto the house of So I opened my mouth, and he gaue mee this roule 2 Israel. 3 to eate. And he said vnto me, Sonne of man, cause thy belly to eate, and fill thy bowels with this roule that I give thee. Then did I eate it, and it was in my mouth as sweete as honie. 4 And he said vnto me, Sonne of man, goe, and enter into the 5 house of Israel, and declare them my wordes. For thou art not sent to a people of an vnknowen tongue, or of an hard 6 language, but to the house of Israel, Not to many people of an vnknowen tongue, or of an harde language, whose wordes thou canst not vnderstand: yet if I should sende thee to them, 7 they would obey thee. But the house of Israel will not obey thee: for they will not obey me: yea, all the house of Israel 8 are impudent and stiffe hearted. Beholde, I have made thy face strong against their faces, and thy forehead harde against

their foreheads. I have made thy forehead as the adamant, 9 and harder then the flint: feare them not therefore, neither be afraid at their lookes: for they are a rebellious house. He 10 said moreouer vnto me, Sonne of man, receiue in thine heart al my words that I speake vnto thee, and heare them with thine eares. And goe and enter to them that are led away captiues 11 vnto the children of thy people, and speake vnto them, and tell them, Thus saith the Lord God: but surely they will not heare, neither will they in deede cease. Then the spirite tooke me 12 vp, and I heard behinde me a noise of a great russhing, saying, Blessed be ve glorie of the Lord out of his place. I heard also 13 the novse of the wings of the beasts, that touched one another, and the ratling of the wheeles that were by them, euen a noyse of a great russhing. So the spirit lift me vp, and tooke me 14 away and I went in bitternesse, and indignation of my spirite, but the hand of the Lord was strong vpon me. Then I came 15 to them that were led away captiues to Tel-abib, that dwelt by the riuer Chebar, and I sate where they sate, and remained there astonished among them seuen dayes. And at the ende 16 of seuen dayes, the worde of the Lord came againe vnto me, saying. Sonne of man, I have made thee a watchman vnto 17 the house of Israel: therefore heare the worde at my mouth, and give them warning from me. When I shall say vnto the 18 wicked, Thou shalt surely die, and thou givest not him warning, nor speakest to admonish the wicked of his wicked way, that he may liue, the same wicked man shall die in his iniguitie: but his blood will I require at thine hande. Yet if thou 19 warne the wicked, and he turne not from his wickednesse, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquitie, but thou hast deliuered thy soule. Likewise if a righteous man turne from 20 his righteousnesse, and commit iniquitie, I will lay a stumbling blocke before him, and he shall die, because thou hast not given him warning: he shall die in his sinne, and his righteous deedes, which he hath done, shall not be remembred: but his blood will I require at thine hand. Neuerthelesse, if thou 21 admonish that righteous man, that the righteous sinne not, and that he doeth not sinne, he shall live because he is admonished: also thou hast deliuered thy soule. And the hande of 22 the Lord was there vpon me, and he said vnto me, Arise, and goe into the fielde, and I will there talke with thee. So when I 23 had risen vp, and gone foorth into the fielde, beholde, the glorie of the Lord stoode there, as the glorie which I sawe by the riuer Chebar, and I fell downe vpon my face. Then the Spirit entred into me, which set me vp vpon my feete, and spake vnto me, and said to me, Come, and shut thy selfe within thine house. But thou, O sonne of man, beholde, they shall put bandes vpon thee, and shall binde thee with them, and thou shalt not goe out among them. And I will make thy tongue cleaue to the roofe of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dume, and shalt not be to them as a man that rebuketh: for they are a rebellious house. But when I shall haue spoken vnto thee, I will open thy mouth, and thou shalt say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord God, He that heareth, let him heare, and he that leaueth off, let him leaue: for they are a rebellious house.

Thou also sonne of man, take thee a bricke, and lay it be-2 fore thee, and pourtray vpon it the citie, euen Ierusalem, And lay siege against it, and builde a fort against it, and cast a mount against it: set the campe also against it, and lay engins 3 of warre against it rounde about. Moreouer, take an yron pan, and set it for a wall of yron betweene thee and the citie, and direct thy face towarde it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lav siege against it: this shall be a signe vnto the house of Is-4 rael. Sleepe thou also vpon thy left side, and lay the iniquitie of the house of Israel vpon it: according to the nomber of the dayes, that thou shalt sleepe vpon it, thou shalt beare their in-5 iquity. For I have layed vpon thee the yeeres of their iniquitie, according to the nomber of the dayes, euen three hundreth and ninetie dayes: so shalt thou beare the iniquitie of the house of 6 Israel. And when thou hast accomplished them, sleepe againe vpon thy right side, and thou shalt beare the iniquitie of the house of Iudah fourtie dayes: I have appointed thee a day for a 7 yeere, euen a day for a yeere. Therefore thou shalt direct thy face towarde the siege of Ierusalem, and thine arme shalbe vn-8 couered, and thou shalt prophesie against it. And beholde, I will lay bands vpon thee, and thou shalt not turne thee from one side to another, till thou hast ended the dayes of thy siege. 9 Thou shalt take also vnto thee wheate, and barley, and beanes, and lentiles, and millet, and fitches, and put them in one vessell, and make thee bread thereof according to the nomber of the dayes, that thou shalt sleepe vpon thy side: euen three

hundreth and ninetie dayes shalt thou eate thereof. And the 10 meate, whereof thou shalt eate, shalbe by weight, euen twenty shekels a day: and from time to time shalt thou eate thereof. Thou shalt drinke also water by measure, euen the sixt part of 11 an Hin: from time to time shalt thou drinke. And thou shalt 12 eate it as barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it in the dongue that commeth out of man, in their sight. And the Lord said, 13 So shall the children of Israel eate their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whither I will cast them. Then said I, Ah, Lord 14 God, beholde, my soule hath not bene polluted: for from my youth vp, euen vnto this houre, I have not eaten of a thing dead, or torne in pieces, neither came there any vncleane flesh in my mouth. Then he said vnto me, Loe, I haue given thee 15 bullockes dongue for mans dongue, and thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith. Moreouer, he said vnto me, Sonne of man, 16 beholde. I will breake the staffe of bread in Ierusalem, and they shall eate bread by weight, and with care, and they shall drinke water by measure, and with astonishment. Because 17 that bread and water shall faile, they shalbe astonied one with another, and shall consume away for their iniquitie.

And thou sonne of man, take thee a sharpe knife, or take 5 thee a barbours rasor and cause it to passe vpon thine head, and vpon thy beard: then take thee balances to weigh, and deuide the heare. Thou shalt burne with fire the thirde part 2 in the middes of the citie, when the dayes of the siege are fulfilled, and thou shalt take the other thirde part, and smite about it with a knife, and the last thirde part thou shalt scatter in the winde, and I will drawe out a sworde after them. Thou shalt also take thereof a fewe in nomber, and binde them 3 in thy lappe. Then take of them againe and cast them into 4 the middes of the fire, and burne them in the fire: for thereof shall a fire come foorth into all the house of Israel. Thus saith 5 the Lord God, This is Ierusalem: I have set it in the middes of the nations and countreves, that are rounde about her. And 6 she hath changed my iudgements into wickednes more then the nations, and my statutes more then the countreis, that are round about her: for they have refused my judgemets and my statutes, and they have not walked in them. Therefore thus 7 saith the Lord God, Because your multitude is greater then the nations that are rounde about you, and ye have not walked

in my statutes, neither haue ye kept my iudgements: no, ye haue not done according to the judgements of the nations, that 8 are rounde about you, Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Beholde, I, euen I come against thee, and will execute iudgement 9 in the middes of thee, euen in the sight of the nations. And I will doe in thee, that I neuer did before, neither will do any 10 more the like, because of all thine abominations. For in the middes of thee, the fathers shall eate their sonnes, and the sonnes shall eate their fathers, and I will execute judgement in thee, and the whole remnant of thee will I scatter into all the 11 windes. Wherefore, as I liue, saith the Lord God, Surely because thou hast defiled my Sanctuarie with all thy filthinesse, and with all thine abominations, therefore will I also destroy thee, neither shall mine eye spare thee, neither will I have any 12 pitie. The third part of thee shall die with the pestilence, and with famine shall they bee consumed in the middes of thee: and another third part shall fall by the sword round about thee: and I will scatter the last third part into all windes, and I 13 will drawe out a sword after them. Thus shall mine anger bee accomplished, and I will cause my wrath to cease in them, and I will be comforted: and they shall knowe, that I the Lord haue spoke it in my zeale, when I have accomplished my wrath in 14 them. Moreouer, I will make thee waste, and abhorred among the nations, that are round about thee, and in the sight of all 15 that passe by. So thou shalt bee a reproche and shame, a chastisement and an astonishment vnto the nations, that are rounde about thee, when I shall execute judgements in thee, in anger and in wrath, and in sharpe rebukes: I the Lord haue When I shall sende vpon them the euill arrowes of famine, which shalbe for their destruction, and which I will sende to destroy you: and I will encrease the famine vpon you, 17 and wil breake your staffe of bread. So will I send vpon you famine, and euill beastes, and they shall spoyle thee, and pestilence and blood shall passe through thee, and I will bring the sworde vpon thee: I the Lord haue spoken it.

6, 2 Again the worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, Set thy face towardes the mountaines of Israel, and prophecie against them, And say, Ye mountaines of Israel, heare the worde of the Lord God: thus sayth the Lord God to the mountaines and to the hilles, to the rivers and to the

valleis, Beholde, I, euen I will bring a sworde vpon you, and I will destroy your hie places: And your altars shalbe deso- 4 late, and your images of the sunne shalbe broken: and I will cast downe your slaine men before your idoles. And I will 5 lay the dead carkeises of the children of Israel before their idoles, and I will scatter your bones round about your altars. In all your dwelling places the cities shalbe desolate, and the 6 hie places shalbe laide waste, so that your altars shalbe made waste and desolate, and your idoles shalbe broken, and cease, and your images of the sunne shalbe cut in pieces, and your workes shalbe abolished. And the slaine shall fall in the mid-7 des of you, and ye shall knowe that I am the Lord. Yet will I 8 leaue a remnant, that you may have some that shall escape the sword among the nations, when you shalbe scattred through the countreyes. And they that escape of you, shall remember 9 me among the nations, where they shalbe in captiuitie, because I am grieued for their whorish hearts, which have departed from mee, and for their eyes, which have gone a whoring after their idoles, and they shalbe displeased in them selues for the euils, which they have committed in all their abominations. And they shall knowe that I am the Lord, and that I have not 10 saide in vaine, that I woulde doe this euill vnto them. Thus 11 saith the Lord God, Smite with thine hand, and stretch forth with thy foote, and say, Alas, for all the wicked abominations of the house of Israel: for they shall fall by the sworde, by the famine, and by the pestilence. He that is farre off, shall dye of 12 the pestilence, and he that is neere, shall fall by the sword, and hee that remaineth and is besieged, shall dve by the famine: thus will I accomplish my wrath vpon them. Then ye shall 13 knowe, that I am ye Lord, when their slaine men shalbe among their idoles round about their altars, vpon euerie hie hill in al the toppes of the mountaines, and vnder euery greene tree, and vnder euerie thicke oke, which is the place where they did offer sweete sauour to all their idoles. So will I stretch mine hand 14 vpon them, and make the lande waste, and desolate from the wildernes vnto Diblath in all their habitations, and they shall know, that I am the Lord.

Moreover the word of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Also 7, 2 thou sonne of man, thus saith the Lord God, An ende is come vnto the lande of Israel: the ende is come vpon the foure cor-

3 ners of the lande. Nowe is the ende come vpon thee, and I wil sende my wrath vpon thee, and will judge thee according to thy wayes, and will laye vpon thee all thine abominations. 4 Neither shall mine eye spare thee, neither will I haue pitie: but I will lave thy waies vpon thee: and thine abomination shall bee in the middes of thee, and yee shall knowe that I 5 am the Lord. Thus saith the Lord God, Beholde, one euil, 6 euen one euill is come. An ende is come, the end is come, it 7 watched for thee: beholde, it is come. The morning is come vnto thee, that dwellest in the lande: the time is come, the day of trouble is neere, and not the sounding againe of the moun-8 taines. Now I will shortly powre out my wrath vpon thee, and fulfil mine anger vpon thee: I will judge thee according to thy 9 wayes, and will lay vpon thee all thine abominations. Neither shall mine eie spare thee, neither will I haue pitie, but I will laye vpon thee according to thy wayes, and thine abominations shalbe in the middes of thee, and ye shall knowe that I am the 10 Lord that smiteth. Beholde, the day, beholde, it is come: the morning is gone forth, the rod florisheth: pride hath budded. 11 Crueltie is risen vp into a rod of wickednes: none of them shall remaine, nor of their riches, nor of any of theirs, neither shall 12 there bee lamentation for them. The time is come, the day draweth neere: let not the byer reioyce, nor let him that selleth, mourne: for the wrath is vpon al the multitude thereof. 13 For hee that selleth, shall not returne to that which is solde, although they were yet aliue: for the vision was vnto al the multitude thereof, and they returned not, neither doeth any 14 encourage himselfe in the punishment of his life. They have blowen the trumpet, and prepared all, but none goeth to the 15 battel: for my wrath is vpon all the multitude thereof. sword is without, and the pestilence, and the famine within: he that is in the field, shall dye with the sword, and he that 16 is in the citie, famine and pestilence shall deuoure him. But they that flee away from them, shall escape, and shalbe in the mountaines, like the doues of the valleis: all they shall mourne, 17 euery one for his iniquitie. All handes shalbe weake, and all 18 knees shall fall away as water. They shall also girde them selues with sackecloth, and feare shall couer them, and shame 19 shalbe vpon all faces, and baldnes vpon their heads. They shall cast their siluer in the streetes, and their golde shalbe cast farre off: their siluer and their gold can not deliuer them in the day of the wrath of the Lord: they shall not satisfie their soules, neither fill their bowels: for this ruine is for their iniquitie. He had also set the beautie of his ornament in maiestie: 20 but they made images of their abominations, and of their idoles therein: therefore haue I set it farre from them. give it into the handes of the strangers to be spoyled, and to the wicked of the earth to be robbed, and they shall pollute it. My face will I turne also from them, and they shall pollute my 22 secret place: for the destroyers shall enter into it, and defile it. Make a chaine: for the lande is full of the judgement of blood, 23 and the citie is full of crueltie. Wherefore I will bring the most 24 wicked of the heathen, and they shall possesse their houses: I will also make the pompe of the mightie to cease, and their holie places shalbe defiled. When destruction commeth, they 25 shall seeke peace, and shall not haue it. Calamitie shall come 26 vpon calamitie, and rumour shall bee vpon rumour: then shall they seeke a vision of the Prophet: but the Lawe shall perish from the Priest, and counsel from the Ancient. The King shall 27 mourne, and the prince shall be clothed with desolation, and the handes of the people in the land shall be troubled: I wil doe vnto them according to their waies, and according to their iudgements will I iudge them, and they shall knowe that I am the Lord.

And in the sixt yere, in the sixt moneth, and in the fift day 8 of the moneth, as I sate in mine house, and the Elders of Iudah sate before me, the hand of the Lord God fell there vpon me. Then I beheld, and lo, there was a likenesse, as the appear- 2 ance of fire, to looke to, from his loynes downeward, and from his loynes vpward, as the appearance of brightnes, and like vnto amber. And he stretched out the likenes of an had, and 3 tooke me by an hearie locke of mine head, and the Spirit lift me vp betweene the earth, and the heauen, and brought mee by a Diuine vision to Ierusalem, into the entry of ye inner gate that lieth toward the North, where remained the idole of indignation, which prouoked indignation. And beholde, the glorie 4 of the God of Israel was there according to the vision, that I saw in the fielde. Then saide he vnto mee, Sonne of man, lift 5 vp thine eyes nowe towarde the North. So I lift vp mine eyes towarde the North, and beholde, Northward, at the gate of the

6 altar, this idole of indignation was in the entrie. He said furthermore vnto me, Sonne of man, seest thou not what they doe? euen the great abominations that the house of Israel committeth here to cause me to depart from my Sanctuarie? but yet 7 turne thee and thou shalt see greater abominations. And he caused me to enter at the gate of the court: and when I looked, 8 beholde, an hole was in the wall. Then said he vnto me, Sonne of man, digge nowe in the wall. And when I had digged in the 9 wall, beholde, there was a doore. And he said vnto mee, Go in. 10 and beholde the wicked abominations that they doe here. So I went in, and sawe, and beholde, there was every similitude of creeping thinges and abominable beasts and all the idoles of 11 the house of Israel painted vpon the wall round about. And there stoode before them seuentie men of the Ancients of the house of Israel, and in the middes of them stoode Iaazaniah, ye sonne of Shaphan, with euerie man his censour in his hand, 12 and the vapour of the incense went vp like a cloude. saide hee vnto mee. Sonne of man, hast thou seene what the Ancients of the house of Israel do in the darke, euery one in the chamber of his imagerie? for they say, The Lord seeth vs 13 not, the Lord hath forsaken the earth. Againe he saide also vnto me, Turne thee againe, and thou shalt see greater abom-14 inations that they doe. And he caused me to enter into the entrie of the gate of the Lords house, which was toward the North: and beholde there sate women mourning for Tammuz. 15 Then saide hee vnto me, Hast thou seene this, O sonne of man? Turne thee againe, and thou shalt see greater abominations 16 then these. And he caused me to enter into the inner court of the Lordes house, and beholde, at the doore of the Temple of the Lord, betweene the porche and the altar were about fiue and twentie men with their backs toward the Temple of the Lord, and their faces towarde the East, and they worshipped 17 the sunne, towarde the East. The he said vnto me, Hast thou seene this, O sonne of man? Is it a small thing to the house of Iudah to commit these abominations which they do here? for they have filled the land with crueltie, and have returned to prouoke mee: and loe, they have cast out stinke before their 18 noses. Therefore will I also execute my wrath: mine eye shall not spare them, neither will I haue pitie, and though they crie in mine eares with a loude vovce, vet will I not heare them.

He cryed also with a loude voyce in mine eares, saying, 9 The visitations of the citie draw neere, and euery man hath a weapon in his hande to destroy it. And beholde, sixe men 2 came by the way of the hie gate, which lieth towarde the North, and euery man a weapon in his hande to destroy it: and one man among them was clothed with linen, with a writers ynkhorne by his side, and they went in and stoode beside the brasen altar. And the glorie of the God of Israel was gone vp from 3 ye Cherub, whereupon he was and stoode on the doore of the house, and he called to the man clothed with linnen, which had the writers ynkhorne by his side. And the Lord said vnto him, 4 Goe through the middes of the citie, euen through the middes of Ierusalem and set a marke vpon the foreheads of them that mourne, and cry for all the abominations that be done in the middes thereof. And to the other he said, that I might heare, 5 Goe ye after him through the citie, and smite: let your eye spare none, neither haue pitie. Destroy vtterly the old, and 6 the yong, and the maides, and the children, and the women, but touch no man, vpon whome is the marke, and begin at my Sanctuarie. Then they began at the Ancient men, which were before the house. And he sayde vnto them, Defile the house, 7 and fill the courtes with the slaine, then goe foorth: and they went out, and slewe them in the citie. Nowe when they had 8 slaine them, and I had escaped, I fell downe vpon my face, and cryed, saying, Ah Lord God, wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel, in powring out thy wrath vpon Ierusalem? saide he vnto me, The iniquitie of the house of Israel, and Iudah is exceeding great, so that the lande is full of blood, and the citie full of corrupt judgement: for they say, The Lord hath forsaken the earth, and the Lord seeth vs not. As touching 10 me also, mine eye shall not spare them, neither will I haue pitie, but will recompence their wayes vpon their heades. And 11 beholde, the man clothed with linen which had the ynkhorne by his side, made report, and saide, Lord, I have done as thou hast commanded me.

And as I looked, beholde, in the firmament that was aboue 10 the head of the Cherubims there appeared vpon them like vnto the similitude of a throne, as it were a saphir stone. And 2 he spake vnto the man clothed with linen, and said, Go in betweene the wheeles, euen vnder the Cherub, and fill thine

hands with coales of fire from betweene the Cherubims, and 3 scatter the ouer the citie. And he went in in my sight. Now the Cherubims stood vpon the right side of the house, when the 4 man went in, and the cloude filled the inner court. Then the glorie of the Lord went vp from the Cherub, and stoode ouer the doore of the house, and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was filled with the brightnesse of the Lordes glo-5 rie. And the sound of the Cherubims wings was heard into the vtter court, as the voyce of the Almightie God, when he And when he had commanded the man clothed with linnen, saying, Take fire from betweene the wheeles, and from betweene ve Cherubims, then he went in and stood be-7 side ye wheele. And one Cherub stretched forth his hand from betweene the Cherubims vnto the fire, that was betweene the Cherubims, and tooke thereof, and put it into the hands of him that was clothed with linnen: who tooke it and went 8 out. And there appeared in the Cherubims, the likenesse of 9 a mans hande vnder their wings. And when I looked vp, beholde, foure wheeles were beside the Cherubims, one wheele by one Cherub, and another wheele by another Cherub, and the appearance of the wheeles was as the colour of a Chrysolite 10 stone. And their appearance (for they were all foure of one fa-11 cion) was as if one wheele had bene in another wheele. When they went foorth, they went vpon their foure sides, and they returned not as they went: but to the place whither the first went, they went after it, and they turned not as they went. 12 And their whole bodie, and their rings, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheeles were full of eyes round about. 13 euen in the same foure wheeles. And the Cherub cryed to 14 these wheeles in mine hearing, saying, O wheele. And euery beast had foure faces: the first face was the face of a Cherub, and the second face was the face of a man, and the thirde the 15 face of a lyon, and the fourth the face of an Egle. And the Cherubims were lifted vp: this is the beast that I sawe at the ri-16 uer Chebar. And when ye Cherubims went, the wheeles went by them: and when the Cherubims lift vp their wings to mount vp from the earth, the same wheeles also turned not from be-17 side them. When the Cherubims stoode, they stood: and when they were lifted vp, they lifted the selues vp also: for the spirit 18 of the beast was in them. Then the glorie of the Lord departed

from aboue the doore of the house, and stoode vpon the Cherubims. And the Cherubims lift vp their wings, and mounted vp 19 from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the wheeles also were besides them: and euery one stoode at the entrie of the gate of the Lordes House at the East side, and the glorie of the God of Israel was vpon them on hie. This is the beast 20 that I sawe vnder the God of Israel by the riuer Chebar, and I knewe that they were the Cherubims. Euery one had foure 21 faces, and euery one foure wings, and the likenesse of mans hands was vnder their wings. And the likenesse of their faces 22 was the selfe same faces, which I sawe by the riuer Chebar, and the appearance of the Cherubims was ye selfe same, and they went euery one straight forwarde.

Moreover, the Spirite lift me vp. and brought me vnto the 11 East gate of the Lordes house, which lyeth Eastwarde, and beholde, at the entrie of the gate were fiue and twentie men: among whome I sawe Iaazaniah the sonne of Azur, and Pelatiah the sonne of Benaiah, the princes of the people. Then said 2 he vnto me, Sonne of man, these are the men that imagine mischiefe, and deuise wicked counsell in this citie. For they say, It 3 is not neere, let vs builde houses: this citie is the caldron, and wee be the flesh. Therefore prophesic against them, sonne of 4 man, prophesie. And the Spirite of the Lord fell vpon me, and 5 said vnto me, Speake, Thus saith the Lord, O ye house of Israel, this haue ye said, and I know that which riseth vp of your mindes. Many haue ye murthered in this citie, and ye haue 6 filled the streets thereof with the slaine. Therefore thus saith 7 the Lord God, They that ye have slaine, and have layed in the middes of it, they are the flesh, and this citie is the caldron, but I wil bring you foorth of the mids of it. Ye haue feared the 8 sworde, and I wil bring a sworde vpon you, saith the Lord God. And I will bring you out of the middes thereof, and deliuer 9 you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgements among you. Ye shall fall by the sworde, and I wil iudge you 10 in the border of Israel, and ye shall knowe that I am the Lord. This citie shall not be your caldron, neyther shall ye be the 11 flesh in the middes thereof, but I will judge you in the border of Israel. And ye shall knowe that I am the Lord: for ye haue 12 not walked in my statutes, neither executed my judgements, but haue done after the maners of the heathen. that are round

13 about you. And when I prophesied, Pelatiah the sonne of Benaiah dyed: then fell I downe vpon my face, and cryed with a loude voyce, and saide, Ah Lord God, wilt thou then vtterly de-14 stroy all the remnant of Israel? Againe the worde of the Lord 15 came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, thy brethren, euen thy brethren, the men of thy kindred, and all the house of Israel, wholy are they vnto whome the inhabitants of Ierusalem haue said, Depart ye farre from the Lord: for the lande is given vs Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord God, Al-16 in possession. though I have cast them farre off among the heathen, and although I have scattered them among the countreis, yet wil I be to them as a litle Sanctuarie in ye countreis where they shall Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord God, I will gather you againe from the people, and assemble you out of the countreis where ye haue bene scattered, and I will giue you ye land 18 of Israel. And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the idoles thereof, and all the abominations thereof 19 from thence. And I will give them one heart, and I will put a newe spirit within their bowels: and I will take the stonie heart 20 out of their bodies, and will give them an heart of flesh, That they may walke in my statutes, and keepe my judgements, and execute them: and they shall be my people, and I will be their 21 God. But vpon them, whose heart is towarde their idoles, and whose affection goeth after their abominations, I will lay their 22 way vpon their owne heades, saith the Lord God. Then did the Cherubims lift vp their wings, and the wheeles besides them, 23 and the glorie of the God of Israel was vpon them on hie. And the glorie of the Lord went vp from the middes of the citie, and stoode vpon the moutaine which is towarde the East side of the 24 citie. Afterwarde the Spirite tooke me vp, and brought me in a vision by the Spirit of God into Caldea to them that were led away captiues: so the vision that I had seene, went vp from Then I declared vnto them that were led away captiues, all the things that the Lord had shewed me.

12, 2 The worde of the Lord also came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, thou dwellest in the middes of a rebellious house, which haue eyes to see, and see not: they haue eares to heare, and heare not: for they are a rebellious house. Therefore thou sonne of man, prepare thy stuffe to goe into captiuitie, and goe foorth by day in their sight: and thou shalt passe from thy

place to another place in their sight, if it be possible that they may consider it: for they are a rebellious house. Then shalt 4 thou bring foorth thy stuffe by day in their sight as the stuffe of him that goeth into captiuitie: and thou shalt go forth at euen in their sight, as they that go foorth into captiuitie. Dig 5 thou through the wall in their sight, and cary out thereby. In 6 their sight shalt thou beare it vpon thy shoulders, and carie it foorth in the darke: thou shalt couer thy face that thou see not the earth: for I have set thee as a signe vnto the house of Israel. And as I was commanded, so I brought forth my stuffe 7 by day, as ye stuffe of one that goeth into captiuitie: and by night I digged through the wall with mine hand, and brought it forth in ye darke, and I bare it vpon my shoulder in their And in the morning came the word of the Lord vnto 8 sight. me, saying, Sonne of man, hath not the house of Israel, the 9 rebellious house, sayde vnto thee, What doest thou? But say 10 thou vnto them, Thus saith the Lord God, This burden concerneth the chiefe in Ierusalem, and all the house of Israel that are among them. Say, I am your signe: like as I haue done, 11 so shall it be done vnto them: they shall goe into bondage and captiuitie. And the chiefest that is among them, shall beare 12 vpon his shoulder in the darke, and shall goe forth: they shall digge through the wall, to cary out thereby: he shall couer his face, that he see not the ground with his eies. My net also 13 will I spread vpon him, and he shall be taken in my net, and I will bring him to Babel to the lande of the Caldeans, yet shall he not see it, though he shall dye there. And I will scatter 14 toward euerie winde all that are about him to helpe him, and all his garisons, and I will drawe out the sworde after them. And they shall knowe that I am the Lord, when I shall scatter 15 them among the nations, and disperse them in the countreis. But I will leave a litle number of them from the sworde, from 16 the famine, and from the pestilence, that they may declare all these abominations among the heathen, where they come, and they shall knowe, that I am the Lord. Moreouer, the worde 17 of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, eate thy 18 bread with trembling and drinke thy water with trouble, and with carefulnesse, And say vnto the people of the land, Thus 19 saith the Lord God of the inhabitants of Ierusalem, and of the lande of Israel, They shall eate their bread with carefulnes,

and drinke their water with desolation: for the lande shall bee desolate from her abundance because of the crueltie of them 20 that dwell therein. And the cities that are inhabited, shall be left voyde, and the land shall be desolate, and yee shall knowe 21 that I am the Lord. And the worde of the Lord came vnto me, 22 saying, Sonne of man, what is that prouerbe that you have in the land of Israel, saying, The dayes are prolonged and all 23 visions faile? Tell them therefore, Thus sayeth the Lord God, I wil make this prouerbe to cease, and they shall no more vse it as a prouerbe in Israel: but say vnto them, The daies are at 24 hand and the effect of euery vision. For no vision shall be any more in vaine, neither shall there bee any flattering divination 25 within the house of Israel. For I am the Lord: I wil speake, and that thing that I shall speake, shall come to passe: it shall be no more prolonged: for in your dayes, O rebellious house, will I saye the thing, and will performe it, sayeth the Lord God. 26, 27 Againe the word of the Lord came vnto me, saving. Sonne of man, beholde, they of the house of Israel say, The vision that hee seeth, is for many dayes to come, and he prophecieth of the 28 times that are farre off. Therefore say vnto them, Thus sayth the Lord God, All my wordes shall no longer be delayed, but that thing which I have spoken, shall be done, saith the Lord God.

And the word of the Lord came vnto me, saying, **13**. 2 of man, prophecie against the prophets of Israel, that prophecie, and say thou vnto them, that prophecie out of their owne 3 hearts, Heare the worde of the Lord. Thus sayth the Lord God, Woe vnto the foolish Prophets that follow their owne spirit, 4 and haue seene nothing. O Israel, thy Prophets are like the 5 foxes in the waste places. Ye have not risen vp in the gappes, neither made vp the hedge for ye house of Israel, to stand in 6 the battel in the daye of the Lord. They have seene vanitie, and lying diuination, saying, The Lord sayth it, and the Lord hath not sent them: and they have made others to hope 7 that they would cofirme the word of their prophecie. ye not seene a vaine vision? and haue yee not spoken a lying diuination? ye say, The Lord sayth it, albeit I haue not spoken. 8 Therefore thus sayth the Lord God, Because ye haue spoken vanytie and haue seene lyes, therefore beholde, I am agaynst 9 you, sayth the Lord God, And mine hande shalbe vpon the

Prophets that see vanity, and divine lies: they shall not be in the assemblie of my people, neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel, neither shall they enter into the land of Israel: and vee shall know that I am the Lord God. And therefore, because they have deceived my people, saying, 10 Peace, and there was no peace: and one buylt vp a wall, and behold, the others daubed it with vntempered morter, Say vnto 11 them which daube it with vntempered morter, that it shall fall: for there shall come a great showre, and I wil sende haylestones, which shall cause it to fall, and a stormie winde shall breake it. Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not bee savd 12 vnto you, Where is the daubing wherewith ve haue daubed it? Therefore thus sayth the Lord God, I will cause a stormie 13 winde to breake foorth in my wrath, and a great showre shall bee in mine anger, and hailestones in mine indignation to consume it. So I wil destroy the wall that ye haue daubed with 14 vntempered morter, and bring it downe to the ground, so that the fundation thereof shalbe discouered, and it shall fal, and ve shalbe consumed in the middes thereof, and ve shall know, that I am the Lord. Thus will I accomplish my wrath vpon 15 the wall, and vpon them that have daubed it with vntempered morter, and will say vnto you, The wall is no more, neither the daubers thereof. To wit, the Prophets of Israel, which proph- 16 esie vpon Ierusalem, and see visions of peace for it, and there is no peace, sayth the Lord God. Likewise thou sonne of man, 17 set thy face against the daughters of thy people, which prophesie out of their owne heart: and prophesie thou against them, and say. Thus sayth the Lord God, Woe vnto the women that 18 sowe pillowes vnder al arme holes, and make vailes vpon the head of euery one that standeth vp, to hunt soules: will yee hunt ye soules of my people, and will yee giue life to the soules that come vnto you? And will ye pollute me among my peo- 19 ple for handfuls of barly, and for pieces of bread to slay the soules of them that shoulde not dye, and to give life to the soules that should not liue in lying to my people, that heare your lies? Wherefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I will 20 haue to do with your pillowes, wherewith yee hunt the soules to make them to flie, and I will teare them from your armes, and will let the soules goe, euen the soules, that ye hunt to make them to flie. Your vailes also will I teare, and deliuer 21

my people out of your hande, and they shalbe no more in your hands to be hunted, and ye shall knowe that I am the Lord.

Because with your lyes yee haue made the heart of the righteous sadde, whome I haue not made sad, and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not returne from his wicked way, by promising him life, Therefore ye shall see no more vanitie, nor diuine diuinatios: for I wil deliuer my people out of your hand, and ye shall know that I am ye Lord.

Then came certaine of the Elders of Israel vnto me, and sate 14 And the worde of the Lord came vnto me, say-3 ing, Sonne of man, these men haue set vp their idoles in their heart, and put the stumbling blocke of their iniquitie before 4 their face: should I, being required, answere them? Therefore speake vnto them, and say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord God, Euery man of the house of Israel that setteth vp his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumbling blocke of his iniquitie before his face, and commeth to the Prophet, I the Lord will answere him that commeth, according to the multitude 5 of his idoles: That I may take the house of Israel in their owne heart, because they are all departed from me through 6 their idoles. Therfore say vnto the house of Israel, Thus sayth the Lord God, Returne, and withdraw your selues, and turne your faces from your idoles, and turne your faces from all your 7 abominations. For every one of the house of Israel, or of the stranger that soiourneth in Israel, which departeth from mee, and setteth vp his idoles in his heart, and putteth the stumbling blocke of his iniquitie before his face, and commeth to a Prophet, for to inquire of him for me, I the Lord will answere 8 him for my selfe, And I will set my face against that man, and will make him an example and prouerbe, and I will cut him off from the middes of my people, and ye shall knowe that I am the 9 Lord. And if the Prophet be deceived, when hee hath spoken a thing, I the Lord have deceived that Prophet, and I will stretch out mine hande vpon him, and will destroy him from the mid-10 des of my people of Israel. And they shall beare their punishment: the punishment of the Prophet shall bee euen as the 11 punishment of him that asketh, That the house of Israel may go no more astray from mee, neither bee polluted any more with all their transgressions, but that they may be my people, 12 and I may be their God, sayth the Lord God. The worde of the

Lord came againe vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, when ye 13 land sinneth against me by committing a trespasse, then will I stretch out mine hand vpon it, and will breake the staffe of the bread thereof, and will send famine vpon it, and I will destroy man and beast forth of it. Though these three men Noah, 14 Daniel, and Iob were among them, they shoulde deliuer but their owne soules by their righteousnes, saith the Lord God. If I bring novsome beastes into the lande and they spoyle it, so 15 that it bee desolate, that no man may passe through, because of beastes. Though these three men were in the mids thereof, As 16 I liue, sayth the Lord God, they shall saue neither sonnes nor daughters: they onely shalbe deliuered, but the land shall be waste. Or if I bring a sworde vpon this land, and say, Sword, 17 go through the land, so that I destroy man and beast out of it, Though these three men were in the mids thereof, As I 18 liue, sayth the Lord God, they shall deliuer neither sonnes nor daughters, but they onely shall be deliuered themselues. Or if 19 I send a pestilence into this land, and powre out my wrath vpon it in blood, to destroy out of it man and beast, And though 20 Noah, Daniel and Iob were in the middes of it, As I liue, sayth the Lord God, they shall deliuer neither sonne nor daughter: they shall but deliuer their owne soules by their righteousnes. For thus saith the Lord God, Howe much more when I sende 21 my foure sore iudgements vpon Ierusalem, euen the sworde, and famine, and the noysome beast and pestilence, to destroy man and beast out of it? Yet beholde, therein shalbe left a 22 remnant of them that shalbe caryed away both sonnes and daughters: behold, they shall come forth vnto you, and ve shall see their way, and their enterprises: and ye shall be comforted, concerning the euill that I have brought vpon Ierusalem, euen concerning al that I haue brought vpon it. And they shall com- 23 fort you, when yee see their way and their enterprises: and ye shall know, that I have not done without cause all that I have done in it, saith the Lord God.

And thee word of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne 15, 2 of man, what commeth of the vine tree aboue all other trees? and of the vine braunch, which is among the trees of ye forest? Shall wood bee taken thereof to doe any worke? or wil men 3 take a pin of it to hang any vessel thereon? Behold, it is cast 4 in the fire to be consumed: the fire consumeth both the endes

of it, and the middes of it is burnt. Is it meete for any worke?

Behold, when it was whole, it was meete for no worke: how much lesse shall it bee meete for any worke, when the fire hath consumed it, and it is burnt? Therefore thus sayth the Lord God, As the vine tree, that is among the trees of the forest, which I haue giuen to the fire to be consumed, so will I giue the inhabitants of Ierusalem. And I will set my face against them: they shall go out from one fire, and another fire shall consume them: and ye shall know, that I am the Lord, when I set my face against them, And when I make the lande waste, because they haue greatly offended, saith the Lord God.

Again, the worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne **16**, 2 3 of man, cause Ierusalem to knowe her abominations, And say, Thus saith the Lord God vnto Ierusalem, Thine habitation and thy kindred is of the land of Canaan: thy father was an Amor-4 ite, and thy mother an Hittite. And in thy natiuitie whe thou wast borne, thy nauell was not cut: thou wast not washed in water to soften thee: thou wast not salted with salt, nor swa-5 dled in cloutes. None eve pitied thee to do any of these vnto thee, for to have compassion vpon thee, but thou wast cast out in the open fielde to the contempt of thy person in ye day 6 that thou wast borne. And when I passed by thee, I saw thee polluted in thine owne blood, and I said vnto thee, whe thou wast in thy blood, Thou shalt liue: euen when thou wast in 7 thy blood, I saide vnto thee, Thou shalt liue. I have caused thee to multiplie as the bud of the fielde, and thou hast increased and waxen great, and thou hast gotten excellent ornaments: thy breastes are facioned, thine heare is growen, 8 where as thou wast naked and bare. Nowe when I passed by thee, and looked vpon thee, beholde, thy time was as the time of loue, and I spred my skirtes ouer thee, and couered thy filthines: yea, I sware vnto thee, and entred into a couenant 9 with thee, saith the Lord God, and thou becamest mine. Then washed I thee with water: yea, I washed away thy blood from 10 thee, and I anointed thee with oyle. I clothed thee also with broydred worke, and shod thee with badgers skin: and I girded 11 thee about with fine linen, and I couered thee with silke. I decked thee also with ornaments, and I put bracelets vpon 12 thine handes, and a chaine on thy necke. And I put a frontlet vpon thy face, and earings in thine eares, and a beautifull crowne vpon thine head. Thus wast thou deckt with gold and 13 siluer, and thy rayment was of fine linen, and silke, and broydred worke: thou didest eate fine floure, and honie and ovle, and thou wast very beautifull, and thou didest grow vp into a kingdome. And thy name was spred among the heathen 14 for thy beautie: for it was perfite through my beautie which I had set vpon thee, saith the Lord God. Nowe thou didest 15 trust in thine owne beautie, and playedst the harlot, because of thy renowne, and hast powred out thy fornications on euery one that passed by, thy desire was to him. And thou didest 16 take thy garments, and deckedst thine hie places with divers colours, and playedst the harlot thereupon: the like thinges shall not come, neither hath any done so. Thou hast also 17 taken thy faire iewels made of my golde and of my siluer, which I had given thee, and madest to thy selfe images of men, and didest commit whoredome with them. And tookest thy brov- 18 dred garments, and coueredst them: and thou hast set mine ovle and my perfume before them. My meate also, which I 19 gaue thee, as fine floure, oyle, and honie, wherewith I fedde thee, thou hast euen set it before them for a sweete sauour: thus it was, saith the Lord God. Moreouer thou hast taken thy 20 sonnes and thy daughters, whome thou hast borne vnto me, and these hast thou sacrificed vnto them, to be deuoured: is this thy whoredome a small matter? That thou hast slaine my 21 children, and deliuered them to cause them to passe through fire for them? And in all thine abominations and whoredomes 22 thou hast not remembred the dayes of thy youth, when thou wast naked and bare, and wast polluted in thy blood. And be- 23 side all thy wickednes (wo, wo vnto thee, saith the Lord God) Thou hast also built vnto thee an hie place, and hast made thee 24 an hie place in euery streete. Thou hast built thine hie place 25 at euery corner of the way, and hast made thy beautie to be abhorred: thou hast opened thy feete to euery one that passed by, and multiplied thy whoredome. Thou hast also committed for- 26 nication with the Egyptians thy neighbours, which have great members, and hast encreased thy whoredome, to prouoke me. Beholde, therefore I did stretche out mine hand ouer thee, and 27 will diminish thine ordinarie, and deliuer thee vnto the will of them that hate thee, even to the daughters of the Philistims, which are ashamed of thy wicked way. Thou hast played the 28

whore also with the Assyrians, because thou wast insaciable: yea, thou hast played the harlot with them, and yet couldest 29 not be satisfied. Thou hast moreouer multiplied thy fornication from the land of Canaan vnto Caldea, and yet thou wast 30 not satisfied herewith. Howe weake is thine heart, saith the Lord God, seeing thou doest all these thinges, euen the worke 31 of a presumptuous whorish woman? In that thou buildest thine hie place in the corner of euery way, and makest thine hie place in euery streete, and hast not bene as an harlot that 32 despiseth a reward, But as a wife that playeth the harlot, 33 and taketh others for her husband: They give giftes to all other whores, but thou givest giftes vnto all thy louers, and rewardest them, that they may come vnto thee on euery side 34 for thy fornication. And the contrary is in thee from other women in thy fornications, neither the like fornication shall be after thee: for in that thou givest a rewarde, and no reward 35 is given vnto thee, therefore thou art contrary. Wherefore, O 36 harlot, heare the worde of the Lord. Thus sayeth the Lord God, Because thy shame was powred out, and thy filthinesse discouered through thy fornications with thy louers, and with all the idoles of thine abominations, and by the blood of thy 37 children, which thou didest offer vnto them, Beholde, therefore I wil gather all thy louers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all them that thou hast loued, with al them that thou hast hated: I will euen gather them round about against thee, and will discouer thy filthines vnto them, that they may 38 see all thy filthines. And I wil judge thee after ye maner of them that are harlots, and of them that shead blood, and I wil 39 giue thee the blood of wrath and ielousie. I will also giue thee into their handes, and they shall destroy thine hie place, and shall breake downe thine hie places. they shall strippe thee also out of thy clothes, and shall take thy faire iewels, and 40 leaue thee naked and bare. They shall also bring vp a company against thee, and they shall stone thee with stones, and 41 thrust thee through with their swordes. And they shall burne vp thine houses with fire, and execute judgements vpon thee in the sight of many women: and I will cause thee to cease from playing the harlot, and thou shalt give no reward any So will I make my wrath towarde thee to rest, and 42 more. my ielousie shall depart from thee, and I will cease and be no

more angrie. Because thou hast not remembred the dayes 43 of thy youth, but hast prouoked me with all these things, behold, therefore I also have brought thy way vpon thine head, sayeth the Lord God: yet hast not thou had consideration of all thine abominations. Beholde, all that vse prouerbes, shall 44 vse this prouerbe against thee, saying, As is the mother, so is her daughter. Thou art thy mothers daughter, that hath 45 cast off her husband and her children, and thou art the sister of thy sisters, which forsooke their husbands and their children: your mother is an Hittite, and your father an Amorite. And thine elder sister is Samaria, and her daughters, that 46 dwell at thy left hand, and thy yong sister, that dwelleth at thy right hand, is Sodom, and her daughters. Yet hast thou 47 not walked after their waves, nor done after their abominations: but as it had bene a very little thing, thou wast corrupted more then they in all thy wayes. As I liue, saith the 48 Lord God, Sodom thy sister hath not done, neither shee nor her daughters, as thou hast done and thy daughters. Beholde, 49 this was the iniquitie of thy sister Sodom, Pride, fulnesse of bread, and aboundance of idlenesse was in her, and in her daughters: neither did shee strengthen the hande of the poore and needie. But they were hautie, and committed abomina- 50 tion before mee: therefore I tooke them away, as pleased me. Neither hath Samaria committed halfe of thy sinnes, but thou 51 hast exceeded them in thine abominations, and hast iustified thy sisters in all thine abominations, which thou hast done. Therefore thou which hast iustified thy sisters, beare thine 52 owne shame for thy sinnes, that thou hast committed more abominable then they which are more righteous then thou art: be thou therefore confounded also, and beare thy shame, seeing that thou hast justified thy sisters. Therefore I will bring 53 againe their captiuitie with the captiuitie of Sodom, and her daughters, and with the captiuitie of Samaria, and her daughters: euen the captiuitie of thy captiues in the middes of them, That thou mayest beare thine owne shame, and mayest bee 54 confounded in all that thou hast done, in that thou hast comforted them. And thy sister Sodom and her daughters shall 55 returne to their former state: Samaria also and her daughters shall returne to their former state, when thou and thy daughters shall returne to your former state. For thy sister Sodom 56 57 was not heard of by thy report in the day of thy pride, Before thy wickednes was discouered, as in that same time of the reproch of the daughters of Aram, and of all the daughters of the Philistims round about her which despise thee on all sides. 58 Thou hast borne therefore thy wickednesse and thine abomi-59 nation, saith the Lord. For thus saith the Lord God, I might euen deale with thee, as thou hast done: when thou didest de-60 spise the othe, in breaking the couenant. Neuerthelesse, I wil remember my couenant made with thee in ye dayes of thy youth, and I wil confirme vnto thee an euerlasting couenant. 61 Then thou shalt remember thy wayes, and be ashamed, when thou shalt receive thy sisters, both thy elder and thy yonger, and I will give them vnto thee for daughters, but not by thy 62 couenat. And I wil establish my couenant with thee, and thou 63 shalt knowe that I am the Lord, That thou mayest remember, and be ashamed, and neuer open thy mouth any more: because of thy shame when I am pacified toward thee, for all that thou hast done, saith the Lord God.

And the worde of the Lord came vnto mee, saving, Sonne **17**, 2 of man, put foorth a parable and speake a prouerbe vnto the 3 house of Israel, And say, Thus saith the Lord God, The great eagle with great wings, and long wings, and ful of fethers, which had divers colours, came vnto Lebanon, and tooke the 4 highest branch of the cedar, And brake off the toppe of his twigge, and caried it into the land of marchants, and set it in 5 a citie of marchants. Hee tooke also of the seede of the lande, and planted it in a fruitfull ground: hee placed it by great wa-6 ters, and set it as a willowe tree. And it budded vp. and was like a spreading vine of low stature, whose branches turned toward it, and the rootes thereof were vnder it: so it became a vine, and it brought foorth branches, and shot foorth buds. 7 There was also another great eagle with great wings and many feathers, and beholde, this vine did turne her rootes toward it, and spred foorth her branches toward it, that she might water 8 it by the trenches of her plantation. It was planted in a good soyle by great waters, that it should bring forth branches, and 9 beare fruite, and be an excellent vine. Say thou, Thus saith the Lord God, Shall it prosper? shall he not pull vp the rootes thereof, and destroy the fruite thereof, and cause them to drie? all the leaves of her bud shall wither without great power, or many people, to plucke it vp by the rootes thereof. Beholde, it 10 was planted: but shall it prosper? shall it not be dried vp, and wither? when the East winde shall touch it, it shall wither in the trenches, where it grewe. Moreouer, the worde of the Lord 11 came vnto me, saying, Say now to this rebellious house, Know 12 ye not, what these things meane? tell them, Behold, the King of Babel is come to Ierusalem, and hath taken the King thereof, and the princes thereof, and led them with him to Babel, And 13 hath taken one of the Kings seede, and made a couenant with him, and hath taken an othe of him: he hath also taken the princes of the land. That the kingdome might be in subjection. 14 and not lift it selfe vp, but keepe their couenant, and stand to But he rebelled against him, and sent his ambassadours 15 into Egypt, that they might give him horses, and much people: shall hee prosper? shall he escape, that doeth such things? or shall he breake the couenant, and be deliuered? As I liue, 16 saith the Lord God, he shall die in the middes of Babel, in the place of the King, that had made him King, whose othe he despised, and whose couenant made with him, he brake. Nei- 17 ther shall Pharaoh with his mightie hoste, and great multitude of people, mainteine him in the warre, when they have cast vp mounts, and builded ramparts to destroy many persons. For 18 he hath despised the othe, and broken ve couenant (yet lo, he had given his hand) because he hath done all these things, he shall not escape. Therefore, thus sayth the Lord God, As I 19 liue, I wil surely bring mine othe that he hath despised, and my couenant that he hath broken vpon his owne head. And 20 I wil spread my net vpon him, and he shalbe taken in my net, and I wil bring him to Babel, and will enter into judgement with him there for his trespas that he hath committed against me. And all that flee from him with all his hoste, shall fall 21 by the sword, and they that remaine, shalbe scattered towarde all the windes: and ye shall know that I the Lord haue spoken Thus saith the Lord God, I wil also take off the top of this 22 hie cedar, and wil set it, and cut off the top of the tender plant thereof, and I wil plant it vpon an hie mountaine and great. Euen in the hie mountaine of Israel will I plant it: and it shall 23 bring forth boughes and beare fruite, and be an excellent cedar, and vnder it shall remaine all birds, and euery foule shall dwell in the shadow of the branches thereof. And all the trees of the 24 fielde shall knowe that I the Lord haue brought downe the hie tree, and exalted the lowe tree, that I haue dried vp the greene tree, and made the drie tree to florish: I the Lord haue spoken it, and haue done it.

**18**. 2 The worde of the Lord came vnto me againe, saying, What meane ye that ye speake this prouerbe, concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers haue eaten sowre grapes, and the 3 childrens teeth are set on edge? As I liue, sayth the Lord 4 God, ye shall vse this prouerbe no more in Israel. Beholde, all soules are mine, both the soule of the father, and also the soule 5 of the sonne are mine: the soule that sinneth, it shall die. But 6 if a man be just, and doe that which is lawfull, and right, And hath not eaten vpon the mountaines, neither hath lift vp his eves to the idoles of the house of Israel, neither hath defiled his neighbours wife, neither hath lyen with a menstruous woman, 7 Neither hath oppressed any, but hath restored the pledge to his dettour: he that hath spoyled none by violence, but hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath couered the naked with a 8 garment, And hath not given foorth vpon vsurie, neither hath taken any increase, but hath withdrawen his hand from iniquitie, and hath executed true iudgement betweene man and man, 9 And hath walked in my statutes, and hath kept my judgements to deale truely, he is just, he shall surely liue, sayth the Lord 10 God. If he beget a sonne, that is a thiefe, or a sheader of blood, 11 if he do any one of these things, Though he doe not all these things, but either hath eaten vpon the mountaines, or defiled 12 his neighbours wife, Or hath oppressed the poore and needy, or hath spoyled by violence, or hath not restored the pledge, or hath lift vp his eyes vnto the idoles, or hath committed abom-13 ination, Or hath given forth vpon vsurie, or hath taken increase, shall he liue? he shall not liue: seeing he hath done all these abominations, he shall die the death, and his blood 14 shall be vpon him. But if he beget a sonne, that seeth all his fathers sinnes, which he hath done, and feareth, neither doeth 15 such like, That hath not eaten vpon the mountaines, neither hath lift vp his eyes to the idols of ye house of Israel, nor hath 16 defiled his neighbours wife, Neither hath oppressed any, nor hath withholden the pledge, neither hath spoyled by violence, but hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath couered the 17 naked with a garment, Neither hath withdrawen his hand

from the afflicted, nor received vsurie nor increase, but hath executed my judgements, and hath walked in my statutes, he shall not die in the iniquitie of his father, but he shall surely liue. His father, because he cruelly oppressed and spoyled his 18 brother by violence, and hath not done good among his people, loe, euen he dyeth in his iniquitie. Yet say ye, Where- 19 fore shall not the sonne beare the iniquitie of the father? because ve sonne hath executed judgement and justice, and hath kept all my statutes, and done them, he shall surely liue, The 20 same soule that sinneth, shall die: the sonne shall not beare the iniquitie of the father, neither shall the father beare the iniquitie of the sonne, but the righteousnes of the righteous shall be vpon him, and the wickednesse of the wicked shall be vpon him selfe. But if the wicked will returne from all his 21 sinnes that he hath committed, and keepe all my statutes, and doe that which is lawfull and right, he shall surely liue, and shall not die. All his transgressions that he hath committed, 22 they shall not be mentioned vnto him, but in his righteousnes that he hath done, he shall liue. Haue I any desire that the 23 wicked should die, sayth the Lord God? or shall he not liue, if he returne from his wayes? But if the righteous turne away 24 from his righteousnes, and commit iniquitie, and doe according to all the abominations, that the wicked man doeth, shall he liue? all his righteousnes that he hath done, shall not be mentioned: but in his transgression that he hath committed, and in his sinne that he hath sinned, in them shall he die. Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equall: heare now, O 25 house of Israel. Is not my way equall? or are not your wayes vnequall? For when a righteous man turneth away from his 26 righteousnes, and committeth iniquitie, he shall euen die for the same, he shall euen die for his iniquitie, that he hath done. Againe when the wicked turneth away from his wickednes that 27 he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawfull and right, he shall saue his soule aliue. Because he considereth, and tur- 28 neth away from all his transgressions that hee hath committed, he shall surely liue and shall not die. Yet saith ye house of 29 Israel, The way of the Lord is not equall. O house of Israel, are not my wayes equall? or are not your wayes vnequall? There- 30 fore I will judge you, O house of Israel, euery one according to his wayes, sayth the Lord God: returne therefore and cause

others to turne away from all your transgressions: so iniquitie 31 shall not be your destruction. Cast away from you all vour transgressions, whereby ye haue transgressed, and make you a newe heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of 32 Israel? For I desire not the death of him that dyeth, sayth the Lord God: cause therefore one another to returne, and liue ye. Thou also, take vp a lamentation for the princes of Israel, 19 2 And say, Wherefore lay thy mother as a lyonesse among the lyons? she nourished her yong ones among the lyons whelps, 3 And she brought vp one of her whelps, and it became a lyon, 4 and it learned to catch the praye, and it deuoured men. nations also heard of him, and he was taken in their nets, and 5 they brought him in chaines vnto the land of Egypt. Nowe when she sawe, that she had waited and her hope was lost, 6 she tooke another of her whelps, and made him a lyon. Which went among the lyons, and became a lyon, and learned to catch 7 the praye, and he deuoured men. And he knew their widowes, and he destroyed their cities, and the land was wasted, and 8 all that was therein by the noyse of his roaring. nations set against him on euery side of the countreys, and 9 laide their nets for him: so he was taken in their pit. And they put him in prison and in chaines, and brought him to the King of Babel, and they put him in holdes, that his voyce should no 10 more be heard vpon the mountaines of Israel. Thy mother is like a vine in thy blood, planted by the waters: she brought 11 foorth fruite and branches by the abundant waters, And she had strong rods for the scepters of them that beare rule, and her stature was exalted among the branches, and she appeared 12 in her height with the multitude of her branches. But she was plucked vp in wrath: she was cast downe to the ground, and the East winde dried vp her fruite: her branches were broken, and withered: as for the rod of her strength, the fire consumed And now she is planted in the wildernes in a drie and 14 thirstie ground. And fire is gone out of a rod of her branches, which hath deuoured her fruite, so that she hath no strong rod to be a scepter to rule: this is a lamentation and shalbe for a

20 And in the seuenth yeere, in the fift moneth, the tenth day of the moneth, came certaine of the elders of Israel to enquire 2 of the Lord, and sate before me. Then came the worde of the

lamentation.

Lord vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, speake vnto the Elders 3 of Israel, and say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord God, Are ye come to enquire of me? as I liue, sayth the Lord God, when I am asked, I wil not answer you. Wilt thou iudge them, sonne 4 of man? wilt thou iudge them? cause them to vnderstand the abominations of their fathers, And say vnto them, Thus 5 saith the Lord God, In the day when I chose Israel, and lift vp mine hand vnto the seede of the house of Iaakob, and made my selfe knowen vnto them in the land of Egypt, when I lift vp mine hand vnto them, and sayd, I am the Lord your God, In the day that I lift vp mine hand vnto them to bring them 6 forth of the land of Egypt, into a land that I had prouided for them, flowing with milke and hony which is pleasant among all lands. Then sayd I vnto them, Let euery man cast away 7 the abominations of his eyes, and defile not your selues with the idols of Egypt: for I am the Lord your God. But they re- 8 belled against me, and would not heare me: for none cast away the abominations of their eyes, neither did they forsake the idoles of Egypt: then I thought to powre out mine indignation vpon them, and to accomplish my wrath against them in the mids of the land of Egypt. But I had respect to my Name, that 9 it should not be polluted before the heathen, among whome they were, and in whose sight I made my selfe knowen vnto them in bringing them forth of the land of Egypt. Nowe I 10 caried them out of the land of Egypt, and brought them into the wildernes. And I gaue them my statutes, and declared 11 my iudgements vnto them, which if a man doe, he shall liue Moreover I gave them also my Sabbaths to be a 12 signe betweene me and them, that they might knowe that I am the Lord, that sanctifie them. But the house of Israel 13 rebelled against me in the wildernes: they walked not in my statutes, and they cast away my judgements, which if a man doe, he shall liue in them, and my Sabbaths haue they greatly polluted: then I thought to powre out mine indignation vpon them in the wildernes to consume them, But I had respect 14 to my Name, that it shoulde not bee polluted before the heathen in whose sight I brought them out. Yet neuerthelesse, 15 I lift vp mine hande vnto them in the wildernes that I would not bring them into the lande, which I had given them, flowing with milke and hony, which was pleasant aboue all landes.

16 Because they cast away my iudgments, and walked not in my statutes, but haue polluted my Sabbaths: for their heart went 17 after their idoles. Neuerthelesse, mine eye spared them, that I would not destroye them, neither would I consume them in 18 the wildernes. But I said vnto their children in the wildernes. Walke ye not in the ordinances of your fathers, neither obserue 19 their maners, nor defile your selues with their idoles. I am the Lord your God: walke in my statutes, and keepe my judge-20 ments and doe them, And sanctifie my Sabbaths, and they shall bee a signe betweene mee and you, that ye may knowe 21 that I am the Lord your God. Notwithstanding the children rebelled against mee: they walked not in my statutes, nor kept my iudgements to doe them, which if a man doe, hee shall liue in them, but they polluted my Sabbaths: then I thought to powre out mine indignation vpon them, and to accomplish my 22 wrath against them in the wildernes. Neuerthelesse I withdrew mine hand and had respect to my Name that it should not be polluted before the heathen, in whose sight I brought them 23 foorth. Yet I lift vp mine hande vnto them in the wildernes, that I would scatter them among the heathen, and disperse 24 them through the countreys, Because they had not executed my iudgements, but had cast away my statutes and had polluted my Sabbaths, and their eyes were after their fathers Wherefore I gaue them also statutes that were not 26 good, and iudgements, wherein they should not liue. And I polluted them in their owne giftes in that they caused to passe by the fire all that first openeth ye wombe, that I might destroy them, to the ende, that they might know that I am ye Therefore, sonne of man, speake vnto the house of Israel, and say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord God, Yet in this your fathers have blasphemed me, though they had before 28 grieuously transgressed against me. For when I had brought them into the land, for the which I lifted vp mine hand to give it to them, then they saw euery hie hill, and all the thicke trees, and they offred there their sacrifices, and there they presented their offering of prouocation: there also they made their sweete 29 sauour, and powred out there their drinke offerings. Then I saide vnto them, What is the hie place whereunto ye goe? And 30 the name thereof was called Bamah vnto this day. Wherefore, say vnto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord God,

Are ye not polluted after the maner of your fathers? and commit ye not whoredome after their abominations? For when 31 you offer your giftes, and make your sonnes to passe through the fire, you pollute your selues with all your idoles vnto this day: shall I answere you when I am asked, O house of Israel? As I liue, saith the Lord God, I wil not answere you when I am asked. Neither shall that be done that commeth into your 32 minde: for ye say, We wil be as the heathen, and as the families of the countreys, and serue wood, and stone. As I liue, 33 saith the Lord God, I will surely rule you with a mightie hand, and with a stretched out arme, and in my wrath powred out. And will bring you from the people, and will gather you out of 34 the countreys, wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arme, and in my wrath powred out, And I will bring you into the wildernes of the people, and there 35 wil I pleade with you face to face. Like as I pleaded with 36 your fathers in the wildernes of the lande of Egypt, so will I pleade with you, saith the Lord God. And I wil cause you 37 to passe vnder the rod, and wil bring you into the bond of the couenant. And I wil chuse out from among you the rebels, and 38 them that transgresse against mee: I will bring them out of the land where they dwel, and they shall not enter into the lande of Israel, and you shall knowe that I am the Lord. As for you, 39 O house of Israel, thus saith the Lord God, Goe you, and serue euery one his idole, seeing that ye will not obey me, and pollute mine holy Name no more with your giftes and with your idoles. For in mine holy mountaine, euen in the hie mountaine of Is- 40 rael, saith the Lord God, there shall all the house of Israel, and all in the lande, serue me: there will I accept them, and there will I require your offrings and the first fruites of your oblations, with all your holy things. I will accept your sweete 41 sauour, when I bring you from the people, and gather you out of the countreys, wherein ye have bene scattered, that I may be sanctified in you before ye heathen. And ye shall knowe, 42 that I am the Lord, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the land, for the which I lifted vp mine hande to giue it to your fathers. And there shall ye remember your 43 wayes, and all your workes, wherein ye haue bene defiled, and ye shall iudge your selues worthy to be cut off, for all your euils, that ve haue committed. And ve shall knowe, that I am 44 the Lord, when I haue respect vnto you for my Names sake, and not after your wicked wayes, nor according to your corrupt workes, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord God. Moreouer, the worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, set thy face toward the way of Teman, and drop thy word toward the South, and prophecie towarde the forest of the fielde of the South, And say to the forest of the South, Heare the worde of the Lord: thus saith the Lord God, Beholde, I will kindle a fire in thee, and it shall deuoure all the greene wood in thee, and all the drie wood: the continuall flame shall not bee quenched, and euery face from the South to the North shall be burnt therein.

48 And all flesh shall see, that I the Lord haue kindled it, and it shall not bee quenched. Then saide I, Ah Lord God, they say of me, Doeth not he speake parables?

The word of ye Lord came to me againe, saying, Sonne of **21**, 2 man, set thy face toward Ierusalem, and drop thy word toward 3 the holy places, and prophecie against the land of Israel. And say to the land of Israel, Thus saith the Lord, Beholde, I come against thee, and will drawe my sword out of his sheath, and 4 cut off from thee both the righteous and the wicked. Seeing then that I will cut off from thee both the righteous and wicked. therefore shall my sworde goe out of his sheath against all flesh 5 from the South to the North, That all flesh may knowe that I the Lord haue drawen my sworde out of his sheath, and it 6 shall not returne any more. Mourne therefore, thou sonne of man, as in the paine of thy reines, and mourne bitterly before 7 them. And if they say vnto thee, Wherefore mournest thou? then answere, Because of the bruite: for it commeth, and euery heart shall melt, and all handes shall be weake, and all mindes shall faint, and all knees shall fall away as water: beholde, 8 it commeth, and shall be done, saith the Lord God. Againe, 9 the word of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, prophecie, and say, Thus saith the Lord God, say, A sworde, a 10 sworde both sharpe, and fourbished. It is sharpened to make a sore slaughter, and it is fourbished that it may glitter: how shall we reioyce? for it contemneth the rod of my sonne, as all 11 other trees. And he hath given it to be fourbished, that he may handle it: this sword is sharpe, and is fourbished, that he 12 may giue it into ye hand of the slayer. Cry, and houle, sonne of man: for this shall come to my people, and it shall come

vnto all the princes of Israel: the terrours of the sword shall be vpon my people: smite therefore vpon thy thigh. For it is 13 a triall, and what shall this be, if the sworde contemne euen the rodde? It shall be no more, saith the Lord God. Thou 14 therefore, sonne of man, prophecie, and smite hand to hand, and let the sworde be doubled: let the sworde that hath killed, returne the third time: it is the sword of the great slaughter entring into their priuie chambers. I have brought the feare 15 of the sword into all their gates to make their heart to faint, and to multiplie their ruines. Ah it is made bright, and it is dressed for the slaughter. Get thee alone: goe to the right 16 hande, or get thy selfe to the left hande, whithersoeuer thy face turneth. I wil also smite mine hands together, and wil 17 cause my wrath to cease. I the Lord haue said it. The worde 18 of the Lord came vnto mee againe, saying, Also thou sonne 19 of man, appoint thee two wayes, that the sworde of the King of Babel may come: both twaine shall come out of one lande, and chuse a place, and chuse it in the corner of the way of the citie. Appoint a way, that the sworde may come to Rabbath 20 of the Ammonites, and to Iudah in Ierusalem the strong citie. And the King of Babel stoode at the parting of the way, at the 21 head of the two wayes, consulting by divination, and made his arrowes bright: hee consulted with idoles, and looked in the liuer. At his right hand was the divination for Ierusalem to 22 appoint captaines, to open their mouth in the slaughter, and to lift vp their voyce with shouting, to laye engines of warre against the gates, to cast a mount, and to builde a fortresse. And it shalbe vnto them as a false divination in their sight for 23 the othes made vnto them; but hee will call to remembrance their iniquitie, to the intent they should be taken. Therefore 24 thus sayeth the Lord God, Because ye haue made your iniquitie to bee remembred, in discouering your rebellion, that in al your workes your sinnes might appeare: because, I say, that ye are come to remembrance, ye shall be taken with the hand. And thou prince of Israel polluted, and wicked, whose day is 25 come, when iniquitie shall have an ende, Thus saith the Lord 26 God, I will take away the diademe, and take off the crowne: this shalbe no more the same: I wil exalt the humble, and will abase him that is hie. I wil ouerturne, ouerturne, ouerturne 27 it, and it shall be no more vntill he come, whose right it is,

28 and I will give it him. And thou, sonne of man, prophecie, and say, Thus saith the Lord God to the children of Ammon, and to their blasphemie: say thou, I say, The sword, the sword is drawen foorth, and fourbished to the slaughter, to consume, 29 because of the glittering: Whiles they see vanitie vnto thee, and prophecied a lie vnto thee to bring thee vpon the neckes of the wicked that are slaine, whose day is come when their 30 iniquitie shall haue an ende. Shall I cause it to returne into his sheath? I will iudge thee in the place where thou wast cre-31 ated, euen in the land of thine habitation. And I wil powre out mine indignation vpon thee, and will blowe against thee in the fire of my wrath, and deliuer thee into the hand of beastly 32 men, and skilfull to destroy. Thou shalt bee in the fire to be deuoured: thy blood shall be in the middes of the lande, and thou shalt be no more remembred: for I the Lord haue spoken it.

**22**, 2 Moreover, the worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Now thou sonne of man, wilt thou iudge, wilt thou iudge this bloody 3 citie? wilt thou shew her all her abominations? Then say, Thus sayth the Lord God, The citie sheddeth blood in the middes of it, that her time may come, and maketh idols against her 4 selfe to pollute her selfe. Thou hast offended in thy blood, that thou hast shed, and hast polluted thy selfe in thine idols, which thou hast made, and thou hast caused thy dayes to draw neere, and art come vnto thy terme: therefore haue I made thee a re-5 proch to the heathen, and a mocking to all countreys. that be neere, and those that be farre from thee, shall mocke 6 thee, which art vile in name and sore in affliction. Beholde, the princes of Israel euery one in thee was ready to his power, 7 to shed blood. In thee haue they despised father and mother: in the middes of thee haue they oppressed the stranger: in thee 8 haue they vexed the fatherlesse and the widowe. Thou hast 9 despised mine holy things, and hast polluted my Sabbaths. In thee are men that cary tales to shed blood: in thee are they that eate vpon the mountaines: in ye mids of thee they comit abom-10 ination. In thee haue they discouered their fathers shame: in thee haue they vexed her that was polluted in her floures. 11 And euery one hath committed abomination with his neighbours wife, and euery one hath wickedly defiled his daughter

in lawe, and in thee hath euery man forced his owne sister,

euen his fathers daughter. In thee haue they taken giftes to 12 shed blood: thou hast taken vsurie and the encrease, and thou hast defrauded thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me, saith the Lord God. Beholde, therefore I haue smitten 13 mine hands vpon thy couetousnesse, that thou hast vsed, and vpon the blood, which hath bene in the middes of thee. thine heart endure, or can thine hands be strong, in the dayes that I shall have to doe with thee? I the Lord have spoken it, and will doe it. And I wil scatter thee among the heathen, and 15 disperse thee in the countreys, and will cause thy filthines to cease from thee. And thou shalt take thine inheritance in thy 16 selfe in the sight of the heathen, and thou shalt knowe that I am the Lord. And the worde of the Lord came vnto me, sav- 17 ing. Sonne of man, the house of Israel is vnto me as drosse: 18 all they are brasse, and tinne, and yron, and leade in the mids of the fornace: they are euen the drosse of siluer. Therefore, 19 thus sayth the Lord God, Because ye are all as drosse, beholde, therefore I will gather you in the middes of Ierusalem. they gather siluer and brasse, and yron, and leade, and tinne into the middes of the fornace, to blowe the fire vpon it to melt it, so wil I gather you in mine anger and in my wrath, and wil put you there and melt you. I wil gather you, I say, and 21 blowe the fire of my wrath vpon you, and you shalbe melted in the mids thereof. As silver is melted in the mids of the for- 22 nace, so shall ve be melted in the mids thereof, and ve shall knowe, that I the Lord haue powred out my wrath vpon you. And the worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of 23, 24 man, say vnto her; Thou art the land, that is vncleane, and not rained vpon in the day of wrath. There is a conspiracie 25 of her prophets in the mids thereof like a roaring lyon, rauening the praye: they have devoured soules: they have taken the riches and precious things: they have made her many widowes in the mids thereof. Her Priests haue broken my Lawe, and 26 haue defiled mine holy things: they haue put no difference betweene the holy and prophane, neither discerned betweene the vncleane, and the cleane, and haue hid their eyes from my Sabbaths, and I am prophaned among them. Her princes in the 27 mids thereof are like wolues, rauening the praye to shed blood, and to destroy soules for their owne couetous lucre. And her 28 prophets have dawbed them with vntempered morter, seeing

vanities, and diuining lies vnto them, saying, Thus sayth the Lord God, when the Lord had not spoken. The people of the land haue violently oppressed by spoyling and robbing, and haue vexed the poore and the needy: yea, they haue oppressed the stranger against right. And I sought for a man among them, that should make vp the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it, but I found none. Therefore haue I powred out mine indignation vpon them, and consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their owne wayes haue I rendred vpon their heads, sayth the Lord God.

The worde of the Lord came againe vnto me, saying, Sonne **23**. 2 of man, there were two women, the daughters of one mother. 3 And they committed fornication in Egypt, they committed fornication in their youth: there were their breasts pressed, and 4 there they bruised the teates of their virginitie. And the names of them were Aholah the elder, and Aholibah her sister: and they were mine, and they bare sonnes and daughters: thus were their names. Samaria is Aholah, and Ierusalem Aholibah. 5 And Aholah played the harlot when she was mine, and she was set on fire with her louers, to wit, with the Assyrians her neigh-6 bours. Which were clothed with blewe silke, both captaines and princes: they were all pleasant yong men, and horsemen 7 riding vpon horses. Thus she committed her whoredome with them, euen with all them that were the chosen men of Asshur, and with all on whome she doted, and defiled her selfe with 8 all their idoles. Neither left she her fornications, learned of the Egyptians: for in her youth they lay with her, and they bruised the breasts of her virginitie, and powred their whore-9 dome vpon her. Wherefore I deliuered her into the hands of her louers, euen into the hands of the Assyrians, vpon whome 10 she doted. These discouered her shame: they tooke away her sonnes and her daughters, and slewe her with the sworde, and she had an euill name among women: for they had executed 11 iudgement vpon her. And when her sister Aholibah sawe this, she marred her selfe with inordinate loue, more then she, and with her fornications more then her sister with her fornica-12 tions. She doted vpon the Assyrians her neighbours, both captaines and princes clothed with divers sutes, horsemen ryding 13 vpon horses: they were all pleasant yong men. Then I sawe

that she was defiled, and that they were both after one sort, And that she encreased her fornications: for when she sawe 14 men painted vpon the wall, the images of the Caldeans painted with vermelon, And girded with girdles vpon their loynes, and 15 with dyed attyre vpon their heads (looking all like princes after the maner of the Babylonians in Caldea, the land of their natiuitie) Assoone, I say, as she sawe them, she doted vpon 16 them, and sent messengers vnto them into Caldea. when the Babylonians came to her into the bed of loue, they defiled her with their fornication, and she was polluted with them, and her lust departed from them. So she discouered 18 her fornication, and disclosed her shame: then mine heart forsooke her, like as mine heart had forsaken her sister. Yet she 19 encreased her whoredome more, and called to remembrance ye dayes of her youth, wherein she had played the harlot in the land of Egypt. For she doted vpon their seruants whose 20 members are as the members of asses, and whose vssue is like the vssue of horses. Thou calledst to remembrance the 21 wickednes of thy youth, when thy teates were bruised by ve Egyptians: therefore ye paps of thy youth are thus. There- 22 fore, O Aholibah, thus sayeth the Lord God, Beholde, I will raise vp thy louers against thee, from whome thine heart is departed, and I will bring them against thee on euery side, To 23 wit, the Babylonians, and all the Caldeans, Peked, and Shoah, and Koa, and all the Assyrians with them: they were all pleasant yong men, captaines and princes: all they were valiant and renoumed, riding vpon horses. Euen these shall come 24 against thee with charets, waggons, and wheeles, and with a multitude of people, which shall set against thee, buckler and shield, and helmet round about: and I will leaue the punishment vnto them, and they shall judge thee according to their iudgements. And I wil lay mine indignation vpon thee, and 25 they shall deale cruelly with thee: they shall cut off thy nose and thine eares, and thy remnant shall fall by the sword: they shall cary away thy sonnes and thy daughters, and thy residue shall be deuoured by the fire. They shall also strip thee out 26 of thy clothes, and take away thy fayre iewels. Thus wil I 27 make thy wickednes to cease from thee and thy fornication out of the land of Egypt: so that thou shalt not lift vp thine eyes vnto them, nor remember Egypt any more. For thus saith the 28

Lord God, Behold, I wil deliuer thee into the hand of them, whome thou hatest: euen into the hands of them from whome 29 thine heart is departed. And they shall handle thee despitefully, and shall take away all thy labour, and shall leaue thee naked and bare, and the shame of thy fornications shalbe dis-30 couered, both thy wickednes, and thy whoredome. I wil doe these things vnto thee, because thou hast gone a whoring after the heathen, and because thou art polluted with their idoles. 31 Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister: therefore wil I 32 giue her cup into thine hand. Thus saith ye Lord God, Thou shalt drinke of thy sisters cup, deepe and large: thou shalt be laughed to scorne and had in derision, because it containeth 33 much. Thou shalt be filled with drunkennes and sorow, euen with the cup of destruction, and desolation, with the cup of thy 34 sister Samaria. Thou shalt euen drinke it, and wring it out to the dregges, and thou shalt breake the sheards thereof, and teare thine owne breasts: for I have spoken it, sayth the Lord 35 God. Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Because thou hast forgotten me, and cast me behinde thy backe, therefore thou 36 shalt also beare thy wickednes and thy whoredome. The Lord sayd moreouer vnto me, Sonne of man, wilt thou iudge Aholah and Aholibah? and wilt thou declare to them their abomina-37 tions? For they have played the whores, and blood is in their hands, and with their idoles have they committed adulterie, and have also caused their sonnes, whome they bare vnto me, 38 to passe by the fire to be their meate. Moreover, thus have they done vnto me: they have defiled my Sanctuarie in the 39 same day, and haue prophaned my Sabbaths. For when they had slaine their children to their idoles, they came the same day into my Sanctuarie to defile it: and loe, thus haue they 40 done in the middes of mine house. And howe much more is it that they sent for men to come from farre vnto whom a messenger was sent, and loe, they came? for whome thou diddest wash thy selfe, and paintedst thine eyes, and deckedst thee with or-41 naments, And satest vpon a costly bed, and a table prepared before it, whereupon thou hast set mine incense and mine oyle. 42 And a voyce of a multitude being at ease, was with her: and with the men to make the company great were brought men of Saba from the wildernes, which put bracelets vpon their hands, 43 and beautifull crownes vpon their heads. Then I sayd vnto

her, that was olde in adulteries, Now shall she and her fornications come to an end. And they went in vnto her as they goe 44 to a common harlot: so went they to Aholah and Aholibah the wicked women. And ye righteous men they shall iudge them, 45 after the maner of harlots, and after the maner of murtherers: for they are harlots, and blood is in their hands. Wherefore 46 thus sayth the Lord God, I will bring a multitude vpon them, and will give them vnto the tumult, and to the spoyle, And 47 the multitude shall stone them with stones, and cut them with their swordes: they shall slay their sonnes, and their daughters, and burne vp their houses with fire. Thus will I cause 48 wickednesse to cease out of the land, that all women may be taught not to doe after your wickednesse. And they shall laye 49 your wickednesse vpon you, and ye shall beare the sinnes of your idoles, and ye shall knowe that I am the Lord God.

Again in the ninth yeere, in the tenth moneth, in the tenth 24 day of the moneth, came the worde of the Lord vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, write thee the name of the day, euen of this 2 same day: for the King of Babel set himselfe against Ierusalem this same day. Therefore speake a parable vnto the rebellious 3 house, and say vnto them, Thus sayth the Lord God, Prepare a pot, prepare it, and also powre water into it. Gather the 4 pieces thereof into it, euen euery good piece, as the thigh and the shoulder, and fill it with the chiefe bones. Take one of 5 the best sheepe, and burne also the bones vnder it, and make it boyle well, and see the the bones of it therein. Because the 6 Lord God sayth thus, Woe to the bloody citie, euen to the pot, whose skomme is therein, and whose skomme is not gone out of it: bring it out piece by piece: let no lot fall vpon it. For her 7 blood is in the middes of her: shee set it vpon an high rocke, and powred it not vpon on the ground to couer it with dust, That it might cause wrath to arise, and take vengeance: euen 8 I have set her blood vpon an high rocke that it should not be couered. Therefore thus saith ye Lord God, Woe to the bloody 9 citie, for I will make ye burning great. Heape on much wood: 10 kindle the fire, consume the flesh, and cast in spice, and let the bones be burnt. Then set it emptie vpon the coles thereof, that 11 the brasse of it may be hot, and may burne, and that the filthinesse of it may be molten in it, and that the skomme of it may be consumed. She hath wearied her selfe with lyes, and her 12

great skomme went not out of her: therefore her skomme shall 13 be consumed with fire. Thou remainest in thy filthines and wickednes: because I would have purged thee, and thou wast not purged, thou shalt not be purged from thy filthines, till I 14 haue caused my wrath to light vpon thee. I the Lord haue spoken it: it shall come to passe, and I will doe it: I will not goe backe, neither will I spare, neither will I repent: according to thy wayes, and according to thy workes shall they judge 15 thee, sayeth the Lord God. Also the worde of ye Lord came 16 vnto me, saying, Sonne of man beholde, I take away from thee the pleasure of thine eyes with a plague: yet shalt thou neither mourne nor weepe, neither shall thy teares runne downe. 17 Cease from sighing: make no mourning for the dead, and binde the tyre of thine head vpon thee, and put on thy shooes vpon thy feete, and couer not thy lips, and eate not the bread of men. 18 So I spake vnto the people in the morning, and at euen my wife 19 dyed: and I did in the morning, as I was commanded. And the people said vnto me, Wilt thou not tell vs what these things 20 meane towarde vs that thou doest so? Then I answered them, 21 The worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Speake vnto the house of Israel, Thus sayth the Lord God, Behold, I will pollute my Sanctuarie, euen the pride of your power, the pleasure of your eves, and your hearts desire, and your sonnes, and your 22 daughters whom ye haue left, shall fall by the sworde. And ye shall doe as I haue done: ye shall not couer your lippes, 23 neither shall ye eate the bread of men. And your tyre shalbe vpon your heads, and your shooes vpon your feete: ye shall not mourne nor weepe, but ye shall pine away for your iniquities, 24 and mourne one toward another. Thus Ezekiel is vnto you a signe: according to all that he hath done, ye shall do: and when this commeth, ye shall know that I am the Lord God. 25 Also, thou sonne of man, shall it not be in the day when I take from them their power, ye ioy of their honor, ye pleasure of their eyes, and the desire of their heart, their sonnes and their 26 daughters? That he that escapeth in that day, shall come vnto 27 thee to tell thee that which hee hath heard with his eares? In that day shall thy mouth be opened to him which is escaped, and thou shalt speake, and be no more dumme, and thou shalt be a signe vnto them, and they shall knowe that I am the Lord.

25, 2 The worde of the Lord came againe vnto me, saying, Sonne

of man, set thy face against the Ammonites, and prophecie against them, And say vnto the Ammonites, Heare the word 3 of the Lord God, Thus saith the Lord God, Because thou savdest, Ha, ha, against my Sanctuarie, when it was polluted, and against the land of Israel, when it was desolate, and against the house of Iudah, when they went into captiuitie, Beholde, 4 therefore I will deliuer thee to the men of the East for a possession, and they shall set their palaces in thee, and make their dwellings in thee: they shall eate thy fruite, and they shall drinke thy milke. And I will make Rabbah a dwelling place for 5 camels, and the Ammonites a sheepecote, and ve shall knowe that I am the Lord. For thus saith the Lord God, Because 6 thou hast clapped the hands, and stamped with the feete, and reiovced in heart with all thy despite against the land of Israel, Beholde, therefore I will stretche out mine hand vpon thee, and 7 will deliuer thee to be spoyled of the heathen, and I will roote thee out from the people, and I will cause thee to be destroyed out of the countreys, and I will destroy thee, and thou shalt know that I am the Lord. Thus saith the Lord God, Because 8 that Moab and Seir doe say, Beholde, the house of Iudah is like vnto all the heathen, Therefore, beholde, I will open the 9 side of Moab, euen of the cities of his cities, I say, in his frontiers with the pleasant countrey, Beth-ieshimoth, Baal-meon, and Karia-thaim. I will call the men of the East against the 10 Ammonites, and will give them in possession, so that the Ammonites shall no more be remembred among the nations, And 11 I will execute judgements vpon Moab, and they shall knowe that I am the Lord. Thus sayth the Lord God, Because that 12 Edom hath done euill by taking vengeance vpon the house of Iudah, and hath committed great offence, and reuenged himselfe vpon them, Therefore thus saith the Lord God, I will 13 also stretch out mine hand vpon Edom, and destroy man and beast out of it, and I will make it desolate from Teman, and they of Dedan shall fall by the sworde. And I will execute my 14 vengeance vpon Edom by the hand of my people Israel, and they shall doe in Edom according to mine anger, and according to mine indignation, and they shall know my vengeance, sayth the Lord God. Thus sayth the Lord God, Because the Philis- 15 tims have executed vengeance, and revenged themselves with a despitefull heart, to destroy it for the olde hatred, There- 16 fore thus sayth the Lord God, Behold, I will stretche out mine hand vpon the Philistims, and I will cut off the Cherethims, and destroy the remnant of the sea coast. And I will execute great vengeance vpon them with rebukes of mine indignation, and they shall knowe that I am the Lord, when I shall lay my vengeance vpon them.

And in the eleuenth yeere, in the first day of the moneth, 26 2 the worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, because that Tyrus hath said against Ierusalem, Aha, the gate of the people is broken: it is turned vnto me: for seeing she 3 is desolate, I shall be replenished. Therefore thus sayth the Lord God, Beholde, I come against thee, O Tyrus, and I will bring vp many nations against thee, as the sea mounteth vp 4 with his waues. And they shall destroy the walles of Tyrus and breake downe her towres: I will also scrape her dust from 5 her, and make her like the top of a rocke. Thou shalt be for the spreading of nettes in the middes of the sea: for I have spoken it, sayth the Lord God, and it shalbe a spoile to ye nations. 6 And her daughters which are in the fielde, shall be slaine by 7 the sworde, and they shall know that I am the Lord. For thus sayth the Lord God, Behold, I will bring vpon Tyrus Nebuchadnezzar King of Babel, a King of Kings from the North, with horses and with charets, and with horsemen, with a multitude 8 and much people. He shall slay with the sword thy daughters in the fielde, and he shall make a fort against thee, and cast a 9 mount against thee, and lift vp the buckler against thee. He shall set engins of warre before him against thy walles, and 10 with his weapons breake downe thy towres. The dust of his horses shall couer thee, for their multitude: thy walles shall shake at the noise of the horsemen, and of the wheeles, and of the charets, when he shall enter into thy gates as into the 11 entrie of a citie that is broken downe. With the hooues of his horses shall he treade downe all thy streetes: he shall slay thy people by the sworde, and the pillars of thy strength shall 12 fall downe to the ground. And they shall robbe thy riches, and spoyle thy marchandise, and they shall breake downe thy walles, and destroy thy pleasant houses, and they shall cast thy stones and thy timber and thy dust into the middes of the Thus will I cause the sounde of thy songs to cease, 13 water. 14 and the sound of thine harpes shall be no more heard. I wil lay thee like the top of a rocke: thou shalt be for a spreading of nets: thou shalt be built no more: for I the Lord haue spoken it, sayth the Lord God. Thus sayth the Lord God to Tyrus, Shall 15 not the yles tremble at the sounde of thy fall? and at the crie of the wounded, when they shall be slaine and murthered in the middes of thee? Then all the princes of the sea shall come 16 downe from their thrones: they shall lay away their robes, and put off their broydered garments, and shall clothe themselues with astonishment: they shall sitte vpon the ground, and be astonished at euery moment, and be amased at thee. And they 17 shall take vp a lamentation for thee, and say to thee, Howe art thou destroyed, that wast inhabited of the sea men, the renoumed citie which was strong in the sea, both she and her inhabitants, which cause their feare to be on all that haunt therein! Nowe shall the yles be astonished in the day of thy 18 fall: yea, the yles that are in the sea, shall be troubled at thy departure. For thus saith the Lord God, When I shall make 19 thee a desolate citie, like ye cities that are not inhabited, and when I shall bring the deepe vpon thee, and great waters shall couer thee, When I shall cast thee downe with them that de- 20 scende into the pitte, with the people of olde time, and shall set thee in the lowe partes of the earth, like the olde ruines, with them, I say, which goe downe to the pitte, so that thou shalt not be inhabited, and I shall shewe my glory in the land of the liuing, I will bring thee to nothing, and thou shalt be no 21 more: though thou be sought for, yet shalt thou neuer be found againe, sayth the Lord God.

The worde of the Lord came againe vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, take vp a lametation for Tyrus, And say vnto Tyrus, that is situate at the entrie of the sea, which is the marte of the people for many yles, Thus sayeth the Lord God, O Tyrus, thou hast said, I am of perfite beautie. Thy borders are in the middes of the sea, and thy builders have made thee of perfit beauty. They have made all thy shippe boardes of firre trees of Shenir: they have brought cedars from Lebanon, to make mastes for thee. Of ye okes of Bashan have they made thine ores: the company of the Assyrians have made thy banks of yuorie, brought out of ye yles of Chittim. Fine linen with broydered woorke, brought from Egypt, was spread over thee to be thy sayle, blue silke and purple, brought from the yles

8 of Elishah, was thy couering. The inhabitants of Zidon, and Aruad were thy mariners, O Tyrus: thy wise men that were 9 in thee, they were thy pilots. The ancients of Gebal, and the wise men thereof were in thee thy calkers, all the shippes of the sea with their mariners were in thee to occupie thy marchan-They of Persia, and of Lud and of Phut were in thine armie: thy men of warre they hanged the shielde and helmet 11 in thee: they set foorth thy beautie. The men of Aruad with thine armie were vpon thy walles round about, and the Gammadims were in thy towres: they hanged their shields vpon thy walles round about: they have made thy beautie perfite. 12 They of Tarshish were thy marchantes for the multitude of all riches, for siluer, yron, tynne, and leade, which they brought 13 to thy faires. They of Iauan, Tubal and Meshech were thy marchants, concerning the liues of men, and they brought ves-14 sels of brasse for thy marchadise. They of the house of Togarmah brought to thy faires horses, and horsemen, and mules. 15 The men of Dedan were thy marchantes: and the marchandise of many yles were in thine handes: they brought thee for 16 a present hornes, teeth, and peacockes. They of Aram were thy marchants for the multitude of thy wares: they occupied in thy faires with emerauds, purple, and broidred worke, and fine 17 linen, and corall, and pearle. They of Iudah and of the land of Israel were thy marchants: they brought for thy marchandise wheat of Minnith, and Pannag, and honie and oyle, and They of Damascus were thy marchants in ye multi-18 balme. tude of thy wares, for the multitude of all riches, as in the wine 19 of Helbon and white wooll. They of Dan also and of Iauan, going to and from, occupied in thy faires: yron woorke, cassia 20 and calamus were among thy marchandise. They of Dedan 21 were thy marchants in precious clothes for the charets. They of Arabia, and all the princes of Kedar occupied with thee, in lambes, and rammes and goates: in these were they thy The marchats of Sheba, and Raamah were thy marchantes: they occupied in thy faires with the chiefe of all 23 spices, and with al precious stones and golde. They of Haram and Canneh and Eden, the marchants of Sheba, Asshur and 24 Chilmad were thy marchants. These were thy marchants in all sortes of things, in raiment of blewe silke, and of broydred woorke, and in coffers for the rich apparell, which were bound with cordes: chaines also were among thy marchandise. shippes of Tarshish were thy chiefe in thy marchandise, and thou wast replenished and made very glorious in the middes of the sea. Thy robbers have brought thee into great waters: the 26 East winde hath broken thee in the middes of the sea. riches and thy faires, thy marchandise, thy mariners and pilotes, thy calkers, and the occupiers of thy marchandise and al thy men of warre that are in thee, and all thy multitude which is in the middes of thee, shall fall in the middes of the sea in the day of thy ruine. The suburbes shall shake at the 28 sound of the crie of thy pilotes. And all that handle the ore, 29 the mariners and al the pilots of the sea shall come downe from their shippes, and shall stand vpon the land, And shall cause 30 their voyce to be heard against thee, and shall cry bitterly, and shall cast dust vpon their heads, and wallow theselues in the ashes. They shall plucke off their heare for thee and gird them 31 with a sackecloth, and they shall weepe for thee with sorow of heart and bitter mourning. And in their mourning, they shall 32 take vp a lametation for thee, saying, What citie is like Tyrus. so destroied in the middes of the sea! When thy wares went 33 foorth of the seas, thou filledst many people, and thou diddest enrich the Kings of the earth with the multitude of thy riches and of thy marchandise. When thou shalt be broken by ye 34 seas in the depths of the waters, thy marchandise and all thy multitude, which was in the mids of thee, shall fal. All the 35 inhabitantes of the yles shall be astonished at thee, and all their Kings shall be sore afraide and troubled in their counte-The marchants among the people shall hisse at thee: 36 thou shalt be a terrour, and neuer shalt be any more.

The word of the Lord came againe vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, say vnto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saieth the Lord God, Because thine heart is exalted, and thou hast said, I am a God, I sit in the seat of God in ye mids of the sea, yet thou art but a man and not God, and though thou didest thinke in thine heart, that thou wast equall with God, Behold, thou art wiser then Daniel: there is no secrete, that they can hide from thee. With thy wisedome and thine vnderstanding thou hast gotten thee riches, and hast gotten golde and siluer into thy treasures. By thy great wisedome and by thine occupying 5 hast thou increased thy riches, and thine heart is lifted vp be-

6 cause of thy riches. Therefore thus sayeth the Lord God, Because thou didest thinke in thine heart, that thou wast equall 7 with God, Behold, therefore I wil bring strangers vpon thee, euen the terrible nations: and they shall drawe their swordes against the beautie of thy wisedome, and they shall defile thy They shall cast thee downe to the pit, and thou shalt die the death of them, that are slaine in the middes of 9 the sea. Wilt thou say then before him, that slayeth thee, I am a god? but thou shalt be a man, and no God, in the hands 10 of him that slayeth thee. Thou shalt die the death of the vncircumcised by the hands of stragers: for I haue spoken it, sayth 11 the Lord God. Moreouer the word of the Lord came vnto me, 12 saying, Sonne of man, take vp a lamentation vpon the King of Tyrus, and say vnto him, Thus sayeth the Lord God, Thou sealest vp the summe, and art full of wisedome and perfite in 13 beautie. Thou hast ben in Eden the garden of God: euery precious stone was in thy garment, the rubie, the topaze and the diamonde, the chrysolite, the onix, and the iasper, the saphir, emeraude, and the carbuncle and golde: the woorkemanship of thy timbrels, and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day 14 that thou wast created. Thou art the anointed Cherub, that couereth, and I haue set thee in honour: thou wast vpon the holy mountaine of God: thou hast walked in the middes of the 15 stones of fire. Thou wast perfite in thy wayes from the day 16 that thou wast created, till iniquitie was found in thee. By the multitude of thy marchandise, they have filled the middes of thee with crueltie, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as prophane out of the mountaine of God: and I will destroy thee, O couering Cherub from the mids of the stones 17 of fire. Thine heart was lifted vp because of thy beautie, and thou hast corrupted thy wisedome by reason of thy brightnes: I wil cast thee to ye grounde: I will lay thee before Kinges that 18 they may beholde thee. Thou hast defiled thy sanctification by the multitude of thine iniquities, and by the iniquitie of thy marchandise: therefore wil I bring forth a fire from the mids of thee, which shall deuoure thee: and I wil bring thee to ashes 19 vpon the earth, in the sight of all them that beholde thee. All they that knowe thee among the people, shalbe astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terrour, and neuer shalt thou be any more. 20, 21 Againe, the worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of

man, set thy face against Zidon, and prophesie against it, And 22 say, Thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I come against thee, O Zidon, and I will be glorified in the mids of thee: and they shall know that I am the Lord, when I shall have executed judgements in her, and shalbe sanctified in her. For I wil send into 23 her pestilence, and blood into her streetes, and the slaine shall fall in the middes of her: the enemie shall come against her with the sword on euery side, and they shall know that I am the Lord. And they shalbe no more a pricking thorne vnto the 24 house of Israel, nor any grieuous thorne of all that are round about them, and despised them, and they shall knowe that I am the Lord God. Thus saith the Lord God, When I shall 25 haue gathered the house of Israel from the people where they are scattered, and shalbe sanctified in them in the sight of the heathen, then shall they dwel in the land, that I have given to my seruant Iaakob. And they shall dwell safely therein, and 26 shall builde houses, and plant vineyards: yea, they shall dwell safely, when I have executed judgements upon all round about them that despise them, and they shall know that I am the Lord their God.

In the tenth yeere, and in the tenth moneth in the twelfth 29 day of the moneth, the word of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, set thy face against Pharaoh the King of Egypt, 2 and prophecie against him, and against all Egypt. Speake, 3 and say, Thus sayth the Lord God, Beholde, I come against thee, Pharaoh King of Egypt, the great dragon, that lieth in the middes of his riuers, which hath saide, The riuer is mine, and I haue made it for my selfe. But I will put hookes in thy chawes, 4 and I will cause the fish of thy rivers to sticke vnto thy scales, and I will drawe thee out of the middes of thy riuers, and all the fishe of thy riuers shall sticke vnto thy scales. And I will leaue 5 thee in the wildernes, both thee and al the fish of thy riuers: thou shalt fal vpon ye open field: thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: for I have give thee for meat to the beasts of the field, and to the foules of heauen. And al the in- 6 habitants of Egypt shall know that I am the Lord, because they haue ben a staffe of reede to the house of Israel. When they 7 tooke holde of thee with their hand, thou diddest breake, and rent all their shoulder: and when they leaned vpon thee, thou brakest and madest all their loynes to stand vpright. There- 8

fore thus sayeth the Lord God, Beholde, I will bring a sworde 9 vpon thee, and destroy man and beast out of thee, And the land of Egypt shalbe desolate, and waste, and they shall know that I am ye Lord: because he hath said, The riuer is mine, and 10 I have made it, Behold, therefore I come vpon thee, and vpon thy riuers, and I will make the land of Egypt vtterly waste and desolate from the towre of Seueneh, euen vnto the borders of 11 the blacke Mores. No foote of man shall passe by it, nor foote of beast shall passe by it, neither shall it be inhabited fourtie 12 yeeres. And I wil make the land of Egypt desolate in the middes of the countries, that are desolate, and her cities shall be desolate among the cities that are desolate, for fourtie yeeres: and I wil scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and wil dis-13 perse them through the countreis. Yet thus saieth the Lord God, At the end of fourtie yeeres will I gather the Egyptians 14 from the people, where they were scattered. And I wil bring againe the captiuitie of Egypt, and will cause them to returne into the land of Pathros, into the lande of their habitation, and 15 they shalbe there a small kingdome. It shall be the smallest of the kingdomes, neither shall it exalt it selfe any more aboue the nations: for I will diminish them, that they shall no more 16 rule the nations. And it shall be no more the confidence of the house of Israel, to bring their iniquitie to remembrance by looking after them, so shall they knowe, that I am the Lord God. 17 In the seuen and twentieth yeere also in the first moneth, and in the first day of the moneth, came the word of the Lord vnto 18 me, saying, Sonne of man, Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel caused his armie to serue a great seruice against Tyrus: euery head was made balde, and euery shoulder was made bare: yet had he no wages, nor his armie for Tyrus, for the seruice 19 that he serued against it. Therefore thus sayth the Lord God, Beholde, I will give the land of Egypt vnto Nebuchad-nezzar the King of Babel, and he shall take her multitude, and spovle her spoyle, and take her pray, and it shall be the wages for 20 his armie. I have given him the land of Egypt for his labour, that he serued against it, because they wrought for me, sayth 21 the Lord God. In that day will I cause the horne of the house of Israel to growe, and I will give thee an open mouth in the middes of them, and they shall knowe that I am the Lord.

**30**, 2 The worde of the Lord came againe vnto me, saying, Sonne

of man, prophesie, and say, Thus sayth the Lord God, Howle and cry, Wo be vnto this day. For the day is neere, and the day 3 of the Lord is at hand, a cloudie day, and it shall be the time of the heathen. And the sword shall come vpon Egypt, and feare 4 shall be in Ethiopia, when the slaine shall fall in Egypt, when they shall take away her multitude, and when her foundations shall be broken downe. Ethiopia and Phut, and Lud, and all 5 the common people, and Cub, and the men of the land, that is in league, shall fall with them by the sword. Thus sayth the 6 Lord, They also that mainteine Egypt, shall fall, and the pride of her power shall come downe: from the towre of Seueneh shall they fall by the sword, sayth the Lord God. And they 7 shall be desolate in the middes of the countries that are desolate, and her cities shall be in the middes of the cities that are wasted. And they shall knowe that I am the Lord, when 8 I have set a fire in Egypt, and when all her helpers shall be destroyed. In that day shall there messengers go forth from 9 me in shippes, to make the carelesse Mores aftaide, and feare shall come vpon them, as in the day of Egypt: for loe, it com-Thus sayth the Lord God, I will also make the multi- 10 tude of Egypt to cease by the hand of Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel. For he and his people with him, even the terrible 11 nations shall be brought to destroy the land: and they shall drawe their swordes against Egypt, and fill the land with the slaine. And I will make the rivers drye, and fell the land into 12 the hands of the wicked, and I will make the land waste, and all that therein is by the hands of strangers: I the Lord haue Thus saith the Lord God, I will also destroy the 13 spoken it. idoles, and I will cause their idoles to cease out of Noph, and there shall be no more a prince of the land of Egypt, and I will send a feare in the land of Egypt. And I will make Pathros 14 desolate, and will set fire in Zoan, and I will execute judgement in No. And I will powre my wrath vpon Sin, which is 15 the strength of Egypt: and I will destroy the multitude of No. And I will set fire in Egypt: Sin shall haue great sorowe and 16 No shalbe destroyed, and Noph shall have sorowes dayly. The 17 yong men of Auen, and of Phibeseth shall fall by the sworde: and these cities shall goe into captiuitie. At Tehaphnehes the 18 day shall restraine his light, when I shall breake there the barres of Egypt: and when the pompe of her power shall cease in

her, the cloude shall couer her, and her daughters shall goe into 19 captiuitie. Thus will I execute iudgements in Egypt, and they 20 shall knowe that I am the Lord. And in the eleuenth yeere, in the first moneth, and in the seuenth day of the moneth, the 21 worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, I haue broken the arme of Pharaoh King of Egypt: and lo, it shall not be boud vp to be healed, neither shall they put a roule to bind 22 it, and so make it strong, to hold the sworde. Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I come against Pharaoh King of Egypt, and will breake his arme, that was strong, but is bro-23 ken, and I will cause the sworde to fall out of his hande. And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will dis-24 perse them through the countreys. And I will strengthen the arme of the King of Babel, and put my sworde in his hand, but I will breake Pharaohs armes, and he shall cast out sighings, 25 as the sighings of him, that is wounded before him. But I will strengthen the armes of the king of Babel, and the armes of Pharaoh shall fall downe, and they shall knowe, that I am the Lord, when I shall put my sworde into the hand of the King of 26 Babel, and he shall stretch it out vpon the land of Egypt. And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them among ye countreys, and they shall knowe, that I am the Lord.

And in the eleuenth yeere, in the third moneth, and in the 31 first day of the moneth the worde of the Lord came vnto me, 2 saying, Sonne of man, speake vnto Pharaoh King of Egypt, and to his multitude, Whom art thou like in thy greatnesse? 3 Beholde, Asshur was like a cedar in Lebanon with faire branches, and with thicke shadowing boughes, and shot vp very hye, 4 and his toppe was among the thicke boughes. The waters nourished him, and the deepe exalted him on hie with her riuers running round about his plants, and sent out her litle 5 rivers vnto all the trees of the fielde. Therefore his height was exalted aboue all the trees of the fielde, and his boughes were multiplied, and his branches were long, because of the 6 multitude of the waters, which the deepe sent out. All the foules of the heaven made their nestes in his boughes, and vnder his branches did all the beastes of the fielde bring foorth their yong, and vnder his shadowe dwelt all mightie nations. 7 Thus was he faire in his greatnesse, and in the length of his

branches: for his roote was neere great waters. The cedars 8 in the garden of God coulde not hide him: no firre tree was like his branches, and the chessenut trees were not like his boughes: all the trees in the garden of God were not like vnto him in his beautie. I made him faire by the multitude of his 9 branches: so that all the trees of Eden, that were in the garden of God, enuied him. Therefore thus sayeth the Lord God, Be- 10 cause he is lift vp on high, and hath shot vp his toppe among the thicke boughes, and his heart is lift vp in his height, I 11 haue therefore deliuered him into the handes of the mightiest among the heathen: he shall handle him, for I have cast him away for his wickednesse. And the strangers haue de- 12 stroyed him, euen the terrible nations, and they have left him vpon the mountaines, and in all the valleis his branches are fallen, and his boughes are broken by all the rivers of the land: and all the people of the earth are departed from his shadowe, and haue forsaken him. Vpon his ruine shall all the 13 foules of the heaven remaine, and all the beastes of the fielde shall be vpon his branches. So that none of all the trees by 14 the waters shalbe exalted by their height, neither shall shoote vp their toppe among the thicke boughes, neither shall their leaues stand vp in their height, which drinke so much water: for they are all deliuered vnto death in the nether partes of the earth in the middes of the children of men among them that goe downe to the pit. Thus saith the Lord God, In the 15 day when he went downe to hell, I caused them to mourne, and I couered the deepe for him, and I did restreine the floods thereof, and the great waters were stayed: I caused Lebanon to mourne for him, and all the trees of the fielde fainted. I made 16 the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him downe to hell with them that descend into the pit, and all the excellent trees of Eden, and the best of Lebanon: euen all that are nourished with waters, shall be comforted in the nether partes of the earth. They also went downe to hell with him 17 vnto them that be slaine with the sworde, and his arme, and they that dwelt vnder his shadowe in the middes of the heathen. To whom art thou thus like in glorie and in greatnesse 18 among the trees of Eden? yet thou shalt be cast downe with the trees of Eden vnto the nether partes of the earth: thou shalt sleepe in the middes of the vncircumcised, with them that be

slaine by the sworde: this is Pharaoh and all his multitude, sayth the Lord God.

And in the twelfth yeere in the twelfth moneth, and in the 32 first day of the moneth, the worde of the Lord came vnto me, 2 saying, Sonne of man, take vp a lamentation for Pharaoh King of Egypt, and say vnto him, Thou art like a lyon of the nations and art as a dragon in the sea: thou castedst out thy rivers and troubledst the waters with thy feete, and stampedst in 3 their rivers. Thus sayth the Lord God, I will therefore spread my net ouer thee with a great multitude of people, and they 4 shall make thee come vp into my net. Then will I leaue thee vpon the land, and I will cast thee vpon the open field, and I wil cause all the foules of the heauen to remaine vpon thee. 5 and I will fill all the beastes of the field with thee. And I will lay thy flesh vpon the mountaines, and fill the valleys 6 with thine height. I will also water with thy blood the land wherein thou swimmest, euen to ye mountaines, and the ri-7 uers shall be full of thee. And when I shall put thee out, I will couer the heauen, and make the starres thereof darke: I will couer the sunne with a cloude, and the moone shall not 8 giue her light. All the lightes of heauen will I make darke for thee, and bring darkenesse vpon thy lande, sayeth the Lord I will also trouble the heartes of many people, when I shall bring thy destruction among the nations and vpon the 10 countries which thou hast not knowen. Yea, I will make many people amased at thee, and their Kings shalbe astonished with feare for thee, when I shall make my sworde to glitter against their faces, and they shall be afraide at euery moment: euery 11 man for his owne life in the day of thy fall. For thus sayth the Lord God, The sworde of the King of Babel shall come vpon 12 thee. By the swordes of the mightie will I cause thy multitude to fall: they all shall be terrible nations, and they shall destroy the pompe of Egypt, and all the multitude thereof shalbe con-I will destroy also all the beastes thereof from the great watersides, neither shall the foote of man trouble them 14 any more, nor the hooues of beast trouble them. Then will I make their waters deepe, and cause their rivers to runne like 15 oyle, sayeth the Lord God. When I shall make the land of Egypt desolate, and the countrey with all that is therein, shall be laid waste: when I shall smite all them which dwell therein,

then shall they know that I am ye Lord. This is the mourning 16 wherewith they shall lament her: the daughters of the nations shall lament her: they shall lament for Egypt, and for all her multitude, sayeth the Lord God. In the twelfth yeere also in 17 the fifteenth day of the moneth, came the worde of the Lord vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, lament for the multitude of 18 Egypt, and cast them downe, euen them and the daughters of the mighty nations vnto the nether partes of the earth, with them that goe downe into the pit. Whome doest thou passe in 19 beautie? goe downe and sleepe with the vncircumcised. They 20 shall fall in the middes of them that are slaine by the sword: shee is deliuered to the sword: draw her downe, and all her multitude. The most mighty and strong shall speake to him 21 out of the mids of hell with them that helpe her: they are gone downe and sleepe with the vncircumcised that be slaine by the Asshur is there and all his companie: their graues 22 are about him: all they are slaine and fallen by the sworde. Whose graues are made in the side of the pit, and his multi- 23 tude are rounde about his graue: all they are slaine and fallen by the sworde, which caused feare to be in the land of the liu-There is Elam and all his multitude round about his 24 graue: al they are slaine and fallen by the sword which are gone downe with the vncircumcised into the nether parts of the earth, which caused themselues to be feared in the land of the liuing, yet haue they borne their shame with them that are gone downe to the pit. They have made his bed in the mids of 25 the slaine with al his multitude: their graues are round about him: all these vncircucised are slaine by the sworde: though they have caused their feare in the land of ye living, yet have they borne their shame with them that goe downe to the pitte: they are laide in the middes of them, that be slaine. There 26 is Meshech, Tubal, and all their multitude, their graues are round about them: al these vncircumcised were slaine by the sworde, though they caused their feare to be in ye land of the liuing. And they shall not lie with the valiant of the vncir- 27 cumcised, that are fallen, which are gone down to the graue, with their weapons of warre, and haue laied their swords vnder their heads, but their iniquitie shalbe vpon their bones: because they were the feare of the mighty in the lande of the liuing. Yea, thou shalt be broken in the middes of the vn- 28 circumcised, and lie with them that are slaine by the sworde.

There is Edom, his Kings, and all his princes, which with their strength are laied by them that were slaine by the sworde: they shall sleepe with the vncircumcised, and with them that goe downe to the pit. There be all the princes of the North, with all the Zidonians, which are gone downe with the slaine, with their feare: they are ashamed of their strength, and the vncircumcised sleepe with them that be slaine by the sword, and beare their shame with them that goe downe to the pit.

Pharaoh shall see them, and hee shall be comforted ouer all his multitude: Pharaoh, and all his armie shall be slaine by the sword, saieth the Lord God. For I have caused my feare to be in the lande of the living: and he shall be laid in the mids of the vncircumcised with them, that are slaine by the sword, even Pharaoh and all his multitude, sayeth the Lord God.

Again, the woorde of the Lord came vnto me, saving. Sonne **33**, 2 of man, speake to the children of thy people, and say vnto them, When I bring the sworde vpon a lande, if the people of the lande take a man from among them, and make him their 3 watchman, If when hee seeth the sworde come vpon ye land, 4 he blow the trumpet, and warne the people, Then hee that heareth the sounde of the trumpet, and will not bee warned, if the sworde come, and take him away, his blood shall be vpon 5 his owne head. For he heard the sound of the trumpet, and woulde not bee admonished: therefore his blood shall be vpon 6 him: but he that receiveth warning, shall save his life. But if the watchman see the sworde come, and blowe not the trumpet, and the people be not warned: if the sworde come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away for his iniquitie, but his blood will I require at the watchmans hande. 7 So thou. O sonne of man. I have made thee a watchman vnto the house of Israel: therefore thou shalt heare the woorde at 8 my mouth, and admonish them from me. When I shall say vnto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt die the death, if thou doest not speake, and admonish the wicked of his way, that wicked man shall die for his iniquitie, but his blood will 9 I require at thine hand. Neuerthelesse, If thou warne the wicked of his way, to turne from it, if he doe not turne from his way, he shall die for his iniquitie, but thou hast deliuered 10 thy soule. Therefore, O thou sonne of man, speake vnto the

house of Israel, Thus yee speake and say, If our transgressions and our sinnes bee vpon vs, and we are consumed because of them, howe should we then liue? Say vnto them, As I liue, 11 sayeth the Lord God, I desire not the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turne from his way and liue: turne you, turne you from your euill waies, for why will ye die, O ye house of Israel? Therefore thou sonne of man, saye vnto the children of 12 thy people. The righteousnesse of the righteous shall not deliuer him in the day of his transgression, nor the wickednesse of the wicked shall cause him to fall therein, in the day that he returneth from his wickednesse, neither shall the righteous liue for his righteousnesse in the day that he sinneth. When 13 I shall say vnto the righteous, that he shall surely liue, if he trust to his owne righteousnes, and commit iniquitie, all his righteousnes shall be no more remembred, but for his iniquitie that he hath committed, he shall die for the same. Againe 14 when I shall say vnto the wicked, thou shalt die the death, if he turne from his sinne, and doe that which is lawfull and right. To wit, if the wicked restore the pledge, and give againe that 15 he had robbed, and walke in the statutes of life, without committing iniquitie, he shall surely liue, and not die. None of 16 his sinnes that he hath comitted, shall be mentioned vnto him: because he hath done that, which is lawful, and right, he shall surely liue. Yet the children of thy people say, The way of the 17 Lord is not equall: but their owne way is vnequall. When the 18 righteous turneth from his righteousnesse, and committeth iniquitie, he shall euen die thereby. But if the wicked returne 19 from his wickednesse, and doe that which is lawfull and right, hee shall liue thereby. Yet yee say, The way of the Lord is not 20 equall. O ye house of Israel, I will judge you euery one after his waies. Also in the twelfth yere of our captiuitie, in the 21 tenth moneth, and in the fift day of the moneth, one that had escaped out of Ierusalem, came vnto me, and said, The citie is smitten. Now the hand of the Lord had bene vpon me in ye 22 euening afore hee that had escaped, came, and had opened my mouth vntill he came to me in the morning: and when hee had opened my mouth, I was no more dumme. Againe the worde 23 of the Lord came vnto me, and saide, Sonne of man, these 24 that dwel in the desolate places of the land of Israel, talke and say. Abraham was but one, and hee possessed the lande: but

we are many, therefore the lande shall be given vs in posses-25 sion. Wherefore say vnto them, Thus saieth the Lord God, Ye eate with the blood, and lift vp your eyes towarde your idoles, 26 and sheade blood: should ye then possesse the land? Ye leane vpon your swordes: ye worke abomination, and yee defile euery one his neighbours wife: should ye then possesse the land? 27 Say thus vnto them, Thus saieth the Lord God, As I liue, so surely they that are in the desolate places, shall fall by the sword: and him that is in the open field, will I giue vnto the beasts to be deuoured: and they that be in the forts and in the 28 caues, shall die of the pestilence. For I will lay the land desolate and waste, and the pompe of her strength shall cease: and the moutaines of Israel shalbe desolate, and none shall passe 29 through. Then shall they know that I am the Lord, when I haue laid ye land desolate and wast, because of al their abom-30 inations, that they have committed. Also thou sonne of man, the children of thy people that talke of thee by the wals and in the dores of houses, and speake one to another, every one to his brother, saying, Come, I pray you, and heare what is the 31 word that commeth from the Lord. For they come vnto thee, as the people vseth to come: and my people sit before thee, and heare thy wordes, but they will not doe them: for with their mouthes they make iestes, and their heart goeth after their 32 couetousnesse. And loe, thou art vnto them, as a iesting song of one that hath a pleasant voyce, and can sing well: for they 33 heare thy woordes, but they doe them not. And when this commeth to passe (for loe, it will come) then shall they know, that a Prophet hath bene among them.

34, 2 And the word of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, prophesie against the shepherdes of Israel, prophesie and say vnto them, Thus saieth the Lord God vnto the shepherds, Wo be vnto the shepherds of Israel, that feede them selues: should not the shepherds feede the flockes? Yee eate the fat, and yee clothe you with the wooll: yee kill them that are fed, but ye feede not the sheepe. The weake haue ye not strengthened: the sicke haue ye not healed, neither haue ye bounde vp the broken, nor brought againe that which was driuen away, neither haue yee sought that which was lost, but with crueltie, and with rigour haue yee ruled them. And they were scattered without a shepherde: and when they were dis-

persed, they were deuoured of all the beastes of the fielde. My 6 sheepe wandred through all the mountaines, and vpon euery hie hill: yea, my flocke was scattered through al the earth, and none did seeke or search after them. Therefore ye shepherds, 7 heare the woorde of the Lord. As I liue, sayeth the Lord God, 8 surely because my flocke was spoyled, and my sheepe were deuoured of all the beasts of the fielde, having no shepherde, neither did my shepherdes seeke my sheepe, but the shepherdes fedde them selues, and fedde not my sheepe, There- 9 fore, heare ye the word of the Lord, O ye shepherds. Thus 10 saieth the Lord God, Behold, I come against the shepherds, and will require my sheepe at their hands, and cause them to cease from feeding the sheepe: neither shall the shepherds feede them selues any more: for I wil deliuer my sheepe from their mouthes, and they shall no more deuoure them. thus sayeth the Lord God, Beholde, I will search my sheepe, and seeke them out. As a shepherd searcheth out his flocke, 12 when he hath bene among his sheepe that are scattered, so wil I seeke out my sheepe and wil deliuer them out of all places. where they have beene scattered in the cloudie and darke day, And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them 13 from the countreis, and will bring them to their owne lande, and feede them vpon the mountaines of Israel, by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the countrey. I will feede 14 them in a good pasture, and vpon the hie mountaines of Israel shall their folde be: there shall they lie in a good folde and in fat pasture shall they feede vpon the mountaines of Is-I will feede my sheepe, and bring them to their rest, 15 sayth the Lord God. I will seeke that which was lost, and 16 bring againe that which was driue away, and will binde vp that which was broken, and will strengthen the weake but I wil destroy the fat and the strong, and I will feede them with judgement. Also you my sheepe, Thus saieth the Lord God, behold, 17 I iudge betweene sheepe, and sheepe, betweene the rammes and the goates. Seemeth it a small thing vnto you to haue 18 eaten vp the good pasture, but yee must treade downe with your feete the residue of your pasture? and to have drunke of the deepe waters, but yee must trouble the residue with your feete? And my sheepe eate that which yee haue troden with 19 vour feete, and drinke that which ye haue troubled with your

20 feete. Therefore thus sayth the Lord God vnto them, behold, I, euen I wil iudge betweene the fat sheepe and the leane sheepe. 21 Because ye haue thrust with side and with shoulder, and pusht al the weake with your hornes, till ye haue scattered them 22 abroade, Therefore wil I helpe my sheepe, and they shall no more be spoyled, and I wil iudge betweene sheepe and sheepe. 23 And I wil set vp a shepherd ouer them, and he shall feede them, euen my seruant Dauid, he shall feede them, and he shalbe 24 their shepherd. And I the Lord will be their God, and my seruant Dauid shalbe the prince amog them. I the Lord haue 25 spoken it. And I will make with them a couenant of peace, and will cause the euil beastes to cease out of the land: and they shall dwel safely in the wildernesse, and sleepe in the woods. 26 And I wil set them, as a blessing, euen roud about my mountaine: and I will cause rayne to come downe in due season, 27 and there shalbe raine of blessing. And the tree of the fielde shall yeeld her fruite, and the earth shall give her fruite, and they shalbe safe in their land, and shall know that I am the Lord, when I have broken the cordes of their yoke, and deliuered them out of the hands of those that serued themselues 28 of them. And they shall no more be spoyled of the heathen, neither shall the beastes of the land deuoure them, but they 29 shall dwell safely and none shall make them afrayd. will rayse vp for them a plant of renoume, and they shalbe no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither beare the re-

yee my sheepe, the sheepe of my pasture are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord God.

35, 2 Moveover the worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, Set thy face against mount Seir, and prophesie against it, And say vnto it, Thus sayth the Lord God, Behold, O mount

proche of the heathen any more. Thus shall they vnderstande, that I the Lord their God am with them, and that they, euen the house of Israel, are my people, sayth the Lord God. And

Seir, I come against thee, and I wil stretch out mine hand against thee, and I will make thee desolate and waste. I wil lay thy cities waste, and thou shalt be desolate, and thou shalt

5 knowe that I am the Lord. Because thou hast had a perpetuall hatred and hast put the children of Israel to flight by the force of the sword in the time of their calamitie, when their iniquitie

6 had an ende, Therefore as I liue, sayth the Lord God, I wil pre-

pare thee vnto blood, and blood shall pursue thee: except thou hate blood, euen blood shall pursue thee. Thus will I make 7 mount Seir desolate and waste, and cut off from it him that passeth out and him that returneth. And I will fill his moun- 8 taines with his slayne men: in thine hilles, and in thy valleys and in all thy rivers shall they fall, that are slayne with the sworde. I wil make thee perpetual desolations, and thy cities 9 shall not returne, and ve shall knowe that I am the Lord. Be- 10 cause thou hast said. These two nations, and these two countreys shalbe mine, and we wil possesse them (seeing the Lord was there) Therefore as I liue, sayth the Lord God, I wil euen 11 do according to thy wrath, and according to thine indignation which thou hast vsed in thine hatred against them: and I wil make my selfe knowen among them whe I haue judged thee. And thou shalt know, that I the Lord haue heard all thy blas- 12 phemies which thou hast spoken against the mountaines of Israel, saving. They lye waste, they are given vs to be deuoured. Thus with your mouthes ye have boasted against me, and have 13 multiplied your words against me: I have heard them. Thus 14 sayth the Lord God, So shall all the world reioyce when I shall make thee desolate. As thou diddest rejoyce at the inheri- 15 tance of the house of Israel, because it was desolate, so will I doe vnto thee: thou shalt be desolate, O mount Seir, and all Idumea wholly, and they shall know, that I am the Lord.

Also thou sonne of man, prophesie vnto the mountaines of 36 Israel, and say, Ye mountaines of Israel, heare the word of the Lord. Thus saith the Lord God, because the enemie hath 2 sayde against you, Aha, euen the hye places of the world are ours in possession, Therefore prophesie, and say, Thus sayth 3 the Lord God, Because that they have made you desolate, and swallowed you vp on euery side, that ve might be a possession vnto the residue of the heathen, and ye are come vnto the lippes and tongues of men, and vnto the reproch of the people, Therefore ye mountaines of Israel, heare the worde of the Lord 4 God, Thus sayth the Lord God to the mountaines and to the hilles, to the riuers, and to the valleys, and to the waste, and desolate places, and to the cities that are forsaken: which are spoyled and had in derision of the residue of the heathen that are round about. Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Surely in 5 the fire of mine indignation haue I spoken against the residue

of the heathen, and against all Idumea, which have taken my lande for their possession, with the ioy of all their heart, and 6 with despitefull mindes to cast it out for a pray. Prophesie therfore vpon the land of Israel, and say vnto the mountaines, and to the hilles, to the rivers, and to the valleys, Thus sayth the Lord God, Behold, I have spoken in mine indignation, and in my wrath, because yee haue suffered the shame of the hea-7 then, Therefore thus saith the Lord God, I have lifted vp mine hand, surely the heathen that are about you, shall beare their But you, O mountaines of Israel, yee shall shoote forth your branches, and bring foorth your fruite to my peo-9 ple of Israel: for they are ready to come. For behold, I come vnto you, and I wil turne vnto you, and ye shalbe tilled and 10 sowen. And I wil multiply the men vpon you, euen all the house of Israel wholly, and the cities shalbe inhabited, and the 11 desolate places shalbe builded. And I wil multiply vpon you man and beast, and they shall encrease, and bring fruite, and I will cause you to dwell after your olde estate, and I will bestowe benefites vpon you more then at the first, and ye shall 12 know that I am the Lord. Yea, I wil cause men to walke vpon you, euen my people Israel, and they shall possesse you, and ye shalbe their inheritance, and ye shall no more henceforth 13 depriue them of men. Thus sayth the Lord God, because they say vnto you, Thou land deuourest vp men, and hast bene a 14 waster of thy people, Therefore thou shalt deuoure men no more, neither waste thy people henceforth, sayth the Lord God, 15 Neither will I cause men to heare in thee the shame of the heathen any more, neither shalt thou beare the reproche of the people any more, neither shalt cause thy folke to fal any 16 more, saith the Lord God. Moreouer the word of the Lord 17 came vnto me, saying, Sonne of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their owne lande, they defiled it by their owne wayes, and by their deedes: their way was before me as the 18 filthinesse of the menstruous. Wherfore I powred my wrath vpon them, for the blood that they had shed in the land, and for 19 their idoles, wherewith they had polluted it. And I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries for according to their wayes, and according to their 20 deedes, I judged them. And when they entred vnto the heathen, whither they went, they polluted mine holy Name, when

they sayd of them, These are the people of the Lord, and are gone out of his land. But I fauoured mine holy Name which 21 the house of Israel had polluted among the heathen, whither they went. Therfore say vnto the house of Israel, Thus saith 22 ye Lord God, I doe not this for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for mine holy Names sake, which yee polluted among the heathen whither ye went. And I wil sanctifie my great Name, 23 which was polluted among the heathen, among whome you haue polluted it, and the heathen shall know that I am the Lord, sayth the Lord God, when I shalbe sanctified in you before their eyes. For I will take you from among the heathen, 24 and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your owne land. Then wil I powre cleane water vpon you, and 25 ve shalbe cleane: yea, from all your filthines, and from all your idoles wil I clense you. A newe heart also will I giue you, and a 26 new spirit wil I put within you, and I will take away the stonie heart out of your body, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirite within you, and cause you to walke in 27 my statutes, and ve shall keepe my judgements and do them. And ye shall dwell in the land, that I gaue to your fathers, and 28 ye shalbe my people, and I will be your God. I will also deliuer 29 you from all your filthinesse, and I will call for corne, and will increase it, and lay no famine vpon you. For I will multiplie 30 the fruite of the trees, and the increase of the fielde, that ye shall beare no more the reproch of famine among the heathen. Then shall ye remember your owne wicked wayes, and your 31 deedes that were not good, and shall judge your selues worthie to have bene destroyed for your iniquities, and for your abominations. Be it knowen vnto you that I do not this for your 32 sakes, sayth the Lord God: therefore, O ye house of Israel, be ashamed, and confounded for your owne wayes. Thus sayth 33 the Lord God, What time as I shall have clensed you from all your iniquities, I will cause you to dwel in the cities, and the desolate places shalbe builded. And the desolate land shalbe 34 tilled, whereas it lay waste in the sight of all that passed by. For they sayd, This waste land was like the garden of Eden, 35 and these waste and desolate and ruinous cities were strong. Then the residue of the heathen that 36 and were inhabited. are left round about you, shall know that I the Lord builde the ruinous places, and plant the desolate places: I the Lord

haue spoken it, and wil do it. Thus saith the Lord God, I will yet for this be sought of ye house of Israel, to performe it vnto
 them: I wil encrease them with men like a flocke. As the holy flocke, as the flocke of Ierusalem in their solemne feastes, so shall the desolate cities be filled with flockes of men, and they shall know, that I am the Lord.

The hand of the Lord was vpon me, and caryed me out in 37 ye spirit of ye Lord, and set me downe in ye mids of the field, 2 which was full of bones. And he led me round about by them, and beholde, they were very many in the open fielde, and lo, 3 they were very drie. And he sayde vnto me, Sonne of man, can these bones liue? And I answered, O Lord God, thou know-Againe he sayde vnto me, Prophecie vpon these bones and say vnto them, O ye dry bones, heare the word of the Lord. 5 Thus saith the Lord God vnto these bones, Behold, I wil cause 6 breath to enter into you, and ye shall liue. And I will lay sinewes vpon you, and make flesh growe vpon you, and couer you with skinne, and put breath in you, that ye may liue, and 7 yee shall know that I am the Lord. So I prophecied, as I was commanded: and as I prophecied, there was a noyse, and beholde, there was a shaking, and the bones came together, bone 8 to his bone. And when I beheld, loe, the sinewes, and the flesh grewe vpon them, and aboue, the skinne couered them, 9 but there was no breath in them. Then sayd he vnto me, Prophecie vnto the winde: prophecie, sonne of man, and sav to the winde, Thus sayth the Lord God, Come from the foure windes, O breath, and breathe vpon these slayne, that they 10 may liue. So I prophecied as hee had commanded me: and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood vp vpon 11 their feete, an exceeding great armie. Then he sayd vnto me, Sonne of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is gone, and 12 we are cleane cut off. Therefore prophecie, and say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord God, Beholde, my people, I will open your graues, and cause you to come vp out of your sepulchres, and 13 bring you into the lande of Israel, And yee shall knowe that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves, O my people, 14 and brought you vp out of your sepulchres, And shall put my Spirit in you, and ye shall liue, and I shall place you in your owne land: then yee shall knowe that I the Lord haue spoken it, and performed it, sayth the Lord. The word of the Lord 15 came againe vnto me, saying, Moreouer thou sonne of man, 16 take thee a piece of wood, and write vpon it, Vnto Iudah, and to the children of Israel his companions the take another piece of wood, and write vpon it, Vnto Ioseph the tree of Ephraim, and to all the house of Israel his companions. And thou shalt 17 ioyne the one to another into one tree, and they shalbe as one in thine hand. And when the children of thy people shall 18 speake vnto thee, saying, Wilt thou not shewe vs what thou meanest by these? Thou shalt answere them, Thus saveth 19 the Lord God. Behold. I wil take the tree of Ioseph, which is in the hande of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellowes, and will put them with him, euen with the tree of Iudah, and make them one tree, and they shalbe one in mine hand. And 20 the pieces of wood, whereon thou writest, shalbe in thine hand, in their sight. And say vnto them, Thus saith the Lord God, 21 Beholde, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and wil gather them on euery side, and bring them into their owne land. And I will make them 22 one people in the lande, vpon the mountaines of Israel, and one king shalbe king to them all: and they shalbe no more two peoples, neither bee deuided any more henceforth into two kingdomes. Neither shall they bee polluted any more with 23 their idoles, nor with their abominations, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will saue them out of all their dwelling places, wherein they have sinned, and will clense them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their God. And Dauid 24 my seruant shalbe king ouer them, and they all shall have one shepheard: they shall also walke in my judgements, and obserue my statutes, and doe them. And they shall dwell in the 25 lande, that I have given vnto Iaakob my servant, where your fathers have dwelt, and they shall dwel therein, euen they, and their sonnes, and their sonnes sonnes for euer, and my seruant Dauid shall bee their prince for euer. Moreouer, I will 26 make a couenant of peace with them: it shall be an euerlasting couenant with them, and I wil place them, and multiply them, and wil set my Sanctuarie among them for euermore. My tabernacle also shalbe with them: yea, I will be their God, 27 and they shalbe my people. Thus the heathen shall knowe, 28 that I the Lord do sanctifie Israel, when my Sanctuarie shall

be among them for euermore.

**38**, 2 And the worde of the Lord came vnto mee, saying, Sonne of man, set thy face against Gog, and against the lande of Magog, the chiefe prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophecie 3 against him, And say, Thus sayth the Lord God, Behold, I come against thee, O Gog the chiefe prince of Meshech and 4 Tubal. And I wil destroy thee, and put hookes in thy chawes, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine host both horses, and horsemen, all clothed with al sorts of armour, eue a great mul-5 titude with bucklers, and shieldes, all handling swords. They of Paras, of Cush, and Phut with the, euen all they that beare 6 shielde and helmet. Gomer and all his bands, and the house of Togarmah of the North quarters, and al his bands, and much 7 people with thee. Prepare thy selfe, and make thee ready, both thou, and al thy multitude, that are assembled vnto thee, 8 and be thou their sauegard. After many dayes thou shalt bee visited: for in the latter veres thou shalt come into the land, that hath bene destroyed with the sworde, and is gathered out of many people vpon the mountaines of Israel, which haue long lien waste: yet they haue bene brought out of the 9 people, and they shall dwell all safe. Thou shalt ascende and come vp like a tempest, and shalt be like a cloude to couer the land, both thou, and all thy bandes, and many people with 10 thee. Thus saith the Lord God, Euen at ye same time shall many things come into thy minde, and thou shalt thinke euil And thou shalt say, I wil go vp to the land that 11 thoughts. hath no walled towres: I will goe to them that are at rest, and dwell in safetie, which dwell all without walles, and haue 12 neither barres nor gates, Thinking to spoyle the pray, and to take a bootie, to turne thine hande vpon the desolate places that are nowe inhabited, and vpon the people, that are gathered out of the nations which have gotten cattell and goods, 13 and dwell in the middes of the land. Sheba and Dedan, and the marchantes of Tarshish with all the lions thereof shall say vnto thee, Art thou come to spoyle the praye? hast thou gathered thy multitude to take a booty? to cary away siluer and golde, to take away cattell and goods, and to spoyle a great 14 pray? Therefore, sonne of man, prophecie, and saye vnto Gog, Thus sayeth the Lord God, In that day when my people of Is-15 rael dwelleth safe, shalt thou not knowe it? And come from

thy place out of the North partes, thou and much people with thee? all shall ride vpon horses, euen a great multitude and a mightie armie. And thou shalt come vp against my people 16 of Israel, as a cloude to couer the land: thou shalt be in the latter dayes, and I will bring thee vpon my lande, that the heathen may know mee, when I shalbe sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes. Thus saith the Lord God, Art not thou he, 17 of whom I have spoken in olde time, by ye hand of my seruants the Prophets of Israel which prophecied in those dayes and yeeres, that I woulde bring thee vpon them? At the same 18 time also whe Gog shall come against the land of Israel, sayth the Lord God, my wrath shall arise in mine anger. For in mine 19 indignation and in the fire of my wrath haue I spoken it: surely at that time there shalbe a great shaking in the land of Israel, So that the fishes of the sea, and the foules of the heaven, and 20 the beasts of the field and al that moue and creepe vpon the earth, and al ve men that are voon the earth, shall tremble at my presence, and the mountaines shalbe ouerthrowen, and the staires shall fall, and euery wall shall fall to the ground. For 21 I will call for a sworde against him throughout all my mountaines, saith the Lord God: euery mans sword shalbe against his brother. And I will pleade against him with pestilence, 22 and with blood, and I will cause to raine vpon him and vpon his bands, and vpon the great people, that are with him, a sore raine, and hailestones, fire, and brimstone. Thus will I be 23 magnified, and sanctified, and knowen in the eyes of many nations, and they shall knowe, that I am the Lord.

Therefore, thou sonne of man, prophecie against Gog, and say, Thus sayeth the Lord God, Behold, I come against thee, O Gog, ye chiefe prince of Meshech and Tubal. And I will destroy thee and leaue but the sixt part of thee, and will cause thee to come vp from the North partes and will bring thee vpon the mountaines of Israel: And I will smite thy bowe out of thy left hand, and I will cause thine arrowes to fall out of thy right hand. Thou shalt fal vpon the mountaines of Israel, and all thy bands and the people, that is with thee: for I will giue thee vnto the birdes and to euery feathered foule and beast of the fielde to be deuoured. Thou shalt fall vpon the open fielde: for I haue spoken it, sayth the Lord God. And I will sende a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell safely in the yles, and

7 they shall knowe that I am the Lord. So will I make mine holy Name knowen in the middes of my people Israel, and I will not suffer them to pollute mine holy Name any more, and the heathen shall knowe that I am the Lord, the holy one of Israel. 8 Beholde, it is come, and it is done, sayeth the Lord God: and 9 this is the day whereof I haue spoken. And they that dwell in the cities of Israel, shall goe forth, and shall burne and set fire vpon the weapons, and on the shieldes, and bucklers, vpon the bowes, and vpon the arrowes, and vpon the staues in their handes, and vpon the speares, and they shall burne them with 10 fire seuen veeres. So that they shall bring no wood out of the fielde, neither cut downe any out of the forestes: for they shall burne the weapons with fire, and they shall robbe those that robbed them, and spoyle those that spoyled them, sayeth 11 the Lord God. And at the same time will I giue vnto Gog a place there for burial in Israel, euen the valley whereby men go towarde the East part of the sea: and it shall cause them that passe by, to stoppe their noses, and there shall they bury Gog with all his multitude: and they shall call it the valley of 12 Hamon-Gog. And seuen moneths long shall the house of Is-13 rael be burying of the, that they may clense the land. Yea, all the people of the lande shall burie them, and they shall have 14 a name when I shall be glorified, saith the Lord God. they shall chuse out men to goe continually through the lande with them that trauaile, to bury those that remaine vpon ye ground, and clense it: they shall search to the ende of seuen 15 moneths. And the trauailers that passe through the land, if any see a mans bone, then shall he set vp a signe by it, till the 16 buriers have buried it, in the valley of Hamon-Gog. And also the name of the citie shalbe Hamonah: thus shall they clense 17 the land. And thou sonne of man, thus sayeth the Lord God, Speake vnto euery feathered foule, and to all the beastes of the fielde, Assemble your selues, and come gather your selues on euery side to my sacrifice: for I do sacrifice a great sacrifice for you vpon the mountaines of Israel, that ye may eate flesh, 18 and drinke blood. Ye shall eate the flesh of the valiant, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of the weathers, of the lambes, and of the goates, and of bullockes, euen of all 19 fat beastes of Bashan. And ye shall eate fat till you be full, and drinke blood, till ye be drunken of my sacrifice, which I

haue sacrificed for you. Thus you shalbe filled at my table 20 with horses and chariots, with valiant men, and with al men of warre, sayth the Lord God. And I wil set my glory among 21 the heathe, and all the heathen shall see my iudgement, that I haue executed, and mine hand, which I haue layed vpon them. So the house of Israel shall knowe, that I am the Lord their 22 God from that day and so forth. And the heathen shall knowe. 23 that ye house of Israel went into captiuitie for their iniquitie, because they trespassed against me: therefore hid I my face from them, and gaue them into ye hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword. According to their vncleannes, and 24 according to their transgressions haue I done vnto the, and hid my face from them. Therefore thus sayth the Lord God, Nowe 25 will I bring againe the captiuitie of Iaakob, and haue compassion vpon the whole house of Israel, and wil be ielous for mine holy Name, After that they have borne their shame, and all 26 their transgression, whereby they have transgressed against me, whe they dwelt safely in their land, and without feare of any. When I have brought them againe from the people, and 27 gathered them out of their enemies landes, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations. Then shall they know, 28 that I am the Lord their God, which caused them to be led into captiuitie among the heathen: but I haue gathered them vnto their owne land, and haue left none of them any more there, Neither wil I hide my face any more from them: for I haue 29 powred out my Spirit vpon the house of Israel, sayth the Lord God.

In the fiue and twentieth yeere of our being in captiuitie, in the beginning of the yeere, in the tenth day of the moneth, in the fourteenth yeere after that the citie was smitten, in the selfe same day, the hande of the Lord was vpon mee, and brought me thither. Into the lande of Israel brought he me by 2 a diuine vision, and set me vpon a very hie mountaine, whereupon was as the building of a citie, toward the South. And 3 he brought me thither, and beholde, there was a man, whose similitude was to looke to, like brasse, with a linnen thread in his hand, and a reede to measure with: and he stoode at the gate. And the man said vnto me, Sonne of man, beholde with 4 thine eyes, and heare with thine eares, and set thine heart vpon all that I shall shew thee: for to the intent, that they

might be shewed thee, art thou brought hither: declare al that 5 thou seest, vnto the house of Israel. And beholde, I sawe a wall on the outside of the house round about: and in the mans hand was a reede to measure with, of sixe cubites long, by the cubite, and an hand breadth: so he measured the breadth of the buylding with one reede, and the height with one reede. 6 Then came he vnto the gate, which looketh towarde the East, and went vp the stayres thereof, and measured the poste of the gate, which was one reede broade, and the other poste of 7 the gate, which was one reede broade. And euery chamber was one reede long, and one reede broad, and betweene the chambers were fiue cubites: and the post of the gate by the 8 porch of the gate within was one reede. He measured also the 9 porche of the gate within with one reede. Then measured he the porch of the gate of eight cubites, and the postes thereof, 10 of two cubites, and the porch of the gate was inward. the chambers of the gate Eastwarde, were three on this side, and three on that side: they three were of one measure, and the postes had one measure on this side, and one on that side. 11 And he measured the breadth of the entrie of the gate ten cu-12 bites, and the height of the gate thirteene cubites. The space also before the chambers was one cubite on this side, and the space was one cubite on that side, and the chambers were sixe 13 cubites on this side and sixe cubites on that side. He measured then the gate from the roufe of a chamber to the toppe of the gate: the breadth was fiue and twentie cubites, doore 14 against doore. He made also postes of threescore cubites, and the postes of the court, and of the gate had one measure round 15 about. And vpon the forefront of the entry of the gate vnto the forefront of the porch of the gate within were fiftie cubites. 16 And there were narrowe windowes in the chambers, and in their postes within the gate round about, and likewise to the arches: and the windowes went rounde about within: and vpon 17 the postes were palme trees. Then brought he me into the outwarde court, and lo, there were chambers, and a pauement made for the court round about, and thirtie chambers were 18 vpon the pauement. And the pauement was by the side of the gates ouer against the length of the gates, and the pauement 19 was beneath. Then hee measured the breadth from the forefront of the lower gate without, vnto the forefront of the court

within, an hundreth cubits Eastward and Northward. the gate of the outwarde court, that looked toward the North, measured he after the length and breadth thereof. And the 21 chambers thereof were, three on this side, and three on that side, and the postes thereof and the arches thereof were after the measure of the first gate: the length thereof was fiftie cubites, and the breadth five and twentie cubites. And their 22 windowes, and their arches with their palme trees, were after the measure of the gate that looketh toward the East, and the going vp vnto it had seuen steppes, and the arches therof were before them. And the gate of the inner court stoode ouer 23 against the gate towarde the North, and towarde the East, and hee measured from gate to gate an hundreth cubites. Af- 24 ter that, he brought mee towarde the South, and loe, there was a gate towarde the South, and hee measured the postes thereof, and the arches thereof according to these measures. And there were windowes in it, and in the arches thereof round 25 about, like those windowes: the height was fiftie cubites, and the breadth fiue and twentie cubites. And there were seuen 26 steps to go vp to it, and the arches thereof were before them: and it had palme trees, one on this side, and another on that side vpon the post thereof. And there was a gate in the in- 27 ner court towarde the South, and he measured from gate to gate towarde the South an hundreth cubites. And he brought 28 me into the inner court by the South gate, and he measured the South gate according to these measures, And the cham- 29 bers thereof, and the postes thereof, and the arches thereof according to these measures, and there were windowes in it, and in the arches thereof rounde about, it was fiftie cubites long and fiue and twentie cubites broade. And the arches 30 round about were fiue and twenty cubites long, and fiue cubites broad. And the arches thereof were towarde the vtter 31 court, and palme trees were vpon the postes thereof, and the going vp to it had eight steppes. Againe he brought me into 32 ye inner court toward the East, and he measured the gate according to these measures. And the chambers thereof, and 33 the postes thereof, and the arches thereof were according to these measures, and there were windowes therein, and in the arches thereof round about, it was fiftie cubites long, and fiue and twentie cubites broade. And the arches thereof were to-

warde the vtter court, and palme trees were vpon the postes thereof, on this side and on that side, and the going vp to it 35 had eight steppes. After he brought mee to the North gate, 36 and measured it, according to these measures, The chambers thereof, the postes thereof, and the arches thereof, and there were windowes therein round about: the height was fiftie cu-37 bits, and the breadth fiue and twentie cubites. And the postes thereof were towarde the vtter court, and palme trees were vpon the postes thereof on this side, and on that side, and the 38 going vp to it had eight steps. And euery chamber, and the entrie thereof was vnder the postes of the gates: there they 39 washed the burnt offring. And in the porch of the gate stoode two tables on this side, and two tables on that side, vpon the which they slew the burnt offring, and the sinne offring, and 40 the trespas offring. And at the side beyond the steppes, at the entry of the North gate stoode two tables, and on the other 41 side, which was at the porch of the gate were two tables. Foure tables were on this side, and foure tables on that side by the side of the gate, euen eight tables whereupon they slew their And the foure tables were of hewen stone for the 42 sacrifice. burnt offering, of a cubite and an halfe long, and a cubite and an halfe broade, and one cubite hie: whereupon also they layde the instruments wherewith they slew the burnt offring and the 43 sacrifice. And within were borders an hand broade, fastened round about, and vpon the tables lay the flesh of the offring. 44 And without the inner gate were ye chambers of the singers in the inner Court, which was at the side of the North gate: and their prospect was towarde the South, and one was at the side of the East gate, having the prospect towarde the North. 45 And he said vnto me, This chamber whose prospect is towarde the South, is for the Priestes that have the charge to keepe the 46 house. And the chamber whose prospect is toward the North, is for the Priestes that have the charge to keepe the altar: these are the sonnes of Zadok among ye sonnes of Leui which 47 may come neere to the Lord to minister vnto him. So he measured the court, an hundreth cubites long, and an hundreth cubits broad, eue foure square: likewise the altar that was be-48 fore ye house. And hee brought mee to the porch of the house, and measured the postes of the porch, fiue cubites on this side, and fiue cubites on that side: and the breadth of the gate was three cubites on this side, and three cubites on that side. The 49 length of the porch was twentie cubites, and ye breadth eleuen cubites, and he brought me by the steps whereby they went vp to it, and there were pillars by the postes, one on this side, and another on that side.

Afterward, hee brought mee to the Temple, and measured 41 the postes, sixe cubites broade on the one side, and sixe cubites broad on the other side, which was the breadth of the Tabernacle. And the breadth of the entrie was tenne cubites, and the 2 sides of the entrie were fiue cubites on the one side, and fiue cubites on the other side, and hee measured the length thereof fourtie cubites, and the breadth twentie cubites. Then went 3 hee in, and measured the postes of the entrie two cubites, and the entrie sixe cubites, and the breadth of the entrie seuen cubites. So he measured the length thereof twentie cubites, and 4 the breadth twentie cubites before the Temple. And he sayde vnto mee. This is the most holy place. After, he measured 5 the wall of the house, sixe cubites, and the breadth of euery chamber foure cubites rounde about the house, on euery side. And the chambers were chamber vpon chaber, three and thirtie 6 foote high, and they entred into the wall made for the chambers which was round about the house, that the postes might bee fastened therein, and not be fastened in the wall of the house. And it was large and went rounde mounting vpwarde 7 to the chambers: for the staire of the house was mounting vpwarde, rounde about the house: therefore the house was larger vpward: so they went vp from the lowest chamber to the highest by the middes. I sawe also the house hie rounde about: the 8 foundations of the chambers were a full reede of fixe great cubites. The thickenesse of the wall which was for the chamber 9 without, was fiue cubites, and that which remained, was the place of the chambers that were within. And betweene the 10 chambers was the widenes of twentie cubites round about the House on euery side. And the doores of the chambers were 11 toward the place that remained, one doore toward the North, and another doore toward the South, and the breadth of the place that remained, was fiue cubites round about. Nowe the 12 building that was before the separate place toward the West corner, was seuentie cubites broad, and the wall of the building was fiue cubites thick, round about, and ve length ninetie

13 cubites. So he measured the house an hundreth cubites long, and the separate place and the building with the walles thereof 14 were an hundreth cubites long. Also the breadth of the forefront of the house and of the separate place towarde the East, 15 was an hundreth cubites. And hee measured the length of the building, ouer against the separate place, which was behinde it, and the chambers on the one side and on the other side an hundreth cubites with the Temple within, and the arches 16 of the court. The postes and the narowe windowes, and the chambers round about, on three sides ouer against the postes, sieled with cedar wood rounde about, and from the ground vp 17 to the windowes, and the windowes were sieled. And from aboue the doore vnto the inner house and without, and by all the wall rounde about within and without it was sieled accord-18 ing to the measure. And it was made with Cherubims and palme trees, so that a palme tree was betweene a Cherub and 19 a Cherub: and euery Cherub had two faces. So that the face of a man was towarde the palme tree on the one side, and the face of a lyon toward the palme tree on the other side: thus was 20 it made through all the house round about. From the grounde vnto aboue the doore were Cherubims and palme trees made 21 as in the wall of the Temple. The postes of the Temple were squared, and thus to looke vnto was the similitude and forme 22 of the Sanctuarie. The altar of wood was three cubites hie, and the length thereof two cubites, and the corners thereof and the length thereof and the sides thereof were of wood. And he sayd vnto me, This is the table that shalbe before the Lord. 23, 24 And the Temple and the Sanctuarie had two doores. And the doores had two wickets, euen two turning wickets, two wickets 25 for one doore, and two wickets for another doore. And vpon the doores of the Temple there were made Cherubims and palmetrees, like as was made vpon the walles, and there were 26 thicke plankes vpon the forefront of the porch without. And there were narow windowes and palme trees on the one side, and on the other side, by the sides of the porch, and vpon ye sides of the house, and thicke plankes.

Then brought hee me into the vtter court by the way towarde the North, and he brought me into the chamber that was ouer against the separate place, and which was before the building toward the North. Before ye length of an hun-

dreth cubites, was the North doore, and it was fiftie cubites broad. Ouer against the twentie cubites which were for the 3 inner court, and ouer against the pauement, which was for the vtter court, was chamber against chamber in three rowes. And before the chambers was a gallery of ten cubites wide, and 4 within was a way of one cubite, and their doores towarde the North. Nowe the chambers aboue were narower: for those 5 chambers seemed to eate vp these, to wit, the lower, and those that were in the middes of the building. For they were in three 6 rowes, but had not pillars as the pillars of the court: therefore there was a difference from them beneath and from the middlemost, euen from the ground. And the wall that was 7 without ouer against the chambers, toward the vtter court on the forefront of the chambers, was fiftie cubites long. For the 8 length of the chambers that were in the vtter court, was fiftie cubites: and loe, before the Temple were an hundreth cubites. And vnder these chambers was the entrie, on the East side, 9 as one goeth into them from the outward court. The cham- 10 bers were in the thicknesse of the wall of the court towarde the East, ouer against the separate place, and ouer against the building. And the way before them was after ve maner of the 11 chambers, which were toward ye North, as long as they, and as broad as they: and all their entries were like, both according to their facions, and according to their doores. And according to 12 ye doores of ye chambers that were towarde the South, was a doore in the corner of the way, euen the way directly before the wall toward the East, as one entreth. The said he vnto me, 13 The North chambers and ve South chambers which are before ye separate place, they be holy chambers, wherein the Priests that approch vnto ye Lord, shall eat the most holy things: there shall they lay the most holy things, and the meate offering, and the sinne offering, and the trespasse offring: for the place is holy. When the Priestes enter therein, they shall not go out 14 of the holy place into the vtter court, but there they shall lay their garmentes wherein they minister: for they are holy, and shall put on other garmentes, and so shall approch to those things, which are for the people. Nowe when he had made 15 an ende of measuring the inner house, he brought mee forth toward the gate whose prospect is towarde the East, and measured it round about. He measured the East side with the 16 measuring rod, fiue hundreth reedes, euen with the measur17 ing reede round about. He measured also the Northside, fiue hundreth reedes, euen with the measuring reede rounde about.
18 And he measured the South side fiue hundreth reedes with the 19 measuring reede. He turned about also to the West side, and 20 measured fiue hundreth reedes with the measuring reede. He measured it by the foure sides: it had a wall round about, fiue hundreth reedes long, and fiue hundreth broade to make a separation betweene the Sanctuarie, and the prophane place.

Afterward he brought me to the gate, euen the gate that tur-43 2 neth towarde the East. And beholde, the glorie of the God of Israel came from out of the East, whose voyce was like a noyse of great waters, and the earth was made light with his glorie. 3 And the vision which I saw was like the vision, euen as the vision that I sawe when I came to destroy the citie: and the visions were like the vision that I sawe by the river Chebar: 4 and I fell vpon my face. And the glorie of the Lord came into the house by the way of the gate, whose prospect is towarde 5 the East. So the Spirite tooke me vp and brought me into the inner court, and beholde, the glorie of the Lord filled the And I heard one speaking vnto me out of the house: 7 and there stoode a man by me, Which saide vnto me, Sonne of man, this place is my throne, and the place of the soles of my feete, whereas I will dwell among the children of Israel for euer, and the house of Israel shall no more defile mine holy Name, neither they, nor their Kings by their fornication, nor 8 by the carkeises of their Kings in their high places. they set their thresholdes by my thresholdes, and their postes by my postes (for there was but a wall betweene me and them) yet haue they defiled mine holy Name with their abominations, that they have committed: wherfore I have consumed them in 9 my wrath. Now therefore let them put away their fornication, and the carkeises of their Kings farre from me, and I will 10 dwell among them for euer. Thou sonne of man, shew this House to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their 11 wickednes, and let them measure ye paterne. And if they be ashamed of all that they have done, shew them the forme of the House, and ye paterne thereof, and the going out thereof, and the coming in thereof, and the whole fashion thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and all the figures thereof, and all

the lawes thereof: and write it in their sight, that they may keepe the whole fashion thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and do them. This is the description of the house, It shalbe 12 vpon the toppe of the mount: all the limites thereof round about shalbe most holy. Beholde, this is the description of the And these are the measures of the Altar, after the 13 cubites, the cubite is a cubite, and an had breadth, euen the bottome shalbe a cubite, and the breadth a cubite, and the border thereof by the edge thereof rounde about shalbe a spanne: and this shalbe the height of the altar. And from the bottome 14 which toucheth the ground to the lower piece shalbe two cubites: and the breadth one cubite, and from the litle piece to the great piece shalbe foure cubites, and the breadth one cubite. So the altar shalbe foure cubites, and from the altar vp- 15 ward shalbe foure hornes. And the altar shalbe twelve cubites 16 long, and twelue broade, and fouresquare in the foure corners thereof. And ve frame shalbe foureteene cubites log, and four- 17 teene broade in the fouresquare corners thereof, and the border about it shalbe halfe a cubite, and the bottome therof shalbe a cubite about, and the steps thereof shalbe turned towarde ye East. And he said vnto me, Sone of man, thus saith ve Lord 18 God, These are ye ordinances of ye altar in the day when they shall make it to offer the burnt offring thereon, and to sprinkle blood thereon. And thou shalt give to the Priestes, and to 19 the Leuites, that be of the seede of Zadok, which approch vnto me, to minister vnto me, saith the Lord God, a yong bullocke for a sinne offring. And thou shalt take of the blood thereof, 20 and put it on the foure hornes of it, and on the foure corners of the frame, and vpon the border round about: thus shalt thou clense it, and reconcile it. Thou shalt take the bullocke also 21 of the sinne offring, and burne it in the appointed place of the house without the Sanctuarie. But the second day thou shalt 22 offer an hee goat without blemish for a sinne offring, and they shall clense ye altar, as they did clense it with the bullocke. When thou hast made an ende of clensing it, thou shalt offer 23 a yong bullocke without blemish, and a ram out of the flocke without blemish. And thou shalt offer them before ye Lord, 24 and the Priestes shall cast salt vpon them, and they shall offer them for a burnt offring vnto ye Lord. Seuen dayes shalt thou 25 prepare euery day an hee goate for a sinne offring: they shall

also prepare a yong bullocke and a ramme out of the flocke,
without blemish. Thus shall they seuen dayes purifie the altar, and clense it, and consecrate it. And when these dayes are
expired, vpon the eight day and so forth, the Priests shall make
your burnt offrings vpon the altar, and your peace offrings, and
I will accept you, saith the Lord God.

Then he brought me towarde the gate of the outwarde Sanc-44 2 tuarie, which turneth towarde the East, and it was shut. Then saide the Lord vnto me, This gate shalbe shut, and shall not bee opened, and no man shall enter by it, because the Lord 3 God of Israel hath entred by it, and it shalbe shut. It appertaineth to the Prince: the Prince himselfe shall sit in it to eate bread before the Lord: he shall enter by the way of the porche 4 of that gate, and shall go out by the way of the same. Then brought he mee toward the North gate before the House: and when I looked, beholde, the glorie of the Lord filled the house 5 of the Lord, and I fell vpon my face. And the Lord sayd vnto me, Sonne of man, marke well, and behold with thine eyes, and heare with thine eares, all that I say vnto thee, concerning al the ordinances of the house of the Lord, and al the lawes thereof, and marke well the entring in of the house with euery 6 going forth of the Sanctuarie, And thou shalt say to the rebellious, euen to ve house of Israel, Thus saith ve Lord God, O 7 house of Israel, ye have ynough of al your abominations, Seeing that yee haue brought into my Sanctuarie strangers, vncircumcised in heart, and vncircumcised in flesh, to bee in my Sanctuarie, to pollute mine house, when yee offer my bread, euen fat, and blood: and they haue broken my couenant, be-8 cause of all your abominations. For yee haue not kept the ordinances of mine holy things: but you your selues haue set 9 other to take the charge of my Sanctuarie. Thus saieth the Lord God, No stranger vncircumcised in heart, nor vncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my Sanctuarie, of any stranger 10 that is among the children of Israel, Neither yet ye Leuites that are gone backe from me, when Israel went astray, which went astray from thee after their idoles, but they shall beare 11 their iniquitie. And they shall serue in my Sanctuarie, and keepe the gates of the House, and minister in the House: they shall slay the burnt offring and the sacrifice for the people: and 12 they shall stand before them to serue them. Because they serued before their idoles, and caused the house of Israel to fall into iniquitie, therfore haue I lift vp mine had against the, saith the Lord God, and they shall beare their iniquity, And 13 they shall not come neere vnto me to do ye office of ye Priest vnto me, neyther shall they come neere vnto any of mine holy things in the most holy place, but they shall beare their shame and their abominations, which they have comitted. And I will 14 make them keepers of ve watch of the House, for all the seruice thereof, and for all that shalbe done therein. But the Priests 15 of the Leuites, the sonnes of Zadok, that kept the charge of my Sanctuarie, when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come neere to me to serue me, and they shall stande before me to offer me the fat and the blood, saith the They shall enter into my Sanctuarie, and shall 16 Lord God. come neere to my table, to serue me, and they shall keepe my And whe they shall enter in at the gates of the in- 17 ner court, they shall be clothed with linen garments, and no wool shall come vpon the while they serue in ye gates of the inner court, and within. They shall have linnen bonets vpon 18 their heades, and shall have linnen breeches vpon their loynes: they shall not girde them selues in the sweating places. But 19 when they goe foorth into the vtter court, euen to the vtter court to the people, they shall put off their garments, wherein they ministred, and lay them in the holy chambers, and they shall put on other garments: for they shall not sanctifie the people with their garments. They shall not also shaue their 20 heades, nor suffer their lockes to growe long, but rounde their heades. Neither shall any Priest drinke wine when they enter 21 into the inner court. Neither shall they take for their wives 22 a widowe, or her that is diuorced: but they shall take maidens of the seede of the house of Israel, or a widow that hath bene the widow of a Priest. And they shall teach my people the 23 difference betweene the holy and prophane, and cause them to discerne betweene the vncleane and the cleane. And in con- 24 trouersie they shall stande to judge, and they shall judge it according to my iudgements: and they shall keepe my lawes and my statutes in all mine assemblies, and they shall sanctifie my Sabbaths. And they shall come at no dead person to 25 defile theselues, except at their father, or mother, or sone, or daughter, brother or sister, that hath had yet none husband:

in these may they be defiled. And when he is clensed, they
shall reckon vnto him seuen dayes. And when he goeth into ye Sanctuarie vnto the inner court to minister in the Sanctuarie, he shall offer his sinne offring, saith ye Lord God. And the Priesthood shall bee their inheritance, yea, I am their inheritance: therefore shall ye giue them no possessio in Israel,
for I am their possession. They shall eate the meat offring, and the sinne offring, and the trespas offring, and euery dedicate thing in Israel shall be theirs. And all the first of all the first borne, and euery oblation, euen all of euery sort of your oblations shall be the Priestes. Ye shall also giue vnto the Priest the first of your dough, that he may cause the blessing to rest in thine house. The Priests shall not eate of any thing, that is dead, or torne, whether it be foule or beast.

Moreover when yee shall deuide the land for inheritance, 45 ye shall offer an oblation vnto the Lord an holy portion of the land, fiue and twentie thousand reedes long, and ten thousand broad: this shalbe holy in all the borders thereof round about. 2 Of this there shalbe for the Sanctuarie fiue hundreth in length with fiue hundreth in breadth, all square round about, and 3 fiftie cubites rounde about for the suburbes thereof. this measure shalt thou measure the length of fiue and twentie thousande, and the breadth of tenne thousande: and in 4 it shalbe the Sanctuarie, and the most holy place. The holy portion of the lande shalbe the Priests, which minister in the Sanctuarie, which came neere to serue the Lord: and it shalbe a place for their houses, and an holy place for the Sanctu-5 arie. And in the fiue and twentie thousande of length, and the ten thousand of breadth shall the Leuites that minister in the 6 house, haue their possession for twentie chambers. Also ye shall appoynt the possession of the citie, five thousand broad, and fiue and twentie thousand log ouer against the oblation of 7 ye holy portion: it shalbe for the whole house of Israel. And a portion shalbe for the prince on ye one side, and on that side of the oblation of the holy portion, and of the possession of the citie, euen before the oblation of the holy portion, and before the possession of the citie from the West corner Westward, and from the East corner Eastward, and the length shalbe by one 8 of the portions from the West border vnto the East border. In this lande shalbe his possession in Israel: and my princes shall no more oppresse my people, and the rest of the land shall they give to ye house of Israel, according to their tribes. Thus 9 saith the Lord God, Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel: leave off crueltie and oppression, and execute judgment and justice: take away your exactions from my people, sayth the Lord God. Ye shall have just balances, and a true Ephah, and a true Bath. 10 The Ephah and the Bath shalbe equall: a Bath shall conteyne 11 the tenth part of an Homer, and an Ephah the tenth part of an Homer: the equalitie thereof shalbe after the Homer. And the 12 shekel shalbe twentie gerahs, and twentie shekels, and fiue and twentie shekels and fifteene shekels shalbe your Maneh. This is the oblation that ye shall offer, ye sixt part of an Ephah 13 of an Homer of wheat, and ye shall give the sixt part of an Ephah of an Homer of barley. Concerning ye ordinance of the 14 oyle, euen of the Bath of oyle, ye shall offer the tenth part of a Bath out of ve Cor (ten Baths are an Homer: for ten Baths fill an Homer) And one lambe of two hundreth sheepe out of 15 ye fat pastures of Israel for a meat offring, and for a burnt offring and for peace offrings, to make reconciliation for them, sayth the Lord God. All the people of the lande shall give 16 this oblation for the prince in Israel. And it shalbe ye princes 17 part to give burnt offrings, and meat offrings, and drinke offrings in the solemne feasts and in the newe moones, and in the Sabbaths, and in all the hie feasts of the house of Israel: he shall prepare the sinne offring, and the meat offring, and the burnt offring, and the peace offrings to make reconciliation for the house of Israel. Thus sayth the Lord God, In the first 18 moneth, in the first day of the moneth, thou shalt take a yong bullocke without blemish and clense the Sanctuarie. And the 19 Priest shall take of the blood of the sinne offring, and put it vpon the posts of the house, and vpon the foure corners of the frame of the altar, and vpon the postes of the gate of the inner court. And so shalt thou doe the seuenth day of the moneth, 20 for euery one that hath erred and for him that is deceived: so shall you reconcile the house. In the first moneth in the 21 foureteenth day of the moneth, ye shall haue the Passeouer, a feast of seuen dayes, and ye shall eate vnleauened bread. And 22 vpon that day, shall the prince prepare for him selfe, and for all the people of the lande, a bullocke for a sinne offring. And 23 in the seuen dayes of the feast he shall make a burnt offring

to the Lord, euen of seuen bullockes, and seuen rammes without blemish dayly for seuen dayes, and an hee goate dayly for
24 a sinne offring. And he shall prepare a meate offring of an
Ephah for a bullocke, an Ephah for a ramme, and an Hin of
25 oyle for an Ephah. In the seuenth moneth, in the fifteenth
day of the moneth, shall he do the like in the feast for seuen
dayes, according to the sinne offring, according to the burnt offring, and according to the meate offring, and according to the
oyle.

Thus sayth the Lord God, The gate of the inner court, that 46 turneth toward the East, shall be shut the sixe working dayes: but on the Sabbath it shalbe opened, and in the day of the newe 2 moone it shalbe opened. And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of that gate without, and shall stande by the post of the gate, and the Priests shall make his burnt offring, and his peace offrings, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate: after, he shall go foorth, but the gate shall not be 3 shut till the euening. Likewise the people of the lande shall worshippe at the entrie of this gate before the Lord on the Sab-4 baths, and in the newe moones. And the burnt offring that the prince shall offer vnto the Lord on the Sabbath day, shalbe 5 sixe lambs without blemish, and a ram without blemish. And the meat offring shalbe an Ephah for a ram: and the meate offring for the lambs a gift of his hand, and an Hin of oyle to an 6 Ephah. And in the day of the newe moone it shall be a yong bullocke without blemish, and sixe lambes and a ram: they 7 shalbe without blemish. And he shall prepare a meat offring, euen an Ephah for a bullocke, and an Ephah for a ram, and for the lambes according as his hand shall bring, and an Hin of 8 oyle to an Ephah. And when the prince shall enter, hee shall goe in by the way of the porche of that gate, and hee shall go 9 foorth by the way thereof. But when the people of the land shall come before the Lord in the solemne feastes, hee that entreth in by the way of the North gate to worship, shall goe out by the way of the South gate: and he that entreth by the way of the South gate, shall goe foorth by the way of the North gate: hee shall not returne by the way of the gate whereby hee came 10 in, but they shall goe forth ouer against it. And the prince shall be in the middes of them: hee shall go in when they goe in, and when they goe forth, they shall goe forth together. And

in the feastes, and in the solemnities the meat offring shalbe an Ephah to a bullocke, and an Ephah to a ram, and to the lambes, the gift of his hand, and an Hin of oyle to an Ephah. Nowe when the prince shall make a free burnt offring or peace 12 offrings freely vnto the Lord, one shall then open him the gate, that turneth towarde the East, and hee shall make his burnt offring and his peace offrings, as he did on the Sabbath day: after, hee shall goe foorth, and when he is gone forth, one shall shut the gate. Thou shalt dayly make a burnt offring vnto the 13 Lord of a lambe of one vere without blemish: thou shalt doe it euery morning. And thou shalt prepare a meate offring for it 14 euery morning, the sixt part of an Ephah, and the thirde part of an Hin of oyle, to mingle with the fine flowre: this meate offring shalbe continually by a perpetuall ordinance vnto the Thus shall they prepare the lambe, and the meate of- 15 fring and the oyle euery morning, for a continual burnt offring. Thus saith the Lord God, If the prince give a gift of his inheri- 16 tance vnto any of his sonnes, it shalbe his sonnes, and it shall bee their possession by inheritance. But if hee give a gift of 17 his inheritance to one of his seruantes, then it shall bee his to the vere of libertie: after, it shall returne to ve prince, but his inheritance shall remaine to his sonnes for them. Moreover 18 the prince shall not take of the peoples inheritance, nor thrust them out of their possession: but he shall cause his sonnes to inherit of his owne possession, that my people be not scattered euery man from his possession. After, he brought me 19 through the entrie, which was at the side of the gate, into the holy chambers of the Priestes, which stoode towarde the North: and beholde, there was a place at the West side of them. Then 20 saide he vnto me, This is the place where the Priestes shall see the trespasse offering and the sinne offering, where they shall bake the meat offring, that they should not beare them into the vtter court, to sanctifie ye people. Then he 21 brought me foorth into the vtter court, and caused me to goe by the foure corners of the court: and beholde, in euery corner court there were courts joyned of fourty cubits long, and thirty broad: these foure corners were of one measure. And there 23 went a wall about them, euen about those foure, and kitchins were made vnder the walles rounde about. Then said he vnto 24 me, This is the kitchin where the ministers of the house shall seethe the sacrifice of the people.

Afterward he brought me vnto the doore of the house: and 47 behold, waters yssued out from vnder the threshold of the house Eastward: for the forefront of the house stoode towarde the East, and the waters ran downe from vnder the right side of 2 the house, at the southside of ye altar. Then brought he me out toward the North gate, and led me about by the way without vnto the vtter gate, by the way that turneth Eastward: and 3 behold, there came forth waters on ye right side And when the man that had the line in his hand, went foorth Eastward, he measured a thousand cubites, and he brought me through 4 the waters: the waters were to the ancles. Againe he measured a thousande, and brought me through the waters: the waters were to the knees: againe he measured a thousand, 5 and brought me through: ye waters were to ye loynes. terward he measured a thousand, and it was a riuer, that I could not passe ouer: for the waters were risen, and the wa-6 ters did flowe, as a river that could not be passed over. And he said vnto me, Sonne of man, hast thou seene this? Then he brought me, and caused me to returne to the brinke of the 7 riuer. Nowe when I returned, beholde, at the brinke of the riuer were very many trees on the one side, and on the other. 8 Then saide he vnto me, These waters issue out towarde the East countrey, and runne downe into the plaine, and shall goe into one sea: they shall runne into another sea, and the waters 9 shalbe wholesome. And euery thing that liueth, which moueth, wheresoeuer the riuers shall come, shall liue, and there shalbe a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be wholesome, and euery 10 thing shall liue whither the riuer commeth. And then the fishers shall stand vpon it, and from En-gedi euen vnto En-eglaim, they shall spread out their nettes: for their fish shalbe according to their kindes, as the fishe of the maine sea, exceeding 11 many. But the myrie places thereof, and the marises thereof 12 shall not be wholesome: they shalbe made salt pittes. And by this river vpon the brinke thereof, on this side, and on that side shall grow all fruitful trees, whose leafe shall not fade, neither shall ye fruit thereof faile: it shall bring forth new fruit according to his moneths, because their waters run out of ye Sanctuarie: and the fruite thereof shalbe meat, and the leafe thereof shalbe for medicine. Thus saith the Lord God. This shall be 13 the border, whereby ye shall inherite the lande according to the twelue tribes of Israel: Ioseph shall have two portions. And ye shall inherite it, one as well as another: concerning 14 the which I lift vp mine hand to giue it vnto your fathers, and this lande shall fall vnto you for inheritance. And this shall 15 be the border of the lande towarde the North side, from the maine sea toworde Hethlon as men goe to Zedadah: Hamath, 16 Berothah, Sibraim, which is betweene the border of Damascus, and the border of Hamath, and Hazar, Hatticon, which is by the coast of Hauran. And the border from the sea shalbe 17 Hazar, Enan, and the border of Damascus, and the residue of the North, Northwarde, and the border of Hamath: so shalbe the North part. But the East side shall ye measure from Hau- 18 ran, and from Damascus, and from Gilead, and from the lande of Israel by Iorden, and from the border vnto the East sea: and so shalbe the East part. And the Southside shalbe towarde 19 Teman from Tamar to the waters of Meriboth in Kadesh, and the riuer to the maine sea: so shalbe the South part towarde The West parte also shalbe the great sea from the 20 border, till a man come ouer against Hamath: this shalbe the West part. So shall ve deuide this lande vnto you, according 21 to the tribes of Israel. And you shall deuide it by lot for an 22 inheritance vnto you, and to the strangers that dwell among vou, which shall beget children among you, and they shall be vnto you, as borne in the countrey among the children of Israel, they shall part inheritance with you in the middes of the tribes of Israel. And in what tribe the stranger dwelleth, there shall 23 ve giue him his inheritance, saith the Lord God.

Now these are the names of the tribes. From the North side, to the coast towarde Hethlon, as one goeth to Hamath, Hazar, Enan, and the border of Damascus Northwarde the coast of Hamath, euen from the East side to the West shall be a portion for Dan. And by the border of Dan from the East side 2 vnto the West side, a portion for Asher. And by the border of 3 Asher from the East parte euen vnto the West parte a portion for Naphtali. And by the border of Naphtali from the East 4 quarter vnto the West side, a portion for Manasseh. And by 5 the border of Manasseh from the East side vnto the West side a

6 portion for Ephraim. And by the border of Ephraim, from the 7 East part euen vnto the West part, a portion for Reuben. And by the border of Reuben, from the East quarter vnto the West 8 quarter, a portion for Iudah. And by the border of Iudah from the East part vnto the West part shall be the offering which they shall offer of fiue and twentie thousande reedes broade. and of length as one of the other parts, from the East side vnto the Westside, and the Sanctuarie shalbe in the middes of it. 9 The oblation that ye shall offer vnto the Lord, shalbe of fiue and twentie thousande long, and of ten thousand the breadth. 10 And for them, euen for the Priestes shalbe this holy oblation, towarde the North fiue and twentie thousande long, and towarde the West, ten thousande broade, and towarde the East ten thousand broad, and towarde the South fiue and twentie thousand long, and the Sanctuarie of the Lord shalbe in the 11 middes thereof. It shalbe for the Priestes that are sanctified of the sonnes of Zadok, which have kept my charge, which went not astray when the children of Israel went astray, as the 12 Leuites went astray. Therefore this oblation of the land that is offred, shalbe theirs, as a thing most holy by the border of 13 the Leuites. And ouer against the border of the Priests the Leuites shall have five and twentie thousande long, and ten thousande broade: all the length shalbe fiue and twentie thou-14 sand, and the breadth ten thousande. And they shall not sel of it, neither change it, nor abalienate the first fruites of the land: 15 for it is holy vnto the Lord. And the five thousand that are left in the breadth ouer against the fiue and twentie thousande, shall be a prophane place for the citie, for housing, and for sub-16 urbes, and the citie shalbe in the middes thereof. And these shall be the measures thereof, the North part fiue hundreth and foure thousand, and the South parte fiue hundreth and foure thousande, and the East parte fiue hundreth and foure thousande, and the West parte fiue hundreth and foure thou-17 sande. And the suburbes of the citie shall be toward the North two hundreth and fiftie, and towarde the South two hundreth and fiftie, and towarde the East two hundreth and fiftie, and 18 towarde the West two hundreth and fiftie. And the residue in length ouer against the oblation of the holy portion shalbe ten thousand Eastwarde, and ten thousand Westwarde: and it shalbe ouer against the oblation of the holy portion, and the

encrease thereof shall be for foode vnto them that serue in the citie. And they that serue in the citie, shalbe of all the tribes 19 of Israel that shall serue therein. All the oblation shalbe five 20 and twentie thousand with fiue and twentie thousand: you shall offer this oblation foure square for the Sanctuarie, and for the possession of the citie. And the residue shalbe for the 21 prince on the one side and on the other of the oblation of the Sanctuarie, and of the possession of the citie, ouer against the fiue and twentie thousand of the oblation toward the East border, and Westward ouer against the fiue and twentie thousande towarde the West border, ouer against shalbe for the portion of the prince: this shall be the holy oblation, and the house of the Sanctuarie shalbe in the middes thereof. Moreover, from the 22 possession of the Leuites, and from the possession of the citie, that which is in the middes shall be the princes: betweene the border of Iudah, and betweene the border of Beniamin shall be the princes. And the rest of the tribes shalbe thus: from 23 the East parte vnto the West parte Benjamin shalbe a portion. And by the border of Beniamin, from the East side vnto the 24 West side Simeon a portion. And by the border of Simeon from 25 the East part vnto the West part, Isshachar a portion. And by 26 the border of Isshachar, from the East side vnto the West, Zebulun a portion. And by the border of Zebulun from the East 27 parte vnto the West part, Gad a portion. And by the border 28 of Gad at the South side, towarde Temath, the border shall be euen from Tamar vnto the waters of Meribath in Kadesh, and to the riuer, that runneth into the maine sea. This is 29 the lande, which ve shall distribute vnto the tribes of Israel for inheritance, and these are their portions, saith the Lord God. And these are the boundes of the citie, on the North side 30 fiue hundreth, and foure thousande measures. And the gates 31 of the citie shalbe after the names of the tribes of Israel, the gates Northwarde, one gate of Reuben, one gate of Iudah, and one gate of Leui. And at the East side fiue hundreth and foure 32 thousande, and three gates, and one gate of Ioseph, one gate of Beiamin, and one gate of Dan. And at the South side, fiue 33 hundreth and foure thousande measures, and three portes, one gate of Simeon, one gate of Isshachar, and one gate of Zebulun. At the West side, fiue hundreth and foure thousand, with their 34 three gates, one gate of Gad, one gate of Asher, and one gate

of Naphtali. It was rounde about eighteene thousande measures, and the name of the citie from that day shalbe, The Lord is there.

## THE BOOK OF DANIEL.

 $_{\sim}$  n the thirde yeere of the reigne of Iehoiakim king 1🥱 of Iudah, came Nebuchad-nezzar King of Babel vnto king of Iudah into his hand; with parte of the vessels of the house of God, which he carved into the land of Shinar, to the house of his god, and he brought the vessels into his gods treasurie. And the King spake vnto Ashpenaz the 3 master of his Eunuches, that he should bring certeine of the children of Israel, of the Kings seede, and of the princes: Chil- 4 dren in whome was no blemish, but well fauoured, and instruct in all wisedome, and well seene in knowledge, and able to vtter knowledge, and such as were able to stande in the kings palace, and whome they might teach the learning, and the tongue of the Caldeans. And the King appointed them proui- 5 sion euery day of a portion of the Kings meate, and and of the wine, which he dranke, so nourishing them three yeere, that at the ende thereof, they might stande before the King. Nowe 6 among these were certeine of the children of Iudah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. Vnto whome the chiefe of 7 the Eunuches gaue other names: for hee called Daniel, Belteshazzar, and Hananiah, Shadrach, and Mishael, Meshach, and Azariah, Abednego. But Daniel had determined in his heart, 8 that hee woulde not defile him selfe with the portion of the Kings meate, nor with the wine which he dranke: therefore he required the chiefe of the Eunuches that he might not defile himselfe. (Nowe God had brought Daniel into fauour, and ten- 9 der loue with the chiefe of the Eunuches) And the chiefe of the 10 Eunuches sayd vnto Daniel, I feare my lord the King, who hath appointed your meate and your drinke: therefore if he see your faces worse liking then the other children, which are of your sort, then shall you make me lose mine head vnto the King. Then sayd Daniel to Melzar, whome the chiefe of the Eunuches 11 had set ouer Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, Proue 12 thy seruants, I beseeche thee, ten dayes, and let them giue vs pulse to eate, and water to drinke. Then let our countenances 13 bee looked vpon before thee, and the countenances of the chil-

dren that eate of the portion of the Kings meate: and as thou 14 seest, deale with thy seruantes. So hee consented to them 15 in this matter, an proued them ten dayes. And at the end of ten dayes, their countenances appeared fayrer, and in better liking then all the childrens, which did eate the portion of the 16 Kings meate. Thus Melzar tooke away the portion of their meat, and the wine that they should drinke, and gaue them As for these foure children, God gaue them knowledge, and vnderstanding in al learning and wisedome: also he 18 gaue Daniel vnderstanding of all visions and dreames. Nowe when the time was expired, that the King had appoynted to bring them in, the chiefe of the Eunuches brought them be-19 fore Nebuchad-nezzar. And the King communed with them: and among them al was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stoode they before the king. 20 And in all matters of wisedome, and vnderstanding that the King enquired of them, hee founde them tenne times better then all the inchanters and astrologians, that were in all his 21 realme. And Daniel was vnto the first veere of king Cyrus.

And in the seconde yeere of the raygne of Nebuchad-nezzar, 2 Nebuchad-nezzar dreamed dreames wherewith his spirite was 2 troubled, and his sleepe was vpon him. Then the King commanded to call the inchanters, and the astrologians and the sorcerers, and the Caldeans for to shewe the King his dreames: 3 so they came and stoode before the King. And the King sayde vnto them, I have dreamed a dreame, and my spirite was trou-4 bled to knowe the dreame. Then spake the Caldeans to the King in the Aramites language, O King, liue for euer: shewe thy seruants thy dreame, and wee shall shewe the interpreta-5 tion. And the King answered and sayd to the Caldeans, The thing is gone from me. If ye will not make me vnderstande the dreame with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be drawen 6 in pieces, and your houses shall be made a takes. But if yee declare the dreame and the interpretation thereof, ye shall receyue of me gifts and rewardes, and great honour: therefore 7 shewe me the dreame and the interpretation of it. They answered againe, and sayde, Let the King shewe his seruantes the dreame, and wee will declare the interpretation thereof. 8 Then the King answered, and sayd, I knowe certeinly that ye would gaine the time, because ye see the thing is gone from

But if ye will not declare mee the dreame, there is but 9 one judgement for you: for ye have prepared lying and corrupt wordes, to speake before me till the time bee changed: therefore tell me the dreame, that I may knowe, if yee can declare me the interpretation thereof. Then the Caldeans 10 answered before the King, and sayde, There is no man vpon earth that can declare the Kings matter: yea, there is neither king nor prince nor lorde that asked such things at an inchanter or astrologian or Caldean. For it is a rare thing 11 that the King requireth, and there is none other that can declare it before the King, except the gods whose dwelling is not with flesh. For this cause the king was angrie and in 12 great furie, and commanded to destroy all the wise men of And when sentence was given, the wise men were 13 Babel. slayne: and they sought Daniel and his fellowes to be put to Then Daniel answered with counsel and wisedome to 14 Arioch the Kings chiefe stewarde, which was gone foorth to put to death the wise men of Babel. Yea, he answered and 15 sayde vnto Arioch the kings captaine, Why is the sentence so hastie from the king? Then Arioch declared the thing to Daniel. So Daniel went and desired the king that he woulde 16 giue him leasure and that he woulde shewe the king the interpretation thereof. The Daniel went to his house and shewed 17 the matter to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah his companions, That they should be eech the God of heauen for grace 18 in this secrete, that Daniel and his fellowes should not perish with the rest of ye wise men of Babel. Then was the se- 19 cret reueiled vnto Daniel in a vision by night: therefore Daniel praysed the God of heauen. And Daniel answered and sayde, 20 The Name of God be praysed for euer and euer: for wisedome and strength are his, And hee changeth the times and sea- 21 sons: he taketh away kings: he setteth vp kings: he giueth wisedome vnto the wise, and vnderstanding to those that vnderstand. Hee discouereth the deepe and secrete things: he 22 knoweth what is in darkenes, and the light dwelleth with him. I thanke thee and prayse thee, O thou God of my fathers, that 23 thou hast given mee wisedome and strength, and hast shewed me nowe the thing that wee desired of thee: for thou hast declared vnto vs the kings matter. Therefore Daniel went 24 vnto Arioch, whome the King had ordevned to destroy the wise

men of Babel: he went and sayde thus vnto him, Destroy not the wise men of Babel, but bring me before the King, and I 25 will declare vnto the King the interpretation. Then Arioch brought Daniel before the King in all haste, and sayd thus vnto him. I have found a man of the children of Iudah that were brought captiues, that will declare vnto the King the inter-26 pretation. Then answered the King, and sayde vnto Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, Art thou able to shew me the dreame, which I have seene, and the interpretation thereof? 27 Daniel answered in the presence of the King, and sayd, The secret which the King hath demanded, can neither the wise, the astrologians, the inchanters, nor the southsayers declare 28 vnto the King. But there is a God in heauen that reueileth secrets, and sheweth the King Nebuchad-nezzar what shall bee in the latter dayes. Thy dreame, and the things which 29 thou hast seene in thine heade vpon thy bed, is this. O King, when thou wast in thy bedde, thoughts came into thy mind, what should come to passe hereafter, and he that reueyleth se-30 cretes, telleth thee, what shall come. As for me, this secret is not shewed mee for any wisedome that I haue, more then any other liuing, but onely to shewe the King the interpretation, 31 and that thou mightest knowe the thoughts of thine heart. O King, thou sawest, and beholde, there was a great image: this great image whose glory was so excellent, stood before thee, 32 and the forme thereof was terrible. This images head was of fine golde, his breast and his armes of siluer, his bellie and 33 his thighs of brasse, His legges of yron, and his feete were 34 part of yron, and part of clay. Thou beheldest it til a stone was cut without hands, which smote the image vpon his feete, 35 that were of yron and clay, and brake them to pieces. Then was the yron, the clay, the brasse, the siluer and the golde broken all together, and became like the chaffe of the sommer floures, and the winde carved them away, that no place was founde for them: and the stone that smote the image, be-36 came a great mountaine, and filled the whole earth. the dreame, and we will declare before the King the interpre-37 tation thereof. O King, thou art a king of Kings: for the God of heauen hath given thee a kingdome, power, and strength, 38 and glorie. And in all places where the children of men dwell, the beasts of the fielde, and the foules of the heaven hath he

giuen into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler ouer them al: thou art this heade of golde. And after thee shall rise an- 39 other kingdome, inferiour to thee, of siluer, and another third kingdome shalbe of brasse, which shall beare rule ouer all the earth. And the fourth kingdome shall be strong as yron: for 40 as vron breaketh in pieces, and subdueth all things, and as yron bruiseth all these things, so shall it breake in pieces, and Where as thou sawest the feete and toes, parte 41 bruise all. of potters clay, and part of vron: the kingdome shalbe deuided. but there shalbe in it of the strength of the vron, as thou sawest the vron mixt with the clay, and earth. And as the toes of the 42 feete were parte of vron, and parte of clay, so shall the kingdome be partly strong, and partly broken. And where as thou 43 sawest yron mixt with clay and earth, they shall mingle themselues with the seede of men: but they shall not ioyne one with another, as yron can not bee mixed with clay. And in the dayes 44 of these Kings, shall the God of heauen set vp a kingdome, which shall neuer be destroyed: and this kingdome shall not be given to another people, but it shall breake, and destroy al these kingdomes, and it shall stand for euer. Where as thou 45 sawest, that the stone was cut of the mountaine without handes, and that it brake in pieces the yron, the brasse, the clay, the siluer, and the golde: so the great God hath shewed the King, what shall come to passe hereafter, and the dreame is true, and the interpretation thereof is sure. Then the King 46 Nebuchad-nezzar fell vpon his face, and bowed himselfe vnto Daniel, and commanded that they should offer meate offrings, and sweete odours vnto him. Also the King answered vnto 47 Daniel, and said, I know of a trueth that your God is a God of gods, and the Lord of Kings, and the reueiler of secrets, seeing thou couldest open this secret. So the King made Daniel 48 a great man, and gaue him many and great giftes. Hee made him gouernour ouer the whole prouince of Babel, and chiefe of the rulers, and aboue all the wise men of Babel. Then Daniel 49 made request to the King, and hee set Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego ouer the charge of the prouince of Babel: but Daniel sate in the gate of the King.

Nebuchad-nezzar the King made an image of gold, whose 3 height was three score cubits, and the breadth thereof sixe cubites: hee set it vp in the plaine of Dura, in the prouince of

Then Nebuchad-nezzar ye King sent foorth to gather 2 Babel. together the nobles, the princes and the dukes, the judges, the receivers, the counsellers, the officers, and all the governours of the prouinces, that they should come to the dedication of the 3 image, which Nebuchad-nezzar the King had set vp. So the nobles, princes and dukes, the iudges, the receivers, the counsellers, the officers, and all the gouernours of the prouinces were assembled vnto the dedicating of the image, that Nebuchadnezzar the King had set vp: and they stood before the image, 4 which Nebuchad-nezzar had set vp. Then an herald cried aloude, Be it knowen to you, O people, nations, and languages, 5 That when ye heare the sound of the cornet, trumpet, harpe, sackebut, psalterie, dulcimer, and all instruments of musike, ye fall downe and worship the golden image, that Nebuchad-6 nezzar the King hath set vp, And whosoeuer falleth not downe and worshippeth, shall the same houre bee cast into the mid-7 des of an hote fierie fornace. Therefore assoone as all the people heard the sound of the cornet, trumpet, harpe, sackebut, psalterie, and all instruments of musike, all the people, nations, and languages fell downe, and worshipped the golden 8 image, that Nebuchad-nezzar the King had set vp. By reason whereof at that same time came men of the Caldeans, 9 and grieuously accused the Iewes. For they spake and said 10 to the King Nebuchad-nezzar, O King, liue for euer. Thou, O King, hast made a decree, that euery man that shall heare the sounde of the cornet, trumpet, harpe, sackebut, psalterie, and dulcimer, and all instruments of musike, shall fall downe and 11 worship the golden image. And whosoeuer falleth not downe. and worshippeth, that he should be cast into the mids of an 12 hote fierie fornace. There are certeine Iewes whome thou hast set ouer the charge of ye prouince of Babel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: these men, O King, haue not regarded thy commandement, neither wil they serue thy gods, nor wor-13 ship the golden image, that thou hast set vp. Then Nebuchadnezzar in his anger and wrath commanded that they should bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: so these men were 14 brought before the King. And Nebuchad-nezzar spake, and said vnto them, What disorder? will not you, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego serue my god, nor worship the golden 15 image, that I have set vp? Now therefore are ye ready when

ye heare the sound of the cornet, trumpet, harpe, sackebut, psalterie, and dulcimer, and all instruments of musike, to fall downe, and worship the image, which I have made? for if ye worship it not, ye shall be cast immediatly into the middes of an hote fierie fornace: for who is that God, that can deliuer you out of mine handes? Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego 16 answered and said to the King, O Nebuchad-nezzar, we are not carefull to answere thee in this matter. Beholde, our God 17 whom we serue, is able to deliuer vs from the hote fierie fornace, and hee will deliuer vs out of thine hand, O King. But 18 if not, bee it knowen to thee, O King, that wee will not serue thy gods, nor worship the golden image, which thou hast set vp. Then was Nebuchad-nezzar full of rage, and the forme of 19 his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: therefore hee charged and commanded that they should heate the fornace at once seven times more then it was wont to be heat. And hee charged the most valiant men of warre that 20 were in his armie, to binde Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, and to cast them into the hote fierie fornace. So these men 21 were bounde in their coates, their hosen, and their clokes, with their other garments, and cast into the middes of the hote fierie Therefore, because the Kings commandement was 22 straite, that the fornace should be exceeding hote, the flame of the fire slew those men that brought foorth Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. And these three men Shadrach, Me- 23 shach and Abednego fell downe bound into the middes of the hote fierie fornace. Then Nebuchad-nezzar the King was as- 24 tonied and rose vp in haste, and spake, and saide vnto his counsellers, Did not wee cast three men bound into the middes of the fire? Who answered and said vnto the King, It is true, O King. And he answered, and said, Loe, I see foure men loose, 25 walking in the middes of the fire, and they have no hurt, and the forme of the fourth is like the sonne of God. Then the King 26 Nebuchad-nezzar came neere to the mouth of the hote fierie fornace, and spake and said, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, the seruants of the hie God goe foorth and come hither: so Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego came foorth of the middes of the fire. Then the nobles, princes and dukes, and the Kings 27 counsellers came together to see these men, because the fire had no power ouer their bodies: for not an heare of their head

was burnt, neither was their coates changed, nor any smelll of 28 fire came vpon them. Wherefore Nebuchad-nezzar spake and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who hath sent his Angel, and deliuered his seruants, that put their trust in him, and haue changed the Kings commandement, and yeelded their bodies rather then they would serue 29 or worship any god, saue their owne God. Therefore I make a decree, that every people, nation, and language, which speake any blasphemie against the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, shalbe drawen in pieces, and their houses shall be made a iakes, because there is no god that can deliuer after 30 this sort. Then the King promoted Shadrach, Meshach and 31 Abednego in the prouince of Babel. Nebuchad-nezzar King vnto all people, nations and languages, that dwell in all the 32 world, Peace be multiplied vnto you: I thought it good to declare the signes and wonders, that the hie God hath wrought 33 toward me. How great are his signes, and how mightie are his wonders! his kingdome is an euerlasting kingdome, and his dominion is from generation to generation.

I Nebuchad-nezzar being at rest in mine house, and flour-2 ishing in my palace, Saw a dreame, which made me afraide, and the thoughtes vpon my bed, and the visions of mine head 3 troubled me. Therefore made I a decree, that they should bring all the wise men of Babel before mee, that they might 4 declare vnto me the interpretation of the dreame. So came the inchanters, the astrologians, the Caldeans and the sothsayers, to whom I tolde the dreame, but they could not shew 5 me the interpretation thereof, Till at the last Daniel came before mee, (whose name was Belteshazzar, according to the name of my god, which hath the spirite of the holy gods in 6 him) and before him I tolde the dreame, saying, O Belteshazzar, chiefe of the enchanters, because I know, that the spirit of the holy gods is in thee, and no secret troubleth thee, tell mee the visions of my dreame, that I have seene and the in-7 terpretation thereof. Thus were the visions of mine head in my bed. And beholde, I sawe a tree in the middes of the earth 8 and the height thereof was great: A great tree and strong, and the height thereof reached vnto heauen, and the sight thereof 9 to the endes of all the earth. The boughes thereof were faire and the fruite thereof much, and in it was meate for all: it

made a shadow vnder it for the beastes of the fielde, and the foules of the heaven dwelt in the boughes thereof, and all flesh fedde of it. I sawe in the visions of mine head vpon my bed, 10 and beholde, a watchman and an holy one came downe from heauen, And cried aloude, and said thus, Hew downe the tree, 11 and breake off his branches: shake off his leaues, and scatter his fruite, that the beastes may flee from vnder it, and the foules from his branches. Neuerthelesse leave the stumpe of 12 his rootes in the earth, and with a band of vron and brasse binde it among the grasse of the fielde, and let it be wet with the dewe of heauen, and let his portion be with the beastes among the grasse of the fielde. Let his heart be changed from 13 mans nature, and let a beasts heart be given vnto him, and let seuen times be passed ouer him. The sentence is according to 14 the decree of the watchmen, and according to the word of the holy ones: the demaunde was answered, to the intent that liuing men may knowe, that the most High hath power ouer the kingdome of men, and giueth it to whomsoeuer he will. and appointeth ouer it the most abject among men. This is the 15 dreame, that I King Nebuchad-nezzar haue seene: therefore thou, O Belteshazzar, declare the interpretation thereof: for all the wisemen of my kingdome are not able to shewe mee the interpretation: but thou art able, for the spirit of the holy gods is in thee. Then Daniel (whose name was Belteshazzar) held 16 his peace by the space of one houre, and his thoughts troubled him, and the King spake and said, Belteshazzar, let neither the dreame, nor the interpretation thereof trouble thee. Belteshazzar answered and saide, My lord, the dreame be to them that hate thee, and the interpretation thereof to thine enemies. The tree that thou sawest, which was great and mightie, whose 17 height reached vnto the heauen, and the sight thereof through all the world. Whose leaves were faire and the fruit thereof 18 much, and in it was meate for all, vnder the which the beastes of the fielde dwelt, and vpon whose branches the foules of the heauen did sit, It is thou, O King, that art great and mightie: 19 for thy greatnesse is growen, and reacheth vnto heauen, and thy dominion to the endes of the earth. Where as the King 20 sawe a watchman, and an holy one, that came downe from heauen, and said, Hew downe the tree and destroy it, yet leaue the stumpe of the rootes thereof in the earth, and with a bande

of yron and brasse binde it among the grasse of the fielde, and let it be wette with the dewe of heauen, and let his portion be with the beastes of the fielde, till seuen times passe ouer 21 him, This is the interpretation, O King, and it is the decree 22 of the most High, which is come vpon my lord the King, That they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shalbe with the beasts of the fielde: they shall make thee to eate grasse as the oxen, and they shall wet thee with the dewe of heauen: and seuen times shall passe ouer thee, till thou knowe, that the most High beareth rule ouer the kingdome of men, and 23 giueth it to whom so euer he will. Where as they sayd, that one should leave the stumpe of the tree rootes, thy kingdome shall remaine vnto thee: after that, thou shalt knowe, that 24 the heavens have the rule. Wherefore, O King, let my counsell be acceptable vnto thee, and breake off thy sinnes by righteousnes, and thine iniquities by mercy toward the poore: lo, 25 let there be an healing of thine errour. All these things shall 26 come vpon the King Nebuchad-nezzar. At the end of twelue 27 moneths, he walked in the royall palace of Babel. And the King spake and sayde, Is not this great Babel, that I haue built for the house of the kingdome by the might of my power, 28 and for the honour of my maiestie? While the worde was in the Kings mouth, a voyce came downe from heauen, saying, O King Nebuchad-nezzar, to thee be it spoken, Thy kingdome 29 is departed from thee, And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shalbe with the beastes of the fielde: they shall make thee to eate grasse, as the oxen, and seuen times shall passe ouer thee, vntill thou knowest, that the most High beareth rule ouer the kingdome of men, and giueth it vnto 30 whomsoeuer he will. The very same houre was this thing fulfilled vpon Nebuchad-nezzar, and hee was driuen from men, and did eate grasse as the oxen, and his body was wet with the dewe of heauen, till his heares were growen as eagles feath-31 ers, and his nailes like birds clawes. And at the ende of these dayes I Nebuchad-nezzar lift vp mine eyes vnto heauen, and mine vnderstanding was restored vnto me, and I gaue thankes vnto the most High, and I praysed and honoured him that liueth for euer, whose power is an euerlasting power, and his 32 kingdome is from generation to generation. And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and according to his will he worketh in the armie of heauen, and in the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, nor say vnto him, What doest thou? At the same time was mine vn- 33 derstanding restored vnto me, and I returned to the honour of my kingdome: my glory and my beautie was restored vnto me, and my counsellours and my princes sought vnto me, and I was established in my kingdome, and my glory was augmented toward me. Now therefore I Nebuchad-nezzar prayse and extoll 34 and magnifie the King of heauen, whose workes are all trueth, and his wayes iudgement, and those that walke in pride, he is able to abase.

King Belshazzar made a great feast to a thousand of his 5 princes, and dranke wine before the thousand. And Belshaz- 2 zar whiles he tasted the wine, commanded to bring him the golden and siluer vessels, which his father Nebuchad-nezzar had brought from the Temple in Ierusalem, that the King and his princes, his wives, and his concubines might drinke therein. Then were brought the golden vessels, that were taken out 3 of the Temple of the Lords house at Ierusalem, and the King and his princes, his wives and his concubines dranke in them. They drunke wine and praysed the gods of golde, and of siluer, 4 of brasse, of yron, of wood and of stone. At the same houre ap- 5 peared fingers of a mans hand, which wrote ouer against the candlesticke vpon the plaister of the wall of ye Kings palace, and the King sawe the palme of the hand that wrote. Then the 6 Kings countenance was changed, and his thoughtes troubled him, so that the ioynts of his loynes were loosed, and his knees smote one against the other. Wherefore the King cryed loude, 7 that they should bring the astrologians, the Caldeans and the soothsayers. And the King spake, and sayd to the wise men of Babel, Whosoeuer can reade this writing, and declare me the interpretation thereof, shalbe clothed with purple, and shall haue a chaine of golde about his necke, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdome. Then came all the Kings wise men, but 8 they could neither reade the writing, nor shewe the King the interpretation. Then was King Belshazzar greatly troubled, 9 and his countenance was changed in him, and his princes were astonied. Now the Queene by reason of the talke of the King, 10 and his princes came into the banket house, and the Queene spake, and sayd, O King, liue for euer: let not thy thoughtes

11 trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed. There is a man in thy kingdome, in whom is the spirit of the holy gods, and in the dayes of thy father light and vnderstanding and wisdome like the wisdome of the gods, was found in him: whom the King Nebuchad-nezzar thy father, the King, I say, thy father, made chiefe of the enchanters, astrologians, Caldeans, 12 and soothsayers, Because a more excellent spirit, and knowledge, and vnderstanding (for hee did expound dreames, and declare hard sentences, and dissolued doubtes) were founde in him, euen in Daniel, whome the King named Belteshazzar: nowe let Daniel be called, and hee will declare the interpre-Then was Daniel brought before the King, and the King spake and sayd vnto Daniel, Art thou that Daniel, which art of the children of the captiuitie of Iudah, whom my father 14 the King brought out of Iewrie? Now I have heard of thee, that the spirit of the holy gods is in thee, and that light and 15 vnderstanding and excellent wisdome is found in thee. Now therefore, wisemen and astrologians haue bene brought before me, that they should reade this writing, and shewe me the interpretation thereof: but they could not declare the in-16 terpretation of the thing. Then heard I of thee, that thou couldest shewe interpretations, and dissolue doutes: nowe if thou canst reade the writing, and shew me the interpretation thereof, thou shalt be clothed with purple, and shalt have a chaine of golde about thy necke, and shalt be the third ruler 17 in the kingdome. Then Daniel answered, and sayd before the King, Keepe thy rewards to thy selfe, and give thy giftes to another: yet I will reade the writing vnto the King, and shew 18 him the interpretation. O King, heare thou, The most high God gaue vnto Nebuchad-nezzar thy father a kingdome, and 19 maiestie, and honour and glory. And for the maiestie that he gaue him, all people, nations, and languages trembled, and feared before him: he put to death whom he would: he smote whome he would: whome he would he set vp, and whome he 20 would he put downe. But when his heart was puft vp, and his minde hardened in pride, hee was deposed from his kingly 21 throne, and they tooke his honour from him. And hee was driuen from the sonnes of men, and his heart was made like the beastes, and his dwelling was with the wilde asses: they fed him with grasse like oxen, and his body was wet with the

dewe of the heauen, till he knewe, that the most high God bare rule ouer the kingdome of men, and that he appointeth ouer it, whomsoeuer he pleaseth. And thou his sonne, O Belshazzar, 22 hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all these things, But hast lift thy selfe vp against the Lord of heauen, 23 and they have brought the vessels of his House before thee, and thou and thy princes, thy wives and thy concubines have drunke wine in them, and thou hast praysed the gods of siluer and golde, of brasse, yron, wood and stone, which neither see, neither heare, nor vnderstand: and the God in whose hand thy breath is and all thy wayes, him hast thou not glorified. Then 24 was the palme of the hand sent from him, and hath written this writing. And this is the writing that he hath written, MENE, 25 MENE, TEKEL UPHARSIN. This is the interpretation of the 26 thing, MENE, God hath nombred thy kingdome, and hath finished it. TEKEL, thou art waved in the balance, and art found 27 too light. PERES, thy kingdome is deuided, and given to the 28 Medes and Persians. Then at the commandement of Belshaz- 29 zar they clothed Daniel with purple, and put a chaine of golde about his necke, and made a proclamation concerning him that he should be the third ruler in the kingdome. The same night 30 was Belshazzar the King of the Caldeans slaine. And Dar- 31 ius of the Medes tooke the kingdome, being threescore and two veere olde.

It pleased Darius to set ouer the kingdome an hundreth 6 and twentie gouernours, which should be ouer the whole kingdome, And ouer these, three rulers (of whome Daniel was one) 2 that the gouernours might give accompts vnto them, and the King should have no domage. Now this Daniel was preferred 3 aboue the rulers and gouernours, because the spirit was excellent in him, and the King thought to set him ouer the whole realme. Wherefore the rulers and gouernours sought an occa- 4 sion against Daniel concerning the kingdome: but they could finde none occasion nor fault: for he was so faithfull that there was no blame nor fault found in him. Then sayd these men, 5 We shall not finde an occasion against this Daniel, except we finde it against him concerning the Law of his God. Therefore 6 the rulers and these gouernours went together to the King, and sayde thus vnto him, King Darius, liue for euer. All the 7 rulers of thy kingdome, the officers and gouernours, the coun-

sellers, and dukes have consulted together to make a decree for the King and to establish a statute, that whosoeuer shall aske a petition of any god or man for thirtie dayes saue of 8 thee, O King, he shalbe cast into the denne of lyons. Nowe, O King, confirme the decree, and seale the writing, that it be not changed according to the law of the Medes and Persians, 9 which altereth not. Wherefore King Darius sealed the writ-10 ing and the decree. Now when Daniel vnderstood that he had sealed the writing, hee went into his house, and his window being open in his chamber toward Ierusalem, he kneeled vpon his knees three times a day, and prayed and praysed his God, as he 11 did aforetime. Then these men assembled, and founde Daniel 12 praying, and making supplication vnto his God. So they came and, spake vnto the King concerning the Kings decree, Hast thou not sealed the decree, that euery man that shall make a request to any god or man within thirtie dayes, saue to thee, O King, shall be cast into the denne of lyons? The King answered, and sayd, The thing is true, according to the Lawe of 13 the Medes and Persians, which altereth not. Then answered they, and sayd vnto the King, This Daniel which is of the children of the captiuitie of Iudah, regardeth not thee, O King, nor the decree, that thou hast sealed, but maketh his petition three 14 times a day. When the King heard these wordes, hee was sore displeased with himselfe, and set his heart on Daniel, to deliuer him: and he laboured till the sunne went downe, to deliuer Then these men assembled vnto the King, and sayde 15 him. vnto ye King, Vnderstand, O King, that the lawe of the Medes and Persians is, that no decree nor statute which the King con-16 firmeth, may be altered. Then the King commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast him into the denne of lyons: now the King spake, and said vnto Daniel, Thy God, whome thou alway 17 seruest, euen he will deliuer thee. And a stone was brought, and layed vpon the mouth of the denne, and the King sealed it with his owne signet, and with the signet of his princes, that 18 the purpose might not be changed, concerning Daniel. Then the King went vnto his palace, and remained fasting, neither were the instruments of musike brought before him, and his 19 sleepe went from him. Then the King arose early in the morn-20 ing, and went in all haste vnto the denne of lyons. And when he came to the denne, he cryed with a lamentable voyce vnto

Daniel: and the King spake, and saide to Daniel, O Daniel, the seruant of ye liuing God, is not thy God (whom thou alway seruest) able to deliuer thee from the lyons? Then saide 21 Daniel vnto the King, O King, liue for euer. My God hath sent 22 his Angel and hath shut the lyons mouthes, that they have not hurt mee: for my iustice was founde out before him: and vnto thee, O King, I have done no hurt. Then was the King exceed- 23 ing glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel out of the denne: so Daniel was brought out of the denne, and no maner of hurt was found voon him, because he beleeued in his God. And by the commandement of the King these me 24 which had accused Daniel, were brought, and were cast into the denne of lions, euen they, their children, and their wives: and the lyons had the mastry of them, and brake all their bones a pieces, or euer they came at the groud of the denne. After- 25 warde King Darius wrote, Vnto all people, nations and languages, that dwel in all the world: Peace be multiplied vnto I make a decree that in all the dominion of my king- 26 dome, men tremble and feare before the God of Daniel: for he is the liuing God, and remayneth for euer: and his kingdome shall not perish, and his dominion shalbe euerlasting. rescueth and deliuereth, and hee worketh signes and wonders in heauen and in earth, who hath deliuered Daniel from the power of the lyons. So this Daniel prospered in the reigne of 28 Darius and in the reigne of Cyrus of Persia.

In the first yeere of Belshazzar King of Babel, Daniel sawe 7 a dreame, and there were visions in his head, vpon his bed: then he wrote the dreame, and declared the summe of the matter. Daniel spake and saide, I sawe in my vision by night, and 2 behold, the foure windes of the heauen stroug vpon the great sea: And foure great beastes came vp from the sea one di- 3 The first was as a lyon, and had eagles 4 uers from another. wings: I beheld, til the wings thereof were pluckt of, and it was lifted vp from the earth, and set vpon his feete as a man, and a mans heart was given him. And beholde, another beast which 5 was the second, was like a beare and stood vpon the one side: and hee had three ribbes in his mouth betweene his teeth, and they saide thus vnto him, Arise and deuoure much flesh. Af- 6 ter this I behelde, and loe, there was an other like a leopard, which had vpon his backe foure wings of a foule: the beast

had also foure heads, and dominion was given him. After this I saw in the visions by night, and beholde, the fourth beast was fearefull and terrible and very strong. It had great yron teeth: it deuoured and brake in pieces and stamped the residue vnder his feete: and it was vnlike to the beasts that were be-8 fore it: for it had ten hornes. As I considered the hornes, beholde, there came vp among them another litle horne, before whome there were three of the first hornes pluckt away: and behold, in this horne were eyes like the eyes of man, and 9 a mouth speaking presumptuous things. I behelde, till the thrones were set vp, and the Ancient of dayes did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the heare of his head like the pure wooll: his throne was like the fierie flame, and his 10 wheeles as burning fire. A fierie streame vssued, and came foorth from before him: thousand thousandes ministred vnto him, and tenne thousand thousands stoode before him: the 11 judgement was set, and the bookes opened. Then I behelde, because of the voyce of the presumptuous wordes, which the horne spake: I behelde, euen till the beast was slaine, and his 12 body destroyed, and given to the burning fire. As concerning the other beastes, they had taken away their dominion: yet 13 their liues were prolonged for a certaine time and season. As I behelde in visions by night, behold, one like the sonne of man came in the cloudes of heauen, and approched vnto the An-14 cient of dayes, and they brought him before him. And he gaue him dominion, and honour, and a kingdome, that all people, nations and languages should serue him: his dominion is an euerlasting dominion, which shall neuer bee taken away: and 15 his kingdome shall neuer be destroyed. I Daniel was troubled in my spirit, in the middes of my body, and the visions 16 of mine head made me afraide. Therefore I came vnto one of them that stoode by, and asked him the trueth of all this: so he tolde me, and shewed me the interpretation of these things. 17 These great beastes which are foure, are foure Kings, which 18 shall arise out of the earth, And they shall take the kingdome of the Saintes of the most High, and possesse the kingdome 19 for euer, euen for euer and euer. After this, I woulde knowe the trueth of the fourth beast, which was so vnlike to all the others, very fearefull, whose teeth were of yron, and his nailes of brasse: which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the

residue vnder his feete. Also to know of the tenne hornes 20 that were in his head, and of the other which came vp, before whome three fell, and of the horne that had eyes, and of the mouth that spake presumptuous thinges, whose looke was more stoute then his fellowes. I beheld, and the same horne 21 made battel against the Saintes, yea, and preuailed against them, Vntill the Ancient of dayes came, and judgement was 22 giuen to the Saintes of the most High: and the time approched, that the Saintes possessed the kingdome. Then he said, The 23 fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdome in the earth, which shall be vnlike to all the kingdomes, and shall deuoure the whole earth, and shall treade it downe and breake it in pieces. And the ten hornes out of this kingdome are tenne Kings that 24 shall rise: and an other shall rise after them, and he shall be vnlike to the first, and he shall subdue three Kings, And shall 25 speake wordes against the most High, and shall consume the Saintes of the most High, and thinke that he may change times and lawes, and they shalbe given into his hand, vntill a time, and times and the deuiding of time. But the judgement shall 26 sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and destroy it vnto the ende. And the kingdome, and dominion, and 27 the greatnesse of the kingdome vnder the whole heauen shalbe giue to the holy people of the most High, whose kingdome is an euerlasting kingdome and all powers shall serue and obey him. Euen this is the ende of the matter, I Daniel had many cogita- 28 tions which troubled mee, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in mine heart.

In the thirde yeere of the reigne of King Belshazzar, a vision appeared vnto mee, euen vnto me Daniel, after that which appeared vnto mee at the first. And I saw in a vision, and 2 when I sawe it, I was in the palace of Shushan, which is in the prouince of Elam, and in a vision me thought I was by the riuer of Vlai. Then I looked vp and sawe, and beholde, there 3 stoode before the riuer a ramme, which had two hornes: and these two hornes were hie: but one was hier then another, and the hyest came vp last. I sawe the ramme pusshing against 4 ye West, and against the North, and against the South: so that no beastes might stande before him, nor could deliuer out of his hand, but he did what he listed, and became great. And 5 as I considered, beholde, a goate came from the West ouer the

whole earth, and touched not the grounde: and this goate had 6 an horne that appeared betweene his eyes. And he came vnto the ramme that had the two hornes, whome I had seene stand-7 ing by the riuer, and ranne vnto him in his fierce rage. And I saw him come vnto the ramme, and being moued against him, he smote the ramme, and brake his two hornes: and there was no power in the ramme to stand against him, but he cast him downe to the grounde, and stamped vpon him, and there was 8 none that coulde deliuer the ramme out of his power. Therefore the goate waxed exceeding great, and when he was at the strongest, his great horne was broken: and for it came vp foure 9 that appeared toward the foure windes of ve heauen. And out of one of them came foorth a litle horne, which waxed very great toward the South, and toward the East, and towarde 10 the pleasant land. Yea, it grewe vp vnto the hoste of heauen, and it cast downe some of the hoste, and of the starres to the 11 ground, and trode vpon them. And extolled himselfe against the prince of the hoste from whome the dayly sacrifice was taken away, and the place of his Sanctuarie was cast downe. 12 And a time shall be given him over the dayly sacrifice for the iniquitie: and it shall cast downe the trueth to the ground, 13 and thus shall it doe, and prosper. Then I heard one of the Saints speaking, and one of the Saints spake vnto a certaine one, saying, Howe long shall endure the vision of the dayly sacrifice, and the iniquitie of the desolation to treade both the 14 Sanctuarie and the armie vnder foote? And he answered me, Vnto the euening and the morning, two thousand and three 15 hundreth: then shall the Sanctuarie be clensed. Nowe when I Daniel had seene the vision, and sought for the meaning, beholde, there stoode before me like the similitude of a man. 16 And I heard a mans voyce betweene the bankes of Vlai, which called, and sayde, Gabriel, make this man to vnderstand the 17 vision. So he came where I stood: and when hee came, I was afraide, and fell vpon my face: but he sayd vnto me, Vnderstand. O sonne of man: for in the last time shalbe the vision. 18 Nowe as he was speaking vnto me, I being a sleepe fell on my face to the ground: but he touched me, and set me vp in my 19 place. And he sayde, Beholde, I will shewe thee what shalbe in the last wrath: for in the end of the time appointed it shall 20 come. The ramme which thou sawest hauing two hornes, are the Kings of the Medes and Persians. And the goate is the 21 King of Grecia, and the great horne that is betweene his eyes, is the first King. And that that is broken, and foure stoode 22 vp for it, are foure kingdomes, which shall stand vp of that nation, but not in his strength. And in the end of their king- 23 dome, when the rebellious shalbe consumed, a King of fierce countenance, and vnderstanding darke sentences, shall stand vp. And his power shalbe mightie, but not in his strength: 24 and hee shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mightie, and the holy people. And 25 through his policie also, hee shall cause craft to prosper in his hand, and he shall extoll himselfe in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: hee shall also stande vp against the prince of princes, but he shalbe broken downe without hand. And 26 the vision of the euening and the morning, which is declared, is true: therefore seale thou vp the vision, for it shall be after many dayes. And I Daniel was striken and sicke certaine 27 dayes: but when I rose vp, I did the Kings busines, and I was astonished at the vision, but none vnderstood it.

In the first yeere of Darius the sonne of Ahashuerosh, of the 9 seede of the Medes, which was made King ouer the realme of the Caldeans, Euen in the first yeere of his reigne, I Daniel 2 vnderstood by bookes the nomber of the veeres, whereof the Lord had spoken vnto Ieremiah the Prophet, that he would accomplish seuentie yeeres in the desolation of Ierusalem. And 3 I turned my face vnto the Lord God, and sought by prayer and supplications with fasting and sackcloth and ashes. prayed vnto the Lord my God, and made my confession, saying, Oh Lord God, which art great and fearefull, and keepest couenant and mercy toward them which loue thee, and toward them that keepe thy commandements. We have sinned, 5 and haue committed iniquitie and haue done wickedly, yea, we have rebelled, and have departed from thy precepts, and from thy iudgements. For we would not obey thy seruants 6 the Prophets, which spake in thy Name to our Kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, and to all the people of the land. O Lord, righteousnes belongeth vnto thee, and vnto vs open 7 shame, as appeareth this day vnto euery man of Iudah, and to the inhabitants of Ierusalem: yea, vnto all Israel, both neere and farre off, through all the countreys, whither thou hast dri-

uen them, because of their offences, that they have committed 8 against thee. O Lord, vnto vs apperteineth open shame, to our Kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we haue 9 sinned against thee. Yet compassion and forgiuenesse is in 10 the Lord our God, albeit we have rebelled against him. For we have not obeyed the voyce of the Lord our God, to walke in his lawes, which he had laide before vs by the ministerie of 11 his seruants the Prophets. Yea, all Israel haue transgressed thy Lawe, and are turned backe, and haue not heard thy voyce: therefore the curse is powred vpon vs, and the othe that is written in the Lawe of Moses the servant of God, because we have 12 sinned against him. And he hath confirmed his wordes, which he spake against vs, and against our judges that judged vs, by bringing vpon vs a great plague: for vnder the whole heauen hath not bene the like, as hath bene brought vpon Ierusalem. 13 All this plague is come vpon vs, as it is written in the Lawe of Moses: yet made we not our prayer before the Lord our God, that we might turne from our iniquities and vnderstand thy 14 trueth. Therefore hath the Lord made ready the plague, and brought it vpon vs: for the Lord our God is righteous in all his 15 works which he doeth: for we would not heare his voyce. And nowe, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people out of the land of Egypt with a mightie hand, and hast gotten thee renoume, as appeareth this day, we have sinned, we have done 16 wickedly. O Lord, according to all thy righteousnes, I beseech thee, let thine anger and thy wrath be turned away from thy citie Ierusalem thine holy Mountaine: for because of our sinnes, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Ierusalem and thy 17 people are a reproche to all that are about vs. Nowe therefore, O our God, heare the prayer of thy serunant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine vpon thy Sanctuarie, that 18 lyeth waste for the Lords sake. O my God, encline thine eare and heare: open thine eyes, and beholde our desolations, and the citie whereupon thy Name is called: for we doe not present our supplications before thee for our owne righteousnes, but 19 for thy great tender mercies. O Lord, heare, O Lord forgiue, O Lord consider, and doe it: deferre not, for thine owne sake, O my God: for thy Name is called vpon thy citie, and vpon 20 thy people. And whiles I was speaking and praying, and confessing my sinne, and the sinne of my people Israel, and did

present my supplication before the Lord my God, for the holy Mountaine of my God, Yea, while I was speaking in prayer, 21 euen the man Gabriel, whome I had seene before in the vision, came flying, and touched mee about the time of the euening oblation. And he informed me, and talked with me, and sayd, 22 O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee knowledge and vnderstanding. At the beginning of thy supplications the com- 23 mandement came foorth, and I am come to shewe thee, for thou art greatly beloued: therefore vnderstande the matter and con-Seuentie weekes are determined vpon thy 24 sider the vision. people and vpon thine holy citie, to finish the wickednes, and to seale vp the sinnes, and to reconcile the inquitie, and to bring in euerlasting righteousnesse, and to seale vp the vision and prophecie, and to anount the most Holy. Knowe therefore and 25 vnderstande, that from the going foorth of the commandement to bring againe the people, and to builde Ierusalem, vnto Messiah the prince, shall be seuen weekes and threescore and two weekes, and the streete shalbe built againe, and the wall euen in a troublous time. And after threescore and two weekes, 26 shall Messiah be slaine, and shall have nothing,, and the people of the prince that shall come, shall destroy the citie and the Sanctuarie, and the end thereof shalbe with a flood: and vnto the end of the battell it shalbe destroyed by desolations. And 27 he shall confirme the couenant with many for one weeke: and in the middes of the weeke he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the ouerspreading of the abominations, he shall make it desolate, euen vntill the consummation determined shalbe powred vpon the desolate.

In the third yeere of Cyrus King of Persia, a thing was reueiled vnto Daniel (whose name was called Belteshazzar) and the worde was true, but the time appointed was long, and he vnderstood the thing, and had vnderstanding of the vision. At the same time I Daniel was in heauines for three weekes of 2 dayes. I ate no pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor wine 3 in my mouth, neither did I anoint my selfe at all, till three weekes of dayes were fulfilled. And in the foure and twentieth day of the first moneth, as I was by the side of that great riuer, euen Hiddekel, And I lift vp mine eyes, and looked, and 5 beholde, there was a man clothed in linnen, whose loynes were girded with fine golde of Vphaz. His body also was like the 6

Chrysolite, and his face (to looke vpon) like the lightning, and his eyes as lamps of fire, and his armes and his feete were like in colour to polished brasse, and the voyce of his wordes 7 was like the voyce of a multitude. And I Daniel alone sawe the vision: for the men that were with me, sawe not the vision: but a great feare fell vpon them, so that they fled away 8 and hid themselues. Therefore I was left alone, and sawe this great vision, and there remained no strength in me: for my strength was turned in me into corruption, and I reteined no 9 power. Yet heard I the voyce of his wordes: and when I heard the voyce of his wordes, I slept on my face: and my face was 10 toward the ground. And behold, an hand touched me, which set me vp vpon my knees and vpon the palmes of mine hands. 11 And he sayde vnto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloued, vnderstand the wordes that I speake vnto thee, and stand in thy place: for vnto thee am I nowe sent. And when hee had sayde 12 this worde vnto me, I stood trembling. Then sayd he vnto me, Feare not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou diddest set thine heart to vnderstand, and to humble thy selfe before thy God, thy wordes were heard, and I am come for thy wordes. 13 But the prince of the kingdome of Persia withstoode me one and twentie dayes: but loe, Michael one of the chiefe princes, came to helpe me, and I remained there by the Kings of Persia. 14 Nowe I am come to shewe thee what shall come to thy people 15 in the latter dayes: for yet the vision is for many dayes. And when he spake these wordes vnto me, I set my face towarde 16 the grounde, and helde my tongue. And beholde, one like the similitude of the sonnes of man touched my lippes: then I opened my mouth, and spake, and said vnto him that stoode before me, O my Lord, by the vision my sorowes are returned 17 vpon me, and I have reteined no strength. For howe can the seruant of this my Lord talke with my Lord being such one? for as for me, straight way there remained no strength in me, nei-18 ther is there breath left in me. Then there came againe, and touched me one like the appearance of a man, and he strength-19 ened me, And said, O man, greatly beloued, feare not: peace be vnto thee: be strong and of good courage. And when he had spoken vnto me, I was strengthened, and saide, Let my 20 Lord speake: for thou hast strengthened me. Then saide he, Knowest thou wherefore I am come vnto thee? but nowe will I returne to fight with the prince of Persia: and when I am gone forth, loe, the prince of Grecia shall come. But I will shew thee 21 that which is decreeed in the Scripture of trueth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.

Also I, in ye first yere of Darius of ye Medes, euen I stood 11 to incourage and to strengthen him. And now wil I shew thee 2 ve trueth, Behold, there shall stand vp vet three Kings in Persia, and the fourth shall be farre richer then they all: and by his strength, and by his riches he shall stirre vp all against the realme of Grecia. But a mightie King shall stand vp, 3 that shall rule with great dominion, and doe according to his pleasure. And when he shall stand vp, his kingdome shall 4 be broken, and shall be deuided towarde the foure windes of heauen: and not to his posteritie, nor according to his dominion, which he ruled: for his kingdome shall be pluckt vp. euen to be for others besides those. And ye King of ye South shalbe 5 mightie, and one of his princes, and shall preuaile against him, and beare rule: his dominio shalbe a great dominion. And in 6 the ende of yeeres they shalbe ioyned together: for the Kings daughter of ve South shall come to the King of the North to make an agreement, but she shall not reteine the power of the arme, neither shall he continue, nor his arme: but she shall be deliuered to death, and they that brought her, and he that begate her, and he that comforted her in these times. But out 7 of the bud of her rootes shall one stand vp in his stead, which shall come with an armie, and shall enter into the fortresse of the King of the North, and doe with them as he list, and shall preuaile, And shall also carie captiues into Egypt their 8 gods with their molten images, and with their precious vessels of siluer and of golde, and he shall continue more yeeres then the King of the North. So the King of ye South shall 9 come into his kingdome, and shall returne into his owne land. Wherefore his sonnes shall be stirred vp, and shall assemble 10 a mightie great armie: and one shall come, and ouerflowe, and passe through: then shall he returne, and be stirred vp at his fortresse. And the King of the South shall be angrie, 11 and shall come foorth, and fight with him, euen with the King of the North: for he shall set foorth a great multitude, and the multitude shall be given into his hand. Then the mul- 12

titude shall be proude, and their heart shall be lifted vp: for hee shall cast downe thousands: but he shall not still preuaile. 13 For the King of the North shall returne, and shall set foorth a greater multitude then afore, and shall come foorth (after 14 certeine yeeres) with a mightie armie, and great riches. And at the same time there shall many stand vp against the King of the South: also the rebellious children of thy people shall exalt them selues to establish the vision, but they shall fall. 15 So the King of the North shall come, and cast vp a mount, and take the strong citie: and the armes of the South shall not resist, neither his chosen people, neither shall there be 16 any strength to withstand. But he that shall come, shall doe vnto him as he list, and none shall stand against him: and he shall stand in the pleasant land, which by his hand shalbe con-17 sumed. Againe he shall set his face to enter with the power of his whole kingdome, and his confederates with him: thus shall he doe, and he shall give him the daughter of women, to destroy her: but she shall not stande on his side, neither bee 18 for him. After this shall he turne his face vnto the vles, and shall take many, but a prince shall cause his shame to light vpon him, beside that he shall cause his owne shame to turne 19 vpon himselfe. For he shall turne his face toward the fortes of his owne land: but he shall be ouerthrowen and fall, and be 20 no more founde. Then shall stand vp in his place in the glorie of the kingdome, one that shall raise taxes: but after fewe dayes he shall be destroyed, neither in wrath, nor in battell. 21 And in his place shall stand vp a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdome: but he shall come 22 in peaceably, and obteine the kingdome by flatteries. And the armes shall be ouerthrowen with a flood before him, and shall 23 be broken: and also the prince of the couenant. And after the league made with him, he shall worke deceitfully: for he shall 24 come vp, and ouercome with a small people. He shall enter into the quiet and plentifull prouince, and he shall doe that which his fathers haue not done, nor his fathers fathers: he shall deuide among them the pray and the spoyle, and the substance, yea, and he shall forecast his deuises against the strong 25 holdes, euen for a time. Also he shall stirre vp his power and his courage against the King of the South with a great armie, and the King of the South shall be stirred vp to battell with a very great and mightie armie: but he shall not stand: for they shall forecast and practise against him. Yea, they that feede of 26 the portion of his meate, shall destroy him: and his armie shall ouerflowe: and many shall fall, and be slaine. And both these 27 Kings hearts shall be to do mischiefe, and they shall talke of deceite at one table: but it shall not auaile: for yet the ende shall be at the time appointed. Then shall he returne into his 28 land with great substance: for his heart shall be against the holy couenant: so shall he doe and returne to his owne land. At the time appointed he shall returne, and come toward the 29 South: but the last shall not be as the first. For the shippes of 30 Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shalbe sorie and returne, and freat against the holy couenant: so shall he doe, he shall euen returne and haue intelligence with them that forsake the holy couenant. And armes shall stand on his part, 31 and they shall pollute the Sanctuarie of strength, and shall take away the dayly sacrifice, and they shall set vp the abominable desolation. And such as wickedly breake ye couenant, 32 shall he cause to sinne by flatterie: but the people that do know their God, shall preuaile and prosper. And they that vnder- 33 stand among the people, shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by sword, and by flame, by captiuitie and by spoile many dayes. Nowe when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with 34 a litle helpe: but many shall cleaue vnto them fainedly. And 35 some of the of vnderstanding shall fall to trie them, and to purge, and to make them white, till the time be out: for there is a time appointed. And the King shall doe what him list: 36 he shall exalt himselfe, and magnifie himselfe against all, that is God, and shall speake marueilous things against ye God of gods, and shall prosper, till ye wrath be accomplished: for ye determination is made. Neither shall he regard the God of 37 his fathers, nor the desires of women, nor care for any God: for he shall magnifie himselfe aboue all. But in his place shall 38 he honour the god Mauzzim, and the god whom his fathers knewe not, shall he honour with golde and with siluer, and with precious stones, and pleasant things. Thus shall he do 39 in the holdes of Mauzzim with a strange god whom he shall acknowledge: he shall increase his glory, and shall cause them to rule ouer many and shall deuide ye land for gaine. And at 40 ye end of time shall the King of the South push at him, and

the king of the North shall come against him like a whirlewind with charets, and with horsemen, and with many ships, and he shall enter into ye countreis, and shall ouerflow and passe 41 through. He shall enter also into the pleasant land, and many countreis shalbe ouerthrowen: but these shall escape out of his hand, euen Edom and Moab, and the chiefe of the children of 42 Ammon. He shall stretch foorth his hands also vpon the coun-43 treis, and ye land of Egypt shall not escape. But he shall haue power ouer the treasures of golde and of siluer, and ouer all the precious things of Egypt, and of the Lybians, and of the blacke 44 Mores where he shall passe. But the tidings out of the East and the North shall trouble him: therefore he shall goe foorth 45 with great wrath to destroy and roote out many. And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace betweene the seas in the glorious and holy mountaine, yet he shall come to his end, and none shall helpe him.

And at that time shall Michael stand vp, ye great prince, **12** which standeth for ye children of thy people, and there shall be a time of trouble, such as neuer was since there began to be a nation vnto that same time: and at that time thy people shall be deliuered, euery one that shall be foud written in ye 2 boke. And many of them that sleepe in the dust of the earth, shall awake, some to euerlasting life, and some to shame and 3 perpetual contempt. And they that be wise, shall shine, as ye brightnes of the firmament: and they that turne many to righ-4 teousnes, shall shine as the starres, for euer and euer. But thou, O Daniel, shut vp the words, and seale the boke til the end of the time: many shall run to and from, and knowledge 5 shall be increased. Then I Daniel looked, and behold, there stood other two, ye one on this side of ye brinke of ye riuer, 6 and the other on that side of ye brinke of the riuer. And one saide vnto the man clothed in linen, which was vpon ye waters 7 of the riuer, When shalbe the ende of these wonders? I heard ye man clothed in line which was vpon the waters of the riuer, when he helde vp his right hand, and his left hand vnto heauen, and sware by him that liueth for euer, that it shall tarie for a time, two times and an halfe: and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy peo-8 ple, all these things shall be finished. The I heard it, but I vnderstood it not: the said I, O my Lord, what shalbe ye end of these things? And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for ye words 9 are closed vp, and sealed, till the ende of the time. Many 10 shalbe purified, made white, and tried: but the wicked shall doe wickedly, and none of the wicked shall haue vnderstanding: but the wise shall vnderstand. And from the time that 11 the daily sacrifice shalbe take away and the abominable desolatio set vp, there shalbe a thousand, two hundreth and ninetic daies. Blessed is he that waiteth and commeth to the thousand, three hundreth and fiue and thirtie daies. But go thou 13 thy way til the end be: for thou shalt rest and stand vp in thy lot, at the end of ye daies.

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he worde of the Lord that came vnto Hosea the sonne of Beeri, in the daies of Vzziah, Iotham, Ahaz, and R Hezekiah Kings of Iudah, and in the daies of Ieroboam the sonne of Ioash king of Israel. At the beginning the Lord spake by Hosea, and the Lord said vnto Hosea, Goe, take vnto thee a wife of fornications, and children of fornications: for the lande hath committed great whoredome, depart-3 ing from the Lord. So he went, and tooke Gomer, ye daughter 4 of Diblaim, which conceived and bare him a sonne. Lord said vnto him, Cal his name Izreel: for yet a litle, and I will visite the blood of Izreel vpon the house of Iehu, and will 5 cause to cease the kingdome of the house of Israel. And at that day will I also breake the bowe of Israel in the valley of Izreel. 6 She conceived yet againe, and bare a daughter, and God saide vnto him, Call her name Lo-ruhamah: for I will no more haue pitie vpon the house of Israel: but I wil vtterly take them away. 7 Yet I will have mercie vpon the house of Iudah, and wil saue them by the Lord their God, and wil not saue them by bow, nor 8 by sword nor by battell, by horses, nor by horsemen. Nowe when she had wained Lo-ruhamah, shee conceiued, and bare a 9 sonne. Then saide God, Call his name Lo-ammi: for yee are 10 not my people: therefore will I not be yours. Yet the nomber of the children of Israel shall be as the sande of the sea, which can not be measured nor tolde: and in the place where it was saide vnto them, Yee are not my people, it shall be saide vnto 11 them, Yee are the sonnes of the liuing God. Then shall the children of Iudah, and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint them selues one head, and they shall come vp out of the land: for great is the day of Izreel. Say vnto your brethren, Ammi, and to your sisters, Ruhamah,

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Plead with your mother: plead with her: for she is not my wife,
neither am I her husband: but let her take away her fornications out of her sight, and her adulteries from betweene her
breasts. Lest I strippe her naked, and set her as in the day
that shee was borne, and make her as a wildernes, and leaue
her like a drie land, and slaie her for thirst. And I wil haue

no pitie vpon her children: for they be the children of forni-For their mother hath plaied the harlot: she that 5 conceived them, hath done shamefully: for shee said, I will goe after my louers that give me my bread and my water, my wooll and my flaxe, mine oyle and my drinke. Therefore beholde, 6 I will stoope thy way with thornes, and make an hedge, that shee shall not finde her pathes. Though shee follow after her 7 louers, yet shall shee not come at them: though shee seeke them, yet shall shee not finde them: then shall she say, I will goe and returne to my first husband: for at that time was I better then nowe. Nowe she did not knowe that I gaue her corne. 8 and wine, and oyle, and multiplied her siluer and golde, which they bestowed vpon Baal. Therefore wil I returne, and take 9 away my corne in the time thereof, and my wine in the season thereof, and will recouer my wool and my flaxe lent, to couer her shame. And now will I discouer her lewdnes in the sight 10 of her louers, and no man shall deliuer her out of mine hand. I 11 will also cause all her mirth to cease, her feast daies, her newe moones, and her Sabbathes, and all her solemne feasts. And 12 I wil destroy her vines and her figtrees, whereof she hath said, These are my rewards that my louers have given mee: and I will make them as a forest, and the wilde beasts shall eate them. And I wil visit vpon her the daies of Baalim, wherein 13 shee burnt incense to them: and shee decked her selfe with her earings and her iewels, and shee followed her louers, and forgate me, saith the Lord. Therefore beholde, I will allure her, 14 and bring her into the wildernesse, and speake friendly vnto her. And I will give her her vineyardes from thence, and the 15 valley of Achor for the doore of hope, and shee shall sing there as in the daies of her youth, and as in the daies when shee came vp out of the land of Egypt. And at that day, sayeth the 16 Lord, thou shalt call me Ishi, and shalt call me no more Baali. For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, 17 and they shall be no more remembred by their names. And 18 in that day wil I make a couenant for them, with the wilde beasts, and with the foules of the heauen, and with that that creepeth vpon the earth: and I will breake the bowe, and the sworde and the battell out of the earth, and will make them to sleepe safely. And I wil marry thee vnto me for euer: yea, 19 I will marry thee vnto me in righteousnes, and in iudgement,

and in mercy and in compassion. I will euen marry thee vnto
me in faithfulnes, and thou shalt knowe the Lord. And in that day I wil heare, saith the Lord, I will euen heare the heauens,
and they shall heare the earth, And the earth shall heare the corne, and the wine, and the oyle, and they shall heare Izreel.
And I will sowe her vnto me in the earth, and I will haue mercie vpon her, that was not pitied, and I will say to them which

And I will sowe her vnto me in the earth, and I will haue mercie vpon her, that was not pitied, and I will say to them which were not my people, Thou art my people. And they shall say, Thou art my God.

Then said the Lord to me, Goe yet, and loue a woman (beloued of her husband, and was an harlot) according to the loue of the Lord toward the children of Israel: yet they looked to other gods, and loued the wine bottels. So I bought her to me for fifteene pieces of siluer, and for an homer of barlie and an halfe homer of barlie. And I said vnto her, Thou shalt abide with me many dayes: thou shalt not play the harlot, and thou shalt be to none other man, and I will be so vnto thee. For the children of Israel shall remaine many dayes without a King and without a prince, and without an offering, and without an image, and without an Ephod and without Teraphim. Afterward shall the children of Israel conuert, and seeke the Lord their God, and Dauid their King, and shall feare the Lord, and his goodnes in the latter dayes.

Heare the worde of the Lord, ye children of Israel: for the Lord hath a controuersie with the inhabitants of the lande, because there is no trueth nor mercie nor knowledge of God 2 in the lande. By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and whoring they breake out, and blood toucheth blood. 3 Therefore shall the land mourne, and euery one that dwelleth therein, shall be cut off, with the beasts of the fielde, and with the foules of the heaven, and also the fishes of the sea shall 4 be taken away. Yet let none rebuke, nor reproue another: for 5 thy people are as they that rebuke the Priest. Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the Prophet shall fall with thee in the 6 night, and I will destroy thy mother. My people are destroyed for lacke of knowledge: because thou hast refused knowledge, I will also refuse thee, that thou shalt be no Priest to me: and seeing thou hast forgotten the Lawe of thy God, I will also 7 forget thy children. As they were increased, so they sinned against me: therefore will I chaunge their glorie into shame.

They eate vp the sinnes of my people, and lift vp their mindes 8 in their iniquitie. And there shalbe like people, like Priest: 9 for I wil visite their waves vpon them, and reward them their deedes. For they shall eate, and not have ynough: they shall 10 commit adulterie, and shall not increase, because they have left off to take heede to ye Lord. Whoredome, and wine, and 11 newe wine take away their heart. My people aske counsell at 12 their stockes, and their staffe teacheth them: for the spirite of fornications hath caused them to erre, and they have gone a whoring from vnder their God. They sacrifice vpon the toppes 13 of ye mountaines, and burne incense vpon the hilles vnder the okes, and the poplar tree, and the elme, because the shadow thereof is good: therefore your daughters shall be harlots, and your spouses shall be whores. I will not visite your daugh- 14 ters when they are harlots: nor your spouses when they are whores: for they themselues are separated with harlots, and sacrifice with whores: therefore the people that doeth not vnderstand, shall fall. Though thou, Israel, play the harlot, yet 15 let not Iudah sinne: come not ye vnto Gilgal, neither goe ye vp to Beth-auen, nor sweare, The Lord liueth. For Israel is 16 rebellious as an vnruly heyfer. Nowe the Lord will feede them as a lambe in a large place. Ephraim is joyned to idoles: let 17 Their drunkennes stinketh: they have commit- 18 ted whoredome: their rulers loue to say with shame, Bring ye. The winde hath bounde them vp in her wings, and they shalbe 19 ashamed of their sacrifices.

O ye Priestes, heare this, and hearken ye, O house of Israel, and giue ye eare, O house of the King: for iudgement is towarde you, because you haue bene a snare on Mizpah, and a net spred vpon Tabor. Yet they were profounde, to decline to slaughter, 2 though I haue bene a rebuker of them all. I knowe Ephraim, 3 and Israel is not hid from me: for nowe, O Ephraim thou art become an harlot, and Israel is defiled. They will not giue their 4 mindes to turne vnto their God: for the spirit of fornication is in the middes of them, and they haue not knowen the Lord. And the pride of Israel doth testifie to his face: therefore shall 5 Israel and Ephraim fall in their iniquitie: Iudah also shall fall with them. They shall goe with their sheepe, and with their 6 bullockes to seeke the Lord: but they shall not finde him: for he hath withdrawne himselfe from them. They haue trans-

gressed against the Lord: for they have begotte strange children: now shall a moneth deuoure them with their portions. 8 Blowe ye the trumpet in Gibeah, and the shaume in Ramah: 9 crie out at Beth-auen, after thee, O Beniamin. Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel 10 haue I caused to knowe the trueth. The princes of Iudah were like them that remoue the bounde: therefore will I powre out 11 my wrath vpon them like water. Ephraim is oppressed, and broken in judgement, because he willingly walked after the 12 commandement. Therefore wil I be vnto Ephraim as a moth, 13 and to the house of Iudah as a rottennesse. When Ephraim sawe his sickenes, and Iudah his wound, then went Ephraim vnto Asshur, and sent vnto King Iareb: yet coulde hee not heale 14 you, nor cure you of your wound. For I will be vnto Ephraim as a lyon, and as a lyons whelpe to the house of Iudah: I, euen I will spoyle, and goe away: I will take away, and none shall res-15 cue it. I will go, and returne to my place, til they acknowledge their fault, and seeke me: in their affliction they will seeke me diligently.

Come, and let vs returne to the Lord: for he hath spoyled, 6 and he will heale vs: he hath wounded vs. and he will binde 2 vs vp. After two dayes will he reuiue vs, and in the third day 3 he will raise vs vp, and we shall liue in his sight. Then shall we have knowledge, and indeuour our selues to know the Lord: his going forth is prepared as the morning, and he shall come vnto vs as the raine, and as the latter raine vnto the earth. 4 O Ephraim, what shall I doe vnto thee? O Iudah, how shall I intreate thee? for your goodnesse is as a morning cloude, 5 and as the morning dewe it goeth away. Therefore haue I cut downe by the Prophets: I have slaine them by the wordes of my mouth, and thy judgements were as the light that goeth forth. 6 For I desired mercie, and not sacrifice, and the knowledge of 7 God more then burnt offrings. But they like men haue transgressed the couenant: there have they trespassed against me. 8 Gilead is a citie of them that worke iniquitie, and is polluted 9 with blood. And as the eues waite for a man, so the companie of Priestes murder in the way by consent: for they worke mis-10 chiefe. I have seene vileny in the house of Israel: there is ye 11 whoredome of Ephraim: Israel is defiled. Yea, Iudah hath set a plant for thee, whiles I woulde returne ye captiuitie of my people.

When I woulde have healed Israel, then the iniquitie of 7 Ephraim was discouered, and the wickednesse of Samaria: for they have dealt falsly: and the theefe commeth in, and the robber spoyleth without. And they consider not in their hearts, 2 that I remember all their wickednes: now their owne inuentions have beset them about: they are in my sight. make the King glad with their wickednesse, and the princes with their lies. They are all adulterers, and as a very ouen 4 heated by ve baker, which ceaseth from raysing vp, and from kneading ve dough vntill it be leauened. This is the day of our 5 King: the princes have made him sicke with flagons of wine: he stretcheth out his hand to scorners. For they have made ready 6 their heart like an ouen whiles they lie in waite: their baker sleepeth all the night: in the morning it burneth as a flame of They are all hote as an ouen, and have devoured their 7 iudges: all their Kings are fallen: there is none among them that calleth vnto me. Ephraim hath mixt himselfe among 8 the people. Ephraim is as a cake on the hearth not turned. Strangers haue deuoured his strength, and he knoweth it not: 9 yea, gray heares are here and there vpon him, yet he knoweth not. And the pride of Israel testifieth to his face, and they doe 10 not returne to the Lord their God, nor seeke him for all this. Ephraim also is like a doue deceived, without heart: they call 11 to Egypt: they go to Asshur. But when they shall go, I will 12 spred my net vpon them, and drawe them downe as the foules of the heauen: I will chastice them as their congregation hath heard. Wo vnto them: for they have fled away from me: de- 13 struction shalbe vnto them, because they have transgressed against me: though I have redeemed them, yet they have spoken lyes against me. And they have not cryed vnto me with 14 their hearts, when they houled vpon their beds: they assembled themselues for corne, and wine, and they rebell against Though I have boud and strengthened their arme, yet 15 doe they imagine mischiefe against me. They returne, but not 16 to the most high: they are like a deceitfull bowe: their princes shall fall by the sword, for the rage of their tongues: this shall be their derision in the land of Egypt.

Set the trumpet to thy mouth: he shall come as an eagle **8** against the House of the Lord, because they have transgressed

2 my couenant, and trespassed against my Lawe. Israel shall 3 crie vnto me, My God, we know thee. Israel hath cast off ye 4 thing that is good: the enemie shall pursue him. They have set vp a King, but not by me: they have made princes, and I knew it not: of their siluer and their gold haue they made 5 them idoles: therefore shall they be destroyed. O Samaria, hath cast thee off: mine anger is kindled against 6 them: howe long will they be without innocencie! For it came euen from Israel: the workeman made it, therefore it is not 7 God: but the calfe of Samaria shall be broken in pieces. For they have sowne the winde, and they shall reape the whirlewind: it hath no stalke: the budde shall bring foorth no meale: if 8 so be it bring forth, the strangers shall deuoure it. is deuoured, now shall they be among the Gentiles as a ves-9 sell wherein is no pleasure. For they are gone vp to Asshur: they are as a wilde asse alone by himselfe: Ephraim hath 10 hired louers. Yet though they have hired among the nations, nowe will I gather them, and they shall sorowe a litle, for the 11 burden of the King and the princes. Because Ephraim hath 12 made many altars to sinne, his altars shalbe to sinne. I haue written to them the great things of my Lawe: but they were 13 counted as a strange thing. They sacrifice flesh for ye sacrifices of mine offerings, and eate it: but the Lord accepteth them not: now will he remember their iniquitie, and visite 14 their sinnes: they shall returne to Egypt. For Israel hath forgotten his maker, and buildeth Temples, and Iudah hath increased strong cities: but I will sende a fire vpon his cities, and it shall deuoure the palaces thereof.

Rejoice not, O Israel for ioy as other people: for thou hast gone a whoring from thy God: thou hast loued a rewarde vpon euery corne floore. The floore, and the wine presse shall not feede them, and the newe wine shall faile in her. They wil not dwel in the Lordes lande, but Ephraim will returne to Egypt, and they will eate vncleane things in Asshur. They shall not offer wine to the Lord, neither shall their sacrifices be pleasant vnto him: but they shall be vnto them as the bread of mourners: al that eate thereof, shalbe polluted: for their bread for their soules shall not come into the house of the Lord. What wil ye do then in the solemne day, and in the day of the feast of the Lord? For loe, they are gone from destruction: but

Egypt shall gather them vp, and Memphis shall burie them: the nettle shall possesse the pleasant places of their siluer, and the thorne shall be in their tabernacles. The daies of visita-7 tion are come: the daies of recompence are come: Israel shall knowe it: the Prophet is a foole: the spiritual man is mad, for the multitude of thine iniquitie: therefore the hatred is great. The watchman of Ephraim shoulde bee with my God: but the 8 Prophet is the snare of a fouler in all his waies, and hatred in the House of his God. They are deepely set: they are corrupt 9 as in the daies of Gibeah: therefore he will remember their iniquitie, he will visite their sinnes. I found Israel like grapes in 10 the wildernes: I saw your fathers as the first ripe in the figge tree at her first time: but they went to Baal-Peor, and separated themselues vnto that shame, and their abominations were according to their louers. Ephraim their glorie shall flee 11 away like a birde: from the birth and from the wombe, and Though they bring vp their children, 12 from the conception. yet I will depriue them from being men: yea, woe to them, when I depart from them. Ephraim, as I sawe, is as a tree 13 in Tyrus planted in a cottage: but Ephraim shall bring forth his children to the murtherer. O Lord, give them: what wilt 14 thou give them? give them a baren wombe and drie breasts. All their wickednesse is in Gilgal: for there doe I hate them: 15 for the wickednesse of their inventions. I will cast them out of mine House: I will loue them no more: all their princes are rebels. Ephraim is smitten, their roote is dried vp: they can 16 bring no fruite: yea, though they bring foorth, yet will I slaie euen the dearest of their bodie. My God will cast them away, 17 because they did not obey him: and they shall wander among the nations.

Israel is a emptie vine, yet hath it brought foorth fruite vnto it selfe, and according to the multitude of the fruite thereof he hath increased the altars: according to the goodnesse of their lande they haue made faire images. Their heart is deuided: 2 nowe shall they be founde faultie: he shall breake downe their altars: he shall destroy their images. For now they shall say, 3 We haue no King because we feared not the Lord: and what should a King doe to vs? They haue spoken woordes, swearing falsly in making a couenant: thus iudgement groweth as wormewoode in the furrowes of the fielde. The inhabitants 5

of Samaria shall feare because of the calfe of Beth-auen: for the people thereof shall mourne ouer it, and the Chemarims thereof, that reioyced on it for the glorie thereof, because it is 6 departed from it. It shall bee also brought to Asshur, for a present vnto King Iareb: Ephraim shall receiue shame, and Is-7 rael shall be ashamed of his owne counsell. Of Samaria, the 8 King thereof is destroyed as the some vpon the water. The hie places also of Auen shall be destroied, euen the sinne of Israel: the thorne and the thistle shall growe vpon their altars, and they shall say to the mountaines, Couer vs, and to the hils, Fall 9 vpon vs. O Israel, thou hast sinned from the daies of Gibeah: there they stoode: the battell in Gibeah against the children 10 of iniquitie did not touch them. It is my desire that I should chastice them, and the people shall be gathered against them. 11 when they shall gather themselues in their two furrowes. And Ephraim is as an heifer vsed to delite in threshing: but I will passe by her faire necke: I will make Ephraim to ride: Iu-12 dah shall plowe, and Iaakob shall breake his cloddes. Sowe to your selues in righteousnes: reape after the measure of mercy: breake vp your fallowe grounde: for it is time to seeke the 13 Lord, till he come and raine righteousnesse vpon you. you haue plowed wickednesse: ye haue reaped iniquitie: you haue eaten the fruite of lies: because thou didest trust in thine 14 owne waies, and in the multitude of thy strong men, Therefore shall a tumult arise among thy people, and all thy munitions shall be destroyed, as Shalman destroyed Beth-arbell in the daie of battell: the mother with the children was dashed 15 in pieces. So shall Beth-el doe vnto you, because of your malicious wickednes: in a morning shall the King of Israel be destroied.

When Israel was a childe, then I loued him, and called my sonne out of Egypt. They called them, but they went thus from them: they sacrificed vnto Baalim, and burnt incense to images. I ledde Ephraim also, as one shoulde beare them in his armes: but they knewe not that I healed them. I led them with cordes of a man, euen with bandes of loue, and I was to them, as hee that taketh off the yoke from their iawes, and I laide the meat vnto them. He shall no more returne into the lande of Egypt: but Asshur shalbe his King, because they refused to conuert. And the sworde shall fall on his cities, and

shall consume his barres, and deuoure them, because of their owne counsels. And my people are bent to rebellion against 7 me: though they called them to the most hie, yet none at all would exalt him. Howe shall I give thee vp, Ephraim? howe 8 shall I deliuer thee, Israel? how shall I make thee, as Admah? howe shall I set thee, as Zeboim? mine heart is turned within mee: my repentings are rouled together. I wil not execute ye 9 fiercenesse of my wrath: I will not returne to destroy Ephraim: for I am God, and not man, the holy one in the middes of thee, and I will not enter into the citie. They shall walke after the 10 Lord: he shall roare like a lyon: when hee shall roare, then the children of the West shall feare. They shall feare as a sparrow 11 out of Egypt, and as a doue of the lande of Asshur, and I will place them in their houses, sayth the Lord. Ephraim copas- 12 seth me about with lies, and the house of Israel with deceit: but Iudah yet ruleth with God, and is faithfull with the Saints.

Ephraim is fed with the winde, and followeth after the East 12 winde: hee increaseth daily lies and destruction, and they do make a couenant with Asshur, and ovle is caried into Egypt. The Lord hath also a controuersie with Iudah, and will visite 2 Iaakob, according to his waies: according to his workes, wil he recompence him. Hee tooke his brother by the heele in the 3 wombe, and by his strength he had power with God. And had 4 power ouer the Angel, and preuailed: he wept and praied vnto him: he founde him in Beth-el, and there he spake with vs. Yea, the Lord God of hostes, the Lord is himselfe his memoriall. 5 Therefore turne thou to thy God: keepe mercy and judgement, 6 and hope still in thy God. He is Canaan: the balances of deceit 7 are in his hand: he loueth to oppresse. And Ephraim saide, 8 Notwithstanding I am rich, I haue found me out riches in all my labours: they shall finde none iniquitie in me, that were wickednesse. Though I am the Lord thy God, from the land 9 of Egypt, yet will I make thee to dwel in the tabernacles, as in the daies of the solemne feast. I have also spoken by the 10 Prophets, and I have multiplied visions, and vsed similitudes by the ministerie of the Prophets. Is there iniquitie in Gilead? 11 surely they are vanitie: they sacrifice bullocks in Gilgal, and their altars are as heapes in the furrowes of the field. And 12 Iaakob fled into the countrey of Aram, and Israel serued for a wife, and for a wife he kept sheepe. And by a Prophet the Lord 13

brought Israel out of Egypt, and by a Prophet was he reserved.

But Ephraim prouoked him with hie places: therefore shall his blood be powred vpon him, and his reproche shall his Lord reward him.

13 When Ephraim spake, there was trembling: hee exalted him selfe in Israel, but he hath sinned in Baal, and is dead. 2 And nowe they sinne more and more, and haue made them molten images of their siluer, and idoles according to their owne vnderstanding: they were all the woorke of the craftesmen: they say one to another whiles they sacrifice a man, Let 3 them kisse the calues. Therefore they shall bee as the morning cloude, and as the morning dewe that passeth away, as the chaffe that is driven with a whirlewind out of the floore, and 4 as the smoke that goeth out of the chimney. Yet I am the Lord thy God from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt knowe no God 5 but me: for there is no Saujour beside me. I did knowe thee 6 in the wildernesse, in the land of drought. As in their pastures, so were they filled: they were filled, and their heart was 7 exalted: therefore haue they forgotten me. And I wil be vnto them as a very lyon, and as a leopard in the way of Asshur. 8 I will meete them, as a beare that is robbed of her whelpes, and I will breake the kall of their heart, and there will I deu-9 oure them like a lion: the wilde beast shall teare them. 10 Israel, one hath destroyed thee, but in me is thine helpe. am: where is thy King, that shoulde help thee in al thy cities? and thy judges, of whom thou saidest, Giue me a King, and 11 princes? I gaue thee a King in mine anger, and I tooke him 12 away in my wrath. The iniquitie of Ephraim is bound vp: his 13 sinne is hid. The sorowes of a trauailing woman shall come vpon him: he is an vnwise sonne, els would he not stande still 14 at the time, euen at the breaking forth of the children. I wil redeeme them from the power of the graue: I will deliuer them from death: O death, I wil be thy death: O graue, I will be 15 thy destruction: repentance is hid from mine eyes. Though he grewe vp among his brethren, an East winde shall come, euen the winde of the Lord shall come vp from the wildernesse, and drie vp his veine, and his fountaine shalbe dryed vp: he shall spoyle the treasure of all pleasant vessels.

14 Samaria shalbe desolate: for she hath rebelled against her God: they shall fall by the sworde: their infants shalbe dashed

in pieces, and their women with childe shalbe ript. O Israel. 2 returne vnto the Lord thy God: for thou hast fallen by thine iniquitie. Take vnto you words, and turne to the Lord, and say 3 vnto him, Take away all iniquitie, and receiue vs graciously: so wil we render the calues of our lippes. Asshur shall not saue 4 vs, neither wil we ride vpon horses, neither will we say any more to the worke of our handes, Ye are our gods: for in thee the fatherlesse findeth mercie. I wil heale their rebellion: I 5 wil loue them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him. I will be as the dewe vnto Israel: he shall grow as the lilie and 6 fasten his rootes, as the trees of Lebanon. His branches shall 7 spread, and his beautie shalbe as the oliue tree, and his smell as Lebanon. They that dwel vnder his shadow, shall returne: 8 they shall reuiue as the corne, and florish as the vine: the sent thereof shalbe as the wine of Lebanon. Ephraim shall say, 9 What haue I to doe any more with idoles? I haue heard him, and looked vpon him: I am like a greene firre tree: vpon me is thy fruite founde. Who is wise, and he shall vnderstande 10 these things? and prudent, and he shall knowe them? for the wayes of the Lord are righteous, and the iust shall walke in them: but the wicked shall fall therein.

# JOEL.

he worde of the Lord that came to Ioel the sonne of Pethuel. Heare ye this, O Elders, and hearken ye all inhabitantes of the land, whether such a thing hath bene in your dayes, or yet in the dayes of your fa-3 thers. Tell you your children of it, and let your children shew to their children, and their children to another generation. 4 That which is left of ye palmer worme, hath the grashopper eaten, and the residue of ye grashopper hath the canker worme eaten. and the residue of the canker worme hath the cater-5 piller eaten. Awake ye drunkards, and weepe, and howle all ve drinkers of wine, because of the newe wine: for it shalbe 6 pulled from your mouth. Yea, a nation commeth vpon my lande, mightie, and without nomber, whose teeth are like the 7 teeth of a lyon, and he hath the iawes of a great lyon. maketh my vine waste, and pilleth off the barke of my figge tree: he maketh it bare, and casteth it downe: ye branches 8 therof are made white. Mourne like a virgine girded with 9 sackcloth for the husband of her youth. The meate offring, and the drinke offring is cut off from the House of the Lord: 10 the Priests the Lords ministers mourne. The fielde is wasted: the lande mourneth: for the corne is destroyed: the new wine 11 is dried vp., and the ovle is decayed. Be ve ashamed, O husband men: howle, O ye vine dressers for the wheate, and for 12 the barly, because the haruest of the fielde is perished. vine is dried vp, and the figge tree is decayed: the pomegranate tree and the palme tree, and the apple tree, euen all the trees of the fielde are withered: surely the ioy is withered away 13 from the sonnes of men. Girde your selues and lament, ye Priests: howle ye ministers of the altar: come, and lie all night in sackecloth, ye ministers of my God: for the meate offring, and the drinke offring is taken away from the house of your Sanctifie you a fast: call a solemne assemblie: gather the Elders, and all the inhabitants of the land into the House 15 of the Lord your God, and cry vnto the Lord, Alas: for the day, for the day of the Lord is at hand, and it commeth as a 16 destruction from the Almightie. Is not the meate cut off before our eyes? and ioy, and gladnesse from the house of our God? The seede is rotten vnder their cloddes: the garners are 17 destroyed: the barnes are broken downe, for the corne is withered. How did the beasts mourne! the herdes of cattel pine 18 away, because they have no pasture, and the flockes of sheepe are destroyed. O Lord, to thee will I crie: for the fire hath 19 deuoured the pastures of the wildernesse, and the flame hath burnt vp all the trees of the fielde. The beasts of the fielde cry 20 also vnto thee: for the rivers of waters are dried vp, and the fire hath deuoured the pastures of the wildernes.

Blowe the trumpet in Zion, and shoute in mine holy moun- 2 taine: let all the inhabitants of the lande tremble: for the day of the Lord is come: for it is at hand. A day of darkenesse, and 2 of blacknesse, a day of cloudes, and obscuritie, as the morning spred vpon the mountaines, so is there a great people, and a mighty: there was none like it from the beginning, neither shalbe any more after it, vnto the veeres of many generations. A fire devoureth before him, and behinde him a flame burneth 3 vp: the land is as the garden of Eden before him, and behinde him a desolate wildernesse, so that nothing shall escape him. The beholding of him is like the sight of horses, and like the 4 horsemen, so shall they runne. Like the noyse of charrets in 5 the toppes of the mountaines shall they leape, like the novse of a flame of fire that deuoureth the stubble, and as a mightie people prepared to the battel. Before his face shall the people 6 tremble: all faces shall gather blackenesse. They shall runne 7 like strong men, and goe vp to the wall like men of warre, and euery man shall goe forward in his wayes, and they shall not stay in their paths. Neither shall one thrust another, but eu- 8 ery one shall walke in his path: and when they fall vpon the sword, they shall not be wounded. They shall runne to and 9 from in the citie: they shall runne vpon the wall: they shall clime vp vpon the houses, and enter in at ye windowes like ye thiefe. The earth shall tremble before him, ye heauens shall 10 shake, the sunne and the moone shalbe darke, and the starres shall withdraw their shining, And the Lord shall vtter his 11 voyce before his hoste: for his hoste is very great: for he is strog that doeth his word: for the day of the Lord is great and very terrible, and who can abide it? Therefore also now the 12 Lord sayth, Turne you vnto me with all your heart, and with

fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning, And rent your heart, and not your clothes: and turne vnto the Lord your God, for he is gratious, and mercifull, slowe to anger, and of great 14 kindnes, and repenteth him of the euill. Who knoweth, is he wil returne and repent and leaue a blessing behinde him, euen a meate offring, and a drinke offring vnto ye Lord your God? 15 Blowe the trumpet in Zion, sanctifie a fast, call a solemne as-16 sembly. Gather the people: sanctifie the congregation, gather the elders: assemble the children, and those that sucke the breastes: let the bridegrome go forth of his chamber, and the 17 bride out of her bride chamber. Let the Priestes, the ministers of the Lord weepe betweene the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage into reproche that the heathen should rule ouer them. Wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their Then will the Lord be ielous ouer his land, and spare 19 his people. Yea, the Lord wil answere and say vnto his people, Beholde, I will send you corne, and wine, and oyle, and you shalbe satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a re-20 proche among the heathen, But I will remooue farre off from vou the Northren armie, and I will driue him into a land, barren and desolate with his face toward the East sea, and his end to the vtmost sea, and his stinke shall come vp, and his corruption shall ascend, because he hath exalted himselfe to do this. 21 Feare not, O land, but be glad, and reioyce: for the Lord wil do 22 great things. Be not afrayde, ye beastes of the fielde: for the pastures of the wildernesse are greene: for the tree beareth her 23 fruite: the figge tree and the vine do giue their force. Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and reioyce in the Lord your God: for he hath given you the rayne of righteousnes, he wil cause to come downe for you the rayne, euen the first raine, and the 24 latter raine in the first moneth. And the barnes shalbe full of 25 wheate, and the presses shall abound with wine and oyle. And I will render you the yeeres that the grashopper hath eaten, the canker worme and the caterpiller and the palmer worme, 26 my great hoste which I sent among you. So you shall eate and be satisfied and praise the Name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt marueilously with you: and my people shall neuer 27 be ashamed. Ye shall also know, that I am in the middes of Israel, and that I am the Lord your God and none other, and my

people shall neuer be ashamed. And afterward will I powre 28 out my Spirit vpon all flesh: and your sonnes and your daughters shall prophecie: your olde men shall dreame dreames, and your yong men shall see visions, And also vpon the seruants, 29 and vpon the maydes in those dayes wil I powre my Spirit. And I will shewe wonders in the heauens and in the earth: 30 blood and fire, and pillars of smoke. The sunne shalbe turned 31 into darkenesse, and the moone into blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord come. But whosoeuer shall call 32 on the Name of the Lord, shalbe saued: for in mount Zion, and in Ierusale shalbe deliuerance, as the Lord hath said, and in the remnant, whom the Lord shall call.

For beholde, in those dayes and in that time, when I shall 3 bring againe the captiuitie of Iudah and Ierusalem, I will also 2 gather all nations, and wil bring them downe into the valley of Iehoshaphat, and will pleade with them there for my people, and for mine heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land. And they have cast 3 lottes for my people, and have given the childe for the harlot, and sold the girle for wine, that they might drinke. Yea, and 4 what haue you to do with me, O Tyrus and Zidon and all the costes of Palestina? will ye render me a recompence? and if ye recompence mee, swiftly and speedily will I render your recompence vpon your head: For ye have taken my silver and 5 my golde, and haue caried into your temples my goodly and pleasant things. The children also of Iudah and the children 6 of Ierusalem haue you solde vnto the Grecians, that ye might send them farre from their border. Beholde, I will rayse them 7 out of the place where ye have sold them, and will render your reward vpon your owne head, And I will send your sonnes 8 and your daughters into the hande of the children of Iudah, and they shall sell them to the Sabeans, to a people farre off: for the Lord hath spoken it. Publish this among the Gentiles: 9 prepare warre, wake vp the mightie men: let all the men of warre drawe neere and come vp. Breake your plowshares into 10 swords, and your sithes into speares: let the weake say, I am strong. Assemble your selues, and come all yee heathen and 11 gather your selues together round about: there shall the Lord cast downe the mightie men. Let the heathen be wakened, 12 and come vp to the valley of Iehoshaphat: for there will I sit to

13 iudge all the heathen round about. Put in your sithes, for the haruest is ripe: come, get you downe, for the winepresse is full: yea, the winepresses runne ouer, for their wickednesse is great. 14 O multitude, O multitude, come into the valley of threshing: 15 for the day of the Lord is neere in the valley of threshing. The sunne and moone shalbe darkened, and the starres shall with-16 drawe their light. The Lord also shall roare out of Zion, and vtter his voyce from Ierusalem, and the heauens and the earth shall shake, but the Lord wil be the hope of his people. and 17 the strength of the children of Israel. So shall ye know that I am the Lord your God dwelling in Zion, mine holy Mountaine: then shall Ierusalem bee holy, and there shall no strangers go 18 thorowe her any more. And in that day shall the mountaines drop downe newe wine, and the hilles shall flowe with milke, and al the rivers of Iudah shall runne with waters, and a fountaine shall come forth of the House of the Lord, and shall water 19 the valley of Shittim. Egypt shalbe waste, and Edom shall be a desolate wildernesse, for the injuries of the childre of Iudah. 20 because they have shed innocent blood in their land. But Iudah shall dwell for euer, and Ierusalem from generation to gen-21 eration. For I will clense their blood, that I have not clensed. and the Lord will dwell in Zion.

### AMOS.

he wordes of Amos, who was among the heardmen 1 at Tecoa, which he sawe vpon Israel, in the dayes of Vzziah king of Iudah, and in the dayes of Ieroboam the sonne of Ioash King of Israel, two yeere before the And he saide, The Lord shall roare from Zion, 2 earthquake. and vtter his voyce from Ierusalem, and the dwelling places of the shepheards shall perish, and the top of Carmel shall wither. Thus saith the Lord. For three transgressions of Dam- 3 ascus, and for foure I will not turne to it, because they have threshed Gilead with threshing instruments of yron. There- 4 fore will I sende a fire into the house of Hazael, and it shall deuoure the palaces of Ben-hadad. I will breake also the bar- 5 res of Damascus, and cut off the inhabitant of Bikeath-auen: and him that holdeth the scepter out of Beth-eden, and the people of Aram shall goe into captiuitie vnto Kir, savth the Lord. Thus sayth the Lord, For three transgressions of Azzah, and 6 for foure, I will not turne to it, because they caried away prisoners the whole captiuitie to shut them vp in Edom. Therefore 7 will I sende a fire vpon the walles of Azzah, and it shall deuoure the palaces thereof. And I will cut off the inhabitant from 8 Ashdod, and him that holdeth the scepter from Ashkelon, and turne mine hande to Ekron, and the remnant of the Philistims shall perish, sayth the Lord God. Thus sayth the Lord, For 9 three transgressions of Tyrus, and for foure, I will not turne to it, because they shut the whole captiuitie in Edom, and haue not remembred the brotherly couenant. Therefore wil I send 10 a fire vpon ye walles of Tyrus, and it shall deuoure the palaces Thus sayeth the Lord, For three transgressions of 11 thereof. Edom, and for foure, I will not turne to it, because hee did pursue his brother with the sworde, and did cast off all pitie, and his anger spoyled him euermore, and his wrath watched him Therefore will I send a fire vpon Teman, and it shall 12 deuoure the palaces of Bozrah. Thus sayth ye Lord, For three 13 transgressions of the children of Ammon, and for foure, I will not turne to it, because they have ript vp the women with child of Gilead, that they might enlarge their border. Therefore will 14 I kindle a fire in the wall of Rabbah, and it shall deuoure the palaces thereof, with shouting in the day of battell, and with a tempest in the day of the whirlewinde. And their King shall go into captiuitie, he and his princes together, saith the Lord.

Thus sayth the Lord, For three transgressions of Moab, and 2 for foure, I will not turne to it, because it burnt the bones of 2 the King of Edom into lime. Therefore will I send a fire vpon Moab, and it shall deuoure the palaces of Kerioth, and Moab shall die with tumult, with shouting, and with the sound of a 3 trumpet. And I will cut off the iudge out of the mids thereof, and will slay all the princes thereof with him, sayth the Lord. 4 Thus saith the Lord, For three transgressions of Iudah, and for foure, I will not turne to it, because they have cast away the Lawe of the Lord, and haue not kept his commandementes, and their lies caused them to erre after the which their fa-5 thers have walked. Therefore will I send a fire vpon Iudah, 6 and it shall deuoure the palaces of Ierusalem. Thus sayth the Lord, For three transgressions of Israel, and for foure, I will not turne to it, because they solde the righteous for siluer and 7 the poore for shooes. They gape ouer the head of the poore, in the dust of the earth, and peruert the waves of the meeke: and a man and his father will goe in to a mayde to dishonour mine 8 holy Name. And they lye downe vpon clothes layde to pledge by euery altar: and they drinke the wine of the condemned in 9 the house of their God. Yet destroyed I the Amorite before the, whose height was like the height of the cedars, and he was strong as the okes: notwithstanding I destroyed his fruite 10 from aboue, and his roote from beneath. Also I brought you vp from the land of Egypt, and led you fourtie yeres thorowe 11 the wildernesse, to possesse the land of the Amorite. And I raysed vp of your sonnes for Prophets, and of your yong men for Nazarites. Is it not euen thus, O ye children of Israel, sayth 12 the Lord? But ye gaue the Nazarites wine to drinke, and com-13 manded the Prophetes, saying, Prophecie not. Behold, I am pressed vnder you as a cart is pressed that is full of sheaues. 14 Therefore the flight shall perish from the swift, and the strong shall not strengthen his force, neither shall the mightie saue 15 his life. Nor he that handleth the bowe, shall stand, and he that is swift of foote, shall not escape, neyther shall he that 16 rideth the horse, saue his life. And he that is of a mighty

courage among the strong men, shall flee away naked in that day, sayth the Lord.

Heare this worde that the Lord pronounceth against you, 3 O children of Israel, euen against the whole familie which I brought vp from the land of Egypt, saying, You onely haue 2 I knowen of all the families of the earth: therefore I will visite you for all your iniquities. Can two walke together ex- 3 cept they bee agreed? Will a lion roare in ye forest, when 4 he hath no pray? or wil a lions whelpe cry out of his den, if he haue taken nothing? Can a birde fall in a snare vpon the 5 earth, where no fouler is? or will he take vp the snare from the earth, and haue taken nothing at all? Or shall a trum- 6 pet be blowen in the citie, and the people be not afraide? or shall there be euil in a citie, and the Lord hath not done it? Surely the Lord God will doe nothing, but he reueileth his se-7 crete vnto his seruantes the Prophets. The Ivon hath roared: 8 who will not bee afraide? the Lord God hath spoken: who can but prophecie? Proclayme in the palaces at Ashdod, and in 9 the palaces in the lande of Egypt, and save, Assemble your selues vpon the mountaines of Samaria: so beholde the great tumultes in the middes thereof, and the oppressed in the middes thereof. For they knowe not to doe right, sayth the Lord: 10 they store vp violence, and robbery in their palaces. fore thus saith the Lord God, An aduersary shall come euen rounde about the countrey, and shall bring downe thy strength from thee, and thy palaces shalbe spoyled. Thus saieth the 12 Lord, As the shephearde taketh out of the mouth of the lyon two legges, or a piece of an eare: so shall the children of Israel be taken out that dwell in Samaria in the corner of a bed, and in Damascus, as in a couche. Heare, and testifie in the house 13 of Iaakob, saith the Lord God, the God of hostes. Surely in the 14 day that I shall visit the transgressions of Israel vpon him, I wil also visite the altars of Beth-el, and the hornes of the altar shall be broken off, and fall to the ground. And I wil smite the 15 winter house with the sommer house, and the houses of yuorie shall perish, and the great houses shalbe consumed, sayth the Lord.

Heare this worde, ye kine of Bashan that are in the mountaine of Samaria, which oppresse the poore, and destroy the needie, and they say to their masters, Bring, and let vs drinke.

2 The Lord God hath sworne by his holines, that loe, the dayes shall come vpon you, that hee wil take you away with thornes, 3 and your posteritie with fish hookes. And ye shall goe out at the breaches euery kow forward: and ye shall cast your 4 selues out of the palace, saith the Lord. Come to Beth-el, and transgresse: to Gilgal, and multiplie transgression, and bring your sacrifices in the morning, and your tithes after three 5 yeres. And offer a thankesgiuing of leauen, publish and proclaime the free offrings: for this liketh you, O ye children of 6 Israel, saith the Lord God. And therefore haue I giuen you cleannes of teeth in all your cities, and scarcenesse of bread in all your places, yet haue ye not returned vnto me, saith the 7 Lord. And also I have withholden the raine from you, when there were yet three moneths to the haruest, and I caused it to raine vpon one citie, and have not caused it to raine vpon another citie: one piece was rained vpon, and the piece where-8 upon it rained not, withered. So two or three cities wandred vnto one citie to drinke water, but they were not satisfied: yet 9 haue ye not returned vnto me, saith the Lord. I haue smitten you with blasting, and mildewe: your great gardens and your vineyardes, and your figtrees, and your oliue trees did the palmer worme deuoure: yet haue ye not returned vnto me, 10 saith the Lord. Pestilence haue I sent among you, after the maner of Egypt: your yong men haue I slaine with the sworde, and haue taken away your horses: and I haue made the stinke of your tentes to come vp euen into your nostrels: yet haue 11 yee not returned vnto me, saith the Lord. I haue ouerthrowe vou, as God ouerthrew Sodom and Gomorah: and ve were as a firebrand pluckt out of the burning: yet haue ye not returned 12 vnto me, saith the Lord. Therefore, thus wil I do vnto thee, O Israel: and because I wil doe this vnto thee, prepare to meete 13 thy God, O Israel. For lo, he that formeth the mountaines, and createth the winde, and declareth vnto man what is his thought: which maketh the morning darkenesse, and walketh vpon the hie places of the earth, the Lord God of hostes is his Name.

Heare ye this worde, which I lift vp vpon you, euen a lamen tation of the house of Israel. The virgine Israel is fallen, and shall no more rise: shee is left vpon her lande, and there is
 none to raise her vp. For thus saith ye Lord God, The citie

which went out by a thousand, shall leaue an hundreth: and that which went forth by an hundreth, shall leaue ten to the house of Israel. For thus saith the Lord vnto the house of Is- 4 rael, Seeke ye me, and ye shall liue. But seeke not Beth-el, 5 nor enter into Gilgal, and go not to Beer-sheba: for Gilgal shall goe into captiuitie, and Beth-el shall come to nought. Seeke 6 the Lord, and yee shall liue, least he breake out like fire in the house of Ioseph and deuoure it, and there be none to quench it They turne iudgement to wormewood, and leaue 7 in Beth-el. off righteousnes in the earth. He maketh Pleiades, and Orion, 8 and he turneth the shadowe of death into the morning, and he maketh the day darke as night: he calleth the waters of the sea, and powreth them out vpon the open earth: the Lord is his Name. He strengtheneth the destroyer against the mightie: 9 and the destroyer shall come against the fortresse. They have 10 hated him, that rebuked in the gate: and they abhorred him that speaketh vprightly. Forasmuch then as your treading 11 is vpon the poore, and yee take from him burdens of wheate, ve haue built houses of hewen stone, but ve shall not dwel in them: ye haue plated pleasant vineyards, but ye shall not drinke wine of them. For I know your manifold transgres- 12 sions, and your mightie sinnes: they afflict the iust, they take rewards, and they oppresse the poore in ve gate. Therefore 13 the prudent shall keepe silence in that time, for it is an euill time. Seeke good and not euil, that ye may liue: and the Lord 14 God of hostes shalbe with you, as you have spoken. Hate the 15 euil, and loue the good, and establish iudgement in the gate: it may bee that the Lord God of hostes will be mercifull vnto the remnant of Ioseph. Therfore the Lord God of hosts, the Lord 16 saith thus, Mourning shalbe in all streetes: and they shall say in al the hie wayes, Alas, alas: and they shall call the husbandman to lamentation, and such as can mourne, to mourning. And in al the vines shalbe lamentation: for I wil passe through 17 thee, saith the Lord. Woe vnto you, that desire the day of the 18 Lord: what have you to do with it? the day of the Lord is darkenes and not light. As if a man did flee from a lyon, and a 19 beare met him: or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him. Shal not the day of the Lord 20 be darkenes, and not light? euen darkenes and no light in it? I 21 hate and abhorre your feast dayes, and I wil not smelll in your

solemne assemblies. Though ye offer me burnt offrings and meat offrings, I wil not accept them: neither will I regard the
peace offrings of your fat beasts. Take thou away from me the multitude of thy songs (for I wil not heare the melodie of thy
violes) And let iudgement runne downe as waters, and righteousnesse as a mightie riuer. Haue ye offered vnto me sacrifices and offrings in the wildernesse fourtie yeeres, O house
of Israel? But you haue borne Siccuth your King, and Chiun your images, and the starre of your gods, which ye made to
your selues. Therefore wil I cause you to goe into captiuitie beyond Damascus, saith the Lord, whose Name is the God of hostes.

Woe to them that are at ease in Zion and trust in the moutaine 6 of Samaria, which were famous at the beginning of the nations: 2 and the house of Israel came to them. Goe you vnto Calneh, and see: and from thence goe you to Hamath the great: then goe downe to Gath of the Philistims: be they better then these kingdomes? or the border of their land greater then your 3 border. Ye that put farre away the euill day, and approch to 4 the seate of iniquitie? They lie vpon beddes of yuorie, and stretch themselues vpon their beddes, and eate the lambes of 5 the flocke, and the calues out of the stall. They sing to the sounde of the viole: they inuent to themselues instruments of 6 musike like Dauid. They drinke wine in bowles, and anoynt themselues with the chiefe ointments, but no man is sory for 7 the affliction of Ioseph. Therefore nowe shall they go captiue with the first that go captiue, and the sorow of them that 8 stretched themselues, is at hand. The Lord God hath sworne by himselfe, saith the Lord God of hostes, I abhorre the excellencie of Iaakob, and hate his palaces: therefore wil I deliuer 9 vp the citie with all that is therein. And if there remaine ten 10 men in one house, they shall die. And his vncle shall take him vp and burne him to cary out the bones out of the house, and shall say vnto him, that is by ye sides of the house, Is there yet any with thee? And he shall say, None. Then shall he say, Holde thy tongue: for we may not remember the Name of the 11 Lord. For behold, the Lord commandeth, and he will smite the great house with breaches, and the litle house with clefts. 12 Shal horses runne vpon the rocke? or wil one plowe there with oxen? for vee haue turned judgement into gall, and the fruite of

righteousnes into wormewood. Ye reioyce in a thing of nought: 13 yee say, Haue not wee gotten vs hornes by our owne strength? But behold, I wil raise vp against you a nation, O house of Is- 14 rael, sayeth the Lord God of hostes: and they shall afflict you, from the entring in of Hamath vnto the riuer of the wildernes.

Thus hath the Lord God shewed vnto mee, and beholde, he 7 formed grashoppers in the beginning of ye shooting vp of the latter grouth: and loe, it was in the latter grouth after the Kings mowing. And when they had made an ende of eat- 2 ing the grasse of the land, then I saide, O Lord God, spare, I beseeche thee: who shall raise vp Iaakob? for he is small. So the Lord repented for this. It shall not be, saith the Lord. 3 Thus also hath the Lord God shewed vnto me, and behold, the 4 Lord God called to judgement by fire, and it deuoured the great deepe, and did eate vp a part. Then said I, O Lord God, cease, 5 I beseeche thee: who shall raise vp Iaakob? for he is small. So the Lord repented for this. This also shall not be, saith the 6 Lord God. Thus againe he shewed me, and behold, the Lord 7 stoode vpon a wall made by line with a line in his hand. And 8 the Lord saide vnto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A line. Then said the Lord, Beholde, I wil set a line in the middes of my people Israel, and wil passe by them no more. And the hye places of Izhak shalbe desolate, and the temples 9 of Israel shalbe destroyed: and I wil rise against the house of Ieroboam with the sworde. Then Amaziah the Priest of Beth- 10 el sent to Ieroboam King of Israel, saying, Amos hath conspired against thee in the middes of the house of Israel: the lande is not able to beare all his wordes. For thus Amos saith, Ier- 11 oboam shall die by the sworde, and Israel shalbe led away captiue out of their owne land. Also Amaziah sayde vnto Amos, O 12 thou the Seer, goe, flee thou away into the land of Iudah, and there eate thy bread and prophecie there. But prophecie no 13 more at Beth-el: for it is the Kings chappel, and it is the Kings court. Then answered Amos, and said to Amaziah, I was no 14 Prophet, neither was I a prophets sonne, but I was an herdman, and a gatherer of wilde figs. And the Lord tooke me as 15 I followed the flocke, and the Lord said vnto me, Go, prophecie vnto my people Israel. Now therefore heare thou the word 16 of the Lord. Thou sayest, Prophecie not against Israel, and speake nothing against the house of Izhak. Therefore thus 17

sayth the Lord, Thy wife shall be an harlot in the citie, and thy sonnes and thy daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy land shall be deuided by line: and thou shalt die in a polluted land, and Israel shall surely go into captiuitie forth of his land.

Thus hath the Lord God shewed vnto me, and behold, a bas-8 2 ket of summer fruite. And he said, Amos, what seest thou? And I sayd, A basket of sommer fruite. Then sayd the Lord vnto me, The ende is come vpon my people of Israel, I wil passe 3 by them no more. And the songs of the Temple shalbe howlings in that day, saith the Lord God: many dead bodies shalbe 4 in euery place: they shall cast them forth with silence. Heare this, O yee that swallowe vp the poore, that ye may make the 5 needie of the lande to fayle, Saying, When will the newe moneth bee gone, that we may sell corne? and the Sabbath, that we may set forth wheate, and make the Ephah small, and the 6 shekel great, and falsifie the weights by deceit? That we may buy the poore for siluer, and the needie for shooes: yea, and 7 sell the refuse of the wheate. The Lord hath sworne by the excellencie of Iaakob, Surely I will neuer forget any of their Shall not the lande tremble for this, and euery one mourne, that dwelleth therein? and it shall rise vp wholy as a flood, and it shall bee cast out, and drowned as by the flood of 9 Egypt. And in that day, saith the Lord God, I will euen cause the sunne to go downe at noone: and I will darken the earth in 10 the cleare day. And I will turne your feastes into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation: and I will bring sackcloth vpon all loynes, and baldnes vpon euery head: and I will make it as the mourning of an onely sonne, and the ende thereof as a 11 bitter day. Beholde, the dayes come, sayeth the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the lande, not a famine of bread, nor a 12 thirst for water, but of hearing the word of the Lord. And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the North euen vnto the East shall they run to and from to seeke the worde of the 13 Lord, and shall not finde it. In that day shall the faire vir-14 gines and the yong men perish for thirst. They that sweare by the sinne of Samaria, and that say, Thy God, O Dan, liueth, and the maner of Beer-sheba liueth, euen they shall fall, and neuer rise vp againe.

**9** I sawe the Lord standing vpon the altar, and he sayde, Smite the lintel of the doore, that the postes may shake: and cut them

in pieces, euen the heads of them all, and I will slay the last of them with the sword: he that fleeth of them, shall not flee away: and he that escapeth of them, shall not be deliuered. Though they digge into the hell, thence shall mine hande take 2 them: though they clime vp to heaven, thence will I bring them And though they hide them selues in the toppe of 3 Carmel, I will search and take them out thence: and though they be hid from my sight in the bottome of the sea, thence will I commande the serpent, and he shall bite them. And though 4 they goe into captiuitie before their enemies, thence wil I commande the sword, and it shall slay them: and I will set mine eves vpon them for euill, and not for good. And the Lord God 5 of hosts shall touch the land, and it shall melt away, and al that dwel therein shall mourne, and it shall rise vp wholy like a flood, and shall bee drowned as by the flood of Egypt. buildeth his spheres in the heauen, and hath laide the foundation of his globe of elements in the earth: hee calleth the waters of the sea, and powreth them out vpon the open earth: the Lord is his Name. Are ye not as the Ethiopians vnto mee, 7 O children of Israel, sayeth the Lord? have not I brought vp Israel out of the land of Egypt? and the Philistims from Caphtor, and Aram from Kir? Beholde, the eyes of the Lord God are 8 vpon the sinfull kingdome, and I will destroy it cleane out of the earth. Neuerthelesse I will not vtterly destroy the house of Iaakob, saith the Lord. For loe, I will command and I will sift 9 the house of Israel among all nations, like as corne is sifted in a sieue: yet shall not the least stone fall vpon the earth. But all 10 the sinners of my people shall dve by the sword, which say, The euill shall not come, nor hasten for vs. In that day will I raise 11 vp the tabernacle of Dauid, that is fallen downe, and close vp the breaches therof, and I will rayse vp his ruines, and I will builde it, as in the dayes of olde, That they may possesse the 12 remnant of Edom, and of all the heathen, because my Name is called vpon them, sayeth the Lord, that doeth this. Behold, 13 the dayes come, saith the Lord, that the plowman shall touche the mower, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seede: and the mountaines shall drop sweete wine, and all the hilles shall melt. And I will bring againe the captiuitie of my peo- 14 ple of Israel: and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabite the, and they shall plant vinevardes, and drinke the wine

thereof: they shall also make gardens, and eate the fruites of them. And I wil plant them vpon their land, and they shall no more bee pulled vp againe out of their lande, which I have given them, sayeth the Lord thy God.

## OBADIAH.

 $_{igotimes_{igotim$ Edom, We have heard a rumour from the Lord, and an ambassadour is sent among the heathen: arise, and let vs rise vp against her to battel. Beholde, I 2 haue made thee small among the heathen: thou art vtterly The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee: thou 3 that dwellest in the cleftes of the rockes, whose habitation is hie, that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me downe to the ground? Though thou exalt thy selfe as the eagle, and make 4 thy nest among the starres, thence will I bring thee downe, sayth the Lord. Came theeues to thee or robbers by night? 5 howe wast thou brought to silence? woulde they not have stolen, til they had ynough? if the grape gatherers came to thee, woulde they not leave some grapes? Howe are the things 6 of Esau sought vp., and his treasures searched? All the men of 7 thy confederacie haue driven thee to ye borders: the men that were at peace with thee, have deceived thee, and prevailed against thee: they that eate thy bread, haue laid a wound vnder thee: there is none vnderstanding in him. Shall not I 8 in that day, saith the Lord, euen destroy the wise men out of Edom, and vnderstanding from the mount of Esau? And thy 9 strong men, O Teman, shall bee afraide, because euery one of the mount of Esau shalbe cut off by slaughter. crueltie against thy brother Iaakob, shame shall couer thee, and thou shalt be cut off for euer. When thou stoodest on 11 the other side, in the day that the strangers caried away his substance, and straungers entred into his gates, and cast lots vpon Ierusalem, euen thou wast as one of them. But thou 12 shouldest not have beholden the day of thy brother, in the day that hee was made a stranger, neither shouldest thou haue reioyced ouer the children of Iudah, in the day of their destruction: thou shouldest not have spoken proudly in the day of Thou shouldest not have entred into the gate of 13 affliction. my people, in the day of their destruction, neither shouldest thou have once looked on their affliction in the day of their destruction, nor haue layde hands on their substance in the day

14 of their destruction. Neyther shouldest thou have stande in the crosse wayes to cut off them, that should escape, neither shouldest thou have shut vp the remnant thereof in the day of 15 affliction. For the day of the Lord is neere, vpon all the heathen: as thou hast done, it shall bee done to thee: thy reward 16 shall returne vpon thine head. For as yee haue drunke vpon mine holy Mountaine, so shall all the heathen drinke continually: yea, they shall drinke and swallow vp, and they shalbe 17 as though they had not bene. But vpon mount Zion shalbe deliuerance, and it shalbe holy, and the house of Iaakob shall 18 possesse their possessions, And the house of Iaakob shalbe a fire, and the house of Ioseph a flame, and the house of Esau as stubble, and they shall kindle in them and deuoure them: and there shall bee no remnant of the house of Esau for the 19 Lord hath spoken it. And they shall possesse the South side of the mount of Esau, and the plaine of the Philistims: and they shall possesse the fieldes of Ephraim, and the fieldes of 20 Samaria, and Beniamin shall haue Gilead. And the captiuitie of this host of the children of Israel, which were among the Canaanites, shall possesse vnto Zarephath, and the captiuitie of Ierusalem, which is in Sepharad, shall possesse the cities of 21 the South. And they that shall saue, shall come vp to mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau, and the kingdome shalbe the Lords.

## JONAH.

he worde of the Lord came also vnto Ionah the sonne  $\, {f 1} \,$ of Amittai, saying, Arise, and goe to Nineueh, that 2 great citie, and crye against it: for their wickednesse is come vp before mee. But Ionah rose vp to flee into 3 Tarshish from the presence of the Lord, and went downe to Iapho: and he founde a ship going to Tarshish: so he payed the fare thereof, and went downe into it, that he might go with them vnto Tarshish, from the presence of the Lord. But 4 the Lord sent out a great winde into the sea, and there was a mightie tempest in the sea, so that the ship was like to be bro-Then the mariners were afraide, and cryed euery man 5 vnto his God, and cast the wares that were in the ship, into the sea to lighten it of the: but Ionah was gone downe into the sides of the ship, and he lay downe, and was fast a sleepe. So 6 the shipmaster came to him, and saide vnto him, What meanest thou, O sleeper? Arise, call vpon thy God, if so be that God wil thinke vpon vs. that we perish not. And they saide 7 euery one to his fellowe, Come, and let vs cast lottes, that we may know, for whose cause this euill is vpon vs. So they cast lottes, and the lot fell vpon Ionah. Then said they vnto him, 8 Tell vs for whose cause this euill is vpon vs? what is thine occupation? and whence commest thou? which is thy countrey? and of what people art thou? And he answered them, I am an 9 Ebrewe, and I feare the Lord God of heauen, which hath made the sea, and the dry lande. Then were the men exceedingly 10 afrayde, and said vnto him, Why hast thou done this? (for the men knewe, that he fled from the presence of the Lord, because he had tolde them) Then saide they vnto him, What shall we 11 doe vnto thee, that the sea may be calme vnto vs? (for the sea wrought and was troublous) And he said vnto them, Take 12 me, and cast me into the sea: so shall the sea be calme vnto you: for I knowe that for my sake this great tempest is vpon Neuerthelesse, the men rowed to bring it to the lande, 13 but they coulde not: for the sea wrought, and was troublous against them. Wherefore they cryed vnto the Lord, and said, 14 We beseech thee, O Lord, we beseech thee, let vs not perish for

this mans life, and lay not vpon vs innocent blood: for thou, O
Lord, hast done, as it pleased thee. So they tooke vp Ionah,
and cast him into the sea, and the sea ceased from her raging. Then the men feared the Lord exceedingly, and offered a
sacrifice vnto the Lord, and made vowes. Nowe the Lord had
prepared a great fish to swallowe vp Ionah: and Ionah was in
the belly of the fish three dayes, and three nightes.

Then Ionah prayed vnto the Lord his God out of the fishes 2 2 belly, And said, I cryed in mine affliction vnto the Lord, and he heard me: out of the bellie of hell cryed I, and thou heardest 3 my vovce. For thou haddest cast me into the bottome in the middes of the sea, and the floods compassed me about: all thy 4 surges, and all thy waves passed over me. Then I saide, I am cast away out of thy sight: yet will I looke againe towarde 5 thine holy Temple. The waters compassed me about vnto the soule: the depth closed me rounde about, and the weedes were 6 wrapt about mine head. I went downe to the bottome of the moutaines: the earth with her barres was about me for euer. yet hast thou brought vp my life from the pit, O Lord my God. 7 When my soule fainted within me, I remembred the Lord: and 8 my prayer came vnto thee, into thine holy Temple. They that 9 waite vpon lying vanities, forsake their owne mercie. But I will sacrifice vnto thee with the voice of thankesgiuing, and 10 will pay that that I have vowed: saluation is of the Lord. And the Lord spake vnto the fish, and it cast out Ionah vpon the dry lande.

And the worde of the Lord came vnto Ionah the seconde 3 2 time, saving, Arise, goe vnto Nineueh that great citie, and 3 preach vnto it the preaching, which I bid thee. So Ionah arose and went to Nineueh according to ye word of the Lord: now Nineueh was a great and excellent citie of three dayes iour-4 nev. And Ionah began to enter into the citie a dayes iourney, and he cryed, and said, Yet fourtie dayes, and Nineueh shalbe So the people of Nineueh beleeued God, and 5 ouerthrowen. proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth from ye greatest of the 6 euen to the least of them. For worde came vnto the King of Nineueh, and he rose from his throne, and he layed his robe from him, and couered him with sackecloth, and sate in ashes. 7 And he proclaimed and said through Nineueh, (by the counsell of ye king and his nobles) saying, Let neither man, nor beast,

bullock nor sheep taste any thing, neither feed nor drinke water. But let man and beast put on sackecloth, and crie might- 8 ily vnto God: yea, let euery man turne from his euill way, and from the wickednesse that is in their handes. Who can tell 9 if God will turne, and repent and turne away from his fierce wrath, that we perish not? And God sawe their workes that 10 they turned from their euill wayes: and God repented of the euill that he had said that he woulde doe vnto them, and he did it not.

Therefore it displeased Ionah exceedingly, and he was an- 4 gry. And he prayed vnto the Lord, and saide, I pray thee, O 2 Lord, was not this my saying, when I was yet in my countrey? therefore I preuented it to flee vnto Tarshish: for I knewe that thou art a gratious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindnes, and repentest thee of the euill. Therefore nowe 3 O Lord, take, I be seech thee, my life from me: for it is better for me to die then to liue. Then saide the Lord, Doest thou well to 4 be angry? So Ionah went out of the citie and sate on the East 5 side of the citie, and there made him a boothe, and sate vnder it in the shadowe till he might see what should be done in the And the Lord God prepared a gourde, and made it to 6 come vp ouer Ionah, that it might be a shadowe ouer his head and deliuer him from his griefe. So Ionah was exceeding glad of the gourde. But God prepared a worme when the morn- 7 ing rose the next day, and it smote the gourd, that it withered. And when the sunne did arise, God prepared also a feruent 8 East winde: and the sunne beat vpon the head of Ionah, that he fainted, and wished in his heart to die, and said, It is better for me to dye, then to liue. And God said vnto Ionah, Doest 9 thou well to be angrie for the gourde? And he said, I doe well to be angrie vnto the death. Then said the Lord, Thou hast 10 had pitie on the gourde for the which thou hast not laboured, neither madest it growe, which came vp in a night, and perished in a night, And shoulde not I spare Nineueh that great 11 citie, wherein are sixe score thousande persons, that cannot discerne betweene their right hand, and their left hand, and also much cattell?

## MICAH.

he word of the Lord, that came vnto Micah the Morashite in the dayes of Iotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah Kings of Iudah, which he sawe concerning Samaria, and 🚄 Ierusalem. Heare, al ye people: hearke thou, O earth, and all that therein is, and let the Lord God be witnes against 3 you, euen ye Lord from his holy Teple. For beholde, the Lord commeth out of his place, and will come downe, and tread 4 vpon the hie places of the earth. And the mountaines shall melt vnder him (so shall the valleys cleaue) as waxe before the 5 fire, and as the waters that are powred downewarde. For the wickednes of Iaakob is all this, and for the sinnes of the house of Israel: what is the wickednes of Iaakob? Is not Samaria? 6 and which are the hie places of Iudah? Is not Ierusalem? Therefore I wil make Samaria as an heape of the fielde, and for the planting of a vineyard, and I will cause the stones thereof to tumble downe into the valley, and I will discouer the founda-7 tions thereof. And all the grauen images thereof shalbe broken, and all the giftes thereof shalbe burnt with the fire, and all the idoles thereof will I destroy: for she gathered it of the hire of an harlot, and they shall returne to the wages of an 8 harlot. Therefore I will mourne and howle: I wil goe without clothes, and naked: I will make lamentation like the dragons, 9 and mourning as the ostriches. For her plagues are grieuous: for it is come into Iudah: the enemie is come vnto the gate of 10 my people, vnto Ierusalem. Declare ye it not at Gath, neither weepe ye: for the house of Aphrah roule thy selfe in the Thou that dwellest at Shaphir, go together naked with shame: she that dwelleth at Zaanan, shall not come forth in ye mourning of Beth-ezel: the enemie shall receive of you for his 12 standing. For the inhabitant of Maroth wayted for good, but 13 euill came from the Lord vnto the gate of Ierusalem. O thou inhabitant of Lachish, binde the charet to the beastes of price: she is the beginning of the sinne to the daughter of Zion: for the 14 transgressions of Israel were found in thee. Therefore shalt thou give presents to Moresheth Gath: the houses of Achzib 15 shalbe as a lye to the Kings of Israel. Yet will I bring an heire

vnto thee, O inhabitant of Mareshah, he shall come vnto Adulam, the glorie of Israel. Make thee balde: and shaue thee for 16 thy delicate children: enlarge thy baldenesse as the eagle, for they are gone into captiuity from thee.

Woe vnto them, that imagine iniquitie, and worke wicked- 2 nesse vpon their beddes: when the morning is light they practise it because their hande hath power. And they couet fields, 2 and take them by violence, and houses, and take them away: so they oppresse a man and his house, even man and his heritage. Therefore thus saieth the Lord, Beholde, against this familie 3 haue I deuised a plague, whereout vee shall not plucke your neckes, and ye shall not go so proudly, for this time is euill. In 4 that daye shall they take vp a parable against you, and lament with a dolefull lamentation, and say, We be vtterly wasted: hee hath changed the portion of my people: how hath he taken it away to restore it vnto mee? he hath deuided our fieldes. Therefore thou shalt have none that shall cast a corde by lot in 5 the Congregation of the Lord. They that prophecied, Prophe- 6 cie ve not. They shall not prophecie to them, neither shall they take shame. O thou that art named of the house of Iaakob, is 7 the Spirite of the Lord shortened? are these his workes? are not my wordes good vnto him that walketh vprightly? But hee 8 that was vesterday my people, is risen vp on the other side, as against an enemie: they spoyle the beautifull garment from them that passe by peaceably, as though they returned from the warre. The women of my people haue ye cast out from 9 their pleasant houses, and from their childre haue ye taken away my glorie continually. Arise and depart, for this is not 10 your rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy you, euen with a sore destruction. If a man walke in the Spirit, and would lie 11 falsely, saying, I wil prophecie vnto thee of wine, and of strong drinke, he shall euen be the prophet of this people. surely gather thee wholy, O Iaakob: I will surely gather the remnant of Israel: I will put them together as the sheepe of Bozrah, euen as the flocke in the mids of their folde: the cities shall be full of brute of the men. The breaker vp shall come 13 vp before them: they shall breake out, and passe by the gate, and goe out by it, and their King shall goe before them, and the Lord shalbe vpon their heades.

And I sayd, Heare, I pray you, O heads of Iaakob, and yee 3

princes of the house of Israel: should not ye knowe iudge-2 ment? But they hate the good, and loue the euill: they plucke off their skinnes from them, and their flesh from their bones. 3 And they eate also the flesh of my people, and flay off their skinne from them, and they breake their bones, and chop them 4 in pieces, as for the pot, and as flesh within the caldron. Then shall they crye vnto the Lord, but he will not heare them: he wil euen hide his face from them at that time, because 5 they have done wickedly in their workes. Thus saith the Lord, Concerning the prophets that deceive my people, and bite them with their teeth, and cry peace, but if a man put not 6 into their mouthes, they prepare warre against him, Therefore night shalbe vnto you for a vision, and darkenesse shalbe vnto you for a diuination, and the sunne shall goe downe ouer 7 the prophets, and the day shalbe darke ouer them. Then shall the Seers bee ashamed, and the southsayers confounded: yea, they shall all couer their lippes, for they have none answere 8 of God. Yet notwithstanding I am full of power by the Spirite of the Lord, and of iudgement, and of strength to declare vnto 9 Iaakob his transgression, and to Israel his sinne. Heare this, I pray you, ye heades of the house of Iaakob, and princes of the house of Israel: they abhorre judgement, and peruert all equi-10 tie. They build vp Zion with blood, and Ierusalem with inig-11 uitie. The heads thereof judge for rewardes, and the Priestes thereof teache for hyre, and the prophets thereof prophecie for money: yet wil they leane vpon the Lord, and say, Is not the 12 Lord among vs? no euill can come vpon vs. Therefore shall Zion for your sake bee plowed as a field, and Ierusalem shalbe an heape, and the mountaine of the house, as the hye places of the forest.

But in the last dayes it shall come to passe, that the mountaine of the House of the Lord shall be prepared in the toppe of the mountaines, and it shall bee exalted aboue the hilles, and people shall flowe vnto it. Yea, many nations shall come and say, Come, and let vs goe vp to the Mountaine of the Lord, and to the House of the God of Iaakob, and hee will teache vs his wayes, and we wil walke in his pathes: for the Lawe shall goe forth of Zion, and the worde of the Lord from Ierusalem.

3 And he shall iudge among many people, and rebuke mightie nations a farre off, and they shall breake their swordes into

mattockes, and their speares into sithes: nation shall not lift vp a sword against nation, neither shall they learne to fight But they shall sit euery man vnder his vine, and 4 vnder his figge tree, and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the Lord of hostes hath spoken it. For all people will 5 walke euery one in the name of his God, and we will walke in the Name of the Lord our God, for euer and euer. At the same 6 day, saith the Lord, will I gather her that halteth, and I will gather her that is cast out, and her that I have afflicted. And 7 I will make her that halted, a remnant, and her that was cast farre off, a mightie nation: and the Lord shall reigne ouer them in Mount Zion, from hence forth euen for euer. And thou, O 8 towre of the flock, the strong holde of the daughter Zion, vnto thee shall it come, euen the first dominion, and kingdome shall come to the daughter Ierusalem. Nowe why doest thou crie 9 out with lamentation? is there no King in thee? is thy counseller perished? for sorowe hath taken thee, as a woman in trauaile. Sorow and mourne, O daughter Zion, like a woman 10 in trauaile: for nowe shalt thou goe foorth of the citie, and dwel in the field, and shalt goe into Babel, but there shalt thou be deliuered: there the Lord shall redeeme thee from the hand of thine enemies. Nowe also many nations are gathered against 11 thee, saying, Zion shalbe condemned and our eve shall looke vpon Zion. But they knowe not the thoughtes of the Lord: 12 they vnderstand not his counsell, for he shall gather them as the sheaues in the barne. Arise, and thresh, O daughter Zion: 13 for I will make thine horne yron, and I will make thine hooues brasse, and thou shalt breake in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their riches vnto the Lord, and their substance vnto the ruler of the whole worlde.

Nowe assemble thy garisons, O daughter of garisons: he hath layed siege against vs: they shall smite the iudge of Israel with a rod vpon the cheeke. And thou Beth-leem Ephrathah 2 art litle to bee among the thousandes of Iudah, yet out of thee shall he come forth vnto me, that shalbe the ruler in Israel: whose goings forth haue bene from the beginning and from euerlasting. Therefore will he giue them vp, vntill the time that 3 shee which shall beare, shall trauaile: then the remnant of their brethren shall returne vnto the children of Israel. And 4 he shall stand, and feed in the strength of the Lord, and in

the maiestie of the Name of the Lord his God, and they shall dwel still: for now shall he be magnified vnto the ends of the And hee shall be our peace when Asshur shall come into our lande: when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seuen shepheardes, and eight principall 6 men. And they shall destroy Asshur with the sword, and the land of Nimrod with their swordes: thus shall he deliuer vs from Asshur, when hee commeth into our lande, and when he 7 shall tread within our borders. And the remnant of Iaakob shalbe among many people, as a dewe from the Lord, and as the showres vpon the grasse, that waiteth not for man, nor 8 hopeth in the sonnes of Adam. And the remnant of Iaakob shalbe among the Gentiles in the middes of many people, as the lyon among the beastes of the forest, and as the lyons whelpe among the flockes of sheepe, who when he goeth thorow, treadeth downe and teareth in pieces, and none can deliuer. 9 Thine hand shall bee lift vp vpon thine aduersaries, and all 10 thine enemies shalbe cut off. And it shall come to passe in that day, sayth the Lord, that I will cut off thine horses out 11 of the middes of thee, and I will destroy thy charets. will cut off the cities of thy land, and ouerthrowe all thy strong 12 holdes. And I will cut off thine enchanters out of thine hande: 13 and thou shalt have no more southsavers. Thine idoles also will I cut off, and thine images out of the middes of thee: and 14 thou shalt no more worship the woorke of thine hands. And I wil plucke vp thy groues out of the middes of thee: so will I 15 destroy thine enemies. And I will execute a vegeance in my wrath and indignation vpon the heathen, which they have not heard.

Hearken ye nowe what the Lord sayth, Arise thou, and contende before the mountaines, and let the hilles heare thy voyce.

Heare ye, O mountaynes, the Lordes quarel, and ye mightie foundations of the earth: for the Lord hath a quarell against his people, and he will pleade with Israel. O my people, what haue I done vnto thee? or wherin haue I grieued thee? testifie against me. Surely I brought thee vp out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of seruants, and I haue sent before thee, Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember nowe what Balak King of Moab had deuised, and what Balaam the sonne of Beor answered him, from Shittim

vnto Gilgal, that ye may knowe the righteousnes of the Lord. Wherewith shall I come before the Lord, and bowe my selfe be- 6 fore the hie God? Shall I come before him with burnt offrings, and with calues of a yeere olde? Will the Lord be pleased with 7 thousands of rams, or with ten thousand rivers of oyle? shall I give my first borne for my transgression, even the fruite of my bodie, for the sinne of my soule? He hath shewed thee, 8 O man, what is good, and what the Lord requireth of thee: surely to doe iustly, and to loue mercie, and to humble thy selfe, to walke with thy God. The Lordes voyce cryeth vnto 9 the citie, and the man of wisedome shall see thy name: Heare the rodde, and who hath appoynted it. Are yet the treasures of 10 wickednes in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure, that is abominable? Shall I justifie the wicked balances, and 11 the bag of deceitfull weightes? For the rich men thereof are 12 full of crueltie, and the inhabitants thereof haue spoken lyes, and their tongue is deceitfull in their mouth. Therefore also 13 will I make thee sicke in smiting thee, and in making thee desolate, because of thy sinnes. Thou shalt eate and not be sat- 14 isfied, and thy casting downe shall be in the mids of thee, and thou shalt take holde, but shalt not deliuer: and that which thou deliuerest, will I giue vp to the sworde. Thou shalt sowe, 15 but not reape: thou shalt treade the oliues, but thou shalt not anoint thee with oyle, and make sweete wine, but shalt not drinke wine. For the statutes of Omri are kept, and all the 16 maner of the house of Ahab, and ye walke in their counsels, that I should make thee waste, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing: therefore we shall beare the reproche of my people.

Woe is me, for I am as the sommer gatherings, and as the 7 grapes of the vintage: there is no cluster to eate: my soule desired the first ripe fruites. The good man is perished out of 2 the earth, and there is none righteous among men: they all lye in wayte for blood: euery man hunteth his brother with a net. To make good for the euil of their hands, the prince asked, and 3 the iudge iudgeth for a reward: therefore the great man he speaketh out the corruption of his soule: so they wrapt it vp. The best of them is as a brier, and the most righteous of them 4 is sharper then a thorne hedge: the day of thy watchmen and thy visitation commeth: then shalbe their confusion. Trust 5 ye not in a friend, neither put ye confidence in a counseller:

keepe the doores of thy mouth from her that lyeth in thy bo-6 some. For the sonne reuileth the father: ye daughter riseth vp against her mother: the daughter in lawe against her mother in lawe, and a mans enemies are the men of his owne house. 7 Therefore I will looke vnto the Lord: I will waite for God my 8 Sauiour: my God will heare me. Reioyce not against me, O mine enemie: though I fall, I shall arise: when I shall sit in 9 darkenesse, the Lord shalbe a light vnto me. I will beare the wrath of the Lord because I haue sinned against him, vntill he pleade my cause, and execute judgement for me: then will he bring me foorth to the light, and I shall see his righteous-10 nesse. Then she that is mine enemie, shall looke vpon it, and shame shall couer her, which said vnto me, Where is the Lord thy God? Mine eyes shall behold her: now shall she be tro-11 den downe as the myre of the streetes. This is ye day, that thy walles shalbe built: this day shall driue farre away the de-12 cree. In this day also they shall come vnto thee from Asshur, and from the strong cities, and from the strong holdes euen vnto the riuer, and from Sea to Sea, and from mountaine to 13 mountaine. Notwithstanding, the lande shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, and for the fruites of their 14 inventions. Feed thy people with thy rod, the flocke of thine heritage (which dwell solitarie in the wood) as in the middes of Carmel: let them feede in Bashan and Gilead, as in olde 15 time. According to the dayes of thy comming out of the lande 16 of Egypt, will I shewe vnto him marueilous things. tions shall see, and be confounded for all their power: they shall lay their hande vpon their mouth: their eares shall be They shall licke the dust like a serpent: they shall mooue out of their holes like wormes: they shalbe afraide of 18 the Lord our God, and shall feare because of thee. Who is a God like vnto thee, that taketh away iniquitie, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage! He reteineth 19 not his wrath for euer, because mercie pleaseth him. He will turne againe, and haue compassion vpon vs: he will subdue our iniquities, and cast all their sinnes into the bottome of the 20 sea. Thou wilt perfourme thy trueth to Iaakob, and mercie to Abraham, as thou hast sworne vnto our fathers in olde time.

## NAHUM.

he burden of Nineueh. The booke of the vision of  ${f 1}$ Nahum the Elkeshite. God is ielous, and the Lord 2 reuengeth: the Lord reuengeth: euen the Lord of anger, the Lord will take vengeance on his aduersaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies. The Lord is slow to anger. 3 but he is great in power, and will not surely cleare the wicked: the Lord hath his way in ye whirlewind, and in the storme, and the cloudes are the dust of his feete. He rebuketh the 4 sea, and dryeth it, and he dryeth vp all the riuers: Bashan is wasted and Carmel, and the floure of Lebanon is wasted. The mountaines tremble for him, and the hilles melt, and the 5 earth is burnt at his sight, yea, the worlde, and all that dwell therein. Who can stande before his wrath? or who can abide 6 in the fiercenesse of his wrath? his wrath is powred out like fire, and the rockes are broken by him. The Lord is good and 7 as a strong hold in the day of trouble, and he knoweth them that trust in him. But passing ouer as with a flood, he will 8 vtterly destroy the place thereof, and darknesse shall pursue his enemies. What doe ye imagine against the Lord? he wil 9 make an ytter destruction: affliction shall not rise vp the seconde time. For he shall come as vnto thornes folden one in an- 10 other, and as vnto drunkards in their drunkennesse: they shall be deuoured as stubble fully dryed. There commeth one out 11 of thee that imagineth euill against the Lord, euen a wicked counsellour. Thus saith the Lord, Though they be quiet, and 12 also many, yet thus shall they be cut off when he shall passe by: though I have afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more. For nowe I will breake his yoke from thee, and will burst thy 13 bonds in sunder. And the Lord hath given a commandement 14 concerning thee, that no more of thy name be sowen: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the grauen, and the molten image: I will make it thy graue for thee, for thou art vile. Be- 15 holde vpon the mountaines the feete of him that declareth, and publisheth peace: O Iudah, keepe thy solemne feastes, perfourme thy vowes: for the wicked shall no more passe thorowe thee: he is vtterly cut off.

2 The destroyer is come before thy face: keepe the munition: looke to the way: make thy loynes strong: increase thy strength 2 mightily. For the Lord hath turned away the glorie of Iaakob, as the glorie of Israel: for the emptiers have emptied them out, 3 and marred their vine branches. The shield of his mightie men is made red: the valiant men are in skarlet: the charets shalbe as in the fire and flames in the day of his preparation, 4 and the firre trees shall tremble. The charets shall rage in the streetes: they shall runne to and from in the hie wayes: they shall seeme like lampes: they shall shoote like the light-5 ning. He shall remember his strong men: they shall stumble as they goe: they shall make haste to the walles thereof, 6 and the defence shall bee prepared. The gates of the rivers 7 shalbe opened, and the palace shall melt. And Huzzab the Queene shalbe led away captiue, and her maides shall leade her as with the vovce of doues, smiting vpon their breastes. 8 But Nineueh is of olde like a poole of water: yet they shall flee away. Stande, stande, shall they crie: but none shall looke 9 backe. Spoyle ve the siluer, spoyle the golde: for there is none 10 ende of the store, and glorie of all the pleasant vessels. She is emptie and voyde and waste, and the heart melteth, and the knees smite together, and sorowe is in all loynes, and the 11 faces of the all gather blackenesse. Where is the dwelling of the lyons, and the pasture of the lyons whelpes? where the lyon, and the lionesse walked, and the lyons whelpe, and none 12 made them afrayde. The lyon did teare in pieces ynough for his whelpes, and woryed for his lyonesse, and filled his holes 13 with praye, and his dennes with, spoyle. Beholde, I come vnto thee, sayeth the Lord of hostes, and I will burne her charets in the smoke, and the sworde shall deuoure thy yong lyons, and I will cut off thy spoyle from the earth, and the voyce of thy messengers shall no more be heard. 3

O bloody citie, it is all full of lyes, and robberie: the pray departeth not: The noyse of a whippe, and the noyse of the mouing of the wheeles, and the beating of the horses, and the leaping of the charets. The horseman lifteth vp both the bright sword, and the glittering speare, and a multitude is slaine, and the dead bodyes are many: there is none ende of their corpses: they stumble vpon their corpses, Because of the multitude of the fornications of the harlot that is beautifull, and is a mis-

tresse of witchcraft, and selleth the people thorow her whoredome, and the nations thorowe her witchcrafts. Beholde, I 5 come vpon thee, saith the Lord of hostes, and will discouer thy skirtes vpon thy face, and will shewe the nations thy filthines, and the kingdomes thy shame. And I will cast filth vpon thee, 6 and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gasing stocke. And 7 it shall come to passe, that all they that looke vpon thee, shall flee from thee, and say, Nineueh is destroyed, who will haue pitie vpon her? where shall I seeke comforters for thee? Art 8 thou better then No, which was ful of people? that lay in the riuers, and had the waters round about it? whose ditche was the sea, and her wall was from the sea? Ethiopia and Egypt were 9 her strength, and there was none ende: Put and Lubim were her helpers. Yet was she caried awaye, and went into cap- 10 tiuitie: her young children also were dashed in pieces at the head of all the streetes: and they cast lottes for her noble men. and al her myghtie men were bound in chaines. Also thou 11 shalt bee drunken: thou shalt hide thy selfe, and shalt seeke helpe because of the enemie. All thy strong cities shall be like 12 figtrees with the first ripe figs: for if they be shaken, they fall into the mouth of the eater. Beholde, thy people within thee 13 are women: the gates of thy land shalbe opened vnto thine enemies, and ye fire shall deuoure thy barres. Drawe thee 14 waters for the siege: fortifie thy strong holdes: go into the clay, and temper the morter: make strong bricke. There shall ve 15 fire devoure thee: the sword shall cut thee off: it shall eate thee vp like the locustes, though thou bee multiplied like the locustes, and multiplyed like the grashopper. Thou hast mul- 16 tiplied thy marchantes aboue the starres of heaven: the locust spoileth and flyeth away. Thy princes are as the grashoppers, 17 and thy captaines as the great grashoppers which remaine in the hedges in the colde day: but when the sunne ariseth, they flee away and their place is not known where they are. Thy 18 shepheardes doe sleepe, O King of Asshur: thy strong men lie downe: thy people is scattered vpon the mountaines, and no man gathereth them. There is no healing of thy wounde: thy 19 plague is grieuous: all that heare the brute of thee, shall clap the handes ouer thee: for vpon whome hath not thy malice passed continually?

#### HABAKKUK.

he burden, which Habakkuk the Prophet did see. O Lord, howe long shall I crye, and thou wilt not heare! euen crye out vnto thee for violence, and thou wilt not helpe! Why doest thou shewe mee iniquitie, and cause me to beholde sorowe? for spoyling, and violence are before me: and there are that rayse vp strife and contention. 4 Therefore the Lawe is dissolued, and judgement doeth neuer go forth: for the wicked doeth compasse about the righteous: 5 therefore wrong iudgement proceedeth. Beholde among the heathen, and regarde, and wonder, and maruaile: for I will worke a worke in your dayes: yee will not beleeue it, though it 6 be tolde you. For lo, I raise vp the Caldeans, that bitter and furious nation, which shall goe vpon the breadth of the lande 7 to possesse the dwelling places, that are not theirs. They are terrible and fearefull: their iudgement and their dignitie shall 8 proceede of theselues. Their horses also are swifter then the leopards, and are more fierce then the wolues in the euening: and their horsemen are many: and their horsemen shall come 9 from farre: they shall flie as the eagle hasting to meate. They come all to spoyle: before their faces shalbe an Eastwinde, and 10 they shall gather the captiuitie, as the sand. And they shall mocke the Kings, and the princes shalbe a skorne vnto them: they shall deride euery strong holde: for they shall gather dust, 11 and take it. Then shall they take a courage, and transgresse and doe wickedly, imputing this their power vnto their god. 12 Art thou not of olde, O Lord my God, mine holy one? we shall not die: O Lord, thou hast ordeined them for judgement, and 13 O God, thou hast established them for correction. Thou art of pure eyes, and canst not see euill: thou canst not behold wickednesse: wherefore doest thou looke vpon the transgressors, and holdest thy tongue when the wicked deuoureth the 14 man, that is more righteous then he? And makest men as the fishes of the sea, and as the creeping things, that have no ruler 15 ouer them. They take vp all with the angle: they catch it in their net, and gather it in their varne, whereof they reiovce and 16 are glad. Therefore they sacrifice vnto their net, and burne

incense vnto their yarne, because by them their portion is fat and their meat plenteous. Shall they therefore stretch out 17 their net and not spare continually to slay the nations?

I will stand vpon my watch, and set me vpon the towre, 2 and wil looke and see what he would say vnto mee, and what I shall answere to him that rebuketh me. And the Lord an- 2 swered me, and sayde, Write the vision, and make it plaine vpon tables, that he may runne that readeth it. For the vision 3 is yet for an appointed time, but at the last it shall speake, and not lie: though it tarie, waite: for it shall surely come, and shall not stay. Beholde, he that lifteth vp himselfe, his minde 4 is not vpright in him, but the iust shall liue by his fayth, Yea, 5 in deede the proude man is as hee that transgresseth by wine: therefore shall he not endure, because he hath enlarged his desire as the hell, and is as death, and can not be satisfied, but gathereth vnto him all nations, and heapeth vnto him all Shall not all these take vp a parable against him, 6 and a tanting prouerbe against him, and say, Ho, he that increaseth that which is not his? howe long? and hee that ladeth himselfe with thicke clay? Shall they not rise vp suddenly, 7 that shall bite thee? and awake, that shall stirre thee? and thou shalt be their praye? Because thou hast spoyled many 8 nations, all the remnant of the people shall spoyle thee, because of mens blood, and for the wrong done in the land, in the citie, and vnto all that dwell therein. Ho, he that coueteth 9 an euil couetousnesse to his house, that he may set his nest on hie, to escape from the power of euil. Thou hast consulted 10 shame to thine owne house, by destroying many people, and hast sinned against thine owne soule. For the stone shall crie 11 out of the wall, and the beame out of the timber shall answere it. Wo vnto him that buildeth a towne with blood, and erecteth 12 a citie by iniquitie. Beholde, is it not of the Lord of hostes 13 that the people shall labour in ye very fire? the people shall euen weary themselues for very vanitie. For the earth shall be 14 filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters couer the sea. Wo vnto him that giveth his neighbour drinke: 15 thou ioynest thine heate, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest see their privities. Thou art filled with shame 16 for glorie: drinke thou also, and be made naked: the cup of the Lords right hand shall be turned vnto thee, and shamefull

17 spuing shalbe for thy glory. For the crueltie of Lebanon shall couer thee: so shall the spoyle of the beastes, which made them afraide, because of mens blood, and for the wrong done in the land, in the citie, and vnto all that dwell therein. What profiteth the image? for the maker thereof hath made it an image, and a teacher of lies, though he that made it, trust therein, when he maketh dumme idoles. Wo vnto him that sayth to the wood, Awake, and to the dumme stone, Rise vp, it shall teach thee: beholde, it is layde ouer with golde and siluer, and there is no breath in it. But the Lord is in his holy Temple: let all the earth keepe silence before him.

A prayer of Habakkuk the Prophet for the ignorances. **3**, 2 Lord, I haue heard thy voyce, and was afraide: O Lord, reuiue thy worke in the mids of the people, in the mids of the yeeres 3 make it knowen: in wrath remember mercy. God commeth from Teman, and the holy one from mount Paran, Selah. His glory couereth the heavens, and the earth is full of his prayse, 4 And his brightnes was as the light: he had hornes comming 5 out of his hands, and there was the hiding of his power. Before him went the pestilence, and burning coales went forth 6 before his feete. He stoode and measured the earth: he behelde and dissolued the nations and the euerlasting mountaines were broken, and the ancient hilles did bowe: his wayes 7 are euerlasting. For his iniquitie I sawe the tentes of Cushan, 8 and the curtaines of the land of Midian did tremble. Was the Lord angry against the rivers? or was thine anger against the floods? or was thy wrath against the sea, that thou diddest 9 ride vpon thine horses? thy charets brought saluation. bowe was manifestly reueiled, and the othes of the tribes were a sure worde, Selah. thou diddest cleaue the earth with riuers. 10 The mountaines sawe thee, and they trembled: the streame of the water passed by: the deepe made a noyse, and lift vp his 11 hand on hie. The sunne and moone stood still in their habitation: at the light of thine arrowes they went, and at the bright 12 shining of thy speares. Thou trodest downe the land in anger, 13 and didest thresh the heathen in displeasure. Thou wentest foorth for the saluation of thy people, euen for saluation with thine Anointed: thou hast wounded the head of the house of the wicked, and discoueredst the foundations vnto the necke, 14 Selah. Thou didest strike thorowe with his owne staues the

heades of his villages: they came out as a whirle winde to scatter me: their reioycing was as to deuoure the poore secretly. Thou didest walke in the sea with thine horses vpon the heape 15 of great waters. When I heard, my bellie trembled: my lippes 16 shooke at the voyce: rottennesse entred into my bones, and I trembled in my selfe, that I might rest in the day of trouble: for whe he commeth vp vnto the people, he shall destroy them. For the figtree shall not flourish, neither shall fruite be in the 17 vines: the labour of the oliue shall faile, and the fieldes shall yeelde no meate: the sheepe shalbe cut off from the folde, and there shalbe no bullocke in the stalles. But I will reioyce in 18 the Lord: I will ioy in the God of my saluation. The Lord God 19 is my strength: hee will make my feete like hindes feete, and he will make me to walke vpon mine hie places. To the chiefe singer on Neginothai.

#### ZEPHANIAH.

he word of the Lord, which came vnto Zephaniah ye sonne of Cushi, the sonne of Gedaliah, the sonne of Amariah, the sonne of Hizkiah, in the dayes of Iosiah, the sonne of Amon King of Iudah. I will surely de-3 stroy all things from off the land, saith the Lord. I will destroy man and beast: I wil destroy the foules of the heauen, and the fishes of the sea, and ruines shalbe to the wicked, and I will cut 4 off man from off the land, saith the Lord. I will also stretch out mine hand vpon Iudah, and vpon all the inhabitants of Ierusalem, and I wil cut off the remnant of Baal from this 5 place, and the name of the Chemarims with ve Priestes. And them that worship the hoste of heauen vpon the house tops, and them that worship and sweare by the Lord, and sweare 6 by Malcham, And them that are turned backe from the Lord, and those that have not sought the Lord, nor inquired for him. 7 Be stil at the presence of the Lord God: for the day of the Lord is at hand: for the Lord hath prepared a sacrifice, and hath 8 sanctified his ghests. And it shalbe in the day of the Lords sacrifice, that I will visite the princes and the Kings children, 9 and all such as are clothed with strange apparell. In the same day also will I visite all those that dance vpon the threshold so proudly, which fill their masters houses by crueltie and deceite. 10 And in that day, saith the Lord, there shall be a noise, and cry from the fishgate, and an howling from the second gate, and a 11 great destruction from the hilles. Howle ye inhabitants of the lowe place: for the companie of the marchants is destroyed: 12 all they that beare siluer, are cut off. And at that time will I searche Ierusalem with lightes, and visite the men that are frosen in their dregges, and say in their heartes, The Lord will 13 neither doe good nor doe euill. Therefore their goods shall be spoyled, and their houses waste: they shall also build houses, but not inhabite them, and they shall plant vineyards, but not 14 drinke the wine thereof. The great day of the Lord is neere: it is neere, and hasteth greatly, euen the voyce of the day of 15 the Lord: the strong man shall cry there bitterly. That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and heauinesse, a day of destruction and desolation, a day of obscuritie and darkenesse, a day of cloudes and blackenesse, A day of the trumpet and 16 alarme against the strong cities, and against the hie towres. And I will bring distresse vpon men, that they shall walke like 17 blind men, because they have sinned against the Lord, and their blood shall be powred out as dust, and their flesh as the dongue. Neither their siluer nor their golde shalbe able to 18 deliuer them in ye day of the Lords wrath, but the whole lande shalbe deuoured by the fire of his ielousie: for hee shall make euen a speedie riddance of all them that dwell in the land.

Gather your selues, euen gather you, O nation not wor- 2 thie to be loued. Before the decree come foorth, and ve be 2 as chaffe that passeth in a day, and before the fierce wrath of the Lord come vpon you, and before the day of the Lords anger come vpon you. Seeke yee the Lord all the meeke of the 3 earth, which haue wrought his iudgement: seeke righteousnesse, seeke lowlinesse, if so bee that ye may be hid in the day of the Lords wrath. For Azzah shall be forsaken, and 4 Ashkelon desolate: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noone day, and Ekron shalbe rooted vp. Wo vnto the inhabitants 5 of the sea coast. the nation of the Cherethims, the worde of the Lord is against you: O Canaan, the lande of the Philistims, I will euen destroye thee without an inhabitant. And the 6 sea coast shall be dwellings and cotages for shepheardes and sheepefoldes. And that coast shall be for the remnant of the 7 house of Iudah, to feede thereupon: in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lodge toward night: for the Lord their God shall visite them, and turne away their captiuitie. I haue heard the 8 reproch of Moab, and the rebukes of the children of Ammon, whereby they vpbraided my people, and magnified themselues against their borders. Therefore, as I liue, saith the Lord of 9 hostes, the God of Israel, Surely Moab shall bee as Sodom, and the children of Ammon as Gomorah, euen the breeding of nettels and salt pittes, and a perpetuall desolation: the residue of my folke shall spoyle them, and the remnant of my people shall possesse them. This shall they have for their pride, be- 10 cause they have reproched and magnified themselves against the Lord of hostes people. The Lord will be terrible vnto them: 11 for he wil consume all the gods of the earth, and euery man shall worship him from his place, euen all the yles of the heathen. Ye Morians also shalbe slaine by my sword with them.
And he wil stretch out his hand against the North, and destroy Asshur, and will make Nineueh desolate, and waste like
a wildernesse. And flockes shall lie in the middes of her, and all the beastes of the nations, and the pelicane, and the owle shall abide in the vpper postes of it: the voyce of birdes shall sing in the windowes, and desolations shalbe vpon the postes:
for the cedars are vncouered. This is the reioycing citie that dwelt carelesse, that said in her heart, I am, and there is none besides me: how is she made waste, and the lodging of the beastes! euery one that passeth by her, shall hisse and wagge his hand.

Woe to her that is filthie and polluted, to the robbing citie. 3 2 She heard not the voyce: she received not correction: she trusted 3 not in the Lord: she drew not neere to her God. Her princes within her are as roaring lyons: her judges are as wolues in 4 the euening, which leave not the bones till the morow. Her prophets are light, and wicked persons: her priests haue pol-5 luted the Sanctuarie: they have wrested the Lawe. The just Lord is in the middes thereof: he will doe none iniquitie: euery morning doeth hee bring his iudgement to light, he faileth 6 not: but the wicked will not learne to be ashamed. I have cut off the nations: their towres are desolate: I have made their streetes waste, that none shall passe by: their cities are 7 destroyed without man and without inhabitant. I said, Surely thou wilt feare me: thou wilt receive instruction: so their dwelling shoulde not be destroyed howsoeuer I visited them, but they 8 rose earely and corrupted all their workes. Therefore wait ve vpon me, saith the Lord, vntill the day that I rise vp to the praye: for I am determined to gather the nations, and that I will assemble the kingdomes to powre vpon them mine indignation, euen all my fierce wrath: for all the earth shall be 9 deuoured with the fire of my ielousie. Surely then will I turne to the people a pure language, that they may all call vpon the 10 Name of the Lord, to serue him with one cosent. From beyonde the riuers of Ethiopia, the daughter of my dispersed, 11 praying vnto me, shall bring me an offering. In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy workes, wherein thou hast transgressed against mee: for then I will take away out of the middes of thee them that reioyce of thy pride, and thou shalt no

more be proude of mine holy Mountaine. Then will I leaue in 12 the middes of thee an humble and poore people: and they shall trust in the Name of the Lord. The remnant of Israel shall do 13 none iniquitie, nor speake lies: neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shalbe fed, and lie downe, and none shall make them afraide. Reiovce, O daughter Zion: 14 be ye ioyfull, O Israel: be glad and reioyce with all thine heart, O daughter Ierusalem. The Lord hath taken away thy judge- 15 ments: hee hath cast out thine enemie: the King of Israel, euen the Lord is in the middes of thee: thou shalt see no more euill. In that day it shalbe said to Ierusalem. Feare thou not. 16 O Zion: let not thine handes be faint. The Lord thy God in 17 the middes of thee is mightie: hee will saue, hee will reioyce ouer thee with iove: he will quiet himselfe in his loue: he will reioyce ouer thee with ioy. After a certaine time will I gather 18 the afflicted that were of thee, and them that bare the reproch for it. Beholde, at that time I will bruise all that afflict thee, 19 and I will saue her that halteth, and gather her that was cast out, and I will get them praise and fame in all the landes of their shame. At that time wil I bring you againe, and then wil 20 I gather you: for I wil giue you a name and a praise among all people of the earth, when I turne backe your captiuitie before your eyes, saith the Lord.

### HAGGAI.

n the second yeere of King Darius, in the sixt moneth, the first day of the moneth, came ye worde of the Lord (by the ministery of the Prophet Haggai) vnto Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealtiel, a prince of Iudah, and to Iehoshua the sonne of Iehozadak the hie Priest, say-2 ing, Thus speaketh the Lord of hostes, saying, This people say, The time is not yet come, that the Lords House should be 3 builded. Then came the worde of the Lord by the ministerie of 4 the Prophet Haggai, saying, Is it time for your selues to dwell 5 in your sieled houses, and this House lie waste? Now therefore thus saith ve Lord of hostes, Consider your owne waves in 6 your hearts. Ye have sowen much, and bring in litle: ye eate. but ye haue not ynough: ye drinke, but ye are not filled: ye clothe you, but ye be not warme: and he that earneth wages, 7 putteth the wages into a broken bagge. Thus sayth the Lord 8 of hostes, Consider your owne wayes in your hearts. Goe vp to the mountaine, and bring wood, and build this House, and I wil 9 be fauourable in it, and I will be glorified, sayth the Lord. Ye looked for much, and lo, it came to litle: and when ye brought it home, I did blowe vpon it. And why, sayth the Lord of hostes? Because of mine House that is waste, and ye runne euery man 10 vnto his owne house. Therefore the heauen ouer you staved it 11 selfe from dewe, and the earth stayed her fruite. And I called for a drought vpon the land, and vpon the mountaines, and vpon the corne, and vpon the wine, and vpon the oyle, vpon all that the ground bringeth foorth: both vpon men and vpon cat-12 tell, and vpon all the labour of the hands. When Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealtiel, and Iehoshua the sonne of Iehozadak the hie Priest with all the remnant of the people, heard the voyce of the Lord their God, and the wordes of the Prophet Haggai (as the Lord their God had sent him) then the people 13 did feare before the Lord. Then spake Haggai the Lords messenger in the Lords message vnto the people, saying, I am with 14 you, sayth the Lord. And the Lord stirred vp the spirite of Zerubbabel, the sonne of Shealtiel a prince of Iudah, and the spirit of Iehoshua the sonne of Iehozadak the hie Priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people, and they came, and did the worke in the House of the Lord of hostes their God.

In the foure and twentieth day of the sixt moneth, in the 2 second yeere of King Darius, In the seuenth moneth, in the 2 one and twentieth day of the moneth, came the worde of the Lord by the ministerie of the Prophet Haggai, saving, Speake 3 nowe to Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealtiel prince of Iudah, and to Iehoshua the sonne of Iehozadak the hie Priest, and to the residue of the people, saying, Who is left among you, that 4 sawe this House in her first glory, and howe doe you see it nowe? is it not in your eyes, in comparison of it as nothing? Yet nowe be of good courage, O Zerubbabel, sayth the Lord, 5 and be of good comfort, O Iehoshua, sonne of Iehozadak the hie Priest: and be strong, all ve people of the land, sayth the Lord, and doe it: for I am with you, sayth the Lord of hostes, Ac- 6 cording to the worde that I couenanted with you, when ve came out of Egypt: so my Spirite shall remaine among you, feare ve not. For thus sayth the Lord of hostes, Yet a litle while, and 7 I will shake the heavens and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land: And I will moue all nations, and the desire of all 8 nations shall come, and I will fill this House with glory, sayth the Lord of hostes. The siluer is mine, and the golde is mine, 9 sayth the Lord of hostes. The glory of this last House shall 10 be greater then the first, sayth the Lord of hostes: and in this place will I giue peace, sayth the Lord of hostes. In the foure 11 and twentieth day of the ninth moneth, in the second yeere of Darius, came the worde of the Lord vnto the Prophet Haggai, saying. Thus sayth the Lord of hostes, Aske nowe the Priests 12 concerning the Law, and say, If one beare holy flesh in the 13 skirt of his garment, and with his skirt doe touch the bread, or the potage, or the wine, or oyle, or any meate, shall it be holy? And the Priests answered and said, No. Then sayde Haggai, 14 If a polluted person touch any of these, shall it be vncleane? And the Priests answered, and sayd, It shalbe vncleane. Then 15 answered Haggai, and sayd, So is this people, and so is this nation before me, saith the Lord: and so are all the workes of their hands, and that which they offer here, is vncleane. And 16 nowe, I pray you, consider in your mindes: from this day, and afore, euen afore a stone was layde vpon a stone in the Temple of the Lord: Before these things were, when one came to 17

an heape of twentie measures, there were but ten: when one came to the wine presse for to drawe out fiftie vessels out of the 18 presse, there were but twentie. I smote you with blasting, and with mildewe, and with haile, in all the labours of your hands: 19 yet you turned not to me, saith the Lord. Consider, I pray you, in your mindes, from this day, and afore from the foure and twentieth day of the ninth moneth, euen from the day that the foundation of the Lords Temple was laide: consider it in your Is the seede yet in the barne? as yet the vine, and 20 mindes. the figtree, and the pomegranate, and the oliue tree hath not 21 brought forth: from this day will I blesse you. And againe the worde of the Lord came vnto Haggai in the foure and twentieth 22 day of the moneth, saying, Speake to Zerubbabel the prince of 23 Iudah, and say, I wil shake the heauens and the earth, And I will ouerthrowe the throne of kingdomes, and I wil destroy the strength of the kingdomes of the heathen, and I wil ouerthrowe the charets, and those that ride in them, and the horse and the riders shall come downe, euery one by the sword of his brother. 24 In that day, saith the Lord of hostes, will I take thee, O Zerubbabel my seruant, the sonne of Shealtiel, sayth the Lord, and wil make thee as a signet: for I have chosen thee, sayth the Lord of hostes.

### ZECHARIAH.

n the eight moneth of the second yeere of Darius, came 1 the worde of the Lord vnto Zechariah the sonne of Berechiah, the sonne of Iddo, the Prophet, saying, The Lord hath bene sore displeased with your fathers. 2

Therefore say thou vnto them, Thus sayth the Lord of hostes, 3 Turne ve vnto me, saith the Lord of hostes, and I will turne vnto you, saith the Lord of hostes. Be ye not as your fa- 4 thers, vnto whome the former prophets have cried, saving, Thus sayth the Lord of hostes. Turne you nowe from your euill wayes, and from your wicked workes: but they would not heare, nor hearken vnto me, saith the Lord. vour fathers, 5 where are they? and doe the Prophets liue for euer? But did 6 not my wordes and my statutes, which I commanded by my seruants ye Prophets, take holde of your fathers? and they returned, and sayd, As the Lord of hostes hath determined to doe vnto vs, according to our owne wayes, and according to our workes, so hath hee dealt with vs. Vpon the foure and twen-7 tieth day of the eleuenth moneth, which is the moneth Shebat, in the second yeere of Darius, came the worde of the Lord vnto Zechariah the sonne of Berechiah, the sonne of Iddo the Prophet, saying, I saw by night, and behold a man riding vpon 8 a red horse, and hee stood among the mirre trees, that were in a bottome, and behinde him were there red horses speckeled Then sayd I, O my Lord, what are these? And 9 the Angel that talked with me, sayde vnto me, I wil shew thee what these be. And the man that stood among the mirre trees, 10 answered, and sayd, These are they whome the Lord hath sent to go through the world. And they answered the Angel of the 11 Lord, that stood among the mirre trees, and sayd, We have gone thorowe the world: and beholde, all the world sitteth Then the Angel of the Lord answered 12 still, and is at rest. and sayd, O Lord of hostes, howe long wilt thou be vnmercifull to Ierusalem, and to the cities of Iudah, with whom thou hast bene displeased now these threescore and ten yeeres? And 13 the Lord answered the Angel that talked with me, with good wordes and comfortable wordes. So the Angel that communed 14

with me, said vnto me, Crie thou, and speake, Thus saith the Lord of hostes, I am ielous ouer Ierusalem and Zion with a 15 great zeale, And am greatly angrie against the carelesse heathen: for I was angrie but a litle, and they helped forward the Therefore thus saith the Lord, I wil returne vnto Ierusalem with tender mercie: mine house shall be builded in it, saith the Lord of hostes, and a line shall be stretched vpon 17 Ierusalem. Cry yet, and speake, Thus saith the Lord of hostes, My cities shall yet be broken with plentie: the Lord shall yet 18 comfort Zion, and shall yet chuse Ierusalem. Then lift I vp 19 mine eyes and sawe, and beholde, foure hornes. And I said vnto the Angel that talked with me, What be these? And hee answered me, These are the hornes which have scattered Iu-20 dah, Israel, and Ierusalem. And the Lord shewed me foure 21 carpenters. Then said I, What come these to doe? And he answered, and said, These are the hornes, which have scattered Iudah, so that a man durst not lift vp his head: but these are come to fray them, and to cast out the hornes of the Gentiles, which lift vp their horne ouer the land of Iudah, to scatter it.

I lift vp mine eyes againe and looked, and behold, a man with a measuring line in his hand. Then saide I, Whither goest thou? And he saide vnto me, To measure Ierusalem, that I may see what is the breadth thereof, and what is the length thereof. And beholde, the Angel that talked with me, went foorth: and another Angel went out to meete him, And saide vnto him, Runne, speake to this yong man, and say, Ierusalem shalbe inhabited without walles, for the multitude of men and cattell therein. For I, saith the Lord, will be vnto her a wall of fire round about, and wil be the glory in the middes of her. Ho, ho, come forth, and flee from the land of the North, saith the Lord: for I haue scattered you into the foure winds of the heauen, saith ye Lord. Saue thy selfe, O Zion, that dwellest with the daughter of Babel. For thus saith the Lord of hostes,

you: for he that toucheth you, toucheth the apple of his eye.

9 For beholde, I will lift vp mine hand vpon them: and they shalbe a spoyle to those that serued them, and ye shall knowe,

10 that the Lord of hostes hath sent me. Reioyce, and be glad,
O daughter Zion: for loe, I come, and will dwell in the middes

After this glory hath hee sent me vnto the nations, which spoyled

11 of thee, saith the Lord. And many nations shall be ioyned to

the Lord in that day, and shalbe my people: and I will dwell in the middes of thee, and thou shalt knowe that the Lord of hostes hath sent me vnto thee. And the Lord shall inherite 12 Iudah his portion in the holy lande, and shall chuse Ierusalem againe. Let all flesh be still before the Lord: for he is raised 13 vp out of his holy place.

And he shewed mee Iehoshua the hie Priest, standing be- 3 fore the Angel of the Lord, and Satan stoode at his right hand to resist him. And the Lord said vnto Satan. The Lord re- 2 prooue thee, O Satan: euen the Lord that hath chosen Ierusalem, reprodue thee. Is not this a brand taken out of the fire? Nowe 3 Iehoshua was clothed with filthie garments, and stoode before the Angel. And he answered and spake vnto those that stoode 4 before him, saving, Take away the filthie garments from him. And vnto him hee saide, Behold, I have caused thine iniquitie to depart from thee, and I wil clothe thee with change of raiment. And I saide, Let them set a faire diademe vpon his 5 head. So they set a faire diademe vpon his head, and clothed him with garments, and the Angel of the Lord stoode by. And 6 the Angel of the Lord testified vnto Iehoshua, saying, Thus 7 saith the Lord of hostes, If thou wilt walke in my wayes, and keepe my watch, thou shalt also judge mine House, and shalt also keepe my courtes, and I will give thee place among these that stand by. Heare now, O Iehoshua the hie Priest, thou 8 and thy fellowes that sit before thee: for they are monstruous persons: but behold, I wil bring forth the Branche my seruant. For loe, the stone that I have layd before Iehoshua: vpon one 9 stone shalbe seuen eyes: beholde, I will cut out the grauing thereof, saith the Lord of hostes, and I will take away the iniquitie of this land in one day. In that day, saith the Lord of 10 hostes, shall ye call euery man his neighbour vnder the vine, and vnder the figge tree.

And the Angel that talked with mee, came againe and waked 4 mee, as a man that is raysed out of his sleepe, And saide vnto 2 me, What seest thou? And I said, I haue looked, and beholde, a candlesticke all of gold with a bowle vpon the toppe of it, and his seuen lampes therein, and seuen pipes to the lampes, which were vpon the toppe thereof. And two oliue trees ouer 3 it, one vpon the right side of the bowle, and the other vpon the left side thereof. So I answered, and spake to the Angel 4

5 that talked with me, saying, What are these, my Lord? Then the Angel that talked with mee, answered and said vnto me, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my Lord. 6 Then he answered and spake vnto me, saying, This is the word of the Lord vnto Zerubbabel, saying, Neither by an armie nor 7 strength, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hostes. Who art thou, O great mountaine, before Zerubbabel? thou shalt be a plaine, and he shall bring foorth the head stone thereof, with 8 shoutings, crying, Grace, grace vnto it. Moreouer, the word 9 of the Lord came vnto me, saying, The handes of Zerubbabel haue layde the foundation of this house: his handes shall also finish it, and thou shalt knowe that the Lord of hostes hath 10 sent me vnto you. For who hath despised the day of the small thinges? but they shall reioyce, and shall see the stone of tinne in the hand of Zerubbabel: these seuen are the eyes of the Lord, 11 which go thorow the whole world. Then answered I, and said vnto him, What are these two oliue trees vpon the right and 12 vpon the left side thereof? And I spake moreouer, and said vnto him, What bee these two oliue branches, which thorowe 13 the two golden pipes emptie themselues into the golde? And hee answered me, and saide, Knowest thou not what these bee? 14 And I sayde, No, my Lord. Then said he, These are the two oliue branches, that stand with the ruler of the whole earth.

Then I turned me, and lifted vp mine eyes and looked, and 5 2 beholde, a flying booke. And he said vnto me, What seest thou? And I answered, I see a flying booke: the length thereof 3 is twentie cubites, and the breadth thereof tenne cubites. Then said he vnto me, This is the curse that goeth foorth ouer the whole earth: for euery one that stealeth, shalbe cut off aswell on this side, as on that: and euery one that sweareth, shall be 4 cut off as well on this side, as on that. I will bring it forth, saith the Lord of hosts, and it shall enter into the house of the thiefe, and into the house of him, that falsely sweareth by my Name: and it shall remaine in the middes of his house, and shall con-5 sume it, with the timber thereof, and stones thereof. Then the Angel that talked with me, went foorth, and said vnto me, Lift 6 vp now thine eyes, and see what is this that goeth foorth. And I saide, What is it? And hee sayde, This is an Ephah that goeth foorth. Hee saide moreouer, This is the sight of them through 7 all the earth. And beholde, there was lift vp a talent of lead:

and this is a woman that sitteth in the middes of the Ephah. And he said, This is wickednes, and he cast it into the middes 8 of the Ephah, and hee cast the weight of lead vpon the mouth thereof. Then lift I vp mine eyes, and looked: and beholde, 9 there came out two women, and the winde was in their wings (for they had wings like the wings of a storke) and they lift vp the Ephah betweene the earth and the heauen. Then saide I 10 to the Angel that talked with me, Whither doe these beare the Ephah? And hee saide vnto mee, To builde it an house in the 11 lande of Shinar, and it shall be established and set there vpon her owne place.

Againe, I turned and lift vp mine eyes, and looked: and be- 6 holde, there came foure charets out from betweene two mountaines, and the mountaines were mountaines of brasse. In the 2 first charet were red horses, and in the second charet blacke horses, And in the thirde charet white horses, and in the 3 fourth charet, horses of divers colours, and reddish. I answered, and saide vnto the Angell that talked with mee, What are these, my Lord? And the Angell answered, and 5 sayde vnto mee, These are the foure spirites of the heauen, which goe foorth from standing with the Lord of all the earth. That with the blacke horse went forth into the land of the 6 North, and the white went out after them, and they of divers colours went forth toward the South countrey. And the red- 7 dish went out, and required to go, and passe through the world, and he sayde, Goe passe through the worlde. So they went thorowout the world. Then cryed hee vpon me, and spake vnto 8 me, saying, Beholde, these that goe towarde the North countrey, have pacified my spirit in the North countrey. And the 9 worde of the Lord came vnto me, saying, Take of them of ye 10 captiuitie, euen of Heldai, and of Tobijah, and Iedaiah, which are come from Babel, and come thou the same day, and goe vnto the house of Ioshiah, the sonne of Zephaniah. Take euen 11 siluer, and golde, and make crownes, and set them vpon the head of Iehoshua, the sonne of Iehozadak the hie Priest, And 12 speake vnto him, saying, Thus speaketh the Lord of hostes, and sayth, Behold the man whose name is the Branch, and he shall growe vp out of his place, and he shall build the Temple of the Lord. Euen hee shall build the Temple of the Lord, and 13 he shall beare the glory, and shall sit and rule vpon his throne,

and he shalbe a Priest vpon his throne, and the counsell of
peace shall be betweene them both. And the crownes shall be
to Helem, and to Tobijah, and to Iedaiah, and to Hen the sonne
of Zephaniah, for a memoriall in the Temple of the Lord. And
they that are farre off, shall come and build in the Temple of
the Lord, and ye shall know, that the Lord of hostes hath sent
me vnto you. And this shall come to passe, if ye will obey the
voyce of the Lord your God.

And in the fourth yeere of King Darius, the worde of the 7 Lord came vnto Zechariah in the fourth day of the ninth mon-2 eth, euen in Chisleu, For they had sent vnto the House of God Sharezer, and Regem-melech and their men to pray be-3 fore the Lord, And to speake vnto the Priests, which were in the House of the Lord of hostes, and to the Prophets, saying, Should I weepe in the fift moneth, and separate my selfe as 4 I have done these so many yeeres? Then came the word of 5 the Lord of hostes vnto me, saying, Speake vnto all the people of the land, and to the Priests, and say, When ye fasted, and mourned in the fift and seuenth moneth, euen the seuen-6 tie yeeres, did ye fast vnto me? doe I approoue it? And when ye did eate, and when ye did drinke, did ye not eate for your 7 selues, and drinke for your selues? Should ye not heare the wordes, which the Lord hath cryed by the ministerie of the former Prophets when Ierusalem was inhabited, and in prosperitie, and the cities thereof round about her, when the South and 8 the plaine was inhabited? And the worde of the Lord came 9 vnto Zechariah, saying, Thus speaketh the Lord of hostes, saying, Execute true iudgement, and shewe mercy and com-10 passion, euery man to his brother, And oppresse not the widowe, nor the fatherles, the stranger nor the poore, and let none 11 of you imagine euil against his brother in your heart. But they refused to hearken, and pulled away the shoulder, and stopped 12 their eares, that they should not heare. Yea, they made their hearts as an adamant stone, least they should heare the Lawe and the wordes which the Lord of hostes sent in his spirit by the ministerie of ye former Prophets: therefore came a great 13 wrath from the Lord of hostes. Therefore it is come to passe, that as he cried, and they would not heare, so they cried, and 14 I would not heare, sayth the Lord of hostes. But I scattered them among all the nations, whom they knew not: thus the

land was desolate after them, that no man passed through nor returned: for they layd the pleasant land waste.

Againe the worde of the Lord of hostes came to me, saying, 8 Thus saith the Lord of hostes, I was ielous for Zion with great 2 ielousie, and I was ielous for her with great wrath. Thus saith 3 the Lord, I wil returne vnto Zion, and wil dwel in the mids of Ierusalem: and Ierusalem shalbe called a citie of trueth. and the Mountaine of the Lord of hostes, the holy Mountaine. Thus sayth the Lord of hostes, There shall yet olde men and 4 olde women dwell in the streetes of Ierusalem, and euery man with his staffe in his hand for very age. And the streetes of 5 the citie shalbe full of boyes and girles, playing in the streetes thereof. Thus saith the Lord of hostes, Though it be vnpos- 6 sible in the eyes of the remnant of this people in these dayes. should it therefore be vnpossible in my sight, sayth the Lord of hostes? Thus sayth the Lord of hostes, Beholde, I will deliuer 7 my people from the East countrey, and from the West countrey. And I wil bring them, and they shall dwel in the mids 8 of Ierusalem, and they shalbe my people, and I wil be their God in trueth, and in righteousnes. Thus sayth the Lord of 9 hostes, Let your hands be strong, ye that heare in these dayes these words by the mouth of the Prophets, which were in the day, that the foundation of the House of the Lord of hostes was laide, that the Temple might be builded. For before these 10 dayes there was no hire for man nor any hire for beast, neither was there any peace to him that went out or came in because of the affliction: for I set all men, euery one against his neighbour. But nowe, I wil not intreate the residue of this people as afore- 11 time, saith the Lord of hostes. For the seede shall be prosper- 12 ous: the vine shall give her fruite, and the ground shall give her increase, and the heavens shall give their dewe, and I will cause the remnant of this people to possesse all these things. And it shall come to passe, that as ye were a curse among the 13 heathen, O house of Iudah, and house of Israel, so wil I deliuer you, and ye shalbe a blessing: feare not, but let your hands be strong. For thus sayth the Lord of hostes, As I thought to pun- 14 ish you, when your fathers prouoked me vnto wrath, sayth the Lord of hostes, and repented not, So againe haue I determined 15 in these daies to doe well vnto Ierusalem, and to the house of Iudah: feare ye not. These are ye things that ye shall doe. 16

Speake ye euery man the trueth vnto his neighbour: execute 17 iudgement truely and vprightly in your gates, And let none of you imagine euill in your hearts against his neighbour, and loue no false othe: for all these are the things that I hate, saith 18 the Lord. And the worde of the Lord of hostes came vnto me, 19 saying, Thus sayth the Lord of hostes, The fast of the fourth moneth, and the fast of the fift, and the fast of the seuenth, and the fast of the tenth, shall be to the house of Iudah ioy and gladnes, and prosperous hie feasts: therefore loue the trueth Thus saith the Lord of hostes, That there shall 21 yet come people, and the inhabitants of great cities. And they that dwell in one citie, shall go to another, saying, Vp, let vs go and pray before the Lord, and seeke the Lord of hostes: I wil 22 go also. Yea, great people and mightie nations shall come to seeke the Lord of hostes in Ierusalem, and to pray before the 23 Lord. Thus sayth the Lord of hostes, In those dayes shall ten men take holde out of all languages of the nations, euen take holde of the skirt of him that is a Iewe, and say, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.

The burden of the worde of the Lord in the land of Hadrach: 9 and Damascus shalbe his rest: when the eyes of man, euen of 2 all the tribes of Israel shalbe toward the Lord. And Hamath also shall border thereby: Tyrus also and Zidon, though they 3 be very wise. For Tyrus did build her selfe a strong holde, and heaped vp siluer as the dust, and golde as the myre of Beholde, the Lord wil spoyle her, and he wil 4 the streetes. smite her power in the Sea, and she shalbe deuoured with fire. 5 Ashkelon shall see it, and feare, and Azzah also shalbe very sorowfull, and Ekron: for her countenance shalbe ashamed, and the King shall perish from Azzah, and Ashkelon shall not 6 be inhabited. And the stranger shall dwell in Ashdod, and I 7 wil cut off the pride of the Philistims. And I wil take away his blood out of his mouth, and his abominations from betweene his teeth: but he that remaineth, euen he shalbe for our God, and he shalbe as a prince in Iudah, but Ekron shalbe as a 8 Iebusite. And I will campe about mine House against the armie, against him that passeth by, and against him that returneth, and no oppressour shall come vpon them any more: for 9 now haue I seene with mine eyes. Reioyce greatly, O daughter Zion: shoute for ioy, O daughter Ierusalem: beholde, thy

King commeth vnto thee: he is iust and saued himselfe, poore and riding vpon an asse, and vpon a colt the foale of an asse. And I wil cut off the charets from Ephraim, and the horse from 10 Ierusalem: the bowe of the battel shalbe broken, and he shall speake peace vnto the heathen, and his dominion shalbe from sea vnto sea, and from the Riuer to the end of the land. Thou 11 also shalt be saued through the blood of thy couenant. I have loosed thy prisoners out of the pit wherein is no water. Turne 12 you to the strong holde, ye prisoners of hope: euen to day doe I declare, that I will render the double vnto thee. For Iudah 13 haue I bent as a bowe for me: Ephraims hand haue I filled. and I have raised vp thy sonnes, O Zion, against thy sonnes, O Grecia, and haue made thee as a gyants sword. And the 14 Lord shalbe seene ouer them, and his arrowe shall go forth as the lightning: and the Lord God shall blowe the trumpet, and shall come forth with the whirlewindes of the South. The 15 Lord of hostes shall defend them, and they shall deuoure them, and subdue them with sling stones, and they shall drinke, and make a novse as thorowe wine, and they shalbe filled like bowles, and as the hornes of the altar. And the Lord their 16 God shall deliuer them in that day as the flocke of his people: for they shall be as the stones of the crowne lifted up upon his land. For howe great is his goodnesse! and howe great is his 17 beautie! corne shall make the yong men cherefull, and newe wine the maides.

Aske you of the Lord raine in the time of the latter raine: so shall the Lord make white cloudes, and giue you showers of raine, and to euery one grasse in the field. Surely the idols 2 haue spoken vanitie, and the southsayers haue seene a lye, and the dreamers haue tolde a vaine thing: they comfort in vaine: therefore they went away as sheepe: they were troubled, because there was no shepheard. My wrath was kindled 3 against the shepherdes, and I did visite the goates: but the Lord of hostes will visite his flocke the house of Iudah, and will make them as his beautifull horse in the battell. Out of 4 him shall the corner come foorth: out of him the nayle, out of him ye bowe of battell, and out of him euery appointer of tribute also. And they shalbe as the mightie men, which treade 5 downe their enemies in the mire of the streetes in the battell, and they shall fight, because the Lord is with them, and the

6 riders on horses shall be confounded. And I will strengthen the house of Iudah, and I will preserue the house of Ioseph. and I wil bring them againe, for I pitie them: and they shall be as though I had not cast them off: for I am the Lord their 7 God, and will heare them. And they of Ephraim shall be as a gyant, and their heart shall reioyce as thorowe wine: yea, their children shall see it, and be glad: and their heart shall 8 reioyce in the Lord. I will hisse for them, and gather them: for I have redeemed them: and they shall encrease, as they 9 haue encreased. And I will sowe them among the people, and they shall remember me in farre countreys: and they shall liue 10 with their children and turne againe. I will bring them againe also out of the land of Egypt, and gather them out of Asshur: and I will bring them into the land of Gilead, and Lebanon, 11 and place shall not be found for them. And he shall goe into the sea with affliction, and shall smite the waves in the sea, and all the depthes of the riuer shall drye vp: and the pride of Asshur shall be cast downe, and the scepter of Egypt shall de-12 part away. And I will strengthen them in the Lord, and they shall walke in his Name, sayth the Lord.

Open thy doores, O Lebanon, and the fire shall deuoure thy 11 2 cedars. Houle, firre trees: for the cedar is fallen, because all the mightie are destroyed: houle ye, O okes of Bashan, for ye 3 defesed forest is cut downe. There is the voyce of the houling of the shepherdes: for their glorie is destroyed: the voyce of ye roaring of lyons whelpes: for the pride of Iorden is destroyed. 4 Thus sayeth the Lord my God, Feede the sheepe of the slaugh-They that possesse them, slay them and sinne not: and they that sell them, say, Blessed be the Lord: for I am riche, 6 and their owne shepherds spare them not. Surely I wil no more spare those that dwell in the land, sayth the Lord: but loe, I will deliuer the men euery one into his neighbours hand, and into the hand of his King: and they shall smite the land, 7 and out of their hands I wil not deliuer them. For I fed the sheepe of slaughter, euen the poore of the flocke, and I tooke vnto me two staues: the one I called Beautie, and the other I 8 called Bandes, and I fed the sheepe. Three shepherdes also I cut off in one moneth, and my soule lothed them, and their 9 soule abhorred me. Then said I, I will not feede you: that that dyeth, let it dye: and that that perisheth, let it perish: and let the remnant eate, euery one the flesh of his neighbour. And I 10 tooke my staffe, euen Beautie, and brake it, that I might disanull my couenant, which I had made with all people. And it was 11 broken in that day: and so the poore of the sheepe that waited vpon me, knew that it was the worde of the Lord. And I said 12 vnto them, If ye thinke it good, give me my wages: and if no, leave off: so they weighed for my wages thirtie pieces of siluer. And the Lord said vnto me, Cast it vnto the potter: a goodly 13 price, that I was valued at of them. And I tooke the thirtie pieces of siluer, and cast them to the potter in the house of the Lord. Then brake I mine other staffe, euen the Bandes, that 14 I might dissolue the brotherhood betweene Iudah and Israel. And the Lord said vnto me, Take to thee yet the instruments 15 of a foolish shepheard. For loe, I will rayse vp a shepheard in 16 the land, which shall not looke for the thing, that is lost, nor seeke the tender lambes, nor heale that that is hurt, nor feede that that standeth vp: but he shall eate the flesh of the fat, and teare their clawes in pieces. O idole shepheard that leaueth 17 the flocke: the sword shalbe vpon his arme, and vpon his right eye. His arme shall be cleane dryed vp, and his right eye shall be vtterly darkened.

The burden of the worde of the Lord vpon Israel, sayth the 12 Lord, which spred the heavens, and laved the foundation of the earth, and formed the spirite of man within him. holde, I will make Ierusalem a cuppe of poyson vnto all the people round about: and also with Iudah will he be, in ye siege against Ierusalem. And in that day will I make Ierusalem an 3 heavie stone for all people: all that lift it vp. shall be torne, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it. In that day, sayeth the Lord, I will smite euery horse with 4 astonishment, and his rider with madnesse, and I will open mine eyes vpon the house of Iudah, and will smite euery horse of the people with blindnesse. And the princes of Iudah shall 5 say in their hearts, The inhabitants of Ierusalem shall be my strength in the Lord of hostes their God. In that day will I 6 make the princes of Iudah like coles of fire among the wood, and like a fire brand in the sheafe, and they shall deuoure all the people round about on the right hand, and on the left: and Ierusalem shall be inhabited againe in her owne place, euen in Ierusalem. The Lord also shall preserve the tents of Iudah, as 7

afore time: therefore the glorie of the house of Dauid shall not boast, nor the glorie of the inhabitants of Ierusalem against In that day shall the Lord defende the inhabitants of Ierusalem, and he that is feeble among them, in that day shall be as Dauid: and the house of Dauid shall be as Gods house, 9 and as the Angel of the Lord before them. And in that day will I seeke to destroy all the nations that come against Ierusalem. 10 And I will powre vpon the house of Dauid, and vpon the inhabitants of Ierusalem the Spirite of grace and of compassion, and they shall looke vpon me, whom they have pearced, and they shall lament for him, as one mourneth for his onely sonne, and 11 be sorie for him as one is sorie for his first borne. In that day shall there be a great mourning in Ierusalem, as the mourn-12 ing of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon. And the land shall bewayle euery familie apart, the familie of the house of Dauid apart, and their wives apart: the familie of the house of 13 Nathan apart, and their wives apart: The familie of the house of Leui apart, and their wives apart: the familie of Shemei 14 apart, and their wives apart: All the families that remaine, euery familie apart, and their wiues apart.

In that day there shall be a fountaine opened to the house 13 of Dauid, and to the inhabitants of Ierusalem, for sinne and for 2 vncleannesse. And in that day, sayth the Lord of hostes, I will cut off the names of the idoles out of the land: and they shall no more be remembred: and I will cause the prophets, and the 3 vncleane spirit to depart out of the land. And when any shall yet prophesie, his father and his mother that begate him, shall say vnto him, Thou shalt not liue: for thou speakest lies in the name of the Lord: and his father and his mother that begat 4 him, shall thrust him through, when he prophesieth. in that day shall the prophetes be ashamed euery one of his vision, when he hath prophesied: neither shall they weare a 5 rough garment to deceiue. But he shall say, I am no Prophet: I am an husbandman: for man taught me to be an heardman 6 from my youth vp. And one shall say vnto him, What are these woundes in thine hands? Then he shall answere, Thus 7 was I wounded in the house of my friendes. Arise, O sword, vpon my shepheard, and vpon the man, that is my fellow, sayth the Lord of hostes: smite the shepheard, and the sheepe shall be scattered: and I will turne mine hand vpon the litle ones.

And in all the land, sayeth the Lord, two partes therein shall 8 be cut off, and die: but the third shall be left therein. And I 9 will bring that third part thorowe the fire, and will fine them as the siluer is fined, and will trye them as golde is tryed: they shall call on my Name, and I will heare them: I will say, It is my people, and they shall say, The Lord is my God.

Beholde, the day of the Lord commeth, and thy spoyle shall 14 be deuided in the middes of thee. For I will gather all na- 2 tions against Ierusalem to battell, and the citie shall be taken, and the houses spoyled, and the women defiled, and halfe of the citie shall goe into captiuitie, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from ye citie. Then shall the Lord goe 3 foorth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battell. And his feete shall stand in that day vpon 4 the mount of oliues, which is before Ierusalem on the Eastside, and the mount of olives shall cleave in the middes thereof: toward the East and toward the West there shalbe a very great valley, and halfe of ye mountaine shall remooue toward the North, and halfe of the mountaine towarde the South. And 5 yee shall flee vnto the valley of the mountaines: for the valley of the mountaines shall reache vnto Azal: yea, yee shall flee like as ye fled from the earthquake in the daies of Vzziah King of Iudah: and the Lord my God shall come, and all the Saints with thee. And in that day shall there bee no cleare 6 light, but darke. And there shall bee a day (it is knowen to 7 the Lord) neither day nor night, but about the euening time it shall be light. And in that day shall there waters of life goe 8 out from Ierusalem, halfe of them towarde the East sea, and halfe of them towarde the vttermost sea, and shall be, both in sommer and winter. And the Lord shall bee King ouer 9 all the earth: in that day shall there bee one Lord, and his Name shalbe one. All the lande shall bee turned as a plaine 10 from Geba to Rimmon, towarde the South of Ierusalem, and it shall be lifted vp, and inhabited in her place: from Beniamins gate vnto the place of the first gate, vnto the corner gate, and from the towre of Hananiel, vnto the Kings wine presses. And 11 men shall dwell in it, and there shall bee no more destruction, but Ierusalem shall bee safely inhabited. And this shall 12 bee the plague, wherewith the Lord will smite all people, that haue fought against Ierusalem: their flesh shall consume away,

though they stand vpon their feete, and their eyes shall consume in their holes, and their tongue shall consume in their But in that day a great tumult of the Lord shall be among them, and euery one shall take the hande of his neighbour, and his hande shall rise vp against the hand of his neigh-And Iudah shall fight also against Ierusalem, and the arme of all the heathen shall be gathered rounde about, with 15 golde and siluer, and great abundance of apparell. Yet this shall be the plague of the horse, of the mule, of the camell and of the asse and of all the beasts that be in these tents as this 16 plague. But it shall come to passe that every one that is left of all the nations, which came against Ierusalem, shall goe vp from yere to yere to worship the King the Lord of hostes, and 17 to keepe the feast of Tabernacles. And who so will not come vp of all the families of the earth vnto Ierusalem to worship the King the Lord of hostes, euen vpon them shall come no 18 raine. And if the familie of Egypt goe not vp, and come not, it shall not raine vpon them. This shall be the plague wherewith the Lord will smite all the heathen, that come not vp to 19 keepe the feast of Tabernacles. This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all the nations that come not 20 vp to keepe the feast of Tabernacles. In that day shall there be written vpon the bridles of the horses, The holinesse vnto the Lord, and the pottes in the Lords house shall be like the 21 bowles before the altar. Yea, euery potte in Ierusalem and Iudah shall be holy vnto the Lord of hostes, and all they that sacrifice, shall come and take of them, and see the therein: and in that day there shall be no more the Canaanite in the House of the Lord of hostes.

## MALACHI.

he burden of the woorde of the Lord to Israel by the  $\, {f 1} \,$ ministerie of Malachi. I haue loued you, sayth the 2 Lord: yet yee say, Wherein hast thou loued vs? Was not Esau Iaakobs brother, saith the Lord? yet I loued Iaakob. And I hated Esau, and made his mountaines wast. 3 and his heritage a wildernes for dragons. Though Edom say, 4 wee are impouerished, but we will return and build the desolate places, yet sayeth the Lord of hostes, they shall builde, but I will destroy it, and they shall call them, The border of wickednes, and the people, with whome the Lord is angrie for euer. And your eyes shall see it, and yee shall say, The Lord 5 will be magnified vpon the border of Israel. A sonne hon- 6 oureth his father, and a seruant his master. If then I be a father, where is mine honour? and if I be a master, where is my feare, sayth the Lord of hostes vnto you, O Priestes, that despise my Name? and yee say, Wherein haue we despised thy Name? Ye offer vncleane bread vpon mine altar, and you say, 7 Wherein haue we polluted thee? In that ye say the table of the Lord is not to be regarded. And if yee offer the blinde for 8 sacrifice, it is not euill: and if ye offer the lame and sicke, it is not euill: offer it nowe vnto thy prince: will he be content with thee, or accept thy person, saieth the Lord of hostes? And 9 nowe, I pray you, pray before God, that he may have mercie vpon vs: this hath beene by your meanes: will hee regard your persons, sayth the Lord of hostes? Who is there euen among 10 you, that would shut the doores? and kindle not fire on mine altar in vaine, I have no pleasure in you, sayeth the Lord of hostes, neither will I accept an offering at your hande. from the rising of the sunne vnto the going downe of the same, my Name is great among the Gentiles, and in euery place incense shalbe offred vnto my Name, and a pure offering: for my Name is great among the heathen, sayeth the Lord of hostes. But ye haue polluted it, in that ye say, The table of the Lord 12 is polluted and the fruit thereof, even his meat is not to be regarded. Ye said also, Beholde, it is a wearines, and ve haue 13 snuffed at it, sayth the Lord of hostes, and ve offred that which

was torne, and the lame and the sicke: thus yee offred an offring: shoulde I accept this of your hand, sayth the Lord? But cursed be the deceiuer, which hath in his flocke a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth vnto ye Lord a corrupt thing: for I am a great King, sayth the Lord of hostes, and my Name is terrible among the heathen.

And now, O ye Priests, this commandement is for you. If **2**, 2 yee will not heare it, nor consider it in your heart, to give glory vnto my Name, sayth the Lord of hostes, I will euen sende a curse vpon you, and will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them alreadie, because yee doe not consider it in 3 your heart. Behold, I wil corrupt your seede, and cast dongue vpon your faces, euen the dongue of your solemne feastes, and 4 you shall be like vnto it. And yee shall know, that I haue sent this commandement vnto you, that my couenant, which I 5 made with Leui, might stand, sayeth the Lord of hostes. My couenant was with him of life and peace, and I gaue him feare, 6 and he feared mee, and was afraid before my Name. The lawe of trueth was in his mouth, and there was no iniquitie founde in his lippes: hee walked with me in peace and equitie, and 7 did turne many away from iniquitie. For the Priestes lippes shoulde preserue knowledge, and they shoulde seeke the Lawe at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the Lord of hostes. 8 But yee are gone out of the way: yee haue caused many to fall by the Lawe: yee haue broken the couenant of Leui, sayeth the 9 Lord of hostes. Therefore haue I also made you to be despised, and vile before all the people, because yee kept not my wayes, 10 but haue beene partiall in the Lawe. Haue we not all one father? hath not one God made vs? why doe we transgresse euery one against his brother, and breake the couenant of our fa-11 thers? Iudah hath transgressed, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Ierusalem: for Iudah hath defiled the holinesse of the Lord, which hee loued, and hath maried the 12 daughter of a strange God. The Lord will cut off the man that doeth this: both the master and the servaunt out of the Tabernacle of Iaacob, and him that offereth an offering vnto the Lord 13 of hostes. And this haue ye done againe, and couered the altar of the Lord with teares, with weeping and with mourning: because the offering is no more regarded, neither received ac-14 ceptably at your handes. Yet yee say, Wherein? Because the

Lord hath beene witnesse betweene thee and the wife of thy youth, against whome thou hast transgressed: yet is shee thy companion, and the wife of thy couenant. And did not hee 15 make one? yet had hee abundance of spirit: and wherefore one? because he sought a godly seede: therefore keepe your selues in your spirit, and let none trespasse against the wife of his youth. If thou hatest her, put her away, sayeth the 16 Lord God of Israel, yet he couereth the iniurie vnder his garment, saieth the Lord of hosts: therefore keepe your selues in your spirite, and transgresse not. Yee haue wearied the Lord 17 with your woordes: yet yee say, Wherein haue we wearied him? When ye say, Euery one that doeth euill, is good in the sight of the Lord, and he deliteth in them. Or where is the God of iudgement?

Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the 3 way before me: and the Lord whom ye seeke, shall speedely come to his Temple: euen the messenger of the couenant whom ye desire: beholde, he shall come, sayth the Lord of hostes. But who may abide the day of his comming? and who shall en- 2 dure, when he appeareth? for he is like a purging fire, and like fullers sope. And he shall sit downe to trye and fine the siluer: 3 he shall euen fine the sonnes of Leui and purifie them as golde and siluer, that they may bring offerings vnto the Lord in righteousnesse. Then shall the offerings of Iudah and Ierusalem 4 be acceptable vnto the Lord, as in old time and in the yeeres afore. And I will come neere to you to judgement, and I will 5 be a swift witnesse against the southsayers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that wrongfully keepe backe the hirelings wages, and vexe the widowe, and the fatherlesse, and oppresse the stranger, and feare not me, sayth the Lord of hostes. For I am the Lord: I change 6 not, and ye sonnes of Iaakob are not consumed. From the 7 dayes of your fathers, ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and haue not kept them: returne vnto me, and I will returne vnto you, saith the Lord of hostes: but ye saide, Wherein shall we returne? Will a man spoyle his gods? yet haue ye spoyled 8 me: but ye say, Wherein haue we spoyled thee? In tithes, and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye haue spoyled me, 9 euen this whole nation. Bring ye all the tythes into the store- 10 house that there may be meate in mine House, and proue me

nowe herewith, sayeth the Lord of hostes, if I will not open the windowes of heauen vnto you, and powre you out a blessing And I will rebuke the deuourer for your 11 without measure. sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruite of your grounde, neither shall your vine be baren in the fielde, sayeth the Lord of 12 hostes. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a 13 pleasant lande, sayeth the Lord of hostes. Your wordes haue bene stout against me, sayeth the Lord: yet ye say, What haue 14 we spoken against thee? Ye haue saide, It is in vaine to serue God: and what profite is it that we have kept his commandement, and that we walked humbly before the Lord of hostes? 15 Therefore wee count the proude blessed: euen they that worke wickednesse, are set vp, and they that tempt God, yea, they 16 are deliuered. Then spake they that feared the Lord, euery one to his neighbour, and the Lord hearkened and heard it, and a booke of remembrance was written before him for them 17 that feared the Lord, and that thought vpon his Name. And they shall be to me, sayeth the Lord of hostes, in that day that I shall do this, for a flocke, and I will spare them, as a man 18 spareth his owne sonne that serueth him. Then shall you returne, and discerne betweene the righteous and wicked, betweene him that serueth God, and him that serueth him not.

For behold, the day commeth that shall burne as an ouen, and all the proude, yea, and all that doe wickedly, shall be stubble, and the day that commeth, shall burne them vp, sayeth the Lord of hostes, and shall leaue them neither roote nor branche.

But vnto you that feare my Name, shall the sunne of righteousnesse arise, and health shall be vnder his wings, and ye shall goe forth, and growe vp as fat calues. And ye shall treade downe the wicked: for they shall be dust vnder the soles of your feete in the day that I shall doe this, sayeth the Lord of hostes. Remember the lawe of Moses my seruant, which I commanded vnto him in Horeb for all Israel with the statutes and iudgements. Beholde, I will sende you Eliiah the Prophet before the comming of the great and fearefull day of the Lord.

And he shall turne the heart of the fathers to the children, and

the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite

the earth with cursing.

# THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW.

he booke of the generation of Jesus Christ the sonne 1of Dauid, the sonne of Abraham. Abraham begate 2 Isaac. And Isaac begate Iacob. And Iacob begat Iudas and his brethren. And Iudas begate Phares, and 3 Zara of Thamar. And Phares begate Esrom. And Esrom begate And Aram begate Aminadab. And Aminadab begate 4 Naasson. And Naasson begat Salmon. And Salmon begate 5 Booz of Rachab. And Booz begat Obed of Ruth. and Obed begat Iesse. And Iesse begate Dauid the King. And Dauid the 6 King begate Salomon of her that was the wife of Vrias. And 7 Salomon begate Roboam. And Roboam begate Abia. And Abia begate Asa. And Asa begate Iosaphat. And Iosaphat begate 8 Ioram. And Ioram begate Hozias. And Hozias begat Ioatham. 9 And Ioatham begate Achaz. And Achaz begate Ezekias. And 10 Ezekias begate Manasses. And Manasses begate Amon. And Amon begate Iosias. And Iosias begate Iakim. And Iakim 11 begate Iechonias and his brethren about the time they were caried away to Babylon. And after they were caried away 12 into Babylon, Iechonias begate Salathiel. And Salathiel be-And Zorobabel begate Abiud. And Abiud 13 gate Zorobabel. begate Eliacim. And Eliacim begate Azor. And Azor begate 14 Sadoc. And Sadoc begate Achim. And Achim begate Eliud. And Eliud begate Eleazar. And Eleazar begate Matthan. And 15 Matthan begate Iacob. And Iacob begat Ioseph ye husband of 16 Mary, of whom was borne Jesus, that is called Christ. So all 17 the generations from Abraham to Dauid, are fourtene generations. And from Dauid vntil they were caried away into Babylon, fourtene generations: and after they were caried away into Babylon vntill Christ, fourteene generations. Nowe the birth 18 of Jesus Christ was thus, When as his mother Mary was betrothed to Ioseph, before they came together, shee was found with childe of the holy Ghost. Then Ioseph her husband be- 19 ing a just man, and not willing to make her a publike example, was minded to put her away secretly. But whiles he thought 20 these things, behold, the Angel of the Lord appeared vnto him in a dreame, saying, Ioseph, the sonne of Dauid, feare not to take Mary thy wife: for that which is conceiued in her, is of the holy Ghost. And she shall bring foorth a sonne, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for hee shall saue his people from their sinnes. And al this was done that it might be fulfilled, which is spoken of the Lord by ye Prophet, saying, Behold, a virgine shalbe with childe, and shall beare a sonne, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which is by interpretation, God with vs. Then Ioseph, being raised from sleepe, did as the Angel of the Lord had inioyned him, and tooke his wife. But he knew her not, til she had broght forth her first borne sonne, and he called his name JESUS.

When Jesus then was borne at Bethleem in Iudea, in the  $\mathbf{2}$ dayes of Herod the King, beholde, there came Wisemen from 2 the East to Hierusalem, Saying, Where is that King of the Iewes that is borne? for wee haue seene his starre in the East, 3 and are come to worship him. When King Herod heard this, 4 he was troubled, and all Hierusalem with him. And gathering together all the chiefe Priestes and Scribes of the people, 5 hee asked of them, where Christ should be borne. And they saide vnto him, At Beth-leem in Iudea: for so it is written by 6 the Prophet, And thou Beth-leem in the lande of Iuda, art not the least among the Princes of Iuda: For out of thee shall come 7 the gouernour that shall feede that my people Israel. Then Herod priuily called the Wisemen, and diligently inquired of 8 them the time of the starre that appeared, And sent them to Beth-leem, saying, Goe, and searche diligently for the babe: and when ye haue founde him, bring mee worde againe, that I 9 may come also, and worship him. So when they had heard the King, they departed: and loe, the starre which they had seene in the East, went before them, till it came and stoode ouer the 10 place where the babe was. And when they sawe the starre, 11 they reioyced with an exceeding great ioy, And went into the house, and founde the babe with Mary his mother, and fell downe, and worshipped him, and opened their treasures, and presented vnto him giftes, euen golde, and frankincense, and 12 myrrhe. And after they were warned of God in a dreame, that they should not go againe to Herod, they returned into their 13 countrey another way. After their departure, behold, the Angel of the Lord appeareth to Ioseph in a dreame, saying, Arise, and take the babe and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be there til I bring thee word: for Herod will seeke the babe, to destroy him. So he arose and tooke the babe and his mother 14 by night, and departed into Egypt, And was there vnto the 15 death of Herod, that that might be fulfilled, which is spoken of the Lord by the Prophet, saying, Out of Egypt haue I called my sonne. Then Herod, seeing that he was mocked of the 16 Wisemen, was exceeding wroth, and sent foorth, and slew all the male children that were in Beth-leem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two yeere old and vnder, according to the time which he had diligently searched out of the Wisemen. Then 17 was that fulfilled which is spoken by the Prophet Ieremias, saying, In Rhama was a voyce heard, mourning, and weeping, 18 and great howling: Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they were not. And whe Herod was 19 dead, behold, an Angel of the Lord appeareth in a dreame to Ioseph in Egypt, Saying, Arise, and take the babe and his 20 mother, and goe into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the babes life. Then he arose vp and tooke the babe 21 and his mother, and came into the land of Israel. But whe he 22 heard that Archelaus did reigne in Iudea in stead of his father Herod, he was afraide to go thither: yet after he was warned of God in a dreame, he turned aside into the parts of Galile, And went and dwelt in a citie called Nazareth, that it might be 23 fulfilled which was spoken by the Prophets, which was, That hee should be called a Nazarite.

And in those dayes, Iohn the Baptist came and preached in the wildernes of Iudea, And said, Repent: for the kingdome of heauen is at hand. For this is he of whome it is spoken by the Prophet Esaias, saying, The voyce of him that crieth in the wildernes, Prepare ye the way of the Lord: make his pathes straight. And this Iohn had his garment of camels heare, and a girdle of a skinne about his loynes: his meate was also locusts and wilde hony. Then went out to him Ierusalem and all Iudea, and all the region rounde about Iordan. And they were baptized of him in Iordan, confessing their sinnes. Now when he sawe many of the Pharises, and of the Sadduces come to his baptisme, he said vnto them, O generations of vipers, who hath forewarned you to flee from the anger to come? Bring foorth 8

9 therefore fruite worthy amendment of life. And thinke not to say with your selues, We have Abraham to our father: for I say vnto you, that God is able euen of these stones to raise vp chil-10 dren vnto Abraham. And now also is the axe put to the roote of the trees: therfore euery tree which bringeth not forth good 11 fruit, is hewen downe, and cast into ye fire. In deede I baptize you with water to amendment of life, but he that commeth after me, is mightier then I, whose shoes I am not worthie to beare: hee will baptize you with the holy Ghost, and with fire. 12 Which hath his fanne in his hand, and wil make cleane his floore, and gather his wheate into his garner, but will burne 13 vp the chaffe with vnquenchable fire. Then came Iesus from 14 Galile to Iordan vnto Iohn, to be baptized of him. But Iohn earnestly put him backe, saying, I haue neede to be baptized of 15 thee, and commest thou to me? Then Iesus answering, saide to him, Let be nowe: for thus it becommeth vs to fulfill all righ-16 teousnes. So he suffered him. And Iesus when hee was baptized, came straight out of the water. And lo, the heaues were opened vnto him, and Iohn saw the Spirit of God descending 17 like a doue, and lighting vpon him. And loe, a voyce came from heauen, saying, This is my beloued Sonne, in whome I am well pleased.

Then was Iesus led aside of the Spirit into the wildernes, 2 to be tempted of the deuil. And when he had fasted fourtie 3 dayes, and fourtie nights, he was afterward hungrie. Then came to him the tempter, and said, If thou be the Sonne of 4 God, commande that these stones be made bread. But he answering said, It is written, Man shall not liue by bread onely, but by euery worde that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. 5 Then the deuil tooke him vp into the holy Citie, and set him 6 on a pinacle of the temple, And said vnto him, If thou be the Sonne of God, cast thy selfe downe: for it is written, that he wil giue his Angels charge ouer thee, and with their hands they shall lift thee vp, lest at any time thou shouldest dash 7 thy foote against a stone. Iesus saide vnto him, It is writ-8 ten againe, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. Againe the deuil tooke him vp into an exceeding hie mountaine, and shewed him all the kingdomes of the world, and the glory of 9 them, And sayd to him, All these will I giue thee, if thou 10 wilt fall downe, and worship me. Then sayd Iesus vnto him,

Auoyde Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him onely shalt thou serue. Then the deuill 11 left him: and beholde, the Angels came, and ministred vnto him. And when Iesus had heard that Iohn was committed to 12 prison, he returned into Galile. And leauing Nazareth, went 13 and dwelt in Capernaum, which is neere the sea in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim, That it might be fulfilled 14 which was spoken by Esaias the Propet, saying, The land of 15 Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim by the way of the sea, beyond Iordan, Galile of the Gentiles: The people which sate in 16 darkenes, sawe great light: and to them which sate in the region, and shadowe of death, light is risen vp. From that time 17 Iesus began to preach, and to say, Amende your liues: for the kingdome of heauen is at hand. And Iesus walking by the sea 18 of Galile, sawe two brethren, Simon, which was called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea (for they were fishers.) And he sayd vnto them, Follow me, and I will 19 make you fishers of men. And they straightway leauing the 20 nets, followed him. And when he was gone forth from thence, 21 he saw other two brethren, Iames the sonne of Zebedeus, and Iohn his brother in a ship with Zebedeus their father, mending their nets, and he called them. And they without tarying, 22 leauing the ship, and their father, followed him. So Iesus went 23 about all Galile, teaching in their Synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the kingdome, and healing euery sicknesse and euery disease among the people. And his fame spread abroad 24 through all Syria: and they brought vnto him all sicke people, that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and them that were possessed with deuils, and those which were lunatike, and those that had the palsey: and he healed them. And there followed him great multitudes out of Galile, and De- 25 capolis, and Hierusalem, and Iudea, and from beyond Iordan.

And when he sawe the multitude, he went vp into a mountaine: and when he was set, his disciples came to him. And 2 he opened his mouth and taught them, saying, Blessed are the 3 poore in spirit, for theirs is the kingdome of heauen. Blessed 4 are they that mourne: for they shall be comforted. Blessed 5 are the meeke: for they shall inherite the earth. Blessed are 6 they which hunger and thirst for righteousnes: for they shalbe filled. Blessed are the mercifull: for they shall obteine mercie. 7

8,9 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peace makers: for they shall be called the children 10 of God. Blessed are they which suffer persecution for righ-11 teousnes sake: for theirs is the kingdome of heauen. Blessed shall ye be when men reuile you, and persecute you, and say 12 all maner of euill against you for my sake, falsely. Reioyce and be glad, for great is your reward in heauen: for so perse-13 cuted they the Prophets which were before you. Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt haue lost his sauour, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but 14 to be cast out, and to be troden vnder foote of men. Ye are the light of the world. A citie that is set on an hill, cannot 15 be hid. Neither doe men light a candel, and put it vnder a bushel, but on a candlesticke, and it giueth light vnto all that 16 are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good workes, and glorifie your Father which is in 17 heauen. Think not that I am come to destroy the Lawe, or the Prophets. I am not come to destroy them, but to fulfill them. 18 For truely I say vnto you, Till heauen, and earth perish, one iote or one title of the Law shall not scape, till all things be 19 fulfilled. Whosoeuer therefore shall breake one of these least commandements, and teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdome of heauen: but whosoeuer shall obserue and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdome of 20 heauen. For I say vnto you, except your righteousnes exceede the righteousnes of the Scribes and Pharises, ye shall not enter 21 into the kingdome of heauen. Ye haue heard that it was sayd vnto them of the olde time, Thou shalt not kill: for whosoeuer 22 killeth shalbe culpable of iudgement. But I say vnto you, whosoeuer is angry with his brother vnaduisedly, shalbe culpable of judgment. And whosoeuer sayth vnto his brother, Raca, shalbe worthy to be punished by the Councill. And whosoeuer 23 shall say, Foole, shalbe worthy to be punished with hell fire. If then thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there remembrest that 24 thy brother hath ought against thee, Leaue there thine offring before the altar, and goe thy way: first be reconciled to thy 25 brother, and then come and offer thy gift. Agree with thine aduersarie quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him, lest thine aduersarie deliuer thee to the Iudge, and the Iudge deli-26 uer thee to ye sergeant, and thou be cast into prison. Verely

I say vnto thee, thou shalt not come out thence, till thou hast payed the vtmost farthing. Ye have heard that it was sayd 27 to them of olde time, Thou shalt not commit adulterie. But I 28 say vnto you, that whosoeuer looketh on a woman to lust after her, hath committed adulterie with her already in his heart. Wherefore if thy right eye cause thee to offend, plucke it out, 29 and cast it from thee: for better it is for thee, that one of thy members perish, then that thy whole body should be cast into Also if thy right hand make thee to offend, cut it off, 30 and cast it from thee: for better it is for thee that one of thy members perish, then that thy whole body should be cast into hell. It hath bene sayd also, Whosoeuer shall put away his 31 wife, let him giue her a bill of diuorcement. But I say vnto 32 you, whosoeuer shall put away his wife (except it be for fornication) causeth her to commit adulterie: and whosoeuer shall marrie her that is divorced, committeth adulterie. Againe, ve 33 haue heard that it was sayd to them of old time, Thou shalt not forsweare thy selfe, but shalt performe thine othes to the Lord. But I say vnto you, Sweare not at all, neither by heauen, for 34 it is the throne of God: Nor yet by the earth: for it is his 35 footestoole: neither by Hierusalem: for it is the citie of the great King. Neither shalt thou sweare by thine head, because 36 thou canst not make one heare white or blacke. But let your 37 communication be Yea, yea: Nay, nay. For whatsoeuer is more then these, commeth of euill. Ye have heard that it hath bene 38 sayd, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth. But I say vnto 39 you, Resist not euill: but whosoeuer shall smite thee on thy right cheeke, turne to him the other also. And if any man wil 40 sue thee at the law, and take away thy coate, let him haue thy cloke also. And whosoeuer will compell thee to goe a mile, goe 41 with him twaine. Giue to him that asketh, and from him that 42 would borowe of thee, turne not away. Ye have heard that it 43 hath bin said, Thou shalt loue thy neighbour, and hate your enemie. But I say vnto you, Loue your enemies: blesse them 44 that curse you: doe good to them that hate you, and pray for them which hurt you, and persecute you, That ye may be the 45 children of your father that is in heaven: for he maketh his sunne to arise on the euill, and the good, and sendeth raine on the iust, and vniust. For if ye loue them, which loue you, 46 what rewarde shall vou haue? Doe not the Publicanes euen

47 the same? And if ye be friendly to your brethren onely, what singular thing doe ye? doe not euen the Publicanes likewise?
48 Ye shall therefore be perfit, as your Father which is in heauen, is perfite.

Take heede that ye giue not your almes before men, to be 6 seene of them, or els ye shall haue no reward of your Father 2 which is in heaue. Therefore when thou givest thine almes, thou shalt not make a trumpet to be blowen before thee, as the hypocrites doe in the Synagogues and in the streetes, to be praysed of men. Verely I say vnto you, they have their re-3 warde. But when thou doest thine almes, let not thy left hand 4 knowe what thy right hand doeth, That thine almes may be in secret, and thy Father that seeth in secret, hee will rewarde 5 thee openly. And when thou prayest, be not as the hypocrites: for they loue to stand, and pray in the Synagogues, and in the corners of the streetes, because they would be seene of men. 6 Verely I say vnto you, they have their rewarde. thou prayest, enter into thy chamber and when thou hast shut thy doore, pray vnto thy Father which is in secret, and thy Fa-7 ther which seeth in secret, shall rewarde thee openly. Also when ye pray, vse no vaine repetitions as the Heathen: for 8 they thinke to be heard for their much babbling. Be ye not like them therefore: for your Father knoweth whereof ye haue 9 neede, before ye aske of him. After this maner therefore pray 10 ye, Our father which art in heauen, halowed be thy name. Thy Kingdome come. Thy will be done euen in earth, as it is in 11, 12 heauen. Giue vs this day our dayly bread. And forgiue vs our 13 dettes, as we also forgiue our detters. And leade vs not into tentation, but deliuer vs from euill: for thine is the kingdome, 14 and the power, and the glorie for euer. Amen. For if ye doe forgiue men their trespasses, your heauenly Father will also 15 forgiue you. But if ye do not forgiue men their trespasses, 16 no more will your father forgiue you your trespaces. Moreouer, when ye fast, looke not sowre as the hypocrites: for they disfigure their faces, that they might seeme vnto men to fast. 17 Verely I say vnto you, that they have their rewarde. But when 18 thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face, That thou seeme not vnto men to fast, but vnto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret, will rewarde thee

19 openly. Lay not vp treasures for your selues vpon the earth,

where the mothe and canker corrupt, and where theeues digge through and steale. But lay vp treasures for your selues in 20 heauen, where neither the mothe nor canker corrupteth, and where theeues neither digge through, nor steale. For where 21 your treasure is, there will your heart be also. The light of 22 the body is the eye: if then thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be light. But if thine eye be wicked, then all thy body 23 shalbe darke. Wherefore if the light that is in thee, be darkenes, howe great is that darkenesse? No man can serue two 24 masters: for eyther he shall hate the one, and loue the other, or els he shall leane to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serue God and riches. Therefore I say vnto you, be not care- 25 full for your life, what ye shall eate, or what ye shall drinke: nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more worth then meate? and the bodie then raiment? Behold the 26 foules of the heaven: for they sowe not, neither reape, nor carie into the barnes: yet your heauenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better then they? Which of you by taking care 27 is able to adde one cubite vnto his stature? And why care ye 28 for raiment? Learne howe the lilies of the fielde doe growe: they are not wearied, neither spinne: Yet I say vnto you, that 29 euen Salomon in all his glorie was not arayed like one of these. Wherefore if God so clothe the grasse of the fielde which is to 30 day, and to morowe is cast into the ouen, shall he not doe much more vnto you, O ye of litle faith? Therefore take no thought, 31 saying, What shall we eate? or what shall we drinke? or where with shall we be clothed? (For after all these things seeke 32 the Gentiles) for your heavenly Father knoweth, that ve have neede of all these things. But seeke ye first the kingdome 33 of God, and his righteousnesse, and all these things shall be ministred vnto you. Care not then for the morowe: for the 34 morowe shall care for it selfe: the day hath ynough with his owne griefe.

Judge not, that ye be not iudged. Eor with what iudgement 7, 2 ye iudge, ye shall be iudged, and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you againe. And why seest thou the 3 mote, that is in thy brothers eye, and perceiuest not the beame that is in thine owne eye? Or howe sayest thou to thy brother, 4 Suffer me to cast out the mote out of thine eye, and beholde, a beame is in thine owne eye? Hypocrite, first cast out that 5

beame out of thine owne eye, and then shalt thou see clearely 6 to cast out the mote out of thy brothers eye. Give ye not that which is holy, to dogges, neither cast ye your pearles before swine, lest they treade them vnder their feete, and turning 7 againe, all to rent you. Aske, and it shall be given you: seeke, and ye shall finde: knocke, and it shall be opened vnto you. 8 For whosoeuer asketh, receiueth: and he, that seeketh, find-9 eth: and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened. For what man is there among you, which if his sonne aske him bread, woulde giue him a stone? Or if he aske fish, wil he giue him 11 a serpent? If ye then, which are euill, can give to your children good giftes, howe much more shall your Father which is 12 in heauen, giue good thinges to them that aske him? Therefore whatsoeuer ye woulde that men should doe to you, euen 13 so doe ye to them: for this is the Lawe and the Prophets. Enter in at the streight gate: for it is the wide gate, and broade way that leadeth to destruction: and many there be which goe 14 in thereat, Because the gate is streight, and the way narowe 15 that leadeth vnto life, and fewe there be that finde it. Beware of false prophets, which come to you, in sheepes clothing, but 16 inwardly they are rauening wolues. Ye shall know them by their fruites. Doe men gather grapes of thornes? or figges of 17 thistles? So euery good tree bringeth foorth good fruite, and 18 a corrupt tree bringeth forth euill fruite. A good tree can not bring forth euil fruite: neither can a corrupt tree bring forth 19 good fruite. Euery tree that bringeth not forth good fruite, 20 is hewen downe, and cast into the fire. Therefore by their 21 fruites ye shall knowe them. Not every one that sayeth vnto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdome of heauen, but 22 he that doeth my Fathers will which is in heauen. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, haue we not by thy Name prophecied? and by thy name cast out deuils? and by thy 23 name done many great workes? And then will I professe to them, I neuer knewe you: depart from me, ye that worke iniq-24 uitie. Whosoeuer then heareth of mee these words, and doeth the same, I will liken him to a wise man, which hath builded 25 his house on a rock: And the raine fell, and the floods came, and the windes blewe, and beat vpon that house, and it fell not: 26 for it was grounded on a rocke. But whosoeuer heareth these my wordes, and doeth them not, shall be likened vnto a foolish man, which hath builded his house vpon the sand: And 27 the raine fell, and the floods came, and the windes blewe, and beat vpon that house, and it fell, and the fall thereof was great. And it came to passe, when Iesus had ended these wordes, the 28 people were astonied at his doctrine. For he taught them as 29 one hauing authoritie, and not as the Scribes.

Nowe when he was come downe from the mountaine, great 8 multitudes followed him. And loe, there came a Leper and 2 worshipped him, saying, Master, if thou wilt, thou canst make me cleane. And Iesus putting foorth his hand, touched him, 3 saying, I will, be thou cleane: and immediatly his leprosie was clensed. Then Iesus saide vnto him, See thou tell no man, 4 but goe, and shewe thy selfe vnto the Priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a witnesse to them. When Iesus 5 was entred into Capernaum, there came vnto him a Centurion, beseeching him, And saide, Master, my seruant lieth sicke at 6 home of the palsie, and is grieuously pained. And Iesus saide 7 vnto him. I will come and heale him. But the Centurion an- 8 swered, saving, Master, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come vnder my roofe: but speake the worde onely, and my seruant shall be healed. For I am a man also vnder the authoritie 9 of an other, and haue souldiers vnder me: and I say to one, Goe, and he goeth: and to another, Come, and he commeth: and to my seruant, Doe this, and he doeth it. When Iesus heard that, 10 he marueiled, and said to them that followed him, Verely, I say vnto you, I haue not found so great faith, euen in Israel. But 11 I say vnto you, that many shall come from the East and West, and shall sit downe with Abraham, and Isaac, and Iacob, in the kingdome of heauen. And the children of the kingdome 12 shall be cast out into vtter darkenes: there shalbe weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then Iesus saide vnto the Centurion, Goe 13 thy way, and as thou hast beleeued, so be it vnto thee, And his seruant was healed the same houre. And when Iesus came to 14 Peters house, he sawe his wives mother layed downe, and sicke of a feuer. And he touched her hande, and the feuer left her: 15 so she arose, and ministred vnto them. When the Euen was 16 come, they brought vnto him many that were possessed with deuils: and he cast out the spirits with his worde, and healed all that were sicke, That it might be fulfilled, which was spo- 17 ken by Esaias the Prophet, saying, He tooke our infirmities,

18 and bare our sickenesses. And when Iesus sawe great multitudes of people about him, he commanded them to goe ouer the 19 water. Then came there a certaine Scribe, and said vnto him, 20 Master, I will follow thee whithersoeuer thou goest. But Iesus saide vnto him, The foxes haue holes, and the birdes of the heauen haue nestes, but the Sonne of man hath not whereon 21 to rest his head. And another of his disciples saide vnto him, 22 Master, suffer me first to goe, and burie my father. But Iesus said vnto him, Followe me, and let the dead burie their dead. 23 And when he was entred into ye ship, his disciples followed 24 him. And beholde, there arose a great tempest in the sea, so that the ship was couered with waues: but he was a sleepe. 25 Then his disciples came, and awoke him, saying, Master, saue 26 vs: we perish. And he said vnto them, Why are ye fearefull, O ye of litle faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the 27 sea: and so there was a great calme. And the men marueiled, saying, What man is this, that both the windes and the sea 28 obey him! And when he was come to the other side into ye countrey of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with deuils, which came out of the graues very fierce, so that no 29 man might goe by that way. And beholde, they cryed out, saying, Iesus the sonne of God, what have we to do with thee? 30 Art thou come hither to tormet vs before ye time? Nowe there 31 was, afarre off from them, a great heard of swine feeding. And the deuils besought him, saying, If thou cast vs out, suffer vs 32 to goe into the heard of swine. And he said vnto them, Go. So they went out and departed into the heard of swine: and beholde, the whole heard of swine ranne headlong into the sea, 33 and died in the water. Then the heardmen fled: and when they were come into the citie, they tolde all things, and what 34 was become of them that were possessed with the deuils. And beholde, all ye citie came out to meete Iesus: and when they sawe him, they be sought him to depart out of their coastes.

Then hee entred into a shippe, and passed ouer, and came
into his owne citie. And loe, they brought to him a man sicke of the palsie, laid on a bed. And Iesus seeing their faith, saide to the sicke of the palsie, Sonne, be of good comfort: thy sinnes
are forgiuen thee. And beholde, certaine of the Scribes saide
with themselues, This man blasphemeth. But when Iesus saw their thoughts, he said, Wherefore thinke yee euil things

in your hearts? For whether is it easier to say, Thy sinnes 5 are forgiuen thee, or to say, Arise, and walke? And that ye 6 may knowe that the Sonne of man hath authoritie in earth to forgiue sinnes, (then saide he vnto the sicke of the palsie,) Arise, take vp thy bed, and goe to thine house. And hee arose, 7 and departed to his owne house. So when the multitude sawe 8 it, they marueiled, and glorified God, which had given such authoritie to men. And as Iesus passed foorth from thence, 9 hee sawe a man sitting at the custome, named Matthewe, and saide to him, Followe me. And he arose, and followed him. And it came to passe, as Iesus sate at meate in his house, be- 10 holde, many Publicanes and sinners, that came thither, sate downe at the table with Iesus and his disciples. And when 11 the Pharises sawe that, they saide to his disciples, Why eateth your master with Publicanes and sinners? Nowe when Iesus 12 heard it, hee sayde vnto them, The whole neede not a Physition, but they that are sicke. But goe yee and learne what this 13 is. I will have mercie, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but the sinners to repentance. Then came 14 the disciples of Iohn to him, saying, Why doe we and the Pharises fast oft, and thy disciples fast not? And Iesus saide vnto 15 them, Can the children of the marriage chamber mourne as long as the bridegrome is with them? But the daies will come, when the bridegrome shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast. Moreouer no man pieceth an olde garment with a 16 piece of newe cloth: for that that should fill it vp, taketh away from the garment, and the breach is worse. Neither doe they 17 put newe wine into olde vessels: for then the vessels would breake, and the wine woulde be spilt, and the vessels shoulde perish: but they put new wine into newe vessels, and so are both preserved. While hee thus spake vnto them, beholde, 18 there came a certaine ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is nowe deceased, but come and laie thine hande on her, and shee shall liue. And Iesus arose and followed him 19 with his disciples. (And beholde, a woman which was dis- 20 eased with an issue of blood twelue yeres, came behinde him, and touched the hemme of his garment. For shee saide in her 21 selfe, If I may touche but his garment onely, I shalbe whole. Then Iesus turned him about, and seeing her, did say, Daugh- 22 ter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole. And

23 the woman was made whole at that same moment.) Nowe when Iesus came into the Rulers house, and saw the minstrels 24 and the multitude making noise, He said vnto them, Get you hence: for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed 25 him to scorne. And when the multitude were put foorth, hee 26 went in and tooke her by the hande, and the maide arose. And 27 this bruite went throughout all that lande. And as Iesus departed thence, two blinde men followed him, crying, and say-28 ing, O sonne of Dauid, haue mercie vpon vs. And when hee was come into the house, the blinde came to him, and Iesus saide vnto them, Beleeue yee that I am able to doe this? And 29 they sayd vnto him, Yea, Lord. Then touched he their eyes, 30 saying, According to your faith be it vnto you. And their eyes were opened, and Iesus gaue them great charge, saying, See 31 that no man knowe it. But when they were departed, they 32 spread abroad his fame throughout all that land. they went out, beholde, they brought to him a domme man 33 possessed with a deuill. And when the deuill was cast out, the domme spake: then the multitude marueiled, saying, The 34 like was neuer seene in Israel. But the Pharises saide, He 35 casteth out deuils, through the prince of deuils. And Iesus went about all cities and townes, teaching in their Synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the kingdome, and healing euery 36 sickenesse and euery disease among the people. But when he saw the multitude, he had compassion vpon them, because they were dispersed, and scattered abroade, as sheepe hau-37 ing no shepheard. Then saide he to his disciples, Surely the 38 haruest is great, but the labourers are fewe. Wherefore pray the Lord of the haruest, that he woulde sende foorth labourers into his haruest.

And hee called his twelue disciples vnto him, and gaue them power against vncleane spirits, to cast them out, and to heale euery sickenesse, and euery disease. Nowe the names of the twelue Apostles are these. The first is Simon, called Peter, and Andrew his brother: Iames the sonne of Zebedeus, and Iohn his brother. Philippe and Bartlemewe: Thomas, and Matthewe that Publicane: Iames the sonne of Alpheus, and Lebbeus whose surname was Thaddeus: Simon the Cananite, and Iudas Iscariot, who also betraied him. These twelue did Iesus send forth, and commanded them, saying, Goe not into

the way of of the Gentiles, and into the cities of the Samaritans enter yee not: But goe rather to the lost sheepe of the 6 house of Israel. And as ye goe, preach, saying, The kingdome 7 of heauen is at hand. Heale the sicke: cleanse the lepers: 8 raise vp the dead: cast out the deuils. Freely ye have received, freely giue. Possesse not golde, nor siluer, nor money in your 9 girdels. Nor a scrippe for the iourney, neither two coates, nei- 10 ther shoes, nor a staffe: for the workeman is worthie of his meate. And into whatsoeuer citie or towne ye shall come, en- 11 quire who is worthy in it, and there abide till yee goe thence. And when vee come into an house, salute the same. And if 12, 13 the house be worthy, let your peace come vpon it: but if it be not worthie, let your peace returne to you. And whosoeuer 14 shall not receive you, nor heare your woordes, when vee depart out of that house, or that citie, shake off the dust of your feete. Truely I say vnto you, it shall be easier for them of the 15 lande of Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgement, then for that citie. Behold, I send you as sheepe in the middes of 16 the wolues: be vee therefore wise as serpents, and innocent as doues. But beware of men, for they will deliuer you vp to 17 the Councils, and will scourge you in their Synagogues. And 18 ye shall be brought to the gouernours and Kings for my sake, in witnes to them, and to the Gentiles. But when they deli- 19 uer you vp, take no thought howe or what ve shall speake: for it shall be given you in that houre, what ye shall say. For 20 it is not yee that speake, but the spirite of your father which speaketh in you. And the brother shall betray the brother to 21 death, and the father the sonne, and the children shall rise against their parents, and shall cause them to die. And yee 22 shall be hated of all men for my Name: but he that endureth to the end, he shall be saued. And when they persecute you 23 in this citie, flee into another: for verely I say vnto you, yee shall not goe ouer all the cities of Israel, till the Sonne of man be come. The disciple is not aboue his master, nor the seru- 24 ant aboue his Lord. It is yough for the disciple to bee as his 25 master is, and the seruaunt as his Lord. If they have called the master of the house Beel-zebub, howe much more them of his housholde? Feare them not therefore: for there is nothing 26 couered, that shall not be disclosed, nor hid, that shall not be knowen. What I tell you in darkenesse, that speake yee in 27

light: and what yee heare in the eare, that preach yee on the 28 houses. And feare yee not them which kill the bodie, but are nor able to kill the soule: but rather feare him, which is able to 29 destroy both soule and bodie in hell. Are not two sparrowes sold for a farthing, and one of them shall not fal on the ground 30 without your Father? Yea, and all the heares of your head 31 are nombred. Feare ye not therefore, yee are of more value 32 then many sparowes. Whosoeuer therefore shall confesse me before men, him will I confesse also before my Father which 33 is in heauen. But whosoeuer shall denie me before me, him 34 will I also denie before my Father which is in heauen. Thinke not that I am come to sende peace into the earth: I came not 35 to send peace, but the sworde. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in lawe. 36, 37 And a mans enemies shall be they of his owne housholde. He that loueth father or mother more then me, is not worthie of me. And he that loueth sonne, or daughter more then mee, is 38 not worthie of me. And hee that taketh not his crosse, and 39 followeth after me, is not worthie of me. He that will finde his life, shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake, shall 40 finde it. He that receiveth you, receiveth me: and hee that 41 receiveth mee, receiveth him that hath sent me. Hee that receiueth a Prophet in the name of a Prophet, shall receiue a Prophetes rewarde: and hee that receiveth a righteous man, in the name of a righteous man, shall receive the rewarde of 42 a righteous man. And whosoeuer shall give vnto one of these litle ones to drinke a cuppe of colde water onely, in the name of a disciple, verely I say vnto you, he shall not lose his rewarde.

11 And it came to passe that when Iesus had made an ende of commaunding his twelue disciples, hee departed thence to 2 teache and to preach in their cities. And when Iohn heard in the prison the woorkes of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and sayde vnto him, Art thou he that shoulde come, or 4 shall we looke for another? And Iesus answering, said vnto them, Goe, and shewe Iohn, what things ye heare, and see. 5 The blinde receiue sight, and the halt doe walke: the lepers are clensed, and the deafe heare, the dead are raised vp, and 6 the poore receiue the Gospel. And blessed is he that shall 7 not be offeded in me. And as they departed, Iesus beganne to

speake vnto the multitude, of Iohn, What went ye out into the wildernes to see? A reede shaken with the winde? But what 8 went ye out to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they that weare soft clothing, are in Kings houses. But what 9 went ye out to see? A Prophet? Yea, I say vnto you, and more then a Prophet. For this is he of whom it is written, Beholde, 10 I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. Verely I say vnto you, among them which are 11 begotten of women, arose there not a greater then Iohn Baptist: notwithstanding, he that is the least in the kingdome of heauen, is greater then he. And from the time of Iohn Baptist 12 hitherto, the kingdome of heauen suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. For all the Prophetes and the Lawe 13 prophecied vnto Iohn. And if ye will receive it, this is that 14 Elias, which was to come. He that hath eares to heare, let 15 him heare. But whereunto shall I liken this generation? It 16 is like vnto litle children which sit in the markets, and call vnto their fellowes, And say, We have piped vnto you, and ye 17 haue not daunced, we haue mourned vnto you, and ye haue not lamented. For Iohn came neither eating nor drinking, and 18 they say, He hath a deuill. The sonne of man came eating 19 and drinking, and they say, Beholde a glutton and a drinker of wine, a friend vnto Publicanes and sinners: but wisedome is iustified of her children. Then began he to vpbraide the 20 cities, wherein most of his great workes were done, because they repented not. Woe be to thee, Chorazin: Woe be to thee, 21 Bethsaida: for if ye great workes, which were done in you, had bene done in Tyrus and Sidon, they had repented long agone in sackecloth and ashes. But I say to you, It shalbe easier for 22 Tyrus and Sidon at the day of iudgement, then for you. And 23 thou, Capernaum, which art lifted vp vnto heauen, shalt be brought downe to hell: for if the great workes, which haue bin done in thee, had bene done among them of Sodom, they had remained to this day. But I say vnto you, that it shall be eas- 24 ier for them of the land of Sodom in the day of judgement, then for thee. At that time Iesus answered, and saide, I giue thee 25 thankes, O Father, Lord of heauen and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and men of vnderstanding, and hast opened them vnto babes. It is so, O Father, because 26 thy good pleasure was such. All things are given vnto me of 27 my Father: and no man knoweth the Sonne, but ye Father: neither knoweth any man ye Father, but the Sonne, and he to whom ye Sonne will reueile him. Come vnto me, all ye that are wearie and laden, and I will ease you. Take my yoke on you, and learne of me that I am meeke and lowly in heart: and ye shall finde rest vnto your soules. For my yoke is easie, and my burden light.

At that time Iesus went on a Sabbath day through ye corne, **12** and his disciples were an hungred, and bega to plucke ye eares 2 of corne and to eate. And when the Pharises sawe it, they saide vnto him, Beholde, thy disciples doe that which is not 3 lawfull to doe vpon the Sabbath. But he said vnto them, Haue ye not read what Dauid did when he was an hungred, and they 4 that were with him? Howe he entred into ye house of God, and did eate the shewe bread, which was not lawfull for him to eate, neither for them which were with him, but onely for 5 the Priestes? Or haue ye not read in the Lawe, how that on the Sabbath dayes the Priestes in the Temple breake the Sab-6 bath, and are blameles? But I say vnto you, that here is one 7 greater then the Temple. Wherefore if ye knewe what this is, I will have mercie, and not sacrifice, ye would not have con-8 demned the innocents. For the sonne of man is Lord, euen of 9 the Sabbath. And he departed thence, and went into their 10 Synagogue: And beholde, there was a man which had his hand dried vp. And they asked him, saying, Is it lawfull to 11 heale vpon a Sabbath day? that they might accuse him. And he said vnto the, What man shall there be among you, that hath a sheepe, and if it fal on a Sabbath day into a pit, doth 12 not take it and lift it out? How much more then is a man better then a sheepe? therefore, it is lawfull to doe well on a Sab-13 bath day. Then said he to the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it foorth, and it was made whole as the other. 14 Then the Pharises went out, and consulted against him, howe 15 they might destroy him. But whe Iesus knew it, he departed thece, and great multitudes followed him, and he healed the al, 16 And charged them in threatning wise, that they should not 17 make him knowen, That it might be fulfilled, which was spo-18 ken by Esaias the Prophet, saying, Behold my seruant whom I have chosen, my beloued in whom my soule deliteth: I wil put my Spirit on him, and he shall shewe iudgement to the Gentiles. He shall not striue, nor crie, neither shall any man 19 heare his voyce in the streetes. A bruised reede shall he not 20 breake, and smoking flaxe shall he not quenche, till he bring forth iudgement vnto victorie. And in his Name shall the Gen- 21 tiles trust. Then was brought to him one, possessed with a 22 deuill, both blind, and dumme, and he healed him, so that he which was blind and dumme, both spake and saw. And all 23 the people were amased, and saide, Is not this that sonne of Dauid? But when the Pharises heard it, they saide, This man 24 casteth the deuils no otherwise out, but through Beelzebub the prince of deuils. But Iesus knew their thoughtes, and said 25 to them, Euery kingdome deuided against it selfe, is brought to nought: and euery citie or house, deuided against it selfe, shall not stand. So if Satan cast out Satan, he is deuided 26 against himself: how shall then his kingdom endure? Also if I 27 through Beelzebub cast out deuils, by whom doe your children cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. But if I 28 cast out deuils by ye Spirit of God, then is the kingdome of God come vnto you. Els howe can a man enter into a strong mans 29 house and spoyle his goods, except he first bind the strong man, and then spoile his house. He that is not with me, is 30 against me: and he that gathereth not with me, scattereth. Wherefore I say vnto you, euery sinne and blasphemie shalbe 31 forgiuen vnto men: but the blasphemie against the holy Ghost shall not be forgiuen vnto men. And whosoeuer shall speake 32 a word against the Sonne of man, it shall be forgiuen him: but whosoeuer shall speake against the holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiuen him, neither in this worlde, nor in the worlde to come. Either make the tree good, and his fruite good: or els 33 make the tree euill, and his fruite euil: for the tree is knowen by the fruite. O generations of vipers, howe can you speake 34 good things, when ye are euill? For of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. A good man out of the good trea- 35 sure of his heart bringeth foorth good things: and an euill man out of an euill treasure, bringeth forth euill things. But I say 36 vnto you, that of euery idle word that men shall speake, they shall give account thereof at the day of judgement. For by thy 37 wordes thou shalt be iustified, and by thy wordes thou shalt be condemned. Then answered certaine of ye Scribes and of the 38 Pharises, saving, Master, we would see a signe of thee. But 39

he answered and said to them, An euill and adulterous generation seeketh a signe, but no signe shall be given vnto it, saue 40 that signe of the Prophet Ionas. For as Ionas was three daies and three nights in the whales belly: so shall the Sonne of man 41 be three daies and three nights in ye heart of the earth. The men of Nineue shall rise in judgement with this generation, and condemne it: for they repented at the preaching of Ionas: 42 and behold, a greater then Ionas is here. The Queene of the South shall rise in iudgement with this generation, and shall condemne it: for she came from the vtmost partes of the earth to heare the wisdome of Salomon: and beholde, a greater then 43 Salomon is here. Nowe when the vncleane spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh throughout drie places, seeking rest, and 44 findeth none. Then he saith, I wil returne into mine house from whence I came: and when he is come, he findeth it emp-45 tie, swept and garnished. Then he goeth, and taketh vnto him seuen other spirites worse then himselfe, and they enter in, and dwell there: and the ende of that man is worse then the beginning. Euen so shall it be with this wicked generation. 46 While he yet spake to ye multitude, beholde, his mother, and 47 his brethren stood without, desiring to speake with him. Then one said vnto him, Beholde, thy mother and thy brethren stand 48 without, desiring to speake with thee. But he answered, and said to him that told him, Who is my mother? and who are 49 my brethren? And he stretched foorth his hand toward his 50 disciples, and said, Beholde my mother and my brethren. For whosoeuer shall doe my Fathers will which is in heauen, the same is my brother and sister and mother.

The same day went Iesus out of the house, and sate by the sea side. And great multitudes resorted vnto him, so that he went into a ship, and sate downe: and the whole multitude stoode on the shore. Then he spake many things to them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sowe. And as he sowed, some fell by the way side, and the foules came and deuoured them vp. And some fell vpon stony grounde, where they had not much earth, and anon they sprong vp, because they had no depth of earth. And when the sunne was vp, they were parched, and for lacke of rooting, withered away. And some fell among thornes, and the thornes sprong vp, and choked them. Some againe fel in good ground, and brought

forth fruite, one corne an hundreth folde, some sixtie folde, and another thirtie folde. He that hath eares to heare, let 9 Then the disciples came, and said to him, Why 10 speakest thou to them in parables? And he answered, and 11 said vnto them, Because it is given vnto you, to know the secretes of the kingdome of heaven, but to the it is not give. For 12 whosoeuer hath, to him shalbe giuen, and he shall haue abundance: but whosoeuer hath not, from him shalbe taken away, euen that he hath. Therefore speake I to them in parables, 13 because they seeing, doe not see: and hearing, they heare not, neither vnderstand. So in them is fulfilled the prophecie of 14 Esaias, which prophecie saieth, By hearing, ye shall heare, and shall not vnderstand, and seeing, ye shall see, and shall not perceiue. For this peoples heart is waxed fat, and their eares 15 are dull of hearing, and with their eyes they have winked, lest they should see with their eyes, and heare with their eares, and should vnderstand with their hearts, and should returne, that I might heale them. But blessed are your eyes, for they 16 see: and your eares, for they heare. For verely I say vnto you, 17 that many Prophets, and righteous men haue desired to see those things which ye see, and haue not seene them, and to heare those things which ye heare, and haue not heard them. Heare ve therefore ve parable of ve sower. Whensoeuer any 18, 19 man heareth the woorde of that kingdome, and vnderstandeth it not, that euil one commeth, and catcheth away that which was sowen in his heart: and this is he which hath received the seede by the way side. And hee that received seede in 20 the stonie grounde, is he which heareth the woorde, and incontinently with ioy receiveth it, Yet hath he no roote in him- 21 selfe, and dureth but a season: for assoone as tribulation or persecution commeth because of the woorde, by and by he is offended. And hee that received the seede among thornes, is 22 hee that heareth the woorde: but the care of this worlde, and the deceitfulnesse of riches choke the word, and he is made vnfruitfull. But he that received the seede in the good ground, 23 is he that heareth the worde, and vnderstandeth it, which also beareth fruite, and bringeth foorth, some an hundreth folde, some sixtie folde, and some thirtie folde. Another parable put 24 hee foorth vnto them, saying, The kingdome of heauen is like vnto a man which sowed good seede in his fielde. But while 25

men slept, there came his enemie, and sowed tares among the 26 wheat, and went his waie. And when the blade was sprong vp, 27 and brought forth fruite, then appeared the tares also. Then came the servaunts of the housholder, and sayd vnto him, Master, sowedst not thou good seede in thy fielde? from whence 28 then hath it tares? And hee said to them, Some enuious man hath done this. Then the seruants saide vnto him, Wilt thou 29 then that we go and gather them vp? But he saide, Nay, lest while yee goe about to gather the tares, yee plucke vp also with 30 them the wheat. Let both growe together vntill the haruest, and in time of haruest I will say to the reapers, Gather yee first the tares, and binde them in sheaues to burne them: but 31 gather the wheate into my barne. Another parable he put foorth vnto them, saying, The kingdome of heauen is like vnto a graine of mustard seede, which a man taketh and soweth in 32 his fielde: Which in deede is the least of all seedes: but when it is growen, it is the greatest among herbes, and it is a tree, so that the birdes of heaven come and builde in the branches 33 thereof. Another parable spake hee to them, The kingdome of heauen is like vnto leauen, which a woman taketh and hideth 34 in three pecks of meale, till all be leauened. All these thinges spake Iesus vnto the multitude in parables, and without para-35 bles spake he not to them, That it might be fulfilled, which was spoken by the Prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables, and will vtter the thinges which have beene kept se-36 crete from the foundation of the worlde. Then sent Iesus the multitude away, and went into the house. And his disciples came vnto him, saving, Declare vnto vs the parable of the tares 37 of that fielde. Then answered he, and saide to them, He that 38 soweth the good seede, is the Sonne of man. And the field is the worlde, and the good seede are the children of the king-39 dome, and the tares are the children of that wicked one. And the enemie that soweth them, is the deuill, and the haruest is 40 the end of the worlde, and the reapers be the Angels. As then the tares are gathered and burned in ve fire, so shall it be in 41 the end of this world. The Sonne of man shall send forth his Angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that 42 offend, and them which doe iniquitie, And shall cast them into a fornace of fire. There shalbe wailing and gnashing of teeth. 43 Then shall the iust men shine as ye sunne in the kingdome

of their Father. Hee that hath eares to heare, let him heare. Againe, the kingdom of heauen is like vnto a treasure hid in ye 44 field, which when a man hath found, he hideth it, and for iov thereof departeth and selleth all that he hath, and buieth that Againe, the kingdome of heauen is like to a marchant 45 man, that seeketh good pearles, Who having found a pearle 46 of great price, went and solde all that he had, and bought it. Againe, the kingdom of heauen is like vnto a drawe net cast 47 into the sea, that gathereth of all kindes of things. Which, 48 when it is full, men draw to lande, and sit and gather the good into vessels, and cast the bad away. So shall it be at the end of 49 the world. The Angels shall goe foorth, and seuer the bad from among the just. And shall cast them into a fornace of fire: 50 there shalbe wailing, and gnashing of teeth. Iesus saide vnto 51 them, Vnderstand yee all these things? They saide vnto him, Yea, Lord. Then sayd hee vnto them, Therefore euery Scribe 52 which is taught vnto the kingdome of heauen, is like vnto an householder, which bringeth foorth out of his treasure things both newe and olde. And it came to passe, that when Iesus 53 had ended these parables, he departed thence, And came into 54 his owne countrey, and taught them in their Synagogue, so that they were astonied, and saide, Whence commeth this wisdome and great woorkes vnto this man? Is not this the carpenters 55 sonne? Is not his mother called Marie, and his brethren Iames and Ioses, and Simon and Iudas? And are not his sisters all 56 with vs? Whence then hath he all these things? And they 57 were offended with him. Then Iesus said to them, A Prophet is not without honour, saue in his owne countrey, and in his owne house. And he did not many great woorkes there, for 58 their vnbeliefes sake.

At that time Herod the Tetrarche heard of the fame of Iesus, And sayde vnto his seruaunts, This is that Iohn Baptist, hee is 2 risen againe from the deade, and therefore great woorkes are wrought by him. For Herod had taken Iohn, and bounde him, 3 and put him in prison for Herodias sake, his brother Philips wife. For Iohn saide vnto him, It is not lawfull for thee to 4 haue her. And when hee woulde haue put him to death, hee 5 feared the multitude, because they counted him as a Prophet. But when Herods birth day was kept, the daughter of Herodias daunced before them, and pleased Herod. Wherefore he 7

promised with an othe, that he would give her whatsoeuer she 8 would aske. And shee being before instructed of her mother, 9 sayde, Giue mee here Iohn Baptists head in a platter. And the King was sorie: neuerthelesse because of the othe, and them that sate with him at the table, he commanded it to be given 10, 11 her, And sent, and beheaded Iohn in the prison. head was brought in a platter, and given to the maide, and 12 shee brought it vnto her mother. And his disciples came, and tooke vp the bodie, and buried it, and went, and tolde Iesus. 13 And when Iesus heard it, hee departed thence by shippe into a desert place apart. And when the multitude had heard it, they 14 followed him on foote out of the cities. And Iesus went foorth and sawe a great multitude, and was mooued with compas-15 sion toward them, and he healed their sicke. And when euen was come, his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desart place, and the time is alreadie past: let the multitude depart, 16 that they may goe into the townes, and bye them vitailes. But Iesus saide to them, They haue no neede to goe away: giue yee 17 them to eate. Then saide they vnto him, Wee haue here but 18 fiue loaues, and two fishes. And he saide, Bring them hither 19 to me. And hee commanded the multitude to sit downe on the grasse, and tooke the fiue loaues and the two fishes, and looked vp to heauen and blessed, and brake, and gaue the loaues to 20 his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. And they did all eate, and were sufficed, and they tooke vp of the fragments 21 that remained, twelue baskets full. And they that had eaten, were about fiue thousande men, beside women and litle chil-22 dren. And straightway Iesus compelled his disciples to enter into a shippe, and to goe ouer before him, while he sent the 23 multitude away. And assoone as hee had sent the multitude away, he went vp into a moutaine alone to pray: and when 24 the euening was come, hee was there alone. And the shippe was nowe in the middes of the sea, and was tossed with waues: 25 for it was a contrarie winde. And in the fourth watch of the 26 night, Iesus went vnto them, walking on the sea. And when his disciples sawe him walking on the sea, they were troubled, 27 saying, It is a spirit, and cried out for feare. But straight way Iesus spake vnto them, saying, Be of good comfort, It is I: be 28 not afraide. Then Peter answered him, and saide, Master, if 29 it be thou, bid me come vnto thee on the water. And he saide,

Come. And when Peter was come downe out of the shippe, he walked on the water, to goe to Iesus. But when he sawe 30 a mightie winde, he was afraide: and as he began to sinke, he cried, saying, Master, saue me. So immediatly Iesus stretched 31 foorth his hande, and caught him, and saide to him, O thou of litle faith, wherefore diddest thou doubt? And assoone as 32 they were come into the ship, the winde ceased. Then they 33 that were in the ship, came and worshipped him, saying, Of a trueth thou art the Sonne of God. And when they were come 34 ouer, they came into the land of Gennezaret. And when the 35 men of that place knewe him, they sent out into all that countrey rounde about, and brought vnto him all that were sicke, And besought him, that they might touch the hemme of his 36 garment onely: and as many as touched it, were made whole.

Then came to Iesus the Scribes and Pharises, which were 15 of Hierusalem, saying, Why do thy disciples transgresse the 2 tradition of the Elders? for they wash not their hands when they eate bread. But he answered and said vnto them, Why 3 doe yee also transgresse the commandement of God by your tradition? For God hath commanded, saying, Honour thy fa- 4 ther and mother: and he that curseth father or mother, let him die the death. But ye say, Whosoeuer shall say to fa- 5 ther or mother, By the gift that is offered by me, thou maiest haue profite, Though hee honour not his father, or his mother, 6 shalbe free: thus have ye made the commandement of God of no aucthoritie by your tradition. O hypocrites, Esaias prophe- 7 cied well of you, saying, This people draweth neere vnto me 8 with their mouth, and honoureth me with the lips, but their heart is farre off from me. But in vaine they worship me, 9 teaching for doctrines, mens precepts. Then hee called the 10 multitude vnto him, and said to them, Heare and vnderstand. That which goeth into the mouth, defileth not the man, but 11 that which commeth out of the mouth, that defileth the man. Then came his disciples, and saide vnto him, Perceiuest thou 12 not, that the Pharises are offended in hearing this saying? But hee answered and saide, Euery plant which mine heauenly 13 Father hath not planted, shalbe rooted vp. Let them alone, 14 they be the blinde leaders of the blinde: and if the blinde leade ye blinde, both shall fall into the ditche. Then answered Pe- 15 ter, and said to him. Declare vnto vs this parable. Then said 16

17 Iesus, Are ye yet without vnderstanding? Perceiue ye not yet, that whatsoeuer entreth into the mouth, goeth into the bellie, 18 and is cast out into the draught? But those thinges which proceede out of the mouth, come from the heart, and they de-19 file the man. For out of the heart come euil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false testimonies, slaun-20 ders. These are the things, which defile the man: but to eat 21 with vnwashen hands, defileth not ye man. And Iesus went 22 thence, and departed into the coastes of Tyrus and Sidon. And beholde, a woman a Cananite came out of the same coasts, and cried, saying vnto him, Haue mercie on me, O Lord, the sonne 23 of Dauid: my daughter is miserably vexed with a deuil. hee answered her not a worde. Then came to him his disciples, and besought him, saying, Sende her away, for she crieth after 24 vs. But he answered, and said, I am not sent, but vnto the lost 25 sheepe of the house of Israel. Yet she came, and worshipped 26 him, saying, Lord, helpe me. And he answered, and said, It is not good to take the childrens bread, and to cast it to whelps. 27 But she said, Trueth, Lord: yet in deede the whelpes eate of 28 the crommes, which fall from their masters table. Then Iesus answered, and saide vnto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it to thee, as thou desirest. And her daughter was made whole 29 at that houre. So Iesus went away from thence, and came neere vnto the sea of Galile, and went vp into a mountaine and 30 sate downe there. And great multitudes came vnto him, hauing with them, halt, blinde, dumme, maymed, and many other, 31 and cast them downe at Iesus feete, and he healed them. In so much that the multitude wondered, to see the dumme speake, the maimed whole, the halt to goe, and the blinde to see: and 32 they glorified the God of Israel. Then Iesus called his disciples vnto him, and said, I haue compassion on this multitude, because they have continued with mee already three dayes, and haue nothing to eate: and I wil not let them depart fast-33 ing, least they faint in the way. And his disciples saide vnto him, Whence should we get so much bread in the wildernes, 34 as should suffice so great a multitude! And Iesus said vnto them, How many loaues haue ye? And they said, Seuen, and 35 a few litle fishes. Then he commanded the multitude to sit 36 downe on the ground, And tooke the seuen loaues, and the fishes, and gaue thankes, and brake them, and gaue to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. And they did all 37 eate, and were sufficed: and they tooke vp of the fragments that remained, seuen baskets full. And they that had eaten, 38 were foure thousand men, beside women, and litle children. Then Iesus sent away the multitude, and tooke ship, and came 39 into the partes of Magdala.

Then came the Pharises and Sadduces, and did tempt him, 16 desiring him to shew them a signe from heauen. But he an- 2 swered, and said vnto them, When it is euening, ye say, Faire wether: for ye skie is red. And in the morning ye say, To day 3 shall be a tempest: for the skie is red and lowring. O hypocrites, ye can discerne the face of the skie, and can ye not discerne the signes of the times? The wicked generation, and 4 adulterous seeketh a signe, but there shall no signe be given it, but that signe of the Prophet Ionas: so hee left them, and departed. And when his disciples were come to the other side, 5 they had forgotten to take bread with them. Then Iesus said 6 vnto them. Take heede and beware of the leauen of the Pharises and Sadduces. And they reasoned among themselues, 7 saying, It is because we have brought no bread. But Iesus 8 knowing it, saide vnto them, O ve of litle faith, why reason you thus among your selues, because ye haue brought no bread? Doe ve not vet perceiue, neither remember the fiue loaues, 9 when there were fiue thousand men, and how many baskets tooke ye vp? Neither the seuen loaues when there were foure 10 thousande men, and howe many baskets tooke ye vp? Why 11 perceiue ye not that I said not vnto you concerning bread, that ve shoulde beware of the leauen of the Pharises and Sadduces? Then vnderstood they that he had not said that they should 12 beware of the leauen of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharises, and Sadduces. Nowe when Iesus came into the coastes of 13 Cesarea Philippi, hee asked his disciples, saying, Whome doe men say that I, the sonne of man am? And they said, Some 14 say, Iohn Baptist: and some, Elias: and others, Ieremias, or one of the Prophets. He said vnto them, But whome say ye that 15 I am? Then Simon Peter answered, and said, Thou art that 16 Christ, the Sonne of the liuing God. And Iesus answered, and 17 saide to him, Blessed art thou, Simon, the sonne of Ionas: for flesh and blood hath not reueiled it vnto thee, but my Father which is in heauen. And I say also vnto thee, that thou art Pe- 18

ter, and vpon this rocke I will builde my Church: and ye gates 19 of hell shall not ouercome it. And I will give vnto thee the keyes of the kingdome of heauen, and whatsoeuer thou shalt binde vpon earth, shalbe bound in heauen: and whatsoeuer 20 thou shalt loose on earth, shall be loosed in heauen. Then hee charged his disciples, that they should tell no man that he 21 was Iesus that Christ. From that time foorth Iesus beganne to shewe vnto his disciples, that he must goe vnto Hierusalem, and suffer many thinges of the Elders, and of the hie Priestes, and Scribes, and be slaine, and be raised againe the thirde day. 22 Then Peter tooke him aside, and began to rebuke him, saying, 23 Master, pitie thy selfe: this shall not be vnto thee. turned backe, and said vnto Peter, Get thee behinde me, Satan: thou art an offence vnto me, because thou vnderstandest not the thinges that are of God, but the thinges that are of men. 24 Iesus then saide to his disciples, If any man will follow me, let him forsake himselfe: and take vp his crosse, and follow me. 25 For whosoeuer will saue his life, shall lose it: and whosoeuer 26 shall lose his life for my sake, shall finde it. For what shall it profite a man though he should winne the whole worlde, if hee lose his owne soule? or what shall a man give for recompence 27 of his soule? For the Sonne of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his Angels, and then shall he give to euery 28 man according to his deedes. Verely I say vnto you, there bee some of them that stande here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seene the Sonne of man come in his kingdome.

And after sixe dayes, Iesus tooke Peter, and Iames and Iohn **17** his brother, and brought them vp into an hie mountaine apart, 2 And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as 3 the Sunne, and his clothes were as white as the light. And beholde, there appeared vnto them Moses, and Elias, talking Then answered Peter, and saide to Iesus, Master, 4 with him. it is good for vs to be here: if thou wilt, let vs make here three tabernacles, one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. 5 While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloude shadowed them: and beholde, there came a voyce out of the cloude, saying, This is that my beloued Sonne, in whom I am well pleased: heare 6 him. And when the disciples heard that, they fell on their 7 faces, and were sore afraide. Then Iesus came and touched 8 them, and said, Arise, and be not afraide. And when they lifted vp their eyes, they sawe no man, saue Iesus onely. And 9 as they came downe from the moutaine, Iesus charged them, saying, Shewe the vision to no man, vntil the Sonne of man rise againe from the dead. And his disciples asked him, say- 10 ing, Why then say the Scribes that Elias must first come? And 11 Iesus answered, and saide vnto them, Certeinely Elias must first come, and restore all thinges. But I say vnto you that 12 Elias is come alreadie, and they knewe him not, but haue done vnto him whatsoeuer they would: likewise shall also the Sonne of man suffer of them. Then the disciples perceived that he 13 spake vnto them of Iohn Baptist. And when they were come 14 to the multitude, there came to him a certaine man, and fell downe at his feete, And saide, Master, haue pitie on my sonne: 15 for he is lunatike, and is sore vexed: for oft times he falleth into the fire, and oft times into the water. And I brought him to thy 16 disciples, and they could not heale him. Then Iesus answered, 17 and said, O generation faithlesse, and crooked, how long now shall I be with you! howe long nowe shall I suffer you! bring him hither to me. And Iesus rebuked the deuill, and he went 18 out of him: and the childe was healed at that houre. came the disciples to Iesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out? And Iesus said vnto them, Because of your vn- 20 beliefe: for verely I say vnto you, if ye haue faith as much as is a graine of mustarde seede, ye shall say vnto this mountaine, Remooue hence to yonder place, and it shall remoue: and nothing shalbe vnpossible vnto you. Howbeit this kinde 21 goeth not out, but by prayer and fasting. And they being in 22 Galile, Iesus said vnto them, The Sonne of man shall be deliuered into the handes of men, And they shall kill him, but 23 the thirde day shall he rise againe: and they were very sorie. And when they were come to Capernaum, they that received 24 polle money, came to Peter, and sayd, Doeth not your Master pay polle money? He sayd, Yes. And when he was come into 25 the house, Iesus preuented him, saying, What thinkest thou, Simon? Of whome doe the Kings of the earth take tribute, or polle money? of their children, or of strangers? Peter sayd 26 vnto him, Of strangers. Then said Iesus vnto him, Then are the children free. Neuerthelesse, lest we should offend them: 27 goe to the sea, and cast in an angle, and take the first fish that commeth vp, and when thou hast opened his mouth, thou shalt

finde a piece of twentie pence: that take, and giue it vnto them for me and thee.

The same time the disciples came vnto Iesus, saying, Who 18 2 is the greatest in the kingdome of heauen? And Iesus called 3 a litle childe vnto him, and set him in the mids of them, And sayd, Verely I say vnto you, except ye be conuerted, and become as litle children, ye shall not enter into the kingdome of 4 heauen. Whosoeuer therefore shall humble himselfe as this litle childe, the same is the greatest in the kingdome of heauen. 5 And whosoeuer shall receive one such litle childe in my name, 6 receiveth me. But whosoeuer shall offend one of these litle ones which beleeue in me, it were better for him, that a milstone were hanged about his necke, and that he were drowned 7 in the depth of the sea. Wo be vnto the world because of offences: for it must needes be that offences shall come, but wo 8 be to that man by whome the offence commeth. Wherefore, if thy hand or thy foote cause thee to offend, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life, halt, or maimed, then having two hands, or two feete, to be cast into 9 euerlasting fire. And if thine eye cause thee to offende, plucke it out, and cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, then having two eyes to be cast into hell fire. 10 See that ye despise not one of these litle ones: for I say vnto you, that in heauen their Angels alwayes behold the face of 11 my Father which is in heauen. For the Sonne of man is come 12 to saue that which was lost. How thinke ye? If a man haue an hundreth sheepe, and one of them be gone astray, doeth he not leave ninetie and nine, and go into the mountaines, and 13 seeke that which is gone astray? And if so be that he finde it, verely I say vnto you, he reioyceth more of that sheepe, then 14 of the ninetie and nine which went not astray: So is it not ye wil of your Father which is in heauen, that one of these litle ones should perish. Moreover, if thy brother trespasse against thee, goe and tell him his fault betweene thee and him alone: 16 if he heare thee, thou hast wonne thy brother. But if he heare thee not, take yet with thee one or two, that by the mouth of 17 two or three witnesses euery worde may be confirmed. And if he refuse to heare them, tell it vnto the Church: and if he refuse to heare the Church also, let him be vnto thee as an 18 heathen man, and a Publicane. Verely I say vnto you, Whatsoeuer ye bind on earth, shall be bound in heauen: and whatsoeuer ye loose on earth, shalbe loosed in heauen. Againe, 19 verely I say vnto you, that if two of you shall agree in earth vpon any thing, whatsoeuer they shall desire, it shall be given them of my Father which is in heauen. For where two or three 20 are gathered together in my Name, there am I in the mids of them. Then came Peter to him, and said, Master, howe oft 21 shall my brother sinne against me, and I shall forgiue him? vnto seuen times? Iesus said vnto him, I say not to thee, Vnto 22 seuen times, but, Vnto seuentie times seuen times. fore is the kingdome of heaven likened vnto a certaine King. which would take an account of his seruants. And when he 24 had begun to reckon, one was brought vnto him, which ought him ten thousand talents. And because he had nothing to pay, 25 his Lord commanded him to be solde, and his wife, and his children, and all that he had, and the dette to be paved. The seru- 26 ant therefore fell downe, and worshipped him, saving, Lord, refraine thine anger toward me, and I will pay thee all. Then 27 that servants Lord had compassion, and loosed him, and forgaue him the dette. But when the seruant was departed, hee 28 found one of his felow seruants, which ought him an hundred pence, and he layde hands on him, and thratled him, saying, Pay me that thou owest. Then his fellow seruant fell downe 29 at his feete, and besought him, saying, Refraine thine anger towards me, and I will pay thee all. Yet he would not, but 30 went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the dette. And when his other felowe servants sawe what was done, they 31 were very sory, and came, and declared vnto their Lord all that was done. Then his Lord called him vnto him, and sayd to 32 him, O euil seruant, I forgaue thee all that dette, because thou prayedst me. Oughtest not thou also to have had pitie on thy 33 fellowe seruant, euen as I had pitie on thee? So his Lord was 34 wroth, and deliuered him to the tormentours, till he should pay all that was due to him. So likewise shall mine heauenly Fa- 35 ther doe vnto you, except ye forgiue from your hearts, eche one to his brother their trespasses.

And it came to passe, that when Iesus had finished these 19 sayings, he departed from Galile, and came into ye coasts of Iudea beyond Iordan. And great multitudes followed him, 2 and he healed them there. Then came vnto him the Phar- 3

ises tempting him, and saying to him, Is it lawfull for a man 4 to put away his wife vpon euery occasion? And he answered and sayd vnto them, Haue ye not read, that hee which made 5 them at the beginning, made them male and female, And sayd, For this cause, shall a man leaue father and mother, and cleaue vnto his wife, and they which were two shalbe one flesh. 6 Wherefore they are no more twaine, but one flesh. Let not man therefore put asunder that, which God hath coupled together. 7 They said to him, Why did then Moses commaund to give a 8 bill of divorcement, and to put her away? He sayd vnto them, Moses, because of the hardnesse of your heart, suffered you to put away your wiues: but from the beginning it was not so. 9 I say therefore vnto you, that whosoeuer shall put away his wife, except it be for whoredome, and marry another, committeth adulterie: and whosoeuer marieth her which is diuorced, 10 doeth commit adulterie. Then sayd his disciples to him, If the matter be so betweene man and wife, it is not good to marry. 11 But he sayd vnto them, All men cannot receive this thing, save 12 they to whom it is giuen. For there are some eunuches, which were so borne of their mothers belly: and there be some eunuches, which be gelded by men: and there be some eunuches, which have gelded them selves for the kingdome of heaven. 13 He that is able to receive this, let him receive it. Then were brought to him litle children, that he should put his hands on 14 them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them. But Iesus sayd, Suffer the litle children, and forbid them not to come to 15 me: for of such is the kingdome of heauen. And when he had 16 put his hands on them, he departed thence. And beholde, one came and sayd vnto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I 17 doe, that I may have eternall life? And he said vnto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, eue God: but 18 if thou wilt enter into life, keepe ye commandemets. He sayd to him, Which? And Iesus sayde, These, Thou shalt not kill: Thou shalt not commit adulterie: Thou shalt not steale: Thou 19 shalt not beare false witnesse. Honour thy father and mother: 20 and thou shalt loue thy neighbour as thy selfe. The yong man sayd vnto him, I haue obserued all these things from my youth: 21 what lacke I yet? Iesus sayd vnto him, If thou wilt be perfite, go, sell that thou hast, and give it to the poore, and thou 22 shalt haue treasure in heauen, and come, and follow me. And when the yong man heard that saying, he went away sorowfull: for he had great possessions. Then Iesus sayd vnto his 23 disciples, Verely I say vnto you, that a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdome of heauen. And againe I say vnto 24 you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, then for a rich man to enter into ye kingdome of God. whe his disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amased, saying, Who then can be saued? And Iesus behelde them, and 26 sayde vnto them, With men this is vnpossible, but with God all things are possible. Then answered Peter, and said to him, 27 Beholde, we have forsaken all, and followed thee: what therefore shall we haue? And Iesus said vnto them, Verely I say 28 to you, that when the Sonne of man shall sit in the throne of his maiestie, ve which followed me in the regeneration, shall sit also vpon twelue thrones and iudge the twelue tribes of Israel. And whosoeuer shall forsake houses, or brethren, or sisters, or 29 father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my Names sake, he shall receive an hundreth folde more, and shall inherite euerlasting life. But many that are first, shalbe last, 30 and the last shalbe first.

For the kingdome of heauen is like vnto a certaine, housh- 20 older, which went out at the dawning of the day to hire labourers into his vineyarde. And he agreed with the labourers for 2 a peny a day, and sent them into his vineyard. And he went 3 out about the third houre, and sawe other standing idle in the market place, And sayd vnto them, Goe ye also into my vine- 4 yard, and whatsoeuer is right, I will giue you: and they went their way. Againe he went out about the sixt and ninth houre, 5 and did likewise. And he went about the eleuenth houre, and 6 found other standing idle, and sayd vnto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? They sayd vnto him, Because no man 7 hath hired vs. He sayd to them, Goe ye also into my vineyard, and whatsoeuer is right, that shall ye receiue. when euen was come, the master of the vineyard sayd vnto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning at the last, till thou come to the first. And they which 9 were hired about ye eleuenth houre, came and received euery man a penie. Nowe when the first came, they supposed 10 that they should receive more, but they likewise received euery man a penie. And when they had received it, they mur- 11

12 mured against the master of the house, Saying, These last haue wrought but one houre, and thou hast made them equall vnto vs, which haue borne the burden and heate of the day. 13 And hee answered one of them, saying, Friend, I doe thee no 14 wrong: didst thou not agree with me for a penie? Take that which is thine owne, and go thy way: I will give vnto this last, 15 as much as to thee. Is it not lawfull for me to do as I will 16 with mine owne? Is thine eye euil, because I am good? the last shalbe first, and the first last: for many are called, 17 but fewe chosen. And Iesus went vp to Hierusalem, and tooke 18 the twelue disciples apart in the way, and said vnto them, Beholde, wee goe vp to Hierusalem, and the Sonne of man shall bee deliuered vnto the chiefe priestes, and vnto the Scribes, 19 and they shall condemne him to death, And shall deliuer him to the Gentiles, to mocke, and to scourge, and to crucifie him, 20 but the third day he shall rise againe. Then came to him the mother of Zebedeus children with her sonnes, worshipping 21 him, and desiring a certaine thing of him. And he said vnto her, What wouldest thou? She said to him, Graunt that these my two sonnes may sit, the one at thy right hand, and the 22 other at thy left hand in thy kingdome. And Iesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye aske. Are ye able to drinke of the cup that I shall drinke of, and to be baptized with the baptisme that I shalbe baptized with? They said to him, We are 23 able. And he said vnto them, Ye shall drinke in deede of my cup, and shall be baptized with the baptisme, that I am baptized with, but to sit at my right hande, and at my left hand, is not mine to giue: but it shalbe giuen to them for whome it 24 is prepared of my Father. And when the other ten heard this, 25 they disdained at the two brethren. Therefore Iesus called them vnto him, and saide, We knowe that the lordes of the Gentiles have domination over them, and they that are great, 26 exercise authoritie ouer them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoeuer will be great among you, let him be your 27 seruant. And whosoeuer will be chiefe among you, let him 28 be your seruant. Euen as the Sonne of man came not to be serued, but to serue, and to giue his life for the ransome of 29 many. And as they departed from Iericho, a great multitude 30 followed him. And beholde, two blinde men, sitting by the way side, when they heard that Iesus passed by, cryed, saying, O Lord, the Sonne of Dauid, haue mercie on vs. And 31 the multitude rebuked them, because they should holde their peace: but they cried the more, saying, O Lord, the Sonne of Dauid, haue mercie on vs. Then Iesus stoode still, and called 32 them, and said, What will ye that I should do to you? They 33 saide to him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened. And Iesus 34 mooued with compassion, touched their eyes, and immediatly their eyes received sight, and they followed him.

And when they drewe neere to Hierusalem, and were come 21 to Bethphage, vnto the mount of the Oliues, then sent Iesus two disciples, Saying to them, Goe into the towne that is ouer 2 against you, and anon vee shall finde an asse bounde, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them vnto me. if any man say ought vnto you, say ye, that the Lord hath neede of them, and straightway he will let them goe. All this 4 was done that it might be fulfilled, which was spoken by the Prophet, saying, Tell ve the daughter of Sion, Beholde, thy 5 King commeth vnto thee, meeke and sitting vpon an asse, and a colte, the foale of an asse vsed to the yoke. So the disciples 6 went, and did as Iesus had commanded them, And brought 7 the asse and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and set him thereon. And a great multitude spred their garments in 8 the way: and other cut downe branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way. Moreouer, the people that went 9 before, and they also that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Sonne of Dauid, Blessed be hee that commeth in the Name of the Lord, Hosanna thou which art in the highest heauens. And when he was come into Hierusalem, all the citie 10 was mooued, saying, Who is this? And the people said, This is 11 Iesus that Prophet of Nazareth in Galile. And Iesus went into 12 the Temple of God, and cast out all them that solde and bought in the Temple, and ouerthrew the tables of the money chagers, and the seates of them that sold doues, And said to them, 13 it is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer: but ye haue made it a denne of theeues. Then the blinde, 14 and the halt came to him in the Temple, and he healed them. But when the chiefe priestes and Scribes sawe the marueiles 15 that hee did, and the children crying in the Temple, and saying, Hosanna to the Sonne of Dauid, they disdained, And said 16 vnto him, Hearest thou what these say? And Iesus said vnto

them, Yea: read ye neuer, By the mouth of babes and suck-17 lings thou hast made perfite the praise? So hee left them, and 18 went out of the citie vnto Bethania, and lodged there. in the morning, as he returned into the citie, he was hungrie, 19 And seeing a figge tree in the way, he came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves onely, and said to it, Neuer fruite grow on thee henceforwards. And anon the figge tree with-20 ered. And when his disciples saw it, they marueiled, saying, 21 How soone is the figge tree withered! And Iesus answered and said vnto them, Verely I say vnto you, if ye haue faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only doe that, which I have done to the figge tree, but also if ye say vnto this mountaine, Take thy selfe away, and cast thy selfe into the sea, it shalbe done. 22 And whatsoeuer ye shall aske in prayer, if ye beleeue, ye shall 23 receive it. And whe he was come into the Temple, the chiefe Priestes, and the Elders of the people came vnto him, as he was teaching, and saide, By what authoritie doest thou these 24 things? and who gaue thee this authoritie? Then Iesus answered and said vnto them, I also will aske of you a certaine thing, which if ye tell me, I likewise will tell you by what au-25 thoritie I doe these things. The baptisme of Iohn, whence was it? from heauen, or of men? Then they reasoned among themselues, saying, If we shall say, From heauen, he will say vnto 26 vs, Why did ye not then beleeue him? And if we say, Of men, 27 we feare the multitude, for all holde Iohn as a Prophet. Then they answered Iesus, and said, We can not tell. And he said vnto them, Neither tell I you by what authoritie I doe these 28 things. But what thinke ye? A certaine man had two sonnes. and came to the elder, and saide, Sonne, goe and worke to day 29 in my vineyarde. But he answered, and said, I will not: yet 30 afterward he repented himselfe, and went. Then came he to the second, and said likewise. And he answered, and said, I 31 will, Syr: yet he went not. Whether of them twaine did the will of the father? They saide vnto him, The first. Iesus saide vnto them, Verely I say vnto you, that the Publicanes and the 32 harlots goe before you into the kingdome of God. For Iohn came vnto you in the way of righteousnes, and yee beleeued him not: but the Publicanes, and the harlots beleeued him, and ye, though ye sawe it, were not mooued with repentance 33 afterward, that ye might beleeue him. Heare another parable, There was a certaine housholder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and made a winepresse therein, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a strange countrey. And when the time of the fruite drewe 34 neere, hee sent his servants to the husbandmen to receive the fruites thereof. And ye husbandmen tooke his seruants and 35 beat one, and killed another, and stoned another. Againe hee 36 sent other seruants, moe then the first: and they did the like vnto them. But last of all he sent vnto them his owne sonne, 37 saying, They will reuerence my sonne. But when the hus- 38 bandmen saw the sonne, they saide among themselues, This is the heire: come, let vs kill him, and let vs take his inheritance. So they tooke him, and cast him out of the vineyarde, and slewe 39 When therefore the Lord of the vineyarde shall come, 40 him. what will hee doe to those husbandmen? They saide vnto him, 41 Hee will cruelly destroy those wicked men, and will let out his vineyard vnto other husbandmen, which shall deliuer him the fruites in their seasons. Iesus saide vnto them, Read ye neuer 42 in the Scriptures. The stone which the builders refused, the same is made the head of the corner? This was the Lordes doing, and it is marueilous in our eyes. Therefore say I vnto you, 43 The kingdome of God shalbe taken from you, and shalbe given to a nation, which shall bring foorth the fruites thereof. And 44 whosoeuer shall fall on this stone, he shalbe broken: but on whomsoeuer it shall fall, it will dash him a pieces. And when 45 the chiefe Priestes and Pharises had heard his parables, they perceived that hee spake of them. And they seeking to laye 46 handes on him, feared the people, because they tooke him as a Prophet.

Then Iesus answered, and spake vnto them againe in parables, saying, The kingdome of heauen is like vnto a certaine 2 King which maried his sonne, And sent foorth his seruants, 3 to call them that were bidde to the wedding, but they woulde not come. Againe hee sent foorth other seruants, saying. Tell 4 them which are bidden, Beholde, I haue prepared my dinner: mine oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all thinges are readie: come vnto the mariage. But they made light of it, and went 5 their wayes, one to his farme, and another about his marchandise. And the remnant tooke his seruants, and intreated them 6 sharpely, and slewe them. But when the King heard it, he was 7

wroth, and sent foorth his warriers, and destroyed those mur-8 therers, and burnt vp their citie. Then saide hee to his seruants, Truely the wedding is prepared: but they which were bid-9 den, were not worthy. Go ye therefore out into the high wayes, 10 and as many as ye finde, bid them to the mariage. So those seruantes went out into the hie wayes, and gathered together all that euer they found, both good and bad: so the wedding 11 was furnished with ghestes. Then the King came in, to see the ghestes, and sawe there a man which had not on a wed-12 ding garment. And he sayd vnto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither, and hast not on a wedding garment? And he 13 was speachlesse. Then sayd the King to the seruants, Binde him hand and foote: take him away, and cast him into vtter 14 darkenes: there shalbe weeping and gnashing of teeth. For 15 many are called, but fewe chosen. Then went the Pharises 16 and tooke counsell how they might tangle him in talke. And they sent vnto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we knowe that thou art true, and teachest the way of God truely, neither carest for any man: for thou considerest 17 not the person of men. Tell vs therefore, how thinkest thou? 18 Is it lawfull to give tribute vnto Cesar, or not? But Iesus perceiued their wickednes, and sayd, Why tempt ye me, ye hyp-19 ocrites? Shewe me the tribute money. And they brought him And he sayde vnto them, Whose is this image and 20 a peny. 21 superscription? They sayd vnto him, Cesars. Then sayd he vnto them, Giue therefore to Cesar, the things which are Ce-22 sars, and give vnto God, those things which are Gods. And when they heard it, they marueiled, and left him, and went 23 their way. The same day the Sadduces came to him (which say 24 that there is no resurrection) and asked him, Saying, Master, Moses sayd, If a man die, hauing no children, his brother shall marie his wife by the right of alliance, and raise vp seede vnto 25 his brother. Nowe there were with vs seuen brethren, and the first maried a wife, and deceased: and having none yssue, 26 left his wife vnto his brother. Likewise also the second, and 27 the third, vnto the seuenth. And last of all the woman died 28 also. Therefore in the resurrection, whose wife shall she be 29 of the seuen? for all had her. Then Iesus answered, and sayd vnto them, Ye are deceiued, not knowing the Scriptures, nor 30 the power of God. For in the resurrection they neither marie wiues, nor wiues are bestowed in mariage, but are as the Angels of God in heauen. And concerning the resurrection of the 31 dead, haue ye not read what is spoken vuto you of God, saying, I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the 32 God of Iacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the liuing. And when the multitude heard it, they were astonied at his 33 doctrine. But when the Pharises had heard, that he had put 34 the Sadduces to silence, they assembled together. And one 35 of them, which was an expounder of the Lawe, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is ye great 36 commandement in the Lawe? Iesus sayd to him, Thou shalt 37 loue the Lord thy God with all thine heart, with all thy soule, and with all thy minde. This is the first and the great com- 38 mandement. And the second is like vnto this, Thou shalt loue 39 thy neighbour as thy selfe. On these two commandements 40 hangeth the whole Lawe, and the Prophets. While the Phar- 41 ises were gathered together, Iesus asked them, Saying, What 42 thinke ye of Christ? whose sonne is he? They sayd vnto him, Dauids. He sayd vnto them, How then doeth Dauid in spirit 43 call him Lord, saying, The Lord sayd to my Lord, Sit at my 44 right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footestoole? If then 45 Dauid call him Lord, howe is he his sonne? And none could 46 answere him a worde, neither durst any from that day foorth aske him any moe questions.

Then spake Iesus to the multitude, and to his disciples, 23 Saying, The Scribes and the Pharises sit in Moses seate. All 2,3 therefore whatsoeuer they bid you obserue, that obserue and doe: but after their workes doe not: for they say, and doe not. For they binde heavie burdens, and grieuous to be borne, 4 and lay them on mens shoulders, but they themselues will not moue them with one of their fingers. All their workes they doe 5 for to be seene of men: for they make their phylacteries broad, and make long the frindges of their garments. And loue the 6 chiefe place at feastes, and to have the chiefe seates in the assemblies. And greetings in the markets, and to be called of 7 men, Rabbi, Rabbi. But be not ye called, Rabbi: for one is 8 your doctour, to wit, Christ, and all ye are brethren. And call 9 no man your father vpon the earth: for there is but one, your father which is in heauen. Be not called doctours: for one is your 10 doctour, euen Christ. But he that is greatest among you, let 11

12 him be your seruant. For whosoeuer will exalt himselfe, shall be brought lowe: and whosoeuer will humble himselfe, shalbe 13 exalted. Wo therefore be vnto you, Scribes and Pharises, hypocrites, because ye shut vp the kingdome of heauen before men: for ye your selues go not in, neither suffer ye them that would 14 enter, to come in. Wo be vnto you, Scribes and Pharises, hypocrites: for ye deuoure widowes houses, euen vnder a colour of long prayers: wherefore ye shall receive the greater damna-Wo be vnto you, Scribes and Pharises, hypocrites: for ye compasse sea and land to make one of your profession: and when he is made, ye make him two folde more the childe of 16 hell, then you your selues. Wo be vnto you blinde guides, which say, Whosoeuer sweareth by the Temple, it is nothing: but whosoeuer sweareth by the golde of the Temple, he offend-17 eth. Ye fooles and blinde, whether is greater, the golde, or the 18 Temple that sanctifieth the golde? And whosoeuer sweareth by the altar, it is nothing: but whosoeuer sweareth by the offer-19 ing that is vpon it, offendeth. Ye fooles and blinde, whether is greater, the offering, or the altar which sanctifieth the of-20 fering? Whosoeuer therefore sweareth by the altar, sweareth 21 by it, and by all things thereon. And whosoeuer sweareth by the Temple, sweareth by it, and by him that dwelleth therein. 22 And he that sweareth by heauen, sweareth by the throne of 23 God, and by him that sitteth thereon. Wo be to you, Scribes and Pharises, hypocrites: for ye tithe mynt, and annyse, and cummyn, and leaue the weightier matters of the law, as judgement, and mercy and fidelitie. These ought ye to haue done, 24 and not to haue left the other. Ye blinde guides, which straine 25 out a gnat, and swallowe a camell. Wo be to you, Scribes and Pharises, hypocrites: for ye make cleane the vtter side of the cup, and of the platter: but within they are ful of briberie 26 and excesse. Thou blinde Pharise, cleanse first the inside of the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be cleane 27 also. Wo be to you, Scribes and Pharises, hypocrites: for ye are like vnto whited tombes, which appeare beautifull outward, but are within full of dead mens bones, and all filth-28 ines. So are ye also: for outwarde ye appeare righteous vnto 29 men, but within ye are full of hypocrisie and iniquitie. be vnto you, Scribes and Pharises, hypocrites: for ye build the tombes of the Prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the

righteous, And say, If we had bene in the dayes of our fa- 30 thers, we would not have bene partners with them in the blood of the Prophets. So then ye be witnesses vnto your selues, 31 that ye are the children of them that murthered the Prophets. Fulfill ye also ye measure of your fathers. O serpents, the 32, 33 generation of vipers, howe should ye escape the damnation of hell! Wherefore beholde, I send vnto you Prophets, and wise 34 men, and Scribes, and of them ve shall kill and crucifie: and of them shall ye scourge in your Synagogues, and persecute from citie to citie, That vpon you may come all the righteous 35 blood that was shed vpon the earth, from the blood of Abel the righteous, vnto the blood of Zacharias the sonne of Barachias, whome ye slewe betweene the Temple and the altar. Verely I 36 say vnto you, all these things shall come vpon this generation. Hierusalem, Hierusalem, which killest the Prophets, and stonest them which are sent to thee, how often would I haue gathered thy children together, as the henne gathereth her chickins vnder her wings, and ye would not! Beholde, your habitation 38 shalbe left vnto you desolate, For I say vnto you, ye shall not 39 see mee henceforth till that ye say, Blessed is he that commeth in the Name of the Lord.

And Iesus went out, and departed from the Temple, and his 24 disciples came to him, to shewe him the building of the Temple. And Iesus sayd vnto them, See ye not all these things? Verely 2 I say vnto you, there shall not be here left a stone vpon a stone, that shall not be cast downe. And as he sate vpon the mount of 3 Oliues, his disciples came vnto him apart, saying, Tell vs when these things shall be, and what signe shalbe of thy comming, and of the ende of the world. And Iesus answered, and sayd 4 vnto them, Take heede that no man deceiue you. For many 5 shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ, and shall deceiue many. And ye shall heare of warres, and rumours of warres: 6 see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to passe, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against 7 nation, and realme against realme, and there shalbe famine, and pestilence, and earthquakes in divers places. All these 8 are but ye beginning of sorowes. Then shall they deliuer you 9 vp to be afflicted, and shall kill you, and ye shall be hated of all nations for my Names sake. And then shall many be offended, 10 and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And 11

12 many false prophets shall arise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquitie shalbe increased, the loue of many shalbe But he that endureth to the ende, he shalbe saued. 13 colde. 14 And this Gospel of the kingdome shalbe preached through the whole world for a witnes vnto all nations, and then shall the 15 end come. When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel the Prophet, set in the holy 16 place (let him that readeth consider it.) Then let them which be in Iudea, flee into the mountaines. Let him which is on the house top, not come downe to fetch any thing out of his 18 house. And he that is in the fielde, let not him returne backe 19 to fetch his clothes. And woe shalbe to them that are with 20 childe, and to them that give sucke in those dayes. But pray that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath 21 day. For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not from 22 the beginning of the worlde to this time, nor shalbe. And except those dayes should be shortened, there should no flesh be saued: but for the elects sake those dayes shalbe shortened. 23 Then if any shall say vnto you, Loe, here is Christ, or there, 24 beleeue it not. For there shall arise false Christes, and false prophets, and shall shewe great signes and wonders, so that if 25 it were possible, they should deceive the very elect. Beholde, 26 I have tolde you before. Wherefore if they shall say vnto you, Beholde, he is in the desert, goe not forth: Beholde, he is in 27 the secret places, believe it not. For as the lightning commeth out of the East, and is seene into the West, so shall also 28 the comming of the Sonne of man be. For wheresoeuer a dead 29 carkeis is, thither will the Egles be gathered together. And immediatly after ve tribulations of those dayes, shall the sunne be darkened, and the moone shall not give her light, and the starres shall fal from heauen, and ye powers of heaue shalbe 30 shake. And then shall appeare the signe of the Sonne of man in heauen: and then shall all the kinreds of the earth mourne, and they shall see the Sonne of man come in the cloudes of 31 heauen with power and great glorie. And he shall send his Angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect, from the foure windes, and from the one 32 ende of the heavens vnto the other. Now learne the parable of the figge tree: when her bough is yet tender, and it putteth 33 foorth leaues, ye knowe that sommer is neere. So likewise ye,

when ye see all these things, know that the kingdom of God is neere, eue at ye doores. Verely I say vnto you, this genera- 34 tion shall not passe, till all these things be done. Heauen and 35 earth shall passe away: but my wordes shall not passe away. But of that day and houre knoweth no man, no not the An- 36 gels of heauen, but my father only. But as the dayes of Noe 37 were, so likewise shall the comming of the Sonne of man be. For as in the dayes before the flood, they did eate and drinke, 38 marrie, and giue in mariage, vnto the day that Noe entred into the Arke, And knewe nothing, till the flood came, and tooke 39 them all away, so shall also the comming of the Sonne of man be. Then two shall be in the fieldes, the one shalbe received, 40 and the other shalbe refused. Two women shalbe grinding at 41 ve mill: the one shalbe received, and the other shalbe refused. Watch therefore: for ye knowe not what houre your master 42 will come. Of this be sure, that if the good man of the house 43 knewe at what watch the thiefe would come, he woulde surely watch, and not suffer his house to be digged through. There- 44 fore be ye also ready: for in the houre that ye thinke not, will the Sonne of man come. Who then is a faithfull servaunt and 45 wise, whom his master hath made ruler ouer his household, to giue them meate in season? Blessed is that seruant, whom his 46 master when he commeth, shall finde so doing. Verely I say 47 vnto you, he shall make him ruler ouer all his goods. But if 48 that euil seruant shall say in his heart, My master doth deferre his comming, And begin to smite his fellowes, and to eate, and 49 to drinke with the drunken, That seruaunts master will come 50 in a day, when he looketh not for him, and in an houre that he is not ware of, And will cut him off, and give him his portion 51 with hypocrites: there shalbe weeping, and gnashing of teeth.

Then the kingdome of heauen shalbe likened vnto tenne virgins, which tooke their lampes, and went foorth to meete the bridegrome. And fiue of them were wise, and fiue foolish. The foolish tooke their lampes, but tooke none oyle with 3 them. But the wise tooke oyle in their vessels with their lampes. Nowe while the bridegrome taried long, all slumbred and 5 slept. And at midnight there was a crie made, Behold, the 6 bridegrome commeth: goe out to meete him. Then all those 7 virgins arose, and trimmed their lampes. And the foolish said 8 to the wise, Giue vs of your oyle, for our lampes are out. But 9

the wise answered, saying, Not so, lest there will not be yough for vs and you: but goe ye rather to them that sell, and bye 10 for your selues. And while they went to bye, the bridegrome came: and they that were readie, went in with him to the wed-11 ding, and the gate was shut. Afterwards came also the other 12 virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to vs. But he answered, and 13 said, Verely I say vnto you, I knowe you not. Watch therfore: for ye know neither the day, nor the houre, when the sonne 14 of man will come. For the kingdome of heauen is as a man that going into a strange countrey, called his seruants, and 15 deliuered to them his goods. And vnto one he gaue fiue talents, and to an other two, and to another one, to euery man 16 after his own ability, and straightway went from home. Then he that had received the five talents, went and occupied with 17 them, and gained other fiue talents. Likewise also, he that 18 received two, he also gained other two. But he that received that one, went and digged it in the earth, and hid his masters 19 money. But after a long season, the master of those seru-20 ants came, and reckoned with them. Then came he that had received five talents, and brought other five talents, saying, Master, thou deliueredst vnto me fiue talents: behold, I haue 21 gained with them other flue talents. Then his master saide vnto him, It is well done good seruant and faithfull, Thou hast bene faithfull in litle, I will make thee ruler ouer much: enter 22 into thy masters ioy. Also he that had received two talents, came, and said, Master, thou deliueredst vnto me two talents: 23 behold, I have gained two other talets more. His master saide vnto him, It is well done good seruant, and faithfull, Thou hast bene faithfull in litle, I will make thee ruler ouer much: en-24 ter into thy masters ioy. Then he which had received the one talent, came, and said, Master, I knewe that thou wast an hard man, which reapest where thou sowedst not, and gath-25 erest where thou strawedst not: I was therefore afraide, and went, and hid thy talent in the earth: behold, thou hast thine 26 owne. And his master answered, and said vnto him, Thou euill seruant, and slouthfull, thou knewest that I reape where I 27 sowed not, and gather where I strawed not. Thou oughtest therefore to haue put my money to ye exchangers, and then at my comming should I haue received mine owne with vantage. 28 Take therefore the talent from him, and giue it vnto him which hath tenne talents. For vnto euery man that hath, it shall be 29 giuen, and he shall haue abundance, and from him that hath not, euen that he hath, shalbe taken away. Cast therefore that 30 vnprofitable seruant into vtter darkenes: there shalbe weeping and gnasshing of teeth. And when the Sonne of man commeth 31 in his glory, and all the holy Angels with him, then shall he sit vpon the throne of his glorie, And before him shalbe gathered 32 all nations, and he shall seperate them one from another, as a shepheard separateth the sheepe from ye goates. shall set the sheepe on his right hand, and the goates on the left. Then shall ye king say to them on his right hand, Come 34 ye blessed of my father: take the inheritance of the kingdome prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was 35 an hungred, and ye gaue me meate: I thirsted, and ye gaue me drinke: I was a stranger, and ye tooke me in vnto you. I was 36 naked, and ye clothed me: I was sicke, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came vnto me. Then shall the righteous 37 answere him, saying, Lord, when sawe we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or a thirst, and gaue thee drinke? And when 38 sawe we thee a stranger, and tooke thee in vnto vs? or naked. and clothed thee? Or when sawe we thee sicke, or in prison, 39 and came vnto thee? And the King shall answere, and say 40 vnto them, Verely I say vnto you, in as much as ye haue done it vnto one of the least of these my brethre, ye haue done it to me. Then shall he say vnto them on ye left hand, Depart 41 from me ye cursed, into euerlasting fire, which is prepared for the deuill and his angels. For I was an hungred, and ye gaue 42 me no meate: I thirsted, and ve gaue me no drinke: I was a 43 stranger, and ye tooke me not in vnto you: I was naked, and ye clothed me not: sicke, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answere him, saying, Lord, when sawe we 44 thee an hungred, or a thirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sicke, or in prison, and did not minister vnto thee? Then shall he 45 answere them, and say, Verely I say vnto you, in as much as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. And 46 these shall goe into euerlasting paine, and the righteous into life eternall.

And it came to passe, when Iesus had finished all these sayings, he saide vnto his disciples, Ye know that after two dayes 2 is ye Passeouer, and the Sonne of man shalbe deliuered to be

з crucified. Then assembled together the chiefe Priests, and the Scribes, and the Elders of ye people into the hall of the 4 high Priest called Caiaphas: And consulted together that they 5 might take Iesus by subtiltie, and kill him. But they sayd, Not 6 on the feast day, least any vprore be among the people. And when Iesus was in Bethania, in the house of Simon the leper, 7 There came vnto him a woman, which had a boxe of very costly oyntment, and powred it on his head, as he sate at the table. 8 And when his disciples sawe it, they had indignation, saying, 9 What needed this waste? For this oyntment might haue bene 10 solde for much, and bene given to the poore. And Iesus knowing it, sayde vnto them, Why trouble yee the woman? for shee 11 hath wrought a good woorke vpon me. For yee haue the poore 12 alwayes with you, but me shall yee not haue alwaies. in that shee powred this oyntment on my bodie, shee did it 13 to burie me. Verely I say vnto you, wheresoeuer this Gospel shall bee preached throughout all the worlde, there shall also this that shee hath done, be spoken of for a memoriall of her. 14 Then one of the twelue, called Iudas Iscariot, went vnto the 15 chiefe Priestes, And said, What will ye giue me, and I will deliuer him vnto you? and they appoynted vnto him thirtie 16 pieces of siluer. And from that time, he sought opportunitie to 17 betraie him. Nowe on the first day of the feast of vnleauened bread the disciples came to Iesus, saying vnto him, Where wilt 18 thou that we prepare for thee to eate the Passeouer? And he said, Goe yee into the citie to such a man, and say to him, The master saieth, My time is at hande: I will keepe the Passeouer 19 at thine house with my disciples. And the disciples did as Iesus had given them charge, and made readie the Passeouer. 20 So when the Euen was come, hee sate downe with the twelue. 21 And as they did eate, he sayde, Verely I say vnto you, that one 22 of you shall betraie me. And they were exceeding sorowfull, and began euery one of them to say vnto him, Is it I, Master? 23 And hee answered and sayde, Hee that dippeth his hande with 24 me in the dish, hee shall betraie me. Surely the Sonne of man goeth his way, as it is written of him: but woe be to that man, by whom the Sonne of man is betrayed: it had bene good for 25 that man, if hee had neuer bene borne. Then Iudas which betraied him, answered and sayde, Is it I, Master? He sayde 26 vnto him, Thou hast sayd it. And as they did eate, Iesus tooke the bread, and when he had blessed, he brake it, and gaue it to the disciples, and sayd, Take, eate: this is my bodie. Also 27 he tooke the cuppe, and when he had given thankes, he gaue it them, saying, Drinke ye all of it. For this is my blood of the 28 Newe Testament, that is shedde for many, for the remission of I say vnto you, that I will not drinke henceforth of 29 this fruit of the vine vntil that day, when I shall drinke it new with you in my Fathers kingdome. And when they had sung 30 a Psalme, they went out into the mount of Oliues. Then saide 31 Iesus vnto them, All yee shall be offended by me this night: for it is written, I wil smite the shepheard, and the sheepe of the flocke shalbe scattered. But after I am risen againe, I will go 32 before you into Galile. But Peter aunswered, and sayde vnto 33 him, Though that al men should be offended by thee, yet will I neuer be offended. Iesus sayde vnto him, Verely I say vnto 34 thee, that this night, before the cocke crow, thou shalt denie me thrise. Peter saide vnto him, Though I should die with thee, I 35 will in no case denie thee. Likewise also sayd all the disciples. Then went Iesus with them into a place which is called Geth- 36 semane, and said vnto his disciples, Sit ye here, while I goe, and pray vonder. And hee tooke vnto him Peter, and the two 37 sonnes of Zebedeus, and began to waxe sorowfull, and grieuously troubled. Then sayde Iesus vnto them, My soule is very 38 heauie, euen vnto the death: tarie yee here, and watch with me. So hee went a litle further, and fell on his face, and praied, 39 saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup passe from me: neuerthelesse, not as I will, but as thou wilt. After, hee 40 came vnto the disciples, and founde them a sleepe, and sayde to Peter, What? coulde yee not watch with me one houre? Watch, 41 and praie, that yee enter not into tentation: the spirit in deede is readie, but the flesh is weake. Againe he went away the 42 second time, and praied, saying, O my Father, if this cuppe can not passe away from mee, but that I must drinke it, thy will be done. And he came, and founde them a sleepe againe, for their 43 eyes were heavie. So he left them and went away againe, and 44 praied the third time, saying the same woordes. Then came 45 he to his disciples, and said vnto them, Sleepe henceforth, and take your rest: behold, the houre is at hand, and the Sonne of man is given into the hands of sinners. Rise, let vs goe: be- 46 holde, hee is at hande that betraieth me. And while hee yet 47

spake, loe Iudas, one of the twelue, came, and with him a great multitude with swordes and staues, from the high Priests and 48 Elders of the people. Now he that betraied him, had given them a token, saying, Whomesoeuer I shall kisse, that is he, 49 laie holde on him. And forthwith he came to Iesus, and sayd, 50 God saue thee, Master, and kissed him. Then Iesus sayde vnto him, Friende, wherefore art thou come? Then came they, 51 and laide hands on Iesus, and tooke him. And behold, one of them which were with Iesus, stretched out his hand, and drewe his sworde, and strooke a seruaunt of the high Priest, 52 and smote off his eare. Then sayde Iesus vnto him, Put vp thy sworde into his place: for all that take the sworde, shall 53 perish with the sworde. Either thinkest thou, that I can not now pray to my Father, and he will give me moe then twelve 54 legions of Angels? Howe then shoulde the Scriptures bee ful-55 filled, which say, that it must be so? The same houre sayde Iesus to the multitude, Ye be come out as it were against a thiefe, with swordes and staues to take mee: I sate daily teach-56 ing in the Temple among you, and yee tooke me not. But all this was done, that the Scriptures of the Prophets might be ful-57 filled. Then all the disciples forsooke him, and fled. And they tooke Iesus, and led him to Caiaphas the hie Priest, where the 58 Scribes and the Elders were assembled. And Peter followed him a farre off vnto the hie Priestes hall, and went in, and sate 59 with the seruants to see the ende. Nowe the chiefe Priestes and the Elders, and all the whole councill sought false wit-60 nesse against Iesus, to put him to death. But they founde none, and though many false witnesses came, yet founde they 61 none: but at the last came two false witnesses, And saide, This man saide, I can destroie the Temple of God, and build it 62 in three daies. Then the chiefe Priest arose, and sayde to him, Answerest thou nothing? What is the matter that these men 63 witnesse against thee? But Iesus helde his peace. Then the chiefe Priest answered, and saide to him, I charge thee sweare vnto vs by the liuing God, to tell vs, If thou be that Christ the 64 Sonne of God, or no. Iesus saide to him, Thou hast saide it: neuerthelesse I say vnto you, hereafter shall ye see the Sonne of man, sitting at the right hande of the power of God, and 65 come in the cloudes of the heaven. Then the hie Priest rent his clothes, saying, Hee hath blasphemed, what haue wee any more neede of witnesses? beholde: nowe yee haue heard his blasphemie. What thinke yee? They answered, and said, He 66 is guiltie of death. Then spet they in his face, and buffeted 67 him, and other smote him with roddes, Saying, Prophecie to 68 vs, O Christ, Who is he that smote thee? Peter sate without 69 in the hall, and a maide came to him, saying, Thou also wast with Iesus of Galile: But hee denied before them all, saying, 70 I wote not what thou saiest. And when hee went out into the 71 porche, another maide sawe him, and sayde vnto them that were there, This man was also with Iesus of Nazareth. And 72 againe he denied with an othe, saying, I knowe not the man. So after a while, came vnto him they that stoode by, and sayde 73 vnto Peter, Surely thou art also one of them: for euen thy speache bewraieth thee. Then began hee to curse himselfe, 74 and to sweare, saying, I knowe not the man. And immediately the cocke crewe. Then Peter remembred the wordes of Iesus. 75 which had sayde vnto him, Before the cocke crowe thou shalt denie me thrise. So he went out, and wept bitterly.

When the morning was come, all the chiefe Priests, and the 27 elders of the people tooke counsell against Iesus, to put him to death. And led him away bounde, and deliuered him vnto Pon- 2 tius Pilate the gouernour. Then when Iudas which betraied 3 him, sawe that hee was condemned, hee repented himselfe, and brought againe the thirtie pieces of siluer to the chiefe Priestes, and Elders, Saying, I have sinned, betraying the in- 4 nocent bloud. But they sayde, What is that to vs? see thou to it. And when hee had cast downe the siluer pieces in the Temple, 5 hee departed, and went, and hanged himselfe. And the chiefe 6 Priestes tooke the siluer pieces, and sayde, It is not lawfull for vs to put them into the treasure, because it is the price of bloud. And they tooke counsell, and bought with them a potters fielde, 7 for the buriall of strangers. Wherefore that field is called, The 8 field of bloud, vntill this day. (Then was fulfilled that which 9 was spoken by Ieremias the Prophet, saying, And they tooke thirtie siluer pieces, ye price of him that was valued, whom they of ye children of Israel valued. And they gaue them for 10 the potters fielde, as the Lord appointed me.) And Iesus stood 11 before ye gouernour, and the gouernour asked him, saying, Art thou that King of the Iewes? Iesus said vnto him, Thou sayest it. And when he was accused of the chiefe Priestes, and El- 12

13 ders, he answered nothing. Then saide Pilate vnto him, Hear-14 est thou not howe many things they lay against thee? But he answered him not to one worde, in so much that the gouernour 15 marueiled greatly. Nowe at the feast, the gouernour was wont 16 to deliuer vnto the people a prisoner whom they would. And 17 they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas. When they were then gathered together, Pilate said vnto the, Whether will ye that I let loose vnto you Barabbas, or Iesus which is called 18 Christ? (For he knewe well, that for enuie they had deliuered 19 him. Also when he was set downe vpon the judgement seate, his wife sent to him, saying, Haue thou nothing to do with that iust man: for I have suffered many things this day in a 20 dreame by reason of him.) But the chiefe Priestes and the Elders had persuaded the people that they shoulde aske Barab-21 bas, and should destroy Iesus. Then the gouernour answered, and said vnto them, Whether of the twaine will ye that I let 22 loose vnto you? And they said, Barabbas. Pilate said vnto them, What shall I do then with Iesus, which is called Christ? 23 They all said to him, Let him be crucified. Then saide the gouernour, But what euill hath he done? Then they cryed the 24 more, saying, Let him be crucified. When Pilate saw that he auailed nothing, but that more tumult was made, he tooke water and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am 25 innocent of the blood of this iust man: looke you to it. Then answered all the people, and saide, His bloud be on vs. and 26 on our children. Thus let he Barabbas loose vnto them, and 27 scourged Iesus, and deliuered him to be crucified. souldiers of the gouernour tooke Iesus into the common hall, 28 and gathered about him the whole band, And they stripped 29 him, and put about him a skarlet robe, And platted a crowne of thornes, and put it vpon his head, and a reede in his right hand, and bowed their knees before him, and mocked him, say-30 ing, God saue thee King of the Iewes, And spitted vpon him, 31 and tooke a reede, and smote him on the head. Thus when they had mocked him, they tooke the robe from him, and put his owne rayment on him, and led him away to crucifie him. 32 And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, named 33 Simon: him they compelled to beare his crosse. And when they came vnto the place called Golgotha, (that is to say, the 34 place of dead mens skulles) They gaue him vineger to drinke, mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drinke. And when they had crucified him, they parted his 35 garments, and did cast lottes, that it might be fulfilled, which was spoken by the Prophet, They deuided my garments among them, and vpon my vesture did cast lottes. And they sate, 36 and watched him there. They set vp also ouer his head his 37 cause written. THIS IS IESVS THE KING OF THE IEVVES. And there were two theeues crucified with him, one on the 38 right hand, and another on the left. And they that passed 39 by, reuiled him, wagging their heades, And saying, Thou that 40 destroyest ye Temple, and buildest it in three dayes, saue thy selfe: if thou be ye Sonne of God, come downe from ye crosse. Likewise also the hie Priests mocking him, with the Scribes, 41 and Elders, and Pharises, said. He saued others, but he can- 42 not saue him selfe: if he be ye King of Israel, let him now come downe from ye crosse, and we will beleeue in him. He trusted 43 in God, let him deliuer him nowe, if he will haue him: for he saide, I am the Sonne of God. The selfe same thing also ye 44 theeues which were crucified with him, cast in his teeth. Now 45 from ye sixt houre was there darkenesse ouer all the land, vnto the ninth houre. And about ye ninth houre Iesus cryed with 46 a loud voyce, saying, Eli, Eli, lamasabachthani? that is, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? And some of them 47 that stoode there, when they heard it, said, This man calleth Elias. And straightway one of them ran, and tooke a spondge, 48 and filled it with vineger, and put it on a reede, and gaue him Other said, Let be: let vs see, if Elias wil come 49 to drinke. and saue him. Then Iesus cryed againe with a loude voyce, 50 and yeelded vp the ghost. And behold, the vayle of the Tem- 51 ple was rent in twaine, from the top to the bottome, and the earth did quake, and the stones were cloue. And the graues 52 did open themselues, and many bodies of the Saintes, which slept, arose, And came out of the graues after his resurrec- 53 tion, and went into the holy citie, and appeared vnto many. When the Centurion, and they that were with him watching 54 Iesus, saw the earthquake, and the thinges that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truely this was the Sonne of God. And many women were there, beholding him a farre off, which 55 had folowed Iesus from Galile, ministring vnto him. Among 56 whom was Marie Magdalene, and Marie the mother of Iames,

57 and Ioses, and the mother of Zebedeus sonnes. And when the euen was come, there came a riche man of Arimathea, named 58 Ioseph, who had also himselfe bene Iesus disciple. He went to Pilate, and asked ye body of Iesus. Then Pilate commanded ye 59 body to be deliuered. So Ioseph tooke the body, and wrapped it 60 in a cleane linnen cloth, And put it in his new tombe, which he had hewen out in a rocke, and rolled a great stone to the doore 61 of the sepulchre, and departed. And there was Marie Magdalene, and the other Marie sitting ouer against the sepulchre. 62 Nowe the next day that followed the Preparation of the Sab-63 bath, the hie Priestes and Pharises assembled to Pilate, And said, Syr, we remember that that deceiver saide, while he was 64 yet aliue, Within three dayes I will rise. Command therefore, that the sepulchre be made sure vntill the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steale him away, and say vnto the people, He is risen from the dead: so shall the last errour be 65 worse then the first. Then Pilate saide vnto them, Ye haue a 66 watch: goe, and make it sure as ye knowe. And they went, and made the sepulchre sure with the watch, and sealed the stone.

Now in the end of the Sabbath, when the first day of ye 28 weeke began to dawne, Marie Magdalene, and the other Marie 2 came to see the sepulchre, And behold, there was a great earthquake: for the Angel of the Lord descended from heauen, and came and rolled backe the stone from the doore, and sate 3 vpon it. And his countenance was like lightning, and his rai-4 ment white as snowe. And for feare of him, the keepers were 5 astonied, and became as dead men. But the Angel answered, and said to the women, Feare ye not: for I know that ye seeke 6 Iesus which was crucified: He is not here, for he is risen; as 7 he saide: come, see the place where the Lord was laid, And go quickly, and tel his disciples that he is risen from ye dead: and behold, he goeth before you into Galile: there ye shall see 8 him: loe, I have told you. So they departed quickly from the sepulchre, with feare and great ioye, and did runne to bring his disciples worde. And as they wet to tel his disciples, behold, Iesus also met the, saying, God saue you. And they came, 10 and tooke him by the feete, and worshipped him. Then said Iesus vnto them, Be not afraide. Goe, and tell my brethren, 11 that they goe into Galile, and there shall they see me. Nowe

when they were gone, beholde, some of the watch came into the citie, and shewed vnto the hie Priestes all ye things that were done. And they gathered them together with the Elders, and 12 tooke counsell, and gaue large money vnto the souldiers. Say- 13 ing, Say, His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept. And if this matter come before the gouernour to be 14 heard, we will perswade him, and so vse the matter that you shall not neede to care. So they tooke the money, and did as 15 they were taught: and this saying is noysed among the Iewes vnto this day. Then we eleuen disciples wet into Galile, into 16 a mountaine, where Iesus had appointed the. And when they 17 sawe him, they worshipped him: but some douted. And Iesus 18 came, and spake vnto them, saying, All power is given vnto me, in heauen, and in earth. Go therefore, and teach all nations, 19 baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and the Sonne, and the holy Ghost, Teaching them to observe all things, what- 20 soeuer I haue commanded vou: and lo, I am with you alway, vntill the ende of the worlde. Amen.

## THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MARK.

he beginning of the Gospel of Iesus Christ, the Sonne of God: As it is written in the Prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. The voyce of him that cryeth in the wildernesse is, Prepare the way of the Lord: make 4 his paths straight. Iohn did baptize in the wildernesse, and preach the baptisme of amendment of life, for remission of 5 sinnes. And al ye countrey of Iudea, and they of Hierusalem went out vnto him, and were all baptized of him in the riuer 6 Iordan, confessing their sinnes. Nowe Iohn was clothed with camels heare, and with a girdle of a skinne about his lovnes: 7 and he did eate Locusts and wilde hony, And preached, saying, A stronger then I commeth after me, whose shoes latchet 8 I am not worthy to stoupe downe, and vnloose. Trueth it is, I have baptized you with water: but he will baptize you with 9 the holy Ghost. And it came to passe in those dayes, that Iesus came from Nazareth, a citie of Galile, and was baptized 10 of Iohn in Iordan. And assoone as he was come out of the water, Iohn saw the heauens clouen in twaine, and the holy Ghost 11 descending vpon him like a doue. Then there was a voyce from heauen, saying, Thou art my beloued Sonne, in whome I 12 am well pleased. And immediatly the Spirite driueth him into 13 the wildernesse. And he was there in the wildernesse fourtie daies, and was tempted of Satan: hee was also with the wilde 14 beastes, and the Angels ministred vnto him. Now after that Iohn was committed to prison, Iesus came into Galile, preach-15 ing the Gospel of the kingdome of God, And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdome of God is at hand: repent and 16 beleeue the Gospel. And as he walked by the sea of Galile, he saw Simon, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, 17 (for they were fishers.) Then Iesus said vnto them, Folow me, 18 and I will make you to be fishers of men. And straightway 19 they forsooke their nets, and followed him. And when hee had gone a litle further thence, he sawe Iames the sonne of Zebedeus, and Iohn his brother, as they were in the ship, mending their nets. And anon hee called them: and they left their 20 father Zebedeus in the shippe with his hired seruants, and went their way after him. So they entred into Capernaum, 21 and straightway on the Sabbath day hee entred into the Synagogue, and taught. And they were astonied at his doctrine, 22 for he taught them as one that had authoritie, and not as the Scribes. And there was in their Synagogue a man in whome 23 was an vncleane spirite, and hee cried out, Saying, Ah, what 24 haue we to do with thee, O Iesus of Nazareth? Art thou come to destroy vs? I knowe thee what thou art, euen that holy one of God. And Iesus rebuked him, saying, Holde thy peace, and 25 come out of him. And the vncleane spirit tare him, and cried 26 with a loude voyce, and came out of him. And they were all 27 amased, so that they demaunded one of another, saying, What thing is this? what newe doctrine is this? for he commandeth euen the foule spirites with authoritie, and they obey him. And immediatly his fame spred abroade throughout all the re- 28 gion bordering on Galile. And assoone as they were come out 29 of the Synagogue, they entred into the house of Symon and Andrew, with Iames and Iohn. And Symons wives mother lay 30 sicke of a feuer, and anon they told him of her. And he came 31 and tooke her by the hand, and lifted her vp, and the feuer forsooke her by and by, and shee ministred vnto them. And whe 32 euen was come, at what time the sunne setteth, they brought to him all that were diseased, and them that were possessed with deuils. And the whole citie was gathered together at the 33 doore. And he healed many that were sicke of divers diseases: 34 and he cast out many deuils, and suffred not the deuils to say that they knewe him. And in the morning very early before 35 day, Iesus arose and went out into a solitarie place, and there And Simon, and they that were with him, followed 36 carefully after him. And when they had found him, they sayde 37 vnto him, All men seeke for thee. Then he said vnto them, Let 38 vs go into the next townes, that I may preach there also: for I came out for that purpose. And hee preached in their Syn- 39 agogues, throughout all Galile, and cast the deuils out. And 40 there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeled downe vnto him, and said to him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me cleane. And Iesus had compassion, and put foorth his hand, 41 and touched him, and said to him, I wil: be thou cleane. And assone as he had spoken, immediatly ye leprosie departed from him, and he was made cleane. And after he had giue him a
 streight commandement, he sent him away forthwith, And sayde vnto him, See thou say nothing to any man, but get thee hence, and shewe thy selfe to the Priest, and offer for thy clensing those things, which Moses commanded, for a testimoniall
 vnto them. But when he was departed, hee began to tel many things, and to publish the matter: so that Iesus could no more openly enter into the citie, but was without in desert places: and they came to him from euery quarter.

After a fewe dayes, hee entred into Capernaum againe, and 2 it was noysed that he was in the house. And anon, many gathered together, in so much that the places about the doore coulde not receive any more and he preached the word vnto 3 them. And there came vnto him, that brought one sicke of the 4 palsie, borne of foure men. And because they could not come neere vnto him for the multitude, they vncouered ye roofe of the house where hee was: and when they had broken it open, they let downe the bed, wherein the sicke of the palsie lay. 5 Nowe when Iesus sawe their faith, he saide to the sicke of 6 the palsie, Sonne, thy sinnes are forgiuen thee. And there were certaine of the Scribes sitting there, and reasoning in 7 their hearts, Why doeth this man speake such blasphemies? 8 who can forgiue sinnes, but God onely? And immediatly when Iesus perceiued in his spirite, that thus they reasoned with themselues, he sayde vnto them, Why reason yee these things 9 in your hearts? Whether is it easier to say to the sicke of the palsie, Thy sinnes are forgiuen thee? or to say, Arise, and 10 take vp thy bed, and walke? But that ye may knowe, that the Sonne of man hath authoritie in earth to forgiue sinnes, 11 (he sayde vnto the sicke of the palsie.) I say vnto thee, Arise and take vp thy bed, and get thee hence into thine owne house. 12 And by and by he arose, and tooke vp his bed, and went foorth before them all, in so much that they were all amased, and 13 glorified God, saying, We neuer sawe such a thing. Then he went foorth againe towarde the sea, and all the people resorted 14 vnto him, and he taught them. And as Iesus passed by, hee sawe Leui the sonne of Alpheus sit at the receit of custome, and said vnto him. Folowe me. And he arose and followed him.

And it came to passe, as Iesus sate at table in his house, many 15 Publicanes and sinners sate at table also with Iesus, and his disciples: for there were many that followed him. And when 16 the Scribes and Pharises sawe him eate with the Publicanes and sinners, they sayd vnto his disciples. Howe is it, that hee eateth and drinketh with Publicanes and sinners? Now when 17 Iesus heard it, hee sayde vnto them, The whole haue no neede of the Physicion, but the sicke. I came not to call the righteous, but the sinners to repentance. And the disciples of Iohn, and 18 the Pharises did fast, and came and saide vnto him, Why doe the disciples of John, and of the Pharises fast, and thy disciples fast not? And Iesus saide vnto them, Can the children of the 19 marriage chamber fast, whiles the bridegrome is with them? as long as they have the bridegrome with them, they cannot fast. But the daies will come, when the bridegrome shall be 20 taken from them, and then shall they fast in those daies. Also 21 no man soweth a piece of newe cloth in an olde garment: for els the newe piece that filled it vp, taketh away somewhat from the olde, and the breach is worse. Likewise, no man putteth 22 newe wine into old vessels: for els the new wine breaketh the vessels, and the wine runneth out, and the vessels are lost: but newe wine must be put into new vessels. And it came 23 to passe as hee went through the corne on the Sabbath day, that his disciples, as they went on their way, began to plucke the eares of corne. And the Pharises saide vnto him, Beholde, 24 why doe they on the Sabbath day, that which is not lawfull? And he saide to them, Haue yee neuer read what Dauid did 25 when he had neede, and was an hungred, both he, and they that were with him? Howe he went into the house of God, 26 in the daies of Abiathar the hie Priest, and did eat the shewe bread, which were not lawfull to eate, but for the Priests, and gaue also to them which were with him? And hee sayde to 27 them, The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. Wherefore the Sonne of man is Lord, euen of the 28 Sabbath.

And he entred againe into ye Synagogue, and there was a man which had a withered had. And they watched him, 2 whether he would heale him on the Sabbath day, that they might accuse him. Then he saide vnto the man which had 3 the withered hand, Arise: stand forth in the middes. And he 4

saide to them, Is it lawfull to doe a good deede on the Sabbath day, or to doe euil? to saue the life, or to kill? But they held Then hee looked rounde about on them angerly, 5 their peace. mourning also for the hardnesse of their hearts, and saide to the man. Stretch foorth thine hand. And he stretched it out: 6 and his hande was restored, as whole as the other. And the Pharises departed, and straightway gathered a councill with 7 the Herodians against him, that they might destroy him. But Iesus auoided with his disciples to the sea: and a great mul-8 titude followed him from Galile, and from Iudea, And from Ierusalem, and from Idumea, and beyonde Iordan: and they that dwelled about Tyrus and Sidon, when they had heard what great things he did, came vnto him in great number. 9 And he commanded his disciples, that a litle shippe should waite for him, because of the multitude, lest they shoulde throng 10 him. For hee had healed many, in so much that they preassed 11 vpon him to touch him, as many as had plagues. And when the vncleane spirits sawe him, they fel downe before him, and 12 cried, saying, Thou art the Sonne of God. And he sharply 13 rebuked them, to the ende they should not vtter him. Then hee went vp into a mountaine, and called vnto him whome he 14 woulde, and they came vnto him. And hee appoynted twelue that they should be with him, and that he might send them to 15 preache, And that they might have power to heale sicknesses, 16 and to cast out deuils. And the first was Simon, and hee 17 named Simon, Peter, Then Iames the sonne of Zebedeus, and Iohn Iames brother (and surnamed them Boanerges, which is, 18 the sonnes of thunder,) And Andrew, and Philippe, and Bartlemew, and Matthewe, and Thomas, and Iames, the sonne of 19 Alpheus, and Thaddeus, and Simon the Cananite, And Iudas 20 Iscariot, who also betraied him, and they came home. And the multitude assembled againe, so that they could not so much as 21 eate bread. And when his kinsfolkes heard of it, they went out to laie hold on him: for they sayde that he was beside him-22 selfe. And the Scribes which came downe from Hierusalem. saide, He hath Beelzebub, and through the prince of the deuils 23 he casteth out deuils. But he called them vnto him, and said 24 vnto them in parables, How can Satan driue out Satan? For if a kingdome bee deuided against it selfe, that kingdome can not 25 stand. Or if a house bee deuided against it selfe, that house

can not continue. So if Satan make insurrection against him- 26 selfe, and be deuided, hee can not endure but is at an ende. No man can enter into a strong mans house, and take away 27 his goods, except hee first binde that strong man, and then spovle his house. Verely I say vnto you, all sinnes shalbe 28 forgiuen vnto the children of men, and blasphemies, wherewith they blaspheme: But hee that blasphemeth against the 29 holy Ghost, shall neuer haue forgiuenesse, but is culpable of eternall damnation. Because they saide, Hee had an vncleane 30 spirit. Then came his brethren and mother, and stoode with- 31 out, and sent vnto him, and called him. And the people sate 32 about him, and they said vnto him, Beholde, thy mother, and thy brethren seeke for thee without. But hee answered them, 33 saying, Who is my mother and my brethren? And hee looked 34 rounde about on them, which sate in compasse about him, and saide, Beholde my mother and my brethren. For whosoeuer 35 doeth the will of God, he is my brother, and my sister, and mother

And hee began againe to teache by the sea side, and there 4 gathered vnto him a great multitude, so that hee entred into a shippe, and sate in the sea, and all the people was by the sea side on the land. And he taught them many things in para- 2 bles, and said vnto them in his doctrine, Hearken: Beholde, 3 there went out a sower to sowe. And it came to passe as he 4 sowed, that some fell by the way side, and the foules of the heauen came, and deuoured it vp. And some fell on stonie 5 grounde, where it had not much earth, and by and by sprang vp, because it had not depth of earth. But assoone as ve Sunne 6 was vp, it was burnt vp, and because it had not roote, it withered away. And some fell among the thornes, and the thornes 7 grewe vp, and choked it, so that it gaue no fruite. Some againe 8 fell in good grounde, and did yeelde fruite that sprong vp, and grewe, and it brought foorth, some thirtie folde, some sixtie folde, and some an hundreth folde. Then he said vnto them, 9 He that hath eares to heare, let him heare. And whe he was 10 alone, they that were about him with the twelue, asked him of ye parable. And he saide vnto them, To you it is given to 11 knowe the mysterie of the kingdome of God: but vnto them that are without, all thinges bee done in parables, That they see- 12 ing, may see, and not discerne: and they hearing, may heare,

and not vnderstand, least at any time they should turne, and 13 their sinnes should be forgiuen them. Againe he said vnto them, Perceiue ye not this parable? howe then should ye vn-14 derstand all other parables? The sower soweth the worde. 15 And these are they that receive the seede by the wayes side, in whome the worde is sowen: but when they have heard it, Satan commeth immediatly, and taketh away the worde that 16 was sowen in their heartes. And likewise they that receive the seede in stony ground, are they, which whe they have heard the 17 word, straightwayes receive it with gladnesse. Yet have they no roote in themselues, and endure but a time: for when trouble and persecution ariseth for the worde, immediatly they be 18 offended. Also they that receive the seede among the thornes, 19 are such as heare the word: But the cares of this world, and the deceitfulnes of riches, and the lustes of other things enter 20 in, and choke the word, and it is vnfruitfull. But they that haue received seede in good ground, are they that heare the worde, and receive it, and bring foorth fruite: one corne thir-21 tie, another sixtie, and some an hundreth. Also he saide vnto them, Commeth the candle in, to be put vnder a bushell, or vn-22 der the bed, and not to be put on a candlesticke? For there is nothing hid, that shall not be opened: neither is there a secret, 23 but that it shall come to light. If any man have eares to heare, 24 let him heare. And he said vnto them, Take heede what ye heare. With what measure ye mete, it shall be measured vnto 25 you: and vnto you that heare, shall more be given. For vnto him that hath, shall it be given, and from him that hath not, 26 shall be taken away, euen that he hath. Also he said, So is the kingdome of God, as if a man should cast seede in the ground, 27 And shoulde sleepe, and rise vp night and day, and the seede 28 should spring and growe vp, he not knowing howe. For the earth bringeth foorth fruite of it selfe, first the blade, then the 29 eares, after that full corne in the eares. And assoone as the fruite sheweth it selfe, anon hee putteth in the sickle, because 30 the haruest is come. He saide moreouer, Whereunto shall wee liken the kingdome of God? or with what comparison shall we 31 compare it? It is like a graine of mustarde seede, which when it is sowen in the earth, is the least of all seedes that be in 32 the earth: But after that it is sowen, it groweth vp, and is greatest of all herbes, and beareth great branches, so that the

foules of heaven may builde vnder the shadow of it. And with 33 many such parables he preached the word vnto them, as they were able to heare it. And without parables spake hee nothing 34 vnto them: but he expounded all thinges to his disciples apart. Nowe the same day when euen was come, he saide vnto them, 35 Let vs passe ouer vnto the other side. And they left the mul- 36 titude, and tooke him as he was in the shippe, and there were also with him other little shippes. And there arose a great 37 storme of winde, and the waves dashed into the shippe, so that it was now full. And he was in the sterne asleepe on a pillow: 38 and they awoke him, and saide to him, Master, carest thou not that we perish? And hee rose vp, and rebuked the winde, and 39 saide vnto the sea, Peace, and be still. So the winde ceased, and it was a great calme. Then he saide vnto them, Why are 40 ye so fearefull? how is it that ye haue no faith? And they 41 feared exceedingly, and said one to another, Who is this, that both the winde and sea obey him?

And they came ouer to the other side of the sea into the 5 countrey of the Gadarens. And when he was come out of the 2 shippe, there met him incontinently out of the graues, a man which had an vncleane spirit: Who had his abiding among the 3 graues, and no man could binde him, no not with chaines: Be- 4 cause that when hee was often bounde with fetters and chaines. he plucked the chaines asunder, and brake the fetters in pieces, neither could any man tame him. And alwayes both night and 5 day he cryed in the mountaines, and in the graues, and strooke himselfe with stones. And when he saw Iesus afarre off, he 6 ranne, and worshipped him. And cryed with a loude voyce, 7 and saide, What haue I to doe with thee, Iesus the Sonne of the most high God? I will that thou sweare to me by God, that thou torment me not. (For hee saide vnto him, Come out of 8 the man, thou vncleane spirit.) And he asked him, What is 9 thy name? and hee answered, saying, My name is Legion: for we are many. And hee prayed him instantly, that hee would 10 not send them away out of the countrey. Now there was there 11 in the mountaines a great heard of swine, feeding. And all 12 ye deuils besought him, saying, Send vs into the swine, that we may enter into them. And incontinently Iesus gaue them 13 leaue. Then the vncleane spirites went out, and entred into the swine, and the heard ranne headlong from the high banke

into the sea, (and there were about two thousand swine) and 14 they were choked vp in the sea. And the swineheards fled, and told it in the citie, and in the countrey, and they came out 15 to see what it was that was done. And they came to Iesus, and sawe him that had bene possessed with the deuil, and had the legion, sit both clothed, and in his right minde: and they 16 were afraide. And they that saw it, tolde them, what was done to him that was possessed with the deuil, and concern-17 ing the swine. Then they began to pray him, that hee would 18 depart from their coastes. And when he was come into the shippe, he that had bene possessed with the deuil, prayed him 19 that he might be with him. Howbeit, Iesus would not suffer him, but said vnto him, Goe thy way home to thy friendes, and shewe them what great thinges the Lord hath done vnto thee. 20 and howe hee hath had compassion on thee. So he departed, and began to publish in Decapolis, what great things Iesus had 21 done vnto him: and all men did marueile. And when Iesus was come ouer againe by ship vnto the other side, a great multitude gathered together to him, and he was neere vnto the 22 sea. And beholde, there came one of the rulers of the Synagogue, whose name was Iairus: and when he sawe him, he fell 23 downe at his feete, And besought him instantly, saying, My litle daughter lyeth at point of death: I pray thee that thou wouldest come and lay thine hands on her, that she may be 24 healed, and liue. Then hee went with him, and a great mul-25 titude followed him, and thronged him. (And there was a certaine woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelue 26 yeeres. And had suffred many things of many physicions, and had spent all that she had, and it auailed her nothing, but 27 she became much worse. When she had heard of Iesus, shee 28 came in the preasse behinde, and touched his garment. For 29 she said, If I may but touch his clothes, I shalbe whole. And straightway the course of her blood was dried vp, and she felt 30 in her body, that she was healed of that plague. And immediatly when Iesus did knowe in himselfe the vertue that went out of him, he turned him round about in the preasse, and said, 31 Who hath touched my clothes? And his disciples said vnto him, Thou seest the multitude throng thee, and sayest thou, 32 Who did touche me? And he looked round about, to see her 33 that had done that. And the woman feared and trembled: for

she knewe what was done in her, and shee came and fell downe before him, and tolde him the whole trueth. And hee saide to 34 her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole: go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.) While hee yet spake, there came 35 from the same ruler of the Synagogues house certaine which said, Thy daughter is dead: why diseasest thou the Master any further? Assoone as Iesus heard that word spoken, he 36 said vnto the ruler of the Synagogue, Be not afraide: onely beleeue. And he suffered no man to follow him saue Peter and 37 Iames, and Iohn the brother of Iames. So hee came vnto the 38 house of the ruler of the Synagogue, and sawe the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly. And he went in, and said 39 vnto them, Why make ye this trouble, and weepe? the childe is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laught him to scorne: but 40 hee put them all out, and tooke the father, and the mother of the childe, and them that were with him, and entred in where the childe lay. And tooke the childe by the hand, and saide 41 vnto her, Talitha cumi, which is by interpretation, Mayden, I say vnto thee, arise. And straightway the mayden arose, and 42 walked: for shee was of the age of twelue yeeres, and they were astonied out of measure. And he charged them straitly that 43 no man should knowe of it, and commanded to give her meate.

And he departed thence, and came into his owne countrey, 6 and his disciples followed him. And when the Sabbath was 2 come, he began to teach in the Synagogue, and many that heard him, were astonied, and sayd, From whence hath this man these things? and what wisdome is this that is given vnto him, that euen such great workes are done by his hands? Is not this that carpenter Maries sonne, the brother of Iames 3 and Ioses, and of Iuda and Simon? and are not his sisters here with vs? And they were offended in him. Then Iesus 4 sayd vnto them, A Prophet is not without honour, but in his owne countrey, and among his owne kindred, and in his own house. And he could there doe no great workes, saue that hee 5 layd his hands vpon a fewe sicke folke, and healed them, And 6 he marueiled at their vnbeliefe, and went about by ye townes on euery side, teaching. And he called vnto him the twelue, 7 and began to send them forth two and two, and gaue them power ouer vncleane spirits, And commanded them that they 8 should take nothing for their journey, saue a staffe onely: nei-

9 ther scrip, neither bread, neither money in their girdles: But that they should be shod with sandals, and that they should 10 not put on two coates. And he sayd vnto them, Wheresoeuer ye shall enter into an house, there abide till ye depart thence. 11 And whosoeuer shall not receive you, nor heare you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust that is vnder your feete, for a witnes vnto them. Verely I say vnto you, It shalbe easier for Sodom, or Gomorrha at the day of iudgement, then for that And they went out, and preached, that men should 12 citie. 13 amend their liues. And they cast out many deuils: and they anointed many that were sicke, with oyle, and healed them. 14 Then King Herod heard of him (for his name was made manifest) and sayd, Iohn Baptist is risen againe from the dead, 15 and therefore great workes are wrought by him. Other sayd, It is Elias, and some sayd, It is a Prophet, or as one of those 16 Prophets. So when Herod heard it, he said, It is Iohn whom I 17 beheaded: he is risen from the dead. For Herod him selfe had sent forth, and had taken Iohn, and bound him in prison for Herodias sake, which was his brother Philippes wife, because 18 he had maried her. For Iohn sayd vnto Herod, It is not lawfull 19 for thee to haue thy brothers wife. Therefore Herodias layd waite against him, and would haue killed him, but she could 20 not: For Herod feared Iohn, knowing that hee was a just man, and an holy, and reuerenced him, and when he heard him, he 21 did many things, and heard him gladly. But the time being convenient, when Herod on his birth day made a banket to 22 his princes and captaines, and chiefe estates of Galile: And the daughter of the same Herodias came in, and daunced, and pleased Herod, and them that sate at table together, the King sayd vnto the mayde, Aske of me what thou wilt, and I will 23 giue it thee. And he sware vnto her, Whatsoeuer thou shalt aske of me, I will give it thee, even vnto the halfe of my king-24 dome. So she went forth, and said to her mother, What shall 25 I aske? And she said, Iohn Baptists head. Then she came in straightway with haste vnto the King, and asked, saying, I would that thou shouldest give me even now in a charger the 26 head of Iohn Baptist. Then the King was very sory: yet for his othes sake, and for their sakes which sate at table with him, 27 he would not refuse her. And immediatly the King sent the hangman, and gaue charge that his head shoulde be brought in. So he went and beheaded him in the prison, And brought 28 his head in a charger, and gaue it to the maide, and the maide gaue it to her mother. And when his disciples heard it, they 29 came and tooke vp his body, and put it in a tombe. And the 30 Apostles gathered themselues together to Iesus, and tolde him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught. And he sayd vnto them, Come ye apart into the wildernes, and 31 rest a while: for there were many commers and goers, that they had not leasure to eate. So they went by ship out of 32 the way into a desart place. But the people sawe them when 33 they departed, and many knewe him, and ran a foote thither out of all cities, and came thither before them, and assembled vnto him. Then Iesus went out, and sawe a great multitude, 34 and had compassion on them, because they were like sheepe which had no shepheard: and he began to teach them many things. And when the day was nowe farre spent, his disciples came vnto him, saying, This is a desart place, and nowe the day is farre passed. Let them depart, that they may goe 36 into the countrey and townes about, and buy them bread: for they have nothing to eate. But he answered, and said vnto 37 them, Giue vee them to eate. And they said vnto him, Shall we goe, and buy two hundreth peny worth of bread, and give them to eate? Then he sayde vnto them, Howe many loaues haue 38 ye? goe and looke. And when they knewe it, they sayd, Fiue, and two fishes. So he commanded them to make them all sit 39 downe by companies upon the greene grasse. Then they sate 40 downe by rowes, by hundreds, and by fifties. And he tooke the 41 fiue loaues, and the two fishes, and looked vp to heauen, and gaue thanks, and brake the loaues, and gaue them to his disciples to set before them, and the two fishes he deuided among them all. So they did all eate, and were satisfied. And they 42, 43 tooke vp twelue baskets full of the fragments, and of the fishes. And they that had eaten, were about five thousand men. And 44, 45 straightway he caused his disciples to goe into the ship, and to goe before vnto the other side vnto Bethsaida, while he sent away the people. Then assoone as he had sent them away, 46 he departed into a mountaine to pray. And when euen was 47 come, the ship was in the mids of the sea, and he alone on the land. And he saw them troubled in rowing, (for the winde was 48 contrary vnto them) and about the fourth watch of the night,

hee came vnto them, walking vpon the sea, and would haue 49 passed by them. And when they saw him walking vpon the 50 sea, they supposed it had bene a spirit, and cried out. they all saw him, and were sore afrayd: but anon he talked with them, and said vnto them, Be ye of good comfort: it is I, 51 be not afrayd. Then he went vp vnto them into the ship, and the winde ceased, and they were much more amased in them 52 selues, and marueiled. For they had not considered the mat-53 ter of the loaues, because their hearts were hardened. they came ouer, and went into the land of Gennesaret, and ar-54 riued. So when they were come out of the ship, straightway 55 they knewe him, And ran about throughout all that region round about, and began to cary hither and thither in couches 56 all that were sicke, where they heard that he was. And whithersoeuer he entred into townes, or cities, or villages, they laide their sicke in the streetes, and prayed him that they might touch at the least the edge of his garment. And as many as touched him, were made whole.

Then gathered vnto him the Pharises, and certaine of the 7 2 Scribes which came from Hierusalem. And when they sawe some of his disciples eate meate with common hands, (that is 3 to say, vnwashen) they complained. (For the Pharises, and all the Iewes, except they wash their hands oft, eate not, hold-4 ing the tradition of the Elders. And when they come from the market, except they wash, they eate not: and many other things there be, which they have taken vpon them to observe, as the washing of cups, and pots, and of brasen vessels, and of 5 beds.) Then asked him the Pharises and Scribes, Why walke not thy disciples according to the tradition of the Elders, but 6 eate meate with vnwashen hands? Then hee answered and sayd vnto them, Surely Esay hath prophecied well of you, hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth mee with lippes, 7 but their heart is farre away from me. But they worship me in vaine, teaching for doctrines the commandements of men. 8 For ye lay the commandement of God apart, and obserue the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and of cups, and many 9 other such like things ye doe. And he sayd vnto them, Well. ye reject the commandement of God, that ye may obserue your 10 owne tradition. For Moses sayd, Honour thy father and thy mother: and Whosoeuer shall speake euill of father or mother, let him die the death. But yee say, If a man say to father 11 or mother, Corban, that is, By the gift that is offered by mee, thou mayest haue profite, hee shall be free. So ye suffer him 12 no more to doe any thing for his father, or his mother, Making 13 the worde of God of none authoritie, by your tradition which ye haue ordeined: and ye doe many such like things. he called the whole multitude vnto him, and sayd vnto them, Hearken you all vnto me, and vnderstand. There is nothing 15 without a man, that can defile him, when it entreth into him: but the things which proceede out of him, are they which defile the man. If any haue eares to heare, let him heare. And 16, 17 when hee came into an house, away from the people, his disciples asked him concerning the parable. And he sayde vnto 18 them, What? are ye without vnderstanding also? Doe ye not knowe that whatsoeuer thing from without entreth into a man, cannot defile him, Because it entreth not into his heart, but 19 into the belly, and goeth out into the draught which is the purging of all meates? Then he sayd, That which commeth out of 20 man, that defileth man. For from within, even out of the heart 21 of men, proceede euill thoughtes, adulteries, fornications, murthers, Theftes, couetousnes, wickednes, deceite, vncleannes, 22 a wicked eye, backbiting, pride, foolishnesse. All these euill 23 things come from within, and defile a man. And from thence 24 he rose, and went into the borders of Tyrus and Sidon, and entred into an house, and woulde that no man should haue knowen: but he could not be hid. For a certaine woman, whose 25 litle daughter had an vncleane spirit, heard of him, and came, and fell at his feete, (And the woman was a Greeke, a Sv- 26 rophenissian by nation) and she besought him that he would cast out the deuill out of her daughter. But Iesus saide vnto 27 her, Let the children first be fedde: for it is not good to take the childrens bread, and to cast it vnto whelpes. Then shee 28 answered, and saide vnto him, Trueth, Lord: yet in deede the whelpes eate vnder the table of the childrens crommes. Then 29 he said vnto her, For this saying goe thy way: the deuil is gone out of thy daughter. And when shee was come home to her 30 house, shee founde the deuill departed, and her daughter lying on the bed. And hee departed againe from the coastes of 31 Tyrus and Sidon, and came vnto the sea of Galile, through the middes of the coastes of Decapolis. And they brought vnto 32

him one that was deafe and stambered in his speache, and prayed him to put his hand vpon him. Then hee tooke him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers in his eares, and did spit, and touched his tongue. And looking vp to heauen, hee sighed, and said vnto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened. And straightway his eares were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and hee spake plaine. And he commanded them, that they should tell no man: but howe much soeuer hee forbad them, the more a great deale they published it, And were beyonde measure astonied, saying, Hee hath done all thinges well: he maketh both the deafe to heare, and the domme to speake.

In those dayes, when there was a very great multitude, and had nothing to eate, Iesus called his disciples to him, and said 2 vnto them, I have compassion on the multitude, because they haue nowe continued with mee three dayes, and haue noth-3 ing to eate. And if I sende them away fasting to their owne houses, they woulde faint by the way: for some of them came 4 from farre. Then his disciples answered him, Whence can a 5 man satisfie these with bread here in the wildernes? hee asked them, Howe many loaues haue ye? And they said, 6 Seven. Then he commanded the multitude to sit downe on the grounde: and hee tooke the seuen loaues, and gaue thankes. brake them, and gaue to his disciples to set before them, and 7 they did set them before the people. They had also a few small fishes: and when he had given thankes, he commanded them 8 also to be set before them. So they did eate, and were sufficed, and they tooke vp of the broken meate that was left, 9 seuen baskets full. (And they that had eaten, were about 10 foure thousand) so he sent them away. And anon he entred into a ship with his disciples, and came into the parts of Dal-11 manutha. And the Pharises came foorth, and began to dispute with him, seeking of him a signe from heauen, and tempting Then hee sighed deepely in his spirit, and saide, Why doeth this generation seeke a signe? Verely I say vnto you, a 13 signe shall not be given vnto this generation. So he left them, and went into the ship againe, and departed to the other side. 14 And they had forgotten to take bread, neither had they in the 15 shippe with them, but one loafe. And he charged them, saying, Take heede, and beware of the leauen of the Pharises, and of the leauen of Herod. And they reasoned among themselues, 16 saying, It is, because we have no bread. And when Iesus knew 17 it, he said vnto them, Why reason you thus, because ye haue no bread? perceiue ye not yet, neither vnderstande? haue ye your hearts yet hardened? Haue yee eyes, and see not? and haue 18 yee eares, and heare not? and doe ye not remember? When I 19 brake the fiue loaues among fiue thousand, how many baskets full of broken meate tooke ye vp? They said vnto him, Twelue. And when I brake seuen among foure thousande, howe many 20 baskets of the leavings of broken meate tooke ve vp? And they said, Seuen. Then he saide vnto them, Howe is it that ye vn- 21 derstand not? And hee came to Bethsaida, and they brought a 22 blinde man vnto him, and desired him to touch him. Then he 23 tooke the blinde by the hand, and ledde him out of the towne, and spat in his eyes, and put his handes vpon him, and asked him, if he sawe ought. And he looked vp, and said, I see men: 24 for I see them walking like trees. After that, he put his hands 25 againe vpon his eyes, and made him looke againe. And hee was restored to his sight, and sawe euery man a farre off clearely. And hee sent him home to his house, saying, Neither goe into 26 the towne, nor tell it to any in the towne. And Iesus went 27 out, and his disciples into the townes of Cesarea Philippi. And by the way hee asked his disciples, saving vnto them, Whome doe men say that I am? And they answered, Some say, Iohn 28 Baptist: and some, Elias: and some, one of the Prophets. And 29 he said vnto them, But whome say ye that I am? Then Peter answered, and saide vnto him, Thou art that Christ. And 30 he sharpely charged them, that concerning him they should tell no man. Then hee began to teache them that the Sonne 31 of man must suffer many things, and should be reproued of the Elders, and of the hie Priestes, and of the Scribes, and be slaine, and within three dayes rise againe. And he spake that 32 thing boldly. Then Peter tooke him aside, and began to rebuke Then he turned backe, and looked on his disciples, and 33 rebuked Peter, saying, Get thee behinde me, Satan: for thou vnderstandest not the things that are of God, but the things that are of men. And hee called the people vnto him with his 34 disciples, and saide vnto them, Whosoeuer will follow me, let him forsake himselfe, and take vp his crosse, and follow me. For whosoeuer will saue his life, shall lose it: but whosoeuer 35 shall lose his life for my sake and the Gospels, he shall saue it. For what shall it profite a man, though he should winne the whole world, if he lose his soule? Or what exchange shall a man giue for his soule? For whosoeuer shall be ashamed of mee, and of my wordes among this adulterous and sinfull generation, of him shall the Sonne of man be ashamed also, when he commeth in the glorie of his Father with the holy Angels.

And he saide vnto them, Verely I say vnto you, that there be 9 some of them that stande here, which shall not taste of death till they have seene the kingdome of God come with power. 2 And sixe dayes after, Iesus taketh vnto him Peter, and Iames, and Iohn, and carieth them vp into an hie mountaine out of 3 the way alone, and his shape was changed before them. And his rayment did shine, and was very white, as snowe, so white 4 as no fuller can make vpon the earth. And there appeared vnto them Elias with Moses, and they were talking with Iesus. 5 Then Peter answered, and said to Iesus, Master, it is good for vs to be here: let vs make also three tabernacles, one for 6 thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. Yet hee knewe 7 not what he saide: for they were afraide. And there was a cloude that shadowed them, and a voyce came out of the 8 cloude, saying, This is my beloued Sonne: heare him. And suddenly they looked roud about, and sawe no more any man 9 saue Iesus only with them. And as they came downe from the mountaine, he charged them, that they should tell no man what they had seene, saue when the Sonne of man were risen 10 from the dead againe. So they kept that matter to themselues, and demaunded one of another, what the rising from the dead 11 againe should meane? Also they asked him, saying, Why say 12 the Scribes, that Elias must first come? And he answered, and said vnto them, Elias verely shall first come, and restore all things: and as it is written of the Sonne of man, hee must 13 suffer many things, and be set at nought. But I say vnto you, that Elias is come, (and they have done vnto him whatsoeuer 14 they would) as it is written of him. And when he came to his disciples, he saw a great multitude about them, and the 15 Scribes disputing with them. And straightway all the people, when they behelde him, were amased, and ranne to him, and 16 saluted him. Then hee asked the Scribes, What dispute you 17 among your selues? And one of the companie answered, and

said, Master, I have brought my sonne vnto thee, which hath a dumme spirit: And wheresoeuer he taketh him, he teareth 18 him, and he fometh, and gnasheth his teeth, and pineth away: and I spake to thy disciples, that they should cast him out, and they could not. Then he answered him, and said, O faithlesse 19 generation, how long now shall I be with you! how long now shall I suffer you! Bring him vnto me. So they brought him 20 vnto him: and assoone as the spirit sawe him, hee tare him, and hee fell downe on the ground walowing and foming. Then 21 he asked his father, How long time is it since he hath bin thus? And he said. Of a childe. And oft times he casteth him into 22 the fire, and into the water to destroy him: but if thou canst do any thing, helpe vs, and haue compassion vpon vs. And Iesus 23 said vnto him, If thou canst beleeue it, al things are possible to him that beleeueth. And straightway the father of the childe 24 crying with teares, saide, Lord, I beleeue: helpe my vnbeliefe. When Iesus saw that the people came running together, he re- 25 buked the vncleane spirit, saying vnto him, Thou domme and deafe spirit, I charge thee, come out of him, and enter no more into him. Then the spirit cried, and rent him sore, and came 26 out, and he was as one dead, in so much that many said. He is dead. But Iesus tooke his hande, and lift him vp, and he arose. 27 And when hee was come into the house, his disciples asked him 28 secretly, Why could not we cast him out? And he saide vnto 29 them, This kinde can by no other meanes come foorth, but by prayer and fasting. And they departed thence, and went to- 30 gether through Galile, and hee would not that any should haue knowen it. For he taught his disciples, and saide vnto them, 31 The Sonne of man shalbe deliuered into the handes of men, and they shall kill him, but after that he is killed, he shall rise againe the third day. But they vnderstoode not that saying, 32 and were afraide to aske him. After, he came to Capernaum: 33 and when he was in the house, he asked them, What was it that ye disputed among you by the way? And they helde their 34 peace: for by the way they reasoned among themselues, who should bee the chiefest. And he sate downe, and called the 35 twelue, and said to them, If any man desire to be first, the same shalbe last of all, and seruant vnto all. And he tooke 36 a litle childe, and set him in the middes of them, and tooke him in his armes, and sayd vnto them, Whosoeuer shall re- 37

ceiue one of such litle children in my Name, receiueth me: and whosoeuer receiueth mee, receiueth not me, but him that sent Then Iohn answered him, saying, Master, we sawe one casting out deuils by thy Name, which followeth not vs., and 39 we forbade him, because he followeth vs not. But Iesus sayd, Forbid him not: for there is no man that can doe a miracle by 40 my Name, that can lightly speake euill of me. For whosoeuer 41 is not against vs, is on our part. And whosoeuer shall give you a cup of water to drinke for my Names sake, because ye belong to Christ, verely I say vnto you, he shall not lose his 42 rewarde. And whosoeuer shall offend one of these litle ones, that beleeue in me, it were better for him rather, that a milstone were hanged about his necke, and that he were cast into 43 the sea. Wherefore, if thine hand cause thee to offend, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life, maimed, then hauing two hands, to goe into hell, into the fire that neuer shalbe 44 quenched. Where their worme dyeth not, and the fire neuer 45 goeth out. Likewise, if thy foote cause thee to offend, cut it off: it is better for thee to go halt into life, then having two feete, to be cast into hell, into the fire that neuer shalbe quenched, 46 Where their worme dyeth not, and the fire neuer goeth out. 47 And if thine eye cause thee to offende, plucke it out: it is better for thee to goe into the kingdome of God with one eye, then 48 having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire, Where their worme 49 dyeth not, and the fire neuer goeth out. For euery man shalbe salted with fire: and euery sacrifice shalbe salted with salt. 50 Salt is good: but if the salt be vnsauerie, wherewith shall it be seasoned? have salt in your selves, and have peace one with another.

And he arose from thence, and went into the coastes of Iudea by the farre side of Iordan, and the people resorted vnto him againe, and as he was wont, he taught them againe. Then the Pharises came and asked him, if it were lawfull for a man to put away his wife, and tempted him. And he answered, and sayde vnto them, What did Moses commaund you? And they sayd, Moses suffered to write a bill of diuorcement, and to put her away. Then Iesus answered, and sayd vnto them, For the hardnesse of your heart he wrote this precept vnto you. But at the beginning of the creation God made them male and female: For this cause shall man leaue his father and mother,

and cleaue vnto his wife. And they twaine shalbe one flesh: so 8 that they are no more twaine, but one flesh. Therefore, what 9 God hath coupled together, let not man separate. And in the 10 house his disciples asked him againe of that matter. And he 11 sayd vnto them, Whosoeuer shall put away his wife and marrie another, committeth adulterie against her. And if a woman 12 put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adulterie. Then they brought litle children to him, that 13 he should touch them, and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Iesus sawe it, he was displeased, 14 and said to them. Suffer the litle children to come vnto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdome of God. Verely I 15 say vnto you, Whosoeuer shall not receive the kingdome of God as a litle childe, he shall not enter therein. And he tooke them 16 vp in his armes, and put his hands vpon them, and blessed And when hee was gone out on the way, there came 17 one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I doe, that I may possesse eternall life? Iesus sayde 18 to him. Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one. euen God. Thou knowest the comandements, Thou shalt not 19 commit adulterie. Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not steale. Thou shalt not beare false witnesse. Thou shalt hurt no man. Honour thy father and mother. Then he answered, and said to 20 him, Master, all these things I have observed from my youth. And Iesus looked vpon him, and loued him, and sayde vnto 21 him, One thing is lacking vnto thee. Go and sell all that thou hast, and give to the poore, and thou shalt have treasure in heauen, and come, follow me, and take vp the crosse. But hee 22 was sad at that saying, and went away sorowfull: for he had great possessions. And Iesus looked round about, and sayd 23 vnto his disciples, Howe hardly doe they that haue riches, enter into the kingdome of God! And his disciples were afraide 24 at his words. But Iesus answered againe, and sayd vnto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches, to enter into the kingdome of God! It is easier for a camel to goe 25 through the eye of a needle, then for a riche man to enter into the kingdome of God. And they were much more astonied, 26 saving with themselues, Who then can be saued? But Iesus 27 looked vpon them, and sayd, With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible. Then Pe- 28

ter began to say vnto him, Loe, we haue forsaken all, and haue 29 folowed thee. Iesus answered, and sayd, Verely I say vnto you, there is no man that hath forsaken house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands for my 30 sake and the Gospels, But he shall receive an hundred folde, now at this present, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands with persecutions, and in the 31 world to come, eternall life. But many that are first, shall be 32 last, and the last, first. And they were in the way going vp to Hierusalem, and Iesus went before them and they were troubled, and as they followed, they were afraide, and Iesus tooke the twelue againe, and began to tell them what things should 33 come vnto him, Saying, Beholde, we goe vp to Hierusalem, and the Sonne of man shall be deliuered vnto the hie Priests. and to the Scribes, and they shall condemne him to death, and 34 shall deliuer him to the Gentiles. And they shall mocke him, and scourge him, and spit vpon him, and kill him: but the third 35 day he shall rise againe. Then Iames and Iohn the sonnes of Zebedeus came vnto him, saying, Master, we would that thou 36 shouldest doe for vs that we desire. And he sayd vnto them, 37 What would ye I should doe for you? And they said to him, Graunt vnto vs, that we may sit, one at thy right hand, and 38 the other at thy left hand in thy glory. But Iesus sayd vnto them, Ye knowe not what ye aske. Can ye drinke of the cup that I shall drinke of, and be baptized with the baptisme that I 39 shall be baptized with? And they said vnto him, We can. But Iesus sayd vnto them, Ye shall drinke in deede of the cup that I shall drinke of, and be baptized with the baptisme wherewith 40 I shalbe baptized: But to sit at my right hand, and at my left, is not mine to giue, but it shalbe giuen to them for whome it 41 is prepared. And when the ten heard that, they began to dis-42 daine at Iames and Iohn. But Iesus called them vnto him, and sayd to them, Ye know that they which are princes among the Gentiles, haue domination ouer them, and they that be great 43 among them, exercise authoritie ouer them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoeuer will be great among you, shall 44 be your seruant. And whosoeuer will be chiefe of you, shall be 45 the servant of all. For even the Sonne of man came not to be serued, but to serue, and to give his life for the raunsome of 46 many. Then they came to Iericho: and as he went out of Iericho with his disciples, and a great multitude, Bartimeus the sonne of Timeus, a blinde man, sate by the wayes side, begging. And when hee heard that it was Iesus of Nazareth, he began to 47 crye, and to say, Iesus the Sonne of Dauid, haue mercy on me. And many rebuked him, because he should holde his peace: 48 but hee cryed much more, O Sonne of Dauid, haue mercy on me. Then Iesus stood still, and commanded him to be called: 49 and they called the blind, saying vnto him, Be of good comfort: arise, he calleth thee. So he threwe away his cloke, and rose, 50 and came to Iesus. And Iesus answered, and said vnto him, 51 What wilt thou that I doe vnto thee? And the blinde sayd vnto him, Lord, that I may receive sight. Then Iesus sayde vnto 52 him, Goe thy way: thy fayth hath saued thee. And by and by, he received his sight, and folowed Iesus in the way.

And when they came neere to Hierusalem, to Bethphage 11 and Bethania vnto the mount of Oliues, he sent forth two of his disciples. And sayd vnto them, Goe your waves into that 2 towne that is ouer against you, and assoone as ye shall enter into it, ye shall finde a colte tied, whereon neuer man sate: loose him, and bring him. And if any man say vnto you, Why 3 doe ye this? Say that the Lord hath neede of him, and straightway he will send him hither. And they went their way, and 4 found a colt tyed by the doore without, in a place where two wayes met, and they loosed him. Then certaine of them, that 5 stoode there, sayd vnto them, What doe ye loosing the colt? And they sayde vnto them, as Iesus had commanded them: So 6 they let them goe. And they brought the colte to Iesus, and 7 cast their garments on him, and he sate vpon him. And many 8 spred their garments in the way: other cut downe branches off the trees, and strawed them in the way. And they that went 9 before, and they that followed, cryed, saying, Hosanna: blessed be hee that commeth in the Name of the Lord. Blessed be the 10 kingdome that commeth in the Name of the Lord of our father Dauid: Hosanna, O thou which art in the highest heauens. So 11 Iesus entred into Hierusalem, and into the Temple: and when he had looked about on all things, and now it was euening, he went forth vnto Bethania with the twelue. And on the morowe 12 when they were come out from Bethania, he was hungry. And 13 seeing a fig tree afarre off, that had leaues, he went to see if he might finde any thing thereon: but when he came vnto it, hee

found nothing but leaues: for the time of figges was not yet. 14 Then Iesus answered, and sayd to it, Neuer man eate fruite of thee hereafter while the world standeth: and his disciples 15 heard it. And they came to Hierusalem, and Iesus went into the Temple, and began to cast out them that solde and bought in the Temple, and ouerthrewe the tables of the money chang-16 ers, and the seates of them that solde doues. Neither would hee suffer that any man should cary a vessell through the Tem-17 ple. And he taught, saying vnto them, Is it not written, Mine house shalbe called the house of prayer vnto all nations? but 18 you have made it a denne of theeues. And the Scribes and hie Priestes heard it, and sought howe to destroy him: for they feared him, because the whole multitude was astonied 19 at his doctrine. But when euen was come, Iesus went out 20 of the citie. And in the morning as they iourneyed together, 21 they saw the figge tree dried vp from the rootes. Then Peter remembred, and said vnto him, Master, beholde, the figge 22 tree which thou cursedst, is withered. And Iesus answered, 23 and said vnto them, Haue the faith of God. For verely I say vnto you, that whosoeuer shall say vnto this mountaine, Be thou taken away, and cast into the sea, and shall not wauer in his heart, but shall beleeue that those things which he saieth, shall come to passe, whatsoeuer he saieth, shall be done 24 to him. Therefore I say vnto you, Whatsoeuer ye desire when ye pray, beleeue that ye shall haue it, and it shalbe done vnto 25 you. But when ye shall stand, and pray, forgiue, if ye haue any thing against any man, that your Father also which is in 26 heauen, may forgiue you your trespasses. For if you will not forgiue, your Father which is in heauen, will not pardon you 27 your trespasses. Then they came againe to Hierusalem: and as he walked in the Temple, there came to him ye hie Priestes, 28 and the Scribes, and the Elders, And said vnto him, By what authoritie doest thou these things? and who gaue thee this 29 authoritie, that thou shouldest doe these things? Then Iesus answered, and saide vnto them, I will also aske of you a certaine thing, and answere ye me, and I will tell you by what au-30 thoritie I do these things. The baptisme of Iohn, was it from 31 heauen, or of men? answere me. And they thought with themselues, saying, If we shall say, From heauen, he will say, Why 32 then did ye not beleeue him? But if we say, Of men, we feare the people: for all men counted Iohn, that he was a Prophet in deede. Then they answered, and saide vnto Iesus, We cannot 33 tell. And Iesus answered, and said vnto them, Neither will I tell you by what authoritie I doe these things.

And he began to speake vnto them in parables, A certaine 12 man planted a vineyard, and copassed it with an hedge, and digged a pit for the winepresse, and built a tower in it, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a strange countrey. And at the time, he sent to the husbandmen a seruant, that he 2 might receive of the husbandmen of the fruite of the vineyard. But they tooke him, and beat him, and sent him away emp- 3 tie. And againe he sent vnto them another seruant, and at 4 him they cast stones, and brake his head, and sent him away shamefully handled. And againe he sent another, and him 5 they slew, and many other, beating some, and killing some. Yet had he one sonne, his deare beloued: him also he sent the 6 last vnto them, saying, They will reuerence my sonne. But ye 7 husbandmen said among themselues, This is the heire: come, let vs kill him, and the inheritance shalbe ours. So they tooke 8 him, and killed him, and cast him out of the vineyard. What 9 shall then the Lord of the vineyard doe? He will come and destroy these husbandmen, and give the vineyard to others. Haue ye not read so much as this Scripture? The stone which 10 the builders did refuse, is made the head of the corner. was done of the Lord, and it is marueilous in our eyes. Then 12 they went about to take him, but they feared the people: for they perceived that he spake that parable against them: therefore they left him, and went their way. And they sent vnto him 13 certaine of the Pharises, and of ye Herodians that they might take him in his talke. And when they came, they saide vnto 14 him, Master, we know that thou art true, and carest for no man: for thou considerest not the person of men, but teachest the way of God truely, Is it lawfull to give tribute to Cesar, or not? Should we give it, or should we not give it? but 15 he knew their hypocrisie, and said vnto them, Why tempt ye me? Bring me a peny, that I may see it. So they brought it, 16 and he said vnto them, Whose is this image and superscription? and they said vnto him, Cesars. Then Iesus answered, 17 and saide vnto them, Giue to Cesar the things that are Cesars, and to God, those that are Gods: and they marueiled at him.

Then came the Sadduces vnto him, (which say, there is no res-19 urrection) and they asked him, saying, Master, Moses wrote vnto vs, If any mans brother die, and leaue his wife, and leaue no children, that his brother should take his wife, and rayse 20 vp seede vnto his brother. There were seuen brethren, and 21 the first tooke a wife, and when he died, left no issue. Then the seconde tooke her, and he died, neither did he yet leaue 22 issue, and the third likewise: So those seuen had her, and 23 left no yssue: last of all the wife died also. In the resurrection then, when they shall rise againe, whose wife shall she 24 be of them? for seuen had her to wife. Then Iesus answered. and saide vnto them, Are ve not therefore deceived, because ve 25 knowe not the Scriptures, neither the power of God? For when they shall rise againe from the dead, neither men marry, nor wives are married, but are as the Angels which are in heaven. 26 And as touching the dead, that they shall rise againe, haue ye not read in the booke of Moses, howe in the bush God spake vnto him, saying, I am the God of Abraham, and the God of 27 Isaac, and the God of Iacob? God is not ve God of the dead. but the God of the liuing. Ye are therefore greatly deceived. 28 Then came one of the Scribes that had heard them disputing together, and perceiuing that he had answered them well, he 29 asked him, Which is the first commandement of all? Iesus answered him, The first of all the commandements is, Heare, 30 Israel, The Lord our God is the onely Lord. Thou shalt therefore loue the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soule, and with all thy minde, and with all thy strength: this is 31 the first commandement. And the second is like, that is, Thou shalt loue thy neighbour as thy selfe. There is none other com-32 mandement greater then these. Then that Scribe said vnto him, Well, Master, thou hast saide the trueth, that there is 33 one God, and that there is none but he, And to loue him with all the heart, and with all the vnderstanding, and with all the soule, and with all the strength, and to loue his neighbour as himselfe, is more then all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices. 34 Then when Iesus saw that he answered discreetely, he saide vnto him, Thou art not farre from the kingdome of God. And 35 no man after that durst aske him any question. And Iesus answered and said teaching in the Temple, Howe say the Scribes 36 that Christ is the sonne of Dauid? For Dauid himselfe said

by ye holy Ghost, The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footestoole. Then Dauid 37 himselfe calleth him Lord: by what meanes is he then his sonne? and much people heard him gladly. Moreouer he saide 38 vnto them in his doctrine, Beware of the Scribes which loue to goe in long robes, and loue salutations in the markets, And 39 the chiefe seates in the Synagogues, and the first roumes at feastes. Which deuoure widowes houses, euen vnder a colour 40 of long prayers. These shall receive the greater damnation. And as Iesus sate ouer against the treasurie, he beheld how 41 the people cast money into the treasurie, and many rich men cast in much. And there came a certaine poore widowe, and 42 she threw in two mites, which make a quadrin. Then he called 43 vnto him his disciples, and said vnto them, Verely I say vnto you, that this poore widowe hath cast more in, then all they which have cast into the treasurie. For they all did cast in of 44 their superfluitie: but she of her pouertie did cast in all that she had, euen all her liuing.

And as he went out of the Temple, one of his disciples said 13 vnto him, Master, see what maner stones, and what maner buildings are here. Then Iesus answered and saide vnto him, 2 Seest thou these great buildings? there shall not be left one stone vpon a stone, that shall not be throwen downe. as he sate on the mount of Oliues, ouer against the Temple, Peter, and Iames, and Iohn, and Andrew asked him secretly, Tell vs, when shall these things be? and what shalbe the signe 4 when all these things shalbe fulfilled? And Iesus answered 5 them, and began to say, Take heede lest any man deceiue you. For many shall come in my Name, saying, I am Christ, and 6 shall deceive many. Furthermore when ye shall heare, of 7 warres, and rumours of warres, be ye not troubled: for such things must needes be: but the end shall not be yet. nation shall rise against nation, and kingdome against kingdome, and there shalbe earthquakes in divers quarters, and there shalbe famine and troubles: these are the beginnings of sorowes. But take ye heede to your selues: for they shall deli- 9 uer you vp to the Councils, and to the Synagogues: ye shalbe beaten, and brought before rulers and Kings for my sake, for a testimoniall vnto them. And the Gospel must first be pub- 10 lished among all nations. But when they leade you, and deli- 11

uer you vp, be not carefull before hand, neither studie what ye shall say: but what is given you at the same time, that speake: 12 for it is not ye that speake, but the holy Ghost. Yea, and the brother shall deliuer the brother to death, and the father the sonne, and the children shall rise against their parents, and 13 shall cause them to die. And ye shall be hated of all men for my Names sake: but whosoeuer shall endure vnto the end, he 14 shalbe saued. Moreouer, when ye shall see the abomination of desolation (spoken of by Daniel the Prophet) set where it ought not, (let him that readeth, consider it) then let them that be in 15 Iudea, flee into the mountaines, And let him that is vpon the house, not come downe into the house, neither enter therein, 16 to fetch any thing out of his house. And let him that is in the 17 fielde, not turne backe againe to take his garment. Then wo shalbe to the that are with child, and to them that give sucke in 18 those dayes. Pray therefore that your flight be not in the win-19 ter. For those dayes shalbe such tribulation, as was not from the beginning of ye creation which God created vnto this time, 20 neither shalbe. And except that the Lord had shortened those dayes, no flesh shoulde be saued: but for the elects sake, which 21 he hath chosen, he hath shortened those dayes. Then if any man say to you, Loe, here is Christ, or, lo, he is there, beleeue 22 it not. For false Christes shall rise, and false prophets, and shall shewe signes and wonders, to deceive if it were possible 23 the very elect. But take ye heede: beholde, I haue shewed 24 you all things before. Moreouer in those dayes, after that tribulation, the sunne shall waxe darke, and ye moone shall 25 not give her light. And the starres of heaven shall fall: and 26 the powers which are in heauen, shall shake. And then shall they see the Sonne of man comming in ye cloudes, with great 27 power and glory. And he shall then send his Angels, and shall gather together his elect from the foure windes, and from the 28 vtmost part of the earth to the vtmost part of heauen. Nowe learne a parable of the figge tree. When her bough is yet tender, and it bringeth foorth leaues, ye knowe that sommer is 29 neere. So in like maner, when ye see these things come to passe, knowe that the kingdom of God is neere, euen at the 30 doores. Verely I say vnto you, that this generation shall not 31 passe, till all these things be done. Heauen and earth shall 32 passe away, but my woordes shall not passe away. But of that

day and houre knoweth no man, no, not the Angels which are in heauen, neither the Sonne himselfe, but the Father. Take 33 heede: watch, and praie: for yee knowe not when the time is. For the Sonne of man is as a man going into a strange countrey, 34 and leaueth his house, and giueth authoritie to his seruaunts, and to euery man his woorke, and commandeth the porter to watch. Watch ye therefore, (for ye know not whe ye master of 35 the house will come, at eue, or at midnight, at the cocke crowing, or in the dawning,) Least if he come suddenly, he should 36 finde you sleeping. And those things that I say vnto you, I say 37 vnto all men, Watch.

And two daies after followed the feast of the Passeouer, and 14 of vnleauened bread: and the hie Priests, and Scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put him to death. But 2 they sayde, Not in the feast day, least there be any tumult among the people. And when hee was in Bethania in the 3 house of Simon the leper, as he sate at table, there came a woman having a boxe of oyntment of spikenarde, very costly, and shee brake the boxe, and powred it on his head. Therefore 4 some disdained among themselues, and sayde, To what ende is this waste of oyntment? For it might have bene sold for more 5 then three hundreth pence, and bene given vnto the poore, and they murmured against her. But Iesus saide, Let her alone: 6 why trouble yee her? shee hath wrought a good worke on me. For yee haue the poore with you alwaies, and when yee will 7 yee may doe them good, but me yee shall not haue alwaies. She hath done that she coulde: she came afore hand to anount 8 my body to the burying. Verely I say vnto you, wheresoeuer 9 this Gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done, shalbe spoken of in remembrance of Then Iudas Iscariot, one of the twelue, went away vnto 10 the hie Priestes, to betray him vnto them. And when they 11 heard it, they were glad, and promised that they woulde give him monie: therefore he sought howe he might conveniently betraie him. Nowe the first day of vnleauened bread, when 12 they sacrificed the Passeouer, his disciples sayde vnto him, Where wilt thou that we goe and prepare, that thou mayest eate the Passeouer? Then hee sent foorth two of his disci- 13 ples, and sayde vnto them, Goe yee into the citie, and there shall a man meete you bearing a pitcher of water: follow him.

14 And whithersoeuer he goeth in, say yee to the good man of the house, The Master sayeth, Where is the lodging where I 15 shall eate the Passeouer with my disciples? And he wil shewe you an vpper chamber which is large, trimmed and prepared: 16 there make it readie for vs. So his disciples went foorth, and came to the citie, and found as he had said vnto them, and 17 made readie the Passeouer. And at euen he came with the 18 twelue. And as they sate at table and did eate, Iesus said, Verely I say vnto you, that one of you shall betray me, which 19 eateth with me. Then they began to be sorowful and to say to 20 him one by one, Is it I? And another, Is it I? And he answered and sayde vnto them, It is one of the twelue that dippeth with 21 mee in the platter. Truely the Sonne of man goeth his way, as it is written of him: but woe bee to that man, by whome the Sonne of man is betrayed: it had beene good for that man, if 22 hee had neuer beene borne. And as they did eate, Iesus tooke the bread, and when hee had given thankes, he brake it and 23 gaue it to them, and sayde, Take, eate, this is my bodie. Also he tooke the cuppe, and when he had given thankes, gaue it to 24 them: and they all dranke of it. And he saide vnto them, This is my blood of that newe Testament, which is shed for many. 25 Verely I say vnto you, I wil drinke no more of the fruit of ye vine vntill that day, that I drinke it newe in the kingdome of 26 God. And when they had sung a Psalme, they went out to 27 the mount of Oliues. Then Iesus said vnto them, Al ye shall be offended by mee this night: for it is written, I will smite 28 the shepheard, and the sheepe shall be scattered. But after 29 that I am risen, I will goe into Galile before you. And Peter saide vnto him, Although all men should be offended at thee, yet would not I. Then Iesus saide vnto him, Verely I say vnto thee, this day, euen in this night, before the cocke crowe twise, 31 thou shalt denie me thrise. But he saide more earnestly. If I shoulde die with thee, I will not denie thee: likewise also saide 32 they all. After, they came into a place named Gethsemane: then hee saide to his disciples, Sit yee here, till I haue praied. 33 And hee tooke with him Peter, and Iames, and Iohn, and hee 34 began to be troubled, and in great heauinesse, And saide vnto them, My soule is very heavie, even vnto the death: tarie here, 35 and watch. So he went forward a litle, and fell downe on the ground, and praied, that if it were possible, that houre might

passe from him. And he saide, Abba, Father, all things are 36 possible vnto thee: take away this cup from me: neuertheles not that I will, but that thou wilt, be done. Then hee came, 37 and founde them sleeping, and said to Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? couldest not thou watche one houre? Watch ve. and 38 pray, that ye enter not into tentation: the spirite in deede is ready, but the flesh is weake. And againe hee went away, 39 and praied, and spake the same wordes. And he returned, 40 and founde them a sleepe againe: for their eyes were heauie: neither knewe they what they should answere him. And he 41 came the third time, and said vnto them, Sleepe henceforth, and take your rest: it is ynough: the houre is come: beholde, the Sonne of man is deliuered into the hands of sinners. Rise 42 vp: let vs go: loe, he that betraieth me, is at hand. And 43 immediatly while hee yet spake, came Iudas that was one of the twelue, and with him a great multitude with swordes and staues from the hie Priests, and Scribes, and Elders. he that betraied him, had given them a token, saying, Whomsoeuer I shall kisse, he it is: take him and leade him away safely. And assoone as hee was come, hee went straightway 45 to him, and saide, Haile Master, and kissed him. Then they 46 laide their handes on him, and tooke him. And one of them 47 that stoode by, drewe out a sword, and smote a seruant of the hie Priest, and cut off his eare. And Iesus answered and saide 48 to them, Ye be come out as against a thiefe with swordes, and with staues, to take me. I was daily with you teaching in the 49 Temple, and yee tooke me not: but this is done that the Scriptures should be fulfilled. Then they all forsooke him, and fled. 50 And there followed him a certaine yong man, clothed in lin- 51 nen vpon his bare bodie, and the yong men caught him. But 52 he left his linnen cloth, and fled from them naked. So they 53 led Iesus away to the hie Priest, and to him came together all the hie Priestes, and the Elders, and the Scribes. And Pe- 54 ter folowed him afarre off, euen into the hall of the hie Priest, and sate with the seruants, and warmed himselfe at the fire. And the hie Priests, and all the Councill sought for witnesse 55 against Iesus, to put him to death, but found none. For many 56 bare false witnesse against him, but their witnesse agreed not together. Then there arose certaine, and bare false witnesse 57 against him, saying, We hearde him say, I will destroy this 58

Temple made with hands, and within three daies I will builde 59 another, made without hands. But their witnesse yet agreed 60 not together. Then the hie Priest stoode vp amongst them, and asked Iesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? what is the 61 matter that these beare witnesse against thee? But hee helde his peace, and answered nothing. Againe the hie Priest asked him, and sayde vnto him, Art thou that Christ the Sonne of 62 the Blessed? And Iesus said, I am he, and yee shall see the Sonne of man sitte at the right hande of the power of God, and 63 come in the clouds of heaven. Then the hie Priest rent his clothes, and sayd, What have we any more neede of witnesses? 64 Ye haue heard the blasphemie: what thinke yee? And they all 65 condemned him to be worthie of death. And some began to spit at him, and to couer his face, and to beate him with fists, and to say vnto him, Prophesie. And the sergeants smote him 66 with their roddes. And as Peter was beneath in the hal, there 67 came one of the maides of the hie Priest. And when shee sawe Peter warming him selfe, shee looked on him, and sayde, Thou 68 wast also with Iesus of Nazareth. But he denied it, saving, I knowe him not, neither wot I what thou saiest. Then he went 69 out into the porche, and the cocke crewe. Then a maid sawe him againe, and bega to say to them that stood by, This is one 70 of them. But hee denied it againe: and anon after, they that stoode by, sayde againe to Peter, Surely thou art one of them: 71 for thou art of Galile, and thy speach is like. And he began to curse, and sweare, saying, I knowe not this man of whom 72 ye speake. Then the seconde time the cocke crewe, and Peter remembred the woorde that Iesus had saide vnto him, Before the cocke crowe twise, thou shalt denie me thrise, and waying that with himselfe, he wept.

And anon in the dawning, the hie Priestes helde a Councill with the Elders, and the Scribes, and the whole Council, and bound Iesus, and led him away, and deliuered him to Pilate.

Then Pilate asked him, Art thou the King of the Iewes? And hee answered, and sayde vnto him, Thou sayest it. And the hie Priestes accused him of many things. Wherefore Pilate asked him againe, saying, Answerest thou nothing? beholde howe many things they witnesse against thee. But Iesus answered no more at all, so that Pilate marueiled. Nowe at the feast, Pilate did deliuer a prisoner vnto them, whomesoeuer

they woulde desire. Then there was one named Barabbas, 7 which was bounde with his fellowes, that had made insurrection, who in the insurrection had committed murder. the people cried aloude, and began to desire that he woulde doe as he had euer done vnto them. Then Pilate answered 9 them, and said, Will ye that I let loose vnto you the King of ye Iewes? For he knewe that the hie Priestes had deliuered 10 But the high Priestes had moved the people 11 him of enuie. to desire that he would rather deliuer Barabbas vnto them. And Pilate answered, and said againe vnto them, What will 12 ve then that I doe with him, whom ve call the King of the Iewes? And they cried againe, Crucifie him. Then Pilate 13, 14 said vnto them, But what euill hath he done? And they cryed the more feruently, Crucifie him. So Pilate willing to con- 15 tent the people, loosed them Barabbas, and deliuered Iesus, when he had scourged him, that he might be crucified. Then 16 the souldiers led him away into the hall, which is the common hall, and called together the whole band, And clad him 17 with purple, and platted a crowne of thornes, and put it about his head, And began to salute him, saying, Haile, King of the 18 Iewes. And they smote him on the head with a reede, and spat 19 vpon him, and bowed the knees, and did him reuerence. And 20 whe they had mocked him, they tooke the purple off him, and put his owne clothes on him, and led him out to crucifie him. And they compelled one that passed by, called Simon of Cyrene 21 (which came out of the countrey, and was father of Alexander and Rufus) to beare his crosse. And they brought him to a 22 place named Golgotha, which is by interpretation, the place of dead mens skulles. And they gaue him to drinke wine min- 23 gled with myrrhe: but he received it not. And when they had 24 crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots for them, what euery man should haue. And it was the third houre, 25 when they crucified him. And ye title of his cause was writ- 26 ten aboue, THAT KING OF THE JEWES. They crucified also 27 with him two theeues, the one on ye right hand, and the other on his left. Thus the Scripture was fulfilled, which sayth, And 28 he was counted among the wicked. And they that went by, 29 railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Hey, thou that destroyest the Temple, and buildest it in three dayes, Saue 30 thy selfe, and come downe from the crosse. Likewise also 31

euen the hie Priests mocking, said among themselues with the 32 Scribes, He saued other men, himselfe he cannot saue. Let Christ the King of Israel nowe come downe from the crosse, that we may see, and beleeue. They also that were crucified 33 with him, reuiled him. Nowe when the sixt houre was come, 34 darkenesse arose ouer all the land vntill the ninth houre. And at the ninth houre Iesus cryed with a loude voyce, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lamma-sabachthani? which is by interpretation, My God, 35 my God, why hast thou forsaken me? And some of them that stoode by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Elias. 36 And one ranne, and filled a spondge full of vineger, and put it on a reede, and gaue him to drinke, saying, Let him alone: 37 let vs see if Elias will come, and take him downe. And Iesus 38 cryed with a loude voyce, and gaue vp the ghost. And the vaile of the Temple was rent in twaine, from the toppe to the bot-39 tome. Nowe when the Centurion, which stoode ouer against him, sawe that he thus crying gaue vp the ghost, he saide, Tru-40 ely this man was the Sonne of God. There were also women, which beheld afarre off, among whom was Marie Magdalene, and Marie (the mother of Iames the lesse, and of Ioses) and 41 Salome, Which also when he was in Galile, followed him, and ministred vnto him, and many other women which came vp 42 with him vnto Hierusalem. And nowe when the night was come (because it was the day of the preparation that is before 43 the Sabbath) Ioseph of Arimathea, an honorable counsellour, which also looked for the kingdome of God, came, and went in 44 boldly vnto Pilate, and asked the body of Iesus. And Pilate marueiled, if he were already dead, and called vnto him the Centurion, and asked of him whether he had bene any while 45 dead. And when he knewe the trueth of the Centurion, he 46 gaue the body to Ioseph: Who bought a linnen cloth, and tooke him downe, and wrapped him in the linnen cloth, and laide him in a tombe that was hewen out of a rocke, and rolled a stone 47 vnto the doore of the sepulchre: And Marie Magdalene, and Marie Ioses mother, behelde where he should be layed.

And when the Sabbath day was past, Marie Magdalene, and Marie the mother of Iames, and Salome, bought sweete oyntments, that they might come, and anoynt him. Therefore early in the morning, the first day of the weeke, they came vnto the sepulchre, when the Sunne was nowe risen. And

they saide one to another, Who shall rolle vs away the stone from the doore of the sepulchre? And when they looked, they 4 saw that the stone was rolled away (for it was a very great one) So they went into the sepulchre, and saw a yong man sitting 5 at the right side, clothed in a long white robe: and they were sore troubled. But he said vnto them, Be not so troubled: ye 6 seeke Iesus of Nazareth, which hath bene crucified: he is risen. he is not here: behold the place where they put him. But goe 7 your way, and tell his disciples, and Peter, that he will goe before you into Galile: there shall ye see him, as he said vnto you. And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre: 8 for they trembled, and were amased: neither said they any thing to any man: for they were afraide. And when Iesus was 9 risen againe, early the first day of the weeke, he appeared first to Marie Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seuen deuils: And shee went and tolde them that had bene with him, which 10 mourned and wept. And when they heard that he was aliue, 11 and had appeared to her, they believed it not. After that, he 12 appeared vnto two of them in an other forme, as they walked and went into the countrey. And they went, and told it to the 13 remnant, neither beleeved they them. Finally, he appeared 14 vnto the eleuen as they sate together, and reproched them for their vnbeliefe and hardnesse of heart, because they beleeued not them which had seene him, being risen vp againe. And 15 he saide vnto them, Goe ye into all the worlde, and preach the Gospel to euery creature. He that shall beleeue and be 16 baptized, shalbe saued: but he that will not beleeue, shalbe And these tokens shall followe them that believe, 17 In my Name they shall cast out deuils, and shall speake with newe tongues, And shall take away serpents, and if they shall 18 drinke any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them: they shall lay their handes on the sicke, and they shall recouer. So after 19 ye Lord had spoken vnto them, he was received into heaven, and sate at the right hand of God. And they went foorth, and 20 preached euery where. And the Lord wrought with them, and confirmed the worde with signes that followed. Amen.

## THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE.

orasmuch as many haue taken in hand to set foorth the storie of those things, whereof we are fully persuaded, As they have delivered them vnto vs, which From the beginning saw them their selues, and were 3 ministers of ve word, It seemed good also to me (most noble Theophilus) assoone as I had searched out perfectly all things from the beginning, to write vnto thee thereof from point to 4 point, That thou mightest acknowledge the certaintie of those 5 things, whereof thou hast bene instructed. In the time of Herod King of Iudea, there was a certaine Priest named Zacharias, of the course of Abia: and his wife was of the daughters of 6 Aaron, and her name was Elisabet. Both were just before God, and walked in all the commandements and ordinances 7 of the Lord, without reproofe. And they had no childe, because that Elisabet was barren: and both were well stricken And it came to passe, as he executed the Priestes 9 office before God, as his course came in order, According to the custome of the Priests office, his lot was to burne incense, 10 when he went into the Temple of the Lord. And the whole multitude of the people were without in prayer, while the in-11 cense was burning. Then appeared vnto him an Angel of the 12 Lord standing at the right side of the altar of incense. And when Zacharias sawe him, he was troubled, and feare fell vpon 13 him. But the Angel saide vnto him, Feare not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard, and thy wise Elisabet shall beare thee a 14 sonne, and thou shalt call his name Iohn. And thou shalt haue 15 ioy and gladnes, and many shall reioyce at his birth. For he shalbe great in the sight of the Lord, and shall neither drinke wine, nor strong drinke: and he shalbe filled with the holy 16 Ghost, euen from his mothers wombe. And many of the chil-17 dren of Israel shall be turne to their Lord God. For he shall goe before him in the spirite and power of Elias, to turne the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisedome of the just men, to make ready a people prepared

for the Lord. Then Zacharias said vnto ye Angel, Whereby 18 shall I knowe this? for I am an olde man, and my wife is of a great age. And the Angell answered, and sayde vnto him, I 19 am Gabriel that stand in the presence of God, and am sent to speake vnto thee, and to shew thee these good tidings. And 20 beholde, thou shalt be domme, and not be able to speake, vntill the day that these things be done, because thou beleeuedst not my words, which shalbe fulfilled in their season. Now the 21 people waited for Zacharias, and marueiled that he taried so long in the Temple. And when hee came out, hee coulde not 22 speake vnto them: then they perceived that hee had seene a vision in the Temple: For he made signes vnto them, and remained domme. And it came to passe, when the daies of his 23 office were fulfilled, that he departed to his owne house. And 24 after those daies, his wife Elisabet conceiued, and hid her selfe fiue moneths, saying. Thus hath the Lord dealt with me, in 25 the daies wherein he looked on me, to take from me my rebuke among men. And in the sixth moneth, the Angell Gabriel was 26 sent from God vnto a citie of Galile, named Nazareth, To a vir- 27 gin affianced to a man whose name was Ioseph, of the house of Dauid, and the virgins name was Marie. And the Angel went 28 in vnto her, and said, Haile thou that art freely beloued: the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. And when 29 she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and thought what maner of salutation that should be. Then the Angel saide vnto 30 her, Feare not, Marie: for thou hast found fauour with God. For loe, thou shalt conceive in thy wobe, and beare a sonne, 31 and shalt call his name Iesus. He shall be great, and shall be 32 called the Sonne of the most High, and the Lord God shall give vnto him the throne of his father Dauid. And hee shall reigne 33 ouer the house of Iacob for euer, and of his kingdome shall bee none ende. Then sayde Marie vnto the Angel, How shall this 34 be, seeing I knowe not man? And the Angel answered, and 35 said vnto her, The holy Ghost shall come vpon thee, and the power of the most High shall ouershadowe thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall bee borne of thee, shall be called the Sonne of God. And behold, thy cousin Elisabet, she hath 36 also conceived a sonne in her olde age: and this is her sixt moneth, which was called barren. For with God shall noth- 37 ing be vnpossible. Then Marie said, Behold the seruant of 38

the Lord: be it vnto me according to thy woorde. So the An-39 gel departed from her. And Marie arose in those daies, and 40 went into ye hil countrey with hast to a citie of Iuda, And en-41 tred into the house of Zacharias, and saluted Elisabet. And it came to passe, as Elisabet heard the salutation of Marie, the babe sprang in her bellie, and Elisabet was filled with the holy 42 Ghost. And she cried with a loud voice, and saide, Blessed art thou among women, because the fruit of thy wombe is blessed. 43 And whence commeth this to mee, that the mother of my Lord 44 should come to me? For loe, assoone as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine eares, the babe sprang in my bellie for 45 ioye, And blessed is shee that beleeued: for those things shall 46 be perfourmed, which were tolde her from the Lord. 47 Marie sayde, My soule magnifieth the Lord, And my spirite 48 reioyceth in God my Sauiour. For hee hath looked on the poore degree of his seruaunt: for beholde, from henceforth shall all 49 ages call me blessed, Because hee that is mightie, hath done 50 for me great things, and holy is his Name. And his mercie is from generation to generation on them that feare him. 51 Hee hath shewed strength with his arme: hee hath scattered 52 the proude in the imagination of their hearts. Hee hath put downe the mighty from their seates, and exalted them of lowe 53 degree. Hee hath filled the hungrie with good things, and sent 54 away the rich emptie. Hee hath vpholden Israel his seruaunt 55 to be mindefull of his mercie (As hee hath spoken to our fa-56 thers, to wit, to Abraham, and his seede) for euer. And Marie abode with her about three moneths: after, shee returned to 57 her owne house. Nowe Elisabets time was fulfilled, that shee 58 should be deliuered, and shee brought foorth a sonne. And her neighbours, and cousins heard tell howe the Lord had shewed 59 his great mercie vpon her, and they reioyced with her. And it was so that on the eight day they came to circumcise the babe, and called him Zacharias after the name of his father. 60 But his mother answered, and saide, Not so, but he shalbe 61 called Iohn. And they saide vnto her, There is none of thy kin-62 dred, that is named with this name. Then they made signes 63 to his father, howe he would have him called. So hee asked for writing tables, and wrote, saying, His name is Iohn, and 64 they marueiled all. And his mouth was opened immediately, 65 and his tongue, and he spake and praised God. Then feare

came on all them that dwelt neere vnto them, and all these woordes were noised abroade throughout all the hill countrey of Iudea. And al they that heard them, laid them vp in their 66 hearts, saying, What maner childe shall this be! and the hand of the Lord was with him. Then his father Zacharias was 67 filled with the holy Ghost, and prophesied, saving, Blessed be 68 the Lord God of Israel, because he hath visited and redeemed his people. And hath raised vp the horne of saluation vnto vs. 69 in the house of his seruant Dauid, As he spake by ye mouth 70 of his holy Prophets, which were since the world began, saying, That he would sende vs deliuerance from our enemies, 71 and from the hands of all that hate vs, That he might shewe 72 mercie towards our fathers, and remember his holy couenant. And the othe which he sware to our father Abraham. Which 73,74 was, that he would graunt vnto vs, that we being deliuered out of the handes of our enemies, should serue him without feare. All the daies of our life, in holinesse and righteousnesse before 75 him. And thou, babe, shalt be called the Prophet of the most 76 High: for thou shalt goe before the face of the Lord, to prepare his waies, And to give knowledge of saluation vnto his people, 77 by the remission of their sinnes, Through ye tender mercy of 78 our God, wherby the day spring from an hie hath visited vs, To give light to them that sit in darknes, and in the shadow 79 of death, and to guide our feete into the way of peace. And 80 the childe grewe, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the wildernesse, til the day came that he should shewe him selfe vnto Israel.

And it came to passe in those dayes, that there came a decree from Augustus Cesar, that all the world should be taxed. (This first taxing was made when Cyrenius was gouernour of 2 Syria.) Therefore went all to be taxed, euery man to his owne 3 Citie. And Ioseph also went vp from Galile out of a citie called 4 Nazareth, into Iudea, vnto the citie of Dauid, which is called Beth-leem (because he was of the house and linage of Dauid,) To bee taxed with Marie that was given him to wife, which 5 was with childe. And so it was, that while they were there, 6 the daies were accomplished that shee shoulde be deliuered, And she brought foorth her first begotten sonne, and wrapped 7 him in swadling clothes, and laide him in a cratch, because there was no roome for them in the ynne. And there were 8

in the same countrey shepheards, abiding in the fielde, and 9 keeping watch by night ouer their flocke. And loe, the Angel of the Lord came vpon them, and the glorie of the Lord 10 shone about them, and they were sore afraide. Then the Angel saide vnto them, Be not afraid: for behold, I bring you glad 11 tidings of great ioy, that shalbe to all the people, That is, that vnto you is borne this day in the citie of Dauid, a Sauiour, 12 which is Christ the Lord. And this shalbe a signe to you, 13 Yee shall finde the babe swadled, and laid in a cratch. straightway there was with the Angel a multitude of heauenly 14 souldiers, praising God, and saying, Glory be to God in the high heauens, and peace in earth, and towards men good will. 15 And it came to passe whe the Angels were gone away from them into heauen, that the shepheards sayde one to another, Let vs goe then vnto Beth-leem, and see this thing that is come 16 to passe which the Lord hath shewed vnto vs. So they came with haste, and founde both Marie and Ioseph, and the babe 17 laid in the cratch. And when they had seene it, they published 18 abroade the thing, that was tolde them of that childe. And all that heard it, wondred at ye things which were tolde them of 19 the shepheards. But Mary kept all those sayings, and pondred 20 them in her heart. And the shepheardes returned glorifiyng and praising God, for all that they had heard and seene as it 21 was spoken vnto them. And when the eight daies were accomplished, that they shoulde circumcise the childe, his name was then called Iesus, which was named of the Angell, before 22 he was conceived in the wombe. And when the daies of her purification after the Lawe of Moses were accomplished, they 23 brought him to Hierusalem, to present him to the Lord, (As it is written in the Lawe of the Lord, Euery man childe that 24 first openeth ye wombe, shalbe called holy to the Lord) And to giue an oblation, as it is commanded in the Lawe of the Lord, a 25 paire of turtle doues, or two yong pigeons. And behold, there was a man in Hierusalem, whose name was Simeon: this man was just, and feared God, and waited for the consolation of Is-26 rael, and the holy Ghost was vpon him. And it was declared to him from God by the holy Ghost, that he shoulde not see death, 27 before he had seene that Anointed of the Lord. And he came by the motion of the spirit into the Temple, and when the parents brought in the babe Iesus, to do for him after the custome

of the Lawe, Then hee tooke him in his armes, and praised 28 God, and sayd, Lord, nowe lettest thou thy seruaunt depart 29 in peace, according to thy woorde, For mine eyes haue seene 30 thy saluation, Which thou hast prepared before the face of all 31 people, A light to be reueiled to the Gentiles, and the glory of 32 thy people Israel. And Ioseph and his mother marueiled at 33 those things, which were spoken touching him. And Simeon 34 blessed them, and saide vnto Mary his mother, Beholde, this childe is appointed for the fall and rising againe of many in Israel, and for a signe which shalbe spoken against. (Yea and 35 a sworde shall pearce through thy soule) that the thoughts of many heartes may be opened. And there was a Prophetesse, 36 one Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser, which was of a great age, after she had lived with an husband seven yeeres from her virginitie: And she was widowe about foure 37 score and foure yeeres, and went not out of the Temple. but serued God with fastings and prayers, night and day. then coming at the same instant vpon them, confessed likewise the Lord, and spake of him to all that looked for redemption in Hierusalem. And when they had performed all thinges 39 according to the lawe of the Lord, they returned into Galile to their owne citie Nazareth. And the childe grewe, and waxed 40 strong in Spirit, and was filled with wisedome, and the grace of God was with him. Nowe his parents went to Hierusalem 41 euery veere, at the feast of the Passeouer. And when hee was 42 twelue yeere olde, and they were come vp to Hierusalem, after the custome of the feast, And had finished the dayes thereof, 43 as they returned, the childe Iesus remained in Hierusalem, and Ioseph knew not, nor his mother, But they supposing, 44 that he had bene in the company, went a dayes iourney, and sought him among their kinsfolke, and acquaintance. when they found him not, they turned backe to Hierusalem, and sought him. And it came to passe three dayes after, that 46 they found him in the Temple, sitting in the mids of the doctours, both hearing them, and asking them questions: And 47 all that heard him, were astonied at his vnderstanding and So when they sawe him, they were amased, and 48 his mother said vnto him, Sonne, why hast thou thus dealt with vs? beholde, thy father and I haue sought thee with very heavie hearts. Then said he vnto them, Howe is it that 49 ye sought me? knewe ye not that I must goe about my Fathers busines? But they vnderstoode not the word that he
spake to them. Then hee went downe with them, and came
to Nazareth, and was subject to them: and his mother kept all
these sayings in her heart. And Iesus increased in wisedome,
and stature, and in fauour with God and men.

Nowe in the fifteenth yeere of the reigne of Tiberius Cae-3 sar, Pontius Pilate being gouernour of Iudea, and Herod being Tetrarch of Galile, and his brother Philip Tetrarch of Iturea, and of the countrey of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the Tetrarch 2 of Abilene, (When Annas and Caiaphas were the hie Priestes) the worde of God came vnto Iohn, the sonne of Zacharias in 3 the wildernes. And hee came into all the coastes about Iordan, preaching the baptisme of repentance for the remission of 4 sinnes, As it is written in the booke of the sayings of Esaias the Prophet, which saith, The voyce of him that crieth in the wildernes is, Prepare ve the way of the Lord: make his paths 5 straight. Euery valley shalbe filled, and euery mountaine and hill shall be brought lowe, and crooked things shalbe made 6 straight, and the rough wayes shalbe made smoothe. 7 all flesh shall see the saluation of God. Then said he to the people that were come out to be baptized of him, O generations of vipers, who hath forewarned you to flee from the wrath to 8 come? Bring foorth therefore fruites worthy amendment of life, and beginne not to say with your selues, We have Abraham to our father: for I say vnto you, that God is able of these 9 stones to raise vp children vnto Abraham. Nowe also is the axe layed vnto the roote of the trees: therefore euery tree which bringeth not foorth good fruite, shalbe hewen downe, and cast 10 into the fire. Then the people asked him, saying, What shall 11 we doe then? And he answered, and said vnto them, He that hath two coates, let him part with him that hath none: and hee 12 that hath meate, let him doe likewise. Then came there Publicanes also to bee baptized, and saide vnto him, Master, what 13 shall we doe? And hee saide vnto them, Require no more then 14 that which is appointed vnto you. The souldiers likewise demaunded of him, saying, And what shall we doe? And he saide vnto them, Doe violence to no man, neither accuse any falsely, 15 and be content with your wages. As the people waited, and all men mused in their heartes of Iohn, if he were not that Christ,

Iohn answered, and saide to them all, In deede I baptize you 16 with water, but one stronger then I, commeth, whose shoes latchet I am not worthy to vnloose: hee will baptize you with the holy Ghost, and with fire. Whose fanne is in his hande, 17 and hee will make cleane his floore, and will gather the wheate into his garner, but the chaffe will hee burne vp with fire that neuer shalbe quenched. Thus then exhorting with many other 18 things, he preached vnto the people. But when Herod the 19 Tetrarch was rebuked of him, for Herodias his brother Philips wife, and for all the euils which Herod had done. He added 20 yet this aboue all, that he shut vp Iohn in prison. Nowe it 21 came to passe, as all the people were baptized, and that Iesus was baptized and did pray, that the heauen was opened: And 22 the holy Ghost came downe in a bodily shape like a doue, vpon him, and there was a voyce from heauen, saying, Thou art my beloued Sonne: in thee I am well pleased. And Iesus himselfe 23 began to bee about thirtie veere of age, being as men supposed the sonne of Ioseph, which was the sonne of Eli. The sonne 24 of Matthat, the sonne of Leui, the sonne of Melchi, the sonne of Ianna, the sonne of Ioseph, The sonne of Mattathias, the 25 sonne of Amos, the sonne of Naum, the sonne of Esli, the sonne of Nagge, The sonne of Maath, the sonne of Mattathias, the 26 sonne of Semei, the sonne of Ioseph, the sonne of Iuda. The 27 sonne of Ioanna, the sonne of Rhesa, the sonne of Zorobabel, the sonne of Salathiel, the sonne of Neri, The sonne of Melchi, 28 the sonne of Addi, the sonne of Cosam, the sonne of Elmodam, the sonne of Er, The sonne of Iose, the sonne of Eliezer, the 29 sonne of Iorim, the sonne of Matthat, the son of Leui, The 30 sonne of Simeon, the sonne of Iuda, the sonne of Ioseph, the sonne of Ionan, the sonne of Eliacim, The sonne of Melea, the 31 sonne of Mainan, the sonne of Mattatha, the sonne of Nathan, the sonne of Dauid, The sonne of Iesse, the sonne of Obed, 32 the sonne of Booz, the sonne of Salmon, the sonne of Naasson, The sonne of Aminadab, the sonne of Aram, the sonne of 33 Esrom, the sonne of Phares, the sonne of Iuda, The sonne of 34 Iacob, the sonne of Isaac, the sonne of Abraham, the sonne of Thara, the sonne of Nachor, The sonne of Saruch, the sonne 35 of Ragau, the sonne of Phalec, the sonne of Eber, the sonne of Sala, The sonne of Cainan, the sonne of Arphaxad, the sonne 36 of Sem, the sonne of Noe, the sonne of Lamech. The sonne of 37 Mathusala, the sonne of Enoch, the sonne of Iared, the sonne of Maleleel, the sonne of Cainan, The sonne of Enos, the sonne of Seth, the sonne of Adam, the sonne of God.

And Iesus full of the holy Ghost returned from Iordan, and 2 was led by that Spirit into the wildernes. And was there fourtie dayes tempted of the deuil, and in those dayes he did eate nothing: but when they were ended, he afterward was hun-3 gry. Then the deuil saide vnto him, If thou be the Sonne of 4 God, commaund this stone that it be made bread. But Iesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not liue by 5 bread only, but by euery word of God. Then the deuill tooke him vp into an high mountaine, and shewed him all the king-6 domes of the world, in the twinkeling of an eye. And the deuill saide vnto him, All this power will I giue thee, and the glory of those kingdomes: for that is deliuered to mee: and to whom-7 soeuer I will, I giue it. If thou therefore wilt worship mee, they 8 shalbe all thine. But Iesus answered him, and saide, Hence from mee, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord 9 thy God, and him alone thou shalt serue. Then hee brought him to Hierusalem, and set him on a pinacle of the Temple, and said vnto him, If thou be the Sonne of God, cast thy selfe downe 10 from hence, For it is written, That hee will giue his Angels 11 charge ouer thee to keepe thee: And with their handes they shall lift thee vp, least at any time thou shouldest dash thy 12 foote against a stone. And Iesus answered, and said vnto him, 13 It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. And when the deuil had ended all the tentation, he departed from him for 14 a litle season. And Iesus returned by the power of the spirite into Galile: and there went a fame of him throughout all the 15 region round about. For he taught in their Synagogues, and 16 was honoured of all men. And hee came to Nazareth where hee had bene brought vp, and (as his custome was) went into the Synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stoode vp to reade. 17 And there was deliuered vnto him the booke of the Prophet Esaias: and when hee had opened the booke, hee founde the 18 place, where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is vpon mee, because he hath anounted me, that I should preach the Gospel to the poore: he hath sent mee, that I should heale the broken hearted, that I should preach deliuerance to the captiues, and recouering of sight to the blinde, that I should set

at libertie them that are bruised: And that I should preache 19 the acceptable yeere of the Lord. And hee closed the booke, 20 and gaue it againe to the minister, and sate downe: and the eyes of all that were in the Synagogue were fastened on him. Then he began to say vnto them, This day is the Scripture ful- 21 filled in your eares. And all bare him witnes, and wondered 22 at the gracious wordes, which proceeded out of his mouth, and said, Is not this Iosephs sonne? Then he said vnto them, Ye 23 will surely say vnto mee this prouerbe, Physician, heale thy selfe: whatsoeuer we haue heard done in Capernaum, doe it here likewise in thine owne countrey. And he saide, Verely 24 I say vnto you, No Prophet is accepted in his owne countrey. But I tell you of a trueth, many widowes were in Israel in the 25 dayes of Elias, when heauen was shut three veres and sixe moneths, when great famine was throughout all the land: But 26 vnto none of them was Elias sent, saue into Sarepta, a citie of Sidon, vnto a certaine widowe. Also many lepers were in Is- 27 rael, in the time of Eliseus the Prophet: yet none of them was made cleane, sauing Naaman the Syrian. Then all that were 28 in the Synagogue, when they heard it, were filled with wrath, And rose vp, and thrust him out of the citie, and led him vnto 29 the edge of the hil, whereon their citie was built, to cast him downe headlong. But he passed through the middes of them, 30 and went his way, And came downe into Capernaum a citie of 31 Galile, and there taught them on the Sabbath dayes. And they 32 were astonied at his doctrine: for his worde was with authoritie. And in the Synagogue there was a man which had a spirit 33 of an vncleane deuill, which cryed with a loude voyce, Saying, 34 Oh, what have we to doe with thee, thou Iesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy vs? I know who thou art, euen the holy one of God. And Iesus rebuked him, saying, Holde thy 35 peace, and come out of him. Then the deuill throwing him in the middes of them, came out of him, and hurt him nothing at all. So feare came on them all, and they spake among 36 themselues, saying, What thing is this: for with authoritie and power he commaundeth the foule spirits, and they come out? And ye fame of him spred abroad throughout all the places of 37 the countrey round about. And he rose vp, and came out of the 38 Synagogue, and entred into Simons house. And Simons wives mother was taken with a great feuer, and they required him for

her. Then he stoode ouer her, and rebuked the feuer, and it left
her, and immediatly she arose, and ministred vnto them. Now at the sunne setting, all they that had sicke folkes of diuers diseases, brought them vnto him, and he layd his hands on euery
one of them, and healed them. And deuils also came out of many, crying, and saying, Thou art that Christ that Sonne of God: but he rebuked them, and suffered them not to say that
they knewe him to be that Christ. And when it was day, he departed, and went foorth into a desart place, and the people sought him, and came to him, and kept him that he should not
depart from them. But he sayd vnto them, Surely I must also preach the kingdome of God to other cities: for therefore am I
sent. And hee preached in the Synagogues of Galile.

Then it came to passe, as the people preassed vpon him 5 to heare the word of God, that he stoode by the lake of Gen-2 nesaret, And sawe two shippes stand by the lakes side, but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their 3 nettes. And he entred into one of the ships, which was Simons, and required him that he would thrust off a litle from the land: 4 and he sate downe, and taught the people out of the ship. Now when he had left speaking, he sayd vnto Simon, Lanch out into the deepe, and let downe your nettes to make a draught. 5 Then Simon answered, and sayd vnto him, Master, we haue trauailed sore all night, and haue taken nothing: neuerthe-6 lesse at thy worde I will let downe the net. And when they had so done, they enclosed a great multitude of fishes, so that 7 their net brake. And they beckened to their parteners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and helpe them, who came then, and filled both the ships, that they did sinke. 8 Now when Simon Peter saw it, he fel down at Iesus knees, say-9 ing, Lord, go from me: for I am a sinfull man. For he was vtterly astonied, and all that were with him, for the draught of 10 fishes which they tooke. And so was also Iames and Iohn the sonnes of Zebedeus, which were companions with Simon. Then Iesus sayde vnto Simon, Feare not: from henceforth thou shalt 11 catch men. And when they had brought the ships to land, 12 they for sooke all, and followed him. Nowe it came to passe, as he was in a certaine citie, beholde, there was a man full of leprosie, and when he sawe Iesus, he fell on his face, and besought 13 him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me cleane. So

he stretched forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will, be thou cleane. And immediately the leprosie departed from him. And he commanded him that hee should tell it no man: 14 but Go, sayth he, and shew thy selfe to the Priest, and offer for thy clensing, as Moses hath commanded, for a witnes vnto them. But so much more went there a fame abroad of him, 15 and great multitudes came together to heare, and to be healed of him of their infirmities. But he kept himselfe apart in the 16 wildernes, and prayed. And it came to passe, on a certaine 17 day, as he was teaching, that the Pharises and doctours of the Law sate by, which were come out of euery towne of Galile, and Iudea, and Hierusalem, and the power of the Lord was in him to heale them. Then beholde, men brought a man lying in a 18 bed, which was taken with a palsie, and they sought meanes to bring him in, and to lay him before him. And when they could 19 not finde by what way they might bring him in, because of the preasse, they went vp on the house, and let him downe through the tyling, bed and all, in the middes before Iesus. And when 20 he sawe their faith, he sayd vnto him, Man, thy sinnes are forgiuen thee. Then the Scribes and the Pharises began to 21 reason, saying, Who is this that speaketh blasphemies? who can forgiue sinnes, but God onely? But when Iesus perceiued 22 their reasoning, he answered, and sayd vnto them, What reason ye in your hearts? Whether is easier to say, Thy sinnes 23 are forgiuen thee, or to say, Rise and walke? But that ye may 24 know that that Sonne of man hath authoritie to forgiue sinnes in earth, (he sayd vnto the sicke of the palsie) I say to thee, Arise: take vp thy bed, and goe to thine house. And immedi- 25 atly he rose vp before them, and tooke vp his bed whereon he lay, and departed to his owne house, praysing God. And they 26 were all amased, and praysed God, and were filled with feare, saying, Doutlesse we have seene strange things to day. And 27 after that, he went foorth and sawe a Publicane named Leui, sitting at the receite of custome, and sayd vnto him, Follow me. And he left all, rose vp, and followed him. Then Leui made him 28, 29 a great feast in his owne house, where there was a great company of Publicanes, and of other that sate at table with them. But they that were Scribes and Pharises among them, mur- 30 mured against his disciples, saying, Why eate ye and drinke ye with Publicanes and sinners? Then Iesus answered, and 31

sayd vnto them, They that are whole, neede not the Physician, 32 but they that are sicke. I came not to call the righteous, but 33 sinners to repentance. Then they said vnto him, Why do the disciples of Iohn fast often, and pray, and the disciples of the 34 Pharises also, but thine eate and drinke? And he said vnto them, Can ye make the children of the wedding chamber to 35 fast, as long as the bridegrome is with them? But the dayes will come, euen when the bridegrome shalbe taken away from 36 them: then shall they fast in those dayes. Againe he spake also vnto them a parable, No man putteth a piece of a newe garment into an olde vesture: for then the newe renteth it, and the piece taken out of the newe, agreeth not with the olde. 37 Also no man powreth newe wine into olde vessels: for then ye new wine wil breake the vessels, and it will runne out, and the 38 vessels will perish: But newe wine must be powred into newe 39 vessels: so both are preserved. Also no man that drinketh olde wine, straightway desireth newe: for he sayth, The olde is more profitable.

And it came to passe on a second solemne Sabbath, that hee went through the corne fieldes, and his disciples plucked the eares of corne, and did eate, and rub them in their hands. 2 And certaine of the Pharises sayde vnto them, Why doe ye that 3 which is not lawfull to doe on the Sabbath dayes? Then Iesus answered them, and said, Haue ye not read this, that Dauid did when he himselfe was an hungred, and they which were 4 with him, Howe he went into the house of God, and tooke, and ate the shewbread, and gaue also to them which were with him, which was not lawful to eate, but for the Priests onely? 5 And he sayd vnto them, The Sonne of man is Lord also of the 6 Sabbath day. It came to passe also on another Sabbath, that hee entred into the Synagogue, and taught, and there was a 7 man, whose right hand was dryed vp. And the Scribes and Pharises watched him, whether he would heale on the Sabbath 8 day, that they might finde an accusation against him. But he knew their thoughts, and sayd to the man which had the withered hand, Arise, and stand vp in the middes. And hee arose, 9 and stoode vp. Then sayd Iesus vnto them, I will aske you a question, Whether is it lawfull on the Sabbath dayes to doe 10 good, or to doe euill? to saue life, or to destroy? And he behelde them all in compasse, and sayd vnto the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he did so, and his hand was restored againe, as whole as the other. Then they were filled full of 11 madnes, and communed one with another, what they might doe to Iesus. And it came to passe in those dayes, that he 12 went into a mountaine to praye, and spent the night in prayer to God. And when it was day, he called his disciples, and of 13 them he chose twelue which also he called Apostles. (Simon 14 whome he named also Peter, and Andrew his brother, Iames and Iohn, Philippe and Bartlemewe: Matthewe and Thomas: 15 Iames the sonne of Alpheus, and Simon called Zelous. Iudas 16 Iames brother, and Iudas Iscariot, which also was the traitour.) Then he came downe with them, and stood in a plaine place, 17 with the company of his disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Iudea, and Hierusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyrus and Sidon, which came to heare him, and to be healed of their diseases: And they that were vexed with foule spir- 18 its, and they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to 19 touch him: for there went vertue out of him, and healed them all. And hee lifted vp his eyes vpon his disciples, and sayd, 20 Blessed be ye poore: for yours is the kingdome of God. Blessed 21 are ye that hunger nowe: for ye shalbe satisfied: blessed are ye that weepe now: for ye shall laugh. Blessed are ye when men 22 hate you, and when they separate you, and reuile you, and put out your name as euill, for the Sonne of mans sake. Reioyce 23 ye in that day, and be glad: for beholde, your reward is great in heauen: for after this maner their fathers did to the Prophets. But wo be to you that are rich: for ye haue received your con- 24 solation. Wo be to you that are full: for ye shall hunger. Wo be 25 to you that now laugh: for ye shall wayle and weepe. Wo be to 26 you when all men speake well of you: for so did their fathers to the false prophets. But I say vnto you which heare, Loue your 27 enemies: doe well to them which hate you. Blesse them that 28 curse you, and pray for them which hurt you. And vnto him 29 that smiteth thee on ye one cheeke, offer also the other: and him that taketh away thy cloke, forbid not to take thy coate also. Give to every man that asketh of thee: and of him that 30 taketh away the things that be thine, aske them not againe. And as ye would that men should doe to you, so doe ye to them 31 likewise. For if yee loue them which loue you, what thanke 32 shall ye haue? for euen the sinners loue those that loue them.

33 And if ye do good for them which do good for you, what thanke 34 shall ye haue? for euen the sinners doe the same. And if ye lend to them of whom ye hope to receive, what thanke shall yee haue? for euen the sinners lend to sinners, to receive the like. 35 Wherefore loue ye your enemies, and doe good, and lend, looking for nothing againe, and your rewarde shalbe great, and ye shalbe the children of the most High: for he is kinde vnto the 36 vnkinde, and to the euill. Be ye therefore mercifull, as your 37 Father also is mercifull. Iudge not, and ye shall not be iudged: condemne not, and ye shall not bee condemned: forgiue, and ye 38 shalbe forgiuen. Giue, and it shalbe giuen vnto you: a good measure, pressed downe, shaken together and running ouer shall men giue into your bosome: for with what measure ye 39 mete, with the same shall men mete to you againe. And he spake a parable vnto them, Can the blinde leade the blinde? 40 shall they not both fall into the ditche? The disciple is not aboue his master: but whosoeuer will be a perfect disciple, 41 shall bee as his master. And why seest thou a mote in thy brothers eve, and considerest not the beame that is in thine 42 owne eye? Either howe canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou seest not the beame that is in thine owne eye? Hypocrite, cast out the beame out of thine owne eye first, and then shalt thou see, 43 perfectly to pull out the mote that is in thy brothers eye. For it is not a good tree that bringeth foorth euill fruite: neither an 44 euill tree, that bringeth foorth good fruite. For euery tree is knowen by his owne fruite: for neither of thornes gather men 45 figges, nor of bushes gather they grapes. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth foorth good, and an euill man out of the euill treasure of his heart bringeth foorth euill: for of the aboundance of the heart his mouth speaketh. 46 But why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things that I 47 speake? Whosoeuer commeth to mee, and heareth my wordes, 48 and doeth the same, I will shewe you to whome he is like: He is like a man which built an house, and digged deepe, and layde the fundation on a rocke: and when the waters arose, the flood beat vpon that house, and coulde not shake it: for it 49 was grounded vpon a rocke. But hee that heareth and doeth not, is like a man that built an house vpon the earth without foundation, against which the flood did beate, and it fell by and

by: and the fall of that house was great.

When hee had ended all his sayings in the audience of the 7 people, he entred into Capernaum. And a certaine Ceturions 2 seruant was sicke and readie to die, which was deare vnto him. And when he heard of Iesus, hee sent vnto him the Elders of 3 the Iewes, beseeching him that he would come, and heale his seruant. So they came to Iesus, and besought him instantly, 4 saying that hee was worthy that hee should doe this for him: For he loueth, said they, our nation, and he hath built vs a 5 Then Iesus went with them: but when he was 6 now not farre from the house, the Centurion sent friendes to him, saying vnto him, Lord, trouble not thy selfe: for I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter vnder my roofe: Wherefore 7 I thought not my selfe worthy to come vnto thee: but say the word, and my seruant shalbe whole: For I likewise am a man 8 set vnder authoritie, and haue vnder mee souldiers, and I say vnto one, Goe, and he goeth: and to another, Come, and hee commeth: and to my seruant, Doe this, and he doeth it. When 9 Iesus heard these things, he marueiled at him, and turned him, and said to the people, that followed him, I say vnto vou. I have not found so great faith, no not in Israel. And when 10 they that were sent, turned backe to the house, they founde the seruant that was sicke, whole. And it came to passe the 11 day after, that he went into a citie called Nain, and many of his disciples went with him, and a great multitude. when hee came neere to the gate of the citie, behold, there was a dead man caried out, who was the onely begotten sonne of his mother, which was a widowe, and much people of the citie was with her. And when the Lord sawe her, he had 13 compassion on her, and said vnto her, Weepe not. And he 14 went and touched the coffin (and they that bare him, stoode still) and he said, Yong man, I say vnto thee, Arise. And he 15 that was dead, sate vp, and began to speake, and he deliuered him to his mother. Then there came a feare on them all, and 16 they glorified God, saying, A great Prophet is risen among vs, and God hath visited his people. And this rumour of him 17 went foorth throughout all Iudea, and throughout all the region round about. And the disciples of Iohn shewed him of 18 all these things. So Iohn called vnto him two certaine men of 19 his disciples, and sent them to Iesus, saying, Art thou hee that

20 should come, or shall we waite for another? And when the men were come vnto him, they said, Iohn Baptist hath sent vs vnto thee, saying, Art thou hee that should come, or shall we 21 waite for another? And at that time, he cured many of their sickenesses, and plagues, and of euill spirites, and vnto many 22 blinde men he gaue sight freely. And Iesus answered, and saide vnto them, Goe your wayes and shewe Iohn, what things ye haue seene and heard: that the blinde see, the halt goe, the lepers are cleansed, the deafe heare, the dead are raised, and 23 the poore receive the Gospel. And blessed is hee, that shall 24 not be offended in me. And when the messengers of Iohn were departed, hee began to speake vnto the people, of Iohn, What went ye out into the wildernes to see? A reede shaken with 25 the winde? But what went ve out to see? A man clothed in soft rayment? beholde, they which are gorgeously apparelled, 26 and liue delicately, are in Kings courtes. But what went ye foorth to see? A Prophet? yea, I say to you, and greater then 27 a Prophet. This is he of whom it is written, Beholde, I sende my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way 28 before thee. For I say vnto you, there is no greater Prophet then Iohn, among them that are begotten of women: neuerthelesse, hee that is the least in the kingdome of God, is greater 29 then he. Then all the people that heard, and the Publicanes 30 iustified God, being baptized with the baptisme of Iohn. But the Pharises and the expounders of the Law despised the counsell of God against themselues, and were not baptized of him. 31 And the Lord saide, Whereunto shall I liken the men of this 32 generation? and what thing are they like vnto? They are like vnto litle children sitting in the market place, and crying one to another, and saying, We have piped vnto you, and ye haue not daunced: we haue mourned to you, and ye haue 33 not wept. For Iohn Baptist came, neither eating bread, nor 34 drinking wine: and ye say, He hath the deuil. The Sonne of man is come, and eateth and drinketh: and ye say, Beholde, a man which is a glutton, and a drinker of wine, a friend of 35 Publicanes and sinners: But wisdome is justified of all her 36 children. And one of the Pharises desired him that hee would eate with him: and hee went into the Pharises house, and sate 37 downe at table. And beholde, a woman in the citie, which was a sinner, when she knewe that Iesus sate at table in the

Pharises house, shee brought a boxe of oyntment. And shee 38 stoode at his feete behinde him weeping, and began to wash his feete with teares, and did wipe them with the heares of her head, and kissed his feete, and anounted them with the ount-Nowe when the Pharise which bade him, saw it, he 39 spake within himselfe, saying, If this man were a Prophet, hee woulde surely haue knowen who, and what maner of woman this is which toucheth him: for she is a sinner. And Iesus an- 40 swered, and saide vnto him, Simon, I haue somewhat to say vnto thee. And he said, Master, say on. There was a cer- 41 taine lender which had two detters: the one ought fiue hundreth pence, and the other fiftie: When they had nothing to 42 pay, he forgaue them both: Which of them therefore, tell mee, will loue him most? Simon answered, and said, I suppose that 43 he, to whom he forgaue most. And he said vnto him, Thou hast truely judged. Then he turned to the woman, and said vnto 44 Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entred into thine house, and thou gauest mee no water to my feete: but she hath washed my feete with teares, and wiped them with the heares of her Thou gauest me no kisse: but she, since the time I 45 came in, hath not ceased to kisse my feete. Mine head with 46 oyle thou didest not anoint: but she hath anoynted my feete with ovntment. Wherefore I say vnto thee, many sinnes are 47 forgiuen her: for she loued much. To whom a litle is forgiuen. he doeth loue a litle. And he saide vnto her, Thy sinnes are 48 forgiuen thee. And they that sate at table with him, began to 49 say within themselues, Who is this that euen forgiueth sinnes? And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saued thee: goe in 50 peace.

And it came to passe afterwarde, that hee himselfe went 8 through euery citie and towne, preaching and publishing the kingdome of God, and the twelue were with him, And certaine women, which were healed of euill spirites, and infirmities, as Mary which was called Magdalene, out of whom went seuen deuils, And Ioanna the wife of Chuza Herods steward, 3 and Susanna, and many other which ministred vnto him of their substance. Nowe when much people were gathered together, and were come vnto him out of all cities, he spake by a parable. A sower went out to sowe his seede, and as he 5 sowed, some fell by the wayes side, and it was troden vnder

6 feete, and the foules of heauen deuoured it vp. And some fell on the stones, and when it was sprong vp, it withered away, 7 because it lacked moystnesse. And some fell among thornes, 8 and the thornes sprang vp with it, and choked it. And some fell on good ground, and sprang vp, and bare fruite, an hundreth folde. And as hee sayd these things, he cryed, He that 9 hath eares to heare, let him heare. Then his disciples asked 10 him, demaunding what parable that was. And he sayd, Vnto you it is given to know the secrets of ye kingdome of God, but to other in parables, that when they see, they shoulde not see, 11 and when they heare, they should not vnderstand. The para-12 ble is this, The seede is the worde of God. And they that are beside the way, are they that heare: afterward commeth the deuill, and taketh away the worde out of their hearts, least 13 they should beleeue, and be saued. But they that are on the stones, are they which when they have heard, receive ye word with ioy: but they have no rootes: which for a while beleeue, 14 but in the time of tentation goe away. And that which fell among thornes, are they which have heard, and after their departure are choked with cares and with riches, and voluptuous 15 liuing, and bring forth no fruite. But that which fell in good ground, are they which with an honest and good heart heare the worde, and keepe it, and bring forth fruite with patience. 16 No man when he hath lighted a candle, couereth it vnder a vessell, neither putteth it vnder the bed, but setteth it on a 17 candlesticke, that they that enter in, may see the light. nothing is secret, that shall not be euident: neither any thing 18 hid, that shall not be knowen, and come to light. Take heede therefore how ye heare: for whosoeuer hath, to him shall be giuen: and whosoeuer hath not, from him shalbe taken euen 19 that which it seemeth that he hath. Then came to him his mother and his brethren, and could not come neere to him for 20 the preasse. And it was tolde him by certaine which said, Thy mother and thy brethren stand without, and would see 21 thee. But he answered, and sayd vnto them, My mother and my brethren are these which heare the worde of God, and doe 22 it. And it came to passe on a certaine day, that he went into a ship with his disciples, and he sayd vnto them, Let vs goe ouer 23 vnto the other side of the lake. And they lanched forth. And as they sayled, he fell a sleepe, and there came downe a storme of winde on the lake, and they were filled with water, and were in ieopardie. Then they went to him, and awoke him, say- 24 ing, Master, Master, we perish. And he arose, and rebuked the winde, and the waues of water: and they ceased, and it was calme. Then he sayde vnto them, Where is your fayth? and 25 they feared, and wondered among them selues, saying, Who is this that commandeth both the windes and water, and they obey him! So they sailed vnto the region of the Gadarenes, 26 which is ouer against Galile. And as he went out to land, 27 there met him a certaine man out of the citie, which had deuils long time, and he ware no garment, neither abode in house, but in the graues. And when he sawe Iesus, he cryed out and 28 fell downe before him, and with a loude voyce sayd, What haue I to doe with thee, Iesus the Sonne of God the most High? I beseech thee torment me not. For he commanded ye foule 29 spirit to come out of the man: (for oft times he had caught him: therefore he was bound with chaines, and kept in fetters: but he brake the bands, and was caried of the deuill into wildernesses.) Then Iesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? 30 and he sayd, Legion, because many deuils were entred into him. And they be sought him, that he would not commaund 31 them to goe out into the deepe. And there was there by, an 32 hearde of many swine, feeding on an hill: and the deuils besought him, that he would suffer them to enter into them. So he suffered them. Then went the deuils out of the man, and 33 entred into the swine: and the hearde was caried with violence from a steepe downe place into the lake, and was choked. When the heardmen sawe what was done, they fled: and when 34 they were departed, they tolde it in the citie and in the countrey. Then they came out to see what was done, and came 35 to Iesus, and found the man, out of whom the deuils were departed, sitting at the feete of Iesus, clothed, and in his right minde: and they were afrayd. They also which saw it, tolde 36 them by what meanes he that was possessed with the deuill, was healed. Then the whole multitude of the countrey about 37 the Gadarenes, besought him that he would depart from them: for they were taken with a great feare: and he went into the ship, and returned. Then the man, out of whome the deuils 38 were departed, besought him that hee might be with him: but Iesus sent him away, saying, Returne into thine owne house, 39

and shewe what great things God hath done to thee. So hee went his way, and preached throughout all the citie, what great 40 things Iesus had done vnto him. And it came to passe, when Iesus was come againe, that the people received him: for they 41 all waited for him. And beholde, there came a man named Iairus, and he was the ruler of the Synagogue, who fell downe at Iesus feete, and besought him that he would come into his 42 house. For he had but a daughter onely, about twelue yeeres of age, and she lay a dying (and as he went, the people thronged And a woman having an yssue of blood, twelve yeeres long, which had spent all her substance vpon physicians, and 44 could not be healed of any: When she came behind him, she touched the hemme of his garment, and immediatly her ys-45 sue of blood stanched. Then Iesus sayd, Who is it that hath touched me? When euery man denied, Peter sayd and they that were with him, Master, the multitude thrust thee, and 46 tread on thee, and sayest thou, Who hath touched me? And Iesus sayde, Some one hath touched me: for I perceiue that 47 vertue is gone out of me. When the woman sawe that she was not hid, she came trembling, and fell downe before him, and tolde him before all the people, for what cause she had touched 48 him, and how she was healed immediatly. And he said vnto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath saued thee: go 49 in peace.) While he yet spake, there came one from the ruler of the Synagogues house, which sayde to him, Thy daughter 50 is dead: disease not the Master. When Iesus heard it, he answered him, saying, Feare not: beleeue onely, and she shall be 51 saued. And when he went into the house, he suffered no man to goe in with him, saue Peter, and Iames, and Iohn, and the 52 father and mother of the maide. And all wept, and sorowed for her: but he sayd, Weepe not: for she is not dead, but sleep-And they laught him to scorne, knowing that she was 54 dead. So he thrust them all out, and tooke her by the hand, 55 and cryed, saying, Maide, arise. And her spirite came againe, and she rose straightway: and he comanded to give her meate. 56 Then her parents were astonied: but hee commanded them that they should tell no man what was done.

Then called hee his twelue disciples together, and gaue them power and authoritie ouer all deuils, and to heale diseases.
And hee sent them foorth to preach the kingdome of God, and

to cure the sicke. And he sayd to them, Take nothing to your 3 iourney, neither staues, nor scrip, neither bread, nor siluer, neither haue two coates apiece. And whatsoeuer house ye en- 4 ter into, there abide, and thence depart. And howe many so 5 euer will not receiue you, when ye goe out of that citie, shake off the very dust from your feete for a testimonie against them. And they went out, and went through euery towne preach- 6 ing the Gospel, and healing euery where. Nowe Herod the 7 Tetrarch heard of all that was done by him: and he douted, because that it was sayd of some, that Iohn was risen againe from the dead: And of some, that Elias had appeared: and of 8 some, that one of the olde Prophets was risen againe. Then 9 Herod sayd, Iohn haue I beheaded: who then is this of whome I heare such things? and he desired to see him. And when the 10 Apostles returned, they tolde him what great things they had done. Then he tooke them to him, and went aside into a solitarie place, neere to the citie called Bethsaida. But when the 11 people knewe it, they followed him: and he received them, and spake vnto them of the kingdome of God, and healed them that had neede to be healed. And when the day began to weare 12 away, the twelue came, and sayd vnto him, Sende the people away, that they may goe into the townes and villages round about, and lodge, and get meate: for we are here in a desart place. But he sayd vnto them, Giue ye them to eate. And 13 they sayd, We have no more but five loaves and two fishes, except we should go and buy meate for all this people. they were about fiue thousand men. Then he sayde to his disciples. Cause them to sit downe by fifties in a company. And 15 they did so, and caused all to sit downe. Then he tooke the 16 fiue loaues, and the two fishes, and looked vp to heauen, and blessed them, and brake, and gaue to the disciples, to set before the people. So they did all eate, and were satisfied: and 17 there was taken vp of that remained to them, twelue baskets full of broken meate. And it came to passe, as hee was alone 18 praying, his disciples were with him: and he asked them, saying, Whom say the people that I am? They answered, and 19 sayd, Iohn Baptist: and others say, Elias: and some say, that one of the olde Prophets is risen againe. And he sayd vnto 20 them, But whom say ye that I am? Peter answered, and sayd, That Christ of God. And he warned and commanded them. 21 22 that they should tell that to no man, Saying, The Sonne of man must suffer many things and be reproued of the Elders, and of the hie Priests and Scribes, and be slaine, and the third 23 day rise againe. And he sayd to them all, If any man will come after me, let him denie himselfe, and take vp his crosse 24 dayly, and follow me. For whosoeuer will saue his life, shall lose it: and whosoeuer shall lose his life for my sake, the same 25 shall saue it. For what auantageth it a man, if he win the 26 whole worlde, and destroy himselfe, or lose himselfe? whosoeuer shall be ashamed of me, and of my wordes, of him shall the Sonne of man be ashamed, when hee shall come in his glorie, and in the glorie of the Father, and of the holy Angels. 27 And I tell you of a suretie, there be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seene the kingdome of 28 God. And it came to passe about an eyght dayes after those wordes, that he tooke Peter and Iohn, and Iames, and went vp 29 into a mountaine to pray. And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was changed, and his garment was white and 30 glistered. And beholde, two men talked with him, which were 31 Moses and Elias: Which appeared in glory, and tolde of his 32 departing, which he should accomplish at Hierusalem. But Peter and they that were with him, were heavie with sleepe, and when they awoke, they saw his glorie, and the two men 33 standing with him. And it came to passe, as they departed from him, Peter said vnto Iesus, Master, it is good for vs to be here: let vs therefore make three tabernacles, one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias, and wist not what he said. 34 Whiles he thus spake, there came a cloude and ouershadowed them, and they feared when they were entring into the cloude. 35 And there came a voyce out of the cloud, saying, This is that 36 my beloued Sonne, heare him. And when the voyce was past, Iesus was found alone: and they kept it close, and tolde no man 37 in those dayes any of those things which they had seene. And it came to passe on the next day, as they came downe from the 38 mountaine, much people met him. And beholde, a man of the companie cried out, saying, Master, I beseech thee, beholde my 39 sonne: for he is all that I haue. And loe, a spirit taketh him, and suddenly he crieth, and he teareth him, that he fometh, and hardly departeth from him, when he hath bruised him. 40 Nowe I have besought thy disciples to cast him out, but they

could not. Then Iesus answered, and said, O generation faith- 41 lesse, and crooked, howe long now shall I be with you, and suffer you? bring thy sonne hither. And whiles he was yet com- 42 ming, the deuill rent him, and tare him: and Iesus rebuked the vncleane spirite, and healed the childe, and deliuered him to his father. And they were all amased at the mightie power 43 of God: and while they all wondered at al things, which Iesus did, he said vnto his disciples. Marke these wordes diligently: 44 for it shall come to passe, that the Sonne of man shalbe deliuered into the handes of men. But they vnderstood not that 45 word: for it was hid from them, so that they could not perceive it: and they feared to aske him of that worde. arose a disputation among them, which of them should be the greatest. When Iesus sawe the thoughtes of their heartes, he 47 tooke a litle childe, and set him by him, And said vnto them, 48 Whosoeuer receiueth this litle childe in my Name, receiueth me: and whosoeuer shall receive me, receiveth him that sent me: for he that is least among you all, he shall be great. And 49 Iohn answered and saide, Master, we sawe one casting out deuils in thy Name, and we forbad him, because he followeth thee not with vs. Then Iesus saide vnto him, Forbid ve him 50 not: for he that is not against vs, is with vs. And it came 51 to passe, when the dayes were accomplished, that he should be received vp, he setled himselfe fully to goe to Hierusalem, And sent messengers before him: and they went and entred 52 into a towne of the Samaritans, to prepare him lodging. But 53 they woulde not receive him, because his behaviour was, as though he would go to Hierusalem. And when his disciples, 54 Iames and Iohn sawe it, they saide, Lord, wilt thou that we commaund, that fire come downe from heauen, and consume them, euen as Elias did? But Iesus turned about, and re- 55 buked them, and said, Ye knowe not of what spirit ye are. For 56 the Sonne of man is not come to destroy mens liues, but to saue them. Then they went to another towne. And it came to 57 passe that as they went in the way, a certaine man said vnto him, I will follow thee, Lord, whithersoeuer thou goest. And 58 Iesus saide vnto him. The foxes haue holes, and the birdes of the heaven nestes, but the Sonne of man hath not whereon to lay his head. But he said vnto another, Followe me. And the 59 same said, Lord, suffer me first to goe and burie my father.

And Iesus said vnto him, Let the dead burie their dead: but go
thou, and preache the kingdome of God. Then another saide,
I will follow thee, Lord: but let me first go bid them farewell,
which are at mine house. And Iesus saide vnto him, No man
that putteth his hand to the plough, and looketh backe, is apt
to the kingdome of God.

After these thinges, the Lord appointed other seuentie also, 10 and sent them, two and two before him into euery citie and 2 place, whither he himselfe should come. And he said vnto them, The haruest is great, but the labourers are fewe: pray therefore the Lord of the haruest to sende foorth labourers into 3 his haruest. Goe your wayes: beholde, I send you foorth as 4 lambes among wolues. Beare no bagge, neither scrippe, nor 5 shoes, and salute no man by the way. And into whatsoeuer 6 house ye enter, first say, Peace be to this house. And if the sonne of peace be there, your peace shall rest vpon him: if not, 7 it shall turne to you againe. And in that house tary still, eating and drinking such things as by them shall be set before you: for the labourer is worthy of his wages. Goe not from 8 house to house. But into whatsoeuer citie ye shall enter, if 9 they receive you, eate such things as are set before you, And heale the sicke that are there, and say vnto them, The king-10 dome of God is come neere vnto vou. But into whatsoeuer citie ye shall enter, if they will not receiue you, goe your waves out into the streetes of the same, and say, Euen the very dust, which cleaueth on vs of your citie, we wipe off against you: notwithstanding knowe this, that the kingdome of God was 12 come neere vnto you. For I say to you, that it shall be easier in 13 that day for them of Sodom, then for that citie. Woe be to thee, Chorazin: woe be to thee, Beth-saida: for if the miracles had bene done in Tyrus and Sidon, which haue bene done in you, they had a great while agone repented, sitting in sackecloth 14 and ashes. Therefore it shall be easier for Tyrus, and Sidon, 15 at the iudgement, then for you. And thou, Capernaum, which 16 art exalted to heauen, shalt be thrust downe to hell. He that heareth you, heareth me: and he that despiseth you, despiseth me: and he that despiseth me, despiseth him that sent me. 17 And the seuentie turned againe with ioy, saying, Lord, euen the 18 deuils are subdued to vs through thy Name. And he said vnto them, I sawe Satan, like lightening, fall downe from heauen.

Beholde, I giue vnto you power to treade on Serpents, and Scor- 19 pions, and ouer all the power of the enemie, and nothing shall hurt you. Neuerthelesse, in this reiovce not, that the spirits 20 are subdued vnto you: but rather reioyce, because your names are written in heauen. That same houre rejoyced Iesus in the 21 spirit, and said, I confesse vnto thee, Father, Lord of heauen and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and vnderstanding, and hast reueiled them to babes: euen so, Father, because it so pleased thee. All things are given me of 22 my Father: and no man knoweth who the Sonne is, but the Father: neither who the Father is, saue the Sonne, and he to whom the Sonne will reueile him. And he turned to his dis- 23 ciples, and said secretly, Blessed are the eyes, which see that ve see. For I tell you that many Prophets and Kings haue 24 desired to see those things, which ye see, and haue not seene them: and to heare those things which ve heare, and have not heard them. Then beholde, a certaine Lawyer stoode vp. and 25 tempted him, saving, Master, what shall I doe, to inherite eternall life? And he saide vnto him, What is written in the Lawe? 26 howe readest thou? And he answered, and saide, Thou shalt 27 loue thy Lord God with all thine heart, and with all thy soule, and with all thy strength, and with all thy thought, and thy neighbour as thy selfe. Then he said vnto him, Thou hast an- 28 swered right: this doe, and thou shalt liue. But he willing to 29 iustifie himselfe, said vnto Iesus, Who is then my neighbour? And Iesus answered, and saide, A certaine man went downe 30 from Hierusalem to Iericho, and fell among theeues, and they robbed him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leauing him halfe dead. Nowe so it fell out, that there came 31 downe a certaine Priest that same way, and when he sawe him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise also a Leuite. 32 when he was come neere to the place, went and looked on him, and passed by on the other side. Then a certaine Samaritane, 33 as he iourneyed, came neere vnto him, and when he sawe him, he had compassion on him, And went to him, and bound vp 34 his wounds, and powred in oyle and wine, and put him on his owne beast, and brought him to an Inne, and made prouision for him. And on the morowe when he departed, he tooke out 35 two pence, and gaue them to the hoste, and said vnto him, Take care of him, and whatsoeuer thou spendest more, when I come

36 againe, I will recompense thee. Which nowe of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour vnto him that fell among the 37 theeues? And he saide, He that shewed mercie on him. Then 38 said Iesus vnto him, Goe, and do thou likewise. Nowe it came to passe, as they went, that he entred into a certaine towne, and a certaine woman named Martha, received him into her 39 house. And she had a sister called Marie, which also sate at 40 Iesus feete, and heard his preaching. But Martha was combred about much seruing, and came to him, and saide, Master, doest thou not care that my sister hath left me to serue alone? 41 bid her therefore, that she helpe me. And Iesus answered, and said vnto her, Martha, Martha, thou carest, and art troubled 42 about many things: But one thing is needefull, Marie hath chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her. And so it was, that as he was praying in a certaine place, 11 when he ceased, one of his disciples said vnto him, Lord, teache 2 vs to pray, as Iohn also taught his disciples. And he said vnto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father, which art in heauen, halowed be thy Name: Thy kingdome come: Let thy will be 3 done, euen in earth, as it is in heauen: Our dayly bread giue 4 vs for the day: And forgiue vs our sinnes: for euen we forgiue euery man that is indetted to vs: And leade vs not into temp-5 tation: but deliuer vs from euill. Moreouer he said vnto them. Which of you shall have a friende, and shall goe to him at mid-6 night, and say vnto him, Friende, lende mee three loaues? For a friende of mine is come out of the way to me, and I haue noth-7 ing to set before him: And hee within shoulde answere, and say, Trouble mee not: the doore is nowe shut, and my children 8 are with mee in bed: I can not rise and give them to thee. I say vnto you, Though he would not arise and giue him, because he is his friende, yet doubtlesse because of his importunitie, hee 9 woulde rise, and giue him as many as he needed. And I say vnto you, Aske, and it shall be giuen you: seeke, and yee shall 10 finde: knocke, and it shalbe opened vnto you. For euery one that asketh, receiueth: and he that seeketh, findeth: and to 11 him that knocketh, it shalbe opened. If a sonne shall aske bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? 12 or if hee aske a fish, will he for a fish giue him a serpent? Or

13 if hee aske an egge, will hee giue him a scorpion? If yee then which are euill, can giue good giftes vnto your children, howe

much more shall your heauenly Father give the holy Ghost to them, that desire him? Then hee cast out a deuill which was 14 domme: and when the deuill was gone out, the domme spake, and the people wondered. But some of them said, He casteth 15 out deuils through Beelzebub the chiefe of ye deuils. And oth- 16 ers tempted him, seeking of him a signe from heauen. he knew their thoughts, and said vnto them, Euery kingdom deuided against it self, shall be desolate, and an house deuided against an house, falleth. So if Satan also bee deuided against 18 himselfe, howe shall his kingdome stande, because yee say that I cast out deuils through Beelzebub? If I through Beelzebub 19 cast out deuils, by whome doe your children cast them out? Therefore shall they be your judges. But if I by ye finger 20 of God cast out deuils, doutles the kingdome of God is come When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, 21 vnto you. the thinges that hee possesseth, are in peace. But when a 22 stronger then hee, commeth vpon him, and ouercommeth him: hee taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and deuideth his spoiles. He that is not with me, is against me: 23 and he that gathereth not with me, scattereth. When the vn- 24 cleane spirite is gone out of a man, he walketh through drie places, seeking rest: and when he findeth none he saieth, I wil returne vnto mine house whence I came out. And when he 25 cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth hee, 26 and taketh to him seuen other spirites worse then himselfe: and they enter in, and dwel there: so the last state of that man is worse then the first. And it came to passe as he sayde these 27 thinges, a certaine woman of the companie lifted vp her voyce, and sayde vnto him, Blessed is the wombe that bare thee, and the pappes which thou hast sucked. But hee saide, Yea, rather 28 blessed are they that heare the woorde of God, and keepe it. And when the people were gathered thicke together, he began 29 to say, This is a wicked generation: they seeke a signe, and there shall no signe be given them, but the signe of Ionas the Prophet. For as Ionas was a signe to the Niniuites: so shall 30 also the Sonne of man bee to this generation. The Queene of 31 the South shall rise in judgement, with the men of this generation, and shall condemne them: for shee came from the vtmost partes of the earth to heare the wisedome of Salomon, and beholde, a greater then Salomon is here. The men of Niniue 32

shall rise in iudgement with this generation, and shall condemne it: for they repented at the preaching of Ionas: and 33 beholde, a greater then Ionas is here. No man when he hath lighted a candle, putteth it in a priuie place, neither vnder a bushell: but on a candlesticke, that they which come in, may 34 see the light. The light of the bodie is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, then is thy whole bodie light: but if thine 35 eye be euill, then thy bodie is darke. Take heede therefore, 36 that the light which is in thee, be not darkenesse. fore thy whole body shall be light, having no part darke, then shall all be light, euen as when a candle doth light thee with 37 the brightnesse. And as hee spake, a certaine Pharise besought him to dine with him: and hee went in, and sate downe 38 at table. And when the Pharise saw it, he marueiled that 39 he had not first washed before dinner. And the Lord saide to him, In deede yee Pharises make cleane the outside of the cuppe, and of the platter: but the inwarde part is full of rauen-40 ing and wickednesse. Ye fooles, did not he that made that 41 which is without, make that which is within also? Therefore, giue almes of those thinges which you haue, and beholde, all 42 thinges shall be cleane to you. But wo be to you, Pharises: for ye tithe the mynt and the rewe, and all maner herbs, and passe ouer iudgement and the loue of God: these ought yee to haue 43 done, and not to have left the other vndone. Wo be to you, Pharises: for ye loue the vppermost seats in the Synagogues, 44 and greetings in the markets. Wo be to you, Scribes and Pharises, hypocrites: for ye are as graues which appeare not, and 45 the men that walke ouer them, perceive not. Then answered one of the Lawyers, and saide vnto him, Master, thus saying 46 thou puttest vs to rebuke also. And he sayde, Wo be to you also, yee Lawyers: for yee lade men with burdens grieuous to be borne, and yee your selues touche not the burdens with one 47 of your fingers. Wo be to you: for ye builde the sepulchres of 48 the Prophetes, and your fathers killed them. Truely ye beare witnesse, and allowe the deedes of your fathers: for they killed 49 them, and yee build their sepulchres. Therefore said the wisedome of God, I wil sende them Prophets and Apostles, and of 50 them they shall slaie, and persecute away, That the blood of all the Prophets, shed from the foundation of the world, may be 51 required of this generation, From the blood of Abel vnto the blood of Zacharias, which was slaine betweene the altar and the Temple: verely I say vnto you, it shall be required of this generation. Wo be to you, Lawyers: for ye haue taken away 52 the key of knowledge: ye entred not in your selues, and them that came in, ye forbade. And as he sayde these things vnto 53 them, the Scribes and Pharises began to vrge him sore, and to prouoke him to speake of many things, Laying wait for him, 54 and seeking to catche some thing of his mouth, whereby they might accuse him.

In the meane time, there gathered together an innumerable 12 multitude of people, so that they trode one another: and he began to say vnto his disciples first. Take heede to your selues of the leauen of the Pharises, which is hypocrisie. For there 2 is nothing couered, that shall not bee reueiled: neither hidde, that shall not be knowen. Wherefore whatsoeuer yee haue 3 spoken in darkenesse, it shall be heard in the light; and that which ve haue spoken in the eare, in secret places, shall be preached on the houses. And I say vnto you, my friendes, be 4 not afraide of them that kill the bodie, and after that are not able to doe any more. But I wil forewarne you, who ye shall 5 feare: feare him which after hee hath killed, hath power to cast into hell: yea, I say vnto you, him feare. Are not fiue 6 sparowes bought for two farthings, and yet not one of them is forgotten before God? Yea, and all the heares of your head are 7 nombred: feare not therefore: yee are more of value then many sparowes. Also I say vnto you, Whosoeuer shall confesse mee 8 before men, him shall the Sonne of man confesse also before the Angels of God. But hee that shall denie mee before men, 9 shall be denied before the Angels of God. And whosoeuer shall 10 speake a woorde against the Sonne of man, it shall be forgiuen him: but vnto him, that shall blaspheme ye holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiuen. And when they shall bring you vnto the Syna- 11 gogues, and vnto the rulers and Princes, take no thought howe, or what thing ye shall answere, or what yee shall speake. For 12 the holy Ghost shall teache you in the same houre, what yee ought to say. And one of the companie said vnto him, Mas- 13 ter, bidde my brother deuide the inheritance with me. And he 14 said vnto him, Man, who made me a judge, or a deuider ouer you? Wherefore he said vnto them, Take heede, and beware of 15 couetousnesse: for though a man haue abundance, vet his life

16 standeth not in his riches. And he put foorth a parable vnto them, saying, The grounde of a certaine riche man brought 17 foorth fruites plenteously. Therefore he thought with himselfe, saying, What shall I doe, because I haue no roume, where 18 I may lay vp my fruites? And he said, This wil I do, I wil pul downe my barnes, and builde greater, and therein will I gather 19 all my fruites, and my goods. And I wil say to my soule, Soule, thou hast much goods laide vp for many yeeres: liue at ease, 20 eate, drinke and take thy pastime. But God said vnto him, O foole, this night wil they fetch away thy soule from thee: then 21 whose shall those things be which thou hast prouided? So is he that gathereth riches to himselfe, and is not riche in God. 22 And he spake vnto his disciples, Therefore I say vnto you, Take no thought for your life, what yee shall eate: neither for your 23 body, what yee shall put on. The life is more then meate: and 24 the body more then the raiment. Consider the rauens: for they neither sowe nor reape: which neither haue storehouse nor barne, and yet God feedeth them: how much more are yee 25 better then foules? And which of you with taking thought, 26 can adde to his stature one cubite? If yee then bee not able to doe the least thing, why take yee thought for the remnant? 27 Consider the lilies howe they growe: they labour not, neither spin they: yet I say vnto you, that Salomon himselfe in all 28 his royaltie was not clothed like one of these. If then God so clothe the grasse which is to day in the field, and to morowe is cast into the ouen, howe much more will he clothe you, O 29 yee of litle faith? Therefore aske not what yee shall eate, or 30 what ye shall drinke, neither hag you in suspense. such things the people of the world seeke for: and your Father 31 knoweth that ye haue neede of these things. But rather seeke ye after the kingdome of God, and all these things shalbe cast Feare not, litle flocke: for it is your Fathers plea-32 vpon vou. 33 sure, to give you the kingdome. Sell that ye have, and give almes: make you bagges, which waxe not old, a treasure that can neuer faile in heauen, where no theefe commeth, neither 34 mothe corrupteth. For where your treasure is, there will your 35 hearts be also. Let your loynes be gird about and your lights 36 burning, And ye your selues like vnto men that waite for their master, when he will returne from the wedding, that when he commeth and knocketh, they may open vnto him immediatly.

Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he commeth 37 shall finde waking: verely I say vnto you, he will girde himselfe about, and make them to sit downe at table, and will come forth, and serue them. And if he come in the seconde 38 watch, or come in the third watch, and shall finde them so, blessed are those seruants. Nowe vnderstand this, that if the 39 good man of the house had knowen at what houre the theefe would have come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be digged through. Be ye also prepared 40 therefore: for the Sonne of man will come at an houre when ye thinke not. Then Peter saide vnto him, Master, tellest thou 41 this parable vnto vs. or euen to all? And the Lord saide, Who 42 is a faithfull steward and wise, whom the master shall make ruler ouer his householde, to give them their portion of meate in season? Blessed is that seruant, whom his master when 43 he commeth, shall finde so doing. Of a trueth I say vnto you, 44 that he wil make him ruler over all that he hath. But if that 45 seruant say in his heart. My master doeth deferre his comming, and ginne to smite the seruants, and maydens, and to eate, and drinke, and to be drunken. The master of that seru- 46 ant will come in a day when he thinketh not, and at an houre when he is not ware of, and will cut him off, and giue him his portion with the vnbeleeuers. And that seruant that knewe 47 his masters will, and prepared not himselfe, neither did according to his will, shalbe beaten with many stripes. But he 48 that knewe it not, and yet did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with fewe stripes: for vnto whomsoeuer much is giuen, of him shalbe much required, and to whom men much commit, the more of him will they aske. I am come to put 49 fire on the earth, and what is my desire, if it be already kindled? Notwithstanding I must be baptized with a baptisme, 50 and how am I grieued, till it be ended? Thinke ye that I am 51 come to giue peace on earth? I tell you, nay, but rather de-For from hencefoorth there shall be five in one house 52 deuided, three against two, and two against three. ther shalbe deuided against ye sonne, and the sonne against the father: the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother: the mother in lawe against her daughter in lawe, and the daughter in lawe against her mother in lawe. Then said he to the people, When ye see a cloude rise out of 54 the West, straightway ye say, A shower commeth: and so it is.

And when ye see the South winde blowe, ye say, that it wilbe hoate: and it commeth to passe. Hypocrites, ye can discerne the face of the earth, and of the skie: but why discerne ye not this time? Yea, and why iudge ye not of your selues what is right? While thou goest with thine aduersarie to the ruler, as thou art in the way, giue diligence in the way, that thou mayest be deliuered from him, least he drawe thee to the iudge, and the iudge deliuer thee to the iayler, and the iayler cast thee into prison. I tell thee, thou shalt not depart thence, till thou hast payed the vtmost mite.

There were certaine men present at the same season, that 13 shewed him of the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had mingled 2 with their sacrifices. And Iesus answered, and saide vnto them, Suppose ye, that these Galileans were greater sinners then al the other Galileans, because they have suffered such 3 things? I tell you, nay: but except ye amend your liues, ye 4 shall all likewise perish. Or thinke you that those eighteene, vpon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slewe them, were 5 sinners aboue all men that dwel in Hierusalem? I tell you, nay: but except ye amend your liues, ye shall all likewise per-He spake also this parable, A certaine man had a figge tree planted in his vineyard: and he came and sought fruite 7 thereon, and found none. Then said he to the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, this three yeeres haue I come and sought fruite of this figge tree, and finde none: cut it downe: why 8 keepeth it also the ground barren? And he answered, and said vnto him, Lord, let it alone this yeere also, till I digge 9 round about it, and doung it. And if it beare fruite, well: if 10 not, then after thou shalt cut it downe. And he taught in 11 one of ye Synagogues on the Sabbath day. And behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmitie eighteene yeeres, and was bowed together, and coulde not lift vp her selfe in any 12 wise. When Iesus sawe her, he called her to him, and said to 13 her, Woman, thou art loosed from thy disease. And he laide his handes on her, and immediately she was made straight 14 againe, and glorified God. And the ruler of the Synagogue answered with indignation, because that Iesus healed on the Sabbath day, and said vnto the people, There are sixe dayes in which men ought to worke: in them therefore come and be

healed, and not on the Sabbath day. Then answered him the 15 Lord, and said, Hypocrite, doth not eche one of you on the Sabbath day loose his oxe or his asse from the stall, and leade him away to the water? And ought not this daughter of Abra- 16 ham, whom Satan had bound, loe, eighteene yeeres, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day? And when he said these 17 things, all his adversaries were ashamed: but all the people reiovced at all the excellent things, that were done by him. Then said he, What is the kingdome of God like? or whereto 18 shall I compare it? It is like a graine of mustard seede, which 19 a man tooke and sowed in his garden, and it grewe, and waxed a great tree, and the foules of the heauen made nestes in the branches thereof. And againe he said, Whereunto shall I liken 20 the kingdome of God? It is like leauen, which a woman tooke, 21 and hid in three peckes of floure, till all was leauened. And 22 he went through all cities and townes, teaching, and iourneying towards Hierusalem. Then saide one vnto him, Lord, are 23 there fewe that shalbe saued? And he said vnto them. Striue 24 to enter in at the straite gate: for many, I say vnto you, will seeke to enter in, and shall not be able. When the good man 25 of the house is risen vp, and hath shut to the doore, and ve begin to stand without, and to knocke at the doore, saying, Lord, Lord, open to vs. and he shall answere and say vnto vou, I know you not whence ye are, Then shall ye begin to say, We 26 haue eaten and drunke in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streetes. But he shall say, I tell you, I knowe you not 27 whence ye are: depart from me, all ye workers of iniquitie. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth when ye shall 28 see Abraham and Isaac, and Iacob, and all the Prophets in the kingdome of God, and your selues thrust out at doores. Then 29 shall come many from the East, and from the West, and from the North, and from the South, and shall sit at Table in the kingdome of God. And beholde, there are last, which shalbe 30 first, and there are first, which shalbe last. The same day 31 there came certaine Pharises, and said vnto him, Depart, and goe hence: for Herod will kill thee. Then said he vnto them, 32 Goe ye and tell that foxe, Beholde, I cast out deuils, and will heale still to day, and to morowe, and the third day I shalbe perfected. Neuerthelesse I must walke to day, and to morowe, 33 and the day following: for it cannot be that a Prophet should

perish out of Hierusalem. O Hierusalem, Hierusalem, which killest the Prophets, and stonest them that are sent to thee, howe often would I haue gathered thy children together, as the henne gathereth her brood vnder her wings, and ye would not!
Beholde, your house is left vnto you desolate: and verely I tell you, ye shall not see me vntill the time come that ye shall say, Blessed is he that commeth in the Name of the Lord.

And it came to passe that when he was entred into the house 14 of one of the chiefe Pharises on the Sabbath day, to eate bread, 2 they watched him. And beholde, there was a certaine man 3 before him, which had the dropsie. Then Iesus answering, spake vnto the Lawyers and Pharises, saying, Is it lawfull to 4 heale on the Sabbath day? And they held their peace. Then 5 he tooke him, and healed him, and let him goe, And answered them, saying, Which of you shall have an asse, or an oxe fallen into a pit, and wil not straightway pull him out on the Sabbath 6 day? And they could not answere him againe to those things. 7 He spake also a parable to the ghestes, when he marked howe 8 they chose out the chiefe roomes, and said vnto them, When thou shalt be bidden of any man to a wedding, set not thy selfe downe in the chiefest place, lest a more honourable man then 9 thou, be bidden of him, And he that bade both him and thee, come, and say to thee, Giue this man roome, and thou then 10 begin with shame to take the lowest roome. But when thou art bidden, goe and sit downe in the lowest roome, that when he that bade thee, cometh, he may say vnto thee, Friende, sit vp hier: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them 11 that sit at table with thee. For whosoeuer exalteth himselfe, shall be brought lowe, and he that humbleth himselfe, shall be 12 exalted. Then said he also to him that had bidden him, When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friendes, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsemen, nor ye riche neighbours, lest they also bid thee againe, and a recompence be made thee. 13 But when thou makest a feast, call ye poore, the maimed, the 14 lame, and the blind, And thou shalt be blessed, because they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the 15 resurrection of the just. Nowe when one of them that sate at table, heard these things, he said vnto him, Blessed is he that 16 eateth bread in the kingdome of God. Then saide he to him, 17 A certaine man made a great supper, and bade many, And sent his seruant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come: for all things are nowe readie. But they all with 18 one mind beganne to make excuse: The first saide vnto him, I have bought a farme, and I must needes goe out and see it: I pray thee, haue me excused. And another said, I haue 19 bought fiue yoke of oxen, and I goe to proue them: I pray thee, haue me excused. And another said, I haue maried a wife, 20 and therefore I can not come. So that seruaunt returned, and 21 shewed his master these thinges. Then was the good man of the house angrie, and said to his seruant, Goe out quickely into the streetes and lanes of the citie, and bring in hither the poore, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blinde. And the 22 seruaunt saide, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and vet there is roome. Then the master sayd to the seruaunt, 23 Goe out into the hie wayes, and hedges, and compell them to come in, that mine house may bee filled. For I say vnto you, 24 that none of those men which were bidden, shall taste of my supper. Nowe there went great multitudes with him, and he 25 turned and sayd vnto them, If any man come to mee, and 26 hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters: yea, and his owne life also, he can not be my disciple. And whosoeuer beareth not his crosse, and 27 commeth after mee, can not bee my disciple. For which of you 28 minding to builde a towre, sitteth not downe before, and counteth the cost, whether hee haue sufficient to performe it, Lest 29 that after he hath laide the foundation, and is not able to performe it, all that behold it, begin to mocke him, Saying, This 30 man began to builde, and was not able to make an end? Or 31 what King going to make warre against another King, sitteth not downe first, and taketh counsell, whether he be able with ten thousande, to meete him that commeth against him with twentie thousand? Or els while hee is yet a great way off, 32 hee sendeth an ambassage, and desireth peace. So likewise, 33 whosoeuer hee be of you, that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple. Salt is good: but if salt haue lost his 34 sauour, wherewith shall it be salted? It is neither meete for 35 the land, nor yet for the dunghill, but men cast it out. He that hath eares to heare, let him heare.

Then resorted vnto him all the Publicanes and sinners, to 15 heare him. Therefore the Pharises and Scribes murmured, 2

3 saying, Hee receiueth sinners, and eateth with them. Then 4 spake hee this parable to them, saying, What man of you hauing an hundreth sheepe, if hee lose one of them, doeth not leaue ninetie and nine in the wildernesse, and goe after that which 5 is lost, vntill he finde it? And when he hath found it, he laieth 6 it on his shoulders with joye. And when he commeth home, he calleth together his friendes and neighbours, saying vnto them, Reioyce with mee: for I have founde my sheepe which 7 was lost. I say vnto you, that likewise ioy shall be in heauen for one sinner that converteth, more then for ninetie and nine 8 iust men, which neede none amendment of life. Either what woman hauing ten groates, if she lose one groate, doth not light a candle, and sweepe the house, and seeke diligently till 9 shee finde it? And when shee hath found it, shee calleth her friendes, and neighbours, saying, Reioyce with me: for I haue 10 found the groate which I had lost. Likewise I say vnto you, there is ioy in the presence of the Angels of God, for one sin-11 ner that conuerteth. He sayde moreouer, A certaine man had 12 two sonnes. And the yonger of them sayde to his father, Father, give mee the portion of the goods that falleth to mee. So 13 he deuided vnto them his substance. So not many daies after, when the yonger sonne had gathered all together, hee tooke his iourney into a farre countrey, and there hee wasted his goods 14 with riotous liuing. Nowe when hee had spent all, there arose a great dearth throughout that land, and he began to be in ne-15 cessitie. Then hee went and claue to a citizen of that countrey, 16 and hee sent him to his farme, to feede swine. And hee would faine haue filled his bellie with the huskes, that the swine ate: 17 but no man gaue them him. Then he came to him selfe, and said, Howe many hired seruaunts at my fathers haue bread 18 ynough, and I die for hunger? I wil rise and goe to my father, and say vnto him, Father, I have sinned against heave, and 19 before thee, And am no more worthy to be called thy sonne: 20 make me as one of thy hired seruants. So hee arose and came to his father, and when hee was yet a great way off, his father sawe him, and had compassion, and ranne and fell on his 21 necke, and kissed him. And the sonne sayde vnto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am 22 no more worthie to be called thy sonne. Then the father said to his seruaunts, Bring foorth the best robe, and put it on him. and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feete, And bring 23 the fat calfe, and kill him, and let vs eate, and be merie: For 24 this my sonne was dead, and is aliue againe: and he was lost, but he is found. And they began to be merie. Nowe the elder 25 brother was in the fielde, and when he came and drewe neere to the house, he heard melodie, and dauncing. And called one 26 of his seruaunts, and asked what those things meant. And 27 hee sayde vnto him, Thy brother is come, and thy father hath killed the fatte calfe, because he hath received him safe and Then he was angry, and would not goe in: therefore 28 came his father out and entreated him. But he answered and 29 said to his father, Loe, these many yeeres haue I done thee seruice, neither brake I at any time thy commadement, and vet thou neuer gauest mee a kidde that I might make merie with my friends. But when this thy sonne was come, which 30 hath deuoured thy good with harlots, thou hast for his sake killed the fat calfe. And he said vnto him, Sonne, thou art 31 euer with me, and al that I haue, is thine. It was meete that we shoulde make merie, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is aliue againe: and hee was lost, but he is found.

And he sayde also vnto his disciples, There was a certaine 16 riche man, which had a stewarde, and he was accused vnto him, that he wasted his goods. And hee called him, and saide 2 vnto him, Howe is it that I heare this of thee? Giue an accounts of thy stewardship: for thou maiest be no longer steward. Then the stewarde saide within himselfe, What shall I 3 doe? for my master taketh away from me the stewardship. I cannot digge, and to begge I am ashamed. I knowe what I 4 will doe, that when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive mee into their houses. Then called he vnto him eu- 5 ery one of his masters detters, and said vnto the first, Howe much owest thou vnto my master? And he said, An hudreth 6 measures of oyle. And he saide to him, Take thy writing, and sitte downe quickely, and write fiftie. Then said he to an- 7 other, How much owest thou? And hee sayde, An hundreth measures of wheate. Then he saide to him, Take thy writing, and write foure score. And the Lord commended the vniust 8 stewarde, because he had done wisely. Wherefore the children of this worlde are in their generation wiser then the children of light. And I say vnto you, Make you friends with the riches of 9

iniquitie, that when ye shall want, they may receive you into 10 euerlasting habitations. He that is faithfull in the least, hee is also faithful in much: and he that is vniust in the least, is 11 vniust also in much. If then ye haue not ben faithful in the 12 wicked riches, who wil trust you in the true treasure? And if ye haue not bene faithfull in another mans goods, who shall 13 giue you that which is yours? No seruaunt can serue two masters: for either he shall hate the one, and loue the other: or els he shall leane to the one, and despise the other. Yee can not 14 serue God and riches. All these thinges heard the Pharises 15 also which were couetous, and they scoffed at him. sayde vnto them, Yee are they, which iustifie your selues before men: but God knoweth your heartes: for that which is highly 16 esteemed among men, is abomination in the sight of God. The Lawe and the Prophets endured vntill Iohn: and since that time the kingdome of God is preached, and euery man preas-17 seth into it. Nowe it is more easie that heaven and earth shoulde passe away, then that one title of the Lawe should 18 fall. Whosoeuer putteth away his wife, and marieth another, committeth adulterie: and whosoeuer marieth her that is put 19 away from her husband, committeth adulterie. There was a certaine riche man, which was clothed in purple and fine lin-20 nen, and fared well and delicately euery day. Also there was a certaine begger named Lazarus, which was laide at his gate 21 full of sores, And desired to bee refreshed with the crommes that fell from the riche mans table: yea, and the dogges came 22 and licked his sores. And it was so that the begger died, and was caried by the Angels into Abrahams bosome. The rich man 23 also died, and was buried. And being in hell in torments, he lift vp his eyes, and sawe Abraham a farre off, and Lazarus 24 in his bosome. Then he cried, and saide, Father Abraham, haue mercie on mee, and sende Lazarus that hee may dippe the tip of his finger in water, and coole my tongue: for I am tor-25 mented in this flame. But Abraham saide, Sonne, remember that thou in thy life time receivedst thy pleasures, and likewise Lazarus paines: now therefore is he comforted, and thou 26 art tormented. Besides all this, betweene you and vs there is a great gulfe set, so that they which would goe from hence to 27 you, can not: neither can they come from thence to vs. Then he said, I pray thee therfore, father, that thou wouldest sende him to my fathers house, (For I haue fiue brethren) that he 28 may testifie vnto them, least they also come into this place of torment. Abraham said vnto him, They haue Moses and 29 the Prophets: let them heare them. And he sayde, Nay, fa-30 ther Abraham: but if one came vnto them from the dead, they will amend their liues. Then he saide vnto him, If they heare 31 not Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rise from the dead againe.

Then said he to his disciples, It can not be avoided, but that 17 offences will come, but wo be to him by whome they come. It 2 is better for him that a great milstone were hanged about his necke, and that he were cast into ye sea, then that he should offende one of these litle ones. Take heede to your selues: if 3 thy brother trespasse against thee, rebuke him: and if hee repent, forgiue him. And though he sinne against thee seuen 4 times in a day, and seuen times in a day turne againe to thee, saving, It repenteth mee, thou shalt forgive him. And the 5 Apostles saide vnto the Lord, Increase our faith. And the 6 Lord said, If ye had faith, as much as is a graine of mustard seede, and should say vnto this mulberie tree, Plucke thy selfe vp by the rootes, and plant thy selfe in the sea, it should euen obey you. Who is it also of you, that having a servant plow-7 ing or feeding cattell, woulde say vnto him by and by, when hee were come from the fielde, Goe, and sit downe at table? And woulde not rather say to him, Dresse wherewith I may 8 suppe, and girde thy selfe, and serue mee, till I have eaten and drunken, and afterward eate thou, and drinke thou? Doeth 9 he thanke that seruant, because hee did that which was commanded vnto him? I trowe not. So likewise yee, when yee 10 haue done all those things, which are commanded you, say, We are vnprofitable seruants: wee haue done that which was our duetie to doe. And so it was when he went to Hierusalem, that 11 he passed through the middes of Samaria, and Galile. And as 12 hee entred into a certaine towne, there met him tenne men that were lepers, which stoode a farre off. And they lift vp 13 their voyces and saide, Iesus, Master, haue mercie on vs. And 14 when he saw them, he said vnto them, Goe, shewe your selues vnto the Priestes. And it came to passe, that as they went, they were clensed. Then one of them, when hee sawe that 15 hee, was healed, turned backe, and with a loude voyce praised

16 God, And fell downe on his face at his feete, and gaue him 17 thankes: and he was a Samaritan. And Iesus answered, and said. Are there not tenne clensed? but where are the nine? 18 There is none founde that returned to give God praise, saue 19 this stranger. And he saide vnto him, Arise, goe thy way, 20 thy faith hath saued thee. And when hee was demaunded of the Pharises, when the kingdome of God shoulde come, he answered them, and said, The kingdome of God commeth not 21 with observation. Neither shall men say, Loe here, or lo there: 22 for behold, the kingdome of God is within you. And he saide vnto the disciples, The dayes will come, when ye shall desire to see one of the dayes of the Sonne of man, and ye shall not 23 see it. Then they shall say to you, Behold here, or beholde 24 there: but goe not thither, neither follow them. For as the lightening that lighteneth out of the one part vnder heauen, shineth vnto the other part vnder heauen, so shall the Sonne 25 of man be in his day. But first must he suffer many things, 26 and be reprodued of this generation. And as it was in the dayes of Noe, so shall it be in the dayes of the Sonne of man. 27 They ate, they dranke, they married wives, and gaue in marriage vnto the day that Noe went into the Arke: and the flood 28 came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also, as it was in the dayes of Lot: they ate, they dranke, they bought, they solde, 29 they planted, they built. But in the day that Lot went out of Sodom, it rained fire and brimstone from heauen, and de-30 stroyed them all. After these ensamples shall it be in the day 31 when the Sonne of man is reueiled. At that day hee that is vpon the house, and his stuffe in ye house, let him not come downe to take it out: and he that is in the fielde likewise, let 32 him not turne backe to that he left behinde. Remember Lots 33 wife. Whosoeuer will seeke to saue his soule, shall loose it: 34 and whosoeuer shall loose it, shall get it life. I tell you, in that night there shall be two in one bed: the one shalbe re-35 ceiued, and the other shalbe left. Two women shalbe grinding 36 together: the one shalbe taken, and the other shalbe left. Two shalbe in the fielde: one shalbe received, and another shalbe 37 left. And they answered, and saide to him, Where, Lord? And he said vnto them, Wheresoeuer the body is, thither shall also the eagles bee gathered together.

18 And he spake also a parable vnto them, to this ende, that

they ought alwayes to pray, and not to waxe faint, Saying, 2 There was a judge in a certaine citie, which feared not God, neither reuereced man. And there was a widowe in that citie, 3 which came vnto him, saying, Doe mee iustice against mine aduersarie. And hee would not of a long time: but afterward 4 he said with himselfe, Though I feare not God, nor reuerence man, Yet because this widowe troubleth mee, I will doe her 5 right, lest at the last shee come and make me wearie. And 6 the Lord said, Heare what the vnrighteous iudge saith. Now 7 shall not God auenge his elect, which cry day and night vnto him, yea, though he suffer long for them? I tell you he will 8 auenge them quickly: but when the Sonne of man commeth, shall he finde faith on the earth? He spake also this para- 9 ble vnto certaine which trusted in themselues that they were iust, and despised other. Two men went vp into the Temple to 10 pray: the one a Pharise, and the other a Publican. The Phar- 11 ise stoode and prayed thus with himselfe, O God, I thanke thee that I am not as other men, extortioners, vniust, adulterers, or euen as this Publican. I fast twise in the weeke: I giue 12 tithe of all that euer I possesse. But the Publican standing 13 a farre off, woulde not lift vp so much as his eyes to heauen, but smote his brest, saying, O God, be mercifull to me a sinner. I tell you, this man departed to his house justified, rather 14 then the other: for euery man that exalteth himselfe, shall be brought lowe, and he that humbleth himselfe, shalbe exalted. They brought vnto him also babes that he should touche them. 15 And when his disciples sawe it, they rebuked them. But Iesus 16 called them vnto him, and said, Suffer the babes to come vnto mee, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdome of God. Verely I say vnto you, whosoeuer receiueth not the kingdome 17 of God as a babe, he shall not enter therein. Then a certaine 18 ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what ought I to doe, to inherite eternall life? And Iesus said vnto him, Why callest 19 thou me good? none is good, saue one, euen God. Thou know- 20 est the comandements, Thou shalt not commit adulterie: Thou shalt not kill: Thou shalt not steale: Thou shalt not beare false witnes: Honour thy father and thy mother. And hee saide, 21 All these haue I kept from my youth. Nowe when Iesus heard 22 that, he saide vnto him, Yet lackest thou one thing. Sell all that euer thou hast, and distribute vnto the poore, and thou

23 shalt haue treasure in heauen, and come follow mee. when he heard those things, he was very heavie: for he was 24 marueilous riche. And when Iesus sawe him very sorowfull, he said, With what difficultie shall they that haue riches, enter 25 into the kingdome of God! Surely it is easier for a camel to go through a needles eye, then for a riche man to enter into the 26 kingdome of God. Then said they that heard it, And who then 27 can be saued? And he said, The things which are vnpossible 28 with men, are possible with God. Then Peter said, Loe, we 29 haue left all, and haue followed thee. And he said vnto them, Verely I say vnto you, there is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children for the kingdome of 30 Gods sake. Which shall not receive much more in this world. 31 and in the world to come life euerlasting. Then Iesus tooke vnto him ye twelue, and said vnto them, Beholde, we goe vp to Hierusalem, and all things shalbe fulfilled to the Sonne of man, 32 that are writtin by the Prophets. For he shall be deliuered vnto the Gentiles, and shalbe mocked, and shalbe spitefully en-33 treated, and shalbe spitted on. And when they have scourged him, they will put him to death: but the thirde day hee shall 34 rise againe. But they vnderstood none of these things, and this saying was hidde from them, neither perceived they the 35 things, which were spoken. And it came to passe, that as he was come neere vnto Iericho, a certaine blinde man sate by the 36 way side, begging. And when he heard the people passe by, he 37 asked what it meant. And they saide vnto him, that Iesus of 38 Nazareth passed by. Then hee cried, saying, Iesus the Sonne 39 of Dauid, haue mercie on me. And they which went before, rebuked him that he shoulde holde his peace, but he cried much 40 more, O Sone of Dauid, haue mercie on me. And Iesus stoode stil, and commanded him to be brought vnto him. And when he 41 was come neere, he asked him, Saying, What wilt thou that I doe vnto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight. 42 And Iesus said vnto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath Then immediatly he received his sight, and fol-43 saued thee. lowed him, praysing God: and all the people, when they sawe this, gaue praise to God.

19, 2 Now when Iesus entred and passed through Iericho, Beholde, there was a man named Zaccheus, which was the chiefe receiver of the tribute, and he was riche. And he sought to

see Iesus, who hee should be, and coulde not for the preasse, because he was of a lowe stature. Wherefore he ranne be- 4 fore, and climed vp into a wilde figge tree, that he might see him: for he should come that way. And when Iesus came to 5 the place, he looked vp, and saw him, and said vnto him, Zaccheus, come downe at once: for to day I must abide at thine house. Then he came downe hastily, and received him ioy- 6 fully. And when all they sawe it, they murmured, saying, that 7 hee was gone in to lodge with a sinfull man. And Zaccheus 8 stood forth, and said vnto the Lord, Beholde, Lord, the halfe of my goods I give to the poore: and if I have taken from any man by forged cauillation, I restore him foure folde. Iesus said to him. This day is saluation come vnto this house. forasmuch as hee is also become the sonne of Abraham. For 10 the Sonne of man is come to seeke, and to saue that which was lost. And whiles they heard these thinges, hee continued and 11 spake a parable, because hee was neere to Hierusalem, and because also they thought that the kingdom of God should shortly appeare. He saide therefore, A certaine noble man went into 12 a farre countrey, to receive for himselfe a kingdome, and so to come againe. And he called his ten seruants, and deliuered 13 them ten pieces of money, and sayd vnto them, Occupie till I come. Nowe his citizens hated him, and sent an ambassage 14 after him, saying. We will not have this man to reigne ouer vs. And it came to passe, when hee was come againe, and 15 had received his kingdome, that he commanded the servants to be called to him, to whome he gaue his money, that he might knowe what euery man had gained. Then came the first, say- 16 ing, Lord, thy piece hath encreased ten pieces. And he sayd 17 vnto him, Well, good seruant: because thou hast bene faithfull in a very litle thing, take thou authoritie ouer ten cities. And 18 the second came, saying, Lord, thy piece hath encreased fiue pieces. And to the same he sayd, Be thou also ruler ouer fiue 19 cities. So the other came, and sayd, Lord, beholde thy piece, 20 which I have laide vp in a napkin: For I feared thee, because 21 thou art a straight man: thou takest vp, that thou layedst not downe, and reapest that thou diddest not sowe. Then he sayde 22 vnto him, Of thine owne mouth will I iudge thee, O euill seruant. Thou knewest that I am a straight man, taking vp that I lavd not downe, and reaping that I did not sowe. Where- 23

fore then gauest not thou my money into the banke, that at my 24 coming I might have required it with vantage? And he sayd to them that stoode by, Take from him that piece, and giue it 25 him that hath ten pieces. (And they sayd vnto him, Lord, hee 26 hath ten pieces.) For I say vnto you, that vnto all them that haue, it shalbe giuen: and from him that hath not, euen that 27 he hath, shalbe taken from him. Moreouer, those mine enemies, which would not that I should reigne ouer them, bring 28 hither, and slay them before me. And when he had thus spo-29 ken, he went forth before, ascending vp to Hierusalem. And it came to passe, when hee was come neere to Bethphage, and Bethania, besides the mount which is called the mount of Oli-30 ues, he sent two of his disciples, Saying, Goe ye to the towne which is before you, wherein, assoone as ye are come, ye shall finde a colte tied, whereon neuer man sate: loose him, and 31 bring him hither. And if any man aske you, why ye loose him, thus shall ye say vnto him, Because the Lord hath neede of 32 him. So they that were sent, went their way, and found it as 33 he had sayd vnto them. And as they were loosing the colte, the owners thereof sayd vnto them, Why loose ye the colte? 34, 35 And they sayd, The Lord hath neede of him. So they brought him to Iesus, and they cast their garments on the colte, and set 36 Iesus thereon. And as he went, they spred their clothes in the 37 way. And when he was nowe come neere to the going downe of the mount of Oliues, the whole multitude of the disciples began to reioyce, and to prayse God with a loude voyce, for all 38 the great workes that they had seene, Saying, Blessed be the King that commeth in the Name of the Lord: peace in heaven, 39 and glory in the highest places. Then some of the Pharises of the companie sayd vnto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples. 40 But he answered, and sayd vnto them, I tell you, that if these 41 should holde their peace, the stones would crie. And when he 42 was come neere, he behelde the Citie, and wept for it, Saying, O if thou haddest euen knowen at the least in this thy day those things, which belong vnto thy peace! but nowe are they 43 hid from thine eyes. For the dayes shall come vpon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compasse 44 thee round, and keepe thee in on euery side, And shall make thee euen with ye ground, and thy children which are in thee, and they shall not leave in thee a stone vpon a stone, because

thou knewest not that season of thy visitation. He went also 45 into the Temple, and began to cast out them that solde therein, and them that bought, Saying vnto them, It is written, Mine 46 house is the house of prayer, but ye haue made it a denne of theeues. And he taught dayly in the Temple. And the hie 47 Priests and the Scribes, and the chiefe of the people sought to destroy him. But they could not finde what they might doe to 48 him: for all the people hanged vpon him when they heard him.

And it came to passe, that on one of those dayes, as he 20 taught the people in the Temple, and preached the Gospel, the hie Priests and the Scribes came voon him with the Elders. And spake vnto him, saying, Tell vs by what authoritie thou 2 doest these things, or who is hee that hath given thee this authoritie? And he answered, and sayde vnto them, I also will 3 aske you one thing: tell me therefore: The baptisme of Iohn, 4 was it from heauen, or of men? And they reasoned within 5 themselues, saving, If we shall say, From heauen, he will say, Why then beleeued ye him not? But if we shall say, Of men, 6 all the people will stone vs: for they be perswaded that Iohn was a Prophet. Therefore they answered, that they could not 7 tell whence it was. Then Iesus sayd vnto them, Neither tell 8 I you, by what authoritie I doe these things. Then began he 9 to speake to ve people this parable, A certaine man planted a vineyarde, and let it forth to husbandmen: and went into a strange countrey, for a great time. And at the time conue- 10 nient he sent a seruant to the husbandmen, that they should giue him of the fruite of the vineyard: but the husbandmen did beate him, and sent him away emptie. Againe he sent 11 yet another seruant: and they did beate him, and foule entreated him, and sent him away emptie. Moreouer he sent 12 the third, and him they wounded, and cast out. Then sayd 13 the Lord of the vineyard, What shall I doe? I will send my beloued sonne: it may be that they will doe reuerence, when they see him. But when the husbandmen sawe him, they reasoned 14 with themselues, saying, This is the heire: come, let vs kill him, that the inheritance may be ours. So they cast him out 15 of the vineyarde, and killed him. What shall the Lord of the vineyarde therefore doe vnto them? He will come and destroy 16 these husbandmen, and wil give out his vineyard to others. But when they heard it, they sayd, God forbid. And he be- 17

held them, and said, What meaneth this then that is written, The stone that the builders refused, that is made the head of 18 the corner? Whosoeuer shall fall vpon that stone, shall be broken: and on whomsoeuer it shall fall, it will grinde him to 19 pouder. Then the hie Priests, and the Scribes the same houre went about to lay hands on him: (but they feared the people) for they perceived that he had spoken this parable against And they watched him, and sent forth spies, which 20 them. should faine themselues iust men, to take him in his talke, and to deliuer him vnto the power and authoritie of the gouernour. 21 And they asked him, saying, Master, we know that thou sayest, and teachest right, neither doest thou accept mans person, 22 but teachest the way of God truely. Is it lawfull for vs to 23 giue Cesar tribute or no? But he perceiued their craftines, 24 and sayd vnto them, Why tempt ye me? Shew me a penie. Whose image and superscription hath it? They answered, and 25 sayd, Cesars. Then he sayd vnto them, Giue then vnto Cesar the things which are Cesars, and to God those which are 26 Gods. And they could not reproue his saying before the people: but they marueiled at his answere, and helde their peace. 27 Then came to him certaine of the Sadduces (which denie that 28 there is any resurrection) and they asked him, Saying, Master, Moses wrote vnto vs, If any mans brother die hauing a wife, and hee die without children, that his brother should take his 29 wife, and raise vp seede vnto his brother. Now there were seuen brethren, and the first tooke a wife, and he dyed without 30 children. And the second tooke the wife, and he dyed childe-31 lesse. Then the third tooke her: and so likewise the seuen 32 dyed, and left no children. And last of all the woman dyed 33 also. Therefore at the resurrection, whose wife of them shall 34 she be? for seuen had her to wife. Then Iesus answered, and sayd vnto them, The children of this world marry wiues, and 35 are married. But they which shalbe counted worthy to enjoy that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry 36 wives, neither are married. For they can die no more, forasmuch as they are equall vnto the Angels, and are the sonnes of 37 God, since they are the children of the resurrection. And that the dead shall rise againe, euen Moses shewed it besides the bush, when he said, The Lord is the God of Abraham, and the 38 God of Isaac, and the God of Iacob. For he is not the God of the dead, but of them which liue: for all liue vnto him. Then 39 certaine of the Scribes answered, and sayd, Master, thou hast well sayd. And after that, durst they not aske him any thing 40 at all. Then sayd he vnto them, Howe say they that Christ is 41 Dauids sonne? And Dauid himselfe sayth in the booke of the 42 Psalmes, The Lord sayd vnto my Lord, Sit at my right hand, Till I shall make thine enemies thy footestoole. Seeing Dauid 43, 44 called him Lord, howe is he then his sonne? Then in the audience of all the people he sayd vnto his disciples, Beware of the 46 Scribes, which willingly go in long robes, and loue salutations in the markets, and the highest seates in the assemblies, and the chiefe roomes at feastes: Which deuoure widowes houses, 47 and in shewe make long prayers: These shall receive greater damnation.

And as he behelde, he sawe the rich men, which cast their 21 giftes into the treasurie. And he sawe also a certaine poore 2 widowe which cast in thither two mites: And he sayd, Of a 3 trueth I say vnto you, that this poore widowe hath cast in more then they all. For they all haue of their superfluitie cast into 4 the offerings of God: but she of her penurie hath cast in all the liuing that she had. Nowe as some spake of the Temple, 5 how it was garnished with goodly stones, and with consecrate things, he sayd, Are these ye things that ye looke vpon? the 6 dayes will come wherein a stone shall not be left vpon a stone, that shall not be throwen downe. Then they asked him, say- 7 ing, Master, but when shall these things be? and what signe shall there be when these things shall come to passe? And he 8 sayd, Take heede, that we be not deceived: for many will come in my Name, saying, I am Christ, and the time draweth neere: follow ye not them therefore. And when ye heare of warres 9 and seditions, be not afraid: for these things must first come, but the ende followeth not by and by. Then said hee vnto them, 10 Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdome against kingdome, And great earthquakes shall be in diuers places, and 11 hunger, and pestilence, and fearefull things, and great signes shall there be from heauen. But before all these, they shall lay 12 their hands on you, and persecute you, deliuering you vp to the assemblies, and into prisons, and bring you before Kings and rulers for my Names sake. And this shall turne to you, for a 13 testimoniall. Lay it vp therefore in your heartes, that ye cast 14

15 not before hand, what ye shall answere. For I will give you a mouth and wisdome, where against all your aduersaries shall 16 not be able to speake, nor resist. Yea, ye shalbe betrayed also of your parents, and of your brethren, and kinsmen, and frien-17 des, and some of you shall they put to death. And ye shall bee 18 hated of all men for my Names sake. Yet there shall not one 19 heare of your heads perish. By your patience possesse your 20 soules. And when ye see Hierusalem besieged with souldiers, 21 then vnderstand that the desolation thereof is neere. Then let them which are in Iudea, flee to the mountaines: and let them which are in the middes thereof, depart out: and let not them 22 that are in the countrey, enter therein. For these be the dayes 23 of vengeance, to fulfill all things that are written. But woe be to them that be with childe, and to them that give sucke in those dayes: for there shalbe great distresse in this land, and 24 wrath ouer this people. And they shall fall on the edge of the sword, and shalbe led captiue into all nations, and Hierusalem shalbe troden vnder foote of the Gentiles, vntill the time of the 25 Gentiles be fulfilled. Then there shalbe signes in the sunne. and in the moone, and in the starres, and vpon the earth trouble among the nations with perplexitie: the sea and the waters 26 shall roare. And mens hearts shall faile them for feare, and for looking after those thinges which shall come on the worlde: 27 for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Sonne of man come in a cloude, with power and great 28 glory. And when these things beginne to come to passe, then looke vp, and lift vp your heades: for your redemption draweth 29 neere. And he spake to them a parable, Behold, the figge tree, 30 and all trees, When they nowe shoote foorth, ye seeing them, 31 knowe of your owne selues, that sommer is then neere. likewise yee, when yee see these thinges come to passe, knowe 32 ye that the kingdome of God is neere. Verely I say vnto you, 33 This age shall not passe, till all these things be done: Heauen and earth shall passe away, but my wordes shall not passe 34 away. Take heede to your selues, lest at any time your hearts be oppressed with surfeting and drunkennesse, and cares of 35 this life, and least that day come on you at vnwares. For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the 36 whole earth. Watche therefore, and pray continually, that ye may be counted worthy to escape all these thinges that shall

come to passe, and that ye may stand before the Sonne of man. Nowe in the day time hee taught in the Temple, and at night 37 hee went out, and abode in the mount that is called the mount of Oliues. And all the people came in the morning to him, to 38 heare him in the Temple.

Now the feast of vnleauened bread drewe neere, which is 22 called the Passeouer. And the hie Priests and Scribes sought 2 how they might kill him: for they feared the people. Then 3 entred Satan into Iudas, who was called Iscariot, and was of the nomber of the twelue. And he went his way, and com- 4 muned with the hie Priestes and captaines, how he might betray him to them. So they were glad, and agreed to give him 5 money. And he consented, and sought opportunitie to betraye 6 him vnto them, when the people were away. Then came the 7 day of vnleauened bread, when the Passeouer must be sacrificed. And he sent Peter and Iohn, saying, Go and prepare vs 8 the Passeouer, that we may eate it. And they saide to him, 9 Where wilt thou, that we prepare it? Then he said vnto them, 10 Beholde, when ve be entred into the citie, there shall a man meete you, bearing a pitcher of water: followe him into the house that he entreth in, And say vnto the good man of the 11 house, The Master saith vnto thee, Where is the lodging where I shall eate my Passeouer with my disciples? Then he shall 12 shewe you a great hie chamber trimmed: there make it ready. So they went, and found as he had said vnto them, and made 13 readie the Passeouer. And when the houre was come, hee sate 14 downe, and the twelue Apostles with him. Then he saide vnto 15 them, I have earnestly desired to eate this Passeouer with you, before I suffer. For I say vnto you, Hencefoorth I will not eate 16 of it any more, vntill it bee fulfilled in the kingdome of God. And hee tooke the cup, and gaue thankes, and said, Take this, 17 and deuide it among you, For I say vnto you, I will not drinke 18 of the fruite of the vine, vntill the kingdome of God be come. And he tooke bread, and when he had given thankes, he brake 19 it, and gaue to them, saying, This is my body, which is given for you: doe this in the remembrance of me. Likewise also after 20 supper he tooke the cup, saying, This cup is that newe Testament in my blood, which is shed for you. Yet beholde, the hand 21 of him that betrayeth me, is with me at the table. And truely 22 the Sonne of man goeth as it is appointed: but woe be to that

23 man, by whom he is betrayed. Then they began to enquire among themselues which of them it should be, that should do 24 that. And there arose also a strife among them, which of them 25 should seeme to be ye greatest. But hee saide vnto them, The Kings of the Gentiles reigne ouer them, and they that beare 26 rule ouer them, are called bountifull. But yee shall not be so: but let the greatest among you be as the least: and the chiefest 27 as he that serueth. For who is greater, he that sitteth at table, or he that serueth? Is not he that sitteth at table? And 28 I am among you as he that serueth. And yee are they which 29 haue continued with me in my tentations. Therefore I appoint vnto you a kingdome, as my Father hath appointed vnto me, 30 That ye may eate, and drinke at my table in my kingdome, and 31 sit on seates, and judge the twelue tribes of Israel. And the Lord saide, Simon, Simon, beholde, Satan hath desired you, to 32 winowe you as wheate. But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith faile not: therefore when thou art conuerted, strengthen 33 thy brethren. And he said vnto him, Lord, I am ready to 34 goe with thee into prison, and to death. But he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cocke shall not crowe this day, before thou hast 35 thrise denied that thou knewest me. And he saide vnto them, When I sent you without bagge, and scrip, and shooes, lacked 36 ye any thing? And they said, Nothing. Then he said to them, But nowe he that hath a bagge, let him take it, and likewise a scrip: and hee that hath none, let him sell his coate, and 37 buy a sworde. For I say vnto you, That yet the same which is written, must be perfourmed in me, Euen with the wicked was he nombred: for doubtlesse those things which are writ-38 ten of me, haue an ende. And they said, Lord, beholde, here 39 are two swordes. And he said vnto them, It is ynough. And he came out, and went (as he was wont) to the mount of Oli-40 ues: and his disciples also followed him. And when hee came to the place, hee said to them, Pray, lest ye enter into tenta-41 tion. And he was drawen aside from them about a stones cast, 42 and kneeled downe, and prayed, Saying, Father, if thou wilt, take away this cuppe from mee: neuerthelesse, not my will, but 43 thine be done. And there appeared an Angell vnto him from 44 heauen, comforting him. But being in an agonie, hee prayed more earnestly: and his sweate was like drops of blood, trick-45 ling downe to the ground. And he rose vp from prayer, and came to his disciples, and found them sleeping for heauinesse. And he said vnto them, Why sleepe ye? rise and pray, least ye 46 enter into tentation. And while he yet spake, beholde, a com- 47 panie, and he that was called Iudas one of the twelue, went before them, and came neere vnto Iesus to kisse him. And Iesus 48 saide vnto him, Iudas, betravest thou the Sonne of man with a kisse? Now when they which were about him, saw what would 49 follow, they said vnto him, Lord, shall we smite with sworde? And one of them smote a servant of the hie Priest, and strooke 50 off his right eare. Then Iesus answered, and said, Suffer them 51 thus farre: and he touched his eare, and healed him. Then 52 Iesus said vnto the hie Priests, and captaines of the Temple, and the Elders which were come to him, Bee ye come out as vnto a theefe with swordes and staues? When I was dayly 53 with you in the Temple, yee stretched not foorth the handes against mee: but this is your very houre, and the power of darkenesse. Then tooke they him, and led him, and brought 54 him to the hie Priestes house. And Peter followed afarre off. And when they had kindled a fire in the middes of the hall, and 55 were set downe together, Peter also sate downe among them. And a certaine mayde behelde him as hee sate by the fire, and 56 hauing well looked on him, said, This man was also with him. But he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not. And after 57, 58 a little while, another man sawe him, and saide, Thou art also of them. But Peter said, Man, I am not. And about the space 59 of an houre after, a certaine other affirmed, saying. Verely euen this man was with him: for he is also a Galilean. And Peter 60 saide, Man, I knowe not what thou savest. And immediatly while hee yet spake, the cocke crewe. Then the Lord turned 61 backe, and looked vpon Peter: and Peter remembred the worde of the Lord, how he had said vnto him, Before the cocke crowe, thou shalt denie me thrise. And Peter went out, and wept bit- 62 terly. And the men that helde Iesus, mocked him, and strooke 63 And when they had blindfolded him, they smote him 64 on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophecie who it is that smote thee. And many other thinges blasphemously spake 65 they against him. And assoone as it was day, the Elders of 66 the people, and the hie Priests and the Scribes came together, and led him into their councill, Saying, Art thou that Christ? 67 tell vs. And he said vnto them, If I tell you, ye wil not beleeue

it. And if also I aske you, you will not answere me, nor let me
goe. Hereafter shall the Sonne of man sit at the right hand of
the power of God. Then sayd they all, Art thou then ye Sonne
of God? And he sayd to them, Ye say, that I am. Then sayd they, What neede we any further witnes? for we our selues haue heard it of his owne mouth.

Then the whole multitude of them arose, and led him vnto 23 2 Pilate. And they began to accuse him, saying, We have found this man peruerting the nation, and forbidding to pay tribute 3 to Cesar, saying, That he is Christ a King. And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Iewes? And hee an-4 swered him, and sayd, Thou sayest it. Then sayd Pilate to the hie Priests, and to the people, I finde no fault in this man. 5 But they were the more fierce, saying, He moueth the people, teaching throughout all Iudea, beginning at Galile, euen to this 6 place. Nowe when Pilate heard of Galile, he asked whether 7 the man were a Galilean. And when he knewe that he was of Herods iurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, which was also at 8 Hierusalem in those dayes. And when Herod sawe Iesus, hee was exceedingly glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long season, because he had heard many things of him, and trusted 9 to haue seene some signe done by him. Then questioned hee 10 with him of many things: but he answered him nothing. The hie Priests also and Scribes stood forth, and accused him vehe-11 mently. And Herod with his men of warre, despised him, and mocked him, and arayed him in white, and sent him againe to 12 Pilate. And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends 13 together: for before they were enemies one to another. Then Pilate called together the hie Priests and the rulers, and the 14 people, And sayd vnto them, Ye haue brought this man vnto me, as one that peruerted the people: and beholde, I have examined him before you, and haue found no fault in this man, 15 of those things whereof ye accuse him: No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him: and loe, nothing worthy of death is done of 16. 17 him. I will therefore chastise him, and let him loose. (For of necessitie hee must haue let one loose vnto them at the feast.) 18 Then all ye multitude cried at once, saying, Away with him, 19 and deliuer vnto vs Barabbas: Which for a certaine insurrec-20 tion made in the citie, and murder, was cast in prison. Then 21 Pilate spake againe to them, willing to let Iesus loose.

they cried, saying, Crucifie, crucifie him. And he sayd vnto 22 them the third time, But what euill hath he done? I finde no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him loose. But they were instant with loude voyces, and required 23 that he might be crucified: and the voyces of them and of the hie Priests preuailed. So Pilate gaue sentence, that it should 24 be as they required. And he let loose vnto them him that for 25 insurrection and murder was cast into prison, whome they desired, and deliuered Iesus to doe with him what they would. And as they led him away, they caught one Simon of Cyrene, 26 comming out of the fielde, and on him they layde the crosse, to beare it after Iesus. And there followed him a great multitude 27 of people, and of women, which women bewailed and lamented him. But Iesus turned backe vnto them, and said, Daughters 28 of Hierusalem, weepe not for me, but weepe for your selues, and for your children. For behold, the dayes wil come, when 29 men shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombes that neuer bare, and the pappes which neuer gaue sucke. shall they begin to say to the mountaines, Fall on vs: and to the hilles, Couer vs. For if they doe these things to a greene 31 tree, what shalbe done to the drie? And there were two others, 32 which were euill doers, led with him to be slaine. And when 33 they were come to the place, which is called Caluarie, there they crucified him, and the euill doers: one at the right hand, and the other at the left. Then sayd Iesus, Father, forgiue 34 them: for they know not what they doe. And they parted his raiment, and cast lottes. And the people stoode, and behelde: 35 and the rulers mocked him with them, saving, He saued others: let him saue himselfe, if hee be that Christ, the Chosen of God. The souldiers also mocked him, and came and of- 36 fered him vineger, And said, If thou be the King of the Iewes, 37 saue thy selfe. And a superscription was also written ouer 38 him, in Greeke letters, and in Latin, and in Hebrewe, THIS IS THAT KING OF THE JEWES. And one of the euill do- 39 ers, which were hanged, railed on him, saying, If thou be that Christ, saue thy selfe and vs. But the other answered, and 40 rebuked him, saying, Fearest thou not God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? We are in deede righteously here: 41 for we receive things worthy of that we have done: but this man hath done nothing amisse. And he sayd vnto Iesus, Lord, 42 43 remember me, when thou commest into thy kingdome. Then Iesus said vnto him, Verely I say vnto thee, to day shalt thou 44 be with me in Paradise. And it was about the sixt houre; and there was a darkenes ouer all the land, vntill the ninth houre. 45 And the Sunne was darkened, and the vaile of the Temple rent 46 through the middes. And Iesus cryed with a loude voyce, and sayd, Father, into thine hands I commend my spirit. And when 47 hee thus had sayd, hee gaue vp the ghost. Nowe when the Centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Of a 48 suretie this man was iust. And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things, which were done, 49 smote their brestes, and returned. And all his acquaintance stood a farre off, and the women that followed him from Galile, 50 beholding these things. And beholde, there was a man named 51 Ioseph, which was a counseller, a good man and a iust. Hee did not consent to the counsell and deede of them, which was of Arimathea, a citie of the Iewes: who also himselfe waited 52 for the kingdome of God. He went vnto Pilate, and asked the 53 body of Iesus, And tooke it downe, and wrapped it in a linnen cloth, and laide it in a tombe hewen out of a rocke, wherein 54 was neuer man yet laide. And that day was the preparation, 55 and the Sabbath drewe on. And the women also that followed after, which came with him from Galile, behelde the sepulchre, 56 and how his body was layd. And they returned and prepared odours, and ointments, and rested the Sabbath day according to the commandement.

Nowe the first day of the weeke early in the morning, they came vnto the sepulchre, and brought the odours, which they had prepared, and certaine women with them. And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre, And went in, but found not the body of the Lord Iesus. And it came to passe, that as they were amased thereat, beholde, two men suddenly stood by them in shining vestures. And as they were afraide, and bowed downe their faces to the earth, they sayd to them, Why seeke ye him that liueth, among the dead? He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake vnto you, when he was yet in Galile, Saying, that the sonne of man must be deliuered into the hands of sinfull men, and be crucified, and the third day rise againe. And they remembred his wordes, And returned from the sepulchre, and tolde all these things vnto

the eleuen, and to all the remnant. Now it was Mary Magda- 10 lene, and Ioanna, and Mary the mother of Iames, and other women with them, which tolde these things vnto the Apostles. But their wordes seemed vnto them, as a fained thing, 11 neither beleeued they them. Then arose Peter, and ran vnto 12 the sepulchre, and looked in, and saw the linnen clothes laide by themselues, and departed wondering in himselfe at that which was come to passe. And beholde, two of them went that 13 same day to a towne which was from Hierusalem about threescore furlongs, called Emmaus. And they talked together of 14 al these things that were done. And it came to passe, as they 15 communed together, and reasoned, that Iesus himselfe drewe neere, and went with them. But their eves were holden, that 16 they could not know him. And he sayd vnto them, What 17 maner of communications are these that ye have one to another as ye walke and are sad? And the one (named Cleopas) 18 answered, and sayd vnto him, Art thou onely a stranger in Hierusalem, and hast not knowen the things which are come to passe therein in these dayes? And he said vnto them, What 19 things? And they sayd vnto him, Of Iesus of Nazareth, which was a Prophet, mightie in deede and in word before God, and all people, And howe the hie Priests, and our rulers deliuered 20 him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. we trusted that it had bene he that should have delivered Israel, and as touching all these things, to day is ye third day, that they were done. Yea, and certaine women among vs made 22 vs astonied, which came early vnto the sepulchre. And when 23 they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seene a vision of Angels, which sayd, that he was aliue. There- 24 fore certaine of them which were with vs, went to the sepulchre, and found it euen so as the women had sayd, but him they saw not. Then he sayd vnto them, O fooles and slowe 25 of heart to beleeue all that the Prophets haue spoken! Ought 26 not Christ to haue suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? And he began at Moses, and at all the Prophets, and in- 27 terpreted vnto them in all the Scriptures the things which were written of him. And they drew neere vnto ye towne, which 28 they went to, but he made as though hee would have gone further. But they constrained him, saying, Abide with vs. for it 29 is towards night, and the day is farre spent. So he went in to

30 tarie with them. And it came to passe, as hee sate at table with them, he tooke the bread, and blessed, and brake it, and 31 gaue it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they knewe 32 him: and he was no more seene of them. And they saide betweene themselues, Did not our heartes burne within vs, while he talked with vs by the way, and when he opened to vs the 33 Scriptures? And they rose vp the same houre, and returned to Hierusalem, and found the Eleuen gathered together, and 34 them that were with them, Which said, The Lord is risen in 35 deede, and hath appeared to Simon. Then they tolde what things were done in the way, and howe he was knowen of them 36 in breaking of bread. And as they spake these things, Iesus himselfe stoode in the middes of them, and saide vnto them, 37 Peace be to you. But they were abashed and afraide, suppos-38 ing that they had seene a spirit. Then he saide vnto them, Why are ye troubled? and wherefore doe doutes arise in your 39 hearts? Beholde mine handes and my feete: for it is I my selfe: handle me, and see: for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye 40 see me haue. And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them 41 his hands and feete. And while they yet beleeued not for ioy, and wondred, he saide vnto them, Haue ye here any meate? 42 And they gaue him a piece of a broyled fish, and of an honie 43,44 combe, And hee tooke it, and did eate before them. And he saide vnto them, These are the wordes, which I spake vnto you while I was yet with you, that all must be fulfilled which are written of me in the Lawe of Moses, and in the Prophets, and in 45 the Psalmes. Then opened he their vnderstanding, that they 46 might vnderstand the Scriptures, And said vnto them, Thus is it written, and thus it behoued Christ to suffer, and to rise 47 againe from the dead the third day, And that repentance, and remission of sinnes should be preached in his Name among all 48 nations, beginning at Hierusalem. Nowe ye are witnesses of 49 these things. And beholde, I doe sende the promise of my Father vpon you: but tary ye in the citie of Hierusalem, vntill ye 50 be endued with power from an hie. Afterward he lead them out into Bethania, and lift vp his hands, and blessed them. 51 And it came to passe, that as he blessed them, he departed 52 from them, and was caried vp into heauen. And they wor-53 shipped him, and returned to Hierusalem with great ioy, And were continually in the Temple, praysing, and lauding God,

Amen.

## THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN.

n the beginning was that Word, and that Word was with God, and that Word was God. This same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by it, and without it was made nothing that was made. 4,5 In it was life, and that life was the light of men. And that light shineth in the darkenesse, and the darkenesse compre-6 hended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name This same came for a witnesse, to beare witnesse 8 of that light, that all men through him might beleeue. was not that light, but was sent to beare witnesse of that light. 9 This was that true light, which lighteth euery man that com-10 meth into the world. He was in the world, and the worlde was 11 made by him: and the worlde knewe him not. He came vnto 12 his owne, and his owne received him not. But as many as received him, to them he gave prerogative to be the sonnes of 13 God, euen to them that beleeue in his Name. Which are borne not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of ye wil of man, 14 but of God. And that Word was made flesh, and dwelt among vs, (and we sawe the glorie thereof, as the glorie of the onely 15 begotten Sonne of the Father) full of grace and trueth. Iohn bare witnesse of him, and cryed, saying, This was he of whom I said, He that commeth after me, was before me: for he was bet-16 ter then I. And of his fulnesse haue all we received, and grace For the Lawe was given by Moses, but grace, and 17 for grace. 18 trueth came by Iesus Christ. No man hath seene God at any time: that onely begotten Sonne, which is in the bosome of the 19 Father, he hath declared him. Then this is the record of Iohn, when the Iewes sent Priestes and Leuites from Hierusalem, to 20 aske him, Who art thou? And he confessed and denied not, 21 and said plainely, I am not that Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he said, I am not. Art thou 22 that Prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they vnto him, Who art thou, that we may give an answere to them that sent 23 vs? What sayest thou of thy selfe? He said, I am the voyce of him that cryeth in the wildernesse, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the Prophet Esaias. Nowe they which were 24 sent, were of the Pharises. And they asked him, and saide 25 vnto him, Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ, neither Elias, nor that Prophet? Iohn answered them, saying, 26 I baptize with water: but there is one among you, whom ye knowe not. He it is that commeth after me, which was before 27 me, whose shoe latchet I am not worthie to vnloose. These 28 things were done in Bethabara beyond Iordan, where Iohn did The next day Iohn, seeth Iesus comming vnto him, 29 and saith, Beholde that Lambe of God, which taketh away the sinne of the world. This is he of whom I saide, After me com- 30 meth a man, which was before me: for he was better then I. And I knewe him not: but because he should be declared to Is- 31 rael, therefore am I come, baptizing with water. So Iohn bare 32 recorde, saving, I behelde that Spirit come downe from heauen. like a doue, and it abode vpon him. And I knewe him not: but 33 he that sent me to baptize with water, he saide vnto me. Vpon whom thou shalt see that Spirit come downe, and tary still on him, that is he which baptizeth with the holy Ghost. And I 34 sawe, and bare record that this is that Sonne of God. The next 35 day, Iohn stoode againe, and two of his disciples. And he be- 36 helde Iesus walking by, and said, Beholde that Lambe of God. And the two disciples heard him speake, and followed Iesus. 37 Then Iesus turned about, and saw them follow, and saide vnto 38 them, What seeke ye? And they saide vnto him, Rabbi (which is to say by interpretation, Master) where dwellest thou? He 39 saide vnto them, Come, and see. They came and sawe where hee dwelt, and abode with him that day: for it was about the tenth houre. Andrew, Simon Peters brother, was one of 40 the two which had heard it of Iohn, and that followed him. The same founde his brother Simon first, and said vnto him, 41 We have founde that Messias, which is by interpretation, that Christ. And he brought him to Iesus. And Iesus behelde him, 42 and saide, Thou art Simon the sonne of Iona: thou shalt be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, a stone. The day 43 following, Iesus woulde goe into Galile, and founde Philip, and said vnto him, Followe me. Nowe Philip was of Bethsaida, the 44 citie of Andrew and Peter. Philippe founde Nathanael, and 45 saide vnto him. Wee haue founde him of whom Moses did write

in the Lawe, and the Prophetes, Iesus that sonne of Ioseph,
that was of Nazareth. Then Nathanael sayde vnto him, Can
there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saide to
him, Come, and see. Iesus sawe Nathanael comming to him,
and saide of him, Beholde in deede an Israelite, in whom is
no guile. Nathanael sayde vnto him, Whence knewest thou
mee? Iesus answered, and sayd vnto him, Before that Philip
called thee, when thou wast vnder the figge tree, I sawe thee.
Nathanael answered, and saide vnto him, Rabbi, thou art that
Sonne of God: thou art that King of Israel. Iesus answered,
and sayde vnto him, Because I sayde vnto thee, I sawe thee vnder the figtree, beleeuest thou? thou shalt see greater things
then these. And he saide vnto him, Verely, verely I say vnto
you, hereafter shall yee see heauen open, and the Angels of
God ascending, and descending vpon that Sonne of man.

And the thirde day, was there a mariage in Cana a towne 2 2 of Galile, and the mother of Iesus was there. And Iesus was 3 called also, and his disciples vnto the mariage. Nowe when the wine failed, the mother of Iesus saide vnto him, They haue 4 no wine. Iesus saide vnto her, Woman, what haue I to doe 5 with thee? mine houre is not yet come. His mother saide vnto 6 the seruants, Whatsoeuer he sayeth vnto you, doe it. there were set there, sixe waterpots of stone, after the maner of the purifying of the Iewes, conteining two or three firkins 7 a piece. And Iesus sayde vnto them, Fill the waterpots with 8 water. Then they filled them vp to the brim. Then he sayde vnto them, Draw out nowe and beare vnto the gouernour of 9 the feast. So they bare it. Nowe when the gouernour of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, (for he knewe not whence it was: but the seruants, which drewe the water, 10 knewe) the gouernour of ye feast called the bridegrome, And saide vnto him, All men at the beginning set foorth good wine, and when men haue well drunke, then that which is worse: 11 but thou hast kept backe the good wine vntill nowe. This beginning of miracles did Iesus in Cana a towne of Galile, and 12 shewed forth his glorie: and his disciples beleeued on him. After that, he went downe into Capernaum, he and his mother, and his brethren, and his disciples: but they continued not 13 many daies there. For the Iewes Passeouer was at hande. 14 Therefore Iesus went vp to Hierusalem. And he found in the Temple those that sold oxen, and sheepe, and doues, and changers of money, sitting there. Then hee made a scourge 15 of small cordes, and draue them all out of the Temple with the sheepe and oxen, and powred out the changers money, and ouerthrewe the tables. And said vnto them that solde doues. 16 Take these things hence: make not my fathers house, an house of marchandise. And his disciples remembred, that it was 17 written. The zeale of thine house hath eaten me vp. Then 18 answered the Iewes, and saide vnto him, What signe shewest thou vnto vs. that thou doest these things? Iesus answered, 19 and said vnto them, Destroy this Temple, and in three daies I will raise it vp againe. Then said the Iewes, Fourtie and sixe 20 yeeres was this Temple a building, and wilt thou reare it vp in three daies? But he spake of the temple of his bodie. Assoone 21, 22 therefore as he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembred that hee thus sayde vnto them: and they beleeued the Scripture, and the worde which Iesus had saide. Nowe when 23 hee was at Hierusalem at the Passeouer in the feast, many beleeued in his Name, when they sawe his miracles which he did. But Iesus did not commit him selfe vnto them, because 24 he knewe them all. And had no neede that any should testifie 25 of man: for he knewe what was in man.

There was nowe a man of the Pharises, named Nicodemus, a 3 ruler of the Iewes. This man came to Iesus by night, and savd 2 vnto him, Rabbi, we knowe ye thou art a teacher come from God: for no man could do these miracles that thou doest, except God were with him. Iesus answered, and said vnto him, 3 Verely, verely I say vnto thee, except a man be borne againe, he can not see the kingdome of God. Nicodemus sayde vnto him, 4 Howe can a man be borne which is olde? can he enter into his mothers wombe againe, and be borne? Iesus answered, 5 Verely, verely I say vnto thee, except that a man be borne of water and of the Spirite, hee can not enter into the kingdome of God. That which is borne of the flesh, is flesh: and that that 6 is borne of the Spirit, is spirit. Marueile not that I said to thee, 7 Yee must be borne againe. The winde bloweth where it listeth, 8 and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it commeth, and whither it goeth: so is euery man that is borne of the Spirit. Nicodemus answered, and said vnto him, Howe 9 can these things be? Iesus answered, and saide vnto him. 10

Art thou a teacher of Israel, and knowest not these things? 11 Verely, verely I say vnto thee, wee speake that we know, and testifie that we have seene: but yee receive not our witnesse. 12 If when I tel you earthly things, ye beleeue not, howe should 13 yee beleeue, if I shall tel you of heauenly things? For no man ascendeth vp to heaven, but he that hath descended from 14 heauen, that Sonne of man which is in heauen. And as Moses lift vp the serpent in the wildernesse, so must that Sonne of 15 man be lift vp, That whosoeuer beleeueth in him, shoulde not 16 perish, but haue eternall life. For God so loued the worlde, that hee hath given his onely begotten Sonne, that whosoeuer beleeueth in him, should not perish, but have everlasting life. 17 For God sent not his Sonne into the world, that he should condemne the world, but that the world through him might be 18 saued. Hee that beleeueth in him, is not condemned: but hee that beleeueth not, is condemned already, because he hath not beleeued in the Name of that onely begotten Sonne of God. 19 And this is the condemnation, that that light came into the worlde, and men loued darknesse rather then that light, be-20 cause their deedes were euill. For euery man that euill doeth, hateth the light, neither commeth to light, least his deedes 21 should be reprooued. But he that doeth trueth, commeth to the light, that his deedes might bee made manifest, that they 22 are wrought according to God. After these things, came Iesus and his disciples into the lande of Iudea, and there taried with 23 them, and baptized. And Iohn also baptized in Enon besides Salim, because there was much water there: and they came, 24 and were baptized. For Iohn was not yet cast into prison. 25 Then there arose a question betweene Iohns disciples and the 26 Iewes, about purifying. And they came vnto Iohn, and saide vnto him, Rabbi, he that was with thee beyond Iorden, to whom thou barest witnesse, behold, he baptizeth, and all men come 27 to him. Iohn answered, and saide, A man can receive noth-28 ing, except it be given him from heaven. Yee your selves are my witnesses, that I sayde, I am not that Christ, but that I am 29 sent before him. He that hath the bride, is the bridegrome: but the friend of the bridegrome which standeth and heareth him, reioyceth greatly, because of the bridegromes voyce. This 30 my ioy therefore is fulfilled. He must increase, but I must de-31 crease. Hee that is come from an hie, is aboue all: he that

is of the earth, is of the earth, and speaketh of the earth: hee that is come from heauen, is aboue all. And what hee hath 32 seene and heard, that he testifieth: but no man receiveth his testimonie. He that hath received his testimonie, hath sealed 33 that God is true. For hee whome God hath sent, speaketh the 34 woordes of God: for God giveth him not the Spirit by measure. The Father loueth the Sonne, and hath given all things into 35 his hande. Hee that beleeueth in the Sonne, hath everlasting 36 life, and hee that obeyeth not the Sonne, shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him.

Nowe when the Lord knew, how the Pharises had heard. 4 that Iesus made and baptized moe disciples then Iohn, (Though 2 Iesus himselfe baptized not: but his disciples) Hee left Iudea, 3 and departed againe into Galile. And he must needes goe 4 through Samaria. Then came hee to a citie of Samaria called 5 Sychar, neere vnto the possession that Iacob gaue to his sonne And there was Iacobs well. Iesus then wearied in 6 the journey, sate thus on the well: it was about the sixt houre. There came a woman of Samaria to drawe water. Iesus savd 7 vnto her, Giue me drinke. For his disciples were gone away 8 into the citie, to buy meate. Then sayde the woman of Samaria 9 vnto him, Howe is it, that thou being a Iewe, askest drinke of me, which am a woman of Samaria? For the Iewes meddle not with the Samaritans. Iesus answered and saide vnto her. 10 If thou knewest that gift of God, and who it is that saieth to thee, Giue mee drinke, thou wouldest haue asked of him, and hee woulde haue given thee, water of life. The woman saide 11 vnto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to drawe with, and the well is deepe: from whence then hast thou that water of life? Art 12 thou greater then our father Iacob, which gaue vs the well, and hee himselfe dranke thereof, and his sonnes, and his cattell? Iesus answered, and said vnto her, Whosoeuer drinketh 13 of this water, shall thirst againe: But whosoeuer drinketh of 14 the water that I shall give him, shall neuer be more a thirst: but the water that I shall give him, shalbe in him a well of water, springing vp into euerlasting life. The woman said vnto 15 him, Syr, giue me of that water, that I may not thirst, neither come hither to drawe. Iesus said vnto her, Go, call thine hus- 16 band, and come hither. The woman answered, and saide, I 17 haue no husband. Iesus said vnto her. Thou hast well said. I

18 haue no husband. For thou hast had fiue husbands, and he whom thou nowe hast, is not thine husband: that saidest thou 19 truely. The woman saide vnto him, Sir, I see that thou art a 20 Prophet. Our fathers worshipped in this mountaine, and ye say, that in Ierusalem is the place where men ought to worship. 21 Iesus saide vnto her, Woman, beleeue me, the houre commeth, when ye shall neither in this mountaine, nor at Hierusalem 22 worship ye Father. Ye worship that which ye knowe not: we worship that which we knowe: for saluation is of the Iewes. 23 But the houre commeth, and nowe is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit, and trueth: for the Fa-24 ther requireth euen such to worship him. God is a Spirite, and they that worship him, must worship him in spirit and 25 trueth. The woman said vnto him, I knowe well that Messias shall come which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell 26 vs all things. Iesus said vnto her, I am he, that speake vnto 27 thee. And vpon that, came his disciples, and marueiled that he talked with a woman: yet no man said vnto him, What ask-28 est thou? or why talkest thou with her? The woman then left her waterpot, and went her way into the citie, and said to the 29 men, Come, see a man which hath tolde me all things that 30 euer I did: is not he that Christ? Then they went out of the 31 citie, and came vnto him. In the meane while, the disciples 32 prayed him, saying, Master, eate. But he said vnto them, I 33 haue meate to eate that ye know not of. Then said ye disciples betweene themselues, Hath any man brought him meate? 34 Iesus saide vnto them, My meate is that I may doe the will of 35 him that sent me, and finish his worke. Say not ve, There are yet foure moneths, and then commeth haruest? Beholde, I say vnto you, Lift vp your eyes, and looke on the regions: for 36 they are white alreadie vnto haruest. And he that reapeth, receiueth rewarde, and gathereth fruite vnto life eternall, that both he that soweth, and he that reapeth, might reioyce to-37 gether. For herein is the saying true, that one soweth, and an 38 other reapeth. I sent you to reape that, whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye are entred into their 39 labours. Nowe many of the Samaritans of that citie beleeved in him, for the saying of the woman which testified, He hath 40 tolde me all things that euer I did. Then when the Samaritans were come vnto him, they be sought him, that he woulde

tarie with them: and he abode there two dayes. And many 41 moe beleeued because of his owne word. And they said vnto 42 the woman, Nowe we believe, not because of thy saving: for we have heard him our selves, and knowe that this is in deede that Christ the Sauiour of the world. So two dayes after he 43 departed thence, and went into Galile. For Iesus himselfe 44 had testified, that a Prophet hath none honour in his owne countrey. Then when he was come into Galile, the Galileans 45 received him, which had seene all the things that he did at Hierusalem at the feast: for they went also vnto the feast. And Iesus came againe into Cana a towne of Galile, where 46 he had made of water, wine. And there was a certaine ruler, whose sonne was sicke at Capernaum. When he heard that 47 Iesus was come out of Iudea into Galile, he went vnto him, and besought him that he would goe downe, and heale his sonne: for he was euen ready to die. Then saide Iesus vnto him, Ex- 48 cept ve see signes and wonders, ve will not beleeue. The ruler 49 said vnto him, Syr, goe downe before my sonne dye. Iesus said 50 vnto him, Go thy way, thy sonne liueth: and the man beleeued the worde that Iesus had spoken vnto him, and went his way. And as he was nowe going downe, his seruants met him, say- 51 ing, Thy sonne liueth. Then enquired he of them the houre 52 when he began to amend. And they said vnto him, Yesterday the seventh houre the feuer left him. Then the father knew, 53 that it was the same houre in the which Iesus had said vnto him, Thy sonne liueth. And he beleeued, and all his houshold. This second miracle did Iesus againe, after he was come out of 54 Iudea into Galile.

After that, there was a feast of the Iewes, and Iesus went vp to Hierusalem. And there is at Hierusalem by the place of the sheepe, a poole called in Ebrew Bethesda, having five porches: In the which lay a great multitude of sicke folke, of blinde, halte, and withered, wayting for the moving of the water. For an Angel went downe at a certaine season into the poole, and troubled the water: whosoeuer then first, after the stirring of the water, stepped in, was made whole of whatsoeuer disease he had. And a certaine man was there, which had bene diseased eight and thirtie yeeres. When Iesus sawe him lie, and knew that he nowe long time had bene diseased, he saide vnto him, Wilt thou be made whole? The sicke man 7

answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the poole: but while I am comming, another 8 steppeth downe before me. Iesus said vnto him, Rise: take 9 vp thy bed, and walke. And immediatly the man was made whole, and tooke vp his bed, and walked: and the same day 10 was the Sabbath. The Iewes therefore said to him that was made whole, It is the Sabbath day: it is not lawfull for thee 11 to cary thy bed. He answered them, He that made me whole, 12 he said vnto me, Take vp thy bed, and walke. Then asked they him, What man is that which said vnto thee, Take vp 13 thy bed and walke? And he that was healed, knewe not who it was: for Iesus had conueied himselfe away from the mul-14 titude that was in that place. And after that, Iesus founde him in the Temple, and said vnto him, Beholde, thou art made 15 whole: sinne no more, lest a worse thing come vnto thee. The man departed and tolde the Iewes that it was Iesus, which had 16 made him whole. And therefore the Iewes did persecute Iesus. and sought to slay him, because he had done these things on 17 the Sabbath day. But Iesus answered them, My Father wor-18 keth hitherto, and I worke. Therefore the Iewes sought the more to kill him: not onely because he had broken the Sabbath: but said also that God was his Father, and made him-19 selfe equal with God. Then answered Iesus, and said vnto them, Verely, verely I say vnto you, The Sonne can doe nothing of himselfe, saue that he seeth the Father doe: for whatsoeuer things he doth, the same things doeth the Sonne in like maner. 20 For the Father loueth the Sonne, and sheweth him all things, whatsoeuer he himselfe doeth, and he will shewe him greater 21 workes then these, that ye should marueile. For likewise as the Father rayseth vp the dead, and quickeneth them, so the 22 Sonne quickeneth whom he will. For the Father judgeth no 23 man, but hath committed all judgement vnto the Sonne, Because that all men shoulde honour the Sonne, as they honour the Father: he that honoureth not the Sonne, the same hon-24 oureth not the Father, which hath sent him. Verely, verely I say vnto you, he that heareth my worde, and beleeueth him that sent me, hath euerlasting life, and shall not come into 25 condemnation, but hath passed from death vnto life. Verely, verely I say vnto you, the houre shall come, and now is, when the dead shall heare the voyce of the Sonne of God: and they that heare it, shall liue. For as the Father hath life in him- 26 selfe, so likewise hath he given to the Sonne to have life in himselfe, And hath given him power also to execute judgement, 27 in that he is the Sonne of man. Marueile not at this: for the 28 houre shall come, in the which all that are in the graues, shall heare his voyce. And they shall come foorth, that haue done 29 good, vnto ye resurrection of life: but they that have done euil, vnto the resurrection of condemnation. I can doe nothing of 30 mine owne selfe: as I heare, I judge: and my judgement is just, because I seeke not mine owne will, but the will of the Father who hath sent me. If I should beare witnesse of my selfe, my 31 witnesse were not true. There is another that beareth wit- 32 nesse of me, and I know that the witnesse, which he beareth of me, is true. Ye sent vnto Iohn, and he bare witnesse vnto 33 the trueth. But I receive not the record of man: neverthe- 34 lesse these things I say, that ye might be saued. He was a 35 burning, and a shining candle: and ye would for a season haue reioyced in his light. But I haue greater witnesse then the 36 witnesse of Iohn: for the workes which the Father hath given me to finish, the same workes that I doe, beare witnesse of me, that the Father sent me. And the Father himselfe, which hath 37 sent me, beareth witnesse of me. Ye haue not heard his voyce at any time, neither haue ve seene his shape. And his worde 38 haue vou not abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye beleeued not. Searche the Scriptures: for in them ye thinke 39 to have eternall life, and they are they which testifie of me. But ye will not come to me, that ye might have life. I receive 40,41 not the prayse of men. But I know you, that ye have not the 42 loue of God in you. I am come in my Fathers Name, and ye re- 43 ceiue me not: if another shall come in his owne name, him will ye receiue. How can ye beleeue, which receiue honour one of 44 another, and seeke not the honour that commeth of God alone? Doe not thinke that I will accuse you to my Father: there is one 45 that accuseth you, euen Moses, in whom ye trust. For had ye 46 beleeued Moses, ye would have beleeued me: for he wrote of me. But if ye beleeue not his writings, how shall ye beleeue 47 mv wordes?

After these thinges, Iesus went his way ouer the sea of Galile, **6** which is Tiberias. And a great multitude followed him, be- 2 cause they sawe his miracles, which hee did on them that were

Then Iesus went vp into a mountaine, and there 3 diseased. 4 he sate with his disciples. Now the Passeouer, a feast of the 5 Iewes, was neere. Then Iesus lift vp his eyes, and seeing that a great multitude came vnto him, hee sayde vnto Philippe, 6 Whence shall we buy breade, that these might eate? (And this he sayde to prooue him: for hee himselfe knewe what 7 he would doe.) Philippe answered him, Two hundreth penie worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that euery one 8 of them may take a litle. Then saide vnto him one of his 9 disciples, Andrew, Simon Peters brother, There is a little boy heere, which hath fiue barlie loaues, and two fishes: but what 10 are they among so many? And Iesus saide, Make ye people sit downe. (Nowe there was much grasse in that place.) Then 11 the men sate downe in nomber, about five thousande. And Iesus tooke the bread, and gaue thanks, and gaue to the disciples, and the disciples, to them that were set downe: and 12 likewise of the fishes as much as they would. And when they were satisfied, he said vnto his disciples, Gather vp the bro-13 ken meat which remaineth, that nothing be lost. Then they gathered it together, and filled twelue baskets with the broken meat of the fiue barly loaues, which remained vnto them that 14 had eaten. Then the men, when they had seene the miracle that Iesus did, saide, This is of a trueth that Prophet that 15 should come into the world. When Iesus therfore perceived that they would come, and take him to make him a King, hee 16 departed againe into a mountaine himselfe alone. When euen 17 was nowe come, his disciples went downe vnto the sea, And entred into a shippe, and went ouer the sea, towardes Capernaum: and nowe it was darke, and Iesus was not come to them. 18, 19 And the Sea arose with a great winde that blewe. And when they had rowed about fiue and twentie, or thirtie furlongs, they sawe Iesus walking on the sea, and drawing neere vnto the 20 ship: so they were afraide. But he said vnto them, It is I: be Then willingly they received him into the ship, and the ship was by and by at the lande, whither they went. 22 The day following, the people which stoode on the other side of the sea, saw that there was none other ship there, saue that one, whereinto his disciples were entred, and that Iesus went not with his disciples in the ship, but that his disciples were 23 gone alone, And that there came other ships from Tiberias

neere vnto the place where they ate the bread, after the Lord had given thankes. Nowe when the people sawe that Iesus 24 was not there, neither his disciples, they also tooke shipping, and came to Capernaum, seeking for Iesus. And when they 25 had founde him on the other side of the sea, they sayde vnto him, Rabbi, when camest thou hither? Iesus answered them; 26 and sayde, Verely, verely I say vnto you, ye seeke me not because ve sawe the miracles, but because vee ate of ve loaues, and were filled. Labour not for ye meate which perisheth, but 27 for the meate that endureth vnto euerlasting life, which the Sonne of man shall give vnto you: for him hath God the Father sealed. Then sayde they vnto him, What shall we doe, that we 28 might worke the workes of God? Iesus answered, and savde 29 vnto them, This is the woorke of God, that yee beleeue in him, They sayde therefore vnto him, What 30 whome he hath sent. signe shewest thou then, that we may see it, and beleeue thee? what doest thou woorke? Our fathers did eate Manna in the 31 desart, as it is written. Hee gaue them bread from heauen to Then Iesus said vnto them, Verely, verely I say vnto 32 you, Moses gaue you not that bread from heauen, but my Father giveth you that true bread from heaven. For the breade 33 of God is hee which commeth downe from heauen, and giueth life vnto the world. Then they said vnto him, Lord, euermore 34 giue vs this bread. And Iesus saide vnto them, I am that bread 35 of life: he that commeth to me, shall not hunger, and he that beleeueth in me, shall neuer thirst. But I said vnto you, that 36 ye also haue seene me, and beleeue not. All that the Father 37 giueth me, shall come to mee: and him that commeth to me, I cast not away. For I came downe from heauen, not to do 38 mine owne wil, but his wil which hath sent me. And this is 39 the Fathers will which hath sent mee, that of all which hee hath given mee, I should lose nothing, but shoulde raise it vp againe at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent 40 mee, that euery man which seeth the Sonne, and beleeueth in him, should have everlasting life: and I will raise him vp at the last day. The Iewes then murmured at him because 41 hee sayde, I am that bread, which is come downe from heauen. And they said, Is not this Iesus that sonne of Ioseph, whose 42 father and mother wee knowe? howe then sayth he, I came downe from heauen? Iesus then answered, and saide vnto 43 44 them, Murmure not among your selues. No man can come to mee, except the Father, which hath sent mee, drawe him: and I will raise him vp at the last day. It is written in the Prophetes, And they shalbe al taught of God. Euery man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, commeth vnto me: 46 Not that any man hath seene the Father, saue hee which is 47 of God, hee hath seene the Father. Verely, verely I say vnto 48 you, hee that beleeueth in me, hath euerlasting life. I am that 49 bread of life. Your fathers did eate Manna in the wildernesse. This is that breade, which commeth downe 50 and are dead. 51 from heauen, that hee which eateth of it, shoulde not die. I am that liuing breade, which came downe from heauen: if any man eate of this breade, hee shall liue for euer: and the bread that I will giue, is my flesh, which I will giue for the life of Then the Iewes stroue among themselues, say-52 the world. 53 ing. Howe can this man give vs his flesh to eate? Then Iesus saide vnto them, Verely, verely I say vnto you, Except yee eate the flesh of the Sonne of man, and drinke his blood, vee haue 54 no life in you. Whosoeuer eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternall life, and I will raise him vp at the last day. 55 For my flesh is meat in deede, and my blood is drinke in deede. 56 Hee that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in 57 me, and I in him. As that living Father hath sent me, so live I by the Father, and he that eateth me, euen he shall liue by me. 58 This is that bread which came downe from heauen: not as your fathers have eaten Manna, and are deade. Hee that eateth of 59 this bread, shall liue for euer. These things spake he in the 60 Synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum. Many therefore of his disciples (when they heard this) sayde, This is an hard say-61 ing: who can heare it? But Iesus knowing in himselfe, that his disciples murmured at this, saide vnto them, Doeth this offend 62 you? What then if yee should see that Sonne of man ascend 63 vp where he was before? It is the spirite that quickeneth: the flesh profiteth nothing: the woordes that I speake vnto you, 64 are spirite and life. But there are some of you that beleeue not: for Iesus knewe from the beginning, which they were that 65 beleeued not, and who shoulde betray him. And hee saide, Therefore saide I vnto you, that no man can come vnto mee, 66 except it be given vnto him of my Father. From that time, many of his disciples went backe, and walked no more with

him. Then sayde Iesus to the twelue, Will yee also goe away? 67 Then Simon Peter answered him, Master, to whome shall we 68 goe? thou hast the wordes of eternall life: And we beleeue and 69 knowe that thou art that Christ that Sonne of the liuing God. Iesus answered them, Haue not I chosen you twelue, and one 70 of you is a deuill? Now he spake it of Iudas Iscariot the sonne 71 of Simon: for hee it was that shoulde betraie him, though he was one of the twelue.

After these things, Iesus walked in Galile, and woulde not 7 walke in Iudea: for the Iewes sought to kill him. Nowe the 2 Iewes feast of the Tabernacles was at hande. His brethren 3 therefore sayde vnto him, Depart hence, and goe into Iudea, that thy disciples may see thy woorkes that thou doest. For 4 there is no man that doeth any thing secretely, and hee himselfe seeketh to be famous. If thou doest these things, shewe thy selfe to the worlde. For as yet his brethren beleeued not 5 in him. Then Iesus saide vnto them, My time is not yet come: 6 but your time is alway readie. The world can not hate you: but 7 me it hateth, because I testifie of it, that the workes thereof are euill. Go ye vp vnto this feast: I wil not go vp yet vnto 8 this feast: for my time is not yet fulfilled. These things he 9 sayde vnto them, and abode still in Galile. But assoone as his 10 brethren were gone vp, then went hee also vp vnto the feast, not openly, but as it were priuilie. Then the Iewes sought him 11 at the feast, and saide, Where is hee? And much murmuring 12 was there of him among the people. Some said, He is a good man: other sayd, Nay: but he deceiueth the people. beit no man spake openly of him for feare of the Iewes. Nowe 14 when halfe the feast was done, Iesus went vp into the Temple and taught. And the Iewes marueiled, saving, Howe knoweth 15 this man the Scriptures, seeing that hee neuer learned! Iesus 16 answered them, and saide, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me. If any man will doe his will, he shall knowe of 17 the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speake of my Hee that speaketh of himselfe, seeketh his owne glo- 18 rie: but hee that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no vnrighteousnes is in him. Did not Moses giue 19 you a Law, and yet none of you keepeth the lawe? Why goe ye about to kill me? The people answered, and said, Thou 20 hast a deuil: who goeth about to kill thee? Iesus answered, 21

and saide to them, I have done one worke, and ye all maruaile. 22 Moses therefore gaue vnto you circumcision, (not because it is of Moses, but of the fathers) and ye on the Sabbath day circum-23 cise a man. If a man on the Sabbath receive circumcision, that the Lawe of Moses should not be broken, be ye angrie with me, because I haue made a man euery whit whole on the Sabbath 24 day? Iudge not according to the appearance, but iudge righ-25 teous judgement. Then saide some of them of Hierusalem, Is 26 not this he, whom they goe about to kill? And beholde, he speaketh openly, and they say nothing to him: doe the rulers 27 know in deede that this is in deede that Christ? Howbeit we know this man whence he is: but when that Christ com-28 meth, no man shall knowe whence he is. Then cried Iesus in the Temple as hee taught, saying, Ye both knowe mee, and knowe whence I am: yet am I not come of my selfe, but he 29 that sent me, is true, whome ye knowe not. But I knowe him: 30 for I am of him, and he hath sent me. Then they sought to take him, but no man layde handes on him, because his houre 31 was not yet come. Now many of the people beleeued in him, and said, When that Christ commeth, will he doe moe mira-32 cles then this man hath done? The Pharises heard that the people murmured these thinges of him, and the Pharises, and 33 high Priestes sent officers to take him. Then saide Iesus vnto them, Yet am I a little while with you, and then goe I vnto him 34 that sent mee. Ye shall seeke me, and shall not finde me, and 35 where I am, can ye not come. Then saide the Iewes amongs themselues, Whither will he goe, that we shall not finde him? Will he goe vnto them that are dispersed among the Grecians, 36 and teache the Grecians? What saying is this that hee saide, Ye shall seeke mee, and shall not finde mee? and where I am, 37 cannot ve come? Nowe in the last and great day of the feast, Iesus stoode and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come 38 vnto me, and drinke. Hee that beleeueth in mee, as saith the Scripture, out of his bellie shall flowe rivers of water of life. 39 (This spake hee of the Spirite which they that beleeued in him, should receive: for the holy Ghost was not yet given, because 40 that Iesus was not yet glorified.) So many of the people, when they heard this saying, said, Of a trueth this is that Prophet. 41 Other saide, This is that Christ: and some said, But shall that 42 Christ come out of Galile? Saith not the Scripture that that

Christ shall come of the seede of Dauid, and out of the towne of Beth-leem, where Dauid was? So was there dissension among 43 the people for him. And some of them would have taken him, 44 but no man layde handes on him. Then came the officers to 45 the hie Priests and Pharises, and they said vnto them, Why have ye not brought him? The officers answered, Neuer man 46 spake like this man. Then answered them the Pharises, Are 47 yee also deceived? Doeth any of the rulers, or of the Pharises 48 beleeve in him? But this people, which know not the Law, are 49 cursed. Nicodemus said vnto them, (he that came to Iesus by 50 night, and was one of them.) Doth our Law iudge a man before 51 it heare him, and knowe what he hath done? They answered, 52 and said vnto him, Art thou also of Galile? Searche and looke: for out of Galile ariseth no Prophet. And every man wet vnto 53 his owne house.

And Iesus went vnto the mount of Oliues, And early in the 8, 2 morning came againe into the Temple, and all the people came vnto him, and he sate downe, and taught them. Scribes, and the Pharises brought vnto him a woman, taken in adulterie, and set her in the middes, And said vnto him, Mas- 4 ter, we foud this woman committing adulterie, euen in the very acte. Now Moses in our Law commanded, that such should be 5 stoned: what sayest thou therefore? And this they saide to 6 tempt him, that they might haue, whereof to accuse him. But Iesus stouped downe, and with his finger wrote on the groud. And while they continued asking him, hee lift himselfe vp, and 7 sayde vnto them, Let him that is among you without sinne, cast the first stone at her. And againe hee stouped downe, and 8 wrote on the ground. And when they heard it, being accused 9 by their owne conscience, they went out one by one, beginning at ye eldest euen to the last: so Iesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the mids. When Iesus had lift vp him- 10 selfe againe, and sawe no man, but the woman, hee saide vnto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee? She said, No man, Lord. And Iesus said, 11 Neither do I condemne thee: go and sinne no more. Then 12 spake Iesus againe vnto them, saying, I am that light of the worlde: hee that followeth mee, shall not walke in darkenes, but shall have that light of life. The Pharises therefore saide 13 vnto him. Thou bearest recorde of thy selfe: thy recorde is not

14 true. Iesus answered, and sayde vnto them, Though I beare recorde of my selfe, yet my recorde is true: for I know whence I came, and whither I go: but ye cannot tell whence I come, 15 and whither I goe. Ye iudge after the flesh: I iudge no man. 16 And if I also iudge, my iudgement is true: for I am not alone, 17 but I, and the Father, that sent mee. And it is also written 18 in your Lawe, that the testimonie of two men is true. I am one that beare witnes of my selfe, and the Father that sent 19 me, beareth witnes of me. Then saide they vnto him, Where is that Father of thine? Iesus answered, Ye neither know me, nor that Father of mine. If ye had knowen me, ye should haue 20 knowen that Father of mine also. These wordes spake Iesus in the treasurie, as hee taught in the Temple, and no man layde 21 handes on him: for his houre was not yet come. Then saide Iesus againe vnto them, I goe my way, and ye shall seeke me, and shall die in your sinnes, Whither I goe, can ye not come. 22 Then said the Iewes, Will he kill himselfe, because he saith, 23 Whither I goe, can ye not come? And hee saide vnto them, Ye are from beneath, I am from aboue: ye are of this world, I am 24 not of this worlde. I said therefore vnto you, That ye shall die in your sinnes: for except ye beleeue, that I am he, ye shall die 25 in your sinnes. Then saide they vnto him, Who art thou? And Iesus saide vnto them, Euen the same thing that I said vnto 26 you from the beginning. I have many things to say, and to iudge of you: but he that sent me, is true, and the things that 27 I have heard of him, those speake I to the world. They vnder-28 stoode not that hee spake to them of the Father. Iesus vnto them, When ye haue lift vp the Sonne of man, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I doe nothing of my selfe, but as my Father hath taught me, so I speake these things. 29 For he that sent me, is with me: the Father hath not left me 30 alone, because I do alwayes those things that please him. As 31 hee spake these thinges, many beleeued in him. Then saide Iesus to the Iewes which beleeued in him, If ye continue in my 32 worde, ye are verely my disciples, And shall know the trueth, 33 and the trueth shall make you free. They answered him, Wee be Abrahams seede, and were neuer bonde to any man: why 34 sayest thou then, Ye shalbe made free? Iesus answered them, Verely, verely I say vnto you, that whosoeuer committeth sinne, 35 is the servant of sinne. And the servant abideth not in the house for euer: but the Sonne abideth for euer. If that Sonne 36 therefore shall make you free, ye shalbe free in deede. I know 37 that ye are Abrahams seede, but yee seeke to kill mee, because my worde hath no place in you. I speake that which I haue 38 seene with my Father: and ye doe that which ye haue seene with your father. They answered, and saide vnto him, Abra- 39 ham is our father. Iesus said vnto them, If ye were Abrahams children, ve woulde doe the workes of Abraham. But nowe 40 ye goe about to kill mee, a man that haue told you the trueth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham. Ye do the 41 workes of your father. Then said they to him. We are not borne of fornication: we have one Father, which is God. Therefore 42 Iesus sayde vnto them, If God were your Father, then woulde ve loue mee: for I proceeded foorth, and came from God, neither came I of my selfe, but he sent me. Why doe ye not vnder- 43 stande my talke? because ye cannot heare my worde. Ye are 44 of your father the deuill, and the lustes of your father ve will doe: hee hath bene a murtherer from the beginning, and abode not in the trueth, because there is no trueth in him. When hee speaketh a lie, then speaketh hee of his owne: for he is a liar, and the father thereof. And because I tell you the trueth, yee 45 beleeue me not. Which of you can rebuke me of sinne? and if 46 I say the trueth, why do ye not believe me? He that is of God, 47 heareth Gods wordes: yee therefore heare them not, because ye are not of God. Then answered the Iewes, and said vnto 48 him, Say we not well that thou art a Samaritane, and hast a deuil? Iesus answered, I haue not a deuil, but I honour my Fa- 49 ther, and ve haue dishonoured me. And I seeke not mine owne 50 praise: but there is one that seeketh it, and judgeth. Verely, 51 verely I say vnto you, If a man keepe my word, he shall neuer Then said the Iewes to him, Now know we that 52 thou hast a deuill. Abraham is dead, and the Prophets: and thou sayest, If a man keepe my worde, he shall neuer taste of death. Art thou greater then our father Abraham, which 53 is dead? and the Prophets are dead: whome makest thou thy selfe? Iesus answered, If I honour my selfe, mine honour is 54 nothing worth: it is my Father that honoureth me, whome ye say, that hee is your God. Yet ye haue not knowen him: but 55 I knowe him, and if I should say I know him not, I should be a liar like vnto you: but I knowe him, and keepe his worde.

Your father Abraham reioyced to see my day, and he sawe it,
and was glad. Then sayd ye Iewes vnto him, Thou art not yet
fiftie yeere olde, and hast thou seene Abraham? Iesus sayd vnto them, Verely, verely I say vnto you, before Abraham was,
I am. Then tooke they vp stones, to cast at him, but Iesus hid himselfe, and went out of the Temple: And hee passed through the middes of them, and so went his way.

And as Iesus passed by, he sawe a man which was blinde 9 2 from his birth. And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sinne, this man, or his parents, that he was borne 3 blinde? Iesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents, but that the workes of God should be shewed on 4 him. I must worke the workes of him that sent me, while it 5 is day: the night commeth when no man can worke. As long 6 as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. Assoone as he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spettle, and anointed the eyes of the blinde with the clay, 7 And sayd vnto him, Go wash in the poole of Siloam (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, 8 and came againe seeing. Nowe the neighbours and they that had seene him before, when he was blinde, sayd, Is not this 9 he that sate and begged? Some said, This is he: and other 10 sayd, He is like him: but he himselfe sayd, I am he. 11 fore they sayd vnto him, Howe were thine eyes opened? He answered, and sayd, The man that is called Iesus, made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and sayde vnto me, Goe to the poole of Siloam and wash. So I went and washed, and received sight. 12 Then they sayd vnto him, Where is he? He sayd, I can not 13 tell. They brought to the Pharises him that was once blinde. 14 And it was the Sabbath day, when Iesus made the clay, and 15 opened his eyes. Then againe the Pharises also asked him, how he had received sight. And hee sayd vnto them, He layd 16 clay vpon mine eyes, and I washed, and doe see. Then said some of the Pharises, This man is not of God, because he keepeth not the Sabbath day. Others sayd, Howe can a man that is a sinner, doe such miracles? and there was a dissension 17 among them. Then spake they vnto the blinde againe, What sayest thou of him, because he hath opened thine eyes? And 18 he sayd, He is a Prophet. Then the Iewes did not beleeue him (that he had bene blinde, and received his sight) vntill they had called the parents of him that had received sight. And they asked them, saying, Is this your sonne, whom ye say 19 was borne blinde? How doeth he nowe see then? His par- 20 ents answered them, and sayd, We know that this is our sonne, and that he was borne blinde: But by what meanes hee nowe 21 seeth, we know not: or who hath opened his eyes, can we not tell: he is olde ynough: aske him: hee shall answere for himselfe. These wordes spake his parents, because they feared 22 the Iewes: for the Iewes had ordeined already, that if any man did confesse that he was Christ, he should be excommunicate Therefore sayde his parents, Hee is 23 out of the Synagogue. olde ynough: aske him. Then againe called they the man that 24 had bene blinde, and sayd vnto him, Giue glory vnto God: we know that this man is a sinner. Then he answered, and sayd, 25 Whether hee be a sinner or no, I can not tell: one thing I know, that I was blinde, and nowe I see. Then sayd they to him 26 againe. What did he to thee? howe opened he thine eyes? Hee 27 answered them, I have tolde you already, and yee have not heard it: wherefore would vee heare it againe? will vee also be his disciples? Then reuiled they him, and sayd, Be thou 28 his disciple: we be Moses disciples. We know that God spake 29 with Moses: but this man we know not from whence he is. The man answered, and sayde vnto them, Doutlesse, this is a 30 marueilous thing, that ye know not whence he is, and yet he hath opened mine eyes. Now we know that God heareth not 31 sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him heareth he. Since the world began, was it not heard, 32 that any man opened the eyes of one that was borne blinde. If 33 this man were not of God, hee could have done nothing. They 34 answered, and sayd vnto him, Thou art altogether borne in sinnes, and doest thou teach vs? so they cast him out. Iesus 35 heard that they had cast him out: and when he had found him, he sayd vnto him, Doest thou beleeue in the Sonne of God? He 36 answered, and sayd, Who is he, Lord, that I might beleeue in him? And Iesus sayd vnto him, Both thou hast seene him, and 37 he it is that talketh with thee. Then he sayd, Lord, I beleeue, 38 and worshipped him. And Iesus sayd, I am come vnto iudge- 39 ment into this world, that they which see not, might see: and that they which see, might be made blinde. And some of the 40 Pharises which were with him, heard these things, and sayd

vnto him, Are we blinde also? Iesus sayd vnto them, If ye were blinde, ye should not haue sinne: but nowe ye say, We see: therefore your sinne remaineth.

10 Verely, verely I say vnto you, Hee that entreth not in by the doore into the sheepefolde, but climeth vp another way, he is 2 a theefe and a robber. But he that goeth in by the doore, is 3 the shepheard of the sheepe. To him the porter openeth, and the sheepe heare his voyce, and he calleth his owne sheepe by 4 name, and leadeth them out. And when hee hath sent foorth his owne sheepe, he goeth before them, and the sheepe fol-5 low him: for they know his voyce. And they will not follow a stranger, but they flee from him: for they know not the voyce 6 of strangers. This parable spake Iesus vnto them: but they vnderstoode not what things they were which he spake vnto 7 them. Then sayd Iesus vnto them againe, Verely, verely I say 8 vnto you, I am that doore of the sheepe. All, that euer came before me, are theeues and robbers: but the sheepe did not 9 heare them. I am that doore: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saued, and shall go in, and go out, and finde pasture. 10 The theefe commeth not, but for to steale, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and have it in 11 abundance. I am that good shepheard: that good shepheard 12 giueth his life for his sheepe. But an hireling, and hee which is not the shepheard, neither the sheepe are his owne, seeth the wolfe comming, and hee leaueth the sheepe, and fleeth, 13 and the wolfe catcheth them, and scattreth the sheepe. So the hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the 14 sheepe. I am that good shepheard, and knowe mine, and am 15 knowen of mine. As the Father knoweth me, so know I the 16 Father: and I lay downe my life for my sheepe. Other sheepe I have also, which are not of this folde: them also must I bring, and they shall heare my voyce: and there shalbe one sheepe-17 folde, and one shepheard. Therefore doeth my Father loue me, 18 because I lay downe my life, that I might take it againe. No man taketh it from me, but I lay it downe of my selfe: I haue power to lay it downe, and haue power to take it againe: this 19 commandement haue I received of my Father. Then there was 20 a dissension againe among the Iewes for these sayings, And many of them sayd, He hath a deuill, and is mad: why heare ye 21 him? Other sayd, These are not the wordes of him that hath a deuill: can the deuill open the eyes of the blinde? And it was 22 at Hierusalem the feast of the Dedication, and it was winter. And Iesus walked in the Temple, in Salomons porche. Then 23, 24 came the Iewes round about him, and sayd vnto him, Howe long doest thou make vs dout? If thou be that Christ, tell vs plainely. Iesus answered them, I tolde you, and ye beleeue 25 not: the workes that I doe in my Fathers Name, they beare witnes of me. But ye believe not: for ye are not of my sheepe, 26 as I sayd vnto you. My sheepe heare my voyce, and I knowe 27 them, and they follow me, And I giue vnto them eternall life, 28 and they shall neuer perish, neither shall any plucke them out of mine hand. My Father which gaue them me, is greater then 29 all, and none is able to take them out of my Fathers hand. I 30 and my Father are one. Then ye Iewes againe tooke vp stones, 31 to stone him. Iesus answered them, Many good workes haue 32 I shewed you from my Father: for which of these workes doe ve stone me? The Iewes answered him, saying, For the good 33 worke we stone thee not, but for blasphemie, and that thou being a man, makest thy selfe God. Iesus answered them, Is it 34 not written in your Lawe, I sayd, Ye are gods? If hee called 35 them gods, vnto whome the worde of God was given, and the Scripture cannot be broken, Say ye of him, whome the Father 36 hath sanctified, and sent into the worlde. Thou blasphemest, because I said, I am the Sonne of God? If I doe not the workes 37 of my Father, beleeue me not. But if I doe, then though ye 38 beleeue not mee, yet beleeue the workes, that ye may knowe and beleeue, that the Father is in me, and I in him. Againe 39 they went about to take him: but he escaped out of their handes, And went againe beyonde Iordan, into the place where 40 Iohn first baptized, and there abode. And many resorted vnto 41 him, and saide, Iohn did no miracle: but all thinges that Iohn spake of this man, were true. And many beleeued in him 42 there.

And a certaine man was sicke, named Lazarus of Bethania, the towne of Marie, and her sister Martha. (And it was 2 that Mary which anointed the Lord with oyntment, and wiped his feete with her heare, whose brother Lazarus was sicke.) Therefore his sisters sent vnto him, saying, Lord, beholde, he 3 whome thou louest, is sicke. When Iesus heard it, he saide, 4 This sickenes is not vnto death, but for the glorie of God, that

5 the Sonne of God might be glorified thereby. Nowe Iesus loued 6 Martha and her sister, and Lazarus. And after he had heard that he was sicke, yet abode hee two dayes still in the same 7 place where he was. Then after that, said he to his disciples, 8 Let vs goe into Iudea againe. The disciples saide vnto him, Master, the Iewes lately sought to stone thee, and doest thou 9 goe thither againe? Iesus answered, Are there not twelue houres in the day? If a man walke in the day, hee stumbleth 10 not, because he seeth the light of this world. But if a man walke in the night, hee stumbleth, because there is no light 11 in him. These things spake he, and after, he said vnto them, 12 Our friend Lazarus sleepeth: but I goe to wake him vp. Then 13 said his disciples, Lord, if he sleepe, he shalbe safe. Howbeit, Iesus spake of his death: but they thought that he had spoken 14 of the naturall sleepe. Then saide Iesus vnto them plainely, 15 Lazarus is dead. And I am glad for your sakes, that I was not 16 there, that ye may beleeue: but let vs go vnto him. Then saide Thomas (which is called Didymus) vnto his felow disciples, Let 17 vs also goe, that we may die with him. Then came Iesus, and found that he had lien in the graue foure dayes alreadie. 18 (Nowe Bethania was neere vnto Hierusalem, about fifteene fur-19 longs off.) And many of ye Iewes were come to Martha and 20 Marie to comfort them for their brother. Then Martha, when shee heard that Iesus was comming, went to meete him: but 21 Mary sate still in the house. Then said Martha vnto Iesus, Lord, if thou hadst bene here, my brother had not bene dead. 22 But now I know also, that whatsoeuer thou askest of God, 23 God will giue it thee. Iesus said vnto her, Thy brother shall 24 rise againe. Martha said vnto him, I know that he shall rise 25 againe in the resurrection at the last day. Iesus saide vnto her, I am the resurrection and the life: he that beleeueth in me, 26 though he were dead, yet shall he liue. And whosoeuer liueth, and beleeueth in me, shall neuer die: Beleeuest thou this? 27 She said vnto him, Yea, Lord, I beleeue that thou art that Christ that Sonne of God, which should come into the world. 28 And when she had so saide, she went her way, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Master is come, and calleth for And when she heard it, shee arose quickly, and came 30 vnto him. For Iesus was not yet come into the towne, but was 31 in the place where Martha met him. The Iewes then which

were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they sawe Marie, that she rose vp hastily, and went out, followed her, saying. She goeth vnto the graue, to weepe there. Then 32 when Mary was come where Iesus was, and sawe him, she fell downe at his feete, saying vnto him, Lord, if thou haddest bene here, my brother had not bene dead. When Iesus therefore 33 saw her weepe, and the Iewes also weepe which came with her, hee groned in the spirit, and was troubled in himselfe. And 34 saide, Where haue ye layde him? They said vnto him, Lord, come and see. And Iesus wept. Then saide the Iewes, Be- 35, 36 holde, how he loued him. And some of them saide, Coulde 37 not he, which opened the eyes of the blinde, haue made also, that this man should not have died? Iesus therefore againe 38 groned in himselfe, and came to the graue. And it was a caue, and a stone was layde vpon it. Iesus saide, Take ye away the 39 stone. Martha the sister of him that was dead, said vnto him. Lord, he stinketh alreadie: for he hath bene dead foure daves. Iesus saide vnto her, Saide I not vnto thee, that if thou did- 40 dest beleeue, thou shouldest see the glorie of God? Then they 41 tooke away the stone from the place where the dead was layde. And Iesus lift vp his eyes, and saide, Father, I thanke thee, because thou hast heard me. I know that thou hearest me. 42 alwayes, but because of the people that stand by, I said it, that they may believe, that thou hast sent me. As hee had spo- 43 ken these things, hee cried with a loude voyce, Lazarus, come foorth. Then he that was dead, came forth, bound hande and 44 foote with bandes, and his face was bound with a napkin. Iesus said vnto them, Loose him, and let him goe. Then many of the 45 Iewes, which came to Mary, and had seene the thinges, which Iesus did, beleeued in him. But some of them went their way 46 to the Pharises, and told them what things Iesus had done. Then gathered the hie Priests, and the Pharises a councill, 47 and said, What shall we doe? For this man doeth many miracles. If we let him thus alone, all men will beleeue in him, and 48 the Romanes will come and take away both our place, and the nation. Then one of them named Caiaphas, which was the 49 hie Priest that same yere, said vnto them, Ye perceiue nothing at all, Nor yet doe you consider that it is expedient for 50 vs, that one man die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not. This spake hee not of himselfe: but being 51

hie Priest that same yere, he prophecied that Iesus should die
for that nation: And not for that nation onely, but that he
shoulde gather together in one the children of God, which were
scattered. Then from that day foorth they consulted together,
to put him to death. Iesus therefore walked no more openly
among the Iewes, but went thence vnto a countrey neere to
the wildernes, into a citic called Ephraim, and there continued
with his disciples. And the Iewes Passeouer was at hande,
and many went out of the countrey vp to Hierusalem before the
Passeouer, to purifie themselues. Then sought they for Iesus,
and spake among themselues, as they stoode in the Temple,
What thinke ye, that he cometh not to the feast? Now both
the high Priestes and the Pharises had giuen a commandement, that if any man knew where he were, he should shew it,
that they might take him.

Then Iesus, sixe dayes before the Passeouer, came to Betha-

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nia, where Lazarus was, who died, whom he had raised from 2 the dead. There they made him a supper, and Martha serued: but Lazarus was one of them that sate at the table with him. 3 Then tooke Mary a pound of syntment of Spikenarde very costly, and anoynted Iesus feete, and wiped his feete with her heare, 4 and the house was filled with the sauour of the oyntment. Then said one of his disciples, euen Iudas Iscariot Simons sonne, 5 which should betray him: Why was not this oyntment sold 6 for three hundreth pence, and given to the poore? Nowe he said this, not that he cared for the poore, but because hee was a theefe, and had the bagge, and bare that which was given. 7 Then said Iesus, Let her alone: against the day of my burying 8 she kept it. For the poore alwayes yee haue with you, but me 9 ye shall not have alwayes. Then much people of the Iewes knewe that hee was there: and they came, not for Iesus sake onely, but that they might see Lazarus also, whome he had 10 raysed from the dead. The hie Priestes therefore consulted, 11 that they might put Lazarus to death also, Because that for his sake many of the Iewes went away, and beleeued in Iesus. 12 On the morowe a great multitude that were come to the feast, 13 when they heard that Iesus should come to Hierusalem, Tooke branches of palme trees, and went foorth to meete him, and cried, Hosanna, Blessed is the King of Israel that commeth in 14 the Name of the Lord. And Iesus found a yong asse, and sate

thereon, as it is written, Feare not, daughter of Sion: behold, 15 thy King commeth sitting on an asses colte. But his disci- 16 ples vnderstoode not these thinges at the first: but when Iesus was glorified, then remembred they, that these thinges were written of him, and that they had done these things vnto him. The people therefore that was with him, bare witnesse that hee 17 called Lazarus out of the graue, and raised him from the dead. Therefore mette him the people also, because they heard that 18 he had done this miracle. And the Pharises said among them- 19 selues, Perceiue ye howe ye preuaile nothing? Beholde, the worlde goeth after him. Nowe there were certaine Greekes 20 among them that came vp to worship at the feast. And they 21 came to Philippe, which was of Bethsaida in Galile, and desired him, saving, Syr, we would see that Iesus. Philippe came and 22 tolde Andrew: and againe Andrew and Philippe tolde Iesus. And Iesus answered them, saying, The houre is come, that the 23 Sonne of man must bee glorified. Verely, verely I say vnto 24 you, Except the wheate corne fall into the grounde and die, it bideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth foorth much fruite. He 25 that loueth his life, shall lose it, and he that hateth his life in this world, shall keepe it vnto life eternall. If any man 26 serue me, let him follow me: for where I am, there shall also my seruant be: and if any man serue me, him will my Father honour. Now is my soule troubled: and what shall I say? Fa- 27 ther, saue me from this houre: but therefore came I vnto this Father, glorifie thy Name. Then came there a voyce 28 from heauen, saying, I haue both glorified it, and will glorifie it againe. Then saide the people that stoode by, and heard, that 29 it was a thunder: other said, An Angel spake to him. Iesus an- 30 swered, and said, This voyce came not because of me, but for your sakes. Now is the judgement of this world: nowe shall 31 the prince of this world be cast out. And I, if I were lift vp from 32 the earth, will drawe all men vnto me. Nowe this sayd he, sig- 33 nifying what death he should die. The people answered him, 34 We have heard out of the Law, that that Christ bideth for euer: and howe sayest thou, that that Sonne of man must be lift vp? Who is that Sonne of man? Then Iesus sayd vnto them, Yet 35 a litle while is the light with you: walke while ye haue that light, lest the darkenes come vpon you: for hee that walketh in the darke, knoweth not whither he goeth. While ye haue that 36

light, beleeue in that light, that ye may be the children of the light. These things spake Iesus, and departed, and hid him-37 selfe from them. And though he had done so many miracles 38 before them, yet beleeued they not on him, That the saying of Esaias the Prophete might be fulfilled, that he sayd, Lord, who beleeued our report? and to whome is the arme of the 39 Lord reueiled? Therefore could they not beleeue, because that 40 Esaias saith againe, He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart, that they shoulde not see with their eyes, nor vnderstand with their heart, and should be conuerted, and I 41 should heale them. These things sayd Esaias when he sawe 42 his glory, and spake of him. Neuertheles, euen among the chiefe rulers, many beleeued in him: but because of the Pharises they did not confesse him, least they should be cast out 43 of the Synagogue. For they loued the prayse of men, more 44 then the prayse of God. And Iesus cryed, and sayd, He that beleeueth in me, beleeueth not in me, but in him that sent me. 45,46 And he that seeth me, seeth him that sent me. I am come a light into the world, that whosoeuer beleeueth in me, should 47 not abide in darkenes. And if any man heare my wordes, and beleeue not, I iudge him not: for I came not to iudge the world, 48 but to saue the world. He that refuseth me, and receiveth not my wordes, hath one that judgeth him: the worde that I haue 49 spoken, it shall judge him in the last day. For I have not spoken of my selfe: but the Father which sent me, hee gaue me a commandement what I should say, and what I should speake. 50 And I knowe that his commandement is life euerlasting: the thinges therefore that I speake, I speake them so as the Father sayde vnto me.

Nowe before the feast of the Passeouer, when Iesus knewe that his houre was come, that he should depart out of this world vnto the Father, forasmuch as he loued his owne which were in the world, vnto the end he loued them. And when supper was done (and that the deuill had now put in the heart of Iudas Iscariot, Simons sonne, to betray him) Iesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come forth from God, and went to God, He riseth from supper, and layeth aside his vpper garments, and tooke a towel, and girded himselfe. After that, hee powred water into a basen, and began to wash the disciples feete, and to

wipe them with the towell, wherewith he was girded. Then 6 came he to Simon Peter, who sayd to him, Lord, doest thou wash my feete? Iesus answered and sayd vnto him, What I 7 doe, thou knowest not nowe: but thou shalt knowe it hereafter. Peter said vnto him, Thou shalt neuer wash my feete. Iesus 8 answered him, If I wash thee not, thou shalt have no part with me. Simon Peter sayd vnto him, Lord, not my feete onely, but 9 also the hands and the head. Iesus sayd to him, He that is 10 washed, needeth not, saue to wash his feete, but is cleane euery whit: and ye are cleane, but not all. For hee knewe who 11 should betray him: therefore sayd he, Ye are not all cleane. So 12 after he had washed their feete, and had taken his garments, and was set downe againe, he sayd vnto them, Knowe ye what I have done to you? Ye call me Master, and Lord, and ye say 13 well: for so am I. If I then your Lord, and Master, haue washed 14 vour feete, ve also ought to wash one an others feete. For I  $_{15}$ haue giuen you an example, that ye should doe, euen as I haue done to you. Verely, verely I say vnto you, The seruant is not 16 greater then his master, neither the ambassadour greater then he that sent him. If ye know these things, blessed are ye, if ye 17 doe them. I speake not of you all: I know whom I have chosen: 18 but it is that the Scripture might be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with me, hath lift vp his heele against me. From hence- 19 forth tell I you before it come, that when it is come to passe, ye might beleeue that I am he. Verely, verely I say vnto you, If 20 I send any, he that receiveth him, receiveth me, and hee that receiueth me, receiueth him that sent me. When Iesus had 21 sayd these things, he was troubled in the Spirit, and testified, and said, Verely, verely I say vnto you, that one of you shall betray me. Then the disciples looked one on another, doubting 22 of whom he spake. Nowe there was one of his disciples, which 23 leaned on Iesus bosome, whom Iesus loued. To him beckened 24 therefore Simon Peter, that he should aske who it was of whom he spake. He then, as he leaned on Iesus breast, saide vnto 25 him, Lord, who is it? Iesus answered, He it is, to whome I 26 shall give a soppe, when I have dipt it: and hee wet a soppe, and gaue it to Iudas Iscariot, Simons sonne. And after the 27 soppe, Satan entred into him. Then sayd Iesus vnto him, That thou doest, doe quickly. But none of them that were at table, 28 knew, for what cause he spake it vnto him. For some of them 29

thought because Iudas had the bag, that Iesus had sayd vnto him, Buy those things that we have neede of against ye feast: 30 or that he should give some thing to the poore. Assoone then as he had received the soppe, he went immediately out, and it 31 was night. When hee was gone out, Iesus sayd, Nowe is the 32 Sonne of man glorified, and God is glorified in him. be glorified in him, God shall also glorifie him in himselfe, and 33 shall straightway glorifie him. Litle children, yet a litle while am I with you: ye shall seeke me, but as I sayde vnto the Iewes, 34 Whither I goe, can ye not come: also to you say I nowe, A newe commandement giue I vnto you, that ye loue one another: as I 35 haue loued you, that ye also loue one another. By this shall all men knowe that ye are my disciples, if ye haue loue one to an-36 other. Simon Peter said vnto him, Lord, whither goest thou? Iesus answered him, Whither I goe, thou canst not follow me 37 nowe: but thou shalt follow me afterward. Peter sayd vnto him, Lord, why can I not follow thee now? I will lay downe my 38 life for thy sake. Iesus answered him, Wilt thou lay downe thy life for my sake? Verely, verely I say vnto thee, The cocke shall not crowe, till thou have denied me thrise.

Let not your heart be troubled: ye beleeue in God, beleeue 14 2 also in me. In my Fathers house are many dwelling places: if it were not so, I would have tolde you: I go to prepare a 3 place for you. And if I go to prepare a place for you, I wil come againe, and receiue you vnto my selfe, that where I am, 4 there may ye be also. And whither I go, ye know, and the 5 way ye knowe. Thomas sayd vnto him, Lord, we know not 6 whither thou goest: how can we then know ye way? Iesus sayd vnto him, I am that Way, and that Trueth, and that Life. No 7 man commeth vnto the Father, but by me. If ye had knowen mee, ye should haue knowen my Father also: and from hence-8 forth ye know him, and haue seene him. Philippe sayd vnto 9 him, Lord, shewe vs thy Father, and it sufficeth vs. sayd vnto him, I haue bene so long time with you, and hast thou not knowen mee, Philippe? he that hath seene me, hath seene my Father: how then sayest thou, Shewe vs thy Father? 10 Beleeuest thou not, that I am in the Father, and the Father is in me? The wordes that I speake vnto you, I speake not of my selfe: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the workes. 11 Beleeue me, that I am in the Father, and the Father is in me: at the least, beleeue me for the very workes sake. Verely, verely 12 I say vnto you, he that beleeueth in me, the workes that I doe, hee shall doe also, and greater then these shall he doe: for I goe vnto my Father. And whatsoeuer ye aske in my Name, that 13 will I doe, that the Father may be glorified in the Sonne. If ye 14 shall aske any thing in my Name, I will doe it. If ye loue me, 15 keepe my comandements, And I wil pray the Father, and he 16 shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for euer, Euen the Spirit of trueth, whome the world can not 17 receiue, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ve knowe him: for he dwelleth with you, and shalbe in you. I 18 will not leave you fatherles: but I will come to you. Yet a litle 19 while, and the world shall see me no more, but ye shall see me: because I liue, ve shall liue also. At that day shall ve knowe 20 that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. He that 21 hath my commandements, and keepeth them, is he that loueth me: and he that loueth me, shall be loued of my Father: and I will loue him, and wil shewe mine owne selfe to him. Iudas 22 sayd vnto him (not Iscariot) Lord, what is the cause that thou wilt shewe thy selfe vnto vs, and not vnto the world? Iesus an- 23 swered, and sayd vnto him, If any man loue me, he will keepe my worde, and my Father will loue him, and we wil come vnto him, and wil dwell with him. He that loueth me not, keep- 24 eth not my wordes, and the worde which ye heare, is not mine, but the Fathers which sent me. These things haue I spoken 25 vnto you, being present with you. But the Comforter, which 26 is the holy Ghost, whom the Father wil send in my Name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, which I have tolde you. Peace I leave with you: my 27 peace I giue vnto you: not as the worlde giueth, giue I vnto you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor feare. Ye haue heard 28 howe I saide vnto you, I goe away, and will come vnto you. If ye loued me, ye would verely reioyce, because I said, I goe vnto the Father: for the Father is greater then I. And now haue I spo- 29 ken vnto you, before it come, that when it is come to passe, ye might beleeue. Hereafter will I not speake many things vnto 30 you: for the prince of this world commeth, and hath nought in me. But it is that the world may knowe that I loue my Father: 31 and as the Father hath commanded me, so I doe. Arise, let vs goe hence.

15 I Am that true vine, and my Father is that husband man. 2 Euery branch that beareth not fruite in me, he taketh away: and euery one that beareth fruite, he purgeth it, that it may 3 bring forth more fruite. Nowe are ye cleane through the worde, 4 which I haue spoken vnto you. Abide in me, and I in you: as the branche cannot beare fruite of it selfe, except it abide in 5 the vine, no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am that vine: ye are the branches: he that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruite: for without me can 6 ye doe nothing. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branche, and withereth: and men gather them, and cast 7 them into the fire, and they burne. If ye abide in me, and my wordes abide in you, aske what ye wil, and it shalbe done to 8 you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye beare much fruite, 9 and be made my disciples. As the father hath loued me, so 10 haue I loued you: continue in that my loue. If ye shall keepe my commandements, ye shall abide in my loue, as I haue kept 11 my Fathers commandements, and abide in his loue. things haue I spoken vnto you, that my ioy might remaine in 12 you, and that your ioy might be full. This is my commande-13 ment, that ye loue one another, as I haue loued you. Greater loue then this hath no man, when any man bestoweth his life 14 for his friendes. Ye are my friendes, if ye doe whatsoeuer I 15 commaund vou. Henceforth call I you not seruants: for the seruant knoweth not what his master doeth: but I haue called you friends: for all things that I have heard of my Father, have 16 I made knowen to you. Ye haue not chosen me, but I haue chosen you, and ordeined you, that ye goe and bring foorth fruite, and that your fruite remaine, that whatsoeuer ye shall aske 17 of the Father in my Name, he may give it you. These things 18 commaund I you, that ye loue one another. If the worlde hate 19 you, ye knowe that it hated me before you. If ye were of the worlde, the world woulde loue his owne: but because ye are not of ye world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore 20 the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said vnto you, The seruant is not greater then his master. If they have persecuted me, they will persecute you also: if they have kept 21 my worde, they will also keepe yours. But all these things will they doe vnto you for my Names sake, because they have not 22 knowen him that sent me. If I had not come and spoken vnto

them, they shoulde not haue had sinne: but nowe haue they no cloke for their sinne. He that hateth me, hateth my Fa-23 ther also. If I had not done workes among them which none 24 other man did, they had not had sinne: but nowe haue they both seene, and haue hated both me, and my Father. But it is 25 that the worde might be fulfilled, that is written in their Lawe, They hated me without a cause. But when that Comforter 26 shall come, whom I will send vnto you from the Father, euen the Spirit of trueth, which proceedeth of the Father, he shall testifie of me. And ye shall witnesse also, because ye haue 27 bene with me from the beginning.

These thinges haue I saide vnto you, that ye should not be 16 offended. They shall excommunicate you: yea, the time shall 2 come, that whosoeuer killeth you, will thinke that he doeth God seruice. And these things will they doe vnto you, because 3 they have not knowen ye Father, nor me. But these things 4 haue I tolde you, that when the houre shall come, ve might remember, that I tolde you them. And these things said I not vnto you from ye beginning, because I was with you. But now 5 I go my way to him that sent me, and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? But because I have saide these thinges 6 vnto you, your hearts are full of sorowe. Yet I tell you the 7 trueth, It is expedient for you that I goe away: for if I goe not away, that Comforter will not come vnto you: but if I depart, I will send him vnto you. And when he is come, he will reproue 8 the worlde of sinne, and of righteousnesse, and of iudgement. Of sinne, because they beleeved not in me: Of righteousnesse, 9, 10 because I goe to my Father, and ye shall see me no more: Of 11 iudgement, because the prince of this world is iudged. I haue 12 yet many things to say vnto you, but ye cannot beare them nowe. Howbeit, when he is come which is the Spirit of trueth, 13 he will leade you into all trueth: for he shall not speake of himselfe, but whatsoeuer he shall heare, shall he speake, and he will shew you the things to come. He shall glorifie me: for he 14 shall receive of mine, and shall shewe it vnto you. All thinges 15 that the Father hath, are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shewe it vnto you. A litle while, and ye 16 shall not see me: and againe a litle while, and ye shall see me: for I goe to the Father. Then said some of his disciples 17 among them selues, What is this that he saieth vnto vs, A litle

while, and ye shall not see me, and againe, a litle while, and ye 18 shall see me, and, For I goe to the Father. They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A litle while? we know not what he 19 sayeth. Now Iesus knew that they would aske him, and said vnto them, Doe ye enquire among your selues, of that I said, A litle while, and ye shall not see me: and againe, a litle while, 20 and yee shall see me? Verely, verely I say vnto you, that ye shall weepe and lament, and the worlde shall reioyce: and ye 21 shall sorowe, but your sorowe shalbe turned to ioye. A woman when she traueileth, hath sorowe, because her houre is come: but assoone as she is deliuered of the childe, she remembreth no more the anguish, for ioy that a man is borne into the world. 22 And ye nowe therefore are in sorowe: but I will see you againe, and your hearts shall reioyce, and your ioy shall no man take 23 from you. And in that day shall ye aske me nothing. Verely, verely I say vnto you, whatsoeuer ye shall aske the Father in 24 my Name, he will giue it you. Hitherto haue ye asked nothing in my Name: aske, and ye shall receiue, that your ioye may be 25 full. These things have I spoken vnto you in parables: but the time will come, when I shall no more speake to you in parables: 26 but I shall shew you plainely of the Father. At that day shall ye aske in my Name, and I say not vnto you, that I will pray 27 vnto the Father for you: For the Father himselfe loueth you. because ye haue loued me, and haue beleeued that I came out 28 from God. I am come out from the Father, and came into the 29 worlde: againe I leaue the worlde, and goe to the Father. His disciples saide vnto him, Loe, nowe speakest thou plainely, and 30 thou speakest no parable. Nowe knowe wee that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should aske thee. 31 By this we believe, that thou art come out from God. Iesus 32 answered them, Doe you beleeue nowe? Beholde, the houre commeth, and is already come, that ye shalbe scattered euery man into his owne, and shall leaue me alone: but I am not 33 alone: for the Father is with me. These thinges haue I spoken vnto you, that in me ye might haue peace: in the world ye shall have affliction, but be of good comfort: I have ouercome the world.

17 These things spake Iesus, and lift vp his eyes to heauen, and saide, Father, that houre is come: glorifie thy Sonne, that thy 2 Sonne also may glorifie thee, As thou hast given him power

ouer all flesh, that he shoulde give eternall life to all them that thou hast given him. And this is life eternall, that they knowe 3 thee to be the onely very God, and whom thou hast sent, Iesus I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished 4 the worke which thou gauest me to doe. And nowe glorifie 5 me, thou Father, with thine owne selfe, with the glorie which I had with thee before the world was. I have declared thy 6 Name vnto the men which thou gauest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gauest them me, and they have kept thy worde. Nowe they knowe that all things whatsoeuer thou 7 hast given me, are of thee. For I have given vnto them the 8 wordes which thou gauest me, and they haue received them, and haue knowen surely that I came out from thee, and haue beleeued that thou hast sent me. I pray for them: I pray not 9 for the worlde, but for them which thou hast given me: for they are thine. And al mine are thine, and thine are mine, and I 10 am glorified in them. And nowe am I no more in the world, 11 but these are in the worlde, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keepe them in thy Name, euen them whome thou hast giuen mee, that they may bee one, as we are. While I was with 12 them in the worlde, I kept them in thy Name: those that thou gauest me, haue I kept, and none of them is lost, but the childe of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. And now 13 come I to thee, and these things speake I in the worlde, that they might haue my ioy fulfilled in themselues. I haue giuen 14 them thy word, and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, as I am not of the world. I pray not that 15 thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou keepe them from euill. They are not of the worlde, as I am not of 16 the world. Sanctifie them with thy trueth: thy word is trueth. 17 As thou diddest send me into the world, so haue I sent them 18 into the world. And for their sakes sanctifie I my selfe, that 19 they also may bee sanctified through the trueth. I praie not 20 for these alone, but for them also which shall believe in mee, through their woorde, That they all may bee one, as thou, O 21 Father, art in me, and I in thee: euen that they may be also one in vs, that the worlde may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory that thou gauest me, I have given them, that 22 they may be one, as we are one, I in them, and thou in mee, 23 that they may be made perfect in one, and that the worlde may

knowe that thou hast sent mee, and hast loued them, as thou
hast loued me. Father, I will that they which thou hast given
me, be with me even where I am, that they may beholde that
my glorie, which thou hast given mee: for thou lovedst me
before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, the
worlde also hath not knowen thee, but I have knowen thee,
and these have knowen, that thou hast sent me. And I have
declared vnto the thy Name, and will declare it, that the love
wherewith thou hast loved me, may be in them, and I in them.

When Iesus had spoken these things, hee went foorth with 18 his disciples ouer the brooke Cedron, where was a garden, 2 into the which he entred, and his disciples. And Iudas which betraied him, knewe also the place: for Iesus oft times re-3 sorted thither with his disciples. Iudas then, after hee had received a band of men and officers of the high Priests, and of the Pharises, came thither with lanternes and torches, and 4 weapons. Then Iesus, knowing all things that shoulde come vnto him, went foorth and said vnto them, Whom seeke yee? 5 They answered him, Iesus of Nazareth. Iesus sayde vnto them, I am hee. Nowe Iudas also which betraied him, stoode with Assoone then as hee had saide vnto them, I am hee, 7 they went away backewardes, and fell to the grounde. Then he asked them againe. Whome seeke yee? And they sayd, Iesus 8 of Nazareth. Iesus answered, I said vnto you, that I am he: 9 therefore if ye seeke me, let these go their way. This was that the worde might be fulfilled which hee spake, Of them which 10 thou gauest me, haue I lost none. Then Simon Peter hauing a sword, drewe it, and smote the hie Priests seruant, and cut off 11 his right eare. Nowe the seruants name was Malchus. Then sayde Iesus vnto Peter, Put vp thy sworde into the sheath: shall I not drinke of the cuppe which my Father hath giuen 12 me? Then the bande and the captaine, and the officers of the 13 Iewes tooke Iesus, and bound him, And led him away to Annas first (for he was father in lawe to Caiaphas, which was 14 the hie Priest that same yeere) And Caiaphas was he, that gaue counsel to the Iewes, that it was expedient that one man 15 should die for the people. Nowe Simon Peter folowed Iesus, and another disciple, and that disciple was known of the hie Priest: therefore he went in with Iesus into the hall of the hie

16 Priest: But Peter stood at the doore without. Then went out

the other disciple which was known vnto the hie Priest, and spake to her that kept the doore, and brought in Peter. Then 17 saide the maide that kept the doore, vnto Peter, Art not thou also one of this mans disciples? He sayd, I am not. And the 18 seruants and officers stoode there, which had made a fire of coles: for it was colde, and they warmed themselues. And Peter also stood among them, and warmed himselfe. (The hie 19 Priest then asked Iesus of his disciples, and of his doctrine. Iesus answered him, I spake openly to the world: I euer taught 20 in the Synagogue and in the Temple, whither the Iewes resort continually, and in secret haue I sayde nothing. Why ask- 21 est thou mee? aske them which heard mee what I sayde vnto them: beholde, they knowe what I sayd. When he had spoken 22 these thinges, one of the officers which stoode by, smote Iesus with his rod, saying, Answerest thou the hie Priest so? Iesus 23 answered him. If I have euill spoken, beare witnes of the euil: but if I have well spoken, why smitest thou me? Nowe An- 24 nas had sent him bound vnto Caiaphas the hie Priest) And 25 Simon Peter stoode and warmed himselfe, and they said vnto him, Art not thou also of his disciples? He denied it, and said, I am not. One of the servaunts of the hie Priest, his cousin 26 whose eare Peter smote off, saide, Did not I see thee in the garden with him? Peter then denied againe, and immedi- 27 atly the cocke crewe. Then led they Iesus from Caiaphas into 28 the common hall. Nowe it was morning, and they themselues went not into the common hall, least they should be defiled, but that they might eate the Passeouer. Pilate then went out 29 vnto them, and said. What accusation bring vee against this man? They answered, and saide vnto him, If hee were not an 30 euill doer, we woulde not have deliuered him vnto thee. Then 31 sayde Pilate vnto them, Take yee him, and judge him after your owne Lawe. Then the Iewes sayde vnto him, It is not lawfull for vs to put any man to death. It was that the worde of 32 Iesus might be fulfilled which he spake, signifying what death he should die. So Pilate entred into the common hall againe, 33 and called Iesus, and sayde vnto him, Art thou the king of the Iewes? Iesus answered him, Saiest thou that of thy selfe, or 34 did other tell it thee of me? Pilate answered, Am I a Iewe? 35 Thine owne nation, and the hie Priestes haue deliuered thee vnto me. What hast thou done? Iesus answered, My king- 36 dome is not of this worlde: if my kingdome were of this worlde, my seruants would surely fight, that I should not be deliuered to the Iewes: but nowe is my kingdome not from hence. Pilate then said vnto him, Art thou a King then? Iesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a King: for this cause am I borne, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should beare witnes vnto the trueth: euery one that is of the trueth, heareth my voyce. Pilate said vnto him, What is trueth? And when he had saide that, hee went out againe vnto the Iewes, and said vnto them, I finde in him no cause at all. But you haue a custome, that I shoulde deliuer you one loose at the Passeouer: will yee then that I loose vnto you the King of ye Iewes? Then cried they all againe, saying, Not him, but Barabbas: nowe this Barabbas was a murtherer.

Then Pilate tooke Iesus and scourged him. And the souldiers **19**. 2 platted a crowne of thornes, and put it on his head, and they 3 put on him a purple garment, And saide, Haile, King of the 4 Iewes. And they smote him with their roddes. Then Pilate went foorth againe, and said vnto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may knowe, that I finde no fault in him Then came Iesus foorth wearing a crowne of thornes, and a purple garment. And Pilate said vnto them, Beholde the Then when the hie Priests and officers sawe him, they cried, saying, Crucifie, crucifie him. Pilate said vnto them, Take yee him and crucifie him: for I finde no fault in him. 7 The Iewes answered him, We haue a lawe, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himselfe the Sonne of God. 8 When Pilate then heard that woorde, he was the more afraide, 9 And went againe into the common hall, and saide vnto Iesus, 10 Whence art thou? But Iesus gaue him none answere. Then saide Pilate vnto him, Speakest thou not vnto me? Knowest thou not that I have power to crucifie thee, and have power to 11 loose thee? Iesus answered, Thou couldest haue no power at all against me, except it were given thee from aboue: therefore 12 he that deliuered me vnto thee, hath the greater sinne. From thence foorth Pilate sought to loose him, but the Iewes cried, saying, If thou deliuer him, thou art not Cesars friende: for whosoeuer maketh himselfe a King, speaketh against Cesar. 13 When Pilate heard this woorde, hee brought Iesus foorth, and

sate downe in the judgement seate in a place called the Paue-

ment, and in Hebrewe, Gabbatha. And it was the Preparation 14 of the Passeouer, and about the sixt houre: and hee sayde vnto the Iewes, Beholde your King. But they cried, Away with him, 15 away with him, crucifie him. Pilate sayde vnto them, Shall I crucifie your King? The high Priestes answered, We have no King but Cesar. Then deliuered he him vnto them, to be cru- 16 cified. And they tooke Iesus, and led him away. And he bare 17 his owne crosse, and came into a place named of dead mens Skulles, which is called in Hebrewe, Golgotha: Where they 18 crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Iesus in the middes. And Pilate wrote also a title, and put 19 it on the crosse, and it was written, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWES. This title then read many of 20 the Iewes: for the place where Iesus was crucified, was neere to the citie: and it was written in Hebrewe, Greeke and La-Then saide the hie Priests of the Iewes to Pilate. Write 21 not, The King of the Iewes, but that he sayd, I am King of the Pilate answered, What I have written, I have writ- 22 ten. Then the souldiers, when they had crucified Iesus, tooke 23 his garments (and made foure partes, to euery souldier a part) and his coat: and the coat was without seame wouen from the toppe throughout. Therefore they sayde one to another, Let 24 vs not deuide it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be. This was that the Scripture might be fulfilled, which sayth, They parted my garments among them, and on my coate did cast lots. So the souldiers did these things in deede. Then stoode by the 25 crosse of Iesus his mother, and his mothers sister, Marie the wife of Cleopas, and Marie Magdalene. And when Iesus sawe 26 his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loued, he said vnto his mother, Woman, beholde thy sonne. Then saide 27 he to the disciple, Beholde thy mother: and from that houre, the disciple tooke her home vnto him. After, when Iesus knew 28 that all things were performed, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, he said, I thirst. And there was set a vessell full of vi- 29 neger: and they filled a spondge with vineger: and put it about an Hyssope stalke, and put it to his mouth. Nowe when Iesus 30 had received of the vineger, he saide, It is finished, and bowed his head, and gaue vp the ghost. The Iewes then (because it 31 was the Preparation, that the bodies should not remaine vpon the crosse on the Sabbath day: for that Sabbath was an hie

day) besought Pilate that their legges might be broken, and 32 that they might be taken downe. Then came the souldiers and brake the legges of the first, and of the other, which was cruci-33 fied with Iesus. But when they came to Iesus, and saw that he 34 was dead alreadie, they brake not his legges. But one of the souldiers with a speare pearced his side, and foorthwith came 35 there out blood and water. And he that sawe it, bare recorde, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that 36 ye might beleeue it. For these things were done, that the Scripture shoulde be fulfilled, Not a bone of him shalbe broken. 37 And againe an other Scripture saith, They shall see him whom 38 they have thrust through. And after these things, Ioseph of Arimathea (who was a disciple of Iesus, but secretly for feare of the Iewes) besought Pilate that he might take downe the bodie of Iesus. And Pilate gaue him licence. He came then and tooke 39 Iesus body. And there came also Nicodemus (which first came to Iesus by night) and brought of myrrhe and aloes mingled to-40 gether about an hundreth pound. Then tooke they the body of Iesus, and wrapped it in linnen clothes with the odours, as the 41 maner of the Iewes is to burie. And in that place where Iesus was crucified, was a garden, and in the garden a newe sepul-42 chre, wherein was neuer man yet laid. There then laide thev Iesus, because of the Iewes Preparation day, for the sepulchre was neere.

**20** Nowe the first day of the weeke came Marie Magdalene, early when it was yet darke, vnto the sepulchre, and sawe the 2 stone taken away from the tombe. Then she ranne, and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Iesus loued, and saide vnto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the 3 sepulchre, and we knowe not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went forth, and the other disciple, and they came 4 vnto the sepulchre. So they ranne both together, but the other disciple did outrunne Peter, and came first to the sepulchre. 5 And he stouped downe, and sawe the linnen clothes lying: yet Then came Simon Peter following him, and 6 went he not in. 7 went into the sepulchre, and sawe the linnen clothes lye, And the kerchiefe that was vpon his head, not lying with the linnen 8 clothes, but wrapped together in a place by it selfe. Then went in also the other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, 9 and he sawe it, and beleeued. For as yet they knewe not the

Scripture, That he must rise againe from the dead. And the 10 disciples went away againe vnto their owne home. But Marie 11 stoode without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she bowed her selfe into the sepulchre, And sawe two Angels in 12 white, sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feete, where the body of Iesus had laien. And they said vnto her, 13 Woman, why weepest thou? She said vnto them, They haue taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laide When she had thus said, she turned her selfe backe, 14 and sawe Iesus standing, and knewe not that it was Iesus. Iesus saith vnto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seek- 15 est thou? She supposing that he had bene the gardener, said vnto him, Sir, if thou hast borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away. Iesus saith vnto her, 16 Marie. She turned her selfe, and said vnto him, Rabboni, which is to say. Master. Iesus saith vnto her. Touch me not: for I am 17 not yet ascended to my Father: but goe to my brethren, and say vnto them, I ascend vnto my Father, and to your Father, and to my God, and your God. Marie Magdalene came and told 18 the disciples that she had seene the Lord, and that he had spoken these things vnto her. The same day then at night, which 19 was the first day of the weeke, and when the doores were shut where the disciples were assembled for feare of the Iewes, came Iesus and stoode in the middes, and saide to them, Peace be vnto vou. And when he had so saide, he shewed vnto them his 20 handes, and his side. Then were the disciples glad when they had seene the Lord. Then saide Iesus to them againe, Peace 21 be vnto vou: as my Father sent me, so sende I vou. And when 22 he had saide that, he breathed on them, and saide vnto them, Receive the holy Ghost. Whosoeuers sinnes ye remit, they 23 are remitted vnto them: and whosoeuers sinnes ye reteine, they are reteined. But Thomas one of the twelue, called Didy- 24 mus, was not with them when Iesus came. The other disciples 25 therefore saide vnto him. We have seene the Lord: but he said vnto them, Except I see in his handes the print of the nailes, and put my finger into the print of the nailes, and put mine hand into his side, I will not beleeue it. And eight dayes after, 26 againe his disciples were within, and Thomas with them. Then came Iesus, when the doores were shut, and stood in the middes, and said, Peace be vnto you. After saide he to Thomas, 27

Put thy finger here, and see mine hands, and put forth thine hand, and put it into my side, and be not faithlesse, but faith128 full. Then Thomas answered, and said vnto him, Thou art
129 my Lord, and my God. Iesus said vnto him, Thomas, because thou hast seene me, thou beleeuest: blessed are they that haue
130 not seene, and haue beleeued. And many other signes also did Iesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not writ131 ten in this booke. But these things are written, that ye might beleeue, that Iesus is that Christ that Sonne of God, and that in beleeuing ye might haue life through his Name.

After these things, Iesus shewed himselfe againe to his dis-21 ciples at the sea of Tiberias: and thus shewed he himselfe: 2 There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas, which is called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galile, and the sonnes of 3 Zebedeus, and two other of his disciples. Simon Peter said vnto them, I go a fishing. They said vnto him, We also will goe with thee. They went their way and entred into a ship straight-4 way, and that night caught they nothing. But when the morning was nowe come. Iesus stoode on the shore: neuerthelesse 5 the disciples knewe not that it was Iesus. Iesus then said vnto them, Syrs, haue ye any meate? They answered him, No. 6 Then he said vnto them, Cast out the net on the right side of the ship, and ve shall finde. So they cast out, and they were 7 not able at all to draw it, for the multitude of fishes. Therefore said the disciple whom Iesus loued, vnto Peter, It is the Lord. When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girded his coate to him (for he was naked) and cast himselfe into the But the other disciples came by shippe (for they were not farre from land, but about two hundreth cubites) and they 9 drewe the net with fishes. Assoone then as they were come to land, they sawe hoate coales, and fish laide thereon, and bread. 10 Iesus saide vnto them, Bring of the fishes, which ye haue nowe 11 caught. Simon Peter stepped foorth and drewe the net to land, full of great fishes, an hundreth, fiftie and three: and albeit 12 there were so many, yet was not the net broken. Iesus saide vnto them, Come, and dine. And none of the disciples durst aske him, Who art thou? seeing they knewe that he was the 13 Lord. Iesus then came and tooke bread, and gaue them, and 14 fish likewise. This is now the third time that Iesus shewed himselfe to his disciples, after that he was risen againe from

the dead. So when they had dined, Iesus said to Simon Peter, 15 Simon the sonne of Iona, louest thou me more then these? He said vnto him, Yea Lord, thou knowest that I loue thee. He said vnto him, Feede my lambes. He said to him againe the 16 second time. Simon the sonne of Iona, louest thou me? He said vnto him, Yea Lord, thou knowest that I loue thee. He said vnto him, Feede my sheepe. He said vnto him the third time, 17 Simon the sonne of Iona, louest thou me? Peter was sorie because he said to him the third time. Louest thou me? and said vnto him, Lord, thou knowest all things: thou knowest that I loue thee. Iesus saide vnto him, Feede my sheepe. Verely, 18 verely I say vnto thee, When thou wast yong, thou girdedst thy selfe, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be olde, thou shalt stretch foorth thine hands, and another shall gird thee, and lead thee whither thou wouldest not. And this spake he signifying by what death he shoulde glorifie 19 God. And when he had said this, he said to him, Folowe me. Then Peter turned about, and sawe the disciple whom JESUS 20 loued, following, which had also leaned on his breast at supper, and had saide, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee? When 21 Peter therefore sawe him, he saide to Iesus, Lord, what shall this man doe? Iesus said vnto him, If I will that he tarie till 22 I come, what is it to thee? follow thou me. Then went this 23 worde abroade among the brethren, that this disciple shoulde not die. Yet Iesus saide not to him, He shall not die: but if I will that he tarie till I come, what is it to thee? This is that dis- 24 ciple, which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things, and we know that his testimonie is true. Nowe there are also 25 many other things which Iesus did, the which if they should be written euery one, I suppose the world coulde not conteine the bookes that shoulde be written, Amen.

## THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES.

have made the former treatise, O Theophilus, of al that Jesus began to doe and teach, Vntill the day that hee was taken vp, after that hee through the holy Ghost, had giuen commandements vnto the Apostles, 3 whome hee had chosen: To whome also he presented himselfe aliue after that he had suffered, by many infallible tokens, being seene of them by the space of fourtie daies, and speaking of 4 those thinges which appertaine to the kingdome of God. And when he had gathered them together, he commanded them, that they should not depart from Hierusalem, but to waite for the promise of the Father, which sayde hee, yee haue heard of For Iohn in deede baptized with water, but ye shall be 6 baptized with the holy Ghost within these fewe daies. When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore the kingdome to Israel? 7 And hee saide vnto them, It is not for you to know the times, or 8 the seasons, which the Father hath put in his owne power. But yee shall receive power of the holy Ghost, when he shall come on you: and ye shalbe witnesses vnto me both in Hierusalem and in all Iudea, and in Samaria, and vnto the vttermost part And when he had spoken these things, while 9 of the earth. they behelde, he was taken vp: for a cloude tooke him vp out of 10 their sight. And while they looked stedfastly towarde heauen, as hee went, beholde, two men stoode by them in white appar-11 ell, Which also sayde, Yee men of Galile, why stande vee gasing into heauen? This Iesus which is taken vp from you into heauen, shall so come, as yee haue seene him goe into heauen. 12 Then returned they vnto Hierusalem from the mount that is called the mount of Oliues, which is neere to Hierusalem, be-13 ing from it a Sabbath daies iourney. And when they were come in, they went vp into an vpper chamber, where abode both Peter and Iames, and Iohn, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartlemew, and Matthewe, Iames the sonne of Alpheus, and 14 Simon Zelotes, and Iudas Iames brother. These all continued with one accorde in prayer and supplication with the women, and Marie the mother of Iesus, and with his brethren.

in those dayes Peter stoode vp in the middes of the disciples, and sayde (nowe the nomber of names that were in one place were about an hundreth and twentie.) Yee men and brethren, 16 this scripture must needes have beene fulfilled, which the holy Ghost by the mouth of Dauid spake before of Iudas, which was guide to them that tooke Iesus. For hee was nombred 17 with vs, and had obteined fellowship in this ministration. He 18 therefore hath purchased a field with the reward of iniquitie: and when he had throwen downe himselfe headlong, hee brast asunder in the middes, and all his bowels gushed out. And it 19 is knowen vnto all the inhabitants of Hierusalem, in so much. that that field is called in their owne language, Aceldama, That is, the field of blood. For it is written in the booke of Psalmes, 20 Let his habitation be void, and let no man dwel therein: also, Let another take his charge. Wherefore of these men which 21 haue companied with vs, all the time that the Lord Iesus was conversant among vs. Beginning from the baptisme of Iohn 22 vnto the day that hee was taken vp from vs, must one of them bee made a witnesse with vs of his resurrection. And they pre- 23 sented two, Ioseph called Barsabas, whose surname was Iustus, and Matthias. And they praied, saving, Thou Lord, which 24 knowest the hearts of all men, shewe whether of these two thou hast chosen. That he may take the roume of this ministration 25 and Apostleship, from which Iudas hath gone astray, to goe to his owne place. Then they gaue foorth their lottes: and 26 the lotte fell on Matthias, and hee was by a common consent counted with the eleuen Apostles.

And when the day of Pentecost was come, they were al with 2 one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sounde 2 from heauen, as of a russhing and mightie winde, and it filled all the house where they sate. And there appeared vnto them 3 clouen tongues, like fire, and it sate vpon eche of them. And 4 they were all filled with the holy Ghost, and began to speake with other tongues, as the Spirit gaue them vtterance. And 5 there were dwelling at Hierusalem Iewes, men that feared God, of euery nation vnder heauen. Nowe when this was noised, 6 the multitude came together and were astonied, because that euery man heard them speake his owne language. And they 7 wondered al, and marueiled, saying among themselues, Beholde, are not all these which speake, of Galile? How then 8

heare we euery man our owne language, wherein we were borne? 9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the inhabitants of Mesopotamia, and of Iudea, and of Cappadocia, of Pontus, and 10 Asia, And of Phrygia, and Pamphylia, of Egypt, and of the partes of Libya, which is beside Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, 11 and Iewes, and Proselytes, Creetes, and Arabians: wee hearde them speake in our owne tongues the wonderful works of God. 12 They were all then amased, and douted, saying one to another, 13 What may this be? And others mocked, and saide, They are 14 full of newe wine. But Peter standing with ye Eleuen, lift vp his voice, and said vnto them, Ye men of Iudea, and ye all that inhabite Hierusalem, be this knowen vnto you, and hearken 15 vnto my woordes. For these are not drunken, as yee suppose, 16 since it is but the third houre of the day. But this is that, 17 which was spoken by the Prophet Ioel, And it shalbe in the last daies, saith God, I wil powre out of my Spirite vpon al flesh, and your sonnes, and your daughters shall prophecie, and your yong men shall see visions, and your old men shall 18 dreame dreames. And on my seruauntes, and on mine handmaides I will powre out of my Spirite in those daies, and they 19 shall prophecie. And I wil shew wonders in heauen aboue, and tokens in the earth beneath, blood, and fire, and the vapour 20 of smoke. The Sunne shalbe turned into darkenesse, and the moone into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord 21 come. And it shalbe, that whosoeuer shall call on the Name 22 of the Lord, shalbe saued. Yee men of Israel, heare these woordes, JESUS of Nazareth, a man approued of God among you with great workes, and wonders, and signes, which God did by him in the middes of you, as yee your selues also knowe: 23 Him, I say, being deliuered by the determinate counsell, and foreknowledge of God, after you had taken, with wicked han-24 des vou haue crucified and slaine. Whome God hath raised vp, and loosed the sorrowes of death, because it was vnpossible 25 that he should be holden of it. For Dauid sayeth concerning him, I beheld the Lord alwaies before me: for hee is at my 26 right hand, that I should not be shaken. Therefore did mine heart reioyce, and my tongue was glad, and moreouer also my 27 flesh shall rest in hope, Because thou wilt not leaue my soule in graue, neither wilt suffer thine Holy one to see corruption. 28 Thou hast shewed me the waies of life, and shalt make me full

of iov with thy countenance. Men and brethren, I may boldly 29 speake vnto you of the Patriarke Dauid, that hee is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre remaineth with vs vnto this day. Therefore, seeing hee was a Prophet, and knewe that God had 30 sworne with an othe to him, that of the fruite of his loynes hee woulde raise vp Christ concerning the flesh, to set him vpon his throne. Hee knowing this before, spake of the resurrection of 31 Christ, that his soule shoulde not bee left in graue, neither his flesh shoulde see corruption. This Iesus hath God raised vp, 32 whereof we all are witnesses. Since then that he by the right 33 hande of God hath bene exalted, and hath received of his Father the promise of the holy Ghost, hee hath shed foorth this which vee nowe see and heare. For Dauid is not ascended 34 into heauen, but he sayth, The Lord sayd to my Lord, Sit at my right hande, Vntill I make thine enemies thy footestoole. 35 Therefore, let all the house of Israel know for a suretie, that 36 God hath made him both Lord, and Christ, this Iesus, I say, whome yee haue crucified. Now when they heard it, they were 37 pricked in their heartes, and said vnto Peter and the other Apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we doe? Then Pe- 38 ter said vnto them, Amend your liues, and bee baptized euery one of you in the Name of Iesus Christ for the remission of sinnes: and ye shall receive the gift of the holy Ghost. For 39 the promise is made vnto you, and to your children, and to all that are a farre off, euen as many as the Lord our God shall And with many other words he besought and exhorted 40 them, saying, Saue your selues from this froward generation. Then they that gladly received his word, were baptized: and 41 the same day there were added to the Church about three thousand soules. And they continued in the Apostles doctrine, and 42 fellowship, and breaking of bread, and prayers. And feare 43 came vpon euery soule: and many wonders and signes were done by ye Apostles. And all that beleeued, were in one place, 44 and had all things common. And they sold their possessions 45 and goods, and parted them to all me, as euery one had need. And they continued dayly with one accord in the Temple, and 46 breaking bread at home, did eate their meate together with gladnesse and singlenesse of heart, Praysing God, and had 47 fauour with all the people: and the Lord added to the Church from day to day, such as should be saued.

Nowe Peter and Iohn went vp together into the Temple, at 3 2 the ninth houre of prayer. And a certaine man which was a creeple from his mothers wombe, was caried, whom they layde dayly at the gate of the Temple called Beautifull, to aske almes 3 of them that entred into ye Temple. Who seeing Peter and Iohn, that they would enter into the Temple, desired to receive 4 an almes. And Peter earnestly beholding him with Iohn, said, 5 Looke on vs. And hee gaue heede vnto them, trusting to re-6 ceiue some thing of them. Then said Peter, Siluer and gold haue I none, but such as I haue, that giue I thee: In the Name 7 of Iesus Christ of Nazareth, rise vp and walke. And hee tooke him by the right hand, and lift him vp, and immediately his 8 feete and ankle bones received strength. And he leaped vp, stoode, and walked, and entred with them into the Temple, 9 walking and leaping, and praysing God. And all the people 10 sawe him walke, and praysing God. And they knewe him, that it was he which sate for the almes at the Beautifull gate of the Temple: and they were amased, and sore astonied at 11 that, which was come vnto him. And as the creeple which was healed, held Peter and Iohn, all the people ranne amased 12 vnto them in the porch which is called Salomons. Peter saw it, he answered vnto the people, Ye me of Israel, why marueile ye at this? or why looke ye so stedfastly on vs, as though by our owne power or godlines, we had made this man 13 go? The God of Abraham, and Isaac, and Iacob, the God of our fathers hath glorified his Sonne Iesus, whom ye betrayed, and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had judged him to be 14 deliuered. But ye denied the Holy one and the Iust, and de-15 sired a murtherer to be given you, And killed the Lord of life, whome God hath raised from the dead, whereof we are wit-16 nesses. And his Name hath made this man sound, whom ye see, and know, through faith in his Name: and the faith which is by him, hath given to him this perfite health of his whole 17 body in the presence of you all. And now brethren, I know that 18 through ignorance ye did it, as did also your gouernours. But those thinges which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his Prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath thus fulfilled. 19 Amend your lives therefore, and turne, that your sinnes may be put away, whe the time of refreshing shall come from the 20 presence of the Lord. And he shall sende Iesus Christ, which before was preached vnto you, Whome the heauen must con- 21 taine vntill the time that all thinges be restored, which God had spoken by the mouth of all his holy Prophets since the world began. For Moses said vnto the Fathers, The Lord your 22 God shall raise vp vnto you a Prophet, euen of your brethren, like vnto me: ye shall heare him in all things, whatsoeuer he shall say vnto you. For it shalbe that euery person which 23 shall not heare that Prophet, shall be destroyed out of the people. Also all the Prophets from Samuel, and thencefoorth as 24 many as haue spoken, haue likewise foretolde of these dayes. Ye are the children of the Prophets, and of the couenant, which 25 God hath made vnto our fathers, saying to Abraham, Euen in thy seede shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed. First 26 vnto you hath God raysed vp his Sonne Iesus, and him hee hath sent to blesse you, in turning euery one of you from your iniquities.

And as they spake vnto the people, the Priestes and the 4 Captaine of the Temple, and the Sadduces came vpon them, Taking it grieuously that they taught the people, and preached 2 in Iesus Name the resurrection from the dead. And thev 3 layde handes on them, and put them in holde, vntill the next day: for it was now euentide. Howbeit, many of them which 4 heard the word, beleeued, and the number of the men was about five thousand. And it came to passe on the morow, that 5 their rulers, and Elders, and Scribes, were gathered together at Hierusalem, And Annas the chiefe Priest, and Caiaphas, 6 and Iohn, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the hie Priestes. And whe they had set them before them, 7 they asked, By what power, or in what Name haue ye done this? Then Peter ful of the holy Ghost, said vnto them, Ye 8 rulers of the people, and Elders of Israel, For as much as we 9 this day are examined of the good deede done to the impotent man, to wit, by what meanes he is made whole, Be it knowen 10 vnto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye haue crucified, whome God raised againe from the dead, euen by him doth this man stand here before you, whole. This is the stone cast aside of 11 you builders which is become the head of the corner. Neither 12 is there saluation in any other: for among men there is given none other Name vnder heauen, whereby we must be saued.

13 Now when they sawe the boldnes of Peter and Iohn, and vnderstoode that they were vnlearned men and without knowledge, they marueiled, and knew them, that they had bin with 14 Iesus: And beholding also the man which was healed stand-15 ing with them, they had nothing to say against it. Then they commanded them to goe aside out of the Council, and conferred 16 among themselues, Saying, What shall we doe to these men? for surely a manifest signe is done by them, and it is openly knowen to all them that dwell in Hierusalem: and we cannot 17 denie it. But that it be noysed no farther among the people, let vs threaten and charge them, that they speake hencefoorth 18 to no man in this Name. So they called them, and commanded them, that in no wise they should speake or teach in the Name 19 of Iesus. But Peter and Iohn answered vnto them, and said, Whether it be right in the sight of God, to obey you rather then 20 God, judge ye. For we cannot but speake the things which we 21 haue seene and heard. So they threatened them, and let them goe, and found nothing how to punish them, because of the peo-22 ple: for all men praised God for that which was done. For the man was aboue fourtie yeeres olde, on whome this miracle of 23 healing was shewed. Then assoone as they were let goe, they came to their fellowes, and shewed all that the hie Priestes and 24 Elders had said vnto them. And when they heard it, they lift vp their voyces to God with one accord, and said, O Lord, thou art the God which hast made the heaue, and the earth, the 25 sea, and all things that are in them, Which by the mouth of thy seruant Dauid hast saide, Why did the Gentiles rage, and 26 the people imagine vaine things? The Kings of the earth assembled, and the rulers came together against the Lord, and 27 against his Christ. For doutlesse, against thine holy Sonne Iesus, whome thou haddest anoynted, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the people of Israel gathered 28 themselues together, To doe whatsoeuer thine hand, and thy 29 counsell had determined before to be done. And nowe, O Lord, beholde their threatnings, and graunt vnto thy seruants with 30 all boldnesse to speake thy word, So that thou stretch forth thine hand, that healing, and signes, and wonders may be done 31 by the Name of thine holy Sonne Iesus. And when as they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together, and they were all filled with the holy Ghost, and they

spake the word of God boldely. And the multitude of them 32 that beleeued, were of one heart, and of one soule: neither any of them said, that any thing of that which he possessed, was his owne, but they had all thinges common. And with great 33 power gaue the Apostles witnes of the resurrection of the Lord Iesus: and great grace was vpon them all. Neither was there 34 any among them, that lacked: for as many as were possessours of landes or houses, solde them, and brought the price of the things that were solde, And layde it downe at the Apostles 35 feete, and it was distributed vnto euery man, according as he had neede. Also Ioses which was called of the Apostles, Barnabas (that is by interpretation the sonne of consolation) being a Leuite, and of the countrey of Cyprus, Where as he had land, 37 solde it, and brought the money, and laid it downe at the Apostles feete.

But a certaine man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, 5 solde a possession, And kept away part of the price, his wife 2 also being of counsell, and brought a certaine part, and layde it downe at the Apostles feete. Then saide Peter, Ananias, 3 why hath Satan filled thine heart, that thou shouldest lye vnto the holy Ghost, and keepe away part of the price of this possession? Whiles it remained, appertained it not vnto thee? 4 and after it was solde, was it not in thine owne power? howe is it that thou hast conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lyed vnto men, but vnto God. Now when Ananias 5 heard these wordes, he fell downe, and gaue vp the ghost. Then great feare came on all them that heard these things. And the 6 vong men rose vp, and tooke him vp, and caried him out, and buried him. And it came to passe about the space of three 7 houres after, that his wife came in, ignorant of that which was done. And Peter sayd vnto her, Tell me, solde ye the land for 8 so much? And she sayd, Yea, for so much. Then Peter sayde 9 vnto her, Why haue ye agreed together, to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? beholde, the feete of them which have buried thine husband, are at the doore, and shall carie thee out. Then she 10 fell downe straightway at his feete, and yeelded vp the ghost: and the yong men came in, and found her dead, and caried her out, and buried her by her husband. And great feare came on 11 all the Church, and on as many as heard these things. Thus 12 by the hands of the Apostles were many signes and wonders

shewed among the people (and they were all with one accorde 13 in Salomons porche. And of the other durst no man joyne him selfe to them: neuerthelesse the people magnified them. 14 Also the number of them that beleeued in the Lord, both of 15 men and women, grewe more and more) In so much that they brought the sicke into the streetes, and layd them on beds and couches, that at the least way the shadowe of Peter, when he 16 came by, might shadow some of them. There came also a multitude out of the cities round about vnto Hierusalem, bringing sicke folkes, and them which were vexed with vncleane spir-17 its, who were all healed. Then the chiefe Priest rose vp, and all they that were with him (which was the sect of the Sad-18 duces) and were full of indignation, And laide hands on the 19 Apostles, and put them in the common prison. But the Angel of the Lord, by night opened the prison doores, and brought 20 them forth, and sayd, Go your way, and stand in the Tem-21 ple, and speake to the people, all the wordes of this life. when they heard it, they entred into the Temple early in the morning, and taught. And the chiefe Priest came, and they that were with him, and called the Councill together, and all the Elders of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison, to 22 cause them to be brought. But when the officers came, and 23 found them not in the prison, they returned and tolde it, Saying, Certainely we founde the prison shut as sure as was possible, and the keepers standing without, before the doores: but 24 when we had opened, we found no man within. Then when the chiefe Priest, and the captaine of the Temple, and the hie Priestes heard these things, they doubted of them, whereunto 25 this would growe. Then came one and shewed them, saying, Beholde, the men that ye put in prison, are standing in the 26 Temple, and teach the people. Then went the captaine with the officers, and brought them without violence (for they feared 27 the people, lest they should have bene stoned) And when they had brought them, they set them before the Councill, and the 28 chiefe Priest asked them, Saying, Did not we straightly commaund you, that ye should not teach in this Name? and behold, ye haue filled Hierusale with your doctrine, and ye would 29 bring this mans blood vpon vs. Then Peter and the Apostles answered, and sayd, We ought rather to obey God then men. 30 The God of our fathers hath raised vp Iesus, whom ye slewe,

and hanged on a tree. Him hath God lift vp with his right 31 hand, to be a Prince and a Sauiour, to give repentance to Israel, and forgiuenes of sinnes. And we are his witnesses concerning these things which we say: yea, and the holy Ghost, whome God hath giuen to them that obey him. Now when 33 they heard it, they brast for anger, and consulted to slay them. Then stoode there vp in the Councill a certaine Pharise named 34 Gamaliel, a doctour of the Lawe, honoured of all the people, and commanded to put the Apostles forth a litle space, And 35 sayd vnto them, Men of Israel, take heede to your selues, what ve intende to doe touching these men. For before these times. 36 rose vp Theudas boasting himselfe, to whom resorted a number of men, about a foure hundreth, who was slaine: and they all which obeyed him, were scattered, and brought to nought. After this man, arose vp Iudas of Galile, in the dayes of the 37 tribute, and drewe away much people after him: hee also perished, and all that obeyed him, were scattered abroad. And 38 nowe I say vnto you, Refraine your selues from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsell, or this worke be of men, it will come to nought: But if it be of God, ye can not destroy it, 39 lest ve be found euen fighters against God. And to him they 40 agreed, and called the Apostles: and when they had beaten them, they commanded that they should not speake in the Name of Iesus, and let them goe. So they departed from the 41 Councill, reioycing, that they were counted worthy to suffer rebuke for his Name. And dayly in the Temple, and from house 42 to house they ceased not to teach, and preach Iesus Christ.

And in those dayes, as the nomber of ye disciples grewe, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians towards ye Hebrewes, because their widowes were neglected in the dayly ministring. Then the twelue called the multitude of the disciples together, 2 and sayd, It is not meete that we should leaue the worde of God to serue the tables. Wherefore brethren, looke ye out among 3 you seuen men of honest report, and full of the holy Ghost, and of wisedome, which we may appoint to this busines. And we 4 will giue our selues continually to prayer, and to the ministration of the worde. And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Steuen a man full of fayth and of the holy Ghost, and Philippe, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a Proselyte of Antiochia, Which 6

they set before the Apostles: and they prayed, and layed their 7 hands on them. And the worde of God increased, and the nomber of the disciples was multipled in Hierusalem greatly, and a great company of the Priests were obedient to the faith. 8 Now Steuen full of faith and power, did great wonders and 9 miracles among the people. Then there arose certaine of the Synagogue, which are called Libertines, and Cyrenians, and of Alexandria, and of them of Cilicia, and of Asia, and disputed 10 with Steuen. But they were not able to resist the wisdome, 11 and the Spirit by the which he spake. Then they suborned men, which saide, We have heard him speake blasphemous 12 wordes against Moses, and God. Thus they mooued the people and the Elders, and the Scribes: and running vpon him, 13 caught him, and brought him to the Councill, And set forth false witnesses, which sayd, This man ceasseth not to speake 14 blasphemous wordes against this holy place, and the Law. For we have heard him say, that this Iesus of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the ordinances, which Moses 15 gaue vs. And as all that sate in the Councill, looked stedfastly on him, they saw his face as it had bene the face of an Angel.

Then sayd the chiefe Priest, Are these things so? **7**, 2 he sayd, Ye men, brethren and Fathers, hearken. That God of glory appeared vnto our father Abraham, while he was in 3 Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Charran, And said vnto him, Come out of thy countrey, and from thy kindred, and come into 4 the land, which I shall shewe thee. Then came he out of the land of the Chaldeans, and dwelt in Charran. And after that his father was dead, God brought him from thence into this 5 land, wherein ye now dwell, And hee gaue him none inheritance in it, no, not the bredth of a foote: yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his seede after 6 him, when as yet hee had no childe. But God spake thus, that his seede should be a soiourner in a strange land: and that they should keepe it in bondage, and entreate it euill foure 7 hundreth yeeres. But the nation to whome they shall be in bondage, will I iudge, sayth God: and after that, they shall 8 come forth and serue me in this place. Hee gaue him also the couenant of circumcision: and so Abraham begate Isaac, and circumcised him the eight day: and Isaac begate Iacob, and 9 Jacob the twelve Patriarkes. And the Patriarkes moved with enuie, solde Ioseph into Egypt: but God was with him, And 10 deliuered him out of all his afflictions, and gaue him fauour and wisdome in the sight of Pharao King of Egypt, who made him gouernour ouer Egypt, and ouer his whole house. Then 11 came there a famine ouer all the land of Egypt and Chanaan, and great affliction, that our fathers found no sustenance. But 12 when Iacob heard that there was corne in Egypt, he sent our fathers first: And at the second time, Ioseph was known of his 13 brethren, and Iosephs kindred was made knowen vnto Pharao. Then sent Ioseph and caused his father to be brought, and all 14 his kindred, euen threescore and fifteene soules. went downe into Egypt, and he dved, and our fathers, And 16 were remoued into Sychem, and were put in the sepulchre, that Abraham had bought for money of the sonnes of Emor, sonne of Sychem. But when the time of the promise drewe neere, 17 which God had sworne to Abraham, the people grewe and multiplied in Egypt, Till another King arose, which knewe not 18 The same dealt subtilly with our kindred, and euill 19 entreated our fathers, and made them to cast out their vong children, that they should not remaine aliue. The same time 20 was Moses borne, and was acceptable vnto God, which was nourished vp in his fathers house three moneths. And when 21 he was cast out. Pharaohs daughter tooke him vp. and nourished him for her owne sonne. And Moses was learned in 22 all the wisdome of the Egyptians, and was mightie in wordes and in deedes. Nowe when he was full fourtie yeere olde, it 23 came into his heart to visite his brethren, the children of Israel. And whe he saw one of them suffer wrong, he defended 24 him, and auenged his quarell that had the harme done to him, and smote the Egyptian. For hee supposed his brethren would 25 haue vnderstand, that God by his hande should give them deliuerance: but they vnderstoode it not. And the next day, he 26 shewed himselfe vnto them as they stroue, and woulde haue set them at one againe, saying, Syrs, ye are brethren: why doe ye wrong one to another? But he that did his neighbour 27 wrong, thrust him away, saying, Who made thee a prince, and a judge ouer vs? Wilt thou kill mee, as thou diddest the Egyp- 28 tian yesterday? Then fled Moses at that saying, and was a 29 stranger in the land of Madian, where he begate two sonnes. And when fourtie yeres were expired, there appeared to him in 30

the wildernes of mout Sina, an Angel of the Lord in a flame of 31 fire, in a bush. And when Moses sawe it, hee wondred at the sight: and as he drew neere to consider it, the voyce of the Lord 32 came vnto him, saying, I am the God of thy fathers, the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Iacob. Then 33 Moses trembled, and durst not behold it. Then the Lord said to him, Put off thy shoes from thy feete: for the place where 34 thou standest, is holy ground. I have seene, I have seene the affliction of my people, which is in Egypt, and I have heard their groning, and am come downe to deliuer them: and nowe 35 come, and I will sende thee into Egypt. This Moses whome they for sooke, saying, Who made thee a prince and a judge? the same God sent for a prince, and a deliuerer by the hand of the 36 Angel, which appeared to him in the bush. Hee brought them out, doing wonders, and miracles in the land of Egypt, and in 37 the red sea, and in the wildernes fourtie yeeres. This is that Moses, which saide vnto the children of Israel, A Prophet shall the Lord your God raise vp vnto you, euen of your brethren, 38 like vnto me: him shall ye heare. This is he that was in the Congregation, in the wildernes with the Angell, which spake to him in mount Sina, and with our fathers, who received the 39 liuely oracles to giue vnto vs. To whom our fathers would not obey, but refused, and in their hearts turned backe againe into 40 Egypt: Saying vnto Aaron, Make vs gods that may goe before vs: for we knowe not what is become of this Moses that brought 41 vs out of the land of Egypt. And they made a calfe in those daves, and offered sacrifice vnto the idole, and reioyced in the 42 workes of their owne handes. Then God turned himselfe away, and gaue them vp to serue the host of heauen, as it is written in the booke of the Prophets, O house of Israel, haue ye offred to me slaine beasts and sacrifices by the space of fourtie yeres 43 in the wildernes? And ye tooke vp the tabernacle of Moloch, and the starre of your god Remphan, figures, which ye made to worship them: therefore I will carie you away beyond Babylon. 44 Our fathers had the tabernacle of witnes, in the wildernes, as hee had appointed, speaking vnto Moses, that he should make 45 it according to the fashion that he had seene. Which tabernacle also our fathers received, and brought in with Iesus into the possession of the Gentiles, which God draue out before 46 our fathers, vnto the dayes of Dauid: Who found fauour before God, and desired that hee might finde a tabernacle for the God of Iacob. But Salomon built him an house. How- 47, 48 beit the most High dwelleth not in temples made with handes, as saith the Prophet, Heauen is my throne, and earth is my 49 footestoole: what house wil ye build for me, saith the Lord? or what place is it that I should rest in? Hath not mine hand 50 made all these things? Ye stiffenecked and of vncircumcised 51 heartes and eares, ye have alwayes resisted the holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do you. Which of the Prophets haue not 52 your fathers persecuted? and they have slaine them, which shewed before of the comming of that Iust, of whome ye are now the betrayers and murtherers. Which have received the 53 Lawe by the ordinance of Angels, and haue not kept it. But 54 when they heard these thinges, their heartes brast for anger, and they gnashed at him with their teeth. But he being full 55 of the holy Ghost, looked stedfastly into heaven, and sawe the glory of God, and Iesus standing at the right hand of God, And 56 said, Beholde, I see the heavens open, and the Sonne of man standing at the right hand of God. Then they gaue a shoute 57 with a loude voyce, and stopped their eares, and ranne vpon him violently all at once. And cast him out of the citie, and 58 stoned him: and the witnesses layd downe their clothes at a vong mans feete, named Saul. And they stoned Steuen, who 59 called on God, and said, Lord Iesus, receiue my spirit. And 60 he kneeled downe, and cried with a loude voyce, Lord, laye not this sinne to their charge. And when he had thus spoken, he slept.

And Saul consented to his death, and at that time, there **8** was a great persecution against the Church which was at Hierusalem, and they were all scattered abroad thorowe the regions of Iudea and of Samaria, except the Apostles. Then certaine men fearing God, caried Steuen amongs them, to be buried, and made great lamentation for him. But Saul made hauocke of the 3 Church, and entred into euery house, and drewe out both men and women, and put them into prison. Therefore they that 4 were scattered abroad, went to and from preaching the worde. Then came Philip into the citie of Samaria, and preached Christ 5 vnto them. And the people gaue heed vnto those things which 6 Philippe spake, with one accorde, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For vncleane spirits crying with a loud 7

voyce, came out of many that were possessed of them: and 8 many taken with palsies, and that halted, were healed. And 9 there was great ioy in that citie. And there was before in the citie a certaine man called Simon, which vsed witchcraft, and bewitched the people of Samaria, saying that he himselfe was 10 some great man. To whome they gaue heede from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is that great power of God. 11 And they gaue heed vnto him, because that of long time he had 12 bewitched them with sorceries. But assoone as they beleeued Philip, which preached the thinges that concerned the kingdome of God, and the Name of Iesus Christ, they were baptized 13 both men and women. Then Simon himselfe beleeued also and was baptized, and continued with Philippe, and wondred, when he sawe the signes and great miracles which were done. 14 Nowe when the Apostles, which were at Hierusalem, heard say, that Samaria had received the worde of God, they sent 15 vnto them Peter and Iohn. Which whe they were come downe. 16 prayed for them, that they might receive the holy Ghost. (For as yet, hee was fallen downe on none of them, but they were 17 baptized onely in the Name of the Lord Iesus.) they their handes on them, and they received the holy Ghost. 18 And when Simon sawe, that through laying on of the Apostles hands the holy Ghost was given, he offred them money, 19 Saying, Giue mee also this power, that on whomsoeuer I lay 20 the handes, he may receive the holy Ghost. Then saide Peter vnto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou thinkest 21 that the gift of God may be obteined with money. Thou hast neither part nor fellowship in this businesse: for thine heart 22 is not right in the sight of God. Repent therefore of this thy wickednes, and pray God, that if it be possible, the thought 23 of thine heart may be forgiuen thee. For I see that thou art 24 in the gall of bitternes, and in the bonde of iniquitie. answered Simon, and said, Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of these things which ye haue spoken, come vpon me. 25 So they, when they had testified and preached the worde of the Lord, returned to Hierusalem, and preached the Gospel in 26 many townes of the Samaritans. Then the Angel of the Lord spake vnto Philip, saying, Arise, and goe towarde the South vnto the way that goeth downe from Hierusalem vnto Gaza, 27 which is waste. And hee arose and went on: and beholde. a certaine Eunuche of Ethiopia, Candaces the Queene of the Ethiopians chiefe Gouernour, who had the rule of all her treasure, and came to Hierusalem to worship: And as he returned 28 sitting in his charet, he read Esaias the Prophet. Then the 29 Spirit said vnto Philip, Goe neere and ioyne thy selfe to vonder charet. And Philip ranne thither, and heard him reade the 30 Prophet Esaias, and said, But vnderstandest thou what thou readest? And he saide, Howe can I, except I had a guide? And 31 he desired Philip, that he would come vp and sit with him. Nowe the place of the Scripture which he read, was this, Hee 32 was lead as a sheepe to the slaughter: and like a lambe domme before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth. In his humil- 33 itie his iudgement hath bene exalted: but who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth. Then the 34 Eunuche answered Philippe, and saide, I pray thee of whome speaketh the Prophet this? of himselfe, or of some other man? Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same Scrip- 35 ture, and preached vnto him Iesus. And as they went on their 36 way, they came vnto a certaine water, and the Eunuche said, See, here is water: what doeth let me to be baptized? And 37 Philippe said vnto him, If thou beleeuest with all thine heart, thou mayest. Then he answered, and saide, I beleeue that that Iesus Christ is that Sonne of God. Then he commanded the 38 charet to stand stil: and they went downe both into the water, both Philip and the Eunuche, and he baptized him. And as- 39 soone as they were come vp out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the Eunuche sawe him no more: so he went on his way reioycing. But Philippe was found at 40 Azotus, and he walked to and from preaching in all the cities, till he came to Cesarea.

And Saul yet breathing out threatnings and slaughter agains **9** the disciples of ye Lord, went vnto the hie Priest, And de-2 sired of him letters to Damascus to the Synagogues, that if he found any that were of that way (either men or women) hee might bring them bound vnto Hierusalem. Now as he iourneyed, it came to passe that as he was come neere to Damascus, suddenly there shined rounde about him a light from heauen. And hee fell to the earth, and heard a voyce, saying 4 to him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he sayd, 5 Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord sayd, I am Iesus whom

thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kicke against pricks. 6 He then both trembling and astonied, sayd, Lord, what wilt thou that I doe? And the Lord sayd vnto him, Arise and goe into the citie, and it shall be tolde thee what thou shalt doe. 7 The men also which iourneyed with him, stood amased, hear-8 ing his voyce, but seeing no man. And Saul arose from the ground, and opened his eyes, but sawe no man. Then led they 9 him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus, Where he was three dayes without sight, and neither ate nor dranke. 10 And there was a certaine disciple at Damascus named Ananias, and to him sayd the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he 11 sayd, Beholde, I am here Lord. Then the Lord sayd vnto him, Arise, and goe into the streete which is called Straight, and seeke in the house of Iudas after one called Saul of Tarsus: for 12 beholde, he prayeth. (And he sawe in a vision a man named Ananias comming in to him, and putting his hands on him, 13 that he might receive his sight.) Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, howe much euill hee 14 hath done to thy saints at Hierusalem. Moreouer here hee hath authoritie of the hie Priestes, to binde all that call on thy 15 Name. Then the Lord said vnto him, Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessell vnto me, to beare my Name before the Gentiles, 16 and Kings, and the children of Israel. For I will shewe him, 17 howe many things he must suffer for my Names sake. Then Ananias went his way, and entred into that house, and put his hands on him, and sayd, Brother Saul, the Lord hath sent me (euen Iesus that appeared vnto thee in the way as thou camest) that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the holy 18 Ghost. And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had bene scales, and suddenly he received sight, and arose, and was bap-19 tized, And received meate, and was strengthened. So was Saul certaine dayes with the disciples which were at Damas-20 cus. And straightway hee preached Christ in the Synagogues, 21 that he was that Sonne of God. So that all that heard him. were amased, and sayde, Is not this hee, that made hauocke of them which called on this Name in Hierusalem, and came hither for that intent, that hee should bring them bound vnto 22 the hie Priests? But Saul encreased the more in strength, and confounded the Iewes which dwelt at Damascus, confirming, 23 that this was that Christ. And after that many dayes were fulfilled, the Iewes tooke counsell together, to kill him, But 24 their laying awayte was knowen of Saul: nowe they watched the gates day and night, that they might kill him. Then the 25 disciples tooke him by night, and put him through the wall, and let him downe by a rope in a basket. And when Saul was 26 come to Hierusalem, he assayed to ioyne himselfe with the disciples: but they were all afrayd of him, and beleeued not that he was a disciple. But Barnabas tooke him, and brought him 27 to the Apostles, and declared to them, howe hee had seene the Lord in the way, and that hee had spoken vnto him, and how he had spoken boldly at Damascus in the Name of Iesus. And hee 28 was conuersant with them at Hierusalem, And spake boldly 29 in the Name of the Lord Iesus, and spake and disputed against the Grecians: but they went about to slay him. But when 30 the brethren knewe it, they brought him to Cesarea, and sent him forth to Tarsus. Then had the Churches rest through all 31 Iudea, and Galile, and Samaria, and were edified and walked in the feare of the Lord, and were multiplied by the comfort of the holy Ghost. And it came to passe, as Peter walked 32 throughout all quarters, hee came also to the saints which dwelt at Lydda. And there he found a certaine man named 33 Aeneas, which had kept his couch eight yeeres, and was sicke of the palsie. Then said Peter vnto him, Aeneas, Iesus Christ 34 maketh thee whole: arise and trusse thy couch together. And he arose immediately. And all that dwelt at Lydda and Saron, 35 sawe him, and turned to the Lord. There was also at Ioppa a 36 certaine woman, a disciple named Tabitha (which by interpretation is called Dorcas) she was full of good workes and almes which she did. And it came to passe in those dayes, that she 37 was sicke and dyed: and when they had washed her, they layd her in an ypper chamber. Now forasmuch as Lydda was neere 38 to Ioppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent vnto him two men, desiring that he would not delay to come vnto them. Then Peter arose and came with them: and 39 when hee was come, they brought him into the vpper chamber, where all the widowes stoode by him weeping, and shewing the coates and garments, which Dorcas made, while she was with them. But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled downe, 40 and prayed, and turned him to the body, and sayd, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes, and when she sawe Peter, sate

41 vp. Then he gaue her the hand and lift her vp, and called42 the Saints and widowes, and restored her aliue. And it was knowen throughout all Ioppa, and many beleeued in the Lord.

43 And it came to passe that he taried many dayes in Ioppa with one Simon a Tanner.

Futhermore there was a certaine man in Cesarea called 10 2 Cornelius, a captaine of the band called the Italian band, A deuoute man, and one that feared God with all his housholde, which gaue much almes to the people, and prayed God contin-3 ually. He sawe in a vision euidently (about the ninth houre of the day) an Angel of God comming in to him, and saying 4 vnto him, Cornelius. But when hee looked on him, hee was afrayd, and sayd, What is it, Lord? and he sayd vnto him, Thy prayers and thine almes are come vp into remembrance 5 before God. Nowe therefore send men to Ioppa, and call for 6 Simon, whose surname is Peter. Hee lodgeth with one Simon a Tanner, whose house is by the sea side: he shall tell 7 thee what thou oughtest to doe. And when the Angel which spake vnto Cornelius, was departed, he called two of his seruants, and a souldier that feared God, one of them that waited 8 on him, And tolde them all things, and sent them to Ioppa. 9 On the morow as they went on their journey, and drew neere vnto the citie, Peter went vp vpon the house to pray, about 10 the sixt houre. Then waxed hee an hungred, and would haue eaten: but while they made some thing ready, he fell into a 11 trance. And hee sawe heaven opened, and a certaine vessell come downe vnto him, as it had bene a great sheete, knit at 12 the foure corners, and was let downe to the earth. Wherein were all maner of foure footed beastes of the earth, and wilde 13 beastes and creeping things, and foules of the heauen. 14 there came a voyce to him, Arise, Peter: kill, and eate. Peter sayd, Not so, Lord: for I have neuer eaten any thing 15 that is polluted, or vncleane. And the voyce spake vnto him againe the second time, The things that God hath purified, pol-This was so done thrise: and the vessell was 16 lute thou not. 17 drawen vp againe into heauen. Nowe while Peter douted in himselfe what this vision which he had seene, meant, beholde, the men which were sent from Cornelius, had inquired for Si-18 mons house, and stoode at the gate, And called, and asked, whether Simon, which was surnamed Peter, were lodged there.

And while Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit sayde vnto 19 him, Beholde, three men seeke thee. Arise therefore, and 20 get thee downe, and goe with them, and doute nothing: For I have sent them. Then Peter went downe to the men, which 21 were sent vnto him from Cornelius, and sayd, Beholde, I am he whome ye seeke: what is the cause wherefore ye are come? And they sayd, Cornelius the captaine, a just man, and one 22 that feareth God, and of good report among all the nation of the Iewes, was warned from heauen by an holy Angel, to send for thee into his house, and to heare thy wordes. Then called 23 he them in, and lodged them, and the next day, Peter went foorth with them, and certaine brethren from Ioppa accompanied him. And the day after, they entred into Cesarea. Nowe 24 Cornelius waited for them, and had called together his kinsemen, and special friends. And it came to passe as Peter came 25 in, that Cornelius met him, and fell downe at his feete, and worshipped him. But Peter tooke him vp, saving, Stand vp: 26 for euen I my selfe am a man. And as he talked with him. 27 he came in, and found many that were come together. And 28 he sayd vnto them, Ye know that it is an vnlawfull thing for a man that is a Iewe, to company, or come vnto one of another nation: but God hath shewed me, that I should not call any man polluted, or vncleane. Therefore came I vnto vou 29 without saying nay, when I was sent for. I aske therefore, for what intent haue ye sent for me? Then Cornelius savd, 30 Foure dayes agoe, about this houre, I fasted, and at the ninth houre I prayed in mine house, and beholde, a man stood before me in bright clothing. And sayd, Cornelius, thy prayer is 31 heard, and thine almes are had in remembrance in the sight of God. Send therefore to Ioppa, and call for Simon, whose 32 surname is Peter (he is lodged in the house of Simon a Tanner by the sea side) who when he commeth, shall speake vnto thee. Then sent I for thee immediately, and thou hast well done to 33 come. Nowe therefore are we all here present before God, to heare all things that are commanded thee of God. Then Peter 34 opened his mouth, and sayd, Of a trueth I perceiue, that God is no accepter of persons. But in euery nation he that feareth 35 him, and worketh righteousnesse, is accepted with him. Ye 36 know the worde which God hath sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace by Iesus Christ, which is Lord of all:

37 Euen the worde which came through all Iudea, beginning in 38 Galile, after the baptisme which Iohn preached. To wit, howe God anointed Iesus of Nazareth with the holy Ghost, and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were 39 oppressed of the deuill: for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Iewes, and in Hierusalem, whom they slewe, hanging him on a 40 tree. Him God raysed vp the third day, and caused that he was 41 shewed openly: Not to all the people, but vnto the witnesses chosen before of God, euen to vs which did eate and drinke 42 with him, after he arose from the dead. And he commanded vs to preach vnto the people, and to testifie, that it is he that 43 is ordained of God a judge of quicke and dead. To him also giue all the Prophets witnesse, that through his Name all that 44 beleeue in him, shall receiue remission of sinnes. While Peter yet spake these wordes, the holy Ghost fell on al them which 45 heard the word. So they of the circumcision which beleeued, were astonied, as many as came with Peter, because that on the 46 Gentiles also was powred out the gift of the holy Ghost. For they heard them speake with tongues, and magnifie God. Then 47 answered Peter, Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the holy Ghost, as well 48 as we? So he commanded them to be baptized in the Name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tary certaine dayes.

Nowe the Apostles and the brethren that were in Iudea, 11 heard, that the Gentiles had also received the worde of God. 2 And when Peter was come vp to Hierusalem, they of the cir-3 cumcision contended against him, Saying, Thou wentest in to 4 men vncircumcised, and hast eaten with them. beganne, and expounded the thing in order to them, saying, 5 I was in the citie of Ioppa, praying, and in a trance I sawe this vision, A certaine vessell comming downe as it had bene a great sheete, let downe from heauen by the foure corners, 6 and it came to me. Towarde the which when I had fastened mine eyes, I considered, and sawe foure footed beastes of the earth, and wilde beastes, and creeping things, and foules of 7 the heauen. Also I heard a voyce, saying vnto me, Arise, Pe-8 ter: slay and eate. And I said, God forbid, Lord: for nothing polluted or vncleane hath at any time entred into my mouth. 9 But the voyce answered me the seconde time from heauen, The

things that God hath purified, pollute thou not. And this was 10 done three times, and all were taken vp againe into heauen. Then behold, immediatly there were three men already come 11 vnto the house where I was, sent from Cesarea vnto me. And 12 the Spirit saide vnto me, that I should go with them, without doubting: moreouer these sixe brethren came with me, and we entred into the mans house. And he shewed vs. howe 13 he had seene an Angel in his house, which stoode and said to him, Send men to Ioppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter. He shall speake wordes vnto thee, whereby 14 both thou and all thine house shalbe saued. And as I be- 15 gan to speake, the holy Ghost fell on them, euen as vpon vs at the beginning. Then I remembred the word of the Lord, 16 howe he said, John baptized with water, but ve shalbe baptized with the holy Ghost. For as much then as God gaue them 17 a like gift, as he did vnto vs, when we beleeued in the Lord Iesus Christ, who was I, that I coulde let God? When they 18 heard these things, they helde their peace, and glorified God, saying. Then hath God also to the Gentiles graunted repentance vnto life. And they which were scattered abroade be- 19 cause of the affliction that arose about Steuen, went throughout till they came vnto Phenice and Cyprus, and Antiochia, preaching the worde to no man, but vnto the Iewes onely. Now 20 some of them were men of Cyprus and of Cyrene, which when they were come into Antiochia, spake vnto the Grecians, and preached the Lord Iesus. And the hand of the Lord was with 21 them, so that a great number beleeued and turned vnto the Lord. Then tvdings of those things came vnto the eares of the 22 Church, which was in Hierusalem, and they sent foorth Barnabas, that he should goe vnto Antiochia. Who when he was 23 come and had seene the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted all, that with purpose of heart they would continue in the Lord. For he was a good man, and full of the holy Ghost, and faith, 24 and much people ioyned them selues vnto the Lord. Then de- 25 parted Barnabas to Tarsus to seeke Saul: And when he had 26 founde him, he brought him vnto Antiochia: and it came to passe that a whole yere they were conuersant with ye Church, and taught much people, in so much that the disciples were first called Christians in Antiochia. In those dayes also came 27 Prophets from Hierusalem vnto Antiochia. And there stoode 28 vp one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great famine throughout all the world, which also came to passe vnder Claudius Cesar. Then the disciples, euery man according to his ability, purposed to sende succour vnto the brethren which dwelt in Iudea. Which thing they also did, and sent it to the Elders, by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

Nowe about that time, Herod the King stretched forth his **12** 2 hands to vexe certaine of the Church, And he killed Iames 3 the brother of Iohn with the sword. And when he sawe that it pleased the Iewes, he proceeded further, to take Peter also 4 (then were the dayes of vnleauened bread.) And when he had caught him, he put him in prison, and deliuered him to foure quaternions of souldiers to be kept, intending after the 5 Passeouer to bring him foorth to the people. So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer was made of ye Church vnto God 6 for him. And when Herod woulde haue brought him out vnto the people, the same night slept Peter betweene two souldiers, bound with two chaines, and the keepers before the doore, kept 7 the prison. And behold the Angel of the Lord came vpon them, and a light shined in the house, and he smote Peter on the side, and raysed him vp, saying, Arise quickely. And his chaines fell 8 off from his handes. And the Angel saide vnto him, Girde thy selfe, and binde on thy sandales. And so he did. Then he said 9 vnto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me. So Peter came out and followed him, and knewe not that it was true, which was done by the Angel, but thought he had seene Nowe when they were past the first and the sec-10 a vision. ond watch, they came vnto the yron gate, that leadeth vnto the citie, which opened to them by it owne accord, and they went out, and passed through one streete, and by and by the Angel 11 departed from him. And when Peter was come to himselfe, he said, Nowe I know for a trueth, that the Lord hath sent his Angel, and hath deliuered me out of the hand of Herod, and from 12 all the wayting for of the people of the Iewes. And as he considered the thing, he came to the house of Marie, the mother of Iohn, whose surname was Marke, where many were gath-13 ered together, and prayed. And when Peter knocked at the entrie doore, a maide came foorth to hearken, named Rhode, 14 But when she knew Peters voyce, she opened not the entrie doore for gladnesse, but ranne in, and tolde howe Peter stood before the entrie. But they said vnto her, Thou art mad. Yet 15 she affirmed it constantly, that it was so. Then said they, It is his Angel. But Peter continued knocking, and when they had 16 opened it, and sawe him, they were astonied. And he beck- 17 ened vnto them with the hand, to hold their peace, and told them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he saide, Goe shewe these things vnto Iames and to the brethren: and he departed and went into an other place. Nowe assoone 18 as it was day, there was no small trouble among the souldiers, what was become of Peter. And when Herod had sought for 19 him, and found him not, he examined the keepers, and commanded them to be led to be punished. And he went downe from Iudea to Cesarea, and there abode. Then Herod was an- 20 grie with them of Tyrus and Sidon, but they came all with one accord vnto him, and perswaded Blastus the Kings Chamberlaine, and they desired peace, because their countrey was nourished by the Kings land. And vpon a day appointed, Herod 21 arayed himselfe in royall apparell, and sate on the judgement seate, and made an oration vnto them. And the people gaue a 22 shoute, saying, The voyce of God, and not of man. But imme- 23 diatly the Angel of the Lord smote him, because he gaue not glorie vnto God, so that he was eaten of wormes, and gaue vp the ghost. And the worde of God grewe, and multiplied. So 24, 25 Barnabas and Saul returned from Hierusalem, when they had fulfilled their office, and tooke with them Iohn, whose surname was Marke.

There were also in the Church that was at Antiochia, certaine Prophets and teachers, as Barnabas, and Simeon called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manahen (which had bin brought vp with Herod the Tetrarche) and Saul. Nowe as 2 they ministred to the Lord, and fasted, the holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul, for the worke whereunto I haue called them. Then fasted they and prayed, and layde 3 their hands on them, and let them goe. And they, after they 4 were sent foorth of the holy Ghost, came downe vnto Seleucia, and from thence they sayled to Cyprus. And when they 5 were at Salamis, they preached the worde of God in the Synagogues of the Iewes: and they had also Iohn to their minister. So when they had gone throughout the yle vnto Paphus, they 6

found a certaine sorcerer, a false prophet, being a Iewe, named 7 Bariesus, Which was with the Deputie Sergius Paulus, a prudent man. He called vnto him Barnabas and Saul, and desired 8 to heare the woorde of God. But Elymas, ye sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) withstoode them, and sought to 9 turne away the Deputie from the faith. Then Saul (which also is called Paul) being full of the holy Ghost, set his eyes on him, 10 And sayde, O full of all subtiltie and all mischiefe, the childe of the deuill, and enemie of all righteousnesse, wilt thou not 11 cease to peruert the straight waies of the Lord? Nowe therefore behold, the hand of the Lord is vpon thee, and thou shalt be blinde, and not see the sunne for a season. And immediately there fel on him a mist and a darknes; and he went about, seek-12 ing some to leade him by the hand. Then the Deputie when he sawe what was done, beleeued, and was astonied at the doc-13 trine of the Lord. Nowe when Paul and they that were with him were departed by shippe from Paphus, they came to Perga a citie of Pamphylia: then Iohn departed from them, and re-14 turned to Hierusalem. But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antiochia a citie of Pisidia, and went into the Syn-15 agogue on ye Sabbath day, and sate downe. And after the lecture of the Law and Prophets, the rulers of ye Synagogue sent vnto them, saying, Ye men and brethren, if ye haue any word 16 of exhortation for the people, say on. Then Paul stoode vp and beckened with the hand, and sayde, Men of Israel, and yee that 17 feare God, hearken. The God of this people of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt in the land of 18 Egypt, and with an high arme brought them out thereof. And about the time of fourtie yeeres, suffered he their maners in 19 the wildernesse. And he destroied seuen nations in the land 20 of Chanaan, and deuided their lad to them by lot. Then afterward he gaue vnto them Iudges about foure hundreth and fiftie 21 yeeres, vnto the time of Samuel the Prophet. So after that, they desired a King, and God gaue vnto them Saul, the sonne of Cis, a man of ye tribe of Beniamin, by the space of fourty 22 yeres. And after he had taken him away, he raised vp Dauid to be their King, of whom he witnessed, saying, I have found Dauid the sonne of Iesse, a man after mine owne heart, which 23 will doe all things that I will. Of this mans seede hath God according to his promise raised vp to Israel, ye Sauiour Iesus:

When Iohn had first preached before his coming the baptisme 24 of repentance to all the people of Israel. And when Iohn had 25 fulfilled his course, he saide, Whom ye thinke that I am, I am not he: but beholde, there commeth one after me, whose shooe of his feete I am not worthy to loose. Yee men and brethren, 26 children of the generation of Abraham, and whosoeuer among you feareth God, to you is the woorde of this saluation sent. For the inhabitants of Hierusalem, and their rulers, because 27 they knewe him not, nor yet the woordes of the Prophets, which are read euery Sabbath day, they have fulfilled them in condemning him. And though they found no cause of death in 28 him, yet desired they Pilate to kill him. And when they had 29 fulfilled all things that were written of him, they tooke him downe from the tree, and put him in a sepulchre. But God 30 raised him vp from the dead. And hee was seene many dayes 31 of them, which came vp with him from Galile to Hierusalem, which are his witnesses vnto the people. And we declare vnto 32 you, that touching the promise made vnto the fathers, God 33 hath fulfilled it vnto vs their children, in that he raised vp Iesus, euen as it is written in the seconde Psalme, Thou art my Sonne: this day haue I begotten thee. Nowe as concern- 34 ing that he raised him vp from the dead, no more to returne to corruption, he hath said thus, I wil give you the holy things of Dauid, which are faithfull. Wherefore hee sayeth also in 35 another place, Thou wilt not suffer thine Holy one to see corruption. Howbeit, Dauid after hee had serued his time by the 36 counsell of God, hee slept, and was laid with his fathers, and sawe corruption. But he whom God raised vp. sawe no cor- 37 ruption. Be it knowen vnto you therefore, men and brethren, 38 that through this man is preached vnto you the forgiuenesse of sinnes. And from al things, from which ye could not be iusti- 39 fied by the Law of Moses, by him euery one that beleeueth, is iustified. Beware therefore lest that come vpon you, which is 40 spoken of in the Prophets, Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, 41 and vanish away: for I woorke a woorke in your daies, a woorke which yee shall not beleeue, if a man would declare it you. And when they were come out of the Synagogue of the Iewes, 42 the Gentiles besought, that they woulde preach these woordes to them the next Sabbath day. Nowe when the congregation 43 was dissolued, many of the Iewes and Proselytes that feared

God, followed Paul and Barnabas, which spake to them, and 44 exhorted them to continue in the grace of God. And ye next Sabbath day came almost the whole citie together, to heare the 45 worde of God. But when the Iewes saw the people, they were full of enuie, and spake against those things, which were spo-46 ken of Paul, contrarying them, and railing on them. Paul and Barnabas spake boldly, and sayde, It was necessarie that the woorde of God shoulde first haue beene spoken vnto you: but seeing yee put it from you, and iudge your selues vn-47 worthie of euerlasting life, loe, we turne to the Gentiles. For so hath the Lord commanded vs, saying, I haue made thee a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be the saluation vnto 48 the end of the world. And when the Gentiles heard it, they were glad, and glorified the woorde of the Lord: and as many 49 as were ordeined vnto eternall life, beleeued. Thus the worde 50 of the Lord was published throughout the whole countrey. But the Iewes stirred certaine deuoute and honourable women, and the chiefe men of the citie, and raised persecution against Paul 51 and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their coastes. But they shooke off the dust of their feete against them, and came 52 vnto Iconium. And the disciples were filled with ioy, and with the holy Ghost.

And it came to passe in Iconium, that they went both to-14 gether into the Synagogue of the Iewes, and so spake, that a great multitude both of the Iewes and of the Grecians beleeued. 2 And the vnbeleeuing Iewes stirred vp, and corrupted the min-3 des of the Gentiles against the brethren. So therefore they abode there a long time, and spake boldly in the Lord, which gaue testimonie vnto the woord of his grace, and caused signes 4 and woders to be done by their hands. But the multitude of the city was deuided: and some were with the Iewes, and some 5 with the Apostles. And when there was an assault made both of the Gentiles, and of the Iewes with their rulers, to doe them 6 violence, and to stone them, They were ware of it, and fled vnto Lystra, and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and vnto the region 7,8 round about, And there preached the Gospel. Nowe there sate a certaine man at Lystra, impotent in his feete, which was 9 a creeple from his mothers wombe, who had neuer walked. He heard Paul speake: who beholding him, and perceiuing that he 10 had faith to be healed, Said with a loude voyce, Stand vpright

on thy feete. And he leaped vp, and walked. Then when the 11 people sawe what Paul had done, they lift vp their voyces, saying in ye speach of Lycaonia, Gods are come downe to vs in the likenesse of men. And they called Barnabas, Iupiter: and 12 Paul, Mercurius, because hee was the chiefe speaker. Iupiters priest, which was before their citie, brought bulles with garlands vnto the gates, and would have sacrificed with the people. But when the Apostles, Barnabas and Paul heard 14 it, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying, And saying, O men, why doe yee these things? We are euen 15 men subject to the like passions that yee be, and preache vnto you, that yee shoulde turne from these vaine things vnto the liuing God, which made heauen and earth, and the sea, and all things that in them are: Who in times past suffered all 16 the Gentiles to walke in their owne waies. Neuerthelesse, 17 hee left not him selfe without witnes, in that hee did good and gaue vs raine from heauen, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with foode, and gladnesse. And speaking these 18 things, scarce appeased they the multitude, that they had not sacrificed vnto them. Then there came certaine Iewes from 19 Antiochia and Iconium, which when they had persuaded the people, stoned Paul, and drewe him out of the citie, supposing he had bene dead. Howbeit, as the disciples stoode rounde 20 about him, hee arose vp, and came into the citie, and the next day hee departed with Barnabas to Derbe. And after they 21 had preached the glad tidings of the Gospel to that citie, and had taught many, they returned to Lystra, and to Iconium, and to Antiochia, Confirming the disciples hearts, and exhorting 22 them to continue in the faith, affirming that we must through many afflictions enter into the kingdome of God. And when 23 they had ordeined them Elders by election in euery Church, and prayed, and fasted, they commended them to the Lord in whome they beleeued. Thus they went throughout Pisidia, 24 and came to Pamphylia. And when they had preached the wo- 25 orde in Perga, they came downe to Attalia, And thence sailed 26 to Antiochia, from whence they had bene comended vnto the grace of God, to the woorke, which they had fulfilled. when they were come and had gathered the Church together, they rehearsed all the things that God had done by them, and howe he had opened the doore of faith vnto the Gentiles. So 28 there they abode a long time with the disciples.

15 Then came downe certaine from Iudea, and taught the brethren, saying, Except ye be circumcised after the maner of Moses, ye 2 cannot be saued. And when there was great dissension, and disputation by Paul and Barnabas against them, they ordeyned that Paul and Barnabas, and certaine other of them, should goe vp to Hierusalem vnto the Apostles and Elders about this 3 question. Thus being brought forth by ye Church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles, and they brought great ioy vnto all the brethren. 4 And when they were come to Hierusalem, they were received of the Church, and of the Apostles and Elders, and they declared 5 what things God had done by them. But said they, certaine of the sect of the Pharises, which did beleeue, rose vp, saying, that it was needefull to circumcise them, and to commaund 6 them to keepe the lawe of Moses. Then the Apostles and El-7 ders came together to looke to this matter. And when there had bene great disputation, Peter rose vp, and said vnto them, Ye men and brethren, ye know that a good while ago, among vs God chose out me, that the Gentiles by my mouth should 8 heare the worde of the Gospel, and beleeue. And God which knoweth the heartes, bare them witnesse, in giuing vnto them 9 ye holy Ghost euen as he did vnto vs. And he put no difference betweene vs and them, after that by faith he had purified their 10 heartes. Nowe therefore, why tempt ye God, to lay a yoke on the disciples neckes, which neither our fathers, nor we were 11 able to beare? But we believe, through the grace of the Lord 12 Iesus Christ to be saued, euen as they doe. Then all the multitude kept silence, and heard Barnabas and Paul, which told what signes and wonders God had done among the Gentiles 13 by them. And when they helde their peace, Iames answered, 14 saying, Men and brethren, hearken vnto me. Simeon hath declared, howe God first did visite the Gentiles, to take of them 15 a people vnto his Name. And to this agree the woordes of the 16 Prophets, as it is written, After this I will returne, and will builde againe the tabernacle of Dauid, which is fallen downe, and the ruines thereof will I build againe, and I will set it vp, 17 That the residue of men might seeke after the Lord, and all the Gentiles vpon whom my Name is called, saith the Lord which 18 doeth all these things. From the beginning of the worlde, God

knoweth all his workes. Wherefore my sentence is, that we 19 trouble not them of the Gentiles that are turned to God. But 20 that we send vnto them, that they abstaine themselues from filthinesse of idoles, and fornication, and that that is strangled, and from blood. For Moses of olde time hath in euery 21 citie them that preache him, seeing he is read in the Synagogues euery Sabbath day. Then it seemed good to the Apos- 22 tles and Elders with the whole Church, to sende chosen men of their owne companie to Antiochia with Paul and Barnabas: to wit, Iudas whose surname was Barsabas and Silas, which were chiefe men among the brethren, And wrote letters by 23 them after this maner, THE APOSTLES, and the Elders, and the brethren, vnto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antiochia, and in Syria, and in Cilicia, send greeting. Foras- 24 much as we have heard, that certaine which went out from vs, haue troubled you with wordes, and cumbred your mindes, saving. Ye must be circumcised and keepe the Lawe: to whom we gaue no such commandement, It seemed therefore 25 good to vs, when we were come together with one accord, to send chosen men vnto you, with our beloued Barnabas and Paul. Men that have given vp their lives for the Name of our 26 Lord Iesus Christ. We have therefore sent Iudas and Silas, 27 which shall also tell you ve same things by mouth. seemed good to the holy Ghost, and to vs, to lay no more burden vpon you, then these necessary things, That is, that ye 29 abstaine from things offered to idoles, and blood, and that that is strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keepe your selues, ve shall doe well. Fare ve well. Nowe when they 30 were departed, they came to Antiochia, and after that they had assembled the multitude, they deliuered the Epistle. And 31 when they had read it, they reioyced for the consolation. And 32 Iudas and Silas being Prophets, exhorted the brethren with many wordes, and strengthened them. And after they had 33 taried there a space, they were let goe in peace of the brethren vnto the Apostles. Notwithstanding Silas thought good to 34 abide there still. Paul also and Barnabas continued in An- 35 tiochia, teaching and preaching with many other, the worde of the Lord. But after certaine dayes, Paul said vnto Barn- 36 abas, Let vs returne, and visite our brethren in euery citie, where we have preached the worde of the Lord, and see how

they doe. And Barnabas counselled to take with them Iohn, called Marke. But Paul thought it not meete to take him vnto their companie, which departed from them from Pamphylia, and went not with them to the worke. Then were they so stirred, that they departed asunder one from the other, so that Barnabas tooke Marke, and sailed vnto Cyprus. And Paul chose Silas and departed, being commended of the brethren vnto the grace of God. And he went through Syria and Cilicia, stablishing the Churches.

Then came he to Derbe and to Lystra: and beholde, a cer-16 taine disciple was there named Timotheus, a womans sonne, which was a Iewesse and beleeued, but his father was a Gre-2 cian. Of whom the brethren which were at Lystra and Ico-3 nium, reported well. Therefore Paul would that he should go forth with him, and tooke and circumcised him, because of ye Iewes, which were in those quarters: for they knewe all, 4 that his father was a Grecian. And as they went through the cities, they deliuered them the decrees to keepe, ordeined of 5 the Apostles and Elders, which were at Hierusalem. And so were the Churches stablished in the faith, and encreased in 6 number daily. Nowe when they had gone throughout Phrygia, and the region of Galatia, they were forbidden of the holy 7 Ghost to preache the worde in Asia. Then came they to Mysia, and sought to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them 8 not. Therefore they passed through Mysia, and came downe 9 to Troas, Where a vision appeared to Paul in the night. There stoode a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come into 10 Macedonia, and helpe vs. And after he had seene the vision, immediatly we prepared to goe into Macedonia, being assured that the Lord had called vs to preache the Gospel vnto them. 11 Then went we forth from Troas, and with a straight course 12 came to Samothracia, and the next day to Neapolis, And from thence to Philippi, which is the chiefe citie in ye partes of Macedonia, and whose inhabitants came from Rome to dwell 13 there, and we were in that citie abiding certaine dayes. And on the Sabbath day, we went out of the citie, besides a Riuer, where they were wont to pray: and we sate downe, and spake 14 vnto the women, which were come together. And a certaine woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the citie of the Thyatirians, which worshipped God, heard vs: whose heart the

Lord opened, that she attended vnto the things, which Paul spake. And when she was baptized, and her houshold, she 15 besought vs, saying, If ye haue judged me to be faithfull to ye Lord, come into mine house, and abide there: and she constrained vs. And it came to passe that as we went to prayer, 16 a certaine maide having a spirit of divination, mette vs., which gate her masters much vantage with diuining. She followed 17 Paul and vs., and cryed, saying. These men are the seruants of the most high God, which shewe vnto you the way of saluation. And this did she many dayes: but Paul being grieued, 18 turned about, and said to the spirit, I commaund thee in the Name of Iesus Christ, that thou come out of her. And he came out the same houre. Nowe when her masters sawe that the 19 hope of their gaine was gone, they caught Paul and Silas, and drewe them into the market place vnto the Magistrates, And 20 brought them to the gouernours, saying, These men which are Iewes, trouble our citie, And preache ordinances, which are 21 not lawfull for vs to receiue, neither to obserue, seeing we are The people also rose vp together against them, 22 and the gouernours rent their clothes, and commanded them to be beaten with roddes. And when they had beaten them 23 sore, they cast them into prison, commaunding the Iayler to keepe them surely. Who having received such commande- 24 ment, cast them into the inner prison, and made their feete fast in the stockes. Nowe at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, 25 and sung Psalmes vnto God: and the prisoners heard them. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foun- 26 dation of the prison was shaken: and by and by all the doores opened, and euery mans bands were loosed. Then the keeper 27 of the prison waked out of his sleepe, and when he sawe the prison doores open, he drewe out his sword and would haue killed himselfe, supposing the prisoners had bin fled. Paul cryed with a loude voyce, saying, Doe thy selfe no harme: Then he called for a light, and leaped 29 for we are all here. in, and came trembling, and fell downe before Paul and Silas, And brought them out, and said, Syrs, what must I doe to be 30 saued? And they saide, Beleeue in the Lord Iesus Christ, and 31 thou shalt be saued, and thine houshold. And they preached 32 vnto him the worde of the Lord, and to all that were in the house. Afterwarde he tooke them the same houre of the night, 33

and washed their stripes, and was baptized with all that be-34 longed vnto him, straigthway. And when he had brought them into his house, he set meate before them, and reioyced that he 35 with all his houshold beleeued in God. And when it was day, the gouernours sent the sergeants, saying, Let those men goe. 36 Then the keeper of the prison tolde these woordes vnto Paul, saying, The gouerness haue sent to loose you: nowe therefore 37 get you hence, and goe in peace. Then sayde Paul vnto them, After that they have beaten vs openly vncodemned, which are Romanes, they have cast vs into prison, and nowe would they put vs out priuily? nay verely: but let them come and bring vs 38 out. And the sergeants tolde these woordes vnto the gouernours, 39 who feared whe they heard that they were Romanes. came they and praied them, and brought them out, and de-40 sired them to depart out of the citie. And they went out of the prison, and entred into the house of Lydia: and when they had seene the brethren, they comforted them, and departed.

Nowe as they passed through Amphipolis, and Apollonia, 17 they came to Thessalonica, where was a Synagogue of the Iewes. 2 And Paul, as his maner was, went in vnto them, and three 3 Sabbath daies disputed with them by the Scriptures, Opening, and alleadging that Christ must have suffered, and risen againe from the dead: and this is Iesus Christ, whom, said he, I 4 preach to you. And some of them beleeued, and ioyned in companie with Paul and Silas: also of the Grecians that feared God 5 a great multitude, and of the chiefe women not a fewe. the Iewes which beleeued not, mooued with enuie, tooke vnto them certaine vagabonds and wicked fellowes, and whe they had assembled the multitude, they made a tumult in the citie, and made assault against the house of Iason, and sought to 6 bring them out to the people. But when they found them not, they drew Iason and certaine brethren vnto the heads of the citie, crying, These are they which have subuerted the state of 7 the world, and here they are, Whom Iason hath received, and these all doe against the decrees of Cesar, saving that there is 8 another King, one Iesus. Then they troubled the people, and 9 the heads of the citie, when they heard these things. Notwithstanding when they had received sufficient assurance of Iason 10 and of the other, they let them goe. And the brethren immediatly sent away Paul and Silas by night vnto Berea, which when

they were come thither, entred into ye Synagogue of the Iewes. These were also more noble men then they which were at Thes- 11 salonica, which received the woorde with all readinesse, and searched the Scriptures daily, whether those things were so. Therefore many of them beleeued, and of honest women, which 12 were Grecians, and men not a fewe. But when the Iewes of 13 Thessalonica knewe, that the woord of God was also preached of Paul at Berea, they came thither also, and mooued the peo-But by and by the brethren sent away Paul to goe as 14 it were to the sea: but Silas and Timotheus abode there still. And they that did conduct Paul, brought him vnto Athens: and 15 when they had received a commandement vnto Silas and Timotheus that they shoulde come to him at once, they departed. Nowe while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirite was 16 stirred in him, when hee sawe the citie subject to idolatrie. Therefore he disputed in the Synagogue with the Iewes, and 17 with them that were religious, and in the market daily with whomesoeuer he met. Then certaine Philosophers of the Epi- 18 cures, and of the Stoickes, disputed with him, and some sayde, What will this babler say? Others sayde, He seemeth to be a setter forth of straunge gods (because hee preached vnto them Iesus, and the resurrection.) And they tooke him, and brought 19 him into Mars streete, saying, May we not know, what this newe doctrine, whereof thou speakest, is? For thou bringest 20 certaine strange thinges vnto our eares: we woulde knowe therefore, what these things meane. For all the Athenians, 21 and strangers which dwelt there, gaue them selues to nothing els, but either to tell, or to heare some newes. Then Paul 22 stoode in the mids of Mars streete, and sayde, Yee men of Athens, I perceive that in all things yee are too superstitious. For as I passed by, and behelde your deuotions, I founde an 23 altar wherein was written, VNTO THE VNKNOWEN GOD. Whom ye then ignorantly worship, him shewe I vnto you. God 24 that made the world, and all things that are therein, seeing that he is Lord of heave and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands, Neither is worshipped with mens handes, 25 as though he needed any thing, seeing hee giveth to all life and breath and all things, And hath made of one blood all 26 mankinde, to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath assigned the seasons which were ordeined before, and the boundes

27 of their habitation, That they shoulde seeke the Lord, if so be they might have groped after him, and founde him though 28 doubtlesse he be not farre from euery one of vs. For in him we liue, and mooue, and haue our being, as also certaine of your 29 owne Poets haue sayd, for we are also his generation. Forasmuch then, as we are the generation of God, we ought not to thinke that ye Godhead is like vnto gold, or siluer, or stone 30 grauen by arte and the invention of man. And the time of this ignorance God regarded not: but nowe hee admonisheth 31 all men euery where to repent, Because hee hath appoynted a day in the which he wil judge the world in righteousnes, by that man whome hee hath appoynted, whereof he hath giuen an assurance to all men, in that hee hath raised him from the 32 dead. Now when they heard of the resurrection from the dead, some mocked, and other sayde, We will heare thee againe of 33, 34 this thing. And so Paul departed from among them. Howbeit certaine men claue vnto Paul, and beleeued: among whome was also Denys Areopagita, and a woman named Damaris, and other with them.

After these thinges, Paul departed from Athens, and came 18 2 to Corinthus, And found a certaine Iewe named Aquila, borne in Pontus, lately come from Italie, and his wife Priscilla (because that Claudius had commanded all Iewes to depart from 3 Rome) and he came vnto them. And because hee was of the same crafte, he abode with them and wrought (for their crafte 4 was to make tentes.) And he disputed in the Synagogue euery Sabbath day, and exhorted the Iewes, and the Grecians. 5 Now when Silas and Timotheus were come from Macedonia, Paul, forced in spirit, testified to the Iewes that Iesus was the 6 Christ. And when they resisted and blasphemed, he shooke his raiment, and saide vnto them, Your blood be vpon your owne head: I am cleane: from henceforth will I goe vnto the 7 Gentiles. So he departed thence, and entred into a certaine mans house, named Iustus, a worshipper of God, whose house 8 ioyned hard to the Synagogue. And Crispus the chiefe ruler of the Synagogue, beleeued in the Lord with all his housholde: and many of the Corinthians hearing it, beleeued and were Then saide the Lord to Paul in the night by a vi-9 baptized. 10 sion, Feare not, but speake, and holde not thy peace. For I am with thee, and no man shall lay handes on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this citie. So he continued 11 there a yeere and six moneths, and taught ye worde of God among them. Now when Gallio was Deputie of Achaia, the 12 Iewes arose with one accorde against Paul, and brought him to the iudgement seate, Saying, This fellow persuadeth me 13 to worship God otherwise then the Lawe appointeth. as Paul was about to open his mouth, Gallio saide vnto the Iewes, If it were a matter of wrong, or an euill deede, O ye Iewes, I would according to reason maintaine you. But if it 15 bee a question of woordes, and names, and of your Lawe, looke yee to it your selues: for I will be no iudge of those things. And hee draue them from the judgement seate. Then tooke al 16, 17 the Grecians Sosthenes the chiefe ruler of the Synagogue, and beat him before the judgement seat: but Gallio cared nothing for those things. But when Paul had taried there yet a good 18 while, hee tooke leaue of the brethren, and sailed into Svria (and with him Priscilla and Aquila) after that he had shorne his head in Cenchrea: for he had a vowe. Then hee came to 19 Ephesus, and left them there: but hee entred into the Synagogue and disputed with the Iewes. Who desired him to tarie 20 a longer time with them: but he would not consent, But bade 21 the farewel, saying, I must needes keepe this feast that commeth, in Hierusalem: but I will returne againe vnto you, if God will. So he sailed from Ephesus. And when hee came downe to 22 Cesarea, he went vp to Hierusalem: and when he had saluted the Church, he went downe vnto Antiochia. Nowe when he 23 had taried there a while, he departed, and went thorowe the countrey of Galatia and Phrygia by order, strengthening all the disciples. And a certaine Iewe named Apollos, borne at 24 Alexandria, came to Ephesus, an eloquent man, and mightie in the Scriptures. The same was instructed in the way of 25 the Lord, and hee spake feruently in the Spirite, and taught diligently the things of the Lord, and knew but the baptisme of Iohn onely. And he began to speake boldely in the Syna- 26 gogue. Whom when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they tooke him vnto them, and expounded vnto him the way of God more perfectly. And when hee was minded to goe into Achaia, the 27 brethren exhorting him, wrote to the disciples to receive him: and after hee was come thither, he holpe them much which had beleeued through grace. For mightily hee confuted publikely 28

the Iewes, with great vehemencie, shewing by the Scriptures, that Iesus was that Christ.

And it came to passe, while Apollos was at Corinthus, that 19 Paul when he passed thorow the vpper coasts, came to Eph-2 esus, and found certaine disciples, And saide vnto them, Haue ye receiued the holy Ghost since ye beleeued? And they saide vnto him, Wee haue not so much as heard whether there be 3 an holy Ghost. And he said vnto them, Vnto what were ve 4 then baptized? And they saide, Vnto Iohns baptisme. saide Paul, Iohn verely baptized with the baptisme of repentance, saying vnto the people, that they shoulde beleeue in him, which should come after him, that is, in Christ Iesus. 5 And when they heard it, they were baptized in the Name of 6 the Lord Iesus. So Paul layde his handes vpon them, and the holy Ghost came on them, and they spake the tongues, 7,8 and prophecied. And all the men were about twelue. Moreouer he went into the Synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three moneths, disputing and exhorting to the things 9 that appertaine to the kingdome of God. But when certaine were hardened, and disobeyed, speaking euill of the way of God before the multitude, hee departed from them, and separated the disciples, and disputed dayly in the schoole of one 10 Tyrannus. And this was done by the space of two yeeres, so that all they which dwelt in Asia, heard the word of ye Lord 11 Iesus, both Iewes and Grecians. And God wrought no small 12 miracles by the handes of Paul, So that from his body were brought vnto the sicke, kerchefs or handkerchefs, and the diseases departed from them, and the euill spirits went out of 13 them. Then certaine of the vagabond Iewes, exorcistes, tooke in hand to name ouer them which had euil spirits, the Name of the Lord Iesus, saying, We adiure you by Iesus, whom Paul 14 preacheth. (And there were certaine sonnes of Sceua a Iewe, 15 the Priest, about seuen which did this) And the euil spirit answered, and said, Iesus I acknowledge, and Paul I know: but 16 who are ye? And the man in whome the euil spirit was, ranne on them, and ouercame them, and preuailed against them, so 17 that they fledde out of that house, naked, and wounded. And this was knowen to all the Iewes and Grecians also, which dwelt at Ephesus, and feare came on them all, and the Name of 18 the Lord Iesus was magnified, And many that beleeued, came

and confessed, and shewed their workes. Many also of them 19 which vsed curious artes, brought their bookes, and burned them before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fiftie thousand pieces of siluer. So the worde of God 20 grewe mightily, and preuailed. Nowe when these things were 21 accomplished, Paul purposed by the Spirite to passe through Macedonia and Achaia, and to goe to Hierusalem, saying, After I haue bene there, I must also see Rome. So sent hee into 22 Macedonia two of them that ministred vnto him. Timotheus and Erastus, but he remained in Asia for a season. And the 23 same time there arose no small trouble about that way. For 24 a certaine man named Demetrius a siluersmith, which made siluer temples of Diana, brought great gaines vnto the craftesmen. Whom he called together, with the workemen of like 25 things, and saide, Syrs, ye knowe that by this craft we have our goods: Moreouer ye see and heare, that not alone at Eph- 26 esus, but almost throughout all Asia this Paul hath perswaded. and turned away much people, saying, That they be not gods which are made with handes. So that not onely this thing 27 is dangerous vnto vs, that this our portion shall be reproued, but also that the temple of the great goddesse Diana should be nothing esteemed, and that it would come to passe that her magnificence, which all Asia and the world worshippeth, should be destroyed. Now when they heard it, they were full 28 of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great is Diana of the Eph-And the whole citie was full of confusion, and they 29 rushed into the common place with one assent, and caught Gaius, and Aristarchus, men of Macedonia, and Pauls companions of his iourney. And when Paul would have entred 30 in vnto the people, the disciples suffred him not. Certaine 31 also of the chiefe of Asia which were his friendes, sent vnto him, desiring him that hee woulde not present him selfe in the Common place. Some therefore cried one thing, and some an- 32 other: for the assemblie was out of order, and the more part knewe not wherefore they were come together. And some 33 of the company drew foorth Alexander, the Iewes thrusting him forwards. Alexander then beckened with the hande, and woulde have excused the matter to the people. But when they 34 knew that he was a Iewe, there arose a shoute almost for the space of two houres, of all men crying, Great is Diana of the

35 Ephesians. Then the towne clearke when hee had stayed the people, saide, Ye men of Ephesus, what man is it that knoweth not howe that the citie of the Ephesians is a worshipper of the great goddesse Diana, and of the image, which came 36 downe from Iupiter? Seeing then that no man can speake against these things, ye ought to be appeased, and to doe noth-37 ing rashly. For yee haue brought hither these men, which haue neither committed sacrilege, neither doe blaspheme your 38 goddesse. Wherefore, if Demetrius and the craftes men which are with him, haue a matter against any man, the lawe is open, 39 and there are Deputies: let them accuse one another. But if ye inquire any thing cocerning other matters, it may be de-40 termined in a lawful assembly. For we are euen in ieopardie to be accused of this dayes sedition, for as much as there is no cause, whereby we may give a reason of this concourse of 41 people. And when he had thus spoken, hee let the assembly depart.

Nowe after the tumult was appeased, Paul called the disci-20 ples vnto him, and embraced them, and departed to goe into 2 Macedonia. And when hee had gone through those parts, and had exhorted them with many words, he came into Grecia. 3 And having taried there three moneths, because the Iewes layde waite for him, as hee was about to saile into Syria, hee 4 purposed to returne through Macedonia. And there accompanied him into Asia, Sopater of Berea, and of them of Thessalonica, Aristarchus, and Secundus, and Gaius of Derbe, and Timotheus, and of them of Asia, Tychicus, and Trophimus. 5,6 These went before, and taried vs at Troas. And we sailed forth from Philippi, after the dayes of vnleauened bread, and came vnto them to Troas in fiue dayes, where we abode seuen 7 dayes. And the first day of the weeke, the disciples being come together to breake bread, Paul preached vnto them, ready to depart on the morrow, and continued the preaching vnto mid-And there were many lightes in an vpper chamber, 9 where they were gathered together. And there sate in a windowe a certaine yong man, named Eutychus, fallen into a dead sleepe: and as Paul was long preaching, hee ouercome with sleepe, fell downe from the thirde loft, and was taken vp dead. 10 But Paul went downe, and layde himselfe vpon him, and embraced him, saying, Trouble not your selues: for his life is in

Then when Paul was come vp againe, and had broken 11 him. bread, and eaten, having spoken a long while till the dawning of the day, hee so departed. And they brought the boye aliue, 12 and they were not a litle comforted. Then we went before to 13 shippe, and sailed vnto the citie Assos, that wee might receive Paul there: for so had hee appointed, and would himselfe goe afoote. Now when he was come vnto vs to Assos, and we had 14 received him, we came to Mitylenes. And wee sailed thence. 15 and came the next day ouer against Chios, and the next day we arriued at Samos, and tarried at Trogyllium: the next day we came to Miletum. For Paul had determined to saile by Eph- 16 esus, because hee woulde not spend the time in Asia: for he hasted to be, if hee could possible, at Hierusalem, at the day of Pentecost. Wherefore from Miletum, hee sent to Ephesus, 17 and called the Elders of the Church. Who when they were 18 come to him, hee said vnto them, Ye know from the first day that I came into Asia, after what maner I haue bene with you at all seasons, Seruing the Lord with all modestie, and with 19 many teares, and tentations, which came vnto me by the lavings awaite of the Iewes, And how I kept backe nothing that 20 was profitable, but have shewed you, and taught you openly and throughout euery house, Witnessing both to the Iewes, 21 and to the Grecians the repentance towarde God, and faith toward our Lord Iesus Christ. And nowe beholde, I goe bound 22 in the Spirit vnto Hierusalem, and know not what things shall come vnto me there. Saue that ye holy Ghost witnesseth in 23 euery citie, saying, that bondes and afflictions abide me. But 24 I passe not at all, neither is my life deare vnto my selfe, so that I may fulfill my course with ioye, and the ministration which I have received of the Lord Iesus, to testifie the Gospell of the grace of God. And now behold, I know that henceforth 25 ye all, through whome I have gone preaching the kingdome of God, shall see my face no more. Wherefore I take you to 26 recorde this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For 27 I have kept nothing backe, but have shewed you all the counsell of God. Take heede therefore vnto your selues, and to all 28 the flocke, whereof the holy Ghost hath made you Ouerseers, to feede the Church of God, which hee hath purchased with that his owne blood. For I knowe this, that after my depart- 29 ing shall grieuous wolues enter in among you, not sparing the

30 flocke. Moreouer of your owne selues shall men arise speak-31 ing peruerse thinges, to drawe disciples after them. Therefore watche, and remember, that by the space of three yeres I ceased not to warne euery one, both night and day with teares. 32 And nowe brethren, I commend you to God, and to the worde of his grace, which is able to build further, and to give you 33 an inheritance, among all them, which are sanctified. I have 34 coueted no mans siluer, nor gold, nor apparell. Yea, ye knowe, that these handes have ministred vnto my necessities, and to 35 them that were with me. I have shewed you all things, howe that so labouring, ye ought to support the weake, and to remember the wordes of the Lord Iesus, howe that hee saide, It 36 is a blessed thing to giue, rather then to receiue. And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled downe, and prayed with them all. 37 Then they wept all abundantly, and fell on Pauls necke, and 38 kissed him, Being chiefly sorie for the words which he spake, That they should see his face no more. And they accompanied him vnto the shippe.

And as we launched forth, and were departed from them, we 21 came with a straight course vnto Coos, and the day following 2 vnto the Rhodes, and from thence vnto Patara. And we found a ship that went ouer vnto Phenice, and went aboard, and set 3 forth. And whe we had discouered Cyprus, we left it on the left hand, and sailed toward Syria, and arrived at Tyrus: for there 4 the ship vnladed ye burden. And when we had found disciples, we taried there seuen dayes. And they told Paul through the 5 Spirit, that he should not goe vp to Hierusalem. But when the dayes were ended, we departed and went our way, and they all accompanied vs with their wives and children, euen out of the citie: and we kneeling downe on the shore, prayed. 6 Then when we had embraced one another, we tooke ship, and 7 they returned home. And when we had ended the course from Tyrus, we arrived at Ptolemais, and saluted the brethren, and 8 abode with them one day. And the next day, Paul and we that were with him, departed, and came vnto Cesarea: and we entred into the house of Philippe the Euangelist, which was one 9 of the seuen Deacons, and abode with him. Now he had foure 10 daughters virgins, which did prophecie. And as we taried there many dayes, there came a certaine Prophet from Iudea, 11 named Agabus. And when he was come vnto vs, he tooke Pauls girdle, and bound his owne hands and feete, and sayd, Thus sayth the holy Ghost, So shall the Iewes at Hierusalem binde the man that oweth this girdle, and shall deliuer him into the hands of the Gentiles. And when we had heard these 12 things, both we and other of the same place besought him that he would not go vp to Hierusalem. Then Paul answered, and 13 sayd, What doe ye weeping and breaking mine heart? For I am ready not to be bound onely, but also to die at Hierusalem for the Name of the Lord Iesus. So when he would not be per- 14 swaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done. And 15 after those dayes we trussed vp our fardels, and went vp to Hierusalem. There went with vs also certaine of the disciples 16 of Cesarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an olde disciple, with whome we should lodge. And when we were 17 come to Hierusalem, the brethren received vs gladly. the next day Paul went in with vs vnto Iames: and all the Elders were there assembled. And when he had embraced them, 19 hee tolde by order all things, that God had wrought among the Gentiles by his ministration. So when they heard it, they glo- 20 rified God, and sayd vnto him, Thou seest, brother, how many thousand Iewes there are which beleeue, and they are all zealous of the Law: Now they are informed of thee, that thou 21 teachest all the Iewes, which are among the Gentiles, to forsake Moses, and sayest that they ought not to circumcise their sonnes, neither to liue after the customes. What is then to 22 be done? the multitude must needes come together: for they shall heare that thou art come. Doe therefore this that we 23 say to thee. We have foure men, which have made a vowe, Them take, and purifie thy selfe with them, and contribute 24 with them, that they may shaue their heads: and all shall knowe, that those things, whereof they have bene informed concerning thee, are nothing, but that thou thy selfe also walkest and keepest the Lawe. For as touching ye Gentiles, which 25 beleeue, we have written, and determined that they observe no such thing, but that they keepe themselues from things offred to idoles, and from blood, and from that that is strangled, and from fornication. Then Paul tooke the men, and the next day 26 was purified with them, and entred into the Temple, declaring the accomplishment of the dayes of the purification, vntill that an offering should be offered for euery one of them. And when 27

the seuen dayes were almost ended, the Iewes which were of Asia (when they sawe him in the Temple) moued all the people, 28 and laide hands on him, Crying, Men of Israel, helpe: this is the man that teacheth all men euery where against the people, and the Lawe, and this place: moreouer, he hath brought Grecians into the Temple, and hath polluted this holy place. 29 For they had seene before Trophimus an Ephesian with him in the citie, whom they supposed that Paul had brought into the 30 Temple. Then all the citie was moued, and the people ran together: and they tooke Paul and drewe him out of the Temple, 31 and forth with the doores were shut. But as they went about to kill him, tydings came vnto the chiefe captaine of the band, 32 that all Hierusalem was on an vproare. Who immediately tooke souldiers and Centurions, and ran downe vnto them: and when they sawe the chiefe Captaine and the souldiers, they left 33 beating of Paul. Then the chiefe Captaine came neere and tooke him, and commanded him to be bound with two chaines, 34 and demaunded who he was, and what he had done. And one cryed this, another that, among the people. So when he could not know the certeintie for the tumult, he commanded him to 35 be led into the castell. And when hee came vnto the grieces, it was so that he was borne of the souldiers, for the violence of the 36 people. For the multitude of the people followed after, crying, 37 Away with him. And as Paul should have bene led into the castell, he sayd vnto the chiefe Captaine, May I speake vnto 38 thee? Who sayd, Canst thou speake Greeke? Art not thou the Egyptian who before these dayes raised a sedition, and led out into the wildernesse foure thousande men that were murther-39 ers? Then Paul sayde, Doubtlesse, I am a man which am a Iewe, and citizen of Tarsus, a famous citie of Cilicia, and I be-40 seech thee, suffer mee to speake vnto the people. And when he had given him licence, Paul stoode on the grieces, and beckened with the hand vnto the people: and when there was made great silence, hee spake vnto them in the Hebrewe tongue, saying.

Ye men, brethren and Fathers, heare my defence nowe towards you. (And when they heard that he spake in the Hebrewe tongue to them, they kept the more silence, and he sayd)
I am verely a man, which am a Iew, borne in Tarsus in Cilicia, but brought vp in this citie at the feete of Gamaliel, and

instructed according to the perfect maner of the Lawe of the Fathers, and was zealous toward God, as ye all are this day. And I persecuted this way vnto the death, binding and deli- 4 uering into prison both men and women. As also ve chiefe 5 Priest doeth beare me witnes, and al the company of the Elders: of whom also I received letters vnto the brethren, and went to Damascus to bring them which were there, bound vnto Hierusalem, that they might be punished. And so it was, as I 6 iourneyed and was come neere vnto Damascus about noone. that suddenly there shone from heauen a great light round about me. So I fell vnto the earth, and heard a voyce, say- 7 ing vnto me, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou mee? Then 8 I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said to me, I am Iesus of Nazareth, whom thou persecutest. Moreouer they 9 that were with me, sawe in deede a light and were afraide: but they heard not the voyce of him that spake vnto me. Then 10 I sayd, What shall I doe, Lord? And the Lord sayde vnto me, Arise, and goe into Damascus: and there it shall be tolde thee of all things, which are appointed for thee to doe. So when I 11 could not see for the glory of that light, I was led by the hand of them that were with me, and came into Damascus. And one 12 Ananias a godly man, as perteining to the Lawe, having good report of all the Iewes which dwelt there. Came vnto me, and 13 stoode, and sayd vnto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight: and that same houre I looked vpon him. And he sayd, The God of 14 our fathers hath appointed thee, that thou shouldest knowe his wil, and shouldest see that Iust one, and shouldest heare the voyce of his mouth. For thou shalt be his witnes vnto all men, 15 of the things which thou hast seene and heard. Now there- 16 fore why tariest thou? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sinnes, in calling on the Name of the Lord. And it came to 17 passe, that when I was come againe to Hierusalem, and prayed in the Temple, I was in a traunce, And saw him saying vnto 18 me, Make haste, and get thee quickly out of Hierusalem: for they will not receive thy witnes concerning me. Then I sayd, 19 Lord, they know that I prisoned, and beat in euery Synagogue them that beleeued in thee. And when the blood of thy mar- 20 tyr Steuen was shed, I also stood by, and consented vnto his death, and kept the clothes of them that slew him. Then he 21 sayd vnto me, Depart: for I will send thee farre hence vnto

22 the Gentiles. And they heard him vnto this worde, but then they lift vp their voyces, and sayd, Away with such a fellow 23 from the earth: for it is not meete that he should liue. And as they cried and cast off their clothes, and threw dust into the 24 aire, The chiefe captaine commanded him to be led into the castle, and bade that he should be scourged, and examined, 25 that he might knowe wherefore they cryed so on him. as they bound him with thongs, Paul sayd vnto the Centurion that stood by, Is it lawfull for you to scourge one that is a Ro-26 mane, and not condemned? Nowe when the Centurion heard it, hee went, and tolde the chiefe captaine, saying, Take heede 27 what thou doest: for this man is a Romane. Then the chiefe captaine came, and sayd to him, Tel me, art thou a Romane? 28 And he said, Yea. And the chiefe captaine answered, With a great summe obtained I this freedome. Then Paul sayd, But 29 I was so borne. Then straightway they departed from him, which should have examined him: and the chiefe captaine also was afrayd, after he knewe that hee was a Romane, and that 30 he had bound him. On the next day, because hee would haue knowen the certaintie wherefore he was accused of the Iewes, he loosed him from his bonds, and commanded the hie Priests and all their Councill to come together: and he brought Paul, and set him before them.

And Paul behelde earnestly the Councill, and sayde, Men 23 and brethren, I haue in all good conscience serued God vn-2 till this day. Then the hie Priest Ananias commanded them 3 that stood by, to smite him on the mouth. Then sayd Paul to him, God will smite thee, thou whited wall: for thou sittest to iudge me according to the Lawe, and transgressing the Lawe, 4 commaundest thou me to be smitten? And they that stood 5 by, sayd, Reuilest thou Gods hie Priest? Then sayd Paul, I knewe not, brethren, that he was the hie Priest: for it is writ-6 ten, Thou shalt not speake euill of the ruler of thy people. But when Paul perceived that the one part were of the Sadduces, and the other of the Pharises, hee cried in the Council, Men and brethren, I am a Pharise, the sonne of a Pharise: I am ac-7 cused of the hope and resurrection of the dead. And when hee had saide this, there was a dissension betweene the Pharises 8 and the Sadduces, so that the multitude was deuided. For the Sadduces say that there is no resurrection, neither Angel, nor

spirit: but the Pharises confesse both. Then there was a great 9 crye: and the Scribes of the Pharises part rose vp, and stroue, saying. Wee finde none euill in this man: but if a spirit or an Angel hath spoken to him, let vs not fight against God. And 10 when there was a great dissension, the chiefe captaine, fearing lest Paul should have bene pulled in pieces of them, commanded the souldiers to go downe, and take him from among them, and to bring him into the castel. Nowe the night folow- 11 ing, the Lord stoode by him, and saide, Be of good courage, Paul: for as thou hast testified of mee in Hierusalem, so must And when the day was 12 thou beare witnesse also at Rome. come, certaine of the Iewes made an assemblie, and bounde themselues with a curse, saying, that they woulde neither eate nor drinke, till they had killed Paul. And they were more then 13 fourtie, which had made this conspiracie. And they came to 14 the chiefe Priestes and Elders, and said. We have bound our selues with a solemne curse, that wee will eate nothing, vntill we haue slaine Paul. Nowe therefore, ve and the Council 15 signifie to the chiefe captaine, that hee bring him foorth vnto you to morow: as though you would know some thing more perfectly of him, and we, or euer he come neere, will be readie to kill him. But when Pauls sisters sonne heard of their lay- 16 ing awaite, he went, and entred into the castel, and tolde Paul. And Paul called one of the Centurions vnto him, and said, Take 17 this yong man hence vnto the chiefe captaine: for he hath a certaine thing to shewe him. So hee tooke him, and brought him 18 to the chiefe captaine, and saide, Paul the prisoner called mee vnto him, and prayed mee to bring this yong man vnto thee, which hath some thing to say vnto thee. Then the chiefe cap- 19 taine tooke him by the hande, and went apart with him alone, and asked him, What hast thou to shewe me? And he saide, 20 The Iewes have conspired to desire thee, that thou wouldest bring foorth Paul to morow into the Council, as though they would inquire somewhat of him more perfectly: But let them 21 not perswade thee: for there lie in waite for him of them, more then fourtie men, which have bound themselues with a curse, that they will neither eate nor drinke, till they have killed him: and nowe are they readie, and waite for thy promise. chiefe captaine then let the yong man depart, after hee had charged him to vtter it to no man, that he had shewed him

And he called vnto him two certaine Centu-23 these things. rions, saying, Make readie two hundred souldiers, that they may go to Csarea, and horsemen three score and ten, and two 24 hundred with dartes, at the thirde houre of the night. let them make readie an horse, that Paul being set on, may 25 be brought safe vnto Felix the Gouernour. And he wrote an 26 epistle in this maner: Claudius Lysias vnto the most noble 27 Gouernour Felix sendeth greeting. As this man was taken of the Iewes, and shoulde haue bene killed of them, I came vpon them with the garison, and rescued him, perceiuing that he 28 was a Romane. And when I would have knowen the cause, wherefore they accused him, I brought him forth into their 29 Council. There I perceived that hee was accused of questions of their Lawe, but had no crime worthy of death, or of bon-And when it was shewed me, how that the Iewes layd waite for the man, I sent him straightway to thee, and commanded his accusers to speake before thee the thinges that 31 they had against him. Farewell. Then the souldiers as it was commanded them, tooke Paul, and brought him by night to An-32 tipatris. And the next day, they left the horsemen to goe with 33 him, and returned vnto the Castel. Now when they came to Csarea, they deliuered the epistle to the Gouernour, and pre-34 sented Paul also vnto him. So when the Gouernour had read it, hee asked of what prouince he was: and when he vnder-35 stoode that he was of Cilicia, I will heare thee, said he, when thine accusers also are come, and commanded him to bee kept in Herods iudgement hall.

Now after fiue dayes, Ananias the hie Priest came downe with the Elders, and with Tertullus a certaine oratour, which appeared before the Gouernour against Paul. And when he was called foorth, Tertullus began to accuse him, saying, Seeing that we haue obtained great quietnesse through thee, and that many worthy things are done vnto this nation through thy prouidence, We acknowledge it wholy, and in all places most noble Felix, with all thankes, But that I be not tedious vnto thee, I pray thee, that thou wouldest heare vs of thy courtesie a fewe wordes. Certainely we haue found this man a pestilent fellowe, and a moouer of sedition among all the Iewes throughout the world, and a chiefe maintainer of the secte of the Nazarites: And hath gone about to pollute the Temple:

therefore wee tooke him, and woulde haue judged him according to our Lawe: But the chiefe captaine Lysias came vpon 7 vs, and with great violence tooke him out of our handes, Com- 8 manding his accusers to come to thee: of whom thou mayest (if thou wilt inquire) know all these things whereof we ac-And the Iewes likewise affirmed, saving that it 9 cuse him. Then Paul, after that the gouernour had beckened 10 vnto him that hee shoulde speake, answered, I do the more gladly answere for my selfe, for as much as I knowe that thou hast bene of many yeres a judge vnto this nation, Seeing that 11 thou mayest knowe, that there are but twelue dayes since I came vp to worship in Hierusalem. And they neither found 12 mee in the Temple disputing with any man, neither making vproare among the people, neither in the Synagogues, nor in Neither can they proue the things, whereof they 13 now accuse me. But this I confesse vnto thee, that after the 14 way (which they call heresie) so worship I the God of my fathers, beleeuing all things which are written in the Lawe and the Prophets. And have hope towardes God, that the resurrec- 15 tion of the dead, which they themselues looke for also, shalbe both of iust and vniust. And herein I endeuour my selfe to 16 haue alway a cleare conscience towarde God, and toward men. Now after many veres, I came and brought almes to my nation 17 and offerings. At what time, certaine Iewes of Asia founde 18 mee purified in the Temple, neither with multitude, nor with Who ought to have bene present before thee, and 19 accuse me, if they had ought against me. Or let these them- 20 selues say, if they have found any vniust thing in mee, while I stoode in the Council, Except it be for this one voyce, that 21 I cried standing among them, Of the resurrection of the dead am I accused of you this day. Nowe when Felix heard these 22 things, he deferred them, and said, When I shall more perfectly know the things which concerne this way, by the comming of Lysias the chiefe Captaine, I will decise your matter. hee commanded a Centurion to keepe Paul, and that he should haue ease, and that he should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister vnto him, or to come vnto him. And after certaine 24 dayes, came Felix with his wife Drusilla, which was a Iewesse, and he called foorth Paul, and heard him of the faith in Christ. And as he disputed of righteousnes and temperance, and of the 25 iudgement to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time, and when I haue convenient time, I will call for thee. Hee hoped also that money shoulde haue bene given him of Paul, that he might loose him: wherefore hee sent for him the oftner, and communed with him. When two yeeres were expired, Porcius Festus came into Felix roume: and Felix willing to get fauour of the Iewes, left Paul bound.

When Festus was then come into the prouince, after three **25** 2 dayes he went vp from Caesarea vnto Hierusalem. Then the high Priest, and the chiefe of the Iewes appeared before him 3 against Paul: and they be sought him, And desired fauour against him, that hee would send for him to Hierusalem: and 4 they layd waite to kill him by the way. But Festus answered, that Paul should bee kept at Caesarea, and that he himselfe 5 would shortly depart thither. Let them therefore, saide he, which among you are able, come downe with vs: and if there 6 be any wickednes in the man, let them accuse him. Now when he had taried among them no more then ten dayes, hee went downe to Caesarea, and the next day sate in the iudgement 7 seat, and commanded Paul to be brought. And when hee was come, the Iewes which were come from Hierusalem, stoode about him and layd many and grieuous complaints against 8 Paul, whereof they could make no plaine proofe, Forasmuch as he answered, that he had neither offended any thing against the lawe of the Iewes, neither against ye temple, nor against Yet Festus willing to get fauour of the Iewes, an-9 Caesar. swered Paul and saide, Wilt thou goe vp to Hierusalem, and 10 there be judged of these things before mee? Then said Paul, I stand at Caesars iudgment seate, where I ought to be iudged: to the Iewes I haue done no wrong, as thou very well knowest. 11 For if I have done wrong, or committed any thing worthie of death, I refuse not to die: but if there be none of these things whereof they accuse me, no man, to pleasure them, can deli-12 uer me to them: I appeale vnto Caesar. Then when Festus had spoken with the Council, hee answered, Hast thou ap-13 pealed vnto Caesar? vnto Caesar shalt thou goe. And after certaine dayes, King Agrippa and Bernice came downe to Cae-14 sarea to salute Festus. And when they had remained there many dayes, Festus declared Pauls cause vnto the King, say-15 ing, There is a certaine man left in prison by Felix, Of whom

when I came to Hierusalem, the high Priestes and Elders of the Iewes informed me, and desired to have judgement against To whome I answered, that it is not the maner of the 16 Romanes for fauour to deliuer any man to the death, before that hee which is accused, have the accusers before him, and haue place to defend himselfe, concerning the crime. fore when they were come hither, without delay the day following I sate on the judgement seate, and commanded the man to be brought foorth. Against whom when the accusers stood vp, 18 they brought no crime of such things as I supposed: But had 19 certaine questions against him of their owne superstition, and of one Iesus which was dead, whom Paul affirmed to be aliue. And because I doubted of such maner of question, I asked him 20 whether he would goe to Hierusalem, and there be judged of these things. But because he appealed to be reserved to the 21 examination of Augustus, I commanded him to be kept, till I mght send him to Cesar. Then Agrippa sayd vnto Festus, I 22 would also heare the man my selfe. To morowe, sayd he, thou shalt heare him. And on the morowe when Agrippa was come 23 and Bernice with great pompe, and were entred into the Common hall with the chiefe captaines and chiefe men of the citie, at Festus commandement Paul was brought forth. And Fes- 24 tus sayd, King Agrippa, and all men which are present with vs, ye see this man, about whom all the multitude of the Iewes haue called vpon me, both at Hierusalem, and here, crying, that he ought not to live any longer. Yet have I found nothing 25 worthy of death, that he hath committed: neuertheles, seeing that he hath appealed to Augustus, I have determined to send Of whome I have no certaine thing to write vnto my 26 Lord: wherefore I have brought him forth vnto you, and specially vnto thee, King Agrippa, that after examination had, I might have somewhat to write. For me thinketh it vnreason- 27 able to send a prisoner, and not to shewe the causes which are layde against him.

Then Agrippa sayd vnto Paul, Thou art permitted to speake 26 for thy selfe. So Paul stretched forth the hand, and answered for himselfe. I thinke my selfe happy, King Agrippa, because 2 I shall answere this day before thee of all the things whereof I am accused of the Iewes. Chiefly, because thou hast knowledge of all customes, and questions which are among the Iewes:

4 wherefore I beseech thee, to heare me patiently. As touching my life from my childhood, and what it was from the beginning among mine owne nation at Hierusalem, know all the 5 Iewes, Which knewe me heretofore, euen from my elders (if they would testifie) that after the most straite sect of our reli-6 gion I liued a Pharise. And now I stand and am accused for 7 the hope of the promise made of God vnto our fathers. Whereunto our twelue tribes instantly seruing God day and night, hope to come: for the which hopes sake, O King Agrippa, I am 8 accused of the Iewes. Why should it be thought a thing in-9 credible vnto you, that God should raise againe the dead? I also verely thought in my selfe, that I ought to doe many con-10 trarie things against the Name of Iesus of Nazareth. Which thing I also did in Hierusalem: for many of the Saints I shut vp in prison, having received authoritie of the hie Priests, and 11 when they were put to death, I gaue my sentence. punished them throughout all the Synagogues, and compelled them to blaspheme, and being more mad against them, I per-12 secuted them, euen vnto strange cities. At which time, euen as I went to Damascus with authoritie, and commission from 13 the hie Priests, At midday, O King, I sawe in the way a light from heauen, passing the brightnes of the sunne, shine round 14 about mee, and them which went with me. So when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voyce speaking vnto me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou 15 me? It is hard for thee to kicke against pricks. Then I sayd, Who art thou, Lord? And he sayd, I am Iesus whom thou per-16 secutest. But rise and stand vp on thy feete: for I have appeared vnto thee for this purpose, to appoint thee a minister and a witnesse, both of the things which thou hast seene, and 17 of the things in the which I will appeare vnto thee, Deliuering thee from this people, and from the Gentiles, vnto whom 18 now I send thee, To open their eyes, that they may turne from darknes to light, and from the power of Satan vnto God, that they may receive forgiuenes of sinnes, and inheritance among 19 them, which are sanctified by fayth in me. Wherefore, King 20 Agrippa, I was not disobedient vnto the heauenly vision, But shewed first vnto them of Damascus, and at Hierusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Iudea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turne to God, and doe workes

worthy amendment of life. For this cause the Iewes caught 21 me in the Temple, and went about to kill me. Neuertheles, 22 I obtained helpe of God, and continue vnto this day, witnessing both to small and to great, saying none other things, then those which the Prophets and Moses did say should come, To 23 wit, that Christ should suffer, and that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should shew light vnto this people, and to the Gentiles. And as he thus answered for him- 24 selfe, Festus said with a loude voyce, Paul, thou art besides thy selfe: much learning doeth make thee mad. But he said, I am 25 not mad. O noble Festus, but I speake the wordes of trueth and sobernes. For the King knoweth of these things, before whom 26 also I speake boldly: for I am perswaded that none of these things are hidden from him: for this thing was not done in a corner. O King Agrippa, beleeuest thou the Prophets? I know 27 that thou beleeuest. Then Agrippa said vnto Paul, Almost 28 thou perswadest me to become a Christian. Then Paul sayd, 29 I would to God that not onely thou, but also all that heare me to day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds. And when he had thus spoken, the King rose vp, 30 and the gouernour, and Bernice, and they that sate with them. And when they were gone apart, they talked betweene them- 31 selues, saying, This man doeth nothing worthy of death, nor of bonds. Then sayd Agrippa vnto Festus, This man might haue 32 bene loosed, if hee had not appealed vnto Cesar.

Now when it was concluded, that we should sayle into Italie, 27 they deliuered both Paul, and certaine other prisoners vnto a Centurion named Iulius, of the band of Augustus. entred into a ship of Adramyttium purposing to saile by the coastes of Asia, and launched foorth, and had Aristarchus of Macedonia, a Thessalonian, with vs. And the next day we 3 arriued at Sidon: and Iulius courteously entreated Paul, and gaue him libertie to go vnto his friends, that they might refresh him. And from thence we launched, and sayled hard by 4 Cyprus, because ye windes were contrarie. Then savled we 5 ouer the sea by Cilicia, and Pamphilia, and came to Myra, a citie in Lycia. And there the Centurion found a ship of Alexan- 6 dria, sayling into Italie, and put vs therein. And when we 7 had sayled slowly many dayes, and scarce were come against Gnidum, because the winde suffered vs not, we sailed hard

8 by Candie, neere to Salmone, And with much adoe sayled beyond it, and came vnto a certaine place called the Faire hauens, 9 neere vnto the which was the citie Lasea. So when much time was spent, and sayling was now ieopardous, because also the 10 Fast was nowe passed, Paul exhorted them, And sayde vnto them, Syrs, I see that this voiage will be with hurt and much damage, not of the lading and ship onely, but also of our liues. 11 Neuertheles the Centurion beleeued rather the gouernour and the master of the ship, then those things which were spoken of 12 Paul. And because the hauen was not commodious to winter in, many tooke counsell to depart thence, if by any meanes they might attaine to Phenice, there to winter, which is an hauen of Candie, and lyeth toward the Southwest and by West, and 13 Northwest and by West. And when the Southerne winde blew softly, they supposing to attein their purpose, loosed neerer, 14 and sailed by Candie. But anon after, there arose by it a 15 stormy winde called Euroclydon. And when the ship was caught, and could not resist the winde, we let her goe, and were 16 caried away. And we ran vnder a litle Yle named Clauda, and 17 had much a doe to get the boat. Which they tooke vp and vsed all helpe, vndergirding the ship, fearing least they should haue fallen into Syrtes, and they strake saile, and so were caried. 18 The next day when we were tossed with an exceeding tem-19 pest, they lightened the ship. And the third day we cast out 20 with our owne hands the tackling of the ship. And when neither sunne nor starres in many dayes appeared, and no small tempest lay vpon vs, all hope that we should be saued, was 21 then taken away. But after long abstinece, Paul stood forth in the mids of them, and said, Syrs, ye should have hearkened to me, and not have loosed from Candie: so should ye have 22 gained this hurt and losse. But now I exhort you to be of good courage: for there shalbe no losse of any mans life among you, 23 saue of the ship onely. For there stood by me this night the 24 Angel of God, whose I am, and whome I serue, Saying, Feare not, Paul: for thou must be brought before Cesar: and lo, God 25 hath given vnto thee freely all that sayle with thee. Wherefore, sirs, be of good courage: for I beleeue God, that it shall be 26 so as it hath bene tolde me. Howbeit, we must be cast into a 27 certaine Iland. And when ye fourteenth night was come, as we were caried to and from in the Adriaticall sea about midnight, the shipmen deemed that some countrey approched vnto them, And sounded, and found it twentie fathoms: and when 28 they had gone a litle further, they sounded againe, and found fifteene fathoms. Then fearing least they should have fallen 29 into some rough places, they cast foure ancres out of the sterne, and wished that the day were come. Nowe as the mariners 30 were about to flee out of the ship, and had let downe the boat into the sea vnder a colour as though they would have cast ankers out of the foreship, Paul sayde vnto the Centurion and 31 the souldiers, Except these abide in the ship, ye can not be safe. Then the souldiers cut off the ropes of the boat, and let it fall 32 away. And when it began to be day, Paul exhorted them all 33 to take meate, saying, This is the fourteenth day that ye haue taried, and continued fasting, receiving nothing: Wherefore 34 I exhort you to take meate: for this is for your safegarde: for there shall not an heare fall from the head of any of you. And 35 when he had thus spoken, hee tooke bread and gaue thankes to God, in presence of them all, and brake it, and began to eate. Then were they all of good courage, and they also tooke 36 Nowe we were in the ship in all two hundreth three 37 score and sixteene soules. And whe they had eaten ynough, they lightened the ship, and cast out the wheat into the sea. And when it was day, they knewe not the countrey, but they 39 spied a certaine creeke with a banke, into the which they were minded (if it were possible) to thrust in the ship. So when 40 they had taken vp the ankers, they committed the ship vnto the sea, and loosed the rudder bonds, and hoised vp the maine saile to the winde, and drewe to the shore. And when they fell 41 into a place, where two seas met, they thrust in the ship: and the forepart stucke fast, and could not be moued, but the hinderpart was broken with the violence of the waues. Then the 42 souldiers counsell was to kill the prisoners, least any of them, when he had swomme out, should flee away. But the Centu- 43 rion willing to saue Paul, stayed them from this counsell, and commanded that they that coulde swimme, shoulde cast them selues first into the sea, and goe out to land: And the other, 44 some on boardes, and some on certaine pieces of the ship: and so it came to passe that they came all safe to land.

And when they were come safe, then they knewe that the **28** Yle was called Melita. And the Barbarians shewed vs no litle 2

kindnesse: for they kindled a fire, and received vs every one, 3 because of the present showre, and because of the colde. And when Paul had gathered a nomber of stickes, and laid them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heate, and leapt on his 4 hand. Nowe when ye Barbarians saw the worme hang on his hand, they said among themselues, This man surely is a murtherer, whom, though he hath escaped the sea, yet Vengeance 5 hath not suffered to liue. But he shooke off the worme into the 6 fire, and felt no harme. Howbeit they wayted whe he should haue swolne, or fallen downe dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and sawe no inconvenience come to him, 7 they changed their mindes, and said, That he was a God. In the same quarters, the chiefe man of the Yle (whose name was Publius) had possessions: the same received vs. and lodged vs 8 three dayes courteously. And so it was, that the father of Publius lav sicke of the feauer, and of a bloodie flixe: to whom Paul entred in, and when he prayed, he laide his hands on him, and healed him. When this then was done, other also in the Yle. which had diseases, came to him, and were healed, Which also did vs great honour: and when we departed, they laded vs with 11 things necessarie. Nowe after three moneths we departed in a shippe of Alexandria, which had wintred in the Yle, whose 12 badge was Castor and Pollux. And when we arrived at Syra-13 cuse, we taried there three dayes. And from thence we set a compasse, and came to Rhegium: and after one day, the South 14 wind blewe, and we came the seconde day to Putioli: Where we found brethren, and were desired to tary with them seuen 15 dayes, and so we went toward Rome. And from thence, when the brethren heard of vs, they came to meete vs at the Market of Appius, and at the Three tauernes, whom when Paul 16 sawe, he thanked God, and waxed bolde. So when we came to Rome, the Centurion deliuered the prisoners to the generall Captaine: but Paul was suffered to dwell by him selfe with a 17 souldier that kept him. And the third day after, Paul called the chiefe of the Iewes together: and when they were come, he said vnto them, Men and brethren, though I haue committed nothing against the people, or Lawes of the fathers, yet was I deliuered prisoner from Hierusalem into the handes of the Ro-18 manes. Who when they had examined me, would have let me 19 goe, because there was no cause of death in me. But when the Iewes spake contrary, I was constrained to appeale vnto Cesar, not because I had ought to accuse my nation of. For this 20 cause therefore haue I called for you, to see you, and to speake with you: for that hope of Israels sake, I am bound with this chaine. Then they saide vnto him, We neither received letters 21 out of Iudea concerning thee, neither came any of the brethren that shewed or spake any euill of thee. But we will heare of 22 thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we knowe that euery where it is spoken against. And when they had ap- 23 pointed him a day, there came many vnto him into his lodging. to whom he expounded testifying the kingdome of God, and persuading them those things that concerne Iesus, both out of the Lawe of Moses, and out of the Prophets, from morning to night. And some were persuaded with ve things which were 24 spoken, and some beleeued not. Therefore when they agreed 25 not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, to wit, Well spake the holy Ghost by Esaias the Prophet vnto our fathers, Saying, Goe vnto this people, and 26 say, By hearing ve shall heare, and shall not vnderstand, and seeing ye shall see, and not perceiue. For the heart of this 27 people is waxed fatte, and their eares are dull of hearing, and with their eyes haue they winked, least they shoulde see with their eyes, and heare with their eares, and vnderstand with their heartes, and should returne that I might heale them. Be it knowen therefore vnto you, that this saluation of God 28 is sent to the Gentiles, and they shall heare it. And when 29 he had saide these things, the Iewes departed, and had great reasoning among themselues. And Paul remained two yeeres 30 full in an house hired for himselfe, and received all that came in vnto him, Preaching the kingdome of God, and teaching 31 those things which concerne the Lord Iesus Christ, with all boldnesse of speache, without let.

## THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE ROMANS.

aul a seruant of Iesus Christ called to be an Apos-1 tle, put apart to preache the Gospel of God, (Which he had promised afore by his Prophetes in the holy 3 Scriptures) Concerning his Sonne Iesus Christ our Lord (which was made of the seede of Dauid according to the 4 flesh, And declared mightily to be the Sonne of God, touching the Spirit of sanctification by the resurrection from the dead) 5 By whom we have received grace and Apostleship (that obedience might be giuen vnto ye faith) for his Name among al ye 6 Gentiles, Among whom ye be also the called of Iesus Christ: 7 To all you that be at Rome beloued of God, called to be Saints: Grace be with you, and peace from God our Father, and from 8 the Lord Iesus Christ. First I thanke my God through Iesus Christ for you all, because your faith is published throughout 9 the whole world. For God is my witnesse (whom I serue in my spirit in the Gospel of his Sonne) that without ceasing I 10 make mention of you Alwayes in my prayers, beseeching that by some meanes, one time or other I might have a prosper-11 ous journey by the will of God, to come vnto you. For I long to see you, that I might bestowe among you some spirituall 12 gift, that you might be strengthened: That is, that I might be comforted together with you, through our mutuall faith, both 13 yours and mine. Now my brethren, I would that ye should not be ignorant, how that I have oftentimes purposed to come vnto you (but haue bene let hitherto) that I might haue some 14 fruite also among you, as I have among the other Gentiles. I am detter both to the Grecians, and to the Barbarians, both to 15 the wise men and vnto the vnwise. Therefore, as much as in me is, I am readie to preach ye Gospel to you also that are at 16 Rome. For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God vnto saluation to euery one that beleeueth, to 17 the Iewe first, and also to the Grecian. For by it the righteousnesse of God is reueiled from faith to faith: as it is written, 18 The iust shall liue by faith. For the wrath of God is reueiled

from heauen against all vngodlinesse, and vnrighteousnesse of men, which withhold the trueth in vnrighteousnesse. Foras- 19 much as that, which may be knowe of God, is manifest in them: for God hath shewed it vnto them. For the inuisible things of 20 him, that is, his eternal power and Godhead, are seene by ye creation of the worlde, being considered in his workes, to the intent that they should be without excuse: Because that when 21 they knewe God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankefull, but became vaine in their thoughtes, and their foolish heart was full of darkenesse. When they professed them- 22 selues to be wise, they became fooles. For they turned the 23 glorie of the incorruptible God to the similitude of the image of a corruptible man, and of birdes, and foure footed beastes, and of creeping things. Wherefore also God gaue them vp 24 to their hearts lusts, vnto vncleannesse, to defile their owne bodies betweene themselves: Which turned the trueth of God 25 vnto a lie, and worshipped and serued the creature, forsaking the Creator, which is blessed for euer, Amen. For this cause 26 God gaue them vp vnto vile affections: for euen their women did change the natural vse into that which is against nature. And likewise also the men left the naturall vse of the woman, 27 and burned in their lust one toward another, and man with man wrought filthinesse, and received in themselves such recompence of their errour, as was meete. For as they regarded 28 not to acknowledge God, euen so God deliuered them vp vnto a reprobate minde, to doe those things which are not conuenient, Being full of all vnrighteousnesse, fornication, wickednes, cou-29 etousnes, maliciousnes, full of enuie, of murder, of debate, of deceit, taking all things in the euill part, whisperers, Back- 30 biters, haters of God, doers of wrong, proude, boasters, inuenters of euil things, disobedient to parents, without vnderstanding, couenant breakers, without naturall affection, such as can neuer be appeased, mercilesse. Which men, though 31 they knew ye Lawe of God, how that they which comit such things are worthie of death, yet not onely do the same, but also fauour them that doe them.

Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoeuer thou art 2 that condemnest: for in that that thou condemnest another, thou condemnest thy selfe: for thou that condemnest, doest the same things. But we know that the iudgement of God  $_2$ 

is according to trueth, against them which comit such things. 3 And thinkest thou this, O thou man, that condemnest them which doe such thinges, and doest the same, that thou shalt 4 escape the iudgement of God? Or despisest thou the riches of his bountifulnesse, and patience, and long sufferance, not knowing that the bountifulnesse of God leadeth thee to repen-5 tance? But thou, after thine hardnesse, and heart that canot repent, heapest vp as a treasure vnto thy selfe wrath against the day of wrath, and of the declaration of the just judgement 6 of God, Who wil reward euery man according to his woorkes: 7 That is, to them which through patience in well doing, seeke 8 glorie, and honour, and immortalitie, euerlasting life: vnto them that are contentious and disobey the trueth, and 9 obey vnrighteousnesse, shalbe indignation and wrath. Tribulation and anguish shalbe vpon the soule of euery man that 10 doeth euill: of the Iewe first, and also of the Grecian. to euery man that doeth good, shalbe glory, and honour, and 11 peace: to the Iew first, and also to the Grecian. For there is 12 no respect of persons with God. For as many as haue sinned without the Lawe, shall perish also without the Lawe: and as many as haue sinned in the Lawe, shall be judged by the 13 Lawe, (For the hearers of the Lawe are not righteous before 14 God: but the doers of the Lawe shalbe justified. For when the Gentiles which have not the Lawe, doe by nature, the things conteined in the Lawe, they having not the Lawe, are a Lawe 15 vnto themselues. Which shew the effect of the Lawe written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witnes, and their 16 thoughts accusing one another, or excusing.) At the day when God shall judge the secretes of men by Iesus Christ, according 17 to my Gospel. Beholde, thou art called a Iewe, and restest in 18 the Lawe, and gloriest in God, And knowest his will, and triest the things that dissent from it, in that thou art instructed 19 by the Lawe: And persuadest thy selfe that thou art a guide 20 of the blinde, a light of them which are in darkenesse, An instructer of them which lacke discretion, a teacher of the vnlearned, which hast the forme of knowledge, and of the truth 21 in ye Law. Thou therefore, which teachest another, teachest thou not thy selfe? thou that preachest, A man should not 22 steale, doest thou steale? Thou that saist, A man should not commit adulterie, doest thou commit adulterie? thou that abhorrest idoles, committest thou sacrilege? Thou that gloriest 23 in the Lawe, through breaking the Lawe, dishonourest thou God? For ye Name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles 24 through you, as it is written. For circucision verely is profitable, if thou do the Lawe: but if thou be a transgressour of the Lawe, thy circumcision is made vncircumcision. Therefore if the vncircumcision keepe the ordinances of the Lawe, shall not his vncircumcision be counted for circumcision? And 27 shall not vncircumcision which is by nature (if it keepe the Lawe) condemne thee which by the letter and circumcision art a transgressour of the Lawe? For hee is not a Iewe, which is 28 one outwarde: neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: But he is a Iewe which is one within, and the circumcision is of the heart, in the spirite not in the letter, whose praise is not of men, but of God.

What is then the preferment of the Iewe? or what is the 3 profite of circumcision? Much euery maner of way: for chiefly, 2 because vnto them were of credite committed the oracles of God. For what, though some did not beleeue? shall their vn- 3 beliefe make the faith of God without effect? God forbid: yea, 4 let God be true, and euery man a lyar, as it is written, That thou mightest be iustified in thy words, and ouercome, when thou art judged. Now if our vnrighteousnes comend the righ- 5 teousnes of God, what shall we say? Is God vnrighteous which punisheth? (I speake as a man.) God forbid: els how shall God 6 iudge ye world? For if the veritie of God hath more abounded 7 through my lye vnto his glorie, why am I yet condemned as a sinner? And (as we are blamed, and as some affirme, that we 8 say) why doe we not euil, that good may come thereof? whose damnation is just. What then? are we more excellent? No, in 9 no wise: for we have alreadie prooued, that all, both Iewes and Gentiles are vnder sinne, As it is written, There is none righ- 10 There is none that vnderstandeth: there 11 teous, no not one. is none that seeketh God. They have all gone out of the way: 12 they have bene made altogether vnprofitable: there is none that doeth good, no not one. Their throte is an open sepulchre: 13 they have vsed their tongues to deceit: the poyson of aspes is vnder their lippes. Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitter- 14 nesse. Their feete are swift to shead blood. Destruction and 15, 16 calamity are in their waies. And ye way of peace they haue 17

The feare of God is not before their eies. Now 18, 19 not knowen. we know that whatsoeuer ye Lawe saieth, it saieth it to them which are vnder ye Law, that euery mouth may bee stopped, 20 and all the world be subject to the judgement of God. Therefore by the woorkes of the Lawe shall no flesh be justified in his 21 sight: for by the Lawe commeth the knowledge of sinne. But nowe is the righteousnesse, of God made manifest without the 22 Lawe, having witnes of the Lawe and of the Prophets, To wit, the righteousnesse of God by the faith of Iesus Christ, vnto all, 23 and vpon all that beleeue. For there is no difference: for all 24 haue sinned, and are depriued of the glorie of God, And are iustified freely by his grace, through the redemption that is in 25 Christ Iesus, Whom God hath set forth to be a reconciliation through faith in his blood to declare his righteousnes, by the 26 forgiuenesse of the sinnes that are passed, Through the patience of God, to shewe at this time his righteousnesse, that hee might be just, and a justifier of him which is of the faith of 27 Iesus. Where is then the reioycing? It is excluded. By what 28 Lawe? of woorkes? Nay: but by the Lawe of faith. Therefore we conclude, that a man is iustified by faith, without the 29 workes of the Lawe. God, is he the God of the Iewes onely, and 30 not of the Gentiles also? Yes, euen of the Gentiles also. For it is one God, who shall iustifie circumcision of faith, and vncir-31 cumcision through faith. Doe we then make the Lawe of none effect through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the Lawe.

What shall we say then, that Abraham our father hath found concerning the flesh? For if Abraham were iustified by workes, he hath wherein to reioyce, but not with God. For what saith the Scripture? Abraham beleeued God, and it was counted to him for righteousnesse. Nowe to him that worketh, the wages is not counted by fauour, but by dette: But to him that worketh not, but beleeueth in him that iustifieth the vngodly, his faith is counted for righteousnesse. Euen as Dauid declareth the blessednesse of the man, vnto whom God imputeth righteousnes without workes, saying, Blessed are they, whose iniquities are forgiuen, and whose sinnes are couered. Blessed is the man, to whom the Lord imputeth not sinne. Came this blessednesse then vpon the circumcision onely, or vpon the vncircumcision also? For we say, that faith was im-

10 puted vnto Abraham for righteousnesse. Howe was it then im-

puted? when he was circumcised, or vncircumcised? not when he was cricumcised, but when he was vncircumcised. After, 11 he received the signe of circumcision, as the seale of the righteousnesse of ve faith which he had, when he was vncircumcised, that he should be the father of all them that beleeue, not being circumcised, that righteousnesse might be imputed to them also, And the father of circumcision, not vnto them 12 onely which are of the circumcision, but vnto them also that walke in the steppes of the faith of our father Abraham, which he had when he was vncircumcised. For the promise that he 13 should be the heire of the worlde, was not given to Abraham. or to his seede, through the Lawe, but through the righteousnesse of faith. For if they which are of the Lawe, be heires, 14 faith is made voide, and the promise is made of none effect. For the Lawe causeth wrath: for where no Lawe is, there is no 15 transgression. Therefore it is by faith, that it might come by 16 grace, and the promise might be sure to all the seede, not to that onely which is of the Lawe: but also to that which is of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of vs all, (As it is writ- 17 ten, I have made thee a father of many nations) even before God whom he beleeued, who guickeneth the dead, and calleth those thinges which be not, as though they were. Which Abra- 18 ham aboue hope, beleeued vnder hope, that he should be the father of many nations: according to that which was spoken to him, So shall thy seede be. And he not weake in the faith, 19 considered not his owne bodie, which was nowe dead, being almost an hundreth yeere olde, neither the deadnes of Saraes wombe. Neither did he doubt of the promise of God through 20 vnbeliefe, but was strengthened in the faith, and gaue glorie to God, Being fully assured that he which had promised, was 21 also able to doe it. And therefore it was imputed to him for 22 righteousnesse. Nowe it is not written for him onely, that it 23 was imputed to him for righteousnesse, But also for vs, to 24 whom it shalbe imputed for righteousnesse, which beleeue in him that raised vp Iesus our Lord from the dead, Who was 25 deliuered to death for our sinnes, and is risen againe for our justification.

Then being iustified by faith, we have peace toward God 5 through our Lord Iesus Christ. By who also through faith, we 2 have had this accesse into this grace, wherein we stand, and

3 reioyce vnder ye hope of the glory of God. Neither that onely, but also we reioyce in tribulations, knowing that tribulation 4 bringeth forth patience, And patience experience, and experi-5 ence hope, And hope maketh not ashamed, because the loue of God is shed abroade in our heartes by the holy Ghost, which 6 is given vnto vs. For Christ, when we were yet of no strength, 7 at his time died for the vngodly. Doutles one will scarce die for a righteous man: but yet for a good man it may be that 8 one dare die. But God setteth out his loue towards vs, seeing 9 that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for vs. Much more then, being now iustified by his blood, we shalbe saued from 10 wrath through him. For if when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Sonne, much more being 11 reconciled, we shalbe saued by his life, And not onely so, but we also reioyce in God through our Lord Iesus Christ, by whom 12 we have nowe received the atonement. Wherefore, as by one man sinne entred into ye world, and death by sinne, and so 13 death went ouer all men: in who all men haue sinned. For vnto the time of the Law was sinne in the worlde, but sinne 14 is not imputed, while there is no lawe. But death reigned from Adam to Moses, euen ouer them also that sinned not after the like maner of that transgression of Adam, which was 15 the figure of him that was to come. But yet the gift is not so, as is the offence: for if through the offence of that one, many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man Iesus Christ, hath abounded vnto 16 many. Neither is the gift so, as that which entred in by one that sinned: for the fault came of one offence vnto condemna-17 tion: but the gift is of many offences to iustification. by the offence of one, death reigned through one, much more shall they which receive that abundance of grace, and of that gift of that righteousnesse, reigne in life through one, that is, 18 Iesus Christ. Likewise then as by the offence of one, the fault came on all men to condemnation, so by the iustifying of one, the benefite abounded toward all men to the justification of 19 life. For as by one mans disobedience many were made sinners, so by that obedience of that one shall many also be made 20 righteous. Moreouer the Law entred thereupon that the offence shoulde abound: neuerthelesse, where sinne abounded, 21 there grace abounded much more: That as sinne had reigned vnto death, so might grace also reigne by righteousnesse vnto eternall life, through Iesus Christ our Lord.

What shall we say then? Shall we continue still in sinne, 6 that grace may abounde? God forbid. Howe shall we, that 2 are dead to sinne, liue yet therein? Knowe ye not, that all we 3 which haue bene baptized into Iesus Christ, haue bene baptized into his death? We are buried then with him by bap- 4 tisme into his death, that like as Christ was raysed vp from the dead to the glorie of the Father, so we also should walke in newnesse of life. For if we be planted with him to the 5 similitude of his death, euen so shall we be to the similitude of his resurrection, Knowing this, that our old man is cruci- 6 fied with him, that the body of sinne might be destroied, that henceforth we should not serue sinne. For he that is dead, 7 is freed from sinne. Wherefore, if we bee dead with Christ, 8 we believe that we shall live also with him. Knowing that 9 Christ being raised from the dead, dieth no more: death hath no more dominion ouer him. For in that hee died, hee died 10 once to sinne but in that he liueth, he liueth to God. Like- 11 wise thinke ye also, that ye are dead to sin, but are aliue to God in Iesus Christ our Lord. Let not sinne reigne therefore 12 in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in ve lusts therof: Neither give ye your members, as weapons of vnrighteousnes 13 vnto sinne: but giue your selues vnto God, as they that are aliue from the dead, and give your members as weapons of righteousnesse vnto God. For sinne shall not haue domin- 14 ion ouer you: for ye are not vnder ye Lawe, but vnder grace. What then? shall we sinne, because we are not vnder the Law, 15 but vnder grace? God forbid. Knowe ye not, that to whom- 16 soeuer yee giue your selues as seruats to obey, his seruants ye are to whom ye obey, whether it be of sinne vnto death, or of obedience vnto righteousnesse? But God be thanked, that ye 17 haue beene the seruants of sinne, but yee haue obeyed from the heart vnto the forme of the doctrine, wherunto ye were deliuered. Being then made free from sinne, yee are made 18 the servants of righteousnesse. I speake after the maner of 19 man, because of the infirmitie of your flesh: for as yee haue giuen your members seruants to vncleannes and to iniquitie, to commit iniquitie, so now give your mebers servants vnto righteousnesse in holinesse. For when ye were the seruants 20 of sinne, ye were freed from righteousnesse. What fruit had ye then in those things, whereof ye are nowe ashamed? For the ende of those things is death. But now being freed from sinne, and made seruants vnto God, ye haue your fruit in holines, and the end, euerlasting life. For the wages of sinne is death: but the gift of God is eternall life, through Iesus Christ our Lord.

Knowe yee not, brethren, (for I speake to them that knowe 7 the Lawe) that the Lawe hath dominion ouer a man as long 2 as he liueth? For the woman which is in subjection to a man, is bound by the Lawe to the man, while he liueth: but if the 3 man bee dead, shee is deliuered from the lawe of the man. So then, if while the man liueth, she taketh another man, she shalbe called an adulteresse: but if the man be dead, she is free from the Law, so that shee is not an adulteresse, though 4 shee take another man. So yee, my brethren, are dead also to the Law by ye body of Christ, that ye should be vnto an other, euen vnto him that is raised vp from the dead, that we should 5 bring foorth fruite vnto God. For when we were in ye flesh. the affections of sinnes, which were by the Law, had force in 6 our members, to bring foorth fruit vnto death. But now we are deliuered from the Lawe, he being dead in whom we were holden, that we should serue in newnesse of Spirite, and not 7 in the oldnesse of the letter. What shall we say then? Is the Lawe sinne? God forbid. Nay, I knewe not sinne, but by the Lawe: for I had not knowen lust, except the Lawe had sayd, 8 Thou shalt not lust. But sinne tooke an occasion by ye commandement, and wrought in me all maner of concupiscence: for without the Lawe sinne is dead. For I once was aliue, without the Law: but when the commandement came, sinne 10 reuiued, But I died: and the same commandement which was 11 ordeined vnto life, was found to be vnto me vnto death. For sinne tooke occasion by the commandement, and deceived me, 12 and thereby slewe me. Wherefore the Lawe is holy, and that 13 commandement is holy, and iust, and good. Was that then which is good, made death vnto me? God forbid: but sinne, that it might appeare sinne, wrought death in me by that which is good, that sinne might be out of measure sinfull by the com-14 mandement. For we knowe that the Law is spirituall, but I 15 am carnall, solde vnder sinne. For I alow not that which I do:

16 for what I would, that do I not: but what I hate, that do I. If

I doe then that which I woulde not, I consent to the Lawe, that it is good. Nowe then, it is no more I, that doe it, but sinne 17 For I know, that in me, that is, in my 18 that dwelleth in me. flesh, dwelleth no good thing: for to wil is preset with me: but I find no meanes to perform that which is good. For I doe not 19 the good thing, which I would, but the euil, which I would not, that do I. Nowe if I do that I would not, it is no more I that doe 20 it, but the sinne that dwelleth in me. I finde then that when I 21 would doe good, I am thus yoked, that euill is present with me. For I delite in the Law of God, concerning the inner man: But 22, 23 I see another Law in my members, rebelling against the Lawe of my minde, and leading me captiue vnto the lawe of sinne, which is in my members. O wretched man that I am, who 24 shall deliuer me from the body of this death! I thanke God 25 through Iesus Christ our Lord. Then I my selfe in my minde serue the Lawe of God, but in my flesh the lawe of sinne.

Now then there is no condemnation to them that are in 8 Christ Iesus, which walke not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the Lawe of the Spirite of life, which is in Christ 2 Iesus, hath freed mee from the lawe of sinne and of death. For 3 (that that was impossible to ye Lawe, in as much as it was weake, because of ye flesh) God sending his owne Sonne, in ye similitude of sinful flesh, and for sinne, condened sinne in the flesh. That that righteousnes of the Law might be fulfilled in 4 vs, which walke not after ye flesh, but after the Spirit. For 5 they that are after the flesh, sauour the things of the flesh: but they that are after the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. For the 6 wisedome of the flesh is death: but the wisedome of the Spirit is life and peace, Because the wisedome of the flesh is enimitie 7 against God: for it is not subject to the Lawe of God, neither in deede can be. So then they that are in the flesh, can not please 8 God. Now ye are not in the flesh, but in ye Spirit, because ye 9 spirit of God dwelleth in you: but if any man hath not ye Spirit of Christ, ye same is not his. And if Christ bee in you, the 10 body is dead, because of sinne: but the Spirite is life for righteousnesse sake. But if the Spirit of him that raised vp Iesus 11 from the dead, dwell in you, he that raised vp Christ from the dead, shall also quicken your mortall bodies, by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. Therefore brethren, wee are detters not to 12 the flesh, to liue after the flesh: For if ye liue after the flesh, 13

ye shall die: but if yee mortifie the deedes of the body by the 14 Spirit, ye shall liue. For as many as are ledde by the Spirit 15 of God, they are the sonnes of God. For ye have not received the Spirit of bodage, to feare againe: but ye haue received the 16 Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry Abba, Father. The same Spirit beareth witnesse with our spirit, that we are the chil-17 dren of God. If we be children, we are also heires, euen the heires of God, and heires annexed with Christ: if so be that we 18 suffer with him, that we may also be glorified with him. For I count that the afflictions of this present time are not worthy 19 of the glory, which shalbe shewed vnto vs. For the feruent desire of the creature waiteth when the sonnes of God shalbe 20 reueiled. Because the creature is subject to vanitie, not of it owne will, but by reason of him, which hath subdued it vnder 21 hope. Because the creature also shall be deliuered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious libertie of the sonnes 22 of God. For we knowe that euery creature groneth with vs 23 also, and trauaileth in paine together vnto this present. And not onely the creature, but we also which have the first fruites of the Spirit, euen we doe sigh in our selues, waiting for the 24 adoption, euen the redemption of our body. For we are saued by hope: but hope that is seene, is not hope: for how can a 25 man hope for that which he seeth? But if we hope for that 26 we see not, we doe with patience abide for it. Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we knowe not what to pray as wee ought: but the Spirit it selfe maketh request for vs 27 with sighs, which cannot be expressed. But he that searcheth the heartes, knoweth what is the meaning of the Spirit: for he maketh request for ye Saints, according to the wil of God. 28 Also we knowe that all thinges worke together for the best vnto them that love God, even to them that are called of his pur-29 pose. For those which hee knewe before, he also predestinate to bee made like to the image of his Sonne, that hee might 30 be the first borne among many brethren. Moreouer whom he predestinate, them also he called, and whom he called, them also he iustified, and whom he iustified, them he also glorified. 31 What shall we then say to these thinges? If God be on our side, 32 who can be against vs? Who spared not his owne Sonne, but gaue him for vs all to death, how shall he not with him giue vs 33 all things also? Who shall lay any thing to the charge of Gods chosen? it is God that iustifieth, Who shall condemne? it is 34 Christ which is dead, yea, or rather, which is risen againe, who is also at the right hand of God, and maketh request also for vs. Who shall separate vs from the loue of Christ? shall tribulation 35 or anguish, or persecution, or famine, or nakednesse, or perill, or sworde? As it is written, For thy sake are we killed all day 36 long: we are counted as sheepe for the slaughter. Neuerthe-37 lesse, in all these thinges we are more then coquerours through him that loued vs. For I am perswaded that neither death, 38 nor life, nor Angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any 39 other creature shalbe able to separate vs from the loue of God, which is in Christ Iesus our Lord.

I say the trueth in Christ, I lye not, my conscience bearing 9 mee witnes in the holy Ghost, That I have great heavinesse, 2 and continuall sorow in mine heart. For I woulde wish my 3 selfe to be separate from Christ, for my brethren that are my kinsemen according to the flesh, Which are the Israelites, to 4 whome perteineth the adoption, and the glory, and the Couenants, and the giuing of the Lawe, and the seruice of God, and the promises. Of whome are the fathers, and of whome concern- 5 ing the flesh, Christ came, who is God ouer all, blessed for euer, Amen. Notwithstanding it can not bee that the worde of 6 God should take none effect: for all they are not Israel, which are of Israel: Neither are they all children, because they are 7 the seede of Abraham: but, In Isaac shall thy seede be called: That is, they which are the children of the flesh, are not the 8 children of God: but the children of the promise, are counted for the seede. For this is a worde of promise, In this same time 9 wil I come, and Sara shall haue a sonne. Neither he onely felt 10 this, but also Rebecca when shee had conceived by one, even by our father Isaac. For yer the children were borne, and when 11 they had neither done good, nor euill (that the purpose of God might remaine according to election, not by workes, but by him that calleth) It was said vnto her, The elder shall serue the 12 yonger. As it is written, I haue loued Iacob, and haue hated 13 Esau. What shall wee say then? Is there vnrighteousnes with 14 God? God forbid. For he saith to Moses, I wil haue mercy on 15 him, to whom I wil shew mercie: and wil haue compassion on him, on who I wil have copassion. So then it is not in him 16

that willeth, nor in him that runneth, but in God that sheweth 17 mercy. For the Scripture saith vnto Pharao, For this same purpose haue I stirred thee vp, that I might shewe my power in thee, and that my Name might be declared throughout al 18 the earth. Therefore he hath mercie on whome he will, and 19 whom he will, he hardeneth. Thou wilt say then vnto me, Why 20 doeth he yet complaine? for who hath resisted his will? But, O man, who art thou which pleadest against God? shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made 21 me thus? Hath not the potter power of the clay to make of the same lumpe one vessell to honour, and another vnto dis-22 honour? What and if God would, to shewe his wrath, and to make his power knowen, suffer with long patience the vessels 23 of wrath, prepared to destruction? And that hee might declare the riches of his glory vpon the vessels of mercy, which hee hath 24 prepared vnto glory? Euen vs whome hee hath called, not of 25 of the Iewes onely, but also of the Gentiles. As he sayth also in Osee, I will call them, My people, which were not my peo-26 ple: and her, Beloued, which was not beloued. And it shalbe in the place where it was said vnto them, Ye are not my people, that there they shalbe called, The children of the liuing 27 God. Also Esaias cryeth concerning Israel, Though the number of the children of Israel were as the sand of the sea, yet 28 shall but a remnant be saued. For he wil make his account, and gather it into a short summe with righteousnes: for the 29 Lord will make a short count in the earth. And as Esaias sayde before, Except the Lord of hostes had left vs a seede, we had bene made as Sodom, and had bene like to Gomorrha. 30 What shall we say then? That the Gentiles which followed not righteousnes, haue attained vnto righteousnes, euen the 31 righteousnes which is of faith. But Israel which followed the Lawe of righteousnes, could not arteine vnto the Law of righ-32 teousnes. Wherefore? Because they sought it not by faith, but as it were by the workes of the Lawe: for they have stumbled 33 at the stumbling stone, As it is written, Beholde, I lay in Sion a stumbling stone, and a rocke to make men fall: and euery one that beleeueth in him, shall not be ashamed.

10 Brethren, mine hearts desire and prayer to God for Israel
2 is, that they might be saued. For I beare them record, that
they have the zeale of God, but not according to knowledge.

For they, being ignorant of the righteousnes of God, and go- 3 ing about to stablish their owne righteousnes, haue not submitted themselues to the righteousnes of God. For Christ 4 is the end of the Law for righteousnes vnto euery one that beleeueth. For Moses thus describeth the righteousnes which 5 is of the Lawe, That the man which doeth these things, shall liue thereby. But the righteousnes which is of faith, speaketh 6 on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heauen? (that is to bring Christ from aboue) Or, Who shall 7 descend into the deepe? (that is to bring Christ againe from the dead) But what sayth it? The worde is neere thee, euen in 8 thy mouth, and in thine heart. This is the worde of faith which we preach. For if thou shalt confesse with thy mouth the Lord 9 Iesus, and shalt beleeue in thine heart, that God raised him vp from the dead, thou shalt be saued: For with the heart 10 man beleeueth vnto righteousnes, and with the mouth man confesseth to saluation. For the Scripture saith, Whosoeuer 11 beleeueth in him, shall not be ashamed. For there is no dif- 12 ference betweene the Iewe and the Grecian: for he that is Lord ouer all, is rich vnto all, that call on him. For whosoeuer shall 13 call vpon the Name of the Lord, shalbe saued. But how shall 14 they call on him, in whome they have not beleeued? and how shall they believe in him, of whom they have not heard? and howe shall they heare without a preacher? And how shall 15 they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, Howe beautifull are the feete of them which bring glad tidings of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! But they have not all obeyed 16 ve Gospel: for Esaias saith, Lord, who hath beleeued our re-Then faith is by hearing, and hearing by the worde of 17 God. But I demaund, Haue they not heard? No doubt their 18 sound went out through all the earth, and their wordes into the endes of the worlde. But I demaund, Did not Israel knowe 19 God? First Moses sayth, I will prouoke you to enuie by a nation that is not my nation, and by a foolish nation I will anger you. And Esaias is bolde, and saith, I was found of them that sought 20 me not, and haue bene made manifest to them that asked not after me. And vnto Israel hee sayth, All the day long haue I 21 stretched foorth mine hand vnto a disobedient, and gainesaying people.

I Demaund then, Hath God cast away his people? God for- 11

bid: for I also am an Israelite, of the seede of Abraham, of 2 the tribe of Beniamin. God hath not cast away his people which he knew before. Know ye not what the Scripture sayth of Elias, howe hee communeth with God against Israel, say-3 ing. Lord, they have killed thy Prophets, and digged downe 4 thine altars: and I am left alone, and they seeke my life? But what saith the answere of God to him? I have reserved vnto my selfe seuen thousand men, which haue not bowed the knee 5 to Baal. Euen so then at this present time is there a remnant 6 according to the election of grace. And if it be of grace, it is no more of workes: or els were grace no more grace: but if it be of workes, it is no more grace: or els were worke no more 7 worke. What then? Israel hath not obtained that he sought: but the election hath obteined it, and the rest haue bene hard-8 ened, According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of slumber: eyes that they should not see, and eares that 9 they should not heare vnto this day. And Dauid sayth, Let their table be made a snare, and a net, and a stumbling blocke, 10 euen for a recompence vnto them. Let their eyes be darkened 11 that they see not, and bowe downe their backe alwayes. I demaund then, Haue they stumbled, that they should fall? God forbid: but through their fall, saluation commeth vnto the Gen-12 tiles, to prouoke them to follow them. Wherefore if the fall of them be the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles, how much more shall their aboun-13 dance be? For in that I speake to you Gentiles, in as much 14 as I am the Apostle of ye Gentiles, I magnifie mine office, To trie if by any meanes I might prouoke them of my flesh to fol-15 low them, and might saue some of them. For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the 16 receiuing be, but life from the dead? For if the first fruites be holy, so is the whole lumpe: and if the roote be holy, so are And though some of the branches be broken 17 the branches. off, and thou being a wilde Oliue tree, wast graft in for them, and made partaker of the roote, and fatnesse of the Oliue tree. 18 Boast not thy selfe against the branches: and if thou boast thy 19 selfe, thou bearest not the roote, but the roote thee. Thou wilt say then, The branches are broken off, that I might be graft in. 20 Well: through vnbeliefe they are broken off, and thou stand-21 est by faith: bee not hie minded, but feare. For if God spared

not the naturall branches, take heede, least he also spare not Beholde therefore the bountifulnesse, and seueritie of 22 God: towarde them which haue fallen, seueritie: but toward thee, bountifulnesse, if thou continue in his bountifulnesse: or els thou shalt also be cut off. And they also, if they abide not 23 still in vnbeliefe, shall be graffed in: for God is able to graffe them in againe. For if thou wast cut out of the Oliue tree, 24 which was wilde by nature, and wast graffed contrary to nature in a right Oliue tree, how much more shall they that are by nature, bee graffed in their owne Oliue tree? For I would 25 not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this secret (least ye should bee arrogant in your selues) that partly obstinacie is come to Israel, vntill the fulnesse of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shalbe saued, as it is written. The deliuerer 26 shall come out of Sion, and shall turne away the vngodlinesse from Iacob. And this is my couenant to them, When I shall 27 take away their sinnes. As concerning the Gospel, they are 28 enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloued for the fathers sakes. For the giftes and calling of God 29 are without repentance. For euen as yee in times past haue 30 not beleeued God, yet haue nowe obteined mercie through their vnbeliefe: Euen so nowe haue they not beleeued by the mercie 31 shewed vnto you, that they also may obtain mercie. For God 32 hath shut vp all in vnbeliefe, that he might haue mercie on all. O the deepenesse of the riches, both of the wisdome, and 33 knowledge of God! howe vnsearcheable are his judgements, and his wayes past finding out! For who hath knowen the 34 minde of the Lord? or who was his counsellour? Or who hath 35 giuen vnto him first, and he shalbe recompensed? For of him, 36 and through him, and for him are all things: to him be glory for euer. Amen.

I Beseech you therefore brethren, by the mercies of God, that yee giue vp your bodies a liuing sacrifice, holy, acceptable vnto God, which is your reasonable seruing of God. And fashion not your selues like vnto this worlde, but bee yee changed by the renewing of your minde, that ye may prooue what that good, and acceptable and perfect will of God is. For I say 3 through the grace that is giuen vnto me, to euery one that is among you, that no man presume to vnderstande aboue that which is meete to vnderstand, but that he vnderstande accord-

ing to sobrietie, as God hath dealt to euery man the measure 4 of faith. For as wee haue many members in one body, and all 5 members haue not one office, So we being many are one body 6 in Christ, and euery one, one anothers members. Seeing then that we have gifts that are divers, according to the grace that is giuen vnto vs, whether we haue prophecie, let vs prophecie 7 according to the portion of faith: Or an office, let vs waite on 8 the office: or he that teacheth, on teaching: Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that distributeth, let him doe it with simplicitie: he that ruleth, with diligence: he that sheweth 9 mercie, with cheerefulnesse. Let loue be without dissimulation. Abhorre that which is euill, and cleaue vnto that which is 10 good. Be affectioned to loue one another with brotherly loue. 11 In giuing honour, goe one before another, Not slouthfull to do 12 seruice: seruent in spirit seruing the Lord, Reioycing in hope, 13 pacient in tribulation, continuing in prayer, Distributing vnto the necessities of the Saintes: giuing your selues to hospitali-14 tie. Blesse them which persecute you: blesse, I say, and curse Reiovce with them that reiovce, and weepe with them 16 that weepe. Be of like affection one towardes another: be not hie minded: but make your selues equall to them of the lower 17 sort: be not wise in your selues. Recompence to no man euill 18 for euill: procure things honest in the sight of all men. If it bee possible, as much as in you is, have peace with all men. 19 Dearely beloued, auenge not your selues, but give place vnto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine: I will repay, saith 20 the Lord. Therefore, if thine enemie hunger, feede him: if he thirst, give him drinke: for in so doing, thou shalt heape coales 21 of fire on his head. Bee not ouercome of euill, but ouercome euill with goodnesse.

13 Let euery soule be subject vnto the higher powers: for there is no power but of God: and the powers that be, are ordeined of God. Whosoeuer therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist, shall receiue to themselues condemnation. For Magistrates are not to be feared for good workes, but for euill. Wilt thou then bee without feare of the power? doe well: so shalt thou haue praise of the same.
4 For he is ye minister of God for thy wealth, but if thou do euill, feare: for he beareth not the sworde for nought: for he is the minister of God to take vengeance on him that doeth euill.

Wherefore ye must bee subject, not because of wrath only, but 5 also for conscience sake. For, for this cause ye pay also trib- 6 ute: for they are Gods ministers, applying themselues for the same thing. Give to all men therefore their duetie: tribute, to 7 whome yee owe tribute: custome, to whom custome: feare, to whome feare: honour, to whom ye owe honour. Owe nothing 8 to any man, but to loue one another: for he that loueth another. hath fulfilled the Lawe. For this, Thou shalt not commit adul- 9 terie, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steale, Thou shalt not beare false witnes. Thou shalt not couet: and if there be any other commandement, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, euen in this, Thou shalt loue thy neighbour as thy selfe. Loue doeth not euill to his neighbour: therefore is loue the ful- 10 filling of the Lawe. And that, considering the season, that it 11 is now time that we should arise from sleepe: for now is our saluation neerer, then when we believed it. The night is past. 12 and the day is at hande, let vs therefore cast away the workes of darkenesse, and let vs put on the armour of light, So that 13 wee walke honestly, as in the day: not in gluttonie, and drunkennesse, neither in chambering and wantonnes, nor in strife and enuving. But put yee on the Lord JESUS CHRIST, and 14 take no thought for the flesh, to fulfill the lustes of it.

Him that is weake in the faith, receive vnto you, but not for 14 controuersies of disputations. One beleeueth that he may eate 2 of all things: and another, which is weake, eateth herbes. Let 3 not him that eateth, despise him that eateth not: and let not him which eateth not, condemne him that eateth: for God hath received him. Who art thou that condemnest another mans 4 seruant? hee standeth or falleth to his owne master: yea, he shalbe established: for God is able to make him stand. This 5 man esteemeth one day aboue another day, and another man counteth euery day alike: let euery man be fully perswaded in his minde. He that observeth the day, observeth it to the 6 Lord: and he that obserueth not the day, obserueth it not to the Lord. He that eateth, eateth to the Lord: for he giveth God thankes: and he that eateth not, eateth not to the Lord, and giueth God thankes. For none of vs liueth to himselfe, neither 7 doeth any die to himselfe. For whether wee liue, we liue vnto 8 the Lord: or whether we die, we die vnto the Lord: whether we liue therefore, or die, we are the Lords. For Christ therefore 9

died and rose againe, and reuiued, that he might be Lord both 10 of the dead and the quicke. But why doest thou condemne thy brother? or why doest thou despise thy brother? for we shall all 11 appeare before the judgement seate of Christ. For it is written, I liue, sayth the Lord, and euery knee shall bowe to me, 12 and all tongues shall confesse vnto God. So then euery one of 13 vs shall give accounts of himselfe to God. Let vs not therefore iudge one another any more: but vse your iudgement rather in this, that no man put an occasion to fall, or a stumbling 14 blocke before his brother. I know, and am perswaded through the Lord Iesus, that there is nothing vncleane of it selfe: but vnto him that iudgeth any thing to be vncleane, to him it is 15 vncleane. But if thy brother be grieued for the meate, nowe walkest thou not charitably: destroy not him with thy meate, 16 for whome Christ dyed. Cause not your commoditie to be euill 17 spoken of. For the kingdome of God, is not meate nor drinke, 18 but righteousnes, and peace, and ioye in the holy Ghost. For whosoeuer in these things serueth Christ, is acceptable vnto 19 God, and is appropuled of men. Let vs then follow those things which concerne peace, and wherewith one may edifie another. 20 Destroy not the worke of God for meates sake: all things in deede are pure: but it is euill for the man which eateth with 21 offence. It is good neither to eate flesh, nor to drinke wine, nor any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, 22 or made weake. Hast thou faith? haue it with thy selfe before God: blessed is hee that condemneth not himselfe in that thing 23 which he aloweth. For he that doubteth, is condemned if he eate, because he eateth not of faith: and whatsoeuer is not of faith, is sinne.

We which are strong, ought to beare the infirmities of the
weake, and not to please our selues. Therefore let euery man
please his neighbour in that that is good to edification. For
Christ also would not please himselfe, but as it is written, The
rebukes of them which rebuke thee, fell on me. For whatsoeuer things are written aforetime, are writte for our learning, that we through patience, and comfort of the Scriptures
might have hope. Now the God of patience and consolation
giue you that ye be like minded one towards another, according
to Christ Iesus, That ye with one minde, and with one mouth
may prayse God, even the Father of our Lord Iesus Christ.

Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received vs 7 to the glory of God. Nowe I say, that Iesus Christ was a min- 8 ister of the circumcision, for the trueth of God, to confirme the promises made vnto the fathers. And let the Gentiles prayse 9 God, for his mercie, as it is written, For this cause I wil confesse thee among the Gentiles, and sing vnto thy Name. againe he saith, Reioyce, ye Gentiles with his people. againe, Prayse the Lord, all ve Gentiles, and laude ve him, all people together. And againe Esaias sayth, There shall be a 12 roote of Iesse, and hee that shall rise to reigne ouer the Gentiles, in him shall the Gentiles trust. Nowe the God of hope fill 13 you with all iove, and peace in beleeuing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the holy Ghost. And I my selfe 14 also am perswaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodnes, and filled with all knowledge, and are able to admonish one another. Neuerthelesse, brethren, I haue some- 15 what boldly after a sort written vnto you, as one that putteth you in remembrance, through the grace that is given me of God, That I should be the minister of Iesus Christ toward the 16 Gentiles, ministring the Gospel of God, that the offering vp of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the holy Ghost. I have therefore whereof I may reioyce in Christ Iesus 17 in those things which pertaine to God. For I dare not speake 18 of any thing, which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient in worde and deede, With the power 19 of signes and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God: so that from Hierusalem, and round about vnto Illyricum, I haue caused to abound the Gospel of Christ. Yea, so I enforced my 20 selfe to preach the Gospel, not where Christ was named, lest I should have built on another mans foundation. But as it is 21 written, To whome hee was not spoken of, they shall see him, and they that heard not, shall vnderstand him. Therefore 22 also I have bene oft let to come vnto you: But nowe seeing 23 I have no more place in these quarters, and also have bene desirous many yeeres agone to come vnto you, When I shall 24 take my iourney into Spaine, I will come to you: for I trust to see you in my iourney, and to be brought on my way thitherward by you, after that I haue bene somewhat filled with your company. But now go I to Hierusalem, to minister vnto the 25 Saints. For it hath pleased them of Macedonia and Achaia, 26 to make a certaine distribution vnto the poore Saints which are at Hierusalem. For it hath pleased them, and their detters are they: for if the Gentiles be made partakers of their spirituall things, their duetie is also to minister vnto them in carnall things. When I have therefore performed this, and have sealed them this fruite, I will passe by you into Spaine. And I knowe when I come, that I shall come to you with abundance of the blessing of the Gospel of Christ. Also brethren, I beseeche you for our Lord Iesus Christes sake, and for the loue of the spirit, that ye would strive with me by prayers to God for me, That I may be delivered from them which are disobedient in Iudea, and that my service which I have to doe at Hierusalem, may be accepted of the Saintes, That I may come vnto you with ioy by the will of God, and may with you be refreshed. Thus the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

I Commende vnto you Phebe our sister, which is a seruaunt 16 2 of the Church of Cenchrea: That we receive her in the Lord, as it becommeth Saintes, and that ye assist her in whatsoeuer businesse she needeth of your ayde: for she hath given hospi-3 talitie vnto many, and to me also. Greete Priscilla, and Aquila 4 my fellowe helpers in Christ Iesus, (Which haue for my life laide downe their owne necke. Vnto whom not I onely giue 5 thankes, but also all the Churches of the Gentiles.) Likewise greete the Church that is in their house. Salute my beloued 6 Epenetus, which is the first fruites of Achaia in Christ. Greete 7 Marie which bestowed much labour on vs. Salute Andronicus and Iunia my cousins and fellowe prisoners, which are notable 8 among the Apostles, and were in Christ before me. 9 Amplias my beloued in the Lord. Salute Vrbanus our fellow 10 helper in Christ, and Stachys my beloued. Salute Apelles approoued in Christ. Salute them which are of Aristobulus frien-Salute Herodion my kinsman. Greete them which are 12 of the friendes of Narcissus which are in the Lord. Salute Tryphena and Tryphosa, which women labour in the Lord. Salute the beloued Persis, which woman hath laboured much 13 in the Lord. Salute Rufus chosen in the Lord, and his mother Greete Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, 14 and mine. 15 Mercurius, and the brethren which are with them. Philologus and Iulias, Nereas, and his sister, and Olympas, 16 and all the Saintes which are with them. Salute one another

with an holy kisse. The Churches of Christ salute you. Now 17 I beseech you brethren, marke them diligently which cause diuision and offences, contrary to the doctrine which ye haue learned, and avoide them. For they that are such, serue not 18 the Lord Iesus Christ, but their owne bellies, and with faire speach and flattering deceive the heartes of the simple. your obedience is come abroade among all: I am glad therefore of you: but yet I woulde haue you wise vnto that which is good, and simple concerning euill. The God of peace shall 20 treade Satan vnder your feete shortly. The grace of our Lord Iesus Christ be with you. Timotheus my helper, and Lucius. 21 and Iason, and Sosipater my kinsemen, salute you. I Tertius, 22 which wrote out this Epistle, salute you in the Lord. mine hoste, and of the whole Church saluteth you. Erastus the steward of the citie saluteth you, and Quartus a brother. The 24 grace of our Lord Iesus Christ be with you all. Amen. To him 25 nowe that is of power to establish you according to my Gospel, and preaching of Iesus Christ, by the reuelation of the mysterie, which was kept secrete since the worlde began: (But 26 nowe is opened, and published among all nations by the Scriptures of the Prophetes, at the commandement of the euerlasting God for the obedience of faith) To God, I say, only wise, be 27 praise through Iesus Christ for euer. Amen. (Written to the Romans from Corinthus, and sent by Phebe, seruaunt of the Church which is at Cenchrea.)

## THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE CORINTHIANS.

aul called to be an Apostle of Iesus Christ, through the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, Vnto the Church of God, which is at Corinthus, to them that are sanctified in Christ Iesus. Saintes by calling, with all that call on the Name of our Lord Iesus Christ in euery 3 place, both their Lord, and ours: Grace be with you, and peace 4 from God our Father, and from the Lord Iesus Christ. I thanke my God alwayes on your behalfe for the grace of God, which 5 is given you in Iesus Christ, That in all things ye are made 6 rich in him, in all kinde of speach, and in all knowledge: 7 the testimonie of Iesus Christ hath bene confirmed in vou: So that ye are not destitute of any gift: wayting for the appearing 8 of our Lord Iesus Christ. Who shall also confirme you vnto the ende, that ye may be blamelesse, in the day of our Lord 9 Iesus Christ. God is faithfull, by whom ye are called vnto the 10 fellowship of his Sonne Iesus Christ our Lord. Nowe I beseeche you, brethren, by the Name of our Lord Iesus Christ, that ye all speake one thing, and that there be no dissensions among you: but be ye knit together in one mind, and in one 11 iudgement. For it hath bene declared vnto me, my brethren, of you by them that are of the house of Cloe, that there are 12 contentions among you. Nowe this I say, that every one of you saith, I am Pauls, and I am Apollos, and I am Cephas, and I am 13 Christs. Is Christ deuided? was Paul crucified for you? either 14 were ye baptized into the name of Paul? I thanke God, that I 15 baptized none of you, but Crispus, and Gaius, Lest any should 16 say, that I had baptized into mine owne name. I baptized also the houshold of Stephanas: furthermore knowe I not, whether 17 I baptized any other. For CHRIST sent me not to baptize, but to preache the Gospel, not with wisdome of wordes, lest 18 the crosse of Christ should be made of none effect. For that preaching of the crosse is to them that perish, foolishnesse: but 19 vnto vs. which are saued, it is the power of God. For it is written, I will destroy the wisedome of the wise, and will cast away the vnderstanding of the prudent. Where is the wise? where 20 is the Scribe? where is the disputer of this worlde? hath not God made the wisedome of this worlde foolishnesse? For see- 21 ing the worlde by wisedome knewe not God in the wisedome of GOD, it pleased God by the foolishnesse of preaching to saue them that beleeue: Seeing also that the Iewes require a signe, 22 and the Grecians seeke after wisdome. But wee preach Christ 23 crucified: vnto the Iewes, euen a stumbling blocke, and vnto the Grecians, foolishnesse: But vnto them which are called, 24 both of the Iewes and Grecians, we preach Christ, the power of God, and the wisedome of God. For the foolishnesse of God 25 is wiser then men, and the weakenesse of God is stronger then men. For brethren, you see your calling, how that not many 26 wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble are called. But God hath chosen the foolish thinges of the world to 27 confound the wise, and God hath chosen the weake thinges of the worlde, to confound the mightie things, And vile things of 28 the worlde and thinges which are despised, hath God chosen, and thinges which are not, to bring to nought thinges that are, That no flesh shoulde reioyce in his presence. But ye are of 29, 30 him in Christ Iesus, who of God is made vnto vs wisedome and righteousnesse, and sanctification, and redemption. That, ac- 31 cording as it is written, Hee that reioyceth, let him reioyce in the Lord.

And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellencie of woordes, or of wisedome, shewing vnto you the testimonie of God. For I esteemed not to knowe any thing 2 among you, saue Iesus Christ, and him crucified. And I was 3 among you in weakenesse, and in feare, and in much trembling. Neither stoode my woorde, and my preaching in the 4 entising speach of mans wisdom, but in plaine euidence of the Spirite and of power, That your faith should not be in the 5 wisdome of men, but in the power of God. And we speake 6 wisedome among them that are perfect: not the wisedome of this world, neither of the princes of this world, which come to nought. But we speake the wisedome of God in a mysterie, 7 euen the hid wisedom, which God had determined before the world, vnto our glory. Which none of the princes of this world 8 hath knowen: for had they knowen it, they would not haue cru-

9 cified the Lord of glory. But as it is written, The thinges which eye hath not seene, neither eare hath heard, neither came into mans heart, are, which God hath prepared for them that loue him. But God hath reueiled them vnto vs by his Spirit: for the spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deepe things of God. 11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, saue the spirite of a man, which is in him? euen so the things of God knoweth 12 no man, but the spirit of God. Nowe we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit, which is of God, that we 13 might knowe the thinges that are given to vs of God. Which things also we speake, not in the woordes which mans wisedome teacheth, but which the holy Ghost teacheth, comparing 14 spirituall things with spirituall things. But the naturall man perceiueth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishnesse vnto him: neither can hee knowe them, because they 15 are spiritually discerned. But hee that is spirituall, discer-16 neth all things: yet he himselfe is judged of no man. For who hath knowen the minde of the Lord, that hee might instruct him? But we have the minde of Christ.

And I could not speake vnto you, brethren, as vnto spirituall 3 2 men, but as vnto carnall, euen as vnto babes in Christ. I gaue you milke to drinke, and not meat: for yee were not yet able to 3 beare it, neither yet nowe are yee able. For yee are yet carnall: for whereas there is among you enuying, and strife, and 4 diuisions, are ye not carnall, and walke as men? For when one sayeth, I am Pauls, and another, I am Apollos, are yee not car-5 nall? Who is Paul then? and who is Apollos, but the ministers by whome yee beleeued, and as the Lord gaue to euery man? 6 I have planted, Apollos watred, but God gaue the increase. 7 So then, neither is hee that planteth any thing, neither hee 8 that watreth, but God that giveth the increase. And he that planteth, and he that watreth, are one, and euery man shall re-9 ceiue his wages, according to his labour. For we together are Gods labourers: yee are Gods husbandrie, and Gods building. 10 According to the grace of God given to mee, as a skilfull master builder, I haue laide the foundation, and another buildeth thereon: but let euery man take heede how he buildeth vpon it. 11 For other foundation can no man laie, then that which is laied, 12 which is Iesus Christ. And if any man builde on this foundation, golde, siluer, precious stones, timber, have, or stubble, Euery mans worke shalbe made manifest: for the day shall de- 13 clare it, because it shalbe reueiled by the fire: and the fire shall trie euery mans worke of what sort it is. If any mans worke, 14 that he hath built vpon, abide, he shall receive wages. If any 15 mans worke burne, he shall lose, but he shalbe saued himselfe: neuerthelesse yet as it were by the fire. Knowe ye not that ye 16 are the Temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man destroy the Temple of God, him shall God 17 destroy: for the Temple of God is holy, which ye are. Let no 18 man deceiue himselfe: If any man among you seeme to be wise in this world, let him be a foole, that he may be wise. For 19 the wisdome of this worlde is foolishnesse with God: for it is written. He catcheth the wise in their owne craftinesse. And 20 againe, The Lord knoweth that the thoughtes of the wise be vaine. Therefore let no man reioyce in men: for all things are 21 yours. Whether it be Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, 22 or life, or death: whether they be things present, or thinges to come, euen all are yours, And ye Christes, and Christ Gods.

Let a man so thinke of vs, as of the ministers of Christ, and 4 disposers of the secrets of God: And as for the rest, it is re- 2 quired of the disposers, that every man be found faithfull. As 3 touching me, I passe very litle to be judged of you, or of mans iudgement: no, I iudge not mine owne selfe. For I know noth- 4 ing by my selfe, yet am I not thereby iustified: but he that iudgeth me, is the Lord. Therefore iudge nothing before the 5 time, vntill the Lord come, who will lighten things that are hid in darkenesse, and make the counsels of the hearts manifest: and then shall euery man have praise of God. Nowe these 6 things, brethren, I have figuratively applied vnto mine owne selfe and Apollos, for your sakes, that ye might learne by vs, that no man presume aboue that which is written, that one swell not against another for any mans cause. For who sepa- 7 rateth thee? and what hast thou, that thou hast not received? if thou hast received it, why reioycest thou, as though thou haddest not received it? Nowe ye are full: nowe ye are made 8 rich: ye reigne as kings without vs, and would to God ye did reigne, that we also might reigne with you. For I thinke that 9 God hath set forth vs the last Apostles, as men appointed to death: for we are made a gasing stocke vnto the worlde, and to the Angels, and to men. We are fooles for Christes sake, 10

and ye are wise in Christ: we are weake, and ye are strong: 11 ye are honourable, and we are despised. Vnto this houre we both hunger, and thirst, and are naked, and are buffeted, and 12 haue no certaine dwelling place, And labour, working with our owne handes: we are reuiled, and yet we blesse: we are 13 persecuted, and suffer it. We are euill spoken of, and we pray: we are made as the filth of the world, the offskowring of all 14 things, vnto this time. I write not these things to shame you, 15 but as my beloued children I admonish you. For though ye haue tenne thousand instructours in Christ, yet haue ye not many fathers: for in Christ Iesus I haue begotten you through 16, 17 the Gospel. Wherefore, I pray you, be ye followers of me. For this cause haue I sent vnto you Timotheus, which is my beloued sonne, and faithfull in the Lord, which shall put you in remembrance of my wayes in Christ as I teache euery where 18 in euery Church. Some are puffed vp as though I woulde not 19 come vnto you. But I will come to you shortly, if the Lord will, and will knowe, not the wordes of them which are puffed vp, 20 but the power. For the kingdome of God is not in worde, but 21 in power. What will ye? shall I come vnto you with a rod, or in loue, and in ye spirite of meekenes?

It is heard certainely that there is fornication among you: 5 and such fornication as is not once named among the Gentiles, 2 that one should have his fathers wife. And ye are puffed vp and haue not rather sorowed, that he which hath done this 3 deede, might be put from among you. For I verely as absent in bodie, but present in spirit, haue determined already as though I were present, that he that hath thus done this 4 thing, When ye are gathered together, and my spirit, in the Name of our Lord Iesus Christ, that such one, I say, by the power of our Lord Iesus Christ, Be deliuered vnto Satan, for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saued in 6 the day of the Lord Iesus. Your reioycing is not good: knowe 7 ye not that a litle leauen, leaueneth ye whole lumpe? Purge out therefore the olde leauen, that ye may be a newe lumpe, as ye are vnleauened: for Christ our Passeouer is sacrificed for 8 vs. Therefore let vs keepe the feast, not with olde leauen, neither in the leauen of maliciousnes and wickednesse: but with 9 the vnleauened bread of synceritie and trueth. I wrote vnto you in an Epistle, that ye should not companie together with

fornicatours, And not altogether with the fornicatours of this 10 world, or with the couetous, or with extortioners, or with idolaters: for then ye must goe out of the world. But nowe I haue 11 written vnto you, that ye companie not together: if any that is called a brother, be a fornicatour, or couetous, or an idolater, or a rayler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner, with such one eate not. For what haue I to doe, to iudge them also which are 12 without? doe ye not iudge them that are within? But God iudgeth them that are without. Put away therefore from among your selues that wicked man.

Dare any of you, having businesse against an other, be judged6 vnder the vniust, and not vnder the Saintes? Doe ve not 2 knowe, that the Saintes shall judge the worlde? If the worlde then shalbe iudged by you, are ye vnworthie to iudge the smallest matters? Knowe ye not that we shall judge the Angels? 3 howe much more, things that perteine to this life? If then ye 4 haue judgements of things perteining to this life, set vp them which are least esteemed in the Church. I speake it to your 5 shame. Is it so that there is not a wise man among you? no not one, that can judge betweene his brethren? But a brother 6 goeth to law with a brother, and that vnder the infidels. Nowe 7 therefore there is altogether infirmitie in you, in that yee goe to lawe one with another: why rather suffer ye not wrong? why rather susteine yee not harme? Nay, yee your selues doe 8 wrong, and doe harme, and that to your brethren. Knowe 9 yee not that the vnrighteous shall not inherite the kingdome of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicatours, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor wantons, nor buggerers. Nor theeues, nor 10 couetous, nor drunkards, nor railers, nor extortioners shall inherite the kingdome of God. And such were some of you: but 11 yee are washed, but yee are sanctified, but yee are iustified in the Name of the Lord Iesus, and by the Spirit of our God. All 12 thinges are lawfull vnto mee, but all thinges are not profitable. I may doe all things, but I will not be brought vnder the power of any thing. Meates are ordeined for the bellie, and the belly 13 for the meates: but God shall destroy both it, and them. Nowe the bodie is not for fornication, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the bodie. And God hath also raised vp the Lord, and shall 14 raise vs vp by his power. Knowe yee not, that your bodies 15 are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of

Christ, and make them the members of an harlot? God for16 bid. Doe ye not knowe, that he which coupleth himselfe with
an harlot, is one body? for two, sayeth he, shalbe one flesh.
17, 18 But hee that is ioyned vnto the Lord, is one spirite. Flee fornication: euery sinne that a man doeth, is without the bodie:
but hee that committeth fornication, sinneth against his owne
19 bodie. Knowe yee not, that your body is the temple of the holy
Ghost, which is in you, whom ye haue of God? and yee are not

Ghost, which is in you, whom ye haue of God? and yee are not your owne. For yee are bought for a price: therefore glorifie God in your bodie, and in your spirit: for they are Gods.

Nowe concerning the thinges whereof ye wrote vnto mee, 7 2 It were good for a man not to touche a woman. Neuertheles, to avoide fornication, let euery man have his wife, and let eu-3 ery woman haue her owne husband. Let the husband giue vnto the wife due beneuolence, and likewise also the wife vnto 4 the husband. The wife hath not the power of her owne bodie, but ye husband: and likewise also the husband hath not ye 5 power of his own body, but the wife. Defraude not one another, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give your selues to fasting and praier, and againe come together 6 that Satan tempt you not for your incontinecie. But I speake 7 this by permission, not by commandement. For I woulde that all men were euen as I my selfe am: but euery man hath his proper gift of God, one after this maner, and another after that. 8 Therefore I say vnto the vnmaried, and vnto the widowes, It is 9 good for them if they abide euen as I doe. But if they cannot abstaine, let them marrie: for it is better to marrie then to 10 burne. And vnto ye maried I comand, not I, but ye Lord, Let 11 not ye wife depart from her husband. But and if shee depart, let her remaine vnmaried, or be reconciled vnto her husband, 12 and let not the husband put away his wife. But to ye remnant I speake, and not ye Lord, If any brother haue a wife, ye beleeueth not, if she be content to dwell with him, let him 13 not forsake her. And the woman which hath an husband that beleeueth not, if he be content to dwell with her, let her not 14 forsake him. For the vnbeleeuing husband is sanctified to the wife, and the vnbeleeuing wife is sanctified to the husband, els 15 were your children vncleane: but nowe are they holie. But if the vnbeleeuing depart, let him depart: a brother or a sister is not in subjection in such things: but God hath called vs in

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For what knowest thou, O wife, whether thou shalt 16 peace. saue thine husband? Or what knowest thou, O man, whether thou shalt saue thy wife? But as God hath distributed to eu- 17 ery man, as the Lord hath called euery one, so let him walke: and so ordaine I, in all Churches. Is any man called being cir- 18 cumcised? let him not gather his vncircumcision: is any called vncircumcised? let him not be circumcised. Circumcision is 19 nothing, and vncircumcision is nothing, but the keeping of the commandements of God. Let euery man abide in the same 20 vocation wherein he was called. Art thou called being a seru- 21 ant? care not for it: but if yet thou maiest be free, yee it rather. For he that is called in the Lord, being. a seruant, is the Lords 22 freeman: likewise also he that is called being free, is Christes seruant. Yee are bought with a price: be not the seruants 23 Brethren, let euery man, wherein hee was called, 24 therein abide with God. Nowe concerning virgines, I haue no 25 commandement of the Lord: but I give mine aduise, as one that hath obtained mercie of the Lord to be faithfull. I sup- 26 pose then this to bee good for the present necessitie: I meane that it is good for a man so to be. Art thou bounde vnto a wife? 27 seeke not to be loosed: art thou loosed from a wife? seeke not a wife. But if thou takest a wife, thou sinnest not: and if a vir- 28 gine marrie, shee sinneth not: neuerthelesse, such shall haue trouble in the flesh: but I spare you. And this I say, brethren, 29 because the time is short, hereafter that both they which haue wives, be as though they had none: And they that weepe, as 30 though they wept not: and they that reioyce, as though they rejoyced not: and they that bye, as though they possessed not: And they that vse this worlde, as though they vsed it not: for 31 the fashion of this worlde goeth away. And I would have you 32 without care. The vnmaried careth for the things of the Lord, howe he may please the Lord. But hee that is maried, careth 33 for the things of the world, how he may please his wife. There 34 is difference also betweene a virgine and a wife: the vnmaried woman careth for the things of the Lord, that she may be holy, both in body and in spirite: but shee that is maried, careth for the things of the worlde, howe shee may please her husband. And this I speake for your owne commoditie, not to tangle you 35 in a snare, but that yee follow that, which is honest, and that yee may cleaue fast vnto the Lord without separation. But if 36 any man thinke that it is vncomely for his virgine, if shee passe the flower of her age, and neede so require, let him do what he will, he sinneth not: let them be maried. Neuerthelesse, hee that standeth firme in his heart, that hee hath no neede, but hath power ouer his owne will, and hath so decreed in his heart, that hee will keepe his virgine, hee doeth well. So then hee that giueth her to mariage, doeth well, but he that giueth her not to mariage, doeth better. The wife is bounde by the Lawe, as long as her husband liueth: but if her husband bee dead, shee is at libertie to marie with whome she will, onely in the Lord. But shee is more blessed, if she so abide, in my iudgement: and I thinke that I haue also the Spirite of God.

And as touching things sacrificed vnto idols, wee knowe that 8 wee all haue knowledge: knowledge puffeth vp, but loue edifi-2 eth. Nowe, if any man thinke that hee knoweth any thing, hee 3 knoweth nothing yet as hee ought to knowe. But if any man 4 loue God, the same is known of him. Concerning therefore the eating of things sacrificed vnto idoles, we knowe that an idole is nothing in the worlde, and that there is none other God 5 but one. For though there bee that are called gods, whether in heauen, or in earth (as there be many gods, and many lords) 6 Yet vnto vs there is but one God, which is that Father, of whome are all things, and we in him: and one Lord Iesus Christ, by 7 whome are all things, and we by him. But euery man hath not that knowledge: for many hauing conscience of the idole, vntill this houre, eate as a thing sacrificed vnto the idole, and so 8 their conscience being weake, is defiled. But meate maketh not vs acceptable to God, for neither if we eate, haue we the 9 more: neither if we eate not, haue we the lesse. heede lest by any meanes this power of yours be an occasion 10 of falling, to them that are weake. For if any man see thee which hast knowledge, sit at table in the idoles temple, shall not the conscience of him which is weake, be boldened to eate 11 those things which are sacrificed to idoles? And through thy knowledge shall the weake brother perish, for whome Christ 12 died. Nowe when ye sinne so against the brethren, and wound 13 their weake conscience, ye sinne against Christ. Wherefore if meate offende my brother, I wil eate no flesh while the world standeth, that I may not offend my brother.

9 Am I not an Apostle? am I not free? haue I not seene Iesus

Christ our Lord? are ye not my worke in the Lord? If I be 2 not an Apostle vnto other, yet doutlesse I am vnto you: for ye are the seale of mine Apostleship in the Lord. My defence to 3 them that examine mee, is this, Haue we not power to eat and 4 to drinke? Or haue we not power to lead about a wife being a 5 sister, as well as the rest of the Apostles, and as the brethren of the Lord, and Cephas? Or I only and Barnabas, haue not 6 we power not to worke? Who goeth a warfare any time at his 7 owne coste? who planteth a vineyarde, and eateth not of the fruit thereof? or who feedeth a flocke, and eateth not of the milke of the flocke? Say I these thinges according to man? 8 saith not the Lawe the same also? For it is written in the 9 Lawe of Moses. Thou shalt not mussell the mouth of the oxe that treadeth out the corne: doeth God take care for oxen? Ei- 10 ther saith hee it not altogether for our sakes? For our sakes no doubt it is written, that he which eareth, should eare in hope. and that he that thresheth in hope, should be partaker of his hope. If wee haue sowen vnto you spirituall thinges, is it a 11 great thing if we reape your carnall thinges? If others with 12 you bee partakers of this power, are not we rather? neuerthelesse, we have not vsed this power: but suffer all things, that we should not hinder the Gospel of Christ. Doe ye not knowe, 13 that they which minister about the holy things, eate of the things of the Temple? and they which waite at the altar, are partakers with the altar? So also hath the Lord ordeined, that 14 they which preach ye Gospel, should liue of the Gospel. But 15 I have vsed none of these things: neither wrote I these things, that it should be so done vnto me: for it were better for me to die, then that any man should make my reioycing vaine. For 16 though I preach the Gospel, I have nothing to reioyce of: for necessitie is laid vpon me, and woe is vnto me, if I preach not the Gospel. For if I do it willingly, I have a reward, but if I do 17 it against my will, notwithstanding the dispensation is committed vnto me. What is my reward then? verely that when 18 I preach the Gospel, I make the Gospel of Christ free, that I abuse not mine authoritie in ye Gospel. For though I bee free 19 from all men, yet haue I made my selfe seruant vnto all men, that I might winne the moe. And vnto the Iewes, I become as 20 a Iewe, that I may winne the Iewes: to them that are vnder the Lawe, as though I were vnder the Lawe, that I may winne them

21 that are vnder the Lawe: To them that are without Lawe, as though I were without Lawe, (when I am not without Lawe as pertaining to God, but am in the Lawe through Christ) that 22 I may winne them that are without Lawe: To the weake I become as weake, that I may winne the weake: I am made all thinges to all men, that I might by all meanes saue some. 23 And this I doe for the Gospels sake, that I might be partaker 24 thereof with you. Knowe ye not, that they which runne in a race, runne all, yet one receiueth the price? so runne that 25 ye may obtaine. And euery man that proueth masteries, abstaineth from all things: and they do it to obtaine a corruptible 26 crowne: but we for an vncorruptible. I therefore so runne, not as vncertainely: so fight I, not as one that beateth the ayre. 27 But I beate downe my body, and bring it into subjection, lest by any meanes after that I have preached to other, I my selfe should be reproued.

Moreouer, brethren, I woulde not that yee shoulde bee igno-10 rant, that all our fathers were vnder that cloude, and all passed 2 through that sea, And were all baptized vnto Moses, in that 3 cloude, and in that sea, And did all eat the same spiritual 4 meat, And did all drinke the same spirituall drinke (for they dranke of the spiritual Rocke that followed them: and the Rocke 5 was Christ) But with many of them God was not pleased: for 6 they were ouerthrowen in ye wildernes. Nowe these things are our ensamples, to the intent that we should not lust af-7 ter euil things as they also lusted. Neither bee ye idolaters as were some of them, as it is written, The people sate downe 8 to eate and drinke, and rose vp to play. Neither let vs commit fornication, as some of them committed fornication, and 9 fell in one day three and twentie thousand. Neither let vs tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted him, and were 10 destroyed of serpents. Neither murmure ye, as some of them 11 also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. Nowe all these things came vnto them for ensamples, and were written to admonish vs, vpon whome the endes of the world are come. 12 Wherefore, let him that thinketh he standeth, take heede lest 13 he fall. There hath no tentation taken you, but such as appertaine to man: and God is faithfull, which will not suffer you to be tempted aboue that you be able, but wil euen giue the issue 14 with the tentation, that ye may be able to beare it. Wherefore my beloued, flee from idolatrie. I speake as vnto them which 15 haue vnderstanding: jugde ye what I say. The cup of bless- 16 ing which we blesse, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we breake, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? For we that are many, are one bread and 17 one body, because we all are partakers of one bread. Beholde 18 Israel, which is after the flesh: are not they which eate of the sacrifices partakers of the altar? What say I then? that the 19 idole is any thing? or that that which is sacrificed to idoles, is any thing? Nay, but that these things which the Gentiles sac- 20 rifice, they sacrifice to deuils, and not vnto God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with the deuils. Ye can not 21 drinke the cup of the Lord, and the cup of the deuils. Ye can not be partakers of the Lords table, and of the table of the deuils. Doe we prouoke the Lord to anger? are we stronger then he? 22 All things are lawfull for me, but all things are not expedient: 23 all things are lawfull for me, but all things edifie not. Let no 24 man seeke his owne, but euery man anothers wealth. What- 25 soeuer is solde in the shambles, eate ve, and aske no question for conscience sake. For the earth is the Lords, and all that 26 therein is. If any of them which beleeue not, call you to a feast, 27 and if ye wil go, whatsoeuer is set before you, eate, asking no question for conscience sake. But if any man say vnto you, 28 This is sacrificed vnto idoles, eate it not, because of him that shewed it, and for the conscience (for the earth is the Lords, and all that therein is) And the conscience, I say, not thine, 29 but of that other: for why should my libertie be condemned of another mans conscience? For if I through Gods benefite 30 be partaker, why am I euill spoken of, for that wherefore I giue thankes? Whether therefore ye eate, or drinke, or whatsoeuer 31 ye doe, doe all to the glory of God. Giue none offence, neither 32 to the Iewes, nor to the Grecians, nor to the Church of God: Euen as I please all men in all things, not seeking mine owne 33 profite, but the profite of many, that they might be saued.

Be yee followers of mee, euen as I am of Christ. Now 1 brethren, I commend you, that ye remember all my things, and keepe the ordinances, as I deliuered them to you. But 3 I wil that ye know, that Christ is the head of euery man: and the man is the womans head: and God is Christs head. Euery man praying or prophecying hauing any thing on his head,

5 dishonoureth his head. But euery woman that prayeth or prophecieth bare headed, dishonoureth her head: for it is euen 6 one very thing, as though she were shauen. Therefore if the woman be not couered, let her also be shorne: and if it be shame for a woman to be shorne or shauen, let her be couered. 7 For a man ought not to couer his head: for as much as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the 8 man. For the man is not of the woman, but the woman of the 9 man. For the man was not created for the womans sake: but 10 the woman for the mans sake. Therefore ought the woman 11 to haue power on her head, because of the Angels. Neuertheles, neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman 12 without the man in the Lord. For as the woman is of the man, so is the man also by the woman: but all things are of Iudge in your selues, Is it comely that a woman pray 14 vnto God vncouered? Doeth not nature it selfe teach you, that 15 if a man haue long heare, it is a shame vnto him? But if a woman haue long heare, it is a prayse vnto her: for her heare 16 is given her for a couering. But if any man lust to be contentious, we have no such custome, neither the Churches of Nowe in this that I declare, I prayse you not, that ye 18 come together, not with profite, but with hurt. For first of all, when ye come together in the Church, I heare that there are dissentions among you: and I believe it to be true in some part. 19 For there must be heresies euen among you, that they which 20 are approoued among you, might be knowen. When ye come together therefore into one place, this is not to eate the Lords For euery man when they should eate, taketh his 21 Supper. owne supper afore, and one is hungry, and another is drunken. 22 Haue ye not houses to eate and to drinke in? despise ye the Church of God, and shame them that have not? what shall I 23 say to you? shall I prayse you in this? I prayse you not. For I have received of the Lord that which I also have delivered vnto you, to wit, That the Lord Iesus in the night when he was 24 betrayed, tooke bread: And when hee had given thankes, hee brake it, and sayde, Take, eate: this is my body, which is bro-25 ken for you: this doe ye in remembrance of me. After the same maner also he tooke the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the Newe Testament in my blood: this doe as oft as ye 26 drinke it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye shall eate

this bread, and drinke this cup, ye shewe the Lords death till hee come. Wherefore, whosoeuer shall eate this bread, and 27 drinke the cup of the Lord vnworthily, shall be guiltie of the body and blood of the Lord. Let euery man therefore examine 28 himselfe, and so let him eate of this bread, and drinke of this cup. For he that eateth and drinketh vnworthily, eateth and 29 drinketh his owne damnation, because he discerneth not the Lords body. For this cause many are weake, and sicke among 30 you, and many sleepe. For if we would iudge our selues, we 31 should not be iudged. But when we are iudged, we are chastened of the Lord, because we should not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to 33 eate, tary one for another. And if any man be hungry, let him 34 eate at home, that ye come not together vnto condemnation. Other things will I set in order when I come.

Now concerning spirituall giftes, brethren, I would not have 12 you ignorant. Ye know that ye were Gentiles, and were caried 2 away vnto the dumme Idoles, as ye were led. Wherefore, I 3 declare vnto you, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Iesus execrable: also no man can say that Iesus is the Lord, but by the holy Ghost. Now there are diversities of gifts, 4 but the same Spirit. And there are diversities of administra- 5 tions, but the same Lord, And there are diversities of opera- 6 tions, but God is the same which worketh all in all. But the 7 manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man, to profite withall. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdome: 8 and to an other the word of knowledge, by the same Spirit: And to another is given faith by the same Spirit: and to an- 9 other the giftes of healing, by the same Spirit: And to another 10 the operations of great workes: and to another, prophecie: and to another, the discerning of spirits: and to another, diversities of tongues: and to another, the interpretation of tongues. And all these thinges worketh one and the selfe same Spirit, 11 distributing to euery man seuerally as he will. For as the 12 body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of the body, which is one, though they be many, yet are but one body: euen so is Christ. For by one Spirit are we all baptized 13 into one body, whether we bee Iewes, or Grecians, whether we be bonde, or free, and haue bene all made to drinke into one Spirit. For the body also is not one member, but many. If the 14, 15

foote would say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the 16 body, is it therefore not of the body? And if the eare would say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body, is it there-17 fore not of the body? If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where were the 18 smellling? But nowe hath God disposed the members euery 19 one of them in the bodie at his owne pleasure. For if they 20 were all one member, where were the body? But now are there 21 many members, yet but one body. And the eye cannot say vnto the hand, I have no neede of thee: nor the head againe to the 22 feete, I have no neede of you. Yea, much rather those members of the body, which seeme to be more feeble, are necessarie. 23 And vpon those members of the body, which wee thinke most vnhonest, put wee more honestie on: and our vncomely parts 24 haue more comelinesse on. For our comely partes neede it not: but God hath tempered the body together, and hath given the 25 more honour to that part which lacked, Lest there should be any diuision in the body: but that the members shoulde haue 26 the same care one for another. Therefore if one member suffer, all suffer with it: if one member be had in honour, all the 27 members reioyce with it. Now ye are the body of Christ, and 28 members for your part. And God hath ordained some in the Church: as first Apostles, secondly Prophetes, thirdly teachers, then them that doe miracles: after that, the giftes of healing, 29 helpers, gouernours, diuersitie of tongues. Are all Apostles? 30 are all Prophetes? are all teachers? Are all doers of miracles? haue all the gifts of healing? doe all speake with tongues? doe 31 all interprete? But desire you the best giftes, and I will vet shewe you a more excellent way.

13 Though I speake with the tongues of men and Angels, and haue not loue, I am as sounding brasse, or a tinkling cymbal.

2 And though I had the gift of prophecie, and knewe all secrets and all knowledge, yea, if I had all faith, so that I could remoure mountaines and had not loue, I were nothing. And though I feede the poore with all my goods, and though I giue my body, that I be burned, and haue not loue, it profiteth me nothing. Loue suffreth long: it is bountifull: loue enuieth not: loue doeth not boast it selfe: it is not puffed vp: It doeth no vncomely thing: it seeketh not her owne things: it is not prouoked to anger: it thinketh not euill: It reioyceth not in

iniquitie, but reioyceth in the trueth: It suffreth all things: 7 it beleeueth all things: it hopeth all things: it endureth all things. Loue doeth neuer fall away, though that prophecyings 8 be abolished, or the tongues cease, or knowledge vanish away. For we knowe in part, and we prophecie in part. But when 9, 10 that which is perfect, is come, then that which is in part, shalbe abolished. When I was a childe, I spake as a childe, I vnder-11 stoode as a childe, I thought as a childe: but when I became a man, I put away childish thinges. For nowe we see through 12 a glasse darkely: but then shall wee see face to face. Nowe I know in part: but then shall I know euen as I am knowen. And nowe abideth faith, hope and loue, euen these three: but 13 the chiefest of these is loue.

Followe after loue, and couet spirituall giftes, and rather 14 that ye may prophecie. For hee that speaketh a strange tongue, 2 speaketh not vnto men, but vnto God: for no man heareth him: howbeit in the spirit he speaketh secret things. But he that 3 prophecieth, speaketh vnto me to edifying, and to exhortation, and to comfort. He that speaketh strange language, edifieth 4 himselfe: but hee that prophecieth, edifieth the Church. I 5 would that ye all spake strange languages, but rather that ve prophecied: for greater is hee that prophecieth, then hee that speaketh divers tongues, except hee expound it, that the Church may receive edification. And nowe, brethren, if I come 6 vnto you speaking diuers tongues, what shall I profite you, except I speake to you, either by reuelation, or by knowledge, or by prophecying, or by doctrine? Moreouer things without 7 life which give a sounde, whether it be a pipe or an harpe, except they make a distinction in the soundes, how shall it be knowen what is piped or harped? And also if the trumpet 8 giue an vncertaine sound, who shall prepare himselfe to battell? So likewise you, by the tongue, except yee vtter wordes 9 that have signification, howe shall it be vnderstand what is spoken? for ye shall speake in the ayre. There are so many 10 kindes of voyces (as it commeth to passe) in the world, and none of them is dumme. Except I know then the power of 11 ye voyce, I shall be vnto him that speaketh a barbarian, and he that speaketh, shalbe a barbarian vnto me. Euen so, foras- 12 much as ye couet spirituall giftes, seeke that ye may excell vnto the edifying of the Church. Wherefore, let him that speaketh 13

14 a strange tongue, pray, that he may interprete. For if I pray in a strange togue, my spirit prayeth: but mine vnderstad-15 ing is without fruite. What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, but I wil pray with the vnderstanding also: I wil sing with the spirite, but I will sing with the vnderstanding also. 16 Else, when thou blessest with the spirit, howe shall hee that occupieth the roome of the vnlearned, say Amen, at thy giu-17 ing of thankes, seeing he knoweth not what thou sayest? For 18 thou verely givest thankes well, but the other is not edified. I 19 thanke my God, I speake languages more then ye all. Yet had I rather in the Church to speake fiue wordes with mine vnderstanding, that I might also instruct others, then ten thousande 20 wordes in a strange tongue. Brethren, be not children in vnderstanding, but as concerning maliciousnes be children, but 21 in vnderstanding be of a ripe age. In the Lawe it is written, By men of other tongues, and by other languages will I speake vnto this people: yet so shall they not heare me, sayth 22 the Lord. Wherefore strange tongues are for a signe, not to them that beleeue, but to them that beleeue not: but prophecying serueth not for them that beleeue not, but for them which 23 beleeue. If therefore when the whole Church is come together in one, and all speake strange tongues, there come in they that are vnlearned, or they which beleeue not, will they not say, 24 that ye are out of your wittes? But if all prophecie, and there come in one that beleeueth not, or one vnlearned, hee is re-25 buked of all men, and is judged of all, And so are the secrets of his heart made manifest, and so he will fall downe on his face and worship God, and say plainely that God is in you in 26 deede. What is to be done then, brethren? when ye come together, according as euery one of you hath a Psalme, or hath doctrine, or hath a tongue, or hath reuelation, or hath inter-27 pretation, let all things be done vnto edifying. If any man speake a strange tongue, let it be by two, or at the most, by 28 three, and that by course, and let one interprete. But if there be no interpreter, let him keepe silence in the Church, which speaketh languages, and let him speake to himselfe, and to 29 God. Let the Prophets speake two, or three, and let the other 30 iudge. And if any thing be reueiled to another that sitteth by, 31 let the first holde his peace. For ye may all prophecie one by 32 one, that all may learne, and all may have comfort. And the spirits of the Prophets are subject to the Prophets. For God 33 is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as we see in all ye Churches of the Saints. Let your women keepe silence in the 34 Churches: for it is not permitted vnto them to speake: but they ought to be subject, as also the Lawe sayth. And if they will 35 learne any thing, let them aske their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speake in the Church. Came the 36 worde of God out from you? either came it vnto you onely? If 37 any man thinke him selfe to be a Prophet, or spirituall, let him acknowledge, that the things, that I write vnto you, are the commandements of the Lord. And if any man be ignorant, 38 let him be ignorant. Wherefore, brethren, couet to prophecie, 39 and forbid not to speake languages. Let all things be done 40 honestly, and by order.

Moreouer brethren, I declare vnto you the Gospel, which I 15 preached vnto you, which ye haue also receiued, and wherein ye continue, And whereby ye are saued, if ye keepe in mem- 2 orie, after what maner I preached it vnto you, except ye haue beleeued in vaine. For first of all, I deliuered vnto you that 3 which I received, how that Christ died for our sinnes, according to the Scriptures. And that he was buried, and that he arose 4 the third day, according to the Scriptures, And that he was 5 seene of Cephas, then of the twelue. After that, he was seene 6 of more then fiue hudreth brethren at once: whereof many remaine vnto this present, and some also are asleepe. After 7 that, he was seene of Iames: then of all the Apostles. last of all he was seene also of me, as of one borne out of due time. For I am the least of the Apostles, which am not meete 9 to be called an Apostle, because I persecuted the Church of God. But by the grace of God, I am that I am: and his grace 10 which is in me, was not in vaine: but I laboured more aboundantly then they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which is with me. Wherefore, whether it were I, or they, so we preach, 11 and so haue ye beleeued. Now if it be preached, that Christ is 12 risen from the dead, how say some among you, that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if there be no resurrection of the 13 dead, then is Christ not risen: And if Christ be not risen, then 14 is our preaching vaine, and your faith is also vaine. And we 15 are found also false witnesses of God: for we have testified of God, that he hath raised vp Christ: whome he hath not raised

16 vp, if so be the dead be not raised. For if the dead be not 17 raised, then is Christ not raised. And if Christ be not raised, 18 your faith is vaine: ye are yet in your sinnes. And so they 19 which are a sleepe in Christ, are perished. If in this life onely wee haue hope in Christ, we are of all men the most miser-20 able. But nowe is Christ risen from the dead, and was made 21 the first fruites of them that slept. For since by man came 22 death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as 23 in Adam all die, euen so in Christ shall all be made aliue, But euery man in his owne order: the first fruites is Christ, afterward, they that are of Christ, at his comming shall rise againe. 24 Then shalbe the end, when he hath deliuered vp the kingdome to God, euen the Father, when he hath put downe all rule, and 25 all authoritie and power. For he must reigne till hee hath put 26 all his enemies vnder his feete. The last enemie that shalbe 27 destroyed, is death. For he hath put downe all things vnder his feete. (And when he saith that all things are subdued to him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put downe all 28 things vnder him.) And when all things shalbe subdued vnto him, then shall the Sonne also himselfe be subject vnto him, that did subdue all things vnder him, that God may be all in 29 all. Els what shall they doe which are baptized for dead? if the dead rise not at all, why are they then baptized for dead? 30, 31 Why are wee also in ieopardie euery houre? By your rejoycing 32 which I haue in Christ Iesus our Lord, I die dayly. If I haue fought with beastes at Ephesus after ye maner of men, what aduantageth it me, if the dead be not raised vp? let vs eate 33 and drinke: for to morowe we shall die. Be not deceived: eu-34 ill speakings corrupt good maners. Awake to liue righteously, and sinne not: for some haue not ye knowledge of God, I speake 35 this to your shame. But some man will say, Howe are the dead 36 raised vp? and with what body come they foorth? O foole, that 37 which thou sowest, is not quickened, except it die. And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shalbe, but 38 bare corne as it falleth, of wheat, or of some other. giueth it a body at his pleasure, euen to euery seede his owne 39 body, All flesh is not the same flesh, but there is one flesh of men, and another flesh of beastes, and another of fishes, and 40 another of birdes. There are also heauenly bodies, and earthly bodies: but the glorie of the heauenly is one, and the glorie of the earthly is another. There is another glorie of the sunne, 41 and another glorie of the moone, and another glorie of the starres: for one starre differeth from another starre in glorie. So 42 also is the resurrection of the dead. The bodie is sowen in corruption, and is raysed in incorruption. It is sowen in dishon- 43 our, and is raysed in glory: it is sowen in weakenesse, and is raysed in power. It is sowen a naturall body, and is raysed a 44 spirituall body: there is a naturall body, and there is a spirituall body. As it is also written, The first man Adam was made a 45 liuing soule: and the last Adam was made a quickening Spirit. Howbeit that was not first which is spirituall: but that which 46 is naturall, and afterward that which is spirituall. The first 47 man is of the earth, earthly: the second man is the Lord from heauen. As is the earthly, such are they that are earthly: and 48 as is the heauenly, such are they also that are heauenly. And 49 as we have borne the image of the earthly, so shall we beare the image of the heauenly. This say I, brethren, that flesh 50 and blood cannot inherite the kingdome of God, neither doeth corruption inherite incorruption. Behold, I shewe you a secret 51 thing, We shall not all sleepe, but we shall all be changed, In a 52 moment, in the twinckling of an eye at the last trumpet: for the trumpet shall blow, and the dead shalbe raysed vp incorruptible, and we shalbe changed. For this corruptible must put on 53 incorruption: and this mortall must put on immortalitie. So 54 when this corruptible hath put on incorruption, and this mortall hath put on immortalitie, then shalbe brought to passe the saying that is written, Death is swallowed vp into victorie. O 55 death where is thy sting? O graue where is thy victorie? The 56 sting of death is sinne: and ye strength of sinne is the Lawe. But thankes be vnto God, which hath given vs victorie through 57 our Lord Iesus Christ. Therefore my beloued brethren, be ye 58 stedfast, vnmoueable, aboundant alwayes in the worke of the Lord, forasmuch as ye knowe that your labour is not in vaine in the Lord.

Concerning the gathering for the Saintes, as I haue ordeined 16 in the Churches of Galatia, so doe ye also. Euery first day of 2 the weeke, let euery one of you put aside by himselfe, and lay vp as God hath prospered him, that then there be no gatherings when I come. And when I am come, whomsoeuer ye shall 3 alowe by letters, them will I send to bring your liberalitie vnto

4 Hierusalem. And if it be meete that I goe also, they shall goe 5 with me. Nowe I will come vnto you, after I haue gone through 6 Macedonia (for I will passe through Macedonia.) And it may be that I will abide, yea, or winter with you, that ye may bring 7 me on my way, whither soeuer I goe. For I will not see you nowe in my passage, but I trust to abide a while with you, if the 8,9 Lord permit. And I wil tary at Ephesus vntill Pentecost. For a great doore and effectuall is opened vnto me: and there are 10 many aduersaries. Nowe if Timotheus come, see that he be without feare with you: for he worketh the worke of the Lord, 11 euen as I doe. Let no man therefore despise him: but conuey him foorth in peace, that he may come vnto me: for I looke 12 for him with the brethren. As touching our brother Apollos, I greatly desired him, to come vnto you with the brethren: but his mind was not at all to come at this time: howbeit he will 13 come when he shall have convenient time. Watch ye: stand 14 fast in the faith: quite you like men, and be strong. Let all 15 your things be done in loue. Nowe brethren, I beseeche you (ye knowe the house of Stephanas, that it is the first fruites of Achaia, and that they have given themselves to minister vnto 16 the Saintes) That ye be obedient euen vnto such, and to all 17 that helpe with vs and labour. I am glad of the comming of Stephanas, and Fortunatus, and Achaicus: for they have sup-18 plied the want of you. For they have comforted my spirite 19 and yours: acknowledge therefore such men. The Churches of Asia salute you: Aguila and Priscilla with ye Church that is in 20 their house, salute you greatly in the Lord. All the brethren 21 greete you. Greete ye one another, with an holy kisse. 22 salutation of me Paul with mine owne hand. If any man loue not the Lord Iesus Christ, let him be had in execration maran-23, 24 atha. The grace of our Lord Iesus Christ be with you. My loue be with you all in Christ Iesus, Amen. (The first Epistle to the Corinthians, written from Philippi, and sent by Stephanas, and Fortunatus, and Achaicus, and Timotheus.)

## THE SECOND EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE CORINTHIANS.

 $_{pprox}$  avl an Apostle of JESVS Christ, by the will of God, 1and our brother Timotheus, to the Church of God, which is at Corinthus with all the Saints, which are in all Achaia: Grace be with you, and peace from God 2 our Father, and from the Lord Iesus Christ. Blessed be God, 3 euen the Father of our Lord Iesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort, Which comforteth vs in all our 4 tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any affliction by the comfort wherewith we our selues are comforted of God. For as the sufferings of Christ abounde in vs. 5 so our consolation aboundeth through Christ. And whether 6 we be afflicted, it is for your consolation and saluation, which is wrought in the induring of the same sufferings, which we also suffer: or whether we be comforted, it is for your consolation and saluation. And our hope is stedfast concerning you, 7 in as much as we know that as ve are partakers of the sufferings, so shall ye be also of the consolation. For brethren, 8 we woulde not have you ignorant of our affliction, which came vnto vs in Asia, howe we were pressed out of measure passing strength, so that we altogether doubted, euen of life. Yea. 9 we received the sentence of death in our selves, because we shoulde not trust in our selues, but in God, which rayseth the dead. Who deliuered vs from so great a death, and doeth deli- 10 uer vs: in whom we trust, that yet hereafter he will deliuer vs, So that ye labour together in prayer for vs, that for the gift 11 bestowed vpon vs for many, thankes may be given by many persons for vs. For our reioycing is this, the testimonie of our 12 conscience, that in simplicitie and godly purenesse, and not in fleshly wisedome, but by the grace of God wee haue had our conversation in the worlde, and most of all to you wardes. For 13 wee write none other thinges vnto you, then that ye reade or els that ye acknowledge, and I trust ye shall acknowledge vnto Euen as ve haue acknowledged vs partly, that we 14 ve end.

are your reioycing, euen as ye are ours, in the day of our Lord 15 Iesus. And in this confidence was I minded first to come vnto 16 you, that ye might have had a double grace, And to passe by you into Macedonia, and to come againe out of Macedonia vnto 17 you, and to be led foorth towarde Iudea of you. When I therefore was thus minded, did I vse lightnesse? or minde I those thinges which I minde, according to the flesh, that with me 18 should be, Yea, yea, and Nay, nay? Yea, God is faithfull, that 19 our worde towarde you was not Yea, and Nay. For the Sonne of God Iesus Christ, who was preached among you by vs, that is, by me, and Siluanus, and Timotheus, was not Yea, and Nay: 20 but in him it was Yea. For all the promises of God in him are Yea, and are in him Amen, vnto the glorie of God through 21 vs. And it is God which stablisheth vs with you in Christ, and 22 hath anounted vs. Who hath also sealed vs, and hath given 23 the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts. Nowe, I call God for a recorde vnto my soule, that to spare you, I came not as yet 24 vnto Corinthus. Not that wee haue dominion ouer your faith, but wee are helpers of your ioy: for by faith yee stande.

Bvt I determined thus in my selfe, that I would not come 2 2 againe to you in heauinesse. For if I make you sorie, who is he then that shoulde make me glad, but ye same which is made 3 sorie by me? And I wrote this same thing vnto you, lest when I came, I should take heavines of them, of whom I ought to reioyce: this confidence haue I in you all, that my ioye is the 4 ioye of you all. For in great affliction, and anguish of heart I wrote vnto you with many teares: not that yee should be made sorie, but that ye might perceive the love which I have, 5 specially vnto you. And if any hath caused sorowe, the same hath not made mee sorie, but partly (lest I should more charge 6 him) you all. It is sufficient vnto the same man, that hee was 7 rebuked of many. So that nowe contrariwise yee ought rather to forgiue him, and comfort him, lest the same shoulde bee 8 swalowed vp with ouermuch heauinesse. Wherefore, I pray 9 you, that you woulde confirme your loue towards him. For this cause also did I write, that I might knowe the proofe of 10 you, whether yee would be obedient in all things. To whome yee forgiue any thing, I forgiue also: for verely if I forgaue any thing, to whome I forgaue it, for your sakes forgaue I it in the 11 sight of Christ, Lest Satan should circumuent vs: for we are

not ignorant of his enterprises. Furthermore, when I came 12 to Troas to preach Christs Gospell, and a doore was opened vnto me of the Lord, I had no rest in my spirit, because I 13 founde not Titus my brother, but tooke my leaue of them, and went away into Macedonia. Now thankes be vnto God, which 14 alwaies maketh vs to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the sauour of his knowledge by vs in euery place. For wee are 15 vnto God the sweete sauour of Christ, in them that are saued, and in them which perish. To the one we are the sauour of 16 death, vnto death, and to the other the sauour of life, vnto life: and who is sufficient for these things? For wee are not 17 as many, which make marchandise of the woorde of God: but as of sinceritie, but as of God in ye sight of God speake we in Christ.

Doe we begin to praise our selues againe? or neede we as 3 some other, epistles of recommendation vnto you, or letters of recommendation from you? Yee are our epistle, written in our 2 hearts, which is vnderstand, and read of all men. In that yee 3 are manifest, to be the Epistle of Christ, ministred by vs, and written, not with yncke, but with the Spirite of the liuing God, not in tables of stone, but in fleshly tables of the heart. And 4 such trust haue we through Christ to God: Not that we are 5 sufficient of our selues, to thinke any thing, as of our selues: but our sufficiencie is of God, Who also hath made vs able 6 ministers of the Newe testament, not of the letter, but of the Spirite: for the letter killeth, but the Spirite giueth life. then the ministration of death written with letters and ingrauen in stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel coulde not beholde the face of Moses, for the glorie of his countenance (which glorie is done away.) Howe shall not the minis- 8 tration of the Spirite be more glorious? For if the ministerie of 9 condemnation was glorious, much more doeth the ministration of righteousnesse exceede in glorie. For euen that which was 10 glorified, was not glorified in this point, that is, as touching the exceeding glorie. For if that which should be abolished, was 11 glorious, much more shall that which remaineth, be glorious. Seeing then that we have such trust, we vse great boldnesse of 12 speach. And we are not as Moses, which put a vaile vpon his 13 face, that the children of Israel should not looke vnto the ende of that which should be abolished. Therefore their mindes are 14 hardened: for vntill this day remaineth the same couering vntaken away in the reading of the olde Testament, which vaile in Christ is put away. But euen vnto this day, whe Moses is read, the vaile is laid ouer their hearts. Neuertheles when their heart shall be turned to the Lord, the vaile shalbe taken away. Nowe the Lord is the Spirite, and where the Spirite of the Lord is, there is libertie. But we all behold as in a mirrour the glory of the Lord with open face, and are changed into the same image, from glorie to glorie, as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Therefore, seeing that we have this ministerie, as we have 2 received mercy, we faint not: But have cast from vs ye clokes of shame, and walke not in craftines, neither handle we the worde of God deceitfully: but in declaration of the trueth we approue our selues to euery mans conscience in the sight of 3 God. If our Gospell bee then hid, it is hid to them that are lost. 4 In whom the God of this world hath blinded the mindes, that is, of the infidels, that the light of the glorious Gospell of Christ, 5 which is the image of God, should not shine vnto them. For we preach not our selues, but Christ Iesus the Lord, and our selues 6 your servaunts for Iesus sake. For God that commanded the light to shine out of darknesse, is he which hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in 7 the face of Iesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellencie of that power might be of God, and 8 not of vs. Wee are afflicted on euery side, yet are we not in 9 distresse: we are in doubt, but yet wee despaire not. We are persecuted, but not forsaken: cast downe, but we perish not. 10 Euery where we beare about in our bodie the dying of the Lord Iesus, that the life of Iesus might also be made manifest in our 11 bodies. For we which liue, are alwaies deliuered vnto death for Iesus sake, that the life also of Iesus might be made man-12 ifest in our mortal flesh. So then death worketh in vs, and 13 life in you. And because we have the same spirite of faith, according as it is written, I beleeued, and therefore haue I spo-14 ken, we also beleeue, and therefore speake, Knowing that he which hath raised vp the Lord Iesus, shall raise vs vp also by 15 Iesus, and shall set vs with you. For all thinges are for your sakes, that that most plenteous grace by the thankesgiuing of 16 many, may redound to the praise of God. Therefore we faint not, but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man

is renewed daily. For our light affliction which is but for a moment, causeth vnto vs a farre most excellent and an eternall waight of glorie: While we looke not on the thinges which are 18 seene, but on the things which are not seene: for the things which are seene, are temporall: but the things which are not seene, are eternall.

For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle be 5 destroyed, we have a building given of God, that is, an house not made with handes, but eternall in the heavens. For there- 2 fore we sighe, desiring to be clothed with our house, which is from heaven. Because that if we be clothed, we shall not be 3 For in deede we that are in this tabernacle, 4 found naked. sigh and are burdened, because we would not be vnclothed, but would be clothed vpon, that mortalitie might be swalowed vp of life. And he that hath created vs for this thing, is God, 5 who also hath given vnto vs the earnest of the Spirit. There- 6 fore we are alway bolde, though we knowe that whiles we are at home in the bodie, we are absent from the Lord. (For we 7 walke by faith, and not by sight.) Neuerthelesse, we are bolde, 8 and loue rather to remoue out of the body, and to dwell with the Lord. Wherefore also we couet, that both dwelling at home, 9 and remouing from home, we may be acceptable to him. For 10 we must all appeare before the judgement seate of Christ, that euery man may receive the things which are done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or euill. Knowing therefore that terrour of the Lord, we persuade men, 11 and we are made manifest vnto God, and I trust also that we are made manifest in your consciences. For we prayse not our 12 selues againe vnto you, but give you an occasion to reioyce of vs, that ye may have to answere against them, which reioyce in the face, and not in the heart. For whether we be out of 13 our wit, we are it to God: or whether we be in our right minde, we are it vnto you. For that loue of Christ constraineth vs, 14 Because we thus judge, that if one be dead for all, then were 15 all dead, and he died for all, that they which liue, shoulde not henceforth liue vnto themselues, but vnto him which died for them, and rose againe. Wherefore, henceforth know we no 16 man after the flesh, yea though wee had knowen Christ after the flesh, yet nowe henceforth know we him no more. There- 17 fore if any man be in Christ, let him be a newe creature. Olde

things are passed away: beholde, all things are become newe.

And all things are of God, which hath reconciled vs vnto himselfe by Iesus Christ, and hath given vnto vs the ministerie of reconciliation. For God was in Christ, and reconciled the world to himselfe, not imputing their sinnes vnto them, and hath committed to vs the word of reconciliation. Now then are we ambassadours for Christ: as though God did beseeche you through vs, we pray you in Christes steade, that ye be reconciled to God. For he hath made him to be sinne for vs, which knewe no sinne, that we should be made the righteousnesse of God in him.

So we therefore as workers together beseech you, that ye re-2 ceiue not the grace of God in vaine. For he sayth, I haue heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of saluation haue I succoured thee: beholde nowe the accepted time, beholde nowe 3 the day of saluation. We give no occasion of offence in any 4 thing, that our ministerie shoulde not be reprehended. But in all things we approue our selues as the ministers of God, in 5 much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, In 6 stripes, in prisons, in tumults, in labours, By watchings, by fastings, by puritie, by knowledge, by long suffering, by kind-7 nesse, by the holy Ghost, by loue vnfained, By the worde of trueth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousnesse 8 on the right hand, and on the left, By honour, and dishonour, by euill report, and good report, as deceivers, and yet 9 true: As vnknowen, and yet knowen: as dying, and beholde, 10 we liue: as chastened, and yet not killed: As sorowing, and yet alway reioycing: as poore, and yet make many riche: as 11 hauing nothing, and yet possessing all things. O Corinthi-12 ans, our mouth is open vnto you: our heart is made large. Ye are not kept strait in vs, but ye are kept strait in your owne bowels. Nowe for the same recompence, I speake as to my the children, Be you also inlarged. Be not vnequally yoked with the infidels: for what fellowship hath righteousnesse with vn-righteousnesse? and what communion hath light with darke-15 nesse? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what 16 part hath the beleeuer with the infidell? And what agreement hath the Temple of God with idols? for ye are the Temple of the liuing God: as God hath said, I will dwell among them, and walke there: and I will be their God, and they shalbe my

people. Wherefore come out from among them, and separate 17 your selues, saith the Lord, and touch none vncleane thing, and I wil receive you. And I will be a Father vnto you, and ye 18 shalbe my sonnes and daughters, saith the Lord almightie.

Seing then we have these promises, dearely beloued, let vs 7 clense our selues from all filthinesse of the flesh and spirit, and finish our sanctification in the feare of God. Receive vs: 2 we have done wrong to no man: we have corrupted no man: we have defrauded no man. I speake it not to your condem- 3 nation: for I have said before, that ye are in our hearts, to die and liue together. I vse great boldnesse of speach toward you: 4 I reioyce greatly in you: I am filled with comfort, and am exceeding iovous in all our tribulation. For when we were come 5 into Macedonia, our flesh had no rest, but we were troubled on euery side, fightings without, and terrours within. But God, 6 that comforteth the abject, comforted vs at the comming of Titus: And not by his comming onely, but also by the consola-7 tion wherewith he was comforted of you, when he tolde vs your great desire, your mourning, your feruent minde to me warde, so that I reioyced much more. For though I made you sorie 8 with a letter, I repent not, though I did repent: for I perceiue that the same epistle made you sorie, though it were but for a season. I nowe reioyce, not that ye were sorie, but that ye 9 sorowed to repentance: for ye sorowed godly, so that in nothing ye were hurt by vs. For godly sorowe causeth repentance 10 vnto saluation, not to be repented of: but the worldly sorowe causeth death. For beholde, this thing that ye haue bene godly 11 sory, what great care it hath wrought in you: yea, what clearing of yourselues: yea, what indignation: yea, what feare: yea. howe great desire: yea, what a zeale: yea, what reuenge: in all things ye have shewed your selues, that ye are pure in this matter. Wherefore, though I wrote vnto you, I did not it for 12 his cause that had done the wrong, neither for his cause that had the iniurie, but that our care toward you in the sight of God might appeare vnto you. Therefore we were comforted, 13 because ye were comforted: but rather we reioyced much more for the iove of Titus, because his spirit was refreshed by you all. For if that I have boasted any thing to him of you, I have 14 not bene ashamed: but as I haue spoken vnto you all things in trueth, euen so our boasting vnto Titus was true. And his 15 inwarde affection is more aboundant toward you, when he remembreth the obedience of you all, and howe with feare and trembling ye received him. I reioyce therefore that I may put my confidence in you in all things.

We doe you also to wit, brethren, of the grace of God be-8 2 stowed vpon the Churches of Macedonia, Because in great triall of affliction their ioy abounded, and their most extreme 3 pouertie abounded vnto their rich liberalitie. For to their power (I beare record) yea, and beyonde their power, they were 4 willing, And praied vs with great instance that we woulde receive the grace, and fellowship of the ministring which is 5 toward the Saints. And this they did, not as we looked for: but gaue their owne selues, first to the Lord, and after vnto vs 6 by the will of God, That we should exhort Titus, that as hee had begon, so he would also accomplish the same grace among 7 vou also. Therefore, as yee abound in euery thing, in faith and woorde, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your loue towardes vs, euen so see that yee abound in this grace This say I not by commandement, but because of the diligence of others: therefore prooue I the naturalnesse of your 9 loue. For ye knowe the grace of our Lord Iesus Christ, that hee being rich, for your sakes became poore, that yee through his 10 pouertie might be made rich. And I shewe my minde herein: for this is expedient for you, which have begun not to doe onely, 11 but also to will, a yeare agoe. Nowe therefore performe to doe it also, that as there was a readinesse to will, euen so yee may 12 performe it of that which yee haue. For if there be first a willing minde, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and 13 not according to that he hath not. Neither is it that other men should be eased and you grieued: But vpon like condition, 14 at this time your abundance supplieth their lacke: That also their aboundance may bee for your lacke, that there may be 15 equalitie: As it is written, Hee that gathered much, had noth-16 ing ouer, and hee that gathered litle, had not the lesse. And thanks be vnto God, which hath put in the heart of Titus the 17 same care for you. Because hee accepted the exhortation, yea, hee was so carefull that of his owne accorde hee went vnto you. 18 And wee haue sent also with him the brother, whose praise is 19 in the Gospel throughout al the Churches. (And not so onely, but is also chosen of the Churches to be a fellowe in our journey, concerning this grace that is ministred by vs vnto the glorie of the same Lord, and declaration of your prompt minde) Auoiding this, that no man shoulde blame vs in this aboundance that is ministred by vs, Prouiding for honest thinges, 21 not onely before the Lord, but also before men. And we haue 22 sent with them our brother, whom we haue oft times prooued to be diligent in many thinges, but nowe much more diligent, for the great confidence, which I haue in you. Whether any 23 doe inquire of Titus, he is my fellowe and helper to you ward: or of our brethren, they are messengers of the Churches, and the glorie of Christ. Wherefore shew toward them, and before 24 the Churches the proofe of your loue, and of the reioycing that we haue of you.

For as touching the ministring to the Saints, it is superflu- 9 ous for me to write vnto you. For I knowe your readinesse of 2 minde, whereof I boast my selfe of you vnto them of Macedonia, and say, that Achaia was prepared a yeere agoe, and your zeale hath prouoked many. Nowe haue I sent the brethren, lest our 3 reioycing ouer you shoulde bee in vaine in this behalfe, that yee (as I haue sayde) be readie: Lest if they of Macedonia come 4 with me, and finde you vnprepared, we (that wee may not say, you) should be ashamed in this my constant boasting. Where- 5 fore, I thought it necessarie to exhort the brethren to come before vnto you, and to finish your beneuolence appointed afore, that it might be readie, and come as of beneuolence, and not as of niggardlinesse. This yet remember, that he which soweth 6 sparingly, shall reape also sparingly, and hee that soweth liberally, shall reape also liberally. As every man wisheth in his 7 heart, so let him giue, not grudgingly, or of necessitie: for God loueth a cheerefull giuer. And God is able to make all grace 8 to abound towarde you, that yee alwayes having all sufficiencie in all thinges, may abounde in euery good worke, (As it is 9 written, He hath sparsed abroad and hath giuen to the poore: his beneuolence remayneth for euer. Also hee that findeth 10 seede to the sower, will minister likewise bread for foode, and multiplie your seede, and increase the fruites of your beneuolence,) That on all partes yee may bee made rich vnto all liber- 11 alitie, which causeth through vs thankesgiuing vnto God. For 12 the ministration of this seruice not onely supplieth the necessities of the Saintes, but also aboundantly causeth many to give

thankes to God, (Which by the experiment of this ministration praise God for your voluntarie submission to the Gospell of Christ, and for your liberall distribution to them, and to all
men) And in their praier for you, to log after you greatly, for
the aboundant grace of God in you. Thankes therefore bee vnto God for his vnspeakeable gift.

Nowe I Paul my selfe beseech you by the meekenes, and gen-10 tlenes of Christ, which when I am present among you am base, 2 but am bolde toward you being absent: And this I require you, that I neede not to be bolde when I am present, with that same confidence, wherewith I thinke to bee bolde against some, which esteeme vs as though wee walked according to the flesh. 3 Neuerthelesse, though wee walke in the flesh, yet we doe not 4 warre after the flesh. (For the weapons of our warrefare are not carnall, but mightie through God, to cast downe holdes) 5 Casting downe the imaginations, and euery high thing that is exalted against the knowledge of God, and bringing into cap-6 tiuitie euery thought to the obedience of Christ, And hauing ready the vengeance against all disobedience, when your obe-7 dience is fulfilled. Looke yee on things after the appearance? If any man trust in himselfe that hee is Christes, let him consider this againe of himself, that as he is Christes, euen so are 8 we Christes. For though I shoulde boast somewhat more of our authoritie, which the Lord hath given vs for edification, 9 and not for your destruction, I should have no shame. This I say, that I may not seeme as it were to feare you with letters. 10 For the letters, sayeth hee, are sore and strong, but his bodily 11 presence is weake, and his speache is of no value. Let such one thinke this, that such as wee are in woorde by letters, when we are absent, such wil we be also in deede, when we are present. 12 For wee dare not make our selues of the nomber, or to compare our selues to them, which praise themselues: but they vnderstand not that they measure themselues with themselues, and 13 compare themselues with themselues. But we wil not reioyce of things, which are not within our measure, but according to the measure of the line, whereof God hath distributed vnto vs 14 a measure to attaine euen vnto you. For we stretche not our selues beyonde our measure, as though wee had not attained vnto you: for euen to you also haue we come in preaching the 15 Gospel of Christ, Not boasting of things which are without our

measure: that is, of other mens labours: and we hope, when your faith shall increase, to bee magnified by you according to our line aboundantly, And to preache the Gospel in those regions which are beyonde you: not to reioyce in another mans line, that is, in the thinges that are prepared alreadie. But let 17 him that reioyceth, reioyce in the Lord. For hee that praiseth 18 himselfe, is not alowed, but he whome the Lord praiseth.

Woulde to God, yee coulde suffer a litle my foolishnes, and 11 in deede, ye suffer me. For I am ielous ouer you, with godly 2 ielousie: for I haue prepared you for one husband, to present you as a pure virgine to Christ: But I feare least as the ser- 3 pent beguiled Eue through his subtiltie, so your mindes shoulde be corrupt from the simplicitie that is in Christ. For if he 4 that commeth, preacheth another Iesus whome we have not preached: or if yee receive another spirite whome ye have not received: either another Gospell, which yee have not received, ve might well haue suffered him. Verely I suppose that I 5 was not inferior to the very chiefe Apostles. And though I be 6 rude in speaking, yet I am not so in knowledge, but among you wee haue beene made manifest to the vttermost, in all things. Haue I committed an offence, because I abased my selfe, that 7 ye might be exalted, and because I preached to you ye Gospell of God freely? I robbed other Churches, and tooke wages of 8 them to doe you seruice. And when I was present with you, 9 and had neede, I was not slouthfull to the hinderance of any man: for that which was lacking vnto me, the brethre which came from Macedonia, supplied, and in all thinges I kept and will keepe my selfe, that I should not be grieuous to you. The 10 trueth of Christ is in me, that this reiovcing shall not be shut vp against me in the regions of Achaia. Wherefore? because 11 I loue you not? God knoweth. But what I doe, that will I 12 doe: that I may cut away occasion from them which desire occasion, that they might be found like vnto vs in that wherein they reioyce. For such false apostles are deceitfull workers, 13 and transforme themselues into the Apostles of Christ. And 14 no marueile: for Satan himselfe is transformed into an Angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing, though his ministers 15 transforme themselues, as though they were the ministers of righteousnes, whose end shall be according to their workes. I 16 say againe, Let no man thinke that I am foolish, or els take mee

17 euen as a foole, that I also may boast my selfe a litle. That I speake, I speake it not after the Lord: but as it were foolishly, 18 in this my great boasting. Seeing that many reioyce after the 19 flesh, I will reioyce also. For ye suffer fooles gladly, because 20 that yee are wise. For ye suffer, euen if a man bring you into bondage, if a man deuoure you, if a man take your goods, if a 21 man exalt himselfe, if a man smite you on the face. I speake as concerning the reproche: as though that we had bene weake: but wherein any man is bold (I speake foolishly) I am bold also. 22 They are Hebrues, so am I: they are Israelites, so am I: they 23 are the seede of Abraham, so am I: They are the ministers of Christ (I speake as a foole) I am more: in labours more aboundant: in stripes aboue measure: in prison more plenteously: in 24 death oft. Of the Iewes fiue times received I fourtie stripes 25 saue one. I was thrise beaten with roddes: I was once stoned: I suffered thrise shipwracke: night and day haue I bene in the 26 deepe sea. In journeying I was often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils of mine owne nation, in perils among the Gentiles, in perils in the citie, in perils in wildernes, in per-27 ils in the sea, in perils among false brethren, In wearinesse and painefulnesse, in watching often, in hunger and thirst, in 28 fastings often, in colde and in nakednesse. Beside the thinges which are outwarde, I am combred dayly, and haue the care of 29 all the Churches. Who is weake, and I am not weake? who 30 is offended, and I burne not? If I must needes reioyce, I will 31 reioyce of mine infirmities. The God, euen the Father of our Lord Iesus Christ, which is blessed for euermore, knoweth that 32 I lie not. In Damascus the gouernour of the people vnder King Aretas, layde watch in the citie of the Damascens, and would 33 haue caught me. But at a window was I let downe in a basket through the wall, and escaped his handes.

It is not expedient for me no doubt to reioyce: for I will come to visions and reuelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ aboue fourteene yeeres agone, (whether he were in the body, I can not tell, or out of the body, I can not tell: God knoweth) which was taken vp into the thirde heauen. And I knowe such a man (whether in the body, or out of the body, I can not tell: God knoweth) How that he was taken vp into Paradise, and heard words which cannot be spoken, which are not possible for man to vtter. Of such a man will I reioyce:

of my selfe will I not reioyce, except it bee of mine infirmities. For though I woulde reioyce, I should not be a foole, for I will 6 say the trueth: but I refraine, lest any man should thinke of me aboue that hee seeth in me, or that he heareth of me. And 7 lest I should be exalted out of measure through the aboundance of reuelations, there was given vnto me a pricke in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet mee, because I should not be exalted out of measure. For this thing I besought the 8 Lord thrise, that it might depart from me. And he said vnto 9 me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my power is made perfect through weakenesse. Very gladly therefore will I reioyce rather in mine infirmities, that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproches, 10 in necessities, in persecutions, in anguish for Christes sake: for when I am weake, then am I strong. I was a foole to boast 11 my selfe: yee haue compelled mee: for I ought to haue bene commended of you: for in nothing was I inferiour vnto the very chiefe Apostles, though I bee nothing. The signes of an Apos- 12 tle were wrought among you with all patience, with signes, and wonders, and great workes. For what is it, wherein yee were 13 inferiours vnto other Churches, except that I have not bene slouthfull to your hinderance? forgiue me this wrong. Behold, 14 the thirde time I am ready to come vnto you, and yet will I not be slouthfull to your hinderance: for I seeke not yours, but you: for the children ought not to laye vp for the fathers, but the fathers for the children. And I will most gladly bestow, and will 15 be bestowed for your soules: though the more I loue you, the lesse I am loued. But bee it that I charged you not: yet for as 16 much as I was craftie, I tooke you with guile. Did I pill you by 17 any of them whom I sent vnto you? I have desired Titus, and 18 with him I have sent a brother: did Titus pill you of any thing? walked we not in the selfe same spirit? walked we not in the same steppes? Againe, thinke yee that wee excuse our selues 19 vnto you? we speake before God in Christ. But wee doe all thinges, dearely beloued, for your edifying. For I feare least 20 when I come, I shall not finde you such as I would: and that I shalbe found vnto you such as ye woulde not, and least there be strife, enuying, wrath, contentions, backebitings, whisperings, swellings and discord. I feare least when I come againe, my 21 God abase me among you, and I shall bewaile many of them

which haue sinned already, and haue not repented of the vncleannesse, and fornication, and wantonnesse which they haue committed.

13 Lo this is the thirde time that I come vnto you. In the 2 mouth of two or three witnesses shall euery worde stand I tolde you before, and tell you before: as though I had bene present the seconde time, so write I nowe being absent to them which heretofore haue sinned and to all others, that if I come 3 againe, I will not spare, Seeing that ye seeke experience of Christ, that speaketh in mee, which towarde you is not weake, 4 but is mightie in you. For though hee was crucified concerning his infirmitie, yet liueth hee through the power of God. And wee no doubt are weake in him, but we shall liue with him, 5 through the power of God towarde you. Proue your selues whether ye are in the faith: examine your selues: knowe yee not your owne selues, howe that Iesus Christ is in you, ex-6 cept ye be reprobates? But I trust that ye shall knowe that 7 wee are not reprobates. Nowe I pray vnto God that yee doe none euill, not that we should seeme approued, but that ye should doe that which is honest: though we be as reprobates. 8 For wee can not doe any thing against the trueth, but for the 9 trueth. For we are glad when wee are weake, and that ye are 10 strong: this also we wish for, euen your perfection. Therefore write I these thinges being absent, least when I am present, I should vse sharpenesse, according to the power which the Lord 11 hath given mee, to edification, and not to destruction. Finally brethren, fare ye well: be perfect: be of good comfort: be of one minde: liue in peace, and the God of loue and peace shalbe with 12 you. Greete one another with an holy kisse. All the Saintes 13 salute you. The grace of our Lord Iesus Christ, and the loue of God, and the communion of the holy Ghost be with you all, Amen. (The seconde Epistle to the Corinthians, written from Philippi, a citie in Macedonia, and sent by Titus and Lucas.)

# THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE GALATIANS.

avl an Apostle (not of men, neither by man, but by 1 Iesus Christ, and God the Father which hath raised him from the dead) And all the brethren which are 2 with me, vnto the Churches of Galatia: Grace be with 3 you, and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Iesus Christ, Which gaue himself for our sinnes, that he might deli- 4 uer vs from this present euill world according to the will of God euen our Father, To whom be glory for euer and euer, 5 I marueile that we are so soone remoued away vnto 6 another Gospel, from him that had called you in the grace of Christ, Which is not another Gospel, saue that there be 7 some which trouble you, and intend to peruert the Gospel of Christ. But though that we, or an Angel from heaven preach 8 vnto you otherwise, then that which we have preached vnto vou. let him be accursed. As we sayd before, so say I now 9 againe, If any man preach vnto you otherwise, then that ve haue received, let him be accursed. For nowe preach I mans 10 doctrine, or Gods? or go I about to please men? for if I should yet please men, I were not the seruant of Christ. Now I cer- 11 tifie you, brethren, that ye Gospel which was preached of me, was not after man. For neither received I it of man, neither 12 was I taught it, but by the reuelation of Iesus Christ. For ye 13 haue heard of my conversation in time past, in the Iewish religion, how that I persecuted the Church of God extremely, and wasted it, And profited in the Iewish religion aboue many of 14 my companions of mine owne nation, and was much more zealous of the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God 15 (which had separated me from my mothers wombe, and called me by his grace) To reueile his Sonne in me, that I should 16 preach him among the Gentiles, immediatly I communicated not with flesh and blood: Neither came I againe to Hierusalem 17 to them which were Apostles before me, but I went into Arabia, and turned againe vnto Damascus. Then after three veeres 18 I came againe to Hierusalem to visite Peter, and abode with

him fifteene dayes. And none other of the Apostles sawe I,
saue Iames the Lords brother. Nowe the things which I write
vnto you, beholde, I witnes before God, that I lie not. After that, I went into the coastes of Syria and Cilicia: for I was vnknowen by face vnto the Churches of Iudea, which were in
Christ. But they had heard onely some say, Hee which persecuted vs in time past, nowe preacheth the faith which before
he destroyed. And they glorified God for me.

Then fourteene yeeres after, I went vp againe to Hierusalem 2 2 with Barnabas, and tooke with me Titus also. And I went vp by reuelation, and declared vnto them that Gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but particularly to them that were the chiefe, least by any meanes I should runne, or had runne 3 in vaine: But neither yet Titus which was with me, though 4 he were a Grecian, was compelled to be circumcised, To wit, for the false brethren which were craftily sent in, and crept in priuily to spie out our libertie, which we haue in Christ Iesus, 5 that they might bring vs into bondage. To whom we gaue not place by subjection for an houre, that the trueth of the Gospel 6 might continue with you. But by them which seemed to be great, I was not taught (whatsoeuer they were in time passed, I am nothing the better: God accepteth no mans person) for they that are the chiefe, did adde nothing to me aboue that I 7 had. But contrariwise, when they saw that ye Gospel ouer ye vncircumcision was comitted vnto me, as the Gospel ouer ye 8 circumcision was vnto Peter: (For he that was mightie by Peter in the Apostleship ouer the circumcision, was also mightie 9 by me toward the Gentiles) And when Iames, and Cephas, and Iohn, knew of the grace that was given vnto me, which are counted to be pillars, they gaue to me and to Barnabas the right hands of fellowship, that we should preach vnto the Gen-10 tiles, and they vnto the Circumcision, Warning onely that we should remember the poore: which thing also I was diligent 11 to doe. And when Peter was come to Antiochia, I withstood 12 him to his face: for he was to be condemned. For before that certaine came from Iames, he ate with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himselfe, fearing 13 them which were of the Circumcision. And the other Iewes played the hypocrites likewise with him, in so much that Barn-14 abas was led away with them by that their hypocrisie. But when I saw, that they went not ye right way to the trueth of ye Gospel, I sayd vnto Peter before all men, If thou being a Iewe, liuest as the Gentiles, and not like the Iewes, why constrainest thou the Gentiles to doe like the Iewes? We which 15 are Iewes by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles, Knowe 16 that a man is not iustified by the works of the Law, but by ye faith of Iesus Christ, euen we, I say, haue beleeued in Iesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the workes of the Lawe, because that by the workes of the Lawe, no flesh shalbe justified. If then while we seeke to 17 be made righteous by Christ, we our selues are found sinners, is Christ therefore the minister of sinne? God forbid. For if I 18 build againe the things that I have destroyed. I make my selfe a trespasser. For I through the Lawe am dead to the Lawe, 19 that I might liue vnto God. I am crucified with Christ, but I 20 liue, yet not I any more, but Christ liueth in me: and in that that I now liue in the flesh, I liue by the faith in the Sonne of God, who hath loued me, and given him selfe for me. I doe not 21 abrogate the grace of God: for if righteousnes be by the Lawe, then Christ dyed without a cause.

O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should 3 not obey the trueth, to whome Iesus Christ before was described in your sight, and among you crucified? This only 2 would I learne of you, Received ye the Spirit by the workes of the Lawe, or by the hearing of faith preached? Are ye 3 so foolish, that after ye have begun in the Spirit, ye would now be made perfect by the flesh? Haue ye suffered so many 4 things in vaine? if so be it be euen in vaine. He therefore 5 that ministreth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he it through the workes of the Law, or by the hearing of faith preached? Yea rather as Abraham beleeued God, 6 and it was imputed to him for righteousnes. Knowe ye there-7 fore, that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. For the Scripture foreseeing, that God would iusti- 8 fie the Gentiles through faith, preached before the Gospel vnto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all the Gentiles be blessed. So 9 then they which be of faith, are blessed with faithfull Abraham. For as many as are of the workes of the Lawe, are vnder 10 the curse: for it is written, Cursed is euery man that continueth not in all things, which are written in the booke of the

11 Law, to doe them. And that no man is justified by the Law in the sight of God, it is euident: for the iust shall liue by And the Lawe is not of faith: but the man that shall 12 faith. 13 doe those things, shall liue in them. Christ hath redeemed vs from the curse of the Lawe, made a curse for vs, (for it 14 is written, Cursed is euery one that hangeth on tree) That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Christ Iesus, that wee might receive the promise of the Spirite 15 through faith. Brethren, I speake as men do: though it be but a mans couenant, when it is confirmed, yet no man doeth ab-16 rogate it, or addeth any thing thereto. Nowe to Abraham and his seede were the promises made. Hee saith not, And to the seedes, as speaking of many: but, And to thy seede, as of one, 17 which is Christ. And this I say, that the couenant that was confirmed afore of God in respect of Christ, the Lawe which was foure hundreth and thirtie yeeres after, can not disanull, 18 that it shoulde make the promise of none effect. For if the inheritance be of the Lawe, it is no more by the promise, but 19 God gaue it freely vnto Abraham by promise. Wherefore then serueth the Law? It was added because of the transgressions, til the seed came, vnto the which the promise was made: and 20 it was ordeined by Angels in the hande of a Mediatour. Nowe 21 a Mediatour is not a Mediatour of one: but God is one. the Lawe then against the promises of God? God forbid: For if there had bene a Lawe giuen which coulde haue giuen life, 22 surely righteousnes should have bene by the Lawe. But the Scripture hath concluded all vnder sinne, that the promise by the faith of Iesus Christ should be given to them that beleeve. 23 But before faith came, we were kept vnder the Law, as vnder a garison, and shut vp vnto that faith, which should afterward be 24 reueiled. Wherefore the Lawe was our scholemaster to bring 25 vs to Christ, that we might be made righteous by faith. But after that faith is come, we are no longer vnder a scholemas-26 ter. For ye are al the sonnes of God by faith, in Christ Iesus. 27 For all ye that are baptized into Christ, haue put on Christ. 28 There is neither Iewe nor Grecian: there is neither bonde nor free: there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in 29 Christ Iesus. And if ye be Christes, then are ye Abrahams seede, and heires by promise.

4 Then I say, that the heire as long as hee is a childe, dif-

fereth nothing from a seruant, though he be Lord of all, But 2 is vnder tutours and gouernours, vntil the time appointed of Euen so, we when wee were children, were in 3 the Father. bondage vnder the rudiments of the world. But when the ful- 4 nesse of time was come, God sent forth his Sonne made of a woman, and made vnder the Lawe, That hee might redeeme 5 them which were vnder the Law, that we might receive the adoption of the sonnes. And because ye are sonnes, God hath 6 sent foorth the Spirit of his Sonne into your heartes, which crieth, Abba, Father. Wherefore, thou art no more a seruant, 7 but a sonne: now if thou be a sone, thou art also the heire of God through Christ. But euen then, when ye knewe not God, 8 yee did seruice vnto them, which by nature are not gods: But 9 now seeing ve knowe God, vea, rather are knowen of God, howe turne ye againe vnto impotent and beggerly rudiments, whereunto as from the beginning ye wil be in bondage againe? Ye 10 obserue dayes, and moneths, and times and veeres. I am in 11 feare of you, lest I have bestowed on you labour in vaine. Be 12 ve as I (for I am euen as you) brethren, I beseech you: ve haue not hurt me at all. And ye know, how through infirmitie of 13 the flesh, I preached ye Gospel vnto you at the first. And the 14 trial of me which was in my flesh, ye despised not, neither abhorred: but ye received me as an Angel of God, yea, as Christ Iesus. What was then your felicitie? for I beare you recorde, 15 that if it had bene possible, ye would have plucked out your owne eyes, and haue given them vnto me. Am I therefore be- 16 come your enemie, because I tell you the trueth? They are 17 ielous ouer you amisse: yea, they woulde exclude you, that ye shoulde altogether loue them. But it is a good thing to loue 18 earnestly alwayes in a good thing, and not onely when I am present with you, My litle children, of whome I trauaile in 19 birth againe, vntill Christ be formed in you. And I would I 20 were with you nowe, that I might change my voyce: for I am in doubt of you. Tell me, ye that will be vnder the Law, doe 21 ve not heare the Lawe? For it is written, that Abraham had 22 two sonnes, one by a seruant, and one by a free woman. But 23 he which was of the seruant, was borne after the flesh: and he which was of the free woman, was borne by promise. the which things another thing is meant: for these mothers are the two testaments, the one which is Agar of mount Sina,

which gendreth vnto bondage. (For Agar or Sina is a mountaine in Arabia, and it answereth to Hierusalem which nowe is) and she is in bondage with her children. But Hierusalem, which is aboue, is free: which is the mother of vs all. For it is written, Reioyce thou barren that bearest no children: breake forth, and cry, thou that trauailest not: for the desolate hath many moe children, then she which hath an husband. Therefore, brethren, wee are after the maner of Isaac, children of the promise. But as then hee that was borne after the flesh, persecuted him that was borne after the Spirit, euen so it is nowe. But what sayth the Scripture? Put out the seruant and her sonne: for the sonne of the seruant shall not be heire with the sonne of the free woman. Then brethren, we are not children of the seruant, but of the free woman.

Stand fast therefore in the libertie wherewith Christ hath 5 made vs free, and be not intangled againe with the yoke of 2 bondage. Beholde, I Paul say vnto you, that if yee be circum-3 cised, Christ shall profite you nothing. For I testifie againe to euery man, which is circumcised, that he is bound to keepe the 4 whole Lawe. Ye are abolished from Christ: whosoeuer are ius-5 tified by the Law, ye are fallen from grace. For we through the 6 Spirit waite for the hope of righteousnes through faith. For in Iesus Christ neither circumcision auaileth any thing, nei-7 ther vncircumcision, but faith which worketh by loue. Ye did runne well: who did let you, that ye did not obey the trueth? 8,9 It is not the perswasion of him that calleth you. A litle leauen 10 doeth leauen the whole lumpe. I haue trust in you through the Lord, that ve will be none otherwise minded: but hee that troubleth you, shall beare his condemnation, whosoeuer he be. 11 And brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why doe I yet suffer persecution? Then is the slaunder of the crosse abolished. 12 Would to God they were euen cut off, which doe disquiet you. 13 For brethren, ye haue bene called vnto libertie: onely vse not your libertie as an occasion vnto the flesh, but by loue serue 14 one another. For all the Lawe is fulfilled in one worde, which 15 is this, Thou shalt loue thy neighbour as thy selfe. If ye bite and deuoure one another, take heede least ye be consumed one Then I say, Walke in the Spirit, and ye shall not 16 of another. 17 fulfill the lustes of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary one to another, so that ye can not doe the same things that ye would. And if ye be led by the Spirit, ye are not vn- 18 Moreover the workes of the flesh are mani- 19 der the Lawe. fest, which are adulterie, fornication, vncleannes, wantonnes, Idolatrie, witchcraft, hatred, debate, emulations, wrath, con- 20 tentions, seditions, heresies, Enuie, murthers, drunkennesse, 21 gluttonie, and such like, whereof I tell you before, as I also haue tolde you before, that they which doe such things, shall not inherite the kingdome of God. But the fruite of the Spirit 22 is loue, ioye, peace, long suffering, gentlenes, goodnes, fayth, Meekenesse, temperancie: against such there is no lawe. For 23, 24 they that are Christes, have crucified the flesh with the affections and the lustes. If we live in the Spirit, let vs also walke 25 in the Spirit. Let vs not be desirous of vaine glorie, prouoking 26 one another, enuying one another.

Brethren, if a man be suddenly taken in any offence, ye 6 which are spirituall, restore such one with the spirit of meekenes, considering thy selfe, least thou also be tempted. Beare ye 2 one anothers burden, and so fulfill the Lawe of Christ. For 3 if any man seeme to himselfe, that he is somewhat, when he is nothing, hee deceiueth himselfe in his imagination. let euery man prooue his owne worke: and then shall he haue rejoycing in himselfe onely and not in another. For every man 5 shall beare his owne burden. Let him that is taught in the 6 worde, make him that hath taught him, partaker of all his goods. Be not deceived: God is not mocked: for whatsoever 7 a man soweth, that shall hee also reape. For hee that soweth 8 to his flesh, shall of the flesh reape corruption: but hee that soweth to the spirit, shall of the spirit reape life euerlasting. Let vs not therefore be weary of well doing: for in due sea- 9 son we shall reape, if we faint not. While we have therefore 10 time, let vs doe good vnto all men, but specially vnto them, which are of the housholde of faith. Ye see how large a let- 11 ter I haue written vnto you with mine owne hand. As many 12 as desire to make a faire shewe in the flesh, they constraine you to be circumcised, onely because they would not suffer persecution for the crosse of Christ. For they themselues which 13 are circumcised keepe not the law, but desire to haue you circumcised, that they might reioyce in your flesh. But God for- 14 bid that I should rejoyce, but in ve crosse of our Lord Iesus

Christ, whereby the world is crucified vnto me, and I vnto ye world. For in Christ Iesus neither circumcision auaileth any thing, nor vncircumcision, but a newe creature. And as many as walke according to this rule, peace shalbe vpon them, and mercie, and vpon the Israel of God. From henceforth let no man put me to busines: for I beare in my body the markes of the Lord Iesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Iesus Christ be with your spirit, Amen. (Vnto the Galatians written from Rome.)

# THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE EPHESIANS.

avl an Apostle of Jesvs Christ by the will of God, to the 1 Saints, which are at Ephesus, and to ye faithfull in Christ Iesus: Grace be with you, and peace from God 2 our Father, and from the Lord Iesus Christ. Blessed 3 be God, and the Father of our Lord Iesus Christ, which hath blessed vs with all spirituall blessing in heauenly thinges in Christ, As hee hath chosen vs in him, before the foundation of 4 the worlde, that we should be holy, and without blame before him in loue: Who hath predestinate vs. to be adopted through 5 Iesus Christ in him selfe, according to the good pleasure of his will. To the prayse of the glory of his grace, wherewith he hath 6 made vs freely accepted in his beloued, By whom we haue 7 redemption through his blood, euen the forgiuenes of sinnes, according to his rich grace: Whereby he hath bene abound- 8 ant toward vs in all wisedome and vnderstanding. And hath 9 opened vnto vs the mysterie of his will according to his good pleasure, which he had purposed in him, That in the dispen- 10 sation of the fulnesse of the times, he might gather together in one all things, both which are in heauen, and which are in earth, euen in Christ: In whom also we are chosen when we 11 were predestinate according to ye purpose of him, which worketh all things after the counsell of his owne will. That we, 12 which first trusted in Christ, should be vnto the praise of his glorie: In whom also ye haue trusted, after that ye heard the 13 worde of trueth, euen the Gospel of your saluation, wherein also after that ye beleeued, ye were sealed with the holy Spirite of promise, Which is the earnest of our inheritance, for the 14 redemption of that libertie purchased vnto the prayse of his Therefore also after that I heard of the faith, which 15 ye haue in the Lord Iesus, and loue toward all the Saints, I 16 cease not to give thankes for you, making mention of you in my prayers. That the God of our Lord Iesus Christ, that Father of 17 glory, might give vnto you the Spirit of wisedome, and reuelation through the acknowledging of him, That the eyes of your 18 vnderstanding may be lightened, that ye may knowe what the hope is of his calling, and what the riches of his glorious inheritance is in the Saints, And what is the exceeding greatnesse of his power toward vs, which beleeue, according to the working of his mightie power, Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his right hand in the heauenly places, Farre aboue al principalitie, and power, and might, and domination, and euery Name, that is named, not in this world only, but also in that that is to come, And hath made all things subject vnder his feete, and hath giuen him ouer all things to be the head to the Church, Which is his body, euen the fulnesse of him that filleth all in all things.

And you hath he quickened, that were dead in trespasses 2 2 and sinnes, Wherein, in times past ye walked, according to the course of this world, and after the prince that ruleth in the aire, euen the spirite, that nowe worketh in the children 3 of disobedience, Among whom we also had our conversation in time past, in the lustes of our flesh, in fulfilling the will of the flesh, and of the minde, and were by nature the chil-4 dren of wrath, as well as others. But God which is rich in 5 mercie, through his great loue wherewith he loued vs, Euen when we were dead by sinnes, hath quickened vs together in 6 Christ, by whose grace ye are saued, And hath raysed vs vp together, and made vs sit together in the heauenly places in 7 Christ Iesus, That he might shewe in the ages to come the exceeding riches of his grace, through his kindnesse toward vs 8 in Christ Iesus. For by grace are ye saued through faith, and 9 that not of your selues: it is the gift of God, Not of workes, 10 least any man should boast himselfe. For we are his workemanship created in Christ Iesus vnto good workes, which God 11 hath ordeined, that we should walke in them. Wherefore remember that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, and called vncircumcision of them, which are called circumcision in 12 the flesh, made with hands, That ye were, I say, at that time without Christ, and were alients from the common wealth of Israel, and were strangers from the couenants of promise, and 13 had no hope, and were without God in the world. But nowe in Christ Iesus, ye which once were farre off, are made neere 14 by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, which hath made of both one, and hath broken the stoppe of the partition wall,

In abrogating through his flesh the hatred, that is, the Lawe of commandements which standeth in ordinances, for to make of twaine one newe man in himselfe, so making peace, And that 16 he might reconcile both vnto God in one body by his crosse, and slay hatred thereby, And came, and preached peace to 17 you which were afarre off, and to them that were neere. For 18 through him we both haue an entrance vnto the Father by one Spirit. Nowe therefore ye are no more strangers and forreiners: but citizens with the Saintes, and of the houshold of God, And are built vpon the foundation of the Apostles and 20 Prophets, Iesus Christ himselfe being the chiefe corner stone, In whom all the building coupled together, groweth vnto an 21 holy Temple in the Lord. In whom ye also are built together 22 to be the habitation of God by the Spirit.

For this cause, I Paul am the prisoner of Iesus Christ for 3 you Gentiles, If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace 2 of God, which is given me to you warde, That is, that God 3 by reuelation hath shewed this mysterie vnto me (as I wrote aboue in fewe wordes, Whereby when ye reade, ye may knowe 4 mine vnderstanding in the mysterie of Christ) Which in other 5 ages was not opened vnto the sonnes of men, as it is nowe reueiled vnto his holy Apostles and Prophets by the Spirit, That the Gentiles should be inheriters also, and of the same 6 body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the Gospel, Whereof I am made a minister by the gift of the grace of God 7 giuen vnto me through the effectuall working of his power. Euen vnto me the least of all Saints is this grace giuen, that 8 I should preach among the Gentiles the vnsearchable riches of Christ, And to make cleare vnto all men what the fellowship of the mysterie is, which from the beginning of the world hath bene hid in God, who hath created all things by Iesus Christ, To the intent, that nowe vnto principalities and pow- 10 ers in heauenly places, might be knowen by the Church the manifolde wisedome of God, According to the eternall pur- 11 pose, which he wrought in Christ Iesus our Lord: By whom 12 we have boldenes and entrance with confidence, by faith in him. Wherefore I desire that ye faint not at my tribulations 13 for your sakes, which is your glory. For this cause I bowe 14 my knees vnto the Father of our Lord Iesus Christ, (Of whom 15 is named the whole familie in heaven and in earth) That he 16 might graunt you according to the riches of his glorie, that ye may be strengthened by his Spirit in the inner man, That Christ may dwell in your heartes by faith: That ye, being rooted and grounded in loue, may be able to comprehend with al Saints, what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height: And to knowe the loue of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye may be filled with all fulnesse of God. Vnto him therefore that is able to do exceeding aboundantly aboue all that we aske or thinke, according to the power that worketh in vs, Be praise in the Church by Christ Iesus, throughout all generations for euer, Amen.

I therefore, being prisoner in the Lord, praie you that yee 2 walke worthie of the vocation whereunto yee are called, With all humblenesse of minde, and meekenesse, with long suffer-3 ing, supporting one an other through loue, Endeuouring to 4 keepe the vnitie of the Spirit in the bond of peace. one body, and one Spirit, euen as yee are called in one hope of 5 your vocation. There is one Lord, one Faith, one Baptisme, 6 One God and Father of all, which is aboue all, and through 7 all, and in you all. But vnto euery one of vs is given grace, 8 according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherfore he saith, Whe he asceded vp on hie, he led captiuity captiue, and 9 gaue gifts vnto men. (Nowe, in that hee ascended, what is it but that he had also descended first into the lowest partes 10 of the earth? Hee that descended, is even the same that ascended, farre aboue all heauens, that hee might fill all things) 11 Hee therefore gaue some to be Apostles, and some Prophets, 12 and some Euangelists, and some Pastours, and Teachers, For the repairing of the Saintes, for the woorke of the ministerie, 13 and for the edification of the bodie of Christ, Till we all meete together (in the vnitie of faith and that acknowledging of the Sonne of God) vnto a perfite man, and vnto the measure of 14 the age of the fulnesse of Christ, That we henceforth be no more children, wauering and caried about with euery winde of doctrine, by the deceit of men, and with craftines, whereby they lay in wait to deceiue. But let vs folowe the truth in loue, and in all things, grow vp into him, which is the head, 16 that is, Christ. By whome al the body being coupled and knit together by euery ioynt, for ye furniture therof (according to the effectual power, which is in the measure of euery part)

receiueth increase of the body, vnto the edifying of itselfe in This I say therefore and testifie in the Lord, that yee 17 hencefoorth walke not as other Gentiles walke, in vanitie of their minde, Hauing their vnderstanding darkened, and be- 18 ing strangers from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardnesse of their heart: Which be- 19 ing past feeling, haue given themselves vnto wantonnesse, to woorke all vncleannesse, euen with griedinesse. But yee haue 20 not so learned Christ, If so be yee haue heard him, and haue 21 bene taught by him, as the trueth is in Iesus, That is, that 22 yee cast off, concerning the conversation in time past, that olde man, which is corrupt through the deceiveable lustes, And be 23 renued in the spirit of your minde, And put on ye new man, 24 which after God is created vnto righteousnes, and true holines. Wherefore cast off lying, and speake euery man truth vnto his 25 neighbour: for we are members one of another. Bee angrie, 26 but sinne not: let not the sunne goe downe vpon your wrath, Neither giue place to the deuill. Let him that stole, steale 27, 28 no more: but let him rather labour, and worke with his handes the thing which is good, that hee may have to give vnto him that needeth. Let no corrupt comunication proceed out 29 of your mouths: but that which is good, to ye vse of edifying, that it may minister grace vnto the hearers. And grieue not 30 the holy Spirit of God, by whom ye are sealed vnto ye day of redemption. Let all bitternesse, and anger, and wrath, crying, 31 and euill speaking be put away from you, with all maliciousnesse. Be ye courteous one to another, and tender hearted, 32 freely forgiuing one another, euen as God for Christes sake, freely forgaue you.

Bee yee therefore followers of God, as deare children, And 5, 2 walke in loue, euen as Christ hath loued vs, and hath giuen himselfe for vs, to be an offering and a sacrifice of a sweete smellling sauour to God. But fornication, and all vnclean-3 nesse, or couetousnesse, let it not be once named among you, as it becommeth Saintes, Neither filthinesse, neither foolish 4 talking, neither iesting, which are things not comely, but rather giuing of thankes. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, 5 neither vncleane person, nor couetous person, which is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdome of Christ, and of God. Let no man deceiue you with vaine wordes: for, for such 6

thinges commeth the wrath of God vpon the children of dis-7,8 obedience. Be not therefore companions with them. For ye were once darkenesse, but are nowe light in the Lord: walke 9 as children of light, (For the fruit of the Spirit is in al goodnes, 10 and righteousnes, and trueth) Approuing that which is pleas-11 ing to the Lord. And have no fellowship with ye vnfruitfull 12 works of darknes, but euen reproue them rather. For it is shame euen to speake of the things which are done of them in 13 secret. But all thinges when they are reproued of the light, are manifest: for it is light that maketh all things manifest. 14 Wherefore hee sayeth, Awake thou that sleepest, and stande 15 vp from the deade, and Christ shall give thee light. heede therefore that yee walke circumspectly, not as fooles, but 16, 17 as wise, Redeeming ye season: for ye daies are euill. Wherefore, be ye not vnwise, but vnderstand what the will of the And be not drunke with wine, wherein is excesse: 19 but be fulfilled with the Spirit, Speaking vnto your selues in psalmes, and hymnes, and spirituall songs, singing, and mak-20 ing melodie to the Lord in your hearts, Giuing thankes alwaies for all thinges vnto God euen the Father, in the Name of 21 our Lord Iesus Christ, Submitting your selues one to another 22 in the feare of God. Wives, submit your selves vnto your hus-23 bands, as vnto the Lord. For the husband is the wives head, euen as Christ is the head of the Church, and the same is the 24 sauiour of his body. Therfore as the Church is in subjection to Christ, euen so let the wives be to their husbands in euery 25 thing. Husbands, loue your wives, euen as Christ loued the 26 Church, and gaue himselfe for it, That hee might sanctifie it, 27 and clense it by the washing of water through the worde, That hee might make it vnto him selfe a glorious Church, not hauing spot or wrinkle, or any such thing: but that it shoulde bee 28 holy and without blame. So ought men to loue their wives, as their owne bodies: he that loueth his wife, loueth him selfe. 29 For no man euer yet hated his owne flesh, but nourisheth and 30 cherisheth it, euen as the Lord doeth the Church. For we are 31 members of his bodie, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leaue father and mother, and shall cleaue 32 to his wife, and they twaine shalbe one flesh. This is a great secrete, but I speake concerning Christ, and concerning the 33 Church. Therefore euery one of you, doe ye so: let euery one

loue his wife, euen as himselfe, and let the wife see that shee feare her husband.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. 6 Honour thy father and mother (which is the first commande- 2 ment with promise) That it may be well with thee, and that 3 thou mayst liue long on earth. And ye, fathers, prouoke not 4 your children to wrath: but bring them vp in instruction and information of the Lord. Seruants, be obedient vnto them 5 that are your masters, according to the flesh, with feare and trembling in singlenesse of your hearts as vnto Christ, Not 6 with seruice to the eye, as men pleasers, but as the seruants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, With good will, 7 seruing the Lord, and not men. And knowe ye that what-8 soeuer good thing any man doeth, that same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free. And ye masters, doe the 9 same things vnto them, putting away threatning: and know that euen your master also is in heauen, neither is there respect of person with him. Finally, my brethren, be strong in 10 the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole 11 armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the assaultes of the deuil. For we wrestle not against flesh and 12 blood, but against principalities, against powers, and against the worldly gouernours, the princes of the darkenesse of this worlde, against spirituall wickednesses, which are in ye hie places. For this cause take vnto you the whole armour of God, 13 that ye may be able to resist in the euill day, and having finished all things, stand fast. Stand therefore, and your loynes 14 girded about with veritie, and having on the brest plate of righteousnesse. And your feete shod with the preparation of the 15 Gospel of peace. Aboue all, take the shielde of faith, where- 16 with ye may quench all the fierie dartes of the wicked, And 17 take the helmet of saluation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the worde of God. And pray alwayes with all maner prayer 18 and supplication in the Spirit: and watch thereunto with all perseuerance and supplication for al Saints, And for me, that 19 vtterance may be given vnto me, that I may open my mouth boldly to publish the secret of the Gospel, Whereof I am the 20 ambassadour in bonds, that therein I may speake boldely, as I ought to speake. But that ye may also know mine affaires, and 21 what I doe, Tychicus my deare brother and faithfull minister in

- the Lord, shall shewe you of all things, Whom I have sent vnto you for the same purpose, that ye might knowe mine affaires, and that he might comfort your hearts. Peace he with the
- 23 and that he might comfort your hearts. Peace be with the brethren, and loue with faith from God the Father, and from
- 24 the Lord Iesus Christ. Grace be with all them which loue our Lord Iesus Christ, to their immortalitie, Amen. (Written from Rome vnto the Ephesians, and sent by Tychicus.)

# THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE PHILIPPIANS.

aul and Timotheus the seruants of IESVS CHRIST, to 1 all the Saintes in Christ Iesus which are at Philippi, with the Bishops, and Deacons: Grace be with you, 2 and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Iesus Christ. I thanke my God, hauing you in perfect memo- 3 rie, (Alwayes in all my praiers for all you, praying with glad- 4 nesse) Because of the fellowship which ye haue in the Gospel, 5 from the first day vnto nowe. And I am persuaded of this same 6 thing, that he that hath begunne this good worke in you, wil perfourme it vntill the day of Iesus Christ, As it becommeth 7 me so to judge of you all, because I have you in remembrance that both in my bands, and in my defence, and confirmation of the Gospell you all were partakers of my grace. For God is my 8 recorde, howe I long after you all from the very heart roote in Iesus Christ. And this I pray, that your loue may abound, yet 9 more and more in knowledge, and in all judgement. That ye 10 may alowe those things which are best, that ye may be pure, and without offence vntill the day of Christ, Filled with the 11 fruites of righteousnesse, which are by Iesus Christ vnto the glorie and praise of God. I would ve vnderstood, brethren, 12 that the things which have come vnto me, are turned rather to the furthering of the Gospell, So that my bandes in Christ 13 are famous throughout all the judgement hall, and in all other places, In so much that many of the brethren in the Lord are 14 boldened through my bandes, and dare more frankely speake Some preache. Christ euen through enuie and 15 the word. strife, and some also of good will. The one part preacheth 16 Christ of contention and not purely, supposing to adde more affliction to my bandes. But the others of loue, knowing that 17 I am set for the defence of the Gospell. What then? yet Christ 18 is preached all maner wayes, whether it be vnder a pretence, or syncerely: and I therein iove: yea and will iove. For I knowe 19 that this shall turne to my saluation through your prayer, and by the helpe of the Spirit of Iesus Christ, As I feruently looke 20

for, and hope, that in nothing I shalbe ashamed, but that with all confidence, as alwayes, so nowe Christ shalbe magnified in 21 my body, whether it be by life or by death. For Christ is to 22 me both in life, and in death aduantage. And whether to liue in the flesh were profitable for me, and what to chuse I knowe 23 not. For I am distressed betweene both, desiring to be loosed 24 and to be with Christ, which is best of all. Neuerthelesse, to 25 abide in the flesh, is more needefull for you. And this am I sure of, that I shall abide, and with you all continue, for your 26 furtherance and ioy of your faith, That ye may more aboundantly reioyce in IESVS CHRIST for me, by my comming to 27 you againe. Onely let your conversation be, as it becommeth the Gospel of Christ, that whether I come and see you, or els be absent, I may heare of your matters that ye continue in one Spirit, and in one mind, fighting together through the faith of 28 the Gospel. And in nothing feare your aduersaries, which is to them a token of perdition, and to you of saluation, and that 29 of God. For vnto you it is given for Christ, that not onely ye 30 should beleeue in him, but also suffer for his sake, Hauing the same fight, which ye sawe in me, and nowe heare to be in me.

If there be therfore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort 2 of loue, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any compassion and 2 mercie, Fulfill my ioye, that ye be like minded, hauing the 3 same loue, being of one accorde, and of one iudgement, That nothing be done through contention or vaine glory, but that in meekenesse of minde euery man esteeme other better then 4 himselfe. Looke not euery man on his owne things, but euery 5 man also on the things of other men. Let the same minde be 6 in you that was euen in Christ Iesus, Who being in ye forme 7 of God, thought it no robberie to be equall with God: But he made himself of no reputation, and tooke on him ye forme of a seruant, and was made like vnto men, and was founde in shape 8 as a man. He humbled himselfe, and became obedient vnto 9 the death, euen the death of the Crosse. Wherefore God hath also highly exalted him, and given him a Name aboue euery 10 name, That at the Name of Iesus shoulde euery knee bowe, both of things in heauen, and things in earth, and things vnder 11 the earth, And that every tongue shoulde confesse that Iesus 12 Christ is the Lord, vnto the glory of God the Father. Wherefore my beloued, as ye haue alwayes obeyed me, not as in my presence only, but now much more in mine absence, so make an end of your owne saluation with feare and trembling. For 13 it is God which worketh in you, both the will and the deede, euen of his good pleasure. Do all things without murmuring 14 and reasonings. That ye may be blamelesse, and pure, and 15 the sonnes of God without rebuke in the middes of a naughtie and crooked nation, among whom yee shine as lights in the world. Holding forth the worde of life, that I may rejoyce in 16 the day of Christ, that I have not runne in vaine, neither have laboured in vaine. Yea, and though I bee offered vp vpon the 17 sacrifice, and seruice of your faith, I am glad, and reioyce with you all. For the same cause also be ye glad, and reioyce with 18 me. And I trust in the Lord Iesus, to sende Timotheus shortly 19 vnto you, that I also may be of good comfort, when I knowe your state. For I have no man like minded, who will faithfully 20 care for your matters. For all seeke their owne, and not that 21 which is Iesus Christes. But vee knowe the proofe of him, 22 that as a sonne with the father, hee hath serued with me in the Gospel. Him therefore I hope to send assoone as I knowe 23 howe it will goe with me, And trust in the Lord, that I also mv 24 selfe shall come shortly. But I supposed it necessarie to sende 25 my brother Epaphroditus vnto you, my companion in labour, and fellowe souldier, euen your messenger, and he that ministred vnto me such things as I wanted. For he longed after 26 all you, and was full of heauinesse, because yee had heard that hee had beene sicke. And no doubt he was sicke, very neere 27 vnto death: but God had mercie on him, and not on him onely, but on me also, least I should have sorowe vpon sorowe. I sent 28 him therefore the more diligently, that when yee shoulde see him againe, yee might reioyce, and I might be the lesse sorowfull. Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladnesse, and 29 make much of such: Because that for the woorke of Christ he 30 was neere vnto death, and regarded not his life, to fulfill that seruice which was lacking on your part towarde me.

Moreouer, my brethren, reioyce in the Lord. It grieueth 3 mee not to write the same things to you, and for you it is a sure thing. Beware of dogges: beware of euil workers: be- 2 ware of the concision. For we are the circumcision, which 3 worship God in the spirite, and reioyce in Christ Iesus, and haue no confidence in the flesh: Though I might also haue 4

confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he 5 hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, much more I, Circumcised the eight day, of the kinred of Israel, of the tribe of Beniamin, an Ebrewe of the Ebrewes, by the Lawe a Phar-6 ise. Concerning zeale, I persecuted ye Church: touching the 7 righteousnesse which is in the Law, I was vnrebukeable. But the thinges that were vantage vnto me, the same I counted 8 losse for Christes sake. Yea, doubtlesse I thinke all thinges but losse for the excellent knowledge sake of Christ Iesus my Lord, for whome I haue counted all things losse, and doe iudge 9 them to bee dongue, that I might winne Christ, And might bee founde in him, that is, not having mine owne righteousnesse, which is of the Lawe, but that which is through the faith of Christ, euen the righteousnesse which is of God through faith, 10 That I may know him, and the vertue of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his afflictions, and be made conformable vnto 11 his death, If by any meanes I might attaine vnto the resur-12 rection of the dead: Not as though I had alreadie attained to it, either were alreadie perfect: but I follow, if that I may comprehend that for whose sake also I am comprehended of 13 Christ Iesus. Brethren, I count not my selfe, that I haue attained to it, but one thing I doe: I forget that which is behinde, 14 and endeuour my selfe vnto that which is before, And follow hard toward the marke, for the prise of the hie calling of God 15 in Christ Iesus. Let vs therefore as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if yee be otherwise minded, God shall reueile 16 euen the same vnto you. Neuerthelesse, in that whereunto wee are come, let vs proceede by one rule, that wee may minde 17 one thing. Brethren, bee followers of mee, and looke on them, 18 which walke so, as yee haue vs for an ensample. For many walke, of whom I haue told you often, and nowe tell you weep-19 ing, that they are the enemies of the Crosse of Christ: Whose ende is damnation, whose God is their bellie, and whose glo-20 rie is to their shame, which minde earthly things. But our conversation is in heaven, from whence also we looke for the 21 Sauiour, euen the Lord Iesus Christ, Who shall change our vile bodie, that it may be fashioned like vnto his glorious body, according to the working, whereby hee is able euen to subdue all things vnto him selfe.

4 Therefore, my brethre, beloued and longed for, my ioy and

my crowne, so continue in the Lord, yee beloued. I pray Eu- 2 odias, and beseech Syntyche, that they be of one accord in the Lord, Yea, and I beseech thee, faithfull yokefellow, helpe those 3 women, which laboured with me in the Gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellowe labourers, whose names are in the booke of life. Reioyce in the Lord alway, againe I say, 4 reioyce. Let your patient minde be knowen vnto all men. The 5 Lord is at hand. Be nothing carefull, but in all thinges let 6 your requestes be shewed vnto God in praier, and supplication with giuing of thankes. And the peace of God which pas- 7 seth all vnderstanding, shall preserue your heartes and mindes in Christ Iesus. Furthermore, brethre, whatsoeuer things 8 are true, whatsoeuer things are honest, whatsoeuer thinges are just, whatsoeuer thinges are pure, whatsoeuer thinges are worthie loue, whatsoeuer things are of good report, if there be any vertue, or if there be any praise, thinke on these things, Which vee haue both learned and received, and heard, and 9 seene in mee: those things doe, and the God of peace shalbe with you. Nowe I rejoyce also in the Lord greatly, that nowe at 10 the last your care for mee springeth afresh, wherein notwithstanding ye were careful, but yee lacked opportunitie. I speake 11 not because of want: for I have learned in whatsoever state I am, therewith to bee content. And I can be abased, and I can 12 abounde: euery where in all things I am instructed, both to be full, and to be hungrie, and to abounde, and to haue want. I am able to do al things through the helpe of Christ, which 13 strengtheneth me. Notwithstanding yee haue well done, that 14 yee did communicate to mine affliction. And yee Philippians 15 knowe also that in the beginning of the Gospell, when I departed from Macedonia, no Church communicated with me, concerning the matter of giuing and receiuing, but yee onely. For euen when I was in Thessalonica, yee sent once, and after- 16 ward againe for my necessitie, Not that I desire a gift: but 17 I desire the fruit which may further your reckoning. I have received all, and have plentie: I was even filled, after that I had received of Epaphroditus that which came from you, an odour that smellleth sweete, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasant to God. And my God shall fulfill all your necessi- 19 ties through his riches with glorie in Iesus Christ. Vnto God 20 euen our Father be praise for euermore, Amen. Salute all 21 the Saintes in Christ Iesus. The brethren, which are with me, greete you. All the Saintes salute you, and most of all they which are of Cesars houshold. The grace of our Lord Iesus Christ be with you all, Amen. (Written to the Philippians from Rome, and sent by Epaphroditus.)

# THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE COLOSSIANS.

aul an Apostle of Iesus Christ, by the will of God, 1 and Timotheus our brother, To them which are at 2 Colosse, Saintes and faithfull brethren in Christ: Grace bee with you, and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Iesus Christ. We give thankes to God even ye 3 Father of our Lord Iesus Christ, alway praying for you: Since 4 wee heard of your faith in Christ Iesus, and of your loue toward all Saintes. For the hopes sake, which is laide vp for 5 you in heauen, whereof vee haue heard before by the word of trueth, which is the Gospel, Which is come vnto you, eue as it 6 is vnto al the world, and is fruitful, as it is also amog you, from ve day that ye heard and truely knew ye grace of God, As yee 7 also learned of Epaphras our deare fellowe seruaunt, which is for you a faithfull minister of Christ: Who hath also declared 8 vnto vs vour loue in the Spirit. For this cause wee also, since 9 the day wee heard of it, cease not to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be fulfilled with knowledge of his will in all wisdome, and spirituall vnderstanding. That ye might walke 10 worthy of the Lord, and please him in all things, being fruitefull in all good workes, and increasing in the knowledge of God, Strengthened with all might through his glorious power, 11 vnto all patience, and long suffering with ioyfulnesse, Giuing 12 thankes vnto the Father, which hath made vs meete to be partakers of the inheritance of the Saintes in light, Who hath 13 deliuered vs from the power of darkenesse, and hath translated vs into the kingdome of his deare Sonne, In whome we 14 haue redemption through his blood, that is, the forgiuenesse of sinnes. Who is the image of the inuisible God, the first be- 15 gotten of euery creature. For by him were all things created, 16 which are in heauen, and which are in earth, thinges visible and inuisible: whether they be Thrones or Dominions, or Principalities, or Powers, all things were created by him, and for him, And hee is before all things, and in him all things consist. 17 And hee is the head of the body of the Church: he is the begin-

ning, and the first begotten of the dead, that in all thinges hee 19 might haue the preeminence. For it pleased the Father, that 20 in him should all fulnesse dwell, And through peace made by that blood of that his crosse, to reconcile to himselfe through him, through him, I say, all thinges, both which are in earth, 21 and which are in heauen. And you which were in times past strangers and enemies, because your mindes were set in eu-22 ill workes, hath he nowe also reconciled, In that body of his flesh through death, to make you holy, and vnblameable and 23 without fault in his sight, If ye continue, grounded and stablished in the faith, and be not moued away from the hope of the Gospel, whereof ye haue heard, and which hath bene preached to euery creature which is vnder heauen, whereof I Paul am a 24 minister. Now reioyce I in my suffrings for you, and fulfill the rest of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh, for his bodies sake, 25 which is the Church, Whereof I am a minister, according to the dispensation of God, which is given mee vnto you ward, to 26 fulfill the word of God, Which is the mysterie hid since the world began, and from all ages, but nowe is made manifest 27 to his Saintes, To whome God woulde make knowen what is the riches of his glorious mysterie among the Gentiles, which 28 riches is Christ in you, the hope of glory, Whome we preache, admonishing euery man, and teaching euery man in all wisdome, that we may present euery man perfect in Christ Iesus, 29 Whereunto I also labour and striue, according to his working which worketh in me mightily.

For I woulde ye knewe what great fighting I haue for your sakes, and for them of Laodicea, and for as many as haue not seene my person in the flesh, That their heartes might be comforted, and they knit together in loue, and in all riches of the full assurance of vnderstanding, to know the mysterie of God, euen the Father, and of Christ: In whom are hid all the treasures of wisedome and knowledge. And this I say, lest any man shoulde beguile you with entising wordes: For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, reioycing and beholding your order, and your stedfast faith in Christ. As ye haue therefore received Christ Iesus the Lord, so walke in him, Rooted and built in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye haue bene taught, abouding therein with thankesgiu-

8 ing. Beware lest there be any man that spoile you through

philosophie, and vaine deceit, through the traditions of men, according to the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth all the fulnesse of the Godhead bodily. 9 And yee are complete in him, which is the head of all prin- 10 cipalitie and power. In whome also yee are circumcised with 11 circumcision made without handes, by putting off the sinfull body of the flesh, through the circumcision of Christ, In that 12 yee are buried with him through baptisme, in whome ye are also raised vp together through the faith of the operation of God, which raised him from the dead. And you which were 13 dead in sinnes, and in the vncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, forgiuing you all your trespasses, And putting out the hand writing of ordinances that 14 was against vs. which was contrarie to vs. hee euen tooke it out of the way, and fastened it vpon the crosse, And hath 15 spoyled the Principalities, and Powers, and hath made a shew of them openly, and hath triumphed ouer them in the same crosse. Let no man therefore condemne you in meate and 16 drinke, or in respect of an holy day, or of the newe moone, or of the Sabbath dayes, Which are but a shadowe of thinges to 17 come: but the body is in Christ. Let no man at his pleasure 18 beare rule ouer you by humblenesse of minde, and worshipping of Angels, aduauncing himselfe in those thinges which hee neuer sawe, rashly puft vp with his fleshly minde, And 19 holdeth not the head, whereof all the body furnished and knit together by ioyntes and bands, increaseth with the increasing of God. Wherefore if ye be dead with Christ from the ordi- 20 nances of the world, why, as though ve liued in ve world, are ve burdened with traditions? As, Touch not, Taste not, Handle 21 not. Which al perish with the vsing, and are after the com- 22 mandements and doctrines of men. Which thinges haue in 23 deede a shewe of wisdome, in voluntarie religion and humblenesse of minde, and in not sparing the body, which are thinges of no valewe, sith they perteine to the filling of the flesh.

If yee then bee risen with Christ, seeke those thinges which are aboue, where Christ sitteth at the right hand of God. Set 2 your affections on things which are aboue, and not on things which are on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid 3 with Christ in God. When Christ which is our life, shall appeare, then shall ye also appeare with him in glory. Mortifie 5

therefore your members which are on the earth, fornication, vncleannes, the inordinate affection, euill concupiscence, and 6 couetousnes which is idolatrie. For the which things sake ye 7 wrath of God commeth on the children of disobedience. Wherein 8 ye also walked once, when ye liued in them. But now put ye away euen all these things, wrath, anger, maliciousnes, cursed 9 speaking, filthie speaking, out of your mouth. Lie not one to another, seeing that yee haue put off the olde man with 10 his workes, And haue put on the newe, which is renewed in 11 knowledge after the image of him that created him, Where is neither Grecian nor Iewe, circumcision nor vncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond, free: But Christ is all, and in all 12 things. Now therfore as the elect of God holy and beloued, put on the bowels of mercies, kindnesse, humblenesse of minde, 13 meekenesse, long suffering: Forbearing one another, and forgiuing one another, if any man haue a quarel to another: euen as 14 Christ forgaue, euen so doe ye. And aboue all these thinges 15 put on loue, which is the bond of perfectnes. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which ye are called in one 16 body, and be ye thankfull. Let the worde of Christ dwell in you plenteously in all wisdome, teaching and admonishing your owne selues, in Psalmes, and hymnes, and spirituall songs, 17 singing with a grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoeuer ye shall doe, in worde or deede, doe all in the Name of the Lord Iesus, giuing thankes to God euen the Father by him. 18 Wiues, submit your selues vnto your husbands, as it is comely 19 in the Lord. Husbands, loue your wives, and be not bitter vnto 20 them. Children, obey your parents in all thing for that is well 21 pleasing vnto the Lord. Fathers, prouoke not your children to 22 anger, least they be discouraged. Seruants, be obedient vnto them that are your masters according to the flesh, in all things, not with eye seruice as men pleasers, but in singlenes of heart, 23 fearing God. And whatsoeuer ye doe, doe it heartily, as to 24 the Lord, and not to men, Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord 25 Christ. But he that doeth wrong, shall receive for the wrong that he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.

4 Ye masters, doe vnto your seruants, that which is iust, and 2 equall, knowing that ye also haue a master in heauen. Continue in prayer, and watch in the fame with thankesgiuing,

Praying also for vs, that God may open vnto vs the doore of 3 vtterance, to speake ye mysterie of Christ: wherefore I am also in bonds, That I may vtter it, as it becommeth mee to 4 Walke wisely towarde them that are without, and 5 redeeme the season. Let your speach be gracious alwayes, 6 and powdred with salt, that ye may know how to answere euery man. Tychicus our beloued brother and faithfull minis-7 ter, and fellow seruant in the Lord, shall declare vnto you my whole state: Whom I have sent vnto you for the same purpose 8 that he might know your state, and might comfort your hearts, With Onesimus a faithfull and a beloued brother, who is one 9 of you. They shall shew you of all things here. Aristarchus 10 my prison fellow saluteth you, and Marcus, Barnabas cousin (touching whom ve received commandements. If he come vnto you, receive him) And Iesus which is called Iustus, which are 11 of the circumcision. These onely are my worke fellowes vnto the kingdome of God, which have bene vnto my consolation. Epaphras the seruant of Christ, which is one of you, saluteth 12 you, and alwayes striueth for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect, and full in all the will of God. For I beare him record, 13 that he hath a great zeale for you, and for them of Laodicea, and them of Hierapolis. Luke the beloued physician greeteth 14 you, and Demas. Salute the brethren which are of Laodicea, 15 and Nymphas, and the Church which is in his house. when this Epistle is read of you, cause that it be read in the Church of the Laodiceans also, and that ye likewise reade the Epistle written from Laodicea. And say to Archippus, Take 17 heede to the ministerie, that thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfill it. The salutation by the hand of me Paul. 18 Remember my bands. Grace be with you, Amen. (Written from Rome to the Colossians, and sent by Tychicus, and Onesimus.)

# THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE THESSALONIANS.

avl, and Siluanus, and Timotheus, vnto the Church of the Thessalonians, which is in God the Father, and in the Lord Iesus Christ: Grace be with you, and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Iesus Christ. 2 We give God thankes alwayes for you all, making mention of 3 you in our prayers Without ceasing, remembring your effectuall faith, and diligent loue, and the patience of your hope in our Lord Iesus Christ, in the sight of God euen our Father, 4,5 Knowing, beloued brethren, that ye are elect of God. For our Gospell was not vnto you in worde only, but also in power, and in the holy Ghost, and in much assurance, as ye know after 6 what maner we were among you for your sakes. And ye became followers of vs, and of the Lord, and received the worde in 7 much affliction, with iov of the holy Ghost. So that ye were as 8 ensamples to all that beleeue in Macedonia and in Achaia. For from you sounded out the worde of the Lord, not in Macedonia and in Achaia only: but your faith also which is toward God, spred abroad in all quarters, that we neede not to speake any 9 thing. For they themselues shew of vs what maner of entring in we had vnto you, and how ye turned to God from idoles, to 10 serue the liuing and true God, And to looke for his sonne from heauen, whome he raised from the dead, euen Iesus which deli-

For ye your selues knowe, brethren, that our entrance in vnto you was not in vaine, But euen after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated at Philippi, (as ye knowe) we were bolde in our God, to speake vnto you the Gospell of God with much striuing. For our exhortation was not by deceite, nor by vncleannes, nor by guile. But as we were allowed of God, that the Gospel should be committed vnto vs, so we speake, not as they that please men, but God, which approoueth our hearts. Neither yet did we euer vse flattering wordes, as ye knowe, nor coloured couetousnes, God is recorde.

uereth vs from that wrath to come.

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Neither sought we prayse of men, neither of you, nor of oth- 6 ers, when we might haue bene chargeable, as the Apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, euen as a nource cher-7 isheth her children. Thus being affectioned toward you, our 8 good will was to haue dealt vnto you, not the Gospel of God onely, but also our owne soules, because ye were deare vnto vs. For ye remember, brethren, our labour and trauaile: for 9 we laboured day and night, because we would not be chargeable vnto any of you, and preached vnto you the Gospel of God. Ye are witnesses, and God also, how holily, and iustly, and vn- 10 blameably we behaued our selues among you that beleeue. As 11 ye knowe how that we exhorted you, and comforted, and besought euery one of you (as a father his children) That ye 12 would walke worthy of God, who hath called you vnto his kingdome and glorie. For this cause also thanke we God with- 13 out ceasing, that when ye received the worde of God, which ye heard of vs, ye received it not as the worde of men, but as it is in deede the worde of God, which also worketh in you that beleeue. For brethren, ve are become folowers of the Churches 14 of God, which in Iudea are in Christ Iesus, because ye haue also suffred the same things of your owne countrey men, euen as they have of the Iewes, Who both killed the Lord Iesus and 15 their owne Prophets, and haue persecuted vs away, and God they please not, and are contrary to all men, And forbid vs to 16 preach vnto the Gentiles, that they might be saued, to fulfill their sinnes alwayes: for the wrath of God is come on them, to the vtmost. For asmuch, brethren, as we were kept from 17 you for a season, concerning sight, but not in the heart, we enforced the more to see your face with great desire. Therefore 18 we would have come vnto you (I Paul, at least once or twise) but Satan hindered vs. For what is our hope or ioye, or crowne 19 of reioycing? are not euen you it in the presence of our Lord Iesus Christ at his comming? Yea, ye are our glory and ioy.

Wherefore since we could no longer forbare, wee thought it 3 good to remaine at Athens alone, And haue sent Timotheus 2 our brother and minister of God, and our labour felow in the Gospel of Christ, to stablish you, and to comfort you touching your faith, That no man should be moued with these afflic- 3 tions: for ye your selues knowe, that we are appointed thereunto. For verily when we were with you, we told you before 4

that we should suffer tribulations, euen as it came to passe, 5 and ye knowe it. Euen for this cause, when I could no longer forbeare, I sent him that I might knowe of your faith, lest the tempter had tempted you in any sort, and that our labour had 6 bene in vaine. But now lately when Timotheus came from you vnto vs, and brought vs good tidings of your faith and loue, and that ye haue good remembrance of vs alwayes, desiring to 7 see vs, as we also do you, Therefore, brethren, we had consolation in you, in all our affliction and necessitie through your For nowe are wee aliue, if ye stand fast in the Lord. 9 For what thankes can wee recompense to God againe for you, for all the ioy wherewith we reioyce for your sakes before our 10 God, Night and day, praying exceedingly that wee might see your face, and might accomplish that which is lacking in your Nowe God himselfe, euen our Father, and our Lord 12 Iesus Christ, guide our iourney vnto you, And the Lord increase you, and make you abound in loue one toward another, 13 and towarde all men, euen as we doe toward you: To make your hearts stable and vnblameable in holines before God euen our Father, at the comming of our Lord Iesus Christ with all his Saints.

And furthermore we beseeche you, brethren, and exhort you in the Lord Iesus, that ye increase more and more, as ye haue received of vs, how ye ought to walke, and to please God. For ye knowe what commandements we gaue you by the Lord Iesus. For this is the will of God even your sanctification, and that ye should abstaine from fornication, That every one of you should know, how to possesse his vessell in holines and honour, And not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God: That no man oppresse or defraude his brother in any matter: for the Lord is avenger of all such thinges, as we also have tolde you before time, and testified. For God hath not called vs vnto vncleannesse, but vnto holinesse. Hee therefore that despiseth these thinges, despiseth not man, but God who hath even given you his holy Spirit. But as touching brotherly love, ye neede not that I write vnto you: for ye are taught of God to love one another. Yea, and that thing verily yee doe vnto all the brethren, which are throughout all Macedonia: but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more, And that ye studie to be

quiet, and to meddle with your owne busines, and to worke with your owne handes, as we commanded you, That yee may 12 behaue your selues honestly towarde them that are without, and that nothing be lacking vnto you. I would not, brethren, 13 haue you ignorant concerning them which are a sleepe, that ye sorow not euen as other which haue no hope. For if we 14 beleeue that Iesus is dead, and is risen, euen so them which sleepe in Iesus, will God bring with him. For this say we 15 vnto you by the worde of the Lord, that we which liue, and are remayning in the comming of the Lord, shall not preuent them which sleepe. For the Lord himselfe shall descende from 16 heauen with a shoute, and with the voyce of the Archangel, and with the trumpet of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then shall we which liue and remaine, be caught vp with them 17 also in the clouds, to meete the Lord in the ayre: and so shall we euer be with the Lord. Wherefore, comfort your selues one 18 another with these wordes.

Byt of the times and seasons, brethren, yee haue no neede 5 that I write vnto you. For ye your selues knowe perfectly, that 2 the day of the Lord shall come, euen as a thiefe in the night. For when they shall say, Peace, and safetie, then shall come 3 vpon them sudden destruction, as the trauaile vpon a woman with childe, and they shall not escape, But ye, brethren, are 4 not in darkenes, that that day shall come on you, as it were a thiefe. Yee are all the children of light, and the children of the 5 day: we are not of the night, neither of darkenesse. Therefore 6 let vs not sleepe as do other, but let vs watch and be sober. For 7 they that sleepe, sleepe in the night, and they that be drunken, are drunken in the night. But let vs which are of the day, 8 be sober, putting on the brest plate of faith and loue, and of the hope of saluation for an helmet. For God hath not ap- 9 pointed vs vnto wrath, but to obtaine saluation by the meanes of our Lord Iesus Christ, Which died for vs, that whether we 10 wake or sleepe, we should liue together with him. Where- 11 fore exhort one another, and edifie one another, euen as ye doe. Nowe we beseeche you, brethren, that ye acknowledge them, 12 which labour among you, and are ouer you in the Lord, and admonish you, That yee haue them in singular loue for their 13 workes sake. Bee at peace among your selues. We desire you, 14 brethren, admonish them that are out of order: comfort ye fee-

ble minded: beare with the weake: be pacient toward all men. 15 See that none recompense euil for euil vnto any man: but euer follow that which is good, both toward your selues, and toward 16, 17, 18 all men. Reioyce euermore. Pray continually. In all thinges giue thankes: for this is the will of God in Christ Iesus toward 19, 20, 21 you. Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophecying. 22 all things, and keepe that which is good. Absteine from all 23 appearance of euill. Nowe the very God of peace sanctifie you throughout: and I pray God that your whole spirite and soule and body, may be kept blamelesse vnto the comming of our 24 Lord Iesus Christ. Faithfull is hee which calleth you, which 25, 26 will also doe it. Brethren, pray for vs. Greete all the brethren 27 with an holy kisse. I charge you in the Lord, that this Epistle 28 be read vnto all the brethren the Saintes. The grace of our Lord Iesus Christ be with you, Amen. (The first Epistle vnto the Thessalonians written from Athens.)

# THE SECOND EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE THESSALONIANS.

 $_{\odot}$  aul and Siluanus, and Timotheus, vnto the Church of  $\, {f 1} \,$ the Thessalonians, which is in God our Father, and in the Lord Iesus Christ: Grace be with you, and peace 2 from God our Father, and from the Lord Iesus Christ. We ought to thanke God alwayes for you, brethren, as it is 3 meete, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the loue of euery one of you toward another, aboundeth, So that 4 we our selues reioyce of you in the Churches of God, because of your patience and faith in al your persecutions and tribulatios that ve suffer. Which is a manifest token of the righteous 5 iudgement of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the kingdome of God, for the which ve also suffer. For it is a righteous 6 thing with God, to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you, And to you which are troubled, rest with vs. when the 7 Lord Iesus shall shewe himselfe from heauen with his mightie Angels, In flaming fire, rendring vengeance vnto them, that 8 doe not know God, and which obey not vnto the Gospel of our Lord Iesus Christ, Which shall be punished with euerlasting 9 perdition, from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power. When he shall come to be glorified in his Saints, 10 and to be made marueilous in all them that beleeve (because our testimonie toward you was beleeued) in that day. Where- 11 fore, we also pray alwayes for you, that our God may make you worthy of this calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of his goodnes, and the worke of faith with power, That the Name of 12 our Lord Iesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God, and of the Lord Iesus Christ.

Now we beseech you, brethren, by the comming of our Lord **2** Iesus Christ, and by our assembling vnto him, That ye be 2 not suddenly mooued from your minde, nor troubled neither by spirit, nor by worde, nor by letter, as it were from vs, as though the day of Christ were at hand. Let no man deceive you by 3 any meanes: for that day shall not come, except there come a

departing first, and that that man of sinne be disclosed, euen 4 the sonne of perdition, Which is an aduersarie, and exalteth him selfe against all that is called God, or that is worshipped: so that he doeth sit as God in the Temple of God, shewing him 5 selfe that he is God. Remember ye not, that when I was yet 6 with you, I tolde you these things? And nowe ye knowe what 7 withholdeth that he might be reueiled in his time. For the mysterie of iniquitie doeth already worke: onely he which nowe 8 withholdeth, shall let till he be taken out of the way. then shall that wicked man be reueiled, whome the Lord shall consume with the Spirit of his mouth, and shall abolish with 9 the brightnes of his comming, Euen him whose comming is by the effectuall working of Satan, with all power, and signes, 10 and lying wonders, And in al deceivablenes of vnrighteousnes, among them that perish, because they received not the love of 11 the trueth, that they might be saued. And therefore God shall 12 send them strong delusion, that they should beleeue lies, That all they might be damned which beleeued not the trueth, but 13 had pleasure in vnrighteousnes. But we ought to give thankes alway to God for you, brethren beloued of the Lord, because that God hath from the beginning chosen you to saluation, through sanctification of the Spirit, and the faith of trueth, 14 Whereunto he called you by our Gospel, to obtaine the glory 15 of our Lord Iesus Christ. Therefore, brethren, stand fast and keepe the instructions, which ye haue bene taught, either by 16 worde, or by our Epistle. Now the same Iesus Christ our Lord; and our God euen the Father which hath loued vs, and hath giuen vs euerlasting consolation and good hope through grace, 17 Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in euery word and good worke.

Furthermore, brethren, pray for vs, that the worde of the Lord may have free passage and be glorified, even as it is with you, And that we may be delivered from vnreasonable and evill men: for all men have not fayth. But the Lord is faithfull, which wil stablish you, and keepe you from evill. And we are perswaded of you through the Lord, that ye both doe, and will doe the things which we warne you of. And the Lord guide your hearts to the love of God, and the waiting for of Christ.

6 We warne you, brethren, in the Name of our Lord Iesus Christ, that ye withdrawe your selues from euery brother that walketh

inordinately, and not after the instruction, which hee received of vs. For ye your selues know, how ye ought to follow vs: for 7 we behaued not our selues inordinately among you, Neither 8 tooke we bread of any man for nought: but we wrought with labour and trauaile night and day, because we would not be chargeable to any of you. Not because we have not authoritie, 9 but that we might make our selues an ensample vnto you to follow vs. For euen when we were with you, this we warned 10 you of, that if there were any, which would not worke, that he should not eate. For we heare, that there are some which 11 walke among you inordinately, and worke not at all, but are busie bodies. Therefore them that are such, we warne and ex- 12 hort by our Lord Iesus Christ, that they worke with quietnes, and eate their owne bread. And ve, brethren, be not weary 13 in well doing. If any man obey not this our saying in this let- 14 ter, note him, and haue no company with him, that he may be ashamed: Yet count him not as an enemie, but admonish him 15 as a brother. Now the Lord himselfe of peace give you peace 16 alwayes by all meanes. The Lord be with you all. The salu- 17 tation of me Paul, with mine owne hand, which is ye token in euery Epistle: so I write, The grace of our Lord Iesus Christ be 18 with you all, Amen. (The second Epistle to the Thessalonians, written from Athens.)

# THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO TIMOTHY.

avl an Apostle of Iesvs Christ, by the commandement of God our Sauiour, and of our Lord Iesus Christ our hope, Vnto Timotheus my naturall sonne in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace from God our Father, and 3 from Christ Iesus our Lord. As I besought thee to abide still in Ephesus, when I departed into Macedonia, so doe, that thou 4 mayest warne some, that they teach none other doctrine, Neither that they give heede to fables and genealogies which are endles, which breede questions rather then godly edifying which 5 is by fayth. For the end of the commandement is loue out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith vnfained. 6 From the which things some haue erred, and haue turned vnto 7 vaine iangling. They would be doctours of the Law, and yet vnderstande not what they speake, neither whereof they af-And we knowe, that the Law is good, if a man vse it 9 lawfully, Knowing this, that the Lawe is not given vnto a righteous man, but vnto the lawles and disobedient, to the vngodly, and to sinners, to the vnholy, and to the prophane, to murther-10 ers of fathers and mothers, to manslayers, To whoremongers, to buggerers, to menstealers, to lyers, to the periured, and if there be any other thing, that is contrary to wholesome doc-11 trine, Which is according to the glorious Gospel of the blessed 12 God, which is committed vnto me. Therefore I thanke him, which hath made me strong, that is, Christ Iesus our Lord: for 13 he counted me faithfull, and put me in his seruice: When before I was a blasphemer, and a persecuter, and an oppresser: but I was received to mercie: for I did it ignorantly through But the grace of our Lord was exceeding abun-15 dant with faith and loue, which is in Christ Iesus. a true saying, and by all meanes worthy to be received, that Christ Iesus came into the worlde to saue sinners, of whom I 16 am chiefe. Notwithstanding, for this cause was I received to mercie, that Iesus Christ should first shewe on me all long suffering vnto the ensample of them, which shall in time to come

beleeue in him vnto eternall life. Nowe vnto the King euer- 17 lasting, immortall, inuisible, vnto God onely wise, be honour and glorie, for euer, and euer, Amen. This commandement 18 commit I vnto thee, sonne Timotheus, according to the prophecies, which went before vpon thee, that thou by them shouldest fight a good fight, Hauing faith and a good conscience, which 19 some haue put away, and as concerning faith, haue made shipwracke. Of whom is Hymeneus, and Alexander, whom I haue 20 deliuered vnto Satan, that they might learne not to blaspheme.

I Exhort therefore, that first of all supplications, prayers, 2 intercessions, and giuing of thanks be made for all men, For 2 Kings, and for all that are in authoritie, that we may leade a quiet and a peaceable life, in all godlinesse and honestie. For 3 this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Sauiour, Who will that all men shalbe saued, and come vnto the ac- 4 knowledging of the trueth. For there is one God, and one 5 Mediatour betweene God and man, which is the man Christ Iesus, Who gaue himselfe a ransome for all men, to be that 6 testimonie in due time. Whereunto I am ordeined a preacher 7 and an Apostle (I speake the trueth in Christ, and lie not) euen a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and veritie. I will therefore 8 that the men pray, euery where lifting vp pure hands without wrath, or douting. Likewise also the women, that they 9 aray themselues in comely apparell, with shamefastnes and modestie, not with broyded heare, or gold, or pearles, or costly apparell, But (as becommeth women that professe the feare 10 of God) with good workes. Let the woman learne in silence 11 with all subjection. I permit not a woman to teache, neither 12 to vsurpe authoritie ouer the man, but to be in silence. Adam was first formed, then Eue. And Adam was not de- 14 ceiued, but the woman was deceiued, and was in the transgression. Notwithstanding, through bearing of children she 15 shalbe saued if they continue in faith, and loue, and holines with modestie.

This is a true saying, If any man desire the office of a Bishop, **3** he desireth a worthie worke. A Bishop therefore must be vn- 2 reproueable, the husband of one wife, watching, temperate, modest, harberous, apt to teache, Not giuen to wine, no striker, 3 not giuen to filthy lucre, but gentle, no fighter, not couetous, One that can rule his owne house honestly, hauing children 4

5 vnder obedience with all honestie. For if any cannot rule his 6 owne house, how shall he care for the Church of God? He may not be a yong scholer, lest he being puffed vp fall into the 7 condemnation of the deuill. He must also be well reported of, euen of them which are without, lest he fall into rebuke, and 8 the snare of the deuill. Likewise must Deacons be graue, not double tongued, not given vnto much wine, neither to filthy 9 lucre, Hauing the mysterie of the faith in pure conscience. 10 And let them first be proued: then let them minister, if they 11 be found blameles. Likewise their wives must be honest, not 12 euill speakers, but sober, and faithfull in all things. Let the Deacons be the husbands of one wife, and such as can rule 13 their children well, and their owne housholdes. For they that haue ministred well, get them selues a good degree, and great 14 libertie in the faith, which is in Christ Iesus. These things 15 write I vnto thee, trusting to come very shortly vnto thee. But if I tary long, that thou maist yet know, how thou oughtest to behaue thy self in ye house of God, which is the Church of 16 the liuing God, the pillar and ground of trueth. And without controuersie, great is the mysterie of godlinesse, which is, God is manifested in the flesh, iustified in the Spirit, seene of Angels, preached vnto the Gentiles, beleeued on in the world, and received vp in glorie.

Now the Spirit speaketh euidently, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, and shall give heede vnto 2 spirits of errour, and doctrines of deuils, Which speake lies through hypocrisie, and haue their cosciences burned with an 3 hote yron, Forbidding to marrie, and commanding to abstaine from meates which God hath created to be received with giu-4 ing thankes of them which beleeue and knowe the trueth. For euery creature of God is good, and nothing ought to be refused, 5 if it be received with thankesgiving. For it is sanctified by 6 the worde of God, and prayer. If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Iesus Christ, which hast bene nourished vp in the wordes of faith, and of good doctrine, which thou hast continually fol-7 lowed. But cast away prophane, and olde wives fables, and 8 exercise thy selfe vnto godlinesse. For bodily exercise profiteth litle: but godlinesse is profitable vnto all things, which hath the promise of the life present, and of that that is to come.

This is a true saying, and by all meanes worthie to be received. 9
For therefore we labour and are rebuked, because we trust in 10
the liuing God, which is the Sauiour of all men, specially of
those that beleeue. These things warne and teache. Let no 11, 12
man despise thy youth, but be vnto them that beleeue, an ensample, in worde, in conversation, in loue, in spirit, in faith,
and in purenesse. Till I come, give attendance to reading, to 13
exhortation, and to doctrine. Despise not the gift that is in 14
thee, which was given thee by prophecie with the laying on of
the hands of the companie of the Eldership. These things exercise, and give thy selfe vnto them, that it may be seene howe
thou profitest among all men. Take heede vnto thy selfe, and 16
vnto learning: continue therein: for in doing this thou shalt
both saue thy selfe, and them that heare thee.

Rebuke not an Elder, but exhort him as a father, and the 5 yonger men as brethren. The elder women as mothers, the 2 yonger as sisters, with all purenesse. Honour widowes, which 3 are widowes in deede. But if any widowe haue children or 4 nephewes, let them learne first to shewe godlinesse towarde their owne house, and to recompense their kinred: for that is an honest thing and acceptable before God. And shee that is 5 a widowe in deede and left alone, trusteth in God, and continueth in supplications and praiers night and day. But shee that 6 liueth in pleasure, is dead, while shee liueth. These things 7 therefore warne them of, that they may be blamelesse. there bee any that prouideth not for his owne, and namely for them of his housholde, hee denieth the faith, and is worse then an infidell. Let not a widow be taken into the number vnder 9 three score yeere olde, that hath beene the wife of one husband, And well reported of for good woorkes: if shee haue nourished 10 her children, if shee haue lodged the strangers, if shee haue washed the Saintes feete, if shee haue ministred vnto them which were in aduersitie, if shee were continually given vnto euery good woorke. But refuse the yonger widowes: for when 11 they have begun to waxe wanton against Christ, they will marrie, Hauing damnation, because they haue broken the first 12 faith. And likewise also being idle they learne to goe about 13 from house to house: yea, they are not onely ydle, but also pratlers and busibodies, speaking things which are not comely. I will therefore that the yonger women marie, and beare chil- 14

dren, and gouerne the house, and give none occasion to the 15 aduersary to speake euill. For certaine are alreadie turned 16 backe after Satan. If any faithfull man, or faithfull woman haue widowes, let them minister vnto them, and let not the Church bee charged, that there may bee sufficient for them 17 that are widowes in deede. The Elders that rule well, let them be had in double honour, specially they which labour in the 18 worde and doctrine, For the Scripture sayeth, Thou shalt not mousell the mouth of the oxe that treadeth out the corne: and, 19 The labourer is worthie of his wages. Against an Elder receive 20 none accusation, but vnder two or three witnesses. Them that 21 sinne, rebuke openly, that the rest also may feare. I charge thee before God and the Lord Iesus Christ, and the elect Angels, that thou observe these thinges without preferring one to 22 an other, and doe nothing partially. Lay handes suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other mens sinnes: keepe thy 23 selfe pure. Drinke no longer water, but vse a litle wine for 24 thy stomakes sake, and thine often infirmities. Some mens sinnes are open before hand, and goe before vnto iudgement: 25 but some mens folowe after. Likewise also the good woorkes are manifest before hande, and they that are otherwise, cannot be hid.

Let as many seruaunts as are vnder the yoke, count their masters worthie of all honour, that the Name of God, and his 2 doctrine be not euill spoken of. And they which haue beleeuing masters, let them not despise them, because they are brethren, but rather doe seruice, because they are faithfull, and beloued, and partakers of the benefite. These things teach and exhort. 3 If any man teach otherwise, and consenteth not to the wholesome wordes of our Lord Iesus Christ, and to the doctrine, 4 which is according to godlinesse, He is puft vp and knoweth nothing, but doteth about questions and strife of words, whereof 5 commeth enuie, strife, railings, euill surmisings, Frowarde disputations of men of corrupt mindes and destitute of ye trueth, which thinke that gaine is godlines: from such separate thy 6 selfe. But godlinesse is great gaine, if a man be content with 7 that he hath. For we brought nothing into the world, and it 8 is certaine, that we can carie nothing out. Therefore when 9 wee haue foode and raiment, let vs therewith be content. For they that will be rich, fall into tentation and snares, and into

many foolish and noysome lustes, which drowne men in perdition and destruction. For the desire of money is the roote of 10 all euill, which while some lusted after, they erred from the faith, and pearced themselues through with many sorowes. But thou, O man of God, flee these things, and follow after 11 righteousnesse, godlines, faith, loue, patience, and meekenes. Fight the good fight of faith: lay holde of eternal life, where- 12 unto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses. I charge thee in the sight of God, who 13 quickeneth all thinges, and before Iesus Christ, which vnder Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession, That thou keepe 14 this commandement without spot, and vnrebukeable, vntill the appearing of our Lord Iesus Christ, Which in due time 15 hee shall shewe, that is blessed and Prince onely, the King of Kings and Lord of Lordes, Who onely hath immortalitie, and 16 dwelleth in the light that none can attaine vnto, whom neuer man sawe, neither can see, vnto whome bee honour and power euerlasting, Amen. Charge them that are rich in this world, 17 that they be not high minded, and that they trust not in vncertaine riches, but in the liuing God, (which giueth vs aboundantly, all things to enjoy) That they doe good, and be riche in 18 good woorkes, and readie to distribute, and comunicate, Lay- 19 ing vp in store for themselues a good foundation against the time to come, that they may obteine eternall life. O Timo- 20 theus, keepe that which is committed vnto thee, and auoide prophane and vaine babblings, and oppositios of science falsely so called, Which while some professe, they have erred con- 21 cerning the faith. Grace be with thee, Amen. (The first Epistle to Timotheus, written from Laodicea, which is the chiefest citie of Phrygia Pacaciana.)

### THE SECOND EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO TIMOTHY.

aul an Apostle of Iesus Christ, by the will of God, ac-1 cording to the promise of life which is in Christ Iesus, To Timotheus my beloued sonne: Grace, mercie and peace from God the Father, and from Iesus Christ our 3 Lord. I thanke God, whom I serue from mine elders with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee 4 in my praiers night and day, Desiring to see thee, mindefull 5 of thy teares, that I may be filled with ioy: When I call to remembrance the vnfained faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and in thy mother Eunice, and 6 am assured that it dwelleth in thee also. Wherefore, I put thee in remembrance that thou stirre vp the gift of God which 7 is in thee, by the putting on of mine hands. For God hath not given to vs the Spirite of feare, but of power, and of loue, 8 and of a sound minde. Be not therefore ashamed of the testimonie of our Lord, neither of me his prisoner: but be partaker of the afflictions of the Gospel, according to the power of 9 God, Who hath saued vs. and called vs with an holy calling. not according to our workes, but according to his owne purpose and grace, which was given to vs through Christ Iesus 10 before the world was, But is now made manifest by that appearing of our Sauiour Iesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortalitie vnto light through the 11 Gospel. Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and Apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. For the which cause I also suffer these things, but I am not ashamed: for I knowe whom I haue beleeued, and I am persuaded that he is able to keepe that 13 which I have committed to him against that day. Keepe the true paterne of the wholesome wordes, which thou hast heard 14 of me in faith and love which is in Christ Iesus. That worthie thing, which was committed to thee, keepe through the holy 15 Ghost, which dwelleth in vs. This thou knowest, that all they which are in Asia, be turned from me: of which sort are Phygel-16 lus and Hermogenes. The Lord giue mercie vnto the house of Onesiphorus: for he oft refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chaine, But when he was at Rome, he sought me out very 17 diligently, and found me. The Lord graunt vnto him, that he 18 may finde mercie with the Lord at that day, and in how many things he hath ministred vnto me at Ephesus, thou knowest very well.

Thou therefore, my sonne, be strong in the grace that is 2 in Christ Iesus. And what things thou hast heard of me, by 2 many witnesses, ye same deliuer to faithfull men, which shalbe able to teache other also. Thou therefore suffer affliction as a 3 good souldier of Iesus Christ. No man that warreth, entan- 4 gleth himselfe with the affaires of this life, because he woulde please him that hath chosen him to be a souldier. And if any 5 man also striue for a Masterie, he is not crowned, except he striue as he ought to doe. The husbandman must labour be- 6 fore he receive the fruites. Consider what I say: and the Lord 7 giue thee vnderstanding in all things: Remember that Iesus 8 Christ, made of the seede of Dauid, was raysed againe from the dead according to my Gospel, Wherein I suffer trouble as 9 an euill doer, euen vnto bondes: but the worde of God is not bounde. Therefore I suffer all things, for the elects sake, that 10 they might also obtaine the saluation which is in Christ Iesus, with eternal glorie. It is a true saving. For if we be dead 11 together with him, we also shall liue together with him. If 12 we suffer, we shall also reigne together with him: if we denie him, he also will denie vs. If we beleeue not, yet abideth 13 he faithfull: he cannot denie himselfe. Of these things put 14 them in remembrance, and protest before the Lord, that they striue not about wordes, which is to no profit, but to the peruerting of the hearers. Studie to shewe thy selfe approued 15 vnto God, a workeman that needeth not to be ashamed, diuiding the worde of trueth aright. Stay prophane, and vaine bab- 16 blings: for they shall encrease vnto more vngodlinesse. And 17 their worde shall fret as a canker: of which sort is Hymeneus and Philetus, Which as concerning ye trueth haue erred from 18 the marke, saying that the resurrection is past alreadie, and do destroy the faith of certaine. But the foundation of God 19 remaineth sure, and hath this seale, The Lord knoweth who are his: and, Let euery one that calleth on the Name of Christ, depart from iniquitie. Notwithstanding in a great house are 20 not onely vessels of gold and of siluer, but also of wood and of
earth, and some for honour, and some vnto dishonour. If any
man therefore purge him selfe from these, he shalbe a vessell
vnto honour, sanctified, and meete for the Lord, and prepared
vnto euery good worke. Flee also from the lustes of youth,
and follow after righteousnes, faith, loue, and peace, with them
that call on the Lord with pure heart, And put away foolish
and vnlearned questions, knowing that they ingender strife.
But the seruant of ye Lord must not striue, but must be gentle
toward all men, apt to teache, suffering the euill, Instructing them with meekenesse that are contrary minded, prouing
if God at any time will giue them repentance, that they may
acknowledge the trueth, And come to amendment out of that
snare of the deuil, of whom they are taken prisoners, to doe his
will.

This knowe also, that in the last dayes shall come perilous 3 2 times. For men shalbe louers of their owne selues, couetous, boasters, proud, cursed speakers, disobedient to parents, vn-3 thankefull, vnholy, Without naturall affection, truce breakers, false accusers, intemperate, fierce, no louers at all of them 4 which are good, Traitours, headie, high minded, louers of plea-5 sures more then louers of God, Hauing a shewe of godlinesse, but have denied the power thereof: turne away therefore from 6 such. For of this sort are they which creepe into houses, and leade captiue simple women laden with sinnes, and led with 7 diuers lustes, Which women are euer learning, and are neuer 8 able to come to the acknowledging of the trueth. And as Iannes and Iambres withstoode Moses, so doe these also resist the trueth, men of corrupt mindes, reprobate concerning the faith. 9 But they shall preuaile no longer: for their madnesse shalbe 10 euident vnto all men, as theirs also was. But thou hast fully knowen my doctrine, maner of liuing, purpose, faith, long suf-11 fering, loue, patience, Persecutions, and afflictions which came vnto me at Antiochia, at Iconium, and at Lystri, which persecu-12 tions I suffered: but from them all the Lord deliuered me. Yea, and all that will liue godly in Christ Iesus, shall suffer persecu-13 tion. But the euill men and deceivers, shall waxe worse and 14 worse, deceiuing, and being deceiued. But continue thou in the thinges which thou hast learned, and which are committed 15 vnto thee, knowing of who thou hast learned them: And that

thou hast knowen the holy Scriptures of a childe, which are able to make thee wise vnto saluation, through the faith which is in Christ Iesus. For the whole Scripture is given by inspira- 16 tion of God, and is profitable to teache, to conuince, to correct, and to instruct in righteousnesse, That the man of God may 17 be absolute, being made perfect vnto all good workes.

I charge thee therefore before God, and before the Lord 4 Iesus Christ, which shall iudge the quicke and dead at that his appearing, and in his kingdome, Preach the worde: be instant, 2 in season and out of season: improue, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine. For the time will come, when they 3 will not suffer wholesome doctrine: but having their eares itching, shall after their owne lustes get them an heape of teachers, And shall turne their eares from the trueth, and shalbe given 4 But watch thou in all thinges: suffer aduersi- 5 tie: doe the worke of an Euangelist: cause thy ministerie to be throughly liked of. For I am nowe readie to be offered, and the 6 time of my departing is at hand. I have fought a good fight, 7 and haue finished my course: I haue kept the faith. For hence 8 foorth is laide vp for me the crowne of righteousnesse, which the Lord the righteous iudge shall give me at that day: and not to me onely, but vnto all them also that loue that his appearing. Make speede to come vnto me at once: For Demas 9, 10 hath forsaken me, and hath embraced this present world, and is departed vnto Thessalonica. Crescens is gone to Galatia, Titus vnto Dalmatia. Onely Luke is with me. Take Marke and 11 bring him with thee: for he is profitable vnto me to minister. And Tychicus haue I sent to Ephesus. The cloke that I left 12, 13 at Troas with Carpus, when thou commest, bring with thee, and the bookes, but specially the parchments. Alexander the 14 coppersmith hath done me much euill: the Lord rewarde him according to his workes. Of whome be thou ware also: for he 15 withstoode our preaching sore. At my first answering no man 16 assisted me, but all forsooke me: I pray God, that it may not be laide to their charge. Notwithstanding the Lord assisted 17 me, and strengthened me, that by me the preaching might be fully beleeued, and that al the Gentiles should heare: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion. And the Lord will 18 deliuer me from euery euil worke, and will preserue me vnto his heauenly kingdome: to whome be praise for euer and euer,

19 Amen. Salute Prisca and Aquila, and the householde of One-20 siphorus. Erastus abode at Corinthus: Trophimus I left at

Miletum sicke. Make speede to come before winter. Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren. The Lord Iesus Christ be with thy spirit. Grace be with you, Amen. (The second Epistle written from Rome vnto Timotheus, the first Bishop elected of the Church of Ephesus, when Paul was presented the second time before the Emperour Nero.)

#### THE EPISTLE OF PAUL TO TITUS.

aul a seruaunt of God, and an Apostle of Iesus Christ, 1 according to the faith of Gods elect, and the acknowledging of the trueth, which is according vnto godlines, Vnto the hope of eternall life, which God that cannot 2 lie, hath promised before the world began: But hath made his 3 worde manifest in due time through the preaching, which is committed vnto me, according to the commandement of God To Titus my naturall sonne according to the 4 our Sauiour: common faith, Grace, mercie and peace from God the Father, and from the Lord Iesus Christ our Saujour. For this cause 5 left I thee in Creta, that thou shouldest continue to redresse the thinges that remaine, and shouldest ordeine Elders in euery citie, as I appointed thee, If any be vnreproueable, the 6 husband of one wife, having faithfull children, which are not slandered of riot, neither are disobedient. For a Bishop must 7 bee vnreproueable, as Gods steward, not froward, not angrie, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthie lucre. But 8 harberous, one that loueth goodnesse, wise, righteous, holy, temperate, Holding fast that faithfull worde according to doc- 9 trine. that he also may bee able to exhort with wholesome doctrine, and conuince them that say against it. For there are 10 many disobedient and vaine talkers and deceivers of mindes. chiefly they of the Circumcision, Whose mouthes must bee 11 stopped, which subuert whole houses, teaching things, which they ought not, for filthie lucres sake. One of themselues, 12 euen one of their owne prophets said, The Cretians are alwaies liars, euill beastes, slowe bellies. This witnesse is true: where- 13 fore conuince them sharply, that they may be sound in ye faith, And not taking heede to Iewish fables and commandements of 14 men, that turne away from the trueth. Vnto the pure are all 15 things pure, but vnto them that are defiled, and vnbeleeuing, is nothing pure, but euen their mindes and consciences are de-They professe that they know God, but by works they 16 deny him, and are abominable and disobedient, and vnto euery good worke reprobate.

Bvt speake thou the thinges which become wholesome doc- 2

2 trine, That the elder men be watchful, graue, teperate, sounde 3 in the faith, in loue, and in patience: The elder women likewise, that they be in such behauiour as becommeth holinesse, not false accusers, not subject to much wine, but teachers of 4 honest things. That they may instruct the yong women to be sober minded, that they loue their husbands, that they loue 5 their children, That they be temperate, chaste, keeping at home, good and subject vnto their husbands, that the word of 6 God be not euill spoken of. Exhort yong men likewise, that 7 they bee sober minded. In all things shewe thy selfe an ensample of good woorkes with vncorrupt doctrine, with grauitie, 8 integritie, And with the wholesome woorde, which can not be condemned, that hee which withstandeth, may be ashamed, 9 having nothing concerning you to speake euill of. Let seruants be subject to their masters, and please them in al things, 10 not answering again, Neither pickers, but that they shew al good faithfulnesse, that they may adorne the doctrine of God 11 our Saujour in all things. For that grace of God, that bringeth 12 saluation vnto all men, hath appeared, And teacheth vs that we should denie vngodlinesse and worldly lusts, and that we should liue soberly and righteously, and godly in this present 13 world, Looking for that blessed hope, and appearing of that glorie of that mightie God, and of our Sauiour Iesus Christ, 14 Who gaue him selfe for vs, that hee might redeeme vs from all iniquitie, and purge vs to bee a peculiar people vnto himselfe, 15 zealous of good woorkes. These things speake, and exhort, and conuince with all authoritie. See that no man despise thee. 3 Pvt them in remembrance that they bee subject to the Principalities and powers, and that they bee obedient, and ready 2 to euery good woorke, That they speake euill of no man, that

Pvt them in remembrance that they bee subject to the Principalities and powers, and that they bee obedient, and ready to euery good woorke, That they speake euill of no man, that they be no fighters, but soft, shewing all meekenesse vnto all men. For wee our selues also were in times past vnwise, disobedient, deceiued, seruing the lustes and diuers pleasures, liuing in maliciousnes and enuie, hatefull, and hating one another: But when that bountifulnesse and that loue of God our Sauiour toward man appeared, Not by the woorkes of righteousnesse, which we had done, but according to his mercie he saued vs, by the washing of the newe birth, and the renewing of the holy Ghost, Which he shed on vs aboundantly, through Iesus Christ our Sauiour, That we, being iustified by

his grace, should be made heires according to the hope of eter-This is a true saying, and these thinges I will thou 8 shouldest affirme, that they which have beleeved God, might be carefull to shewe foorth good woorkes. These things are good and profitable vnto men. But stay foolish questions, and 9 genealogies, and contentions, and brawlings about the Lawe: for they are vnprofitable and vaine. Reject him that is an 10 heretike, after once or twise admonition. Knowing that hee 11 that is such, is peruerted, and sinneth, being damned of his When I shall send Artemas vnto thee, or Tv- 12 chicus, be diligent to come to mee vnto Nicopolis: for I haue determined there to winter. Bring Zenas the expounder of 13 the Lawe, and Apollos on their journey diligently, that they lacke nothing. And let ours also learne to shewe foorth good 14 woorkes for necessary vses, that they be not vnfruitfull. that are with mee, salute thee. Greete them that love vs in the faith. Grace bee with you all, Amen. (To Titus, elect the first bishoppe of the Church of the Cretians, written from Nicopolis in Macedonia.)

### THE EPISTLE OF PAUL TO PHILEMON.

aul a prisoner of Iesus Christ, and our brother Timotheus, vnto Philemon our deare friende, and fellowe helper, And to our deare sister Apphia, and to Archippus our fellowe souldier, and to the Church that is in 3 thine house: Grace be with you, and peace from God our Fa-4 ther, and from the Lord Iesus Christ. I give thanks to my God, 5 making mention alwaies of thee in my praiers, (When I heare of thy loue and faith, which thou hast toward the Lord Iesus, 6 and towarde all Saintes) That the fellowship of thy faith may bee made effectuall, and that whatsoeuer good thing is in you 7 through Christ Iesus, may be knowen. For we have great ioy and consolation in thy loue, because by thee, brother, the 8 Saintes bowels are comforted. Wherefore, though I bee very bolde in Christ to commaund thee that which is conuenient, 9 Yet for loues sake I rather beseeche thee, though I be as I am. 10 euen Paul aged, and euen nowe a prisoner for Iesus Christ. I beseeche thee for my sonne Onesimus, whome I haue begotten in my bondes. Which in times past was to thee vnprofitable, 12 but nowe profitable both to thee and to me, Whome I haue sent againe: thou therefore receive him, that is mine owne 13 bowels, Whom I woulde have reteined with mee, that in thy steade he might have ministred vnto me in the bondes of the 14 Gospel. But without thy minde woulde I doe nothing, that thy benefite should not be as it were of necessitie, but will-15 ingly. It may be that he therefore departed for a season, that 16 thou shouldest receive him for euer, Not now as a servant, but aboue a seruant, euen as a brother beloued, specially to me: howe much more then vnto thee, both in the flesh and in the If therefore thou count our thinges common, receive 18 him as my selfe. If he hath hurt thee, or oweth thee ought, 19 that put on mine accounts. I Paul haue written this with mine owne hande: I will recompense it, albeit I doe not say to thee, 20 that thou owest moreouer vnto me euen thine owne selfe. Yea, brother, let mee obteine this pleasure of thee in the Lord: comfort my bowels in the Lord. Trusting in thine obedience, I 21 wrote vnto thee, knowing that thou wilt do eue more then I say. Moreouer also prepare mee lodging: for I trust through 22 your prayers I shall be freely giuen vnto you. There salute 23 thee Epaphras my felowe prisoner in Christ Iesus, Marcus, 24 Aristarchus, Demas and Luke, my felowe helpers. The grace 25 of our Lord Iesus Christ be with your spirit, Amen. (Written from Rome to Philemon, and send by Onesimus a seruant.)

# THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO HEBREWS.

t sundry times and in diuers maners God spake in the olde time to our fathers by the Prophetes: in these last dayes hee hath spoken vnto vs by his Sonne, Whom he hath made heire of al things, by whome also he 3 made the worldes, Who being the brightnes of the glory, and the ingraued forme of his person, and bearing vp all things by his mightie worde, hath by himselfe purged our sinnes, and sitteth at the right hand of the Maiestie in the highest places, 4 And is made so much more excellent then the Angels, in as much as hee hath obteined a more excellent Name then they. 5 For vnto which of the Angels saide he at any time, Thou art my Sonne, this day begate I thee? and againe, I will be his Father, 6 and he shalbe my Sonne? And againe, when he bringeth in his first begotten Sonne into the worlde, hee saith, And let all 7 the Angels of God worship him. And of the Angels he saith, He maketh the spirites his messengers, and his ministers a 8 flame of fire. But vnto the Sonne he saith, O God, thy throne is for euer and euer: the scepter of thy kingdome is a scepter of 9 righteousnes. Thou hast loued righteousnes and hated iniquitie. Wherefore God, eue thy God, hath anointed thee with the 10 oyle of gladnes aboue thy fellowes. And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast established the earth, and the heauens are the

remaine: and they all shall waxe olde as doeth a garment.

12 And as a vesture shalt thou folde them vp, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy yeeres shall not faile.

They shall perish, but thou doest

11 workes of thine handes.

13 Vnto which also of the Angels saide he at any time, Sit at my 14 right hand, til I make thine enemies thy footestoole? Are they not al ministring spirits, sent forth to minister, for their sakes which shalbe heires of saluation?

Wherefore wee ought diligently to give heede to the thinges which wee have heard, lest at any time we runne out. For if the worde spoken by Angels was stedfast, and every transgression, and disobedience received a just recompense of reward,

How shall we escape, if we neglect so great saluation, which 3 at the first began to be preached by the Lord, and afterward was confirmed vnto vs by them that heard him, God bear- 4 ing witnes thereto, both with signes and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the holy Ghost, according to his owne will? For he hath not put in subjection vnto the Angels 5 the world to come, whereof we speake. But one in a certaine 6 place witnessed, saying, What is man, that thou shouldest bee mindefull of him? or the sonne of man, that thou wouldest consider him? Thou madest him a litle inferiour to ye An- 7 gels: thou crownedst him with glory and honour, and hast set him aboue the workes of thine hands. Thou hast put all 8 things in subjection vnder his feete. And in that he hath put all things in subjection vnder him, he left nothing that should not be subject vnto him. But we yet see not all things subdued vnto him. But we see Iesus crowned with glory and honour. 9 which was made litle inferiour to the Angels, through the suffering of death, that by Gods grace he might taste death for all men. For it became him, for whome are all these thinges, 10 and by whome are all these things, seeing that hee brought many children vnto glory, that he should consecrate the Prince of their saluation through afflictions. For he that sanctifieth, 11 and they which are sanctified, are all of one: wherefore he is not ashamed to call them brethren, Saying, I will declare thy 12 Name vnto my brethren: in the middes of the Church will I sing praises to thee. And againe, I will put my trust in him. 13 And againe, Beholde, here am I, and the children which God hath given me. For a smuch then as the children are partak- 14 ers of flesh and blood, he also himselfe likewise tooke part with them, that hee might destroye through death, him that had the power of death, that is the deuil, And that he might deliuer all 15 them, which for feare of death were all their life time subject to bondage. For he in no sort tooke on him the Angels nature, 16 but hee tooke on him the seede of Abraham. Wherefore in all 17 things it behoued him to be made like vnto his brethren, that hee might be mercifull, and a faithfull hie Priest in things concerning God, that he might make reconciliation for the sinnes of the people. For in that he suffered, and was tempted, he is 18 able to succour them that are tempted.

Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heauenly voca- 3

tion, consider the Apostle and high Priest of our profession 2 Christ Iesus: Who was faithfull to him that hath appointed 3 him, euen as Moses was in al his house. For this man is counted worthy of more glory then Moses, inasmuch as he which hath builded the house, hath more honour then the house. 4 For every house is builded of some man, and he that hath 5 built all things, is God. Now Moses verely was faithfull in all his house, as a seruant, for a witnesse of the thinges which 6 should be spoken after. But Christ is as the Sonne, ouer his owne house, whose house we are, if we holde fast that confi-7 dence and that reioycing of that hope vnto the ende. Wherefore, as the holy Ghost sayth, To day if ye shall heare his 8 voyce, Harden not your hearts, as in the prouocation, accord-9 ing to the day of the tentation in the wildernes, Where your fathers tempted me, prooued me, and sawe my workes fourtie 10 yeeres long. Wherefore I was grieued with that generation, and sayde, They erre euer in their heart, neither haue they 11 knowen my wayes. Therefore I sware in my wrath, If they 12 shall enter into my rest. Take heede, brethren, least at any time there be in any of you an euill heart, and vnfaithfull, to 13 depart away from the liuing God. But exhort one another dayly, while it is called to day, lest any of you be hardened 14 through the deceitfulnes of sinne. For we are made partakers of Christ, if we keepe sure vnto the ende that beginning, 15 wherewith we are vpholden, So long as it is sayd, To day if ye heare his voyce, harden not your hearts, as in the prouocation. 16 For some when they heard, prouoked him to anger: howbeit, 17 not all that came out of Egypt by Moses. But with whome was he displeased fourtie yeeres? Was hee not displeased with 18 them that sinned, whose carkeises fell in the wildernes? And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but 19 vnto them that obeyed not? So we see that they could not enter in, because of vnbeliefe.

4 Let vs feare therefore, least at any time by forsaking the promise of entring into his rest, any of you should seeme to be depriued. For vnto vs was the Gospel preached as also vnto them: but the worde that they heard, profited not them, because it was not mixed with faith in those that heard it. For we which haue beleeued, doe enter into rest, as he said to the other, As I haue sworne in my wrath, If they shall enter into my

rest: although the workes were finished from the foundation of the world. For he spake in a certaine place of the seuenth 4 day on this wise, And God did rest the seuenth day from all his workes. And in this place againe, If they shall enter into 5 my rest. Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter 6 thereinto, and they to whom it was first preached, entred not therein for vnbeliefes sake: Againe he appointed in Dauid a 7 certaine day, by To day, after so long a time, saying, as it is sayd, This day, if ye heare his voyce, harden not your hearts. For if Iesus had given them rest, then would he not after this 8 haue spoke of an other day. There remaineth therefore a rest 9 to the people of God. For he that is entred into his rest, hath 10 also ceased from his owne works, as God did from his. Let 11 vs studie therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same ensample of disobedience. For the worde of 12 God is liuely, and mightie in operation, and sharper then any two edged sword, and entreth through, euen vnto the diuiding asunder of the soule and the spirit, and of the ioints, and the marow, and is a discerner of the thoughtes, and the intents of the heart. Neither is there any creature, which is not man- 13 ifest in his sight: but all things are naked and open vnto his eyes, with whome we have to doe. Seeing then that wee have 14 a great hie Priest, which is entred into heauen, euen Iesus the Sonne of God, let vs holde fast our profession. For we haue 15 not an hie Priest, which can not be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, but was in all things tempted in like sort, yet without sinne. Let vs therefore goe boldly vnto ye throne of 16 grace, that we may receive mercy, and finde grace to helpe in time of neede.

For every hie Priest is taken from among men, and is ordeined for men, in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both giftes and sacrifices for sinnes, Which is able sufficiently to have compassion on them that are ignorant, and that are out of the way, because that hee also is compassed with infirmitie, And for the sames sake he is bound to offer for sinnes, as well for his own part, as for ye peoples. And no man taketh this honor vnto him selfe, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron. So likewise Christ tooke not to him selfe this honour, to be made the hie Priest, but hee that sayd vnto him, Thou art my Sonne, this day begate I thee, gaue it him. As he also in 6

another place speaketh, Thou art a Priest for euer, after ye or-7 der of Melchi-sedec. Who in the dayes of his flesh did offer vp prayers and supplications, with strong crying and teares vnto him, that was able to saue him from death, and was also heard 8 in that which he feared. And though he were ye Sonne, yet 9 learned he obedience, by the things which he suffered. And being consecrate, was made the authour of eternall saluation 10 vnto all them that obey him: And is called of God an hie Priest Of whome we haue many 11 after the order of Melchi-sedec. things to say, which are hard to be vttered, because ye are dull 12 of hearing. For when as concerning ye time ye ought to be teachers, yet haue ye neede againe that we teach you what are the first principles of the worde of God: and are become such 13 as haue neede of milke, and not of strong meate. For euery one that vseth milke, is inexpert in the worde of righteousnes: 14 for he is a babe. But strong meate belongeth to them that are of age, which through long custome haue their wits exercised, to discerne both good and euill.

Therefore, leaving the doctrine of the beginning of Christ, let vs be led forward vnto perfection, not laying againe ye foundation of repetance from dead workes, and of faith toward God, 2 Of the doctrine of baptismes, and laying on of hands, and of the 3 resurrection from the dead, and of eternall judgement. And 4 this will we doe if God permit. For it is impossible that they which were once lightened, and haue tasted of the heauenly 5 gift, and were made partakers of the holy Ghost, And haue tasted of the good word of God, and of the powers of the world 6 to come, If they fal away, should be renued againe by repentance: seeing they crucifie againe to themselues the Sonne of 7 God, and make a mocke of him. For the earth which drinketh in the raine that commeth oft vpon it, and bringeth foorth herbes meete for them by whome it is dressed, receiueth bless-8 ing of God. But that which beareth thornes and briars, is reproued, and is neere vnto cursing, whose end is to be burned. 9 But beloued, we have perswaded our selues better things of you, and such as accompany saluation, though we thus speake. 10 For God is not vnrighteous, that hee should forget your worke, and labour of loue, which ye shewed toward his Name, in that 11 ye haue ministred vnto the Saints, and yet minister. And we desire that euery one of you shew the same diligence, to the

full assurance of hope vnto the ende, That ye be not slouth- 12 full, but followers of them, which through faith and patience, inherite the promises. For when God made the promise to 13 Abraham, because he had no greater to sweare by, he sware by himselfe, Saying, Surely I wil aboundantly blesse thee and 14 multiplie thee marueilously. And so after that he had taried 15 patiently, he enioved the promise. For men verely sweare by 16 him that is greater then themselues, and an othe for confirmation is among them an ende of all strife. So God, willing more 17 aboundantly to shew vnto the heires of promise the stablenes of his counsell, bound himselfe by an othe, That by two im- 18 mutable things, wherein it is vnpossible that God should lye, we might have strong consolation, which have our refuge to lay holde vpon that hope that is set before vs. Which hope we 19 haue, as an ancre of the soule, both sure and stedfast, and it entreth into that which is within the vaile. Whither the fore- 20 runner is for vs entred in, euen Iesus that is made an hie Priest for euer after the order of Melchi-sedec.

For this Melchi-sedec was King of Salem, the Priest of the 7 most high God, who met Abraham, as he returned from the slaughter of the Kings, and blessed him: To whom also Abra- 2 ham gaue the tithe of all things: who first is by interpretation King of righteousnes: after that, he is also King of Salem, that is, King of peace, Without father, without mother, with- 3 out kinred, and hath neither beginning of his dayes, neither ende of life: but is likened vnto the Sonne of God, and continueth a Priest for euer. Nowe consider how great this man was, 4 vnto whome euen the Patriarke Abraham gaue the tithe of the spoyles. For verely they which are the childre of Leui, which 5 receive the office of the Priesthode, have a commandement to take, according to the Law, tithes of the people (that is, of their bethren) though they came out of ye loynes of Abraham. But 6 he whose kindred is not couted among them, received tithes of Abraham, and blessed him that had the promises. And with-7 out all contradiction the lesse is blessed of the greater. here men that die, receive tithes: but there he receiveth them, of whome it is witnessed, that he liueth. And to say as the 9 thing is, Leui also which receiveth tithes, payed tithes in Abra-For hee was yet in the loynes of his father Abraham, 10 when Melchi-sedec met him. If therefore perfection had bene 11

by the Priesthoode of the Leuites (for vnder it the Lawe was established to the people) what needed it furthermore, that another Priest should rise after the order of Melchi-sedec, and not 12 to be called after the order of Aaron? For if the Priesthood be changed, then of necessitie must there be a change of the Lawe. 13 For hee of whome these things are spoken, perteineth vnto an-14 other tribe, whereof no man served at the altar. For it is euident, that our Lord sprung out of Iuda, concerning the which 15 tribe Moses spake nothing, touching the Priesthood. And it is yet a more euident thing, because that after the similitude of Melchi-sedec, there is risen vp another Priest, Which is not made Priest after the Law of the carnal commandement, but 17 after the power of the endlesse life. For hee testifieth thus. 18 Thou art a Priest for euer, after the order of Melchi-sedec. For the commandement that went afore, is disanulled, because of 19 the weakenes thereof, and ynprofitablenes. For the Law made nothing perfite, but the bringing in of a better hope made per-20 fite, whereby we drawe neere vnto God. And for as much as it is not without an othe (for these are made Priestes without 21 an othe: But this is made with an othe by him that said vnto him, The Lord hath sworne, and will not repent, Thou art a 22 Priest for euer, after the order of Melchi-sedec) By so much 23 is Iesus made a suretie of a better Testament. And among them many were made Priests, because they were not suffered 24 to endure, by the reason of death. But this man, because hee endureth euer, hath a Priesthood, which cannot passe from one 25 to another. Wherefore, hee is able also perfectly to saue them that come vnto God by him, seeing he euer liueth, to make in-26 tercession for them. For such an hie Priest it became vs to haue, which is holy, harmelesse, vndefiled, separate from sin-27 ners, and made hier then the heauens: Which needeth not daily as those hie Priests to offer vp sacrifice, first for his owne sinnes, and then for the peoples: for that did he once, when he 28 offered vp himselfe. For the Law maketh men hie Priestes, which have infirmitie: but the word of the othe that was since the Lawe, maketh the Sonne, who is consecrated for euermore. 8

Nowe of the things which we have spoken, this is the summe, that wee have such an hie Priest, that sitteth at the right hand of the throne of the Maiestie in heavens, And is a minister of the Sanctuarie, and of that true Tabernacle which the Lord

pight, and not man. For every high Priest is ordeined to of- 3 fer both giftes and sacrifices: wherefore it was of necessitie, that this man shoulde have somewhat also to offer. were not a Priest, if he were on the earth, seeing there are Priestes that according to the Lawe offer giftes, Who serue 5 vnto the paterne and shadowe of heauenly things, as Moses was warned by God, whe he was about to finish the Tabernacle. See, saide hee, that thou make all thinges according to the paterne, shewed to thee in the mount. But nowe our hie 6 Priest hath obteined a more excellent office, in as much as he is the Mediatour of a better Testament, which is established vpon better promises. For if that first Testament had bene 7 vnblameable, no place should have bene sought for the second. For in rebuking them he saith, Beholde, the dayes will come, 8 saith the Lord, when I shall make with the house of Israel, and with the house of Iuda a newe Testament: Not like the Tes- 9 tament that I made with their fathers, in the day that I tooke them by the hand, to leade them out of the land of Egypt: for they continued not in my Testament, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord. For this is the Testament that I will make 10 with the house of Israel, After those dayes, saith the Lord, I will put my Lawes in their minde, and in their heart I will write them, and I wil be their God, and they shalbe my people, And they shall not teache euery man his neighbour and 11 euery man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall knowe me, from the least of them to the greatest of them. For 12 I will bee mercifull to their vnrighteousnes, and I wil remember their sinnes and their iniquities no more. In that he saith 13 a new Testament, he hath abrogate the olde: nowe that which is disanulled and waxed olde, is ready to vanish away.

Then the first Testament had also ordinances of religion, and a worldly Sanctuarie. For the first Tabernacle was made, wherein was the candlesticke, and the table, and the shewebread, which Tabernacle is called the Holy places. And after the seconde vaile was the Tabernacle, which is called the Holiest of all, Which had the golden censer, and the Arke of the Testament ouerlayde rounde about with golde, wherein the golden pot, which had Manna, was, and Aarons rod that had budded, and the tables of the Testament. And ouer the Arke were the glorious Cherubims, shadowing the mercie seat: of

6 which things we will not nowe speake particularly. when these things were thus ordeined, the Priestes went alwayes into the first Tabernacle, and accomplished the seruice. 7 But into the second went the hie Priest alone, once euery yere, not without blood which hee offered for himselfe, and for the 8 ignorances of the people. Whereby the holy Ghost this signified, that the way into ye Holiest of all was not yet opened, 9 while as yet the first tabernacle was standing, Which was a figure for that present time, wherein were offred gifts and sacrifices that could not make holy, concerning the conscience, him 10 that did the seruice, Which only stood in meates and drinkes, and divers washings, and carnal rites, which were inioyned, 11 vntill the time of reformation. But Christ being come an high Priest of good things to come, by a greater and a more perfect Tabernacle, not made with handes, that is, not of this building, 12 Neither by the blood of goates and calues: but by his owne blood entred he in once vnto the holy place, and obteined eter-13 nall redemption for vs. For if the blood of bulles and of goates, and the ashes of an heifer, sprinkling them that are vncleane, 14 sanctifieth as touching the purifying of the flesh, How much more shall the blood of Christ which through the eternall Spirit offered himselfe without fault to God, purge your conscience 15 from dead workes, to serue the liuing God? And for this cause is he the Mediatour of the newe Testament, that through death which was for the redemption of the transgressions that were in the former Testament, they which were called, might receive 16 the promise of eternall inheritance. For where a Testament is, there must be the death of him that made the Testament. 17 For the Testament is confirmed when men are dead: for it is 18 yet of no force as long as he that made it, is aliue. 19 fore neither was the first ordeined without blood. Moses had spoken every precept to the people, according to the Law, he tooke the blood of calues and of goates, with water and purple wooll and hyssope, and sprinckled both the booke, 20 and all the people, Saying, This is the blood of the Testament, 21 which God hath appointed vnto you. Moreouer, he sprinkled likewise the Tabernacle with blood also, and all the ministring And almost all things are by the Law purged with 22 vessels. 23 blood, and without sheading of blood is no remission. It was then necessary, that the similitudes of heauenly things should be purified with such things: but the heauenly things them selues are purified with better sacrifices then are these. For 24 Christ is not entred into ye holy places that are made with hands, which are similitudes of ye true Sanctuarie: but is entred into very heauen, to appeare now in ye sight of God for vs, Not that he should offer himselfe often, as the hie Priest entred 25 into the Holy place euery yeere with other blood, (For then 26 must he haue often suffred since the foundation of the world) but now in the end of the world hath he bene made manifest, once to put away sinne by the sacrifice of him selfe. And as it 27 is appointed vnto men that they shall once die, and after that commeth the iudgement: So Christ was once offered to take 28 away the sinnes of many, and vnto them that looke for him, shall he appeare the second time without sinne vnto saluation.

For the Law having the shadowe of good things to come, 10 and not the very image of the things, can neuer with those sacrifices, which they offer yeere by yeere continually, sanctifie the commers thereunto. For would they not then haue 2 ceased to have bene offered, because that the offerers once purged, should have had no more conscience of sinnes? But in 3 those sacrifices there is a remembrance againe of sinnes euery yeere. For it is vnpossible that the blood of bulles and goates 4 should take away sinnes. Wherefore when he commeth into 5 the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offring thou wouldest not: but a body hast thou ordeined me. In burnt offerings, and sinne 6 offrings thou hast had no pleasure. Then I sayd, Lo, I come (In 7 the beginning of the booke it is written of me) that I should doe thy will, O God. Aboue, when he sayd, Sacrifice and offring, 8 and burnt offrings, and sinne offrings thou wouldest not haue, neither hadst pleasure therein (which are offered by the Lawe) Then sayd he, Lo, I come to doe thy wil, O God, he taketh away 9 the first, that he may stablish the second. By the which wil we 10 are sanctified, euen by the offring of the body of Iesus Christ once made. And euery Priest standeth dayly ministring, and 11 oft times offreth one maner of offring, which can neuer take away sinnes: But this man after he had offered one sacrifice 12 for sinnes, sitteth for euer at the right hand of God, And from 13 hencefoorth tarieth, till his enemies be made his footestoole. For with one offering hath he consecrated for euer them that 14 are sanctified. For the holy Ghost also beareth vs record: for 15

16 after that he had sayd before, This is the Testament that I will make vnto them after those dayes, sayth the Lord, I wil put my Lawes in their heart, and in their mindes I will write 17 them. And their sinnes and iniquities will I remember no Nowe where remission of these things is, there is no 18 more. 19 more offering for sinne. Seeing therefore, brethren, that by the blood of Iesus we may be bolde to enter into the Holy place, 20 By the newe and liuing way, which hee hath prepared for vs, 21 through the vaile, that is, his flesh: And seeing we have an 22 hie Priest, which is ouer the house of God, Let vs drawe neere with a true heart in assurance of faith, our hearts being pure 23 from an euill conscience, And washed in our bodies with pure water, let vs keepe the profession of our hope, without wauer-24 ing, (for he is faithfull that promised) And let vs consider one 25 another, to prouoke vnto loue, and to good workes, Not forsaking the fellowship that we have among our selues, as the maner of some is: but let vs exhort one another, and that so much the more, because ye see that the day draweth neere. 26 For if we sinne willingly after that we have received and acknowledged that trueth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for 27 sinnes, But a fearefull looking for of iudgement, and violent 28 fire, which shall deuoure the aduersaries. He that despiseth Moses Law, dieth without mercy vnder two, or three witnesses: 29 Of howe much sorer punishment suppose ye shall hee be worthy, which treadeth vnder foote the Sonne of God, and counteth the blood of the Testament as an vnholy thing, wherewith 30 he was sanctified, and doeth despite the Spirit of grace? For we know him that hath sayd, Vengeance belongeth vnto mee: I will recompense, saith the Lord. And againe, The Lord shall 31 iudge his people. It is a fearefull thing to fall into the hands of 32 the liuing God. Nowe call to remembrance the dayes that are passed, in the which, after ye had received light, ye endured a 33 great fight in afflictions, Partly while yee were made a gazing stocke both by reproches and afflictions, and partly while ye became companions of them which were so tossed to and from. 34 For both ye sorowed with mee for my bonds, and suffered with ioy the spoyling of your goods, knowing in your selues howe that ye haue in heauen a better, and an enduring substance. 35 Cast not away therefore your confidence which hath great rec-36 ompense of reward. For ye have neede of patience, that after

ye haue done the will of God, ye might receiue the promise. For yet a very litle while, and hee that shall come, will come, 37 and will not tary. Nowe the iust shall liue by faith: but if 38 any withdrawe himselfe, my soule shall haue no pleasure in him. But we are not they which withdrawe our selues vnto 39 perdition, but follow faith vnto the conservation of the soule.

Now faith is the grounds of things, which are hoped for, and 11 the euidence of things which are not seene. For by it our el- 2 ders were well reported of. Through faith we vnderstand that 3 the world was ordeined by the worde of God, so that the things which we see, are not made of things which did appeare. By 4 faith Abel offered vnto God a greater sacrifice then Cain, by the which he obtained witnes that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: by the which faith also he being dead, yet speaketh. By faith was Enoch translated, that he should not 5 see death: neither was he found: for God had translated him: for before he was translated, he was reported of, that he had pleased God. But without faith it is vnpossible to please him: 6 for he that commeth to God, must beleeue that God is, and that he is a rewarder of them that seeke him. By faith Noe 7 being warned of God of the things which were as yet not seene, mooued with reuerence, prepared the Arke to the sauing of his housholde, through the which Arke hee condemned the world, and was made heire of the righteousnes, which is by faith. By 8 faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed God, to goe out into a place, which hee should afterward receive for inheritance, and he went out, not knowing whither he went. faith he abode in the land of promise, as in a strange countrey, as one that dwelt in tents with Isaac and Iacob heires with him. of the same promise. For he looked for a citie having a foun- 10 dation, whose builder and maker is God. Through faith Sara 11 also received strength to conceive seede, and was delivered of a childe when she was past age, because she iudged him faithfull which had promised. And therefore sprang there of one, euen 12 of one which was dead, so many as the starres of the skie in multitude, and as the land of the sea shore which is innumerable. All these died in faith, and received not the promises, 13 but sawe them a farre off, and beleeued them, and received them thankefully, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. For they that say such things, de- 14

15 clare plainely, that they seeke a countrey. And if they had bene mindfull of that countrey, from whence they came out, 16 they had leasure to haue returned. But nowe they desire a better, that is an heauenly: wherefore God is not ashamed of them to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a 17 citie. By faith Abraham offered vp Isaac, when he was tryed, and he that had received the promises, offered his onely begot-18 ten sonne. (To whom it was said, In Isaac shall thy seede be 19 called.) For he considered that God was able to raise him vp euen from the dead: from whence he receiued him also after a 20 sort. By faith Isaac blessed Iacob and Esau, concerning things 21 to come. By faith Iacob when he was a dying, blessed both the sonnes of Ioseph, and leaning on the ende of his staffe, wor-22 shipped God. By faith Ioseph when he died, made mention of the departing of the children of Israel, and gaue commande-23 ment of his bones. By faith Moses when he was borne, was hid three moneths of his parents, because they sawe he was a proper childe, neither feared they the kings commandement. 24 By faith Moses when he was come to age, refused to be called 25 the sonne of Pharaohs daughter, And chose rather to suffer aduersitie with the people of God, then to enioy the pleasures 26 of sinnes for a season, Esteeming the rebuke of Christ greater riches then the treasures of Egypt: for he had respect vnto 27 the recompence of the reward. By faith he forsooke Egypt, and feared not the fiercenes of the king: for he endured, as 28 he that sawe him which is inuisible. Through faith he ordeined the Passeouer and the effusion of blood, least he that 29 destroyed the first borne, should touche them. By faith they passed through the red sea as by drie land, which when the 30 Egyptians had assayed to doe, they were swallowed vp. By faith the walles of Iericho fell downe after they were copassed By faith the harlot Rahab perished not 31 about seue dayes. with them which obeyed not, when she had received the spies 32 peaceably. And what shall I more say? for the time would be too short for me to tell of Gedeon, of Barac, and of Sampson, and of Iephte, also of Dauid, and Samuel, and of the Prophets: 33 Which through faith subdued kingdomes, wrought righteousnesse, obtained the promises, stopped the mouthes of lions, 34 Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sworde, of weake were made strong, waxed valiant in battell, turned

to flight the armies of the aliants. The women received their 35 dead raised to life: other also were racked, and woulde not be delivered, that they might receive a better resurrection. And 36 others have bene tryed by mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover by bondes and prisonment. They were stoned, they were 37 hewen asunder, they were tempted, they were slaine with the sworde, they wandred vp and downe in sheepes skinnes, and in goates skinnes, being destitute, afflicted, and tormented: Whom the world was not worthie of: they wandered in wilderses and mountaines, and dennes, and caues of the earth. And these all through faith obteined good report, and received 39 not the promise, God providing a better thing for vs, that they 40 without vs should not be made perfite.

Wherefore, let vs also, seeing that we are compassed with 12 so great a cloude of witnesses, cast away euery thing that presseth downe, and the sinne that hangeth so fast on: let vs runne with patience the race that is set before vs. Looking vnto Iesus 2 the authour and finisher of our faith, who for the ioy that was set before him, endured the crosse, and despised the shame, and is set at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider 3 therefore him that endured such speaking against of sinners, lest ye should be wearied and faint in your mindes. Ye haue 4 not yet resisted vnto blood, striuing against sinne. And ye 5 haue forgotten the consolation, which speaketh vnto you as vnto children, My sonne, despise not the chastening of the Lord, neither faint when thou art rebuked of him. For whom 6 the Lord loueth, he chasteneth: and he scourgeth euery sonne that he receiveth: If ye endure chastening, God offereth him 7 selfe vnto you as vnto sonnes: for what sonne is it whom the father chasteneth not? If therefore ye be without correction, 8 whereof al are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sonnes. Moreouer we have had the fathers of our bodies which cor- 9 rected vs, and we gaue them reuerence: should we not much rather be in subjection vnto the father of spirites, that we might liue? For they verely for a few dayes chastened vs after their 10 owne pleasure: but he chasteneth vs for our profite, that we might be partakers of his holinesse. Now no chastising for 11 the present seemeth to be ioyous, but, grieuous: but afterwarde, it bringeth the quiet fruite of righteousnesse, vnto them which are thereby exercised. Wherfore lift vp your hands 12

13 which hang downe, and your weake knees, And make straight steppes vnto your feete, lest that which is halting, be turned out of the way, but let it rather be healed. Followe peace with all men, and holinesse, without the which no man shall see ye Take heede, that no man fall away from the grace of God: let no roote of bitternes spring vp and trouble you, lest 16 thereby many be defiled. Let there be no fornicator, or prophane person as Esau, which for one portion of meate solde 17 his birthright. For ye knowe howe that afterwarde also when he woulde haue inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he founde no place to repentance, though he sought that bless-18 ing with teares. For ye are not come vnto the mount that might be touched, nor vnto burning fire, nor to blacknes and 19 darkenes, and tempest, Neither vnto the sounde of a trumpet, and the voyce of wordes, which they that heard it, excused themselues, that the word should not be spoken to them any 20 more, (For they were not able to abide that which was commanded, yea, though a beast touche the mountaine, it shalbe 21 stoned, or thrust through with a dart: And so terrible was the sight which appeared, that Moses said, I feare and quake.) 22 But ye are come vnto the mount Sion, and to the citie of the liuing God, the celestiall Hierusalem, and to ve company of in-23 numerable Angels, And to the assemblie and congregation of the first borne, which are written in heauen, and to God the 24 iudge of all, and to the spirits of iust and perfite men, And to Iesus the Mediatour of the new Testament, and to the blood of 25 sprinkling that speaketh better things then that of Abel. See that ye despise not him that speaketh: for if they escaped not which refused him, that spake on earth: much more shall we not escape, if we turne away from him, that speaketh from 26 heauen. Whose voyce then shooke the earth and nowe hath declared, saying, Yet once more will I shake, not the earth 27 onely, but also heaven. And this worde, Yet once more, signifieth the remouing of those things which are shaken, as of things which are made with hands, that the things which are 28 not shaken, may remaine. Wherefore seeing we receiue a kingdome, which cannot be shaken, let vs haue grace whereby we may so serue God, that we may please him with reuerence 29 and feare. For euen our God is a consuming fire.

**13**, 2 Let brotherly loue continue. Be not forgetfull to intertaine

strangers: for thereby some haue received Angels into their houses vnwares. Remember them that are in bondes, as though 3 ye were bounde with them: and them that are in affliction, as if ye were also afflicted in the body. Mariage is honorable 4 among all, and the bed vndefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge. Let your conversation be without cou- 5 etousnesse, and be content with those things that ye haue, for he hath said. I will not faile thee, neither forsake thee: So 6.7 that we may boldly say, The Lord is mine helper, neither will I feare what man can doe vnto me. Remember them which 8 have the oversight of you, which have declared vnto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering what hath bene the ende of their conversation. Iesus Christ yesterday, and to day, the same also is for euer. Be not caried about with diuers 9 and strange doctrines: for it is a good thing that the heart be stablished with grace, and not with meates, which have not profited them that have bene occupied therein. We have an 10 altar, whereof they have no authoritie to eate, which serve in the tabernacle. For the bodies of those beastes whose blood 11 is brought into the Holy place by the high Priest for sinne, are burnt without the campe. Therefore euen Iesus, that he might 12 sanctifie the people with his owne blood, suffered without the gate. Let vs goe foorth to him therefore out of the campe, bear- 13 ing his reproch. For here haue we no continuing citie: but we 14 seeke one to come. Let vs therefore by him offer the sacri- 15 fice of prayse alwaies to God, that is, the fruite of the lippes, which confesse his Name. To doe good, and to distribute for- 16 get not: for with such sacrifices God is pleased. Obey them 17 that have the oversight of you, and submit your selves: for they watche for your soules, as they that must give accountes, that they may doe it with joy, and not with griefe: for that is vnprofitable for you. Pray for vs: for we are assured that 18 we have a good conscience in all things, desiring to live honestly. And I desire you somewhat the more earnestly, that yee 19 so doe, that I may be restored to you more quickly. The God 20 of peace that brought againe from the dead our Lord Iesus, the great shepheard of the sheepe, through the blood of the euerlasting Couenant, Make you perfect in all good workes, to 21 doe his will, working in you that which is pleasant in his sight through Iesus Christ, to whom be praise for euer and euer.

- 22 Amen. I beseeche you also, brethren, suffer the wordes of ex-
- hortation: for I haue written vnto you in fewe wordes. Knowe that our brother Timotheus is deliuered, with whome (if hee
- <sup>24</sup> come shortly) I will see you. Salute all them that haue the ouersight of you, and all the Saintes. They of Italie salute you.
- 25 Grace be with you all, Amen. (Written to the Hebrewes from Italie, and sent by Timotheus.)

# THE GENERAL EPISTLE OF JAMES.

ames a seruant of God, and of the Lord Iesus Christ, 1 to the twelue Tribes, which are scattered abroade,  $_{\rm sc}^{\circ}$  salutation. My brethren, count it exceeding joy, when 2 ye fall into diuers tentations, Knowing that ye trying 3 of your faith bringeth forth patience, And let patience haue 4 her perfect worke, that ye may be perfect and entier, lacking nothing. If any of you lacke wisedome, let him aske of God, 5 which giueth to all men liberally, and reprocheth no man, and it shalbe given him. But let him aske in faith, and waver 6 not: for hee that wavereth, is like a wave of the sea, tost of the winde, and caried away. Neither let that man thinke that 7 hee shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man 8 is vnstable in all his waies. Let the brother of lowe degree 9 reioyce in that he is exalted: Againe hee that is rich, in that 10 hee is made lowe: for as the flower of the grasse, shall he vanish away. For as when the sunne riseth with heate, then the 11 grasse withereth, and his flower falleth away, and the goodly shape of it perisheth: euen so shall the rich man wither away in all his waies. Blessed is ye man, that endureth tentation: 12 for when he is tried, hee shall receive the crowne of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that loue him. Let no man 13 say when hee is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God can not bee tempted with euill, neither tempteth he any man. But eu- 14 ery man is tempted, when hee is drawen away by his owne concupiscence, and is entised. Then when lust hath conceived, it 15 bringeth foorth sinne, and sinne when it is finished, bringeth foorth death. Erre not, my deare brethren. Euery good giu- 16, 17 ing, and euery perfect gift is from aboue, and commeth downe from the Father of lights, with whome is no variablenes, neither shadow of turning. Of his owne will begate hee vs with 18 the woorde of trueth, that we shoulde be as the first fruites of his creatures. Wherefore my deare brethren, let euery man be 19 swift to heare, slowe to speake, and slowe to wrath. For the 20 wrath of man doeth not accomplish the righteousnesse of God.

21 Wherefore lay apart all filthinesse, and superfluitie of maliciousnesse, and receiue with meekenes the word that is graffed 22 in you, which is able to saue your soules. And be ye doers of the word, and not hearers onely, deceiving your owne selves. 23 For if any heare the woorde, and doe it not, he is like vnto a 24 man, that beholdeth his naturall face in a glasse. For when he hath considered himselfe, hee goeth his way, and forgetteth 25 immediately what maner of one he was. But who so looketh in the perfect Lawe of libertie, and continueth therein, hee not being a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the woorke, shalbe 26 blessed in his deede. If any man amog you seeme religious, and refraineth not his tongue, but deceiueth his owne heart, 27 this mans religion is vaine. Pure religion and vndefiled before God, euen the Father, is this, to visite the fatherlesse, and widdowes in their aduersitie, and to keepe himselfe vnspotted of the world.

My brethren, haue not the faith of our glorious Lord Iesus 2 2 Christ in respect of persons. For if there come into your company a man with a golde ring, and in goodly apparell, and there 3 come in also a poore man in vile raiment, And ye haue a respect to him that weareth the gaie clothing; and say vnto him, Sit thou here in a goodly place, and say vnto the poore, Stand 4 thou there, or sit here vnder my footestoole, Are yee not partiall in your selues, and are become judges of euill thoughts? 5 Hearken my beloued brethren, hath not God chosen the poore of this worlde, that they should be rich in faith, and heires of the kingdome which he promised to them that loue him? 6 But ye have despised the poore. Doe not the riche oppresse you by tyrannie, and doe not they drawe you before the judge-7 ment seates? Doe nor they blaspheme the worthie Name after 8 which yee be named? But if yee fulfill the royall Lawe according to the Scripture, which saith, Thou shalt loue thy neigh-9 bour as thy selfe, yee doe well. But if yee regarde the persons, yee commit sinne, and are rebuked of the Lawe, as transgres-For whosoeuer shall keepe the whole Lawe, and yet 10 sours. 11 faileth in one poynt, hee is guiltie of all. For he that saide, Thou shalt not commit adulterie, saide also, Thou shalt not kill. Nowe though thou doest none adulterie, yet if thou killest, 12 thou art a transgressour of the Lawe. So speake ye, and so 13 doe, as they that shall be judged by the Lawe of libertie. For

there shalbe condemnation merciles to him that sheweth not mercie, and mercie reioyceth against condemnation. auaileth it, my brethren, though a man saith he hath faith, when he hath no workes? can that faith saue him? a brother or a sister bee naked and destitute of daily foode. And one of you say vnto them, Depart in peace: warme your 16 selues, and fil your bellies, notwithstading ve giue them not those things which are needefull to the body, what helpeth it? Euen so the faith, if it have no woorkes, is dead in it selfe. But 17, 18 some man might say, Thou hast the faith, and I haue woorkes: shewe me thy faith out of thy woorkes, and I will shewe thee my faith by my woorkes. Thou beleeuest that there is one 19 God: thou doest well: the deuils also believe it, and tremble. But wilt thou vnderstand, O thou vaine man, that the faith 20 which is without workes, is dead? Was not Abraham our fa- 21 ther iustified through workes, when he offred Isaac his sonne vpon the altar? Seest thou not that the faith wrought with 22 his workes? and through the workes was the faith made perfect. And the Scripture was fulfilled which sayeth, Abraham 23 beleeued God, and it was imputed vnto him for righteousnesse: and hee was called the friende of God. Ye see then howe that 24 of workes a man is iustified, and not of faith onely. Likewise 25 also was not Rahab the harlot justified through workes, when she had received ye messengers, and sent them out another way? For as the body without ye spirit is dead, euen so the 26 faith without workes is dead.

My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall 3 receive the greater condemnation. For in many things we 2 sinne all. If any man sinne not in word, he is a perfect man, and able to bridle all the body. Beholde, we put bittes into the 3 horses mouthes, that they should obey vs, and we turne about all their bodie. Behold also the shippes, which though they be 4 so great, and are driven of fierce windes, yet are they turned about with a very small rudder, whither soeuer the governour listeth. Euen so the tongue is a litle member, and boasteth of 5 great things: beholde, howe great a thing a litle fire kindleth. And the tongue is fire, yea, a worlde of wickednesse: so is the 6 tongue set among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature, and it is set on fire of hell. For the whole nature of beasts, and of birds, and 7

of creeping things, and things of the sea is tamed, and hath 8 bene tamed of the nature of man. But the tongue can no man 9 tame. It is an vnruly euill, full of deadly poyson. Therewith blesse we God euen the Father, and therewith curse we men, 10 which are made after the similitude of God. Out of one mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing: my brethren, these things 11 ought not so to be. Doeth a fountaine send forth at one place 12 sweete water and bitter? Can ye figge tree, my brethren, bring forth oliues, either a vine figges? so can no fountaine make 13 both salt water and sweete. Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew by good conuersa-14 tion his workes in meekenesse of wisdome. But if ye haue bitter enuying and strife in your hearts, reioyce not, neither 15 be liars against the trueth. This wisedome descendeth not 16 from aboue, but is earthly, sensuall, and deuilish. For where enuying and strife is, there is sedition, and all maner of euill 17 workes. But the wisedome that is from aboue, is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, easie to be intreated, full of mercie and 18 good fruites, without judging, and without hipocrisie. And the fruite of righteousnesse is sowen in peace, of them that make peace.

From whence are warres and contentions among you? are they not hence, euen of your pleasures, that fight in your mem-2 bers? Ye lust, and haue not: ye enuie, and desire immoderately, and cannot obtaine: ye fight and warre, and get nothing, 3 because ye aske not. Ye aske, and receiue not, because ye aske amisse, that ye might lay the same out on your pleasures. 4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, knowe ye not that the amitie of the world is the enimitie of God? Whosoeuer therefore will be a 5 friend of the world, maketh himselfe the enemie of God. Doe ye thinke that the Scripture sayeth in vaine, The spirit that 6 dwelleth in vs, lusteth after enuie? But the Scripture offereth more grace, and therefore sayth, God resisteth the proude, and 7 giueth grace to the humble. Submit your selues to God: resist 8 the deuill, and he will flee from you. Drawe neere to God, and he will drawe neere to you. Clense your handes, ye sinners, 9 and purge your hearts, ye double minded. Suffer afflictions, and sorrowe ye, and weepe: let your laughter be turned into 10 mourning, and your ioy into heauinesse. Cast downe your 11 selues before the Lord, and he will lift you vp. Speake not

euill one of another, brethren. He that speaketh euill of his brother, or he that condemneth his brother, speaketh euill of ye Law, and condemneth the Lawe: and if thou condemnest the Lawe, thou art not an observer of the Lawe, but a iudge. There is one Lawgiuer, which is able to saue, and to destroy. 12 Who art thou that iudgest another man? Goe to now ye that 13 say, To day or to morowe we will goe into such a citie, and continue there a yeere, and bye and sell, and get gaine, (And yet 14 ye cannot tell what shalbe to morowe. For what is your life? It is euen a vapour that appeareth for a litle time, and afterward vanisheth away) For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, and, 15 if we live, we will doe this or that. But now ye reioyce in your 16 boastings: all such reioycing is evill. Therefore, to him that 17 knoweth how to doe well, and doeth it not, to him it is sinne.

Goe to nowe, ye rich men: weepe, and howle for your mis- 5 eries that shall come vpon you. Your riches are corrupt, and 2 your garments are moth eaten. Your gold and siluer is cankred, 3 and the rust of them shalbe a witnesse against you, and shall eate your flesh, as it were fire. Ye have heaped vp treasure for the last dayes. Behold, the hire of ye labourers, which 4 haue reaped your fieldes (which is of you kept backe by fraude) crveth, and the cryes of them which haue reaped, are entred into the eares of the Lord of hostes. Ye have lived in plea- 5 sure on the earth, and in wantonnes. Ye have nourished your heartes, as in a day of slaughter. Ye have condemned and 6 haue killed the just, and he hath not resisted you. Be patient 7 therefore, brethren, vnto the comming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman wayteth for the precious fruite of the earth, and hath long patience for it, vntill he receive the former, and the latter rayne. Be ye also patient therefore and settle your 8 hearts: for ye comming of the Lord draweth neere. Grudge 9 not one against another, brethren, least ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the doore. Take, my brethren, 10 the Prophets for an ensample of suffering aduersitie, and of long patience, which have spoken in the Name of the Lord. Beholde, we count them blessed which endure. Ye have heard 11 of the patience of Iob, and have known what ende the Lord made. For the Lord is very pitifull and mercifull. But before 12 all thinges, my brethren, sweare not, neither by heauen, nor by earth, nor by any other othe: but let your yea, be yea, and your

13 nay, nay, lest ye fall into condemnation. Is any among you 14 afflicted? Let him pray. Is any merie? Let him sing. Is any sicke among you? Let him call for the Elders of the Church, and let them pray for him, and anount him with oyle in the 15 Name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith shall saue the sicke, and the Lord shall raise him vp: and if he haue com-16 mitted sinnes, they shalbe forgiuen him. Acknowledge your faultes one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed: for the prayer of a righteous man auaileth much, 17 if it be feruent. Helias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rayne, and it rayned not on the earth for three yeeres and sixe moneths. 18 And he prayed againe, and the heauen gaue rayne, and the 19 earth brought forth her fruite. Brethren, if any of you hath 20 erred from the trueth, and some man hath conuerted him, Let him know that he which hath converted the sinner from going astray out of his way, shall saue a soule from death, and shall hide a multitude of sinnes.

# THE FIRST EPISTLE GENERAL OF PETER.

 $_{\odot}$  ETER an Apostle of IESVS CHRIST, to the strangers  $\, {f 1} \,$ that dwell here and there throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia, Elect according 2 to the foreknowledge of God ye Father vnto sanctification of ye Spirit, through obedience and sprinkeling of the blood of Iesus Christ: Grace and peace bee multiplied vnto Blessed bee God, euen the Father of our Lord Iesus 3 Christ, which according to his aboundant mercie hath begotten vs againe vnto a liuely hope by the resurrection of Iesus Christ from the dead. To an inheritance immortall and vn- 4 defiled, and that withereth not, reserved in heaven for vs. Which are kept by the power of God through faith vnto salua- 5 tion, which is prepared to be shewed in the last time. Wherein 6 yee reioyce, though nowe for a season (if neede require) yee are in heavinesse, through manifolde tentations. That the trial 7 of your faith, being much more precious then golde that perisheth (though it be tried with fire) might bee founde vnto your praise, and honour and glorie at the appearing of Iesus Christ: Whome yee haue not seene, and yet loue him, in whome nowe, 8 though vee see him not, yet doe you beleeue, and reioyce with ioy vnspeakeable and glorious, Receiuing the ende of your 9 faith, euen the saluation of your soules. Of the which salu- 10 ation ye Prophets haue inquired and searched, which prophecied of the grace that should come vnto you, Searching when 11 or what time the Spirite which testified before of Christ which was in them, shoulde declare the sufferings that should come vnto Christ, and the glorie that shoulde follow. Vnto whome 12 it was reueiled, that not vnto themselues, but vnto vs they shoulde minister the things, which are nowe shewed vnto you by them which have preached vnto you the Gospell by the holy Ghost sent downe from heauen, the which things the Angels desire to beholde. Wherefore, girde vp the Ioynes of your 13 minde: bee sober, and trust perfectly on that grace that is brought vnto you, in the reuelation of Iesus Christ, As obedi- 14

ent children, not fashioning your selues vnto the former lustes 15 of your ignorance: But as hee which hath called you, is holie, so be yee holie in all maner of conversation; Because it is writ-17 ten, Be yee holie, for I am holie. And if ye call him Father, which without respect of person iudgeth according to euery mans woorke, passe the time of your dwelling here in feare, 18 Knowing that yee were not redeemed with corruptible things, as siluer and golde, from your vaine conversation, received by 19 the traditions of the fathers, But with the precious blood of 20 Christ, as of a Lambe vndefiled, and without spot. Which was ordeined before the foundation of the world, but was declared 21 in the last times for your sakes, Which by his meanes doe beleeue in God that raised him from the dead, and gaue him 22 glorie, that your faith and hope might bee in God, Hauing purified your soules in obeying the trueth through the spirite, to loue brotherly without faining, loue one another with a pure 23 heart feruently, Being borne anewe, not of mortall seede, but of immortall, by the woorde of God, who liueth and endureth 24 for euer. For all flesh is as grasse, and all the glorie of man is as the flower of grasse. The grasse withereth, and the flower 25 falleth away. But the worde of the Lord endureth for euer: and this is the woorde which is preached among you.

Wherefore, laying aside all maliciousnes, and all guile, and 2 dissimulation, and enuie, and all euill speaking. As newe borne babes desire that sincere milke of the woorde, that yee may 3 growe thereby, Because yee haue tasted that the Lord is boun-To whome comming as vnto a liuing stone disallowed 4 tifull. 5 of men, but chosen of God and precious, Yee also as lively stones, bee made a spirituall house, an holy Priesthoode to offer vp spirituall sacrifices acceptable to God by Iesus Christ. 6 Wherefore also it is conteyned in the Scripture, Beholde, I put in Sion a chiefe corner stone, elect and precious: and hee that 7 beleeueth therein, shall not be ashamed. Vnto you therefore which beleeue, it is precious: but vnto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same 8 is made the head of the corner, And a stone to stumble at, and a rocke of offence, euen to them which stumble at the woorde, being disobedient, vnto the which thing they were euen 9 ordeined. But yee are a chosen generation, a royall Priesthoode, an holy nation, a people set at libertie, that yee shoulde

shewe foorth the vertues of him that hath called you out of darkenesse into his marueilous light, Which in time past were 10 not a people, yet are nowe the people of God: which in time past were not vnder mercie, but nowe haue obteined mercie. Dearely beloued, I beseeche you, as strangers and pilgrims, 11 abstaine from fleshly lusts, which fight against the soule, And 12 haue your conversation honest among the Gentiles, that they which speake euill of you as of euill doers, may by your good woorkes which they shall see, glorifie God in the day of visitation. Therefore submit your selues vnto all maner ordinance 13 of man for the Lordes sake, whether it be vnto the King, as vnto the superiour, Or vnto gouernours, as vnto them that 14 are sent of him, for the punishment of euill doers, and for the praise of them that doe well. For so is the will of God, that 15 by well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of the foolish men, As free, and not as having the libertie for a cloke 16 of maliciousnesse, but as the servauntes of God. Honour all 17 men: loue brotherly fellowship: feare God: honour the King. Seruaunts, be subject to your masters with all feare, not onely 18 to the good and courteous, but also to the froward. For this 19 is thanke worthie, if a man for conscience toward God endure griefe, suffering wrongfully. For what praise is it, if when ye 20 be buffeted for your faultes, yee take it paciently? but and if when ye doe well, ye suffer wrong and take it paciently, this is acceptable to God. For hereunto ye are called: for Christ also 21 suffred for you, leaving you an ensample that ye should follow his steppes. Who did no sinne, neither was there guile found 22 in his mouth. Who when hee was reuiled, reuiled not againe: 23 when hee suffered, hee threatned not, but comitted it to him that iudgeth righteously. Who his owne selfe bare our sinnes 24 in his body on the tree, that we being dead to sinne, should liue in righteousnesse: by whose stripes ye were healed. For 25 ve were as sheepe going astray: but are nowe returned vnto the shepheard and Bishop of your soules.

Likewise let the wives bee subject to their husbands, that **3** even they which obey not the worde, may without the worde be wonne by the conversation of the wives, While they beholde 2 your pure conversation, which is with feare. Whose apparelling, let it not be that outwarde, with broyded heare, and golde put about, or in putting on of apparell: But let it bee the 4

hidde man of the heart, which consisteth in the incorruption of a meeke and quiet spirite, which is before God a thing much set 5 by. For euen after this maner in time past did the holy women, which trusted in God, tire them selues, and were subject to 6 their husbands. As Sara obeyed Abraham, and called him Sir: whose daughters ye are, whiles yee doe well, not being 7 afraide of any terrour. Likewise ye husbands, dwel with them as men of knowledge, giuing honour vnto the woman, as vnto the weaker vessell, euen as they which are heires together of 8 the grace of life, that your prayers be not interrupted. nally, be ye all of one minde: one suffer with another: loue as 9 brethren: bee pitifull: bee courteous, Not rendring euil for euill, neither rebuke for rebuke: but contrarywise blesse, knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should be heires of 10 blessing. For if any man long after life, and to see good dayes, let him refraine his tongue from euill, and his lippes that they 11 speake no guile. Let him eschew euil, and do good: let him 12 seeke peace, and follow after it. For the eyes of the Lord are ouer the righteous, and his eares are open vnto their prayers: 13 and the face of the Lord is against them that do euil. who is it that will harme you, if ye follow that which is good? 14 Notwithstanding blessed are ye, if ye suffer for righteousnes 15 sake. Yea, feare not their feare, neither be troubled. sanctifie the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready alwayes to giue an answere to euery man that asketh you a reason of the 16 hope that is in you, with meekenesse and reuerence, Hauing a good coscience, that whe they speake euill of you as of euill doers, they may be ashamed, which slander your good conuer-17 sation in Christ. For it is better (if the will of God be so) that 18 ye suffer for well doing, then for euil doing. For Christ also hath once suffered for sinnes, the just for the vniust, that he might bring vs to God, and was put to death concerning the 19 flesh, but was quickened by the spirit. By the which hee also 20 went, and preached vnto the spirits that are in prison. Which were in time passed disobedient, when once the long suffering of God abode in the dayes of Noe, while the Arke was preparing, wherein fewe, that is, eight soules were saued in the wa-21 ter. Whereof the baptisme that nowe is, answering that figure, (which is not a putting away of the filth of the flesh, but a confident demaunding which a good conscience maketh to God)

saueth vs also by the resurrection of Iesus Christ, Which is at 22 the right hand of God, gone into heauen, to whom the Angels, and Powers, and might are subject.

Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for vs in the flesh, 4 arme your selues likewise with the same minde, which is, that he which hath suffered in the flesh, hath ceased from sinne, That he hence forward should live (as much time as remaineth 2 in the flesh) not after the lusts of men, but after the will of God. For it is sufficient for vs that we have spet the time past of ye 3 life, after the lust of the Gentiles, walking in wantonnes, lustes, drunkennes, in gluttonie, drinkings, and in abominable idola-Wherein it seemeth to them strange, that yee runne 4 not with them vnto the same excesse of riot: therefore speake they euill of you, Which shall give accounts to him, that is 5 readie to judge quicke and dead. For vnto this purpose was 6 the Gospell preached also vnto the dead, that they might bee condemned, according to men in the flesh, but might live according to God in the spirit. Now the ende of all things is 7 at hand. Be ye therefore sober, and watching in prayer. But 8 aboue all thinges haue feruent loue among you: for loue shall couer the multitude of sinnes. Be ve harberous one to an- 9 other, without grudging. Let euery man as hee hath received 10 the gift, minister the same one to another, as good disposers of the manifolde grace of God. If any man speake, let him 11 speake as the wordes of God. If any man minister, let him do it as of the abilitie which God ministreth, that God in al things may be glorified through Iesus Christ, to whome is prayse and dominion for euer, and euer, Amen. Dearely beloued, thinke 12 it not strange concerning the firie triall, which is among you to proue you, as though some strange thing were come vnto you: But reioyce, in asmuch as ye are partakers of Christs suffrings, 13 that when his glory shall appeare, ye may be glad and reioyce. If yee be railed vpon for the Name of Christ, blessed are ye: 14 for the spirit of glory, and of God resteth vpon you: which on their part is euill spoken of: but on your part is glorified. But 15 let none of you suffer as a murtherer, or as a thiefe, or an euil doer, or as a busibodie in other mens matters. But if any man 16 suffer as a Christian, let him not bee ashamed: but let him glorifie God in this behalfe. For the time is come, that iudge- 17 ment must beginne at the house of God. If it first beginne at

vs, what shall the ende be of them which obey not the Gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely bee saued, where shall the vngodly and the sinner appeare? Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God, commit their soules to him in well doing, as vnto a faithfull Creator.

The elders which are among you, I beseech which am also an elder, and a witnesse of the sufferings of Christ, and also 2 a partaker of the glory that shalbe reueiled. Feede the flocke of God, which dependeth vpon you, caring for it not by constraint, but willingly: not for filthy lucre, but of a ready minde: 3 Not as though ye were lords ouer Gods heritage, but that yee 4 may bee ensamples to the flocke. And when that chiefe shepheard shall appeare, ye shall receive an incorruptible crowne 5 of glory. Likewise ye yonger, submit your selues vnto the elders, and submit your selues euery man, one to another: decke your selues inwardly in lowlinesse of minde: for God resisteth 6 the proude, and giueth grace to the humble. Humble your selues therefore vnder the mightie hand of God, that he may 7 exalt you in due time. Cast all your care on him: for he careth 8 for you. Be sober, and watch: for your aduersarie the deuil as a roaring lyon walketh about, seeking whom he may deuoure: 9 Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren which are in the And the God of all grace, which hath called vs vnto his eternall glory by Christ Iesus, after that ye haue suffered a litle, make you perfite, confirme, strengthen and stablish you. 11, 12 To him be glory and dominion for euer and euer, Amen. By Syluanus a faithfull brother vnto you, as I suppose, haue I written briefly, exhorting and testifying how that this is the true 13 grace of God, wherein ye stand. The Church that is at Babylon elected together with you, saluteth you, and Marcus my 14 sonne. Greete yee one another with the kisse of loue. Peace

be with you all which are in Christ Iesus, Amen.

# THE SECOND EPISTLE GENERAL OF PETER.

imon Peter a seruant and an Apostle of Iesus Christ, 1 to you which haue obteined like precious faith with vs by the righteousnesse of our God and Sauiour Iesus Christ: Grace and peace be multiplied to you, through 2 the acknowledging of God, and of Iesus our Lord, According as 3 his diuine power hath giuen vnto vs all things that perteine vnto life and godlinesse, through the acknowledging of him that hath called vs vnto glory and vertue. Whereby most 4 great and precious promises are given vnto vs. that by them ve should be partakers of the divine nature, in that we flee the corruption, which is in the worlde through lust. Therefore give 5 euen all diligence thereunto: ioyne moreouer vertue with your faith: and with vertue, knowledge: And with knowledge, tem- 6 perance: and with temperance, patience: and with patience, And with godlines, brotherly kindnes: and with 7 brotherly kindnes, loue. For if these things be among you, and 8 abound, they will make you that ye neither shalbe idle, nor vnfruitfull in the acknowledging of our Lord Iesus Christ: For he 9 that hath not these things, is blinde, and can not see farre off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his olde sinnes. Wherefore, brethren, giue rather diligence to make your call- 10 ing and election sure: for if ye doe these things, ye shall neuer fall. For by this meanes an entring shalbe ministred vnto you 11 aboundantly into the euerlasting kingdome of our Lord and Sauiour Iesus Christ. Wherefore, I will not be negligent to 12 put you alwayes in remembrance of these things, though that ye haue knowledge, and be stablished in the present trueth. For I thinke it meete as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stirre 13 you vp by putting you in remembrance, Seeing I knowe that 14 the time is at hand that I must lay downe this my tabernacle, euen as our Lord Iesus Christ hath shewed me. I will endeu- 15 our therefore alwayes, that ye also may be able to haue remembrance of these things after my departing. For we followed 16 not deceivable fables when we opened vnto you the power, and

comming of our Lord Iesus Christ, but with our eyes we saw his maiestie: For he received of God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voyce to him from that excellent glory, This is my beloued Sonne, in whom I am well pleased.

And this voyce we heard when it came from heaven, being with him in the Holy mount. We have also a most sure worde of the Prophets, to the which ye doe well that yee take heede, as vnto a light that shineth in a darke place, vntill the day dawne, and the day starre arise in your hearts. So that yee first knowe this, that no prophecie of the Scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecie came not in olde time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the holy Ghost.

Byt there were false prophets also among the people, euen 2 as there shalbe false teachers among you: which privily shall bring in damnable heresies, euen denying the Lord, that hath 2 bought them, and bring vpon themselues swift damnation. And many shall follow their destructions, by whom the way of trueth 3 shalbe euil spoken of, And through couetousnes shall they with fained words make marchandise of you, whose condemnation long since resteth not, and their destruction slumbreth For if God spared not the Angels that had sinned, but cast them downe into hell, and deliuered them into chaines of 5 darkenes, to be kept vnto damnation: Neither hath spared the olde worlde, but saued Noe the eight person a preacher of righteousnesse, and brought in the flood vpon the world of 6 the vngodly, And turned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrhe into ashes, condemned them and ouerthrewe them, and made them an ensample vnto them that after should live vngodly, 7 And deliuered iust Loth vexed with the vncleanly conversation 8 of the wicked: (For he being righteous, and dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soule from 9 day to day with their vnlawfull deedes.) The Lord knoweth to deliuer the godly out of tentation, and to reserue the vniust 10 vnto the day of iudgement vnder punishment. And chiefly them that walke after the flesh, in the lust of vncleannesse, and despise gouernement, which are bolde, and stand in their owne conceite, and feare not to speake euill of them that are 11 in dignitie. Where as the Angels which are greater both in power and might, giue not railing iudgement against them before the Lord. But these, as naturall brute beasts, led with 12 sensualitie and made to be taken, and destroyed, speake euill of those things which they know not, and shall perish through their owne corruption, And shall receive the wages of vnrigh- 13 teousnes, as they which count it pleasure dayly to liue deliciously. Spottes they are and blottes, deliting them selues in their deceiuings, in feasting with you, Hauing eyes full of 14 adulterie, and that can not cease to sinne, beguiling vnstable soules: they have heartes exercised with couetousnesse, they are the children of curse: Which forsaking the right way, 15 haue gone astray, folowing the way of Balaam, the sonne of Bosor, which loued the wages of vnrighteousnes. But he was 16 rebuked for his iniquitie: for the dumme beast speaking with mans voyce, forbade the foolishnesse of the Prophet. are welles without water, and cloudes caried about with a tempest, to whome the blacke darkenes is reserved for euer. For 18 in speaking swelling wordes of vanitie, they beguile with wantonnesse through the lusts of the flesh them that were cleane escaped from them which are wrapped in errour, Promising 19 vnto them libertie, and are themselues the seruants of corruption: for of whomsoeuer a man is ouercome, euen vnto the same is he in bondage. For if they, after they have escaped 20 from the filthinesse of the world, through the acknowledging of the Lord, and of the Sauiour Iesus Christ, are yet tangled againe therein, and ouercome, the latter ende is worse with them then the beginning. For it had bene better for them, not 21 to have acknowledged the way of righteousnes, then after they haue acknowledged it, to turne from the holy commandement giuen vnto them. But it is come vnto them, according to the 22 true Prouerbe, The dogge is returned to his owne vomit: and, The sowe that was washed, to the wallowing in the myre.

This seconde Epistle I nowe write vnto you, beloued, wherewith I stirre vp, and warne your pure mindes, To call to remembrance the wordes, which were tolde before of the holy Prophetes, and also the commandement of vs the Apostles of the Lord and Sauiour. This first vnderstande, that there shall 3 come in the last dayes, mockers, which wil walke after their lustes, And say, Where is the promise of his comming? for 4 since the fathers died, all things continue alike from the beginning of the creation. For this they willingly know not, that 5

the heauens were of olde, and the earth that was of the water 6 and by the water, by the word of God. Wherefore the worlde 7 that then was, perished, ouerflowed with the water. But the heauens and earth, which are nowe, are kept by the same word in store, and reserved vnto fire against the day of condem-8 nation, and of the destruction of vngodly men. Dearely beloued, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord, as a thousande yeeres, and a thousande yeeres as 9 one day. The Lord of that promise is not slacke (as some men count slackenesse) but is pacient toward vs, and would haue no man to perish, but would all men to come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thiefe in the night, in the which the heavens shall passe away with a noyse, and the elements shall melt with heate, and the earth with the workes 11 that are therein, shalbe burnt vp. Seeing therefore that all these thinges must be dissolued, what maner persons ought 12 ye to be in holy conversation and godlinesse, Looking for, and hasting vnto the comming of that day of God, by the which the heavens being on fire, shall be dissolved, and the elements 13 shall melt with heate? But wee looke for newe heauens, and a newe earth, according to his promise, wherein dwelleth righ-14 teousnesse. Wherefore, beloued, seeing that yee looke for such thinges, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, with-15 out spot and blamelesse. And suppose that the long suffering of our Lord is saluation, euen as our beloued brother Paul 16 according to the wisedome given vnto him wrote to you, As one, that in all his Epistles speaketh of these thinges: among the which some thinges are hard to be vnderstand, which they that are vnlearned and vnstable, wrest, as they do also other 17 Scriptures vnto their owne destruction. Ye therefore beloued, seeing ye know these thinges before, beware, lest ye be also plucked away with the errour of the wicked, and fall from your 18 owne stedfastnesse. But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Sauiour Iesus Christ: to him be glory both now and for euermore. Amen.

# THE FIRST EPISTLE GENERAL OF JOHN.

hat which was from the beginning, which wee haue 1heard, which wee haue seene with these our eyes, which wee haue looked vpon, and these handes of ours haue handled of that Word of life, (For that life 2 was made manifest, and wee haue seene it, and beare witnes, and shewe vnto you that eternall life, which was with the Father, and was made manifest vnto vs) That, I say, which wee 3 haue seene and heard, declare wee vnto you, that yee may also haue fellowship with vs. and that our fellowship also may be with the Father, and with his Sonne Iesvs Christ. And these 4 thinges write we vnto you, that that your joy may be full. This 5 then is the message which wee haue heard of him, and declare vnto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkenes. If wee 6 say that wee haue fellowship with him, and walke in darkenesse, we lie, and doe not truely: But if we walke in the light 7 as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Iesus Christ his Sonne clenseth vs from all sinne. If we say that we have no sinne, we deceive our selves, and 8 trueth is not in vs. If we acknowledge our sinnes, he is faith- 9 full and iust, to forgiue vs our sinnes, and to clense vs from all vnrighteousnes. If wee say we have not sinned, wee make 10 him a liar, and his word is not in vs.

My little children, these things write I vnto you, that ye sinne not: and if any man sinne, wee haue an Aduocate with the Father, Iesus Christ, the Iust. And he is the reconciliation for our sinnes: and not for ours onely, but also for the sinnes of the whole world. And hereby we are sure that we knowe him, if we keepe his commandements. Hee that saith, I knowe him, and keepeth not his commandements, is a liar, and the trueth is not in him. But hee that keepeth his worde, in him is the loue of God perfect in deede: hereby wee knowe that ye are in him. He that saith he remaineth in him, ought euen so to walke, as he hath walked. Brethren, I write no newe commandement vnto you: but an olde commandement,

which ye haue had from the beginning: this olde commandement is that worde, which yee haue heard from the beginning. 8 Againe, a new comandement I write vnto you, that which is true in him, and also in you: for the darkenes is past, and 9 that true light now shineth. He that saith that hee is in that light, and hateth his brother, is in darkenes, vntill this time. 10 Hee that loueth his brother, abideth in that light, and there is 11 none occasion of euil in him. But he that hateth his brother. is in darkenesse, and walketh in darkenesse, and knoweth not whither hee goeth, because that darkenesse hath blinded his 12 eyes. Litle children, I write vnto you, because your sinnes are 13 forgiuen you for his Names sake. I write vnto you, fathers, because yee haue knowen him that is from the beginning. I write vnto you, yong men, because ye haue ouercome that wicked one. I write vnto you, litle children, because ye haue knowen 14 ve Father. I haue written vnto you, fathers, because ye haue knowen him, that is from the beginning. I have written vnto you, yong men, because ye are strong, and the worde of God 15 abideth in you, and ye have overcome that wicked one. Loue not this world, neither the things that are in this world. If any 16 man loue this world, the loue of the Father is not in him. For all that is in this world (as the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life) is not of the Father, but is of this 17 world. And this world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but 18 he that fulfilleth the will of God, abideth euer. Litle children, it is the last time, and as ye have heard that Antichrist shall come, euen now are there many Antichrists: whereby we know 19 that it is the last time. They went out from vs. but they were not of vs: for if they had bene of vs, they should have continued with vs. But this cometh to passe, that it might appeare, 20 that they are not all of vs. But ye have an ointment from 21 that Holy one, and know all things. I have not written vnto you, because ye knowe not the trueth: but because ye knowe 22 it, and that no lie is of the trueth. Who is a liar, but he that denyeth that Iesus is that Christ? the same is that Antichrist 23 that denyeth the Father and the Sonne. Whosoeuer denyeth 24 the Sonne, the same hath not the Father. Let therefore abide in you that same which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning, shall remaine in you, ye also shall continue in the Sonne, and in the Father.

And this is the promise that he hath promised vs, euen that 25 eternall life. These things haue I written vnto you, concerning 26 them that deceiue you. But that anointing which ye receiued 27 of him, dwelleth in you: and ye neede not that any man teach you: but as the same Anoynting teacheth you of all things, and it is true, and is not lying, and as it taught you, ye shall abide in him. And nowe, litle children, abide in him, that when he 28 shall appeare, we may be bolde, and not be ashamed before him at his comming. If ye know that he is righteous, know ye 29 that he which doeth righteously, is borne of him.

Behold, what love the Father hath given to vs. that we 3 should be called the sonnes of God: for this cause this world knoweth vou not, because it knoweth not him. Dearely be- 2 loued, nowe are we the sonnes of God, but yet it is not made manifest what we shall be: and we know that when he shalbe made manifest, we shalbe like him: for we shall see him as he is. And euery man that hath this hope in him, purgeth 3 himselfe, euen as he is pure. Whosoeuer committeth sinne, 4 transgresseth also the Law: for sinne is the transgression of the Lawe. And ye knowe that hee was made manifest, that he 5 might take away our sinnes, and in him is no sinne. Whosoeuer 6 abideth in him, sinneth not: whosoeuer sinneth, hath not seene him, neither hath knowen him. Litle children, let no man de-7 ceiue you: he that doeth righteousnes, is righteous, as hee is righteous. He that comitteth sinne, is of the deuil: for the 8 deuill sinneth from the beginning: for this purpose was made manifest that Sonne of God, that he might loose the workes of the deuil. Whosoeuer is borne of God, sinneth not: for 9 his seede remaineth in him, neither can hee sinne, because he is borne of God. In this are the children of God knowen, 10 and the children of the deuil: whosoeuer doeth not righteousnesse, is not of God, neither he that loueth not his brother. For this is the message, that ye heard from the beginning, that 11 we should love one another. Not as Cain which was of that 12 wicked one, and slewe his brother: and wherefore slewe he him? because his owne workes were euill, and his brothers good. Marueile not, my brethren, though this world hate you. 13 We know that we are translated from death vnto life, because 14 we loue the brethren: he that loueth not his brother, abideth in death. Whosoeuer hateth his brother, is a manslayer: and 15

ye know that no manslayer hath eternall life abiding in him. 16 Hereby haue we perceived love, that he layde downe his life for vs: therefore we ought also to lay downe our liues for the And whosoeuer hath this worlds good, and seeth his brother haue neede, and shutteth vp his compassion from 18 him, howe dwelleth the loue of God in him? My litle children, let vs not loue in worde, neither in tongue onely, but in 19 deede and in trueth. For thereby we know that we are of the 20 trueth, and shall before him assure our hearts. For if our heart condemne vs, God is greater then our heart, and knoweth 21 all things. Beloued, if our heart condemne vs not, then haue 22 we boldnes toward God. And whatsoeuer we aske we receive of him, because we keepe his commandements, and do those 23 things which are pleasing in his sight. This is then his commandement, That we believe in the Name of his Sonne Iesus 24 Christ, and loue one another as hee gaue commandement. For hee that keepeth his commandements, dwelleth in him, and he in him: and hereby we knowe that hee abideth in vs, euen by that Spirit which he hath given vs.

Dearely beloued, beleeue not euery spirit, but trie the spir-4 its whether they are of God: for many false prophets are gone 2 out into this worlde. Hereby shall ye know the Spirit of God, Euery spirit which confesseth that Iesus Christ is come in the 3 flesh, is of God. And euery spirit that confesseth not that Iesus Christ is come in the flesh, is not of God: but this is the spirit of Antichrist, of whome ye haue heard, how that he 4 should come, and nowe already he is in this world. Litle children, ye are of God, and haue ouercome them: for greater is 5 he that is in you, then he that is in this world. They are of this worlde, therefore speake they of this world, and this world 6 heareth them. We are of God, he that knoweth God, heareth vs: he that is not of God, heareth vs not. Heereby knowe wee 7 the spirit of trueth, and the spirit of errour. Beloued, let vs loue one another: for loue commeth of God, and euery one 8 that loueth, is borne of God, and knoweth God. Hee that lou-9 eth not, knoweth not God: for God is loue. Herein was that loue of God made manifest amongst vs, because God sent that his onely begotten sonne into this world, that we might liue 10 through him. Herein is that loue, not that we loued God, but that he loued vs. and sent his Sonne to be a reconciliation for our sinnes. Beloued, if God so loued vs, we ought also to loue 11 one another. No man hath seene God at any time. If we loue 12 one another, God dwelleth in vs. and his loue is perfect in vs. Hereby know we, that we dwell in him, and he in vs: because 13 he hath given vs of his Spirit. And we have seene, and doe 14 testifie, that the Father sent that Sonne to be ye Sauiour of the world. Whosoeuer confesseth that Iesus is the Sone of God, in 15 him dwelleth God, and he in God. And we have knowen, and 16 beleeued ye loue that God hath in vs. God is loue, and he that dwelleth in loue, dwelleth in God, and God in him. is that love perfect in vs. that we should have boldnes in the day of judgement: for as he is, euen so are we in this world. There is no feare in loue, but perfect loue casteth out feare: for 18 feare hath painefulnesse: and he that feareth, is not perfect in loue. We loue him, because he loued vs first. If any man 19, 20 say, I loue God, and hate his brother, he is a liar: for how can he that loueth not his brother whom he hath seene, loue God whom he hath not seene? And this commandement haue we 21 of him, that he that loueth God, should loue his brother also.

Whosoeuer beleeueth that Iesus is that Christ, is borne of 5 God: and euery one that loueth him, which begate, loueth him also which is begotten of him. In this we know that we loue 2 the children of God, when we loue God, and keepe his commandements. For this is the loue of God, that we keepe his 3 commandements: and his commandements are not burdenous. For all that is borne of God, ouercommeth this world: and this 4 is that victorie that hath ouercome this world, euen our faith. Who is it that ouercommeth this world, but he which beleeueth 5 that Iesus is that Sonne of God? This is that Iesus Christ that 6 came by water and blood: not by water onely, but by water and blood: and it is that Spirit, that beareth witnesse: for that Spirit is trueth. For there are three, which beare recorde in 7 heauen, the Father, the Worde, and the holy Ghost: and these three are one. And there are three, which beare record in the 8 earth, the spirit, and the water and the blood: and these three agree in one. If we receive the witnesse of men, the witnesse 9 of God is greater: for this is the witnesse of God, which he testified of his Sonne. He that beleeueth in that Sonne of God, 10 hath the witnes in himselfe: he that beleeueth not God, hath made him a lyar, because he beleeued not ye record, that God

11 witnessed of that his Sonne. And this is that record, to wit, that God hath given vnto vs eternall life, and this life is in 12 that his Sonne. He that hath that Sonne, hath that life: and 13 he that hath not that Sonne of God, hath not that life. These things haue I written vnto you, that beleeue in the Name of that Sonne of God, that ye may knowe that ye haue eternall life, and that ye may beleeue in the Name of that Sonne of 14 God. And this is that assurance, that we have in him, that if 15 we aske any thing according to his will, he heareth vs. And if we know that he heareth vs, whatsoeuer we aske, we know 16 that we have the petitions, that we have desired of him. any man see his brother sinne a sinne that is not vnto death, let him aske, and he shall give him life for them that sinne not vnto death. There is a sinne vnto death: I say not that thou 17 shouldest pray for it. All vnrighteousnesse is sinne, but there 18 is a sinne not vnto death. We know that whosoeuer is borne of God, sinneth not: but he that is begotten of God, keepeth 19 himselfe, and that wicked one toucheth him not. We knowe that we are of God, and this whole world lieth in wickednesse. 20 But we know that that Sone of God is come, and hath give vs a mind to know him, which is true: and we are in him that is true, that is, in that his Sone Iesus Christ: this same is that 21 very God, and that eternal life. Litle children, keepe your selues from idoles, Amen.

#### THE SECOND EPISTLE OF JOHN.

 $\longrightarrow$  HE ELDER to the elect Lady, and her children, whom  $\, {f 1} \,$ I loue in the trueth: and not I onely, but also all that haue knowen the trueth, For the trueths sake which 2 dwelleth in vs., and shalbe with vs for euer: Grace 3 be with you, mercie and peace from God the Father, and from the Lord Iesus Christ the Sonne of the Father, with trueth and loue. I reioyced greatly, that I founde of thy children walking 4 in trueth, as we have received a commandement of the Father. And nowe beseeche I thee, Lady, (not as writing a newe com- 5 mandement vnto thee, but that same which we had from the beginning) that we loue one another. And this is that loue, 6 that we should walke after his commandements. This commandement is, that as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walke in it. For many deceivers are entred into this 7 worlde, which confesse not that Iesus Christ is come in the flesh. He that is such one, is a deceiver and an Antichrist. Looke to your selues, that we lose not the things which we 8 haue done, but that we may receive full reward. Whosoeuer 9 transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that continueth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Sonne. If there come any vnto you, 10 and bring not this doctrine, receive him not to house, neither bid him, God speede: For he that biddeth him, God speede, 11 is partaker of his euill deedes. Although I had many things to write vnto you, yet I woulde not write with paper and ynke: but I trust to come vnto you, and speake mouth to mouth, that our joy may be full. The sonnes of thine elect sister greete 12 thee, Amen.

### THE THIRD EPISTLE OF JOHN.

he Elder vnto the beloued Gaius, whom I loue in the trueth. Beloued, I wish chiefly that thou prosperedst and faredst well as thy soule prospereth. For I reioyced greatly when the brethren came, and testified of the 4 trueth that is in thee, how thou walkest in the trueth. I have no greater ioy then these, that is, to heare that my sonnes 5 walke in veritie. Beloued, thou doest faithfully, whatsoeuer 6 thou doest to the brethren, and to strangers, Which bare witnesse of thy loue before the Churches. Whom if thou bringest on their iourney as it beseemeth according to God, thou shalt 7 doe well, Because that for his Names sake they went forth, 8 and tooke nothing of the Gentiles. We therefore ought to re-9 ceiue such, that we might be helpers to the trueth. I wrote vnto the Church: but Diotrephes which loueth to haue the pre-10 eminence among them, receiveth vs not. Wherefore if I come, I will call to your remembrance his deedes which he doeth, pratling against vs with malicious wordes, and not therewith content, neither he himselfe receiueth the brethren, but forbiddeth them that woulde, and thrusteth them out of the Church. 11 Beloued, follow not that which is euill, but that which is good: he that doeth well, is of God: but he that doeth euill, hath not 12 seene God. Demetrius hath good report of al men, and of the trueth it selfe: yea, and wee our selues beare recorde, and ye 13 know that our record is true. I have many things to write: 14 but I will not with yncke and pen write vnto thee: For I trust I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speake mouth to mouth. Peace be with thee. The friends salute thee. Greete the friends

by name.

# THE GENERAL EPISTLE OF JUDE.

to them which are called and sanctified of God the Father, and returned to Iesus Christ: Mercie vnto you, 2 and peace and loue be multiplied. Beloued, when I 3 gaue al diligece to write vnto you of the common saluation, it was needful for me to write vnto you to exhort you, that yee should earnestly contend for the maintenace of ye faith, which was once given vnto the Saintes. For there are cer- 4 taine men crept in, which were before of olde ordeined to this condemnation: vngodly men they are which turne the grace of our God into wantonnesse, and denie God the onely Lord, and our Lord Iesus Christ. I wil therfore put you in reme- 5 brance, forasmuch as ye once knew this, how that the Lord, after that he had deliuered the people out of Egypt, destroied them afterward which believed not. The Angels also which 6 kept not their first estate, but left their owne habitation, hee hath reserved in euerlasting chaines vnder darkenesse vnto the judgement of the great day. As Sodom and Gomorrhe, and 7 the cities about them, which in like maner as they did, committed fornication, and followed strange flesh, are set foorth for an ensample, and suffer the vengeance of eternall fire. Like- 8 wise notwithstanding these sleepers also defile the flesh, and despise gouernment, and speake euill of them that are in authoritie. Yet Michael the Archangell, when hee stroue against 9 the deuill, and disputed about the body of Moses, durst not blame him with cursed speaking, but sayd, The Lord rebuke thee. But these speake euill of those thinges, which they know 10 not: and whatsoeuer things they know naturally, as beasts, which are without reason, in those things they corrupt them Wo be vnto them: for they have followed the way of 11 Cain, and are cast away by the deceit of Balaams wages, and perish in the gainsaying of Core. These are rockes in your 12 feasts of charitie when they feast with you, without al feare, feeding themselues: cloudes they are without water, caried

about of windes, corrupt trees and without fruit, twise dead, 13 and plucked vp by ve rootes. They are the raging waves of the sea, foming out their owne shame: they are wandring starres, to whome is reserved the blackenesse of darkenesse for 14 euer. And Enoch also the seuenth from Adam, prophecied of such, saying, Beholde, the Lord commeth with thousands of 15 his Saints, To give iudgement against al men, and to rebuke all the vngodly among them of all their wicked deeds, which they have vngodly committed, and of all their cruel speak-16 ings, which wicked sinners haue spoken against him. These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their owne lustes: Whose mouthes speake proud things, having mens persons in 17 admiration, because of aduantage. But, yee beloued, remember the wordes which were spoken before of the Apostles of our 18 Lord Iesus Christ, How that they told you that there should be mockers in ye last time, which should walke after their owne 19 vngodly lustes. These are they that separate them selues from 20 other, naturall, having not the Spirit. But, yee beloued, edifie your selues in your most holy faith, praying in the holy Ghost, 21 And keepe your selues in the loue of God, looking for the mer-22 cie of our Lord Iesus Christ, vnto eternall life. And haue com-23 passion of some, in putting difference: And other saue with feare, pulling them out of the fire, and hate even that garment 24 which is spotted by the flesh. Nowe vnto him that is able to keepe you, that ye fall not, and to present you faultlesse before 25 the presence of his glorie with ioy, That is, to God only wise, our Sauiour, be glorie, and maiestie, and dominion, and power, both nowe and for euer, Amen.

# THE REVELATION OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE.

he Reuelation of Iesus Christ, which God gaue vnto  $oldsymbol{1}$ him, to shewe vnto his seruants things which must shortly be done: which he sent, and shewed by his Angel vnto his seruant Iohn, Who bare record of ye 2 word of God, and of the testimonie of Iesus Christ, and of all things that he saw. Blessed is he that readeth, and they that 3 heare the wordes of this prophecie, and keepe those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand. Iohn, to 4 the seuen Churches which are in Asia, Grace be with you, and peace from him, Which is, and Which was, and Which is to come, and from the seuen Spirits which are before his Throne, And from Iesus Christ, which is that faithful witnes, and that 5 first begotten of the dead, and that Prince of the Kings of the earth, vnto him that loued vs, and washed vs from our sinnes in his blood. And made vs Kings and Priests vnto God euen 6 his Father, to him I say be glory, and dominion for euermore, Amen. Beholde, he commeth with cloudes, and euery eye shall 7 see him: yea, euen they which pearced him thorowe: and all kinreds of the earth shall waile before him, Euen so, Amen. I 8 am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, Which is, and Which was, and Which is to come, euen the Almightie. I Iohn, euen your brother, and companion in 9 tribulation, and in the kingdome and patience of Iesus Christ, was in the yle called Patmos, for the worde of God, and for the witnessing of Iesus Christ. And I was rauished in spirit on the 10 Lordes day, and heard behinde me a great voyce, as it had bene of a trumpet, Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, that first and 11 that last: and that which thou seest, write in a booke, and send it vnto the seuen Churches which are in Asia, vnto Ephesus, and vnto Smyrna, and vnto Pergamus, and vnto Thyatira, and vnto Sardis, and vnto Philadelphia, and vnto Laodicea. Then 12 I turned backe to see the voyce, that spake with me: and when I was turned, I sawe seuen golden candlestickes, And in the 13 middes of the seuen candlestickes, one like vnto the Sonne of

man, clothed with a garment downe to the feete, and girded 14 about the pappes with a golden girdle. His head, and heares were white as white wooll, and as snowe, and his eyes were 15 as a flame of fire, And his feete like vnto fine brasse, burning as in a fornace: and his voyce as the sounde of many waters. 16 And he had in his right hand seuen starres: and out of his mouth went a sharpe two edged sword: and his face shone as 17 the sunne shineth in his strength. And when I saw him, I fell at his feete as dead: then he laid his right hand vpon me, 18 saying vnto me, Feare not: I am that first and that last, And am aliue, but I was dead: and beholde, I am aliue for euer-19 more, Amen: and I haue the keyes of hell and of death. Write the things which thou hast seene, and the things which are, 20 and the things which shall come hereafter. The misterie of the seuen starres which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seuen golden candlestickes, is this, The seuen starres are the Angels of the seuen Churches: and the seuen candlestickes which thou sawest, are the seuen Churches.

VNto the Angel of the Church of Ephesus write, These things  $\mathbf{2}$ saieth he that holdeth the seuen starres in his right hand, and 2 walketh in the middes of the seuen golden candlestickes. knowe thy workes, and thy labour, and thy patience, and howe thou canst not beare with them which are euill, and hast examined them which say they are Apostles, and are not, and hast 3 found the liars. And thou wast burdened, and hast patience, and for my Names sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted. 4 Neuertheles, I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast 5 left thy first loue. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and doe the first workes: or els I will come against thee shortly, and will remooue thy candlesticke out of 6 his place, except thou amend. But this thou hast, that thou 7 hatest the workes of the Nicolaitanes, which I also hate. Let him that hath an eare, heare, what the Spirite saith vnto the Churches, To him that ouercommeth, will I giue to eate of the 8 tree of life which is in the middes of the Paradise of God. And vnto the Angel of the Church of the Smyrnians write, These things saith he that is first, and last, which was dead and is 9 aliue. I knowe thy workes and tribulation, and pouertie (but thou art riche) and I knowe the blasphemie of them, which say they are Iewes, and are not, but are the Synagogue of Satan.

Feare none of those things, which thou shalt suffer: beholde, 10 it shall come to passe, that the deuill shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tryed, and ye shall haue tribulation tenne dayes: be thou faithfull vnto the death, and I will giue thee the crowne of life. Let him that hath an eare, heare 11 what the Spirit saith to the Churches. He that ouercommeth, shall not be hurt of the second death. And to the Angel of the 12 Church, which is at Pergamus write, This saith he which hath that sharpe sworde with two edges. I knowe thy workes and 13 where thou dwellest, euen where Satans throne is, and thou keepest my Name, and hast not denied my faith, euen in those dayes when Antipas my faithfull martyr was slaine among you, where Satan dwelleth. But I have a fewe things against thee. 14 because thou hast there them that maintaine the doctrine of Balaam, which taught Balac to put a stumbling blocke before ye children of Israel, that they should eate of things sacrificed vnto Idoles, and commit fornication. Euen so hast thou them, 15 that maintaine the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes, which thing I hate. Repent thy selfe, or els I will come vnto thee shortly, 16 and will fight against them with the sworde of my mouth. Let 17 him that hath an eare, heare what the Spirite saith vnto the Churches. To him that ouercommeth, will I give to eate of the Manna that is hid, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a newe name written, which no man knoweth sauing he that receiveth it. And vnto ye Angel of the Church which is 18 at Thyatira write, These things saith the Sonne of God, which hath his eyes like vnto a flame of fire, and his feete like fine brasse. I knowe thy workes and thy loue, and seruice, and 19 faith, and thy patience, and thy workes, and that they are more at the last, then at the first. Notwithstanding, I haue 20 a few things against thee, that thou sufferest the woman Iezabel, which calleth her selfe a prophetesse, to teache and to deceive my servants to make them commit fornication, and to eate meates sacrificed vnto idoles. And I gaue her space 21 to repent of her fornication, and she repented not. Beholde, 22 I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit fornication with her, into great affliction, except they repent them of their And I will kill her children with death: and all the 23 Churches shall know that I am he which searche the reines and heartes: and I will give vnto euery one of you according

vnto your workes. And vnto you I say, the rest of them of Thyatira, As many as haue not this learning, neither haue knowen the deepenes of Satan (as they speake) I will put vpon you none other burden. But that which ye haue alreadie, hold fast till I come. For he that ouercommeth and keepeth my workes vnto the end, to him will I giue power ouer nations, And he shall rule them with a rodde of yron: and as the vessels of a potter, shall they be broken. Euen as I received of my Father, so will I giue him the morning starre. Let him that hath an eare, heare what the Spirite saith to the Churches.

ANd write vnto the Angel of the Church which is at Sardis, 3 These things saith he that hath the seuen Spirits of God, and the seuen starres, I knowe thy workes: for thou hast a name 2 that thou liuest, but thou art dead. Be awake, and strengthen the things which remaine, that are readie to die: for I haue 3 not found thy workes perfite before God. Remember therefore, how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast and repent. If therefore thou wilt not watch, I will come on thee as a thiefe, and thou shalt not know what houre I wil come vpon 4 thee. Notwithstanding thou hast a few names yet in Sardis, which have not defiled their garments: and they shall walke 5 with me in white: for they are worthy. He that ouercommeth. shalbe clothed in white araye, and I will not put out his name out of the booke of life, but I will confesse his name before my 6 Father, and before his Angels. Let him that hath an eare, 7 heare, what the Spirite saith vnto the Churches. And write vnto ye Angel of ye Church which is of Philadelphia, These things saith he that is Holy, and True, which hath ye keve of Dauid, which openeth and no man shutteth, and shutteth 8 and no man openeth, I knowe thy workes: beholde, I haue set before thee an open doore, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a litle strength and hast kept my worde, and hast not de-9 nied my Name. Behold, I will make them of the Synagogue of Satan, which call themselues Iewes, and are not, but doe lye: beholde, I say, I will make them, that they shall come and worship before thy feete, and shall knowe that I have loued thee. 10 Because thou hast kept the woorde of my patience, therefore I wil deliuer thee from the houre of tentation, which will come 11 vpon all the world, to trie them that dwell vpon the earth. Beholde, I come shortly: holde that which thou hast, that no man

take thy crowne. Him that ouercommeth, will I make a pillar 12 in the Temple of my God, and he shall goe no more out: and I will write vpon him the Name of my God, and the name of the citie of my God, which is the newe Hierusalem, which commeth downe out of heauen from my God, and I will write vpon him my newe Name. Let him that hath an eare, heare what 13 ye Spirit saith vnto the Churches. And vnto the Angell of the 14 Church of the Laodiceans write, These things saieth Amen, the faithfull and true witnesse, that beginning of the creatures of God. I knowe thy woorkes, that thou art neither colde nor 15 hote: I woulde thou werest colde or hote. Therefore, because 16 thou art luke warme, and neither colde nor hote, it will come to passe, that I shall spewe thee out of my mouth. For thou 17 saiest, I am rich and increased with goods, and haue neede of nothing, and knowest not howe thou art wretched and miserable, and poore, and blinde, and naked. I counsell thee to bye 18 of me gold tried by the fire, that thou maiest bee made rich: and white raiment, that thou maiest be clothed, and that thy filthie nakednesse doe not appeare: and anount thine eyes with eve salue, that thou maiest see. As many as I loue, I rebuke 19 and chasten: be zealous therefore and amend. Behold, I stand 20 at the doore, and knocke. If any man heare my voice and open ve doore, I wil come in vnto him, and will suppe with him, and he with me. To him that ouercommeth, will I graunt to sit 21 with me in my throne, euen as I ouercame, and sit with my Father in his throne. Let him that hath an eare, heare what 22 the Spirit saieth vnto the Churches.

After this I looked, and beholde, a doore was open in heauen, and the first voyce which I heard, was as it were of a trumpet talking with mee, saying, Come vp hither, and I will shewe thee things which must be done hereafter. And immediatly I was rauished in the spirit, and behold, a throne was set in heauen, and one sate vpon the throne. And he that sate, was to looke vpon, like vnto a iasper stone, and a sardine, and there was a rainbowe rounde about the throne, in sight like to an emeraude. And round about the throne were foure and twentie seates, and vpon the seates I sawe foure and twentie Elders sitting, clothed in white raiment, and had on their heads crownes of golde. And out of the throne proceeded lightnings, and thundrings, and voyces, and there were seuen lampes of

fire burning before the throne, which are the seuen spirits of 6 God. And before the throne there was a sea of glasse like vnto chrystall: and in the middes of the throne, and round about the throne were foure beasts full of eyes before and behinde. 7 And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calfe, and the thirde beast had a face as a man, and the fourth 8 beast was like a flying Eagle. And the foure beasts had eche one of them sixe wings about him, and they were full of eyes within, and they ceased not day nor night, saying, Holy, holy, holy Lord God almighty, Which Was, and Which Is, and Which 9 Is to come. And when those beasts gaue glorie, and honour, and thanks to him that sate on the throne, which liueth for 10 euer and euer. The foure and twentie Elders fell downe before him that sate on the throne and worshipped him that liueth for euermore, and cast their crownes before the throne, say-11 ing, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour, and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy wils sake they are, and have beene created.

And I saw in the right hand of him that sate vpon the throne. a Booke written within, and on the backside, sealed with seuen 2 seales. And I sawe a strong Angell which preached with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open ye booke, and to loose the seales 3 thereof? And no man in heauen, nor in earth, neither vnder the earth, was able to open the Booke, neither to looke thereon. 4 Then I wept much, because no man was foud worthy to open, 5 and to reade the Booke, neither to looke thereon. And one of the Elders saide vnto me, Weepe not: beholde, that Lion which is of the tribe of Iuda, that roote of Dauid, hath obteined to 6 open the Booke, and to loose the seuen seales thereof. Then I behelde, and loe, in the middes of the throne, and of the foure beasts, and in the mids of the Elders, stoode a Labe as though he had bene killed, which had seuen hornes, and seuen eyes, which are the seuen spirites of God, sent into all the world. 7 And hee came, and tooke the Booke out of the right hand of 8 him that sate vpon the throne. And when he had taken ye Booke, ye foure beasts and the foure and twenty Elders fel downe before the Lambe, having euery one harps and golden 9 vials full of odours, which are the praiers of the Saintes, And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthie to take the Booke, and to open the seales thereof, because thou wast killed,

and hast redeemed vs to God by thy blood out of euery kinred, and tongue, and people, and nation, And hast made vs vnto 10 our God Kings and Priests, and we shall reigne on the earth. Then I behelde, and I heard the voice of many Angels round 11 about the throne, and about the beastes and the Elders, and there were ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousand thousands, Saying with a loude voice, Worthie is the Lambe 12 that was killed to receiue power, and riches, and wisdome, and strength, and honour, and glory, and praise. And al the creatures which are in heauen, and on the earth, and vnder the earth, and in the sea, and al that are in them, heard I, saying, Praise, and honour, and glory, and power be vnto him, that sitteth vpon the throne, and vnto the Lambe for euermore. And 14 the foure beasts said, Amen, and the foure and twentie Elders fell downe and worshipped him that liueth for euermore.

After, I beheld whe the Lambe had opened one of the seales, 6 and I heard one of the foure beastes say, as it were the noise of thunder. Come and see. Therefore I behelde, and loe, there 2 was a white horse, and hee that sate on him, had a bowe, and a crowne was given vnto him, and he went forth conquering that he might ouercome. And when he had opened the sec- 3 onde seale, I heard the second beast say, Come and see. And 4 there went out an other horse, that was red, and power was giuen to him that sate thereon, to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another, and there was given vnto him a great sword. And when hee had opened the thirde 5 seale, I heard the thirde beast say, Come and see: Then I behelde, and loe, a blacke horse, and he that sate on him, had balances in his hand. And I heard a voice in the mids of the 6 foure beastes say, A measure of wheate for a penie, and three measures of barly for a peny, and oyle, and wine hurt thou not. And when he had opened the fourth seale, I heard the voice 7 of the fourth beast say, Come and see. And I looked, and be-8 holde, a pale horse, and his name that sate on him was Death, and Hell folowed after him, and power was given vnto them ouer the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sworde, and with hunger, and with death, and with beasts of the earth. And 9 when hee had opened the fifth seale, I sawe vnder the altar the soules of them, that were killed for the worde of God, and for the testimonie which they mainteined. And they cried with a 10

loud voice, saying, How long, Lord, which art holie and true! doest not thou judge and auenge our blood on them that dwell And long white robes were given vnto euery 11 on the earth? one, and it was saide vnto them, that they shoulde rest for a litle season vntill their fellow seruants, and their brethren that 12 shoulde bee killed euen as they were, were fulfilled. And I behelde when hee had opened the sixt seale, and loe, there was a great earthquake, and the sunne was as blacke as sackecloth 13 of heare, and the moone was like blood. And the starres of heauen fell vnto the earth, as a figge tree casteth her greene 14 figges when it is shaken of a mightie winde. And heauen departed away, as a scroule, when it is rolled, and euery moun-15 taine and yle were mooued out of their places. And the Kinges of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chiefe captaines, and the mighty men, and euery bondman, and euery free man, hid themselues in dennes, and among the 16 rockes of the mountaines, And said to the mountaines and rocks. Fal on vs. and hide vs from the presence of him that sit-17 teth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lambe. For the great day of his wrath is come, and who can stand?

And after that, I sawe foure Angels stand on the foure cor-7 ners of the earth, holding the foure windes of the earth, that the winds should not blow on the earth, neither on the sea, 2 neither on any tree. And I sawe another Angel come vp from the East, which had the seale of the liuing God, and hee cried with a loud voice to the foure Angels to who power was given 3 to hurt the earth, and the sea, saying, Hurt ye not the earth, neither the sea, neither the trees, til we haue sealed the seru-4 ants of our God in their foreheads. And I heard the number of them, which were sealed, and there were sealed an hundreth and foure and fourtie thousand of all the tribes of the 5 children of Israel. Of the tribe of Iuda were sealed twelve thousande. Of the tribe of Ruben were sealed twelve thou-6 sande. Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousande. Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nephthali were sealed twelue thousand. Of the tribe of Man-7 asses were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed twelve thousande. Of the tribe of Leui were sealed twelue thousande. Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelue thousand. Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thou-

Of the tribe of Ioseph were sealed twelue thousande. 8 sand. Of the tribe of Beniamin were sealed twelve thousand. After 9 these thinges I behelde, and loe a great multitude, which no man coulde number, of all nations and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stoode before the throne, and before the Lambe, clothed with long white robes, and palmes in their hands. And 10 they cried with a loud voice, saying, Saluation commeth of our God, that sitteth vpon the throne, and of the Lambe. And 11 all the Angels stoode rounde about the throne, and about the Elders, and the foure beastes, and they fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, Saying, Amen. Praise, 12 and glorie, and wisdom, and thankes, and honour, and power, and might bee vnto our God for euermore, Amen. And one 13 of the Elders spake, saying vnto me, What are these which are araied in log white robes? and whence came they? And I saide 14 vnto him. Lord, thou knowest. And he saide to me. These are they, which came out of great tribulation, and haue washed their long robes, and have made their long robes white in the blood of the Lambe. Therefore are they in the presence of the 15 throne of God, and serue him day and night in his Temple, and he that sitteth on the throne, wil dwell among them. shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more, neither shall the sunne light on them, neither any heate. For the Lambe, 17 which is in the middes of the throne, shall gouerne them, and shall leade them vnto the liuely fountaines of waters, and God shall wipe away all teares from their eyes.

And when he had opened the seuenth seale, there was silence in heauen about halfe an houre. And I sawe the seuen 2 Angels, which stoode before God, and to them were given seuen trumpets. Then another Angel came and stoode before the alatar having a golden censer, and much odours was given vnto him, that hee shoulde offer with the prayers of all Saintes vpon the golden altar, which is before the throne. And the smoke 4 of the odours with the prayers of the Saintes, went vp before God, out of the Angels hand. And the Angel tooke the censer, 5 and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth, and there were voyces, and thundrings, and lightnings, and earthquake. Then the seuen Angels, which had the seuen 6 trumpets, prepared themselves to blow the trumpets. So the 7 first Angell blewe the trumpet, and there was haile and fire,

mingled with blood, and they were cast into the earth, and the thirde part of trees was burnt, and all greene grasse was burnt. 8 And the second Angel blew the trumpet, and as it were a great mountaine, burning with fire, was cast into the sea, and the 9 thirde part of the sea became blood. And the thirde part of the creatures, which were in the sea, and had life, died, and the 10 thirde part of shippes were destroyed. Then the thirde Angel blew the trumpet, and there fell a great starre from heauen, burning like a torche, and it fell into the thirde part of the ri-11 uers, and into the fountaines of waters. And the name of the starre is called wormewood: therefore the thirde part of the waters became wormewood, and many men died of the waters, 12 because they were made bitter. And the fourth Angel blew the trumpet, and the thirde part of the sunne was smitten, and the thirde part of the moone, and the thirde part of the starres, so that the thirde part of them was darkened: and the day was smitten, that the thirde part of it could not shine, and likewise 13 the night. And I beheld, and heard one Angel flying thorow the middes of heauen, saying with a loude voyce, Woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the sounds to come of the trumpet of the three Angels, which were yet to blowe the trumpets.

And the fifth Angel blew the trumpet, and I saw a starre fall from heauen vnto the earth, and to him was given the key of 2 the bottomlesse pit. And he opened the bottomlesse pit, and there arose the smoke of the pit, as the smoke of a great fornace, and the sunne, and the ayre were darkened by the smoke And there came out of the smoke Locustes vpon the earth, and vnto them was given power, as the scorpions of 4 the earth haue power. And it was comanded them, that they should not hurt the grasse of the earth, neither any greene thing, neither any tree: but onely those men which have not 5 the seale of God in their foreheads. And to them was comanded that they should not kill them, but that they should be vexed fiue moneths, and that their paine should be as the paine that commeth of a scorpion, when he hath stung a man. 6 Therefore in those dayes shall men seeke death, and shall not finde it, and shall desire to die, and death shall flie from them. 7 And the forme of the locustes was like vnto horses prepared

vnto battel, and on their heads were as it were crownes, like

vnto golde, and their faces were like the faces of men. they had heare as the heare of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lyons. And they had habbergions, like to habber- 9 gions of yron: and the soud of their wings was like the sound of charets whe many horses runne vnto battel. And they had 10 tailes like vnto scorpions, and there were stings in their tailes, and their power was to hurt men fiue moneths. And they 11 haue a King ouer them, which is the Angel of the bottomlesse pit, whose name in Hebrewe is Abaddon, and in Greeke he is named Apollyon, that is, destroying. One woe is past, and 12 beholde, yet two woes come after this. Then the sixt Angel 13 blew the trumpet, and I heard a voyce from the foure hornes of the golden altar, which is before God. Saying to the sixt 14 Angel, which had the trumpet, Loose the foure Angels, which are bound in the great river Euphrates. And the foure Angels 15 were loosed, which were prepared at an houre, at a day, at a moneth, and at a yeere, to slay the thirde part of men. And 16 the number of horsemen of warre were twentie thousand times ten thousand: for I heard the nomber of them. And thus I 17 saw the horses in a vision, and them that sate on them, hauing firie habbergions, and of Iacinth, and of brimstone, and the heads of the horses were as the heades of lyons: and out of their mouthes went foorth fire and smoke and brimstone. Of 18 these three was the thirde part of men killed, that is, of the fire, and of the smoke, and of the brimstone, which came out of their mouthes. For their power is in their mouths, and in 19 their tailes: for their tailes were like vnto serpents, and had heades, wherewith they hurt. And the remnant of the men 20 which were not killed by these plagues, repented not of the works of their handes that they should not worship deuils, and idoles of golde and of siluer, and of brasse, and of stone, and of wood, which neither can see, neither heare nor goe. Also they 21 repented not of their murder, and of their sorcerie, neither of their fornication, nor of their theft.

And I sawe another mightie Angel come downe from heauen, 10 clothed with a cloude, and the raine bowe vpon his head, and his face was as the sunne, and his feete as pillars of fire. And 2 hee had in his hande a little booke open, and he put his right foote vpon the sea, and his left on the earth, And cried with 3 a loude voyce, as when a lyon roareth: and when he had cried,

4 seuen thunders vttered their voyces. And whe the seuen thunders had vttered their voyces, I was about to write: but I heard a voice from heauen saying vnto me, Seale vp those things which the seuen thunders haue spoken, and write them not. 5 And the Angel which I sawe stand vpon the sea, and vpon the 6 earth, lift vp his hand to heauen, And sware by him that liueth for euermore, which created heauen, and the thinges that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the thinges that therein are, that time should be 7 no more. But in the dayes of the voyce of the seuenth Angel, when he shall beginne to blow the trumpet, euen the mysterie of God shalbe finished, as he hath declared to his seruants the 8 Prophets. And the voyce which I heard from heauen, spake vnto me againe, and said, Go and take the litle booke which is open in the hand of the Angel, which standeth vpon the sea 9 and vpon the earth. So I went vnto the Angel, and saide to him, Giue me the litle booke. And he said vnto me, Take it, and eate it vp, and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shalbe 10 in thy mouth as sweete as honie. Then I tooke the litle booke out of ye Angels hand, and ate it vp, and it was in my mouth as sweete as hony: but whe I had eaten it my belly was bitter. 11 And he said vnto me, Thou must prophecie againe among the people and nations, and tongues, and to many Kings.

Then was given me a reede, like vnto a rod, and the Angel 11 stoode by, saying, Rise and mete the Temple of God, and the 2 altar, and them that worship therein. But the court which is without the temple cast out, and mete it not: for it is giuen vnto the Gentiles, and the holy citie shall they treade vnder 3 foote, two and fourtie moneths. But I wil giue power vnto my two witnesses, and they shall prophecie a thousande two 4 hundreth and threescore dayes, clothed in sackcloth. are two oliue trees, and two candlestickes, standing before the 5 God of the earth. And if any man wil hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouthes, and deuoureth their enemies: for 6 if any man would hurt the, thus must he be killed. haue power to shut heauen, that it raine not in the dayes of their prophecying, and haue power ouer waters to turne them into blood, and to smite the earth with all maner plagues, as 7 often as they will. And when they have finished their testimonie, the beast that commeth out of the bottomlesse pit, shall

make warre against them, and shall ouercome them, and kill them. And their corpses shall lie in the streetes of the great 8 citie, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where our Lord also was crucified. And they of the people and kinreds, 9 and tongues, and Gentiles shall see their corpses three dayes and an halfe, and shall not suffer their carkeises to be put in graues. And they that dwell vpon the earth, shall reioyce ouer 10 them and be glad, and shall sende giftes one to an other: for these two Prophets vexed them that dwelt on the earth. But 11 after three dayes and an halfe, the spirit of life comming from God, shall enter into them, and they shall stande vp vpon their feete: and great feare shall come vpon them which sawe them. And they shall heare a great voyce from heauen, saying vnto 12 them, Come vp hither. And they shall ascend vp to heauen in a cloude, and their enemies shall see them. And the same houre 13 shall there bee a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the citie shall fall, and in the earthquake shalbe slaine in nomber seuen thousande: and the remnant were sore feared, and gaue glorie to the God of heauen. The second woe is past, and be- 14 holde, the third woe will come anon. And the seuenth An- 15 gell blewe the trumpet, and there were great voyces in heauen, saying, The kingdomes of this worlde are our Lordes, and his Christes, and he shall reigne for euermore. Then the foure 16 and twentie Elders, which sate before God on their seates, fell vpon their faces, and worshipped God, Saying, We give thee 17 thankes, Lord God almightie, Which art, and Which wast, and Which art to come: for thou hast received thy great might, and hast obteined thy kingdome. And the Gentiles were angrie, 18 and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they shoulde be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward vnto thy seruants the Prophets, and to the Saintes, and to them that feare thy Name, to small and great, and shouldest destroy them, which destroy the earth. Then the Temple of God 19 was opened in heauen, and there was seene in his Temple the Arke of his couenant: and there were lightnings, and voyces, and thundrings, and earthquake, and much haile.

And there appeared a great wonder in heauen: A woman 12 clothed with the sunne, and the moone was vnder her feete, and vpon her head a crowne of twelue starres. And she was 2 with childe, and cried traueiling in birth, and was pained readie

3 to be deliuered. And there appeared another wonder in heaue: for beholde, a great red dragon hauing seuen heads, and ten 4 hornes, and seuen crownes vpon his heads: And his taile drew the thirde part of the starres of heauen, and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman, which was ready to be deliuered, to deuoure her childe, when shee had 5 brought it foorth. So shee brought foorth a man childe, which should rule all nations with a rod of yron: and that her childe 6 was taken vp vnto God and to his throne. And the woman fled into wildernes where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feede her there a thousande, two hundreth 7 and three score dayes. And there was a battell in heauen, Michael and his Angels fought against the dragon, and the 8 dragon fought and his angels. But they preuailed not, nei-9 ther was their place found any more in heauen. And the great dragon, that olde serpent, called the deuil and Satan, was cast out, which deceiueth all the world: he was euen cast into the 10 earth, and his angels were cast out with him. Then I heard a loude voyce in heauen, saying, Now is saluation, and strength, and the kingdome of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast downe, which accused them 11 before our God day and night. But they ouercame him by that blood of that Lambe, and by that worde of their testimonie, and 12 they loued not their liues vnto the death. Therefore reioyce, ye heauens, and ye that dwell in them. Wo to the inhabitants of the earth, and of the sea: for the deuill is come downe vnto you, which hath great wrath, knowing that he hath but a short 13 time. And when the dragon sawe that hee was cast vnto the earth, he persecuted the woman which had brought forth the 14 man childe. But to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might flie into the wildernes, into her place. where she is nourished for a time, and times, and halfe a time, 15 from the presence of the serpent. And the serpent cast out of his mouth water after the woman, like a flood, that he might 16 cause her to be caried away of the flood. But the earth holpe the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swalowed vp 17 the flood, which the dragon had cast out of his mouth. Then the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went and made warre with the remnant of her seede, which keepe the comaun-18 dements of God, and have the testimonie of Iesus Christ. And

I stood on the sea sand.

And I saw a beast rise out of the sea, having seven heads, 13 and ten hornes, and vpon his hornes were ten crownes, and vpon his heads the name of blasphemie. And the beast which 2 I sawe, was like a Leopard, and his feete like a beares, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gaue him his power and his throne, and great authoritie. And I sawe 3 one of his heads as it were wounded to death, but his deadly wound was healed, and all the world wondred and followed the And they worshipped the dragon which gaue power 4 vnto the beast, and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like vnto the beast! who is able to warre with him! And there 5 was given vnto him a mouth, that spake great things and blasphemies, and power was given vnto him, to doe two and fourtie moneths. And he opened his mouth vnto blasphemie against 6 God, to blaspheme his Name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heauen. And it was given vnto him to make 7 warre with the Saints, and to ouercome them, and power was giuen him ouer euery kinred, and tongue, and nation. There-8 fore all that dwell vpon the earth, shall worship him, whose names are not written in the booke of life of that Lambe, which was slaine from the beginning of the world. If any man haue 9 an eare, let him heare. If any leade into captiuitie, hee shall 10 go into captiuitie: if any kill with a sword, he must be killed by a sword: here is the patience and the faith of the Saints. And I beheld another beast comming vp out of the earth, which 11 had two hornes like the Lambe, but he spake like the dragon. And he did all that the first beast could doe before him, and he 12 caused the earth, and them which dwell therein, to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. And he did great 13 wonders, so that hee made fire to come downe from heauen on the earth, in the sight of men, And deceived them that dwell 14 on the earth by the signes, which were permitted to him to doe in the sight of the beast, saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make the image of the beast, which had the wound of a sword, and did liue. And it was permit- 15 ted to him to give a spirit vnto the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast should speake, and should cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast, should be killed. And he made all, both small and great, rich and poore. 16

free and bond, to receive a marke in their right hand or in their foreheads, And that no man might buy or sell, saue hee that had the marke, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdome. Let him that hath wit, count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man, and his number is sixe hundreth threescore and sixe.

14 Then I looked, and lo, a Lambe stood on mount Sion, and with him an hundreth, fourtie and foure thousand, hauing his 2 Fathers Name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voyce from heauen, as the sound of many waters, and as the sound of a great thunder: and I heard the voyce of harpers harping 3 with their harpes. And they sung as it were a newe song before the throne, and before the foure beasts, and the Elders: and no man could learne that song, but the hundreth, fourtie 4 and foure thousand, which were bought from the earth. These are they, which are not defiled with women: for they are virgins: these follow the Lambe whithersoeuer he goeth: these are bought from men, being the first fruites vnto God, and to 5 the Lambe. And in their mouthes was found no guile: for they 6 are without spot before the throne of God. Then I sawe another Angel flie in the mids of heauen, having an euerlasting Gospel, to preach vnto them that dwell on the earth, and to eu-7 ery nation, and kinred, and tongue, and people. Saving with a loude voyce, Feare God, and give glory to him: for the houre of his iugdement is come: and woriship him that made heauen 8 and earth, and the sea, and the fountaines of waters. there followed another Angel, saying, Babylon that great citie is fallen, it is fallen: for she made all nations to drinke of the 9 wine of the wrath of her fornication. And the third Angel followed them, saying with a loude voyce, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his marke in his forehead, or 10 on his hand, The same shall drinke of the wine of ye wrath of God, yea, of the pure wine, which is powred into the cup of his wrath, and he shalbe tormented in fire and brimstone be-11 fore the holy Angels, and before the Lambe. And the smoke of their torment shall ascend euermore: and they shall haue no rest day nor night, which worship the beast and his image, 12 and whosoeuer receiveth the print of his name. Here is the patience of Saints: here are they that keepe the commande-13 ments of God, and the fayth of Iesus. Then I heard a voyce

from heauen, saying vnto me, Write, The dead which die in the Lord, are fully blessed. Euen so sayth the Spirit: for they rest from their labours, and their workes follow them. And 14 I looked, and behold, a white cloude, and vpon the cloude one sitting like vnto the Sonne of man, hauing on his head a golden crowne, and in his hand a sharpe sickle. And another Angel 15 came out of the Temple, crying with a loude voyce to him that sate on the cloude, Thrust in thy sickle and reape: for the time is come to reape: for the haruest of the earth is ripe. And he 16 that sate on the cloude, thrust in his sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped. Then an other Angel came out of the 17 Temple, which is in heauen, hauing also a sharpe sickle. And 18 another Angel came out from the altar, which had power ouer fire, and cryed with a loude crie to him that had the sharpe sickle, and sayd, Thrust in thy sharpe sickle, and gather the clusters of the vineyard of the earth: for her grapes are ripe. And the Angel thrust in his sharpe sickle on the earth, and cut 19 downe the vines of the vineyard of the earth, and cast them into that great wine presse of the wrath of God. And the wine 20 presse was troden without the citie, and blood came out of the wine presse, vnto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and sixe hundreth furlongs.

And I sawe another signe in heauen, great and marueilous, 15 seuen Angels, having the seuen last plagues: for by them is fulfilled the wrath of God. And I sawe as it were a glassie 2 sea, mingled with fire, and them that had gotten victorie of the beast, and of his image, and of his marke, and of the number of his name, stand at the glassie sea, hauing the harpes of God, And they sung the song of Moses the seruant of God, 3 and the song of the Lambe, saying, Great and marueilous are thy workes, Lord God almightie: iust and true are thy wayes, King of Saints. Who shall not feare thee, O Lord, and glorifie 4 thy Name! for thou onely art holy, and all nations shall come and worship before thee: for thy judgements are made manifest. And after that, I looked, and beholde, the Temple of the 5 tabernacle of testimonie was open in heauen. And the seuen 6 Angels came out of the Temple, which had the seuen plagues, clothed in pure and bright linnen, and hauing their breasts girded with golden girdles. And one of the foure beastes gaue 7 vnto the seuen Angels seuen golden vials full of the wrath of

8 God, which liueth for euermore. And the Temple was full of the smoke of the glory of God and of his power, and no man was able to enter into the Temple, till the seuen plagues of the seuen Angels were fulfilled.

And I heard a great voyce out of the Temple, saying to the 16 seuen Angels, Go your wayes, and powre out the seuen vials 2 of the wrath of God vpon the earth. And the first went and powred out his viall vpon the earth: and there fell a noysome, and a grieuous sore vpon the men, which had the marke of ye 3 beast, and vpon them which worshipped his image. And the second Angel powred out his viall vpon the sea, and it became as the blood of a dead man: and euery liuing thing dyed in the 4 sea. And the third Angel powred out his viall vpon the rivers 5 and fountaines of waters, and they became blood. And I heard the Angel of the waters say, Lord, thou art iust, Which art, and Which wast: and Holy, because thou hast judged these things. 6 For they shed the blood of the Saints, and Prophets, and therefore hast thou given them blood to drinke: for they are wor-7 thy. And I heard another out of the Sanctuarie say, Euen so, Lord God almightie, true and righteous are thy judgements. 8 And the fourth Angel powred out his viall on the sunne, and 9 it was given vnto him to torment men with heate of fire, And men boyled in great heate, and blasphemed the Name of God, which hath power ouer these plagues, and they repented not, 10 to give him glorie. And the fifth Angel powred out his viall vpon the throne of the beast, and his kingdome waxed darke, 11 and they gnawed their tongues for sorowe, And blasphemed the God of heauen for their paines, and for their sores, and re-12 pented not of their workes. And the sixth Angel powred out his viall vpon the great riuer Euphrates, and the water thereof dried vp, that the way of the Kings of the East should be pre-13 pared. And I sawe three vncleane spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of that dragon, and out of the mouth of that beast, 14 and out of the mouth of that false prophet. For they are the spirits of deuils, working miracles, to go vnto the Kings of the earth, and of the whole world, to gather them to the battell of 15 that great day of God Almightie. (Beholde, I come as a theefe. Blessed is he that watcheth and keepeth his garments, least 16 hee walke naked, and men see his filthines) And they gath-

ered them together into a place called in Hebrewe Arma-gedon.

And the seuenth Angel powred out his viall into the ayre: and 17 there came a loude voyce out of the Temple of heauen from the throne, saying, It is done. And there were voyces, and thun- 18 drings, and lightnings, and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were vpon the earth, euen so mightie an earthquake. And the great citie was deuided into three 19 partes, and the cities of the nations fell: and that great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to giue vnto her the cup of the wine of the fiercenesse of his wrath. And euery yle fled 20 away, and the mountaines were not found. And there fell a 21 great haile, like talents, out of heauen vpon the men, and men blasphemed God, because of the plague of the haile: for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

Then there came one of the seuen Angels, which had the 17 seuen vials, and talked with me, saying vnto me, Come: I will shewe thee the damnation of the great whore that sitteth vpon many waters. With whom have committed fornication 2 the Kings of the earth, and the inhabitants of the earth are drunken with the wine of her fornication. So he caried me 3 away into the wildernesse in the Spirit, and I sawe a woman sit vpon a skarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemie, which had seuen heads, and tenne hornes. And the woman 4 was arayed in purple and skarlet, and gilded with golde, and precious stones, and pearles, and had a cup of gold in her hand, full of abominations, and filthines of her fornication. And in her forehead was a name written, A mysterie, that 5 great Babylon, that mother of whoredomes, and abominations of the earth. And I sawe ve woman drunken with the blood of 6 Saintes, and with the blood of the Martyrs of IESVS: and when I sawe her, I wondred with great marueile. Then the Angel 7 saide vnto me. Wherefore marueilest thou? I will shewe thee the misterie of that woman, and of that beast, that beareth her, which hath seuen heads, and tenne hornes. The beast 8 that thou hast seene, was, and is not, and shall ascend out of the bottomles pit, and shall goe into perdition, and they that dwell on the earth, shall wonder (whose names are not written in the booke of life from the foundation of ye world) when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. Here is the 9 mind that hath wisdome. The seuen heads, are seuen mountaines, whereon the woman sitteth: they are also seuen Kings.

10 Fiue are fallen, and one is, and another is not yet come: and 11 when he commeth, he must continue a short space. And the beast that was, and is not, is euen the eight, and is one of the 12 seuen, and shall goe into destruction. And the tenne hornes which thou sawest, are tenne Kings, which yet haue not receiued a kingdome, but shall receiue power, as Kings at one 13 houre with the beast. These haue one minde, and shall give 14 their power, and authoritie vnto the beast. These shall fight with the Lambe, and the Lambe shall ouercome them: for he is Lord of Lordes, and King of Kings: and they that are on 15 his side, called, and chosen, and faithfull. And he said vnto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, 16 are people, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues. And the tenne hornes which thou sawest vpon the beast, are they that shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and 17 naked, and shall eate her flesh, and burne her with fire. For God hath put in their heartes to fulfill his will, and to doe with one consent for to give their kingdome vnto the beast, vntill 18 the wordes of God be fulfilled. And that woman which thou sawest, is that great citie, which reigneth ouer the kings of ye earth.

And after these thinges, I sawe another Angel come downe 18 from heauen, hauing great power, so that the earth was light-2 ened with his glorie, And he cryed out mightily with a loud voyce, saying, It is fallen, it is fallen, Babylon that great citie, and is become the habitation of deuils, and the holde of all foule 3 spirits, and a cage of euery vncleane and hatefull birde. For all nations have drunken of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the Kings of the earth haue committed fornication with her, and the marchants of the earth are waxed rich of the 4 abundance of her pleasures. And I heard another voyce from heauen say, Goe out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers 5 of her sinnes, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sinnes are come vp into heauen, and God hath remembred her 6 iniquities. Rewarde her, euen as she hath rewarded you, and giue her double according to her workes: and in the cup that 7 she hath filled to you, fill her ye double. In as much as she glorified her selfe, and liued in pleasure, so much giue ye to her torment and sorow: for she saith in her heart, I sit being a 8 queene, and am no widowe, and shall see no mourning. Therefore shall her plagues come at one day, death, and sorowe, and famine, and she shalbe burnt with fire: for that God which condemneth her, is a strong Lord. And the kings of the earth 9 shall bewayle her, and lament for her, which haue committed fornication, and liued in pleasure with her, when they shall see that smoke of that her burning, And shall stand a farre 10 off for feare of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that great citie Babylon, that mightie citie: for in one houre is thy judgement come. And the marchants of the earth shall weepe and wayle 11 ouer her: for no man byeth their ware any more. The ware of 12 golde, and siluer, and of precious stone, and of pearles, and of fine linnen, and of purple, and of silke, and of skarlet, and of all maner of Thyne wood, and of all vessels of yuorie, and of all vessels of most precious wood, and of brasse, and of vron, and of marble, And of cinamon, and odours, and ointments, and 13 frankincense, and wine, and oyle, and fine floure, and wheate, and beastes, and sheepe, and horses, and charets, and seruants, and soules of men. (And the apples that thy soule lusted 14 after, are departed from thee, and all things which were fatte and excellent, are departed from thee, and thou shalt finde them no more) The marchants of these thinges which were 15 waxed riche, shall stand a farre off from her, for feare of her torment, weeping and wayling, And saying, Alas, alas, that great 16 citie, that was clothed in fine linnen and purple, and skarlet, and gilded with gold, and precious stones, and pearles. For 17 in one houre so great riches are come to desolation. And euery shipmaster, and all the people that occupie shippes, and shipmen, and whosoeuer traffike on the sea, shall stand a farre off, And crie, when they see that smoke of that her burning, say- 18 ing, What citie was like vnto this great citie? And they shall 19 cast dust on their heads, and crie, weeping, and wayling, and say, Alas, alas, that great citie, wherein were made rich all that had ships on the sea by her costlinesse: for in one houre she is made desolate. O heauen, reioyce of her, and ye holy Apostles 20 and Prophets: for God hath punished her to be reuenged on her for your sakes. Then a mightie Angell tooke vp a stone 21 like a great milstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, With such violence shall that great citie Babylon be cast, and shalbe found no more. And the voyce of harpers, and musicians, and 22 of pipers, and trumpetters shalbe heard no more in thee, and

no craftesman, of whatsoeuer craft he be, shall be found any more in thee: and the sound of a milstone shalbe heard no more in thee. And the light of a candle shall shine no more in thee: and the voyce of the bridegrome and of the bride shalbe heard no more in thee: for thy marchants were the great men of the earth: and with thine inchantments were deceived all nations. And in her was found the blood of the Prophets, and of the Saints, and of all that were slaine vpon the earth.

And after these things I heard a great voyce of a great mul-19 titude in heauen, saying, Hallelu-iah, saluation, and glorie, 2 and honour, and power be to the Lord our God. For true and righteous are his judgements: for he hath condemned that great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath auenged the blood of his seruants shed by her hand. 3 And againe they saide, Hallelu-iah: and that her smoke rose 4 vp for euermore. And the foure and twentie Elders, and the foure beastes fell downe, and worshipped God that sate on the 5 throne, saying, Amen, Hallelu-iah. Then a voyce came out of the throne, saying, Prayse our God, all ye his seruants, and 6 ye that feare him, both small and great. And I heard like a voyce of a great multitude, and as the voyce of many waters, and as the voyce of strong thundrings, saying, Hallelu-iah: for 7 the Lord that God that almightie God hath reigned. Let vs be glad and reioyce, and give glory to him: for the marriage of that 8 Lambe is come, and his wife hath made her selfe ready. And to her was granted, that she should be arayed with pure fine linnen and shining, for the fine linnen is the righteousnesse of 9 Saintes. Then he said vnto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called vnto the Lambes supper. And he said vnto me, These 10 wordes of God are true. And I fell before his feete, to worship him: but he said vnto me, See thou doe it not: I am thy fellowe seruant, and one of thy brethren, which haue the testimonie of Iesus. Worship God: for the testimonie of Iesus is the Spirit 11 of prophecie. And I sawe heauen open, and behold, a white horse, and he that sate vpon him, was called, Faithfull and 12 true, and he iudgeth and fighteth righteously. And his eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crownes: and he had a name written, that no man knewe but himselfe. 13 And he was clothed with a garment dipt in blood, and his name 14 is called THE WORD OF GOD. And the hostes which werein

heauen, followed him vpon white horses, clothed with fine linnen white and pure. And out of his mouth went out a sharpe 15 sworde, that with it he should smite the heathen: for he shall rule them with a rod of vron: for he it is that treadeth the wine presse of the fiercenesse and wrath of almightie God. he hath vpon his garment, and vpon his thigh a name written, THE KINGS OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. And 17 I sawe an Angel stand in the sunne, who cryed with a loude voyce, saying to all the foules that did flie by the middes of heauen, Come, and gather your selues together vnto the supper of ve great God. That ye may eate the flesh of Kings, and 18 the flesh of hie Captaines, and the flesh of mightie men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all freemen, and bondmen, and of small and great. And I 19 sawe the beast, and the Kings of the earth, and their hostes gathered together to make battell against him that sate on the horse, and against his armie. But ye beast was taken, and 20 with him that false prophet that wrought miracles before him, whereby he deceived them that received ve beastes marke, and them that worshipped his image. These both were aliue cast into a lake of fire, burning with brimstone. And the remnant 21 were slayne with the sword of him that sitteth vpon the horse, which commeth out of his mouth, and all the foules were filled full with their flesh.

And I saw an Angel come downe from heauen, having the 20 keye of the bottomles pit, and a great chaine in his hand. And 2 he tooke the dragon that olde serpent, which is the deuill and Satan, and he bounde him a thousand veeres: And cast him 3 into the bottomles pit, and he shut him vp, and sealed the doore vpon him, that he should deceive the people no more, till the thousand yeeres were fulfilled: for after that he must be loosed for a litle season. And I sawe seates: and they sate 4 vpon them, and iudgement was given vnto them, and I saw the soules of them that were beheaded for the witnes of Iesus, and for the word of God, and which did not worship the beast, neither his image, neither had taken his marke vpon their foreheads, or on their handes: and they lived, and reigned with Christ a thousand veere. But the rest of the dead men shall 5 not liue againe, vntill the thousand yeres be finished: this is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is hee, that hath part 6

in the first resurrection: for on such the second death hath no power: but they shalbe the Priests of God and of Christ, and 7 shall reigne with him a thousand yeere. And when the thousand yeres are expired, Satan shalbe loosed out of his prison, 8 And shall go out to deceive the people, which are in the foure quarters of the earth: euen Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battell, whose number is, as the sand of the sea. 9 And they went vp into the plaine of the earth, and they compassed the tents of the Saints about, and the beloued citie: but fire came downe from God out of heauen, and deuoured them. 10 And the deuill that deceived them, was cast into a lake of fire and brimstone, where that beast and that false prophet are, 11 and shall be tormented euen day and night for euermore. And I saw a great white throne, and one that sate on it, from whose face fled away both the earth and heauen, and their place was 12 no more found. And I saw the dead, both great and small stand before God: and the bookes were opened, and another booke was opened, which is the booke of life, and the dead were iudged of those thinges, which were written in the bookes, ac-13 cording to their woorkes. And the sea gaue vp her dead, which were in her, and death and hell deliuered vp the dead, which were in them: and they were judged euery man according to 14 their woorkes. And death and hell were cast into the lake of 15 fire: this is the second death. And whosoeuer was not found written in the booke of life, was cast into the lake of fire.

And I sawe a newe heaven, and a newe earth: for the first 21 heauen, and the first earth were passed away, and there was 2 no more sea. And I John sawe the holie citie newe Hierusalem come downe from God out of heauen, prepared as a bride trimmed 3 for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heauen, saying, Behold, the Tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them: and they shalbe his people, and God him-4 selfe shalbe their God with them. And God shall wipe away all teares from their eyes: and there shalbe no more death, neither sorow, neither crying, neither shall there be any more 5 paine: for the first things are passed. And he that sate vpon the throne, sayd, Behold, I make all things newe: and he sayde 6 vnto me, Write: for these wordes are faithfull and true. And he said vnto me, It is done, I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ende. I wil giue to him that is a thirst, of

the well of the water of life freely. He that ouercommeth, 7 shall inherit all things, and I will be his God, and he shall be my sonne. But the fearful and vnbeleeuing, and the abom- 8 inable and murtherers, and whoremogers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake, which burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death. And there came vnto mee one of the seuen Angels, which had 9 the seuen vials full of the seuen last plagues, and talked with mee, saying, Come: I will shewe thee the bride, the Lambes And he caried me away in the spirit to a great: and 10 an hie mountaine, and he shewed me that great citie, that holie Hierusalem, descending out of heauen from God, Hau- 11 ing the glorie of God: and her shining was like vnto a stone most precious, as a Iasper stone cleare as crystall, And had 12 a great wall and hie, and had twelue gates, and at the gates twelue Angels, and the names written, which are the twelue tribes of the children of Israel. On the East part there were 13 three gates, and on the Northside three gates, on the Southside three gates, and on the Westside three gates. And the wall of 14 the citie had twelue foundations, and in them the Names of the Lambes twelue Apostles. And hee that talked with mee, 15 had a golden reede, to measure the citie withall, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof. And the citie laie foure square, 16 and the length is as large as the bredth of it, and he measured the citie with the reede, twelue thousande furlongs: and the length, and the bredth, and the height of it are equall. And 17 hee measured the wall thereof, an hundreth fourtie and foure cubites, by the measure of man, that is, of the Angell. And ye 18 building of the wall of it was of Iasper: and the citie was pure golde, like vnto cleare glasse. And the foundations of the wall 19 of ye city were garnished with all maner of precious stones: the first foundation was Iasper: the second of Saphire: the third of a Chalcedonie: the fourth of an Emeraude: The fift of a Sar- 20 donix: the sixt of a Sardius: the seueth of a Chrysolite: the eight of a Beryl: the ninth of a Topaze: the tenth of a Chrysoprasus: the eleuenth of a Iacynth: the twelfth an Amethyst. And the twelue gates were twelue pearles, and euery gate is of 21 one pearle, and the streete of the citie is pure golde, as shining glasse. And I sawe no Temple therein: for the Lord God 22 almightie and the Lambe are the Temple of it. And this citie 23 hath no neede of the sunne, neither of the moone to shine in it: for the glorie of God did light it: and the Lambe is the light of it. And the people which are saued, shall walke in the light of it: and the Kings of the earth shall bring their glorie and honour vnto it. And the gates of it shall not be shut by day: for there shalbe no night there. And the glorie, and honour of the Gentiles shall be brought vnto it. And there shall enter into it none vncleane thing, neither whatsoeuer woorketh abomination or lies: but they which are written in ye Lambes booke of life.

And hee shewed me a pure riuer of water of life, cleare as **22** crystall, proceeding out of the throne of God, and of the Lambe. 2 In the middes of the street of it, and of either side of ye riuer, was the tree of life, which bare twelue maner of fruits, and gaue fruit euery moneth: and the leaues of the tree serued to 3 heale the nations with. And there shalbe no more curse, but ye throne of God and of the Lambe shall be in it, and his seru-4 ants shall serue him. And they shall see his face, and his 5 Name shalbe in their foreheads. And there shalbe no night there, and they neede no candle, neither light of the sunne: for the Lord God giueth them light, and they shall reigne for eu-6 ermore. And he said vnto me, These wordes are faithfull and true: and the Lord God of the holy Prophets sent his Angell to shewe vnto his seruants the things which must shortly be 7 fulfilled. Beholde, I come shortly. Blessed is hee that keepeth 8 the woordes of the prophecie of this booke. And I am Iohn, which sawe and heard these thinges: and when I had heard and seene, I fell downe to worship before the feete of the An-9 gell which shewed me these things. But he sayde vnto me, See thou doe it not: for I am thy fellowe seruaunt, and of thy brethren the Prophets, and of them which keepe the woordes 10 of this booke: worship God. And he said vnto me, Seale not the wordes of the prophecie of this booke: for the time is at 11 hand. He that is vniust, let him be vniust stil and he which is filthie, let him be filthie still: and hee that is righteous, let him be righteous stil: and he that is holy, let him be holy still. 12 And beholde, I come shortly, and my reward is with mee, to 13 giue euery man according as his worke shall be. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. 14 Blessed are they, that doe his commandements, that their right

may be in the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the Citie. For without shall be dogs and inchanters, and 15 whoremongers, and murtherers, and idolaters, and whosoeuer loueth or maketh lies. I Iesus haue sent mine Angell, to testi- 16 fie vnto you these things in the Churches: I am the root and the generation of Dauid, and the bright morning starre. And the 17 Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth, say, Come: and let him that is a thirst, come: and let whosoeuer will, take of the water of life freely. For I protest vnto eu- 18 ery man that heareth the words of the prophecie of this booke, If any man shall adde vnto these things, God shall adde vnto him the plagues, that are written in this booke: And if any 19 man shall diminish of the wordes of the booke of this prophecie, God shall take away his part out of the Booke of life, and out of the holie citie, and from those things which are written in this booke. He which testifieth these things, saith, Surely, 20 I come guickly. Amen. Euen so, come Lord Iesus. The grace 21 of our Lord Iesus Christ be with you all, AMEN.