The Book Of Joshua

The Argument

In this book the holy Ghost setteth most lively before eyes the accomplishment of God's promise, who as he promised by the mouth of Moses, that a Prophet should be raised up unto the people like unto him, whom he willeth to obey, Deut. 18:15: so he showeth himself here true in his promise, as at all other times, and after the death of Moses his faithful servant, he raiseth up Joshua to be a ruler and governor over his people, that neither they should be discouraged for lack of a captain, nor have occasion to distrust God's promises hereafter. And because that Joshua might be confirmed in his vocation, and the people also might have none occasion to grudge, as though he were not approved of God: he is adorned with most excellent gifts and graces of God, both to govern the people with counsel, and to defend them with strength, that he lacketh nothing which either belongeth to a valiant captain, or a faithful minister. So he overcometh all difficulties, and bringeth them into the land of Canaan: the which according to God's ordinance he divideth among the people and appointeth their borders: he established laws and ordinances, and putteth them in remembrance of God's manifold benefits, assuring them of his grace and favor, if they obey God, and contrariwise of his plagues and vengeance, if they disobey him. This history doth represent Jesus Christ the true Joshua, who leadeth us into eternal felicity, which is signified unto us by this land of Canaan. From the beginning of the Genesis to the end of this book are contained 2567 years. For from Adam unto the flood are 1656, from the flood unto the departure of Abraham out of Chaldea 423, and from thence to the death of Joseph 290. So that the Genesis containeth 2369, Exodus 140, the other three books of Moses 40. Joshua 27. So the whole maketh 2576 years.

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- ¹ Now after the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying,
- ² Moses my servant is dead: now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I give them, that is, to ye children of Israel.
- ³ Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, have I given you, as I said unto Moses.
- ⁴ From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Perath: all the land of the Hittites, even unto the great Sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.
- ⁵ There shall not a man be able to withstand thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so will I be with thee: I will not leave thee, nor forsake thee.
- ⁶ Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide the land for an inheritance, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.
- ⁷ Only be thou strong, and of a most valiant courage, that thou mayest observe and do according to all the Law which Moses my servant hath commanded thee: thou shalt not turn away from it to the right hand, nor to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.
- ⁸ Let not this book of the Law depart out of thy mouth, but meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe and do according to all that is written therein: for then shalt thou make thy way prosperous, and then shalt thou have good success.
- ⁹ Have not I commanded thee, saying, Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be discouraged? For I the Lord thy God will be with thee, whithersoever thou goest.
- ¹⁰ Then Joshua commanded the officers of the people, saying,
- ¹¹ Pass through the host, and command the people, saying, Prepare you vitailles: for after three days ye shall pass over this Jordan, to go in to possess the land, which the Lord your God giveth you to possess it.
- ¹² And unto the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to half the tribe of Manasseh spake Joshua, saying,

- ¹³ Remember the word, which Moses the servant of the Lord commanded you, saying, The Lord your God hath given you rest, and hath given you this land.
- ¹⁴ Your wives, your children, and your cattle shall remain in the land which Moses gave you on this side Jordan: but ye shall go over before your brethren armed, all that be men of war, and shall help them,
- ¹⁵ Until the Lord have given your brethren rest, as well as to you, and until they also shall possess the land, which the Lord your God giveth them: then shall ye return unto the land of your possession and shall possess it, which land Moses the Lord's servant gave you on this side Jordan toward the sun rising.
- ¹⁶ Then they answered Joshua, saying, All that thou hast commanded us, we will do, and whithersoever thou sendest us, we will go.
- ¹⁷ As we obeyed Moses in all things, so will we obey thee: only the Lord thy God be with thee, as he was with Moses.
- ¹⁸ Whosoever shall rebel against thy commandment, and will not obey thy words in all that thou commandest him, let him be put to death: only be strong and of good courage.

- ¹ Then Joshua the son of Nun sent out of Shittim two men to spy secretly, saying, Go, view the land, and also Jericho: and they went, and came into an harlot's house, named Rahab, and lodged there.
- ²Then report was made to the King of Jericho, saying, Behold, there came men hither tonight, of the children of Israel, to spy out the country.
- ³ And the King of Jericho sent unto Rahab, saying, Bring forth the men that are come to thee, and which are entered into thine house: for they be come to search out all the land.
- ⁴ (But ye woman had taken the two men, and hid them) Therefore said she thus, There came men unto me, but I wist not whence they were.
- ⁵ And when they shut the gate in the dark, the men went out, whither the men went I wot not: follow ye after them quickly, for ye shall overtake them.
- ⁶ (But she had brought them up to the roof of the house, and hid them with the stalks of flax, which she had spread abroad upon the roof)
- ⁷ And certain men pursued after them, the way to Jordan, unto the fords, and as soon as they which pursued after them, were gone out, they shut the gate.
- ⁸ And before they were asleep, she came up unto them upon the roof,
- ⁹ And said unto the men, I know that the Lord hath given you the land, and that the fear of you is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you.
- ¹⁰ For we have heard, how the Lord dried up the water of the Red Sea before you, when you came out of Egypt, and what you did unto the two Kings of the Amorites, that were on the other side Jordan, unto Sihon and to Og, whom ye utterly destroyed:
- ¹¹ And when we heard it, our hearts did faint, and there remained no more courage in any because of you: for the Lord your God, he is the God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.
- ¹² Now therefore, I pray you, swear unto me by the Lord; that as I have shewed you mercy, ye will also shew mercy unto my father's house, and give me a true token,

- ¹³ And that ye will save alive my father and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have: and that ye will deliver our souls from death.
- ¹⁴ And the men answered her, Our life for you to die, if ye utter not this our business: and when the Lord hath given us the land, we will deal mercifully and truly with thee.
- ¹⁵ Then she let them down by a cord through the window: for her house was upon the town wall, and she dwelt upon the wall.
- ¹⁶ And she said unto them, Go you into the mountain, lest the pursuers meet with you, and hide yourselves there three days, until the pursuers be returned: then afterward may ye go your way.
- ¹⁷ And the men said unto her, We will be blameless of this thine oath, which thou hast made us swear.
- ¹⁸ Behold, when we come into the land, thou shalt bind this cord of red thread in the window, whereby thou lettest us down, and thou shalt bring thy father and thy mother, and thy brethren, and all thy father's household home to thee.
- ¹⁹ And whosoever then doeth go out at the doors of thine house into the street, his blood shall be upon his head, and we will be guiltless: but whosoever shall be with thee in the house, his blood shall be on our head, if any hand touch him:
- ²⁰ And if thou utter this our matter, we will be quit of thine oath, which thou hast made us swear.
- ²¹ And she answered, According unto your words, so be it: then she sent them away, and they departed, and she bound the red cord in ye window.
- ²² And they departed, and came into the mountain, and there abode three days, until the pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought them throughout all the way, but found them not.
- ²³ So the two men returned, and descended from the mountain, and passed over, and came to Joshua the son of Nun, and told him all things that came unto them.
- ²⁴ Also they said unto Joshua, Surely the Lord hath delivered into our hands all the land: for even all the inhabitants of the country faint because of us.

- ¹ Then Joshua rose very early, and they removed from Shittim, and came to Jordan, he, and all the children of Israel, and lodged there, before they went over.
- ² And after three days the officers went throughout the host,
- ³ And commanded the people, saying, When ye see the Ark of the covenant of the Lord your God, and the Priests of the Levites bearing it, ye shall depart from your place, and go after it.
- ⁴ Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: ye shall not come near unto it, that ye may know the way, by the which ye shall go: for ye have not gone this way in times past.
- ⁵ (Now Joshua had said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you)
- ⁶ Also Joshua spake unto the Priests, saying, Take up the Ark of the covenant, and go over before the people: so they took up the Ark of the covenant, and went before the people.
- ⁷ Then the Lord said unto Joshua, This day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of all Israel, which shall know, that as I was with Moses, so will I be with thee.
- ⁸ Thou shalt therefore command the Priests that bear the Ark of the Covenant, saying, When ye are come to the brink of the waters of Jordan, ye shall stand still in Jordan.
- ⁹ Then Joshua said unto the children of Israel, Come hither, and hear the words of the Lord your God.
- ¹⁰ And Joshua said, Hereby ye shall know that the living God is among you, and that he will certainly cast out before you the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Hivites, and the Perizzites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Jebusites.
- ¹¹ Behold, the Ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the world passeth before you into Jordan.
- ¹² Now therefore take from among you twelve men out of the tribes of Israel, out of every tribe a man.

- ¹³ And as soon as the soles of the feet of the Priests (that bear the Ark of the Lord God the Lord of all the world) shall stay in the waters of Jordan, the waters of Jordan shall be cut off: for the waters that come from above, shall stand still upon an heap.
- ¹⁴ Then when the people were departed from their tents to go over Jordan, the Priests bearing the Ark of the Covenant, went before people.
- ¹⁵ And as they that bare the Ark came unto Jordan, and the feet of the Priests that bare the Ark were dipped in the brink of the water, (for Jordan useth to fill all his banks all the time of harvest)
- ¹⁶ Then the waters that came down from above, stayed and rose upon an heap and departed far from the city of Adam, that was beside Zaretan: but the waters that came down toward the Sea of the wilderness, even the salt Sea, failed, and were cut off: so the people went right over against Jericho.
- ¹⁷ But the Priests that bare the Ark of the covenant of the Lord, stood dry within Jordan ready prepared, and all the Israelites went over dry, until all the people were gone clean over through Jordan.

- ¹ And when all the people were wholly gone over Jordan, (after the Lord had spoken unto Joshua, saying,
- ² Take you twelve men out of the people, out of every tribe a man,
- ³ And command you them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of Jordan, out of the place where the Priests stood in a readiness, twelve stones, which ye shall take away with you, and leave them in the lodging where you shall lodge this night)
- ⁴ Then Joshua called the twelve men, whom he had prepared of the children of Israel, out of every tribe a man,
- ⁵ And Joshua said unto them, Go over before the Ark of the Lord your God, even through the midst of Jordan, and take up every man of you a stone upon his shoulder according unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel,
- ⁶ That this may be a sign among you, that when your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean you by these stones?
- ⁷ Then ye may answer them, That the waters of Jordan were cut off before the Ark of the covenant of the Lord: for when it passed through Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off: therefore these stones are a memorial unto the children of Israel forever.
- ⁸ Then ye children of Israel did even so as Joshua had commanded, and took up twelve stones out of the midst of Jordan as ye Lord had said unto Joshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel, and carried them away with them unto the lodging, and laid them down there.
- ⁹ And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of Jordan, in the place where the feet of the Priests, which bare the Ark of the covenant stood, and there have they continued unto this day.
- ¹⁰ So the Priests, which bare ye Ark, stood in the midst of Jordan, until everything was finished that ye Lord had commanded Joshua to say unto the people, according to all that Moses charged Joshua: then the people hasted and went over.
- ¹¹ When all the people were clean passed over, the Ark of the Lord went over also, and the Priests before the people.

- ¹² And the sons of Reuben, and the sons of Gad, and half the tribe of Manasseh went over before the children of Israel armed, as Moses had charged them.
- ¹³ Even forty thousand prepared for war, went before the Lord unto battle, into ye plain of Jericho.
- ¹⁴ That day the Lord magnified Joshua in the sight of all Israel, and they feared him, as they feared Moses all days of his life.
- ¹⁵ And the Lord spake unto Joshua, saying,
- ¹⁶ Command the Priests that bear ye Ark of the testimony, to come up out of Jordan.
- ¹⁷ Joshua therefore commanded the Priests, saying, Come ye up out of Jordan.
- ¹⁸ And when the Priests that bare the Ark of the covenant of ye Lord were come up out of the midst of Jordan, and as soon as the soles of the Priest's feet were set on the dry land, the waters of Jordan returned unto their place, and flowed over all the banks thereof, as they did before.
- ¹⁹ So the people came up out of Jordan the tenth day of the first month, and pitched in Gilgal, in the Eastside of Jericho.
- $^{\rm 20}\,{\rm Also}$ the twelve stones, which they took out of Jordan, did Joshua pitch in Gilgal.
- ²¹ And he spake unto ye children of Israel, saying, When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, and say, What mean these stones?
- ²²Then ye shall shew your children, and say, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land:
- ²³ For the Lord your God dried up ye waters of Jordan before you, until ye were gone over, as the Lord your God did the Red Sea, which he dried up before us, till we were gone over,
- ²⁴ That all the people of the world may know that the hand of the Lord is mighty, that ye might fear the Lord your God continually.

- ¹ Now when all the Kings of the Amorites, which were beyond Jordan Westward, and all the Kings of the Canaanites which were by the Sea, heard that the Lord had dried up the waters of Jordan before the children of Israel until they were gone over, their hearts fainted: and there was no courage in them any more because of the children of Israel.
- ² That same time the Lord said unto Joshua, Make thee sharp knives, and return, and circumcise the sons of Israel the second time.
- ³ Then Joshua made him sharp knives and circumcised the sons of Israel in the hill of the foreskins.
- ⁴ And this is the cause why Joshua circumcised all the people, even the males that came out of Egypt, because all the men of war were dead in the wilderness 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 born in the wilderness by the way after they came out of Egypt, were not circumcised.
- ⁶ For the children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the people of the men of war that came out of Egypt were consumed, because they obeyed not the voice of the Lord: unto whom the Lord sware, that he would not shew them the land, which the Lord had sworn unto their fathers, that he would give us, even a land that floweth with milk and honey.
- ⁷ So their sons whom he raised up in their stead, Joshua circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they circumcised them not by the way.
- ⁸ And when they had made an end of circumcising all the people, they abode in the places in the camp till they were whole.
- ⁹ After, the Lord said unto Joshua, This day I have taken away the shame of Egypt from you: wherefore he called the name of that place Gilgal, unto this day.
- ¹⁰ So the children of Israel abode in Gilgal, and kept ye feast of the Passover the fourteenth day of the month at even in ye plain of Jericho.
- ¹¹ And they did eat of the corn of the land, on the morrow after the Passover, unleavened bread, and parched corn in the same day.

- ¹² And the MANNA ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the corn of the land, neither had the children of Israel MANNA any more, but did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.
- ¹³ And when Joshua was by Jericho, he lifted up his eyes and looked: and behold, there stood a man against him, having a sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, Art thou on our side, or on our adversaries?
- ¹⁴ And he said, Nay, but as a captain of the host of the Lord am I now come: then Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, What saith my Lord unto his servant?
- ¹⁵ And the captain of ye Lord's host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe of thy foot: for ye place whereon thou standest, is holy: and Joshua did so.

- ¹ Now Jericho was shut up, and closed, because of the children of Israel: none might go out nor enter in.
- ² And the Lord said unto Joshua, Behold, I have given into thine hand Jericho and the King thereof, and the strong men of war.
- ³ All ye therefore that be men of war, shall compass the city, in going round about the city once: thus shall you do six days:
- ⁴ And seven Priests shall bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the Ark: and the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times, and the Priests shall blow with the trumpets.
- ⁵ And when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout: then shall the wall of the city fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up, every man straight before him.
- ⁶ Then, Joshua the son of Nun called the Priests and said unto them, Take up the Ark of the covenant, and let seven Priests bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the Ark of the Lord.
- ⁷ But he said unto the people, Go and compass the city: and let him that is armed, go forth before the Ark of the Lord.
- ⁸ And when Joshua had spoken unto the people, the seven Priests bare the seven trumpets of rams' horns, and went forth before the Ark of the Lord, and blew with the trumpets, and the Ark of the covenant of ye Lord followed them.
- ⁹ And the men of arms went before the Priests, that blew the trumpets: then the gathering host came after the Ark, as they went and blew the trumpets.
- ¹⁰ (Now Joshua had commanded the people, saying, Ye shall nor shout, neither make any noise with your voice, neither shall a word proceed out of your mouth, until the day that I say unto you, Shout, then shall ye shout)
- ¹¹ So the Ark of the Lord compassed the city, and went about it once: then they returned into the host, and lodged in the camp.
- ¹² And Joshua rose early in the morning, and the Priests bare the Ark of the Lord:

- ¹³ Also seven Priests bare seven trumpets of rams' horns, and went before the Ark of the Lord, and going blew with the trumpets: and the men of arms went before them, but the gathering host came after the Ark of the Lord, as they went and blew the trumpets.
- ¹⁴ And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned into the host: thus they did six days.
- ¹⁵ And when the seventh day came, they rose early, even with the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after ye same manner seven times: only that day they compassed the city seven times.
- ¹⁶ And when the Priests had blown ye trumpets the seventh time, Joshua said unto ye people, Shout: for the Lord hath given you the city.
- ¹⁷ And the city shall be an execrable thing, both it, and all that are therein, unto the Lord: only Rahab the harlot shall live, she, and all that are with her in the house: for she hid the messengers that we sent.
- ¹⁸ Notwithstanding, be ye ware of the execrable thing, lest ye make yourselves execrable, and in taking of the execrable thing, make also the host of Israel execrable, and trouble it.
- ¹⁹ But all silver, and gold, and vessels of brass, and iron shall be consecrated unto the Lord, and shall come into the Lord's treasury.
- ²⁰ So the people shouted, when they had blown trumpets: for when the people had heard the sound of the trumpet, they shouted with a great shout: and the wall fell down flat: so the people went up into the city, every man straight before him: and they took the city.
- ²¹ And they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young, and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword.
- ²² But Joshua had said unto the two men that had spied out the country, Go into the harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman, and all that she hath, as ye sware to her.
- ²³ So the young men that were spies, went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had: also they brought out all her family, and put them without the host of Israel.
- ²⁴ After they burnt the city with fire, and all that was therein: only the silver and the gold, and the vessels of brass and iron, they put unto the treasure of the house of the Lord.

²⁵ So Joshua saved Rahab the harlot, and her father's household, and all that she had; and she dwelt in Israel even unto this day, because she had hid the messengers, which Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.

²⁶ And Joshua sware at that time, saying, Cursed be the man before ye Lord, that riseth up, and buildeth this city Jericho: he shall lay the foundation thereof in his eldest son, and in his youngest son shall he set up the gates of it.

²⁷ So the Lord was with Joshua, and he was famous through all the world.

- ¹ But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the excommunicated thing: for Achan the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah of the tribe of Judah took of the excommunicated thing: wherefore the wrath of the Lord was kindled against the children of Israel.
- ² And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which is beside Bethaven, on ye East side of Bethel, and spake unto them, saying, Go up, and view the country. And ye men went up, and viewed Ai,
- ³ And returned to Joshua, and said unto him, Let not all the people go up, but let as it were two or three thousand men go up, and smite Ai, and make not all the people to labor thither, for they are few.
- ⁴ So there went up thither of the people about three thousand men, and they fled before the men of Ai.
- ⁵ And the men of Ai smote of them upon a thirty and six men: for they chased them from before the gate unto Shebarim, and smote them in the going down: wherefore the hearts of the people melted away like water.
- ⁶ Then Joshua rent his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the Ark of the Lord, until the eventide, he, and the Elders of Israel, and put dust upon their heads.
- ⁷ And Joshua said, Alas, O Lord God, wherefore hast thou brought this people over Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, and to destroy us? Would God we had been content to dwell on the other side Jordan.
- ⁸ Oh Lord, what shall I say, when Israel turn their backs before their enemies?
- ⁹ For the Canaanites, and all the inhabitants of the land shall hear of it, and shall compass us, and destroy our name out of the earth: and what wilt thou do unto thy mighty Name?
- ¹⁰ And the Lord said unto Joshua, Get thee up: wherefore liest thou thus upon thy face?
- ¹¹ Israel hath sinned, and they have transgressed my covenant, which I commanded them: for they have even taken of the excommunicated thing, and have also stolen, and dissembled also, and have put it even with their own stuff.

- ¹² Therefore ye children of Israel cannot stand before their enemies, but have turned their backs before their enemies, because they be execrable: neither will I be with you any more, except ye destroy the excommunicated from among you.
- ¹³ Up therefore, sanctify the people, and say, Sanctify yourselves against tomorrow: for thus saith the Lord God of Israel, There is an execrable thing among you, O Israel, therefore ye cannot stand against your enemies, until ye have put the execrable thing from among you.
- ¹⁴ In the morning therefore ye shall come according to your tribes, and the tribe which the Lord taketh, shall come according to the families: and the family which the Lord shall take, shall come by the households: and the household which the Lord shall take, shall come man by man.
- ¹⁵ And he that is taken with the excommunicated thing, shall be burnt with fire, he, and all that he hath, because he hath transgressed the covenant of the Lord, and because he hath wrought folly in Israel.
- ¹⁶ So Joshua rose up early in the morning and brought Israel by their tribes: and the tribe of Judah was taken.
- ¹⁷ And he brought the families of Judah, and took the family of the Zarhites, and he brought the family of the Zarhites, man by man, and Zabdi was taken.
- ¹⁸ And he brought his household, man by man, and Achan ye son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah of the tribe of Judah was taken.
- ¹⁹ Then Joshua said unto Achan, My son, I beseech thee, give glory to the Lord God of Israel, and make confession unto him, and shew me now what thou hast done: hide it not from me.
- ²⁰ And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed, I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and thus, and thus have I done.
- ²¹ I saw among the spoil a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, and I coveted them, and took them: and behold, they lie hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under it.
- ²²Then Joshua sent messengers, which ran unto the tent, and behold, it was hid in his tent, and the silver under it.
- ²³ Therefore they took them out of the tent, and brought them unto Joshua, and unto all the children of Israel, and laid them before the Lord.

- ²⁴ Then Joshua took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver, and the garment and the wedge of gold and his sons, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his asses, and his sheep, and his tent, and all that he had: and all Israel with him brought them unto the valley of Achor.
- ²⁵ And Joshua said, In as much as thou hast troubled us, the Lord shall trouble thee this day: and all Israel threw stones at him, and burned them with fire, and stoned them with stones.
- ²⁶ And they cast upon him a great heap of stones unto this day: and so the Lord turned from his fierce wrath: therefore he called the name of that place, The valley of Achor, unto this day.

- ¹ After, the Lord said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou faint hearted: take all the men of war with thee and arise, go up to Ai: behold, I have given into thine hand the King of Ai, and his people, and his city, and his land.
- ² And thou shalt do to Ai and to the King thereof, as thou didst unto Jericho and to the King thereof: nevertheless the spoil thereof and the cattle thereof shall ye take unto you for a prey: thou shalt lie in wait against the city on the backside thereof.
- ³ Then Joshua arose, and all the men of war to go up against Ai: and Joshua chose out thirty thousand strong men, and valiant, and sent them away by night.
- ⁴ And he commanded them, saying, Behold, ye shall lie in wait against the city on the backside of the city: go not very far from the city, but be ye all in a readiness.
- ⁵ And I and all the people that are with me, will approach unto the city: and when they shall come out against us, as they did at the first time, then will we flee before them.
- ⁶ For they will come out after us, till we have brought them out of the city: for they will say, They flee before us as at the first time: so we will flee before them.
- ⁷ Then you shall rise up from lying in wait and destroy the city: for the Lord your God will deliver it into your hand.
- ⁸ And when ye have taken the city, ye shall set it on fire: according to the commandment of the Lord shall ye do: behold, I have charged you.
- ⁹ Joshua then sent them forth, and they went to lie in wait, and abode between Beth-el and Ai, on the Westside of Ai: but Joshua lodged that night among the people.
- ¹⁰ And Joshua rose up early in the morning, and numbered the people: and he and the Elders of Israel went up before the people against Ai.
- ¹¹ Also all the men of war that were with him went up and drew near, and came against the city, and pitched on the Northside of Ai: and there was a valley between them and Ai.
- ¹² And he took about five thousand men, and set them to lie in wait between Beth-el and Ai, on the Westside of the city.

- ¹³ And the people set all the host that was on the Northside against the city, and the liers in wait on the West, against the city: and Joshua went the same night into the midst of the valley.
- ¹⁴ And when the King of Ai saw it, then the men of the city hasted and rose up early, and went out against Israel to battle, he and all his people at the time appointed, before the plain: for he knew not that any lay in wait against him on the backside of the city.
- ¹⁵ Then Joshua and all Israel as beaten before them, fled by the way of the wilderness.
- ¹⁶ And all the people of the city were called together, to pursue after them: and they pursued after Joshua, and were drawn away out of the city,
- ¹⁷ So that there was not a man left in Ai, nor in Beth-el, that went not out after Israel: and they left the city open, and pursued after Israel.
- ¹⁸ Then the Lord said unto Joshua, Stretch out the spear that is in thine hand, toward Ai: for I will give it into thine hand: and Joshua stretched out the spear that he had in his hand, toward the city.
- ¹⁹ And they that lay in wait, arose quickly out of their place, and ran as soon as he had stretched out his hand, and they entered into the city, and took it, and hasted, and set the city on fire.
- ²⁰ And the men of Ai looked behind them, and saw it: for lo, the smoke of the city ascended up to heaven, and they had no power to flee this way or that way: for the people that fled to the wilderness, turned back upon the pursuers.
- ²¹ When Joshua and all Israel saw that they that lay in wait, had taken the city, and that the smoke of the city mounted up, then they turned again and slew the men of Ai.
- ²² Also the others issued out of the city against them: so were they in the midst of Israel, these being on the one side, and the rest on the other side: and they slew them, so that they let none of them remain nor escape.
- ²³ And the King of Ai they took alive, and brought him to Joshua.
- ²⁴ And when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, that is, in the wilderness, where they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, all the Israelites returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword.

- ²⁵ And all that fell that day, both of men and women, were twelve thousand, even all the men of Ai.
- ²⁶ For Joshua drew not his hand back again which he had stretched out with the spear, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.
- ²⁷ Only the cattle and the spoil of this city, Israel took for a prey unto themselves, according unto the word of the Lord, which he commanded Joshua.
- ²⁸ And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it an heap forever, and a wilderness unto this day.
- ²⁹ And the King of Ai he hanged on a tree, unto the evening. And as soon as the sun was down, Joshua commanded that they should take his carcass down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of ye gate of the city, and lay thereon a great heap of stones, that remaineth unto this day.
- ³⁰ Then Joshua built an altar unto the Lord God of Israel, in mount Ebal,
- ³¹ As Moses the servant of the Lord had commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the book of the Law of Moses, an altar of whole stone, over which no man had lifted an iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings unto the Lord, and sacrificed peace offerings.
- ³² Also he wrote there upon the stones, a rehearsal of the Law of Moses, which he wrote in the presence of the children of Israel.
- ³³ And all Israel (and their Elders, and officers and their judges stood on this side of the Ark, and on that side, before the Priests of the Levites, which bare the Ark of the covenant of the Lord) as well the stranger, as he that is born in the country: half of them were over against mount Gerizim, and half of them over against mount Ebal, as Moses the servant of the Lord had commanded before, that they should bless the people of Israel.
- ³⁴ Then afterward he read all the words of the Law, the blessings and cursings, according to all that is written in the book of the Law.
- ³⁵ There was not a word of all that Moses had commanded, which Joshua read not before all the Congregation of Israel, as well before the women and the children, as the stranger that was conversant among them.

- ¹ And when all the Kings that were beyond Jordan, in the mountains and in the valleys, and by all the coasts of the great Sea over against Lebanon (as the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites) heard thereof,
- ²They gathered themselves together, to fight against Joshua, and against Israel with one accord.
- ³ But the inhabitants of Gibeon heard what Joshua had done unto Jericho, and to Ai.
- ⁴ And therefore they wrought craftily: for they went, and feigned themselves ambassadors, and took old sacks upon their asses, and old bottles for wine, both rent and bound up,
- ⁵ And old shoes and clouted upon their feet: also the raiment upon them was old, and all their provision of bread was dried, and molded.
- ⁶ So they came unto Joshua into the host to Gilgal, and said unto him, and unto the men of Israel, We be come from a far country: now therefore make a league with us.
- ⁷ Then the men of Israel said unto the Hivites, It may be that thou dwellest among us, how then can I make a league with thee?
- ⁸ And they said unto Joshua, We are thy servants. Then Joshua said unto them, Who are ye? And whence come ye?
- ⁹ And they answered him, From a very far country thy servants are come for the Name of the Lord thy God: for we have heard his fame and all that he hath done in Egypt,
- ¹⁰ And all that he hath done to the two Kings of the Amorites that were beyond Jordan, to Sihon King of Heshbon, and to Og King of Bashan, which were at Ashtaroth.
- ¹¹ Wherefore our elders, and all the inhabitants of our country spake to us, saying, Take vitailles with you for the journey, and go to meet them, and say unto them, We are your servants: now therefore make ye a league with us.
- ¹² This our bread we took it hot with us for vitailles out of our houses, the day we departed to come unto you: but now behold, it is dried, and it is molded.

- ¹³ Also these bottles of wine which we filled, were new, and lo, they be rent, and these our garments and our shoes are old, by reason of the exceeding great journey.
- ¹⁴ And the men accepted their tale concerning their vitailles, and counseled not with the mouth of the Lord.
- ¹⁵ So Joshua made peace with them, and made a league with them, that he would suffer them to live: also the Princes of the Congregation sware unto them.
- ¹⁶ But at the end of three days, after they had made a league with them, they heard that they were their neighbors, and that they dwelt among them.
- ¹⁷ And the children of Israel took their journey, and came unto their cities the third day, and their cities were Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beroth and Kirjath-jearim.
- ¹⁸ And the children of Israel slew them not, because the Princes of the Congregation had sworn unto them by the Lord God of Israel: wherefore all the Congregation murmured against the Princes.
- ¹⁹ Then all the Princes said unto all the Congregation, We have sworn unto them by the Lord God of Israel: now therefore we may not touch them.
- ²⁰ But this we will do to them, and let them live, lest the wrath be upon us because of the oath which we sware unto them.
- ²¹ And the Princes said unto them again, Let them live, but they shall hew wood, and draw water unto all the Congregation, as the Princes appoint them.
- ²² Joshua then called them, and talked with them, and said, Wherefore have ye beguiled us, saying, We are very far from you, when ye dwell among us?
- ²³ Now therefore ye are cursed, and there shall none of you be freed from being bondmen, and hewers of wood, and drawers of water for the house of my God.
- ²⁴ And they answered Joshua, and said, Because it was told thy servants, that the Lord thy God had commanded his servant 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 lives at the presence of you, and have done this thing:
- ²⁵ And behold now, we are in thine hand: do as it seemeth good and right in thine eyes to do unto us.

 $^{^{26}}$ Even so did he unto them, and delivered them out of the hand of the children of Israel, that they slew them not.

²⁷ And Joshua appointed them that same day to be hewers of wood, and drawers of water for the Congregation, and for the altar of the Lord unto this day, in the place which he should choose.

- ¹ Now when Adoni-zedek King of Jerusalem had heard how Joshua had taken Ai and had destroyed it, (for as he had done to Jericho and to the King thereof, so he had done to Ai and to the King thereof) and how the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were among them,
- ²Then they feared exceedingly: for Gibeon was a great city, as one of the royal cities: for it was greater than Ai, and all the men thereof were mighty.
- ³Wherefore Adoni-zedek King of Jerusalem sent unto Hoham King of Hebron, and unto Piram King of Jarmuth, and unto Japhia King of Lachish, and unto Debir King of Eglon, saying,
- ⁴ Come up unto me, and help me, that we may smite Gibeon: for they have made peace with Joshua and with the children of Israel.
- ⁵ Therefore the five Kings of the Amorites, the King of Jerusalem, the King of Hebron, the King of Jarmuth, the King of Lachish, and the King of Eglon gathered themselves together, and went up, they with all their hosts, and besieged Gibeon, and made war against it.
- ⁶ And the men of Gibeon sent unto Joshua, even to the host to Gilgal, saying, Withdraw not thine hand from thy servants: come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us: for all the Kings of the Amorites which dwell in the mountains, are gathered together against us.
- $^{7}\,\mathrm{So}$ Joshua ascended from Gilgal, he, and all the people of war with him, and all the men of might.
- ⁸ And the Lord said unto Joshua, Fear them not: for I have given them into thine hand: none of them shall stand against thee.
- ⁹ Joshua therefore came unto them suddenly: for he went up from Gilgal all the night.
- ¹⁰ And the Lord discomfited them before Israel, and slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth up to Bethhoron, and smote them to Azekah and to Makkedah.
- ¹¹ And as they fled from before Israel, and were in the going down to Beth-horon, the Lord cast down great stones from heaven upon them, until Azekah, and they died: they were more that died with the hailstones, than they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword.

- ¹² Then spake Joshua to the Lord, in the day when the Lord gave the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stay thou in Gibeon, and thou moon, in the valley of Ajalon.
- ¹³ And the Sun abode, and the moon stood still, until the people avenged themselves upon their enemies: (Is not this written in the book of Jasher?) so the Sun abode in the midst of the heaven, and hasted not to go down for a whole day.
- ¹⁴ And there was no day like that before it, nor after it, that the Lord heard the voice of a man: for the Lord fought for Israel.
- ¹⁵ After, Joshua returned, and all Israel with him unto the camp to Gilgal:
- ¹⁶ But the five Kings fled and were hid in a cave at Makkedah.
- ¹⁷ And it was told Joshua, saying, The five Kings are found hid in a cave at Makkedah.
- ¹⁸ Then Joshua said, Roll great stones upon the mouth of the cave, and set men by it for to keep them.
- ¹⁹ 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 hand.
- ²⁰ And when Joshua and the children of Israel had made an end of slaying them with an exceeding great slaughter till they were consumed, and the rest that remained of them were entered into walled cities,
- ²¹ Then all the people returned to the camp, to Joshua at Makkedah in peace: no man moved his tongue against the children of Israel.
- ²² After, Joshua said, Open the mouth of the cave, and bring out these five Kings unto me forth of the cave.
- ²³ And they did so, and brought out those five Kings unto him forth of the cave, even the King of Jerusalem, the King of Hebron, ye King of Jarmuth, the King of Lachish, and the King of Eglon.
- ²⁴ And when they had brought out those Kings unto Joshua, Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and said unto the chief of the men of war, which went with him, Come near, set your feet upon the necks of these Kings: and they came near and set their feet upon their necks.

- ²⁵ And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be faint hearted, but be strong and of a good courage: for thus will the Lord do to all your enemies, against whom ye fight.
- ²⁶ So then Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees, and they hanged still upon the trees until the evening.
- ²⁷ And at the going down of the sun, Joshua gave commandment, that they should take them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave (wherein they had been hid) and they laid great stones upon the caves mouth, which remain until this day.
- ²⁸ And that same day Joshua took Makkedah and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the King thereof destroyed he with them, and all the souls that were therein, he let none remain: for he did to the King of Makkedah as he had done unto the King of Jericho.
- ²⁹ Then Joshua went from Makkedah, and all Israel with him unto Libnah, and fought against Libnah.
- ³⁰ And the Lord gave it also and the King thereof into the hand of Israel: and he smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein: he let none remain in it: for he did unto the King thereof, as he had done unto the King of Jericho.
- ³¹ And Joshua departed from Libnah, and all Israel with him unto Lachish, and besieged it, and assaulted it.
- ³² And the Lord gave Lachish into the hand of Israel, which took it the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein, according to all as he had done to Libnah.
- ³³ Then Horam King of Gezer came up to help Lachish: but Joshua smote him and his people, until none of his remained.
- ³⁴ And from Lachish Joshua departed unto Eglon, and all Israel with him, and they besieged it, and assaulted it,
- ³⁵ And they took it the same day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein he utterly destroyed the same day, according to all that he had done to Lachish.
- ³⁶ Then Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him unto Hebron, and they fought against it.

- ³⁷ And when they had taken it, they smote it with the edge of the sword, and the King thereof, and all the cities thereof, and all the souls that were therein: he left none remaining, according to all as he had done to Eglon: for he destroyed it utterly, and all the souls that were therein.
- ³⁸ So Joshua returned, and all Israel with him to Debir, and fought against it.
- ³⁹ And when he had taken it, and the King thereof, and all the city thereof, they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the souls that were therein, he let none remain: 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.
- ⁴⁰ So Joshua smote all the hill countries, and the South countries, and the valleys, and the hill sides, and all their Kings, and let none remain, but utterly destroyed every soul, as the Lord God of Israel had commanded.
- ⁴¹ And Joshua smote them from Kadesh-barnea even unto Azzah, and all the country of Goshen, even unto Gibeon.
- ⁴² And all these Kings, and their land did Joshua take at one time, because the Lord God of Israel fought for Israel.
- ⁴³ Afterward, Joshua and all Israel with him returned unto the camp in Gilgal.

- ¹ And when Jabin King of Hazor had heard this, then he sent to Jobab King of Madon, and to the king of Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph,
- ² And unto the Kings that were by ye North in the mountains and plains toward the Southside of Cinneroth, and in the valleys, and in the borders of Dor Westward,
- ³ And unto the Canaanites, both by East, and by West, and unto the Amorites, and Hittites, and Perizzites, and Jebusites in the mountains, and unto the Hivites under Hermon in the land of Mizpeh.
- ⁴ And they came out and all their hosts with them, many people as the sand that is on the sea shore for multitude, with horses and chariots exceeding many.
- ⁵ So all these Kings met together, and came and pitched together at the waters of Merom, for to fight against Israel.
- ⁶ Then the Lord said unto Joshua, Be not afraid for them: for tomorrow about this time will I deliver them all slain before Israel: thou shalt hough their horses, and burn their chariots with fire.
- ⁷ Then came Joshua and all the men of war with him against them by the waters of Merom suddenly, and fell upon them.
- ⁸ And the Lord gave them into the hand of Israel: and they smote them, and chased them unto great Zidon, and unto Misrephothmaim, and unto the valley of Mizpeh Eastward, and smote them until they had none remaining of them.
- ⁹ And Joshua did unto them as the Lord bade him: he houghed their horses, and burned their chariots with fire.
- ¹⁰ At that time also Joshua turned back, and took Hazor, and smote the King thereof with the sword: for Hazor before time was the head of all those kingdoms.
- ¹¹ Moreover, they smote all the persons that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying all, leaving none alive, and he burned Hazor with fire.
- ¹² So all ye cities of those Kings, and all the kings of them did Joshua take, and smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed them, as Moses the servant of the Lord had commanded.
- ¹³ But Israel burned none of the cities that stood still in their strength, save Hazor only, that Joshua burned.

- ¹⁴ And all the spoil of these cities and the cattle the children of Israel took for their prey, but they smote every man with the edge of the sword until they had destroyed them, not leaving one alive.
- ¹⁵ As the Lord had commanded Moses his servant, so did Moses command Joshua, and so did Joshua: he left nothing undone of all that the Lord had commanded Moses.
- ¹⁶ So Joshua took all this land of the mountains, and all the South, and all the land of Goshen, and the low country, and the plain, and the mountain of Israel, and the low country of the same,
- ¹⁷ From the mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir, even unto Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon, under mount Hermon: and all their Kings he took, and smote them, and slew them.
- ¹⁸ Joshua made war long time with all those Kings,
- ¹⁹ Neither was there any city that made peace with the children of Israel, save those Hivites that inhabited Gibeon: all others they took by battle.
- ²⁰ For it came of the Lord, to harden their hearts that they should come against Israel in battle to the intent that they should destroy them utterly, and shew them no mercy, but that they should bring them to nought: as the Lord had commanded Moses.
- ²¹ And that same season came Joshua, and destroyed the Anakims out of the mountains: as out of Hebron, out of Debir, out of Anab, and out of all the mountains of Judah, and out of all the mountains of Israel: Joshua destroyed them utterly with their cities.
- ²²There was no Anakim left in the land of the children of Israel: only in Azzah, in Gath, and in Ashdod were they left.
- ²³ So Joshua took the whole land, according to all that the Lord had said unto Moses: and Joshua gave it for an inheritance unto Israel according to their portion through their tribes: then the land was at rest without war.

- ¹ And these are the Kings of the land, which the children of Israel smote and possessed their land, on the other side Jordan toward the rising of the sun, from the river Arnon, unto mount Hermon, and all the plain Eastward.
- ² Sihon King of the Amorites, that dwelt in Heshbon, having dominion from Aroer, which is beside the river of Arnon, and from the middle of the river, and from half Gilead unto the river Jabbok, in the border of the children of Ammon.
- ³ And from the plain unto the sea of Cinneroth Eastward, and unto the Sea of the plain, even the salt sea Eastward, the way to Beth-jeshimoth, and from the South under the springs of Pisgah.
- ⁴ They conquered also the coast of Og King of Bashan of the remnant of the giants, which dwelt at Ashtaroth, and at Edrei,
- ⁵ And reigned in mount Hermon, and in Salcah, and in all Bashan, unto the border of the Geshurites, and the Maachathites, and half Gilead, even the border of Sihon King of Heshbon.
- ⁶ Moses the servant of the Lord, and the children of Israel smote them: Moses also the servant of the Lord gave their land for a possession unto the Reubenites, and unto the Gadites, and to half the tribe of Manasseh.
- ⁷ These also are the Kings of the country, which Joshua and the children of Israel smote on this side Jordan, Westward, from Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon, even unto the mount Halak that goeth up to Seir, and Joshua gave it unto the tribes of Israel for a possession, according to their portions:
- ⁸ In the mountains, and in the valleys, and in the plains, and in the hill sides, and in the wilderness, and in the South, where were the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites.
- ⁹ The King of Jericho was one: the King of Ai, which is beside Beth-el, one:
- ¹⁰ The King of Jerusalem, one: the King of Hebron, one:
- ¹¹ The King of Jarmuth, one: the King of Lachish, one:
- ¹² The King of Eglon, one: the King of Gezer, one:
- ¹³ The King of Debir, one: the King of Geder, one:
- ¹⁴ The King of Hormah, one: the King of Arad, one:

- ¹⁵ The King of Libnah, one: the King of Adullam, one:
- ¹⁶ The King of Makkedah, one: the King of Beth-el, one:
- ¹⁷ The King of Tappuah, one: the King of Hepher, one:
- ¹⁸ The King of Aphek, one: the King of Lasharon, one:
- ¹⁹ The King of Madon, one: the King of Hazor, one:
- ²⁰ The king of Shimron-meron, one: the King of Achshaph, one:
- ²¹ The King of Taanach, one: the King of Megiddo, one:
- ²² The King of Kedesh, one: the King of Jokneam of Carmel, one:
- ²³ The King of Dor, in the country of Dor, one: the King of the nations of Gilgal, one:
- ²⁴ The King of Tirzah, one. all the Kings were thirty and one.

- ¹ Now when Joshua was old, and stricken in years, the Lord said unto him, Thou art old and grown in age, and there remaineth exceeding much land to be possessed:
- ² This is the land that remaineth, all the regions of the Philistines, and all Geshuri,
- ³ From Nilus which is in Egypt, even unto the borders of Ekron Northward: this is counted of the Canaanites, even five Lordships of the Philistines, the Azzitites, and the Ashdodites, the Eshkelonites, the Gittites, and the Ekronites, and the Avites:
- ⁴ From the South, all the land of the Canaanites, and the cave that is beside the Sidonians, unto Aphek, and to the borders of the Amorites:
- ⁵ And the land of the Giblites, and all Lebanon, toward the sun rising from Baalgad under mount Hermon, until one come to Hamath.
- ⁶ All the inhabitants of the mountains from Lebanon unto Misrephothmaim, and all the Sidonians, I will cast them out from before the children of Israel: only divide thou it by lot unto the Israelites, to inherit, as I have commanded thee.
- ⁷ Now therefore divide this land to inherit, unto the nine tribes, and to the half tribe of Manasseh.
- ⁸ For with half thereof the Reubenites and the Gadites have received their inheritance, which Moses gave them beyond Jordan Eastward, even as Moses the servant of the Lord had given them,
- ⁹ From Aroer that is on the brink of the river Arnon, and from the city that is in the midst of the river, and all the plain of Medeba unto Dibon,
- ¹⁰ And all the cities of Sihon King of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, unto the borders of the children of Ammon,
- ¹¹ And Gilead, and the borders of the Geshurites and of the Maachathites, and all mount Hermon, with all Bashan unto Salcah:
- ¹² All the kingdom of Og in Bashan, which reigned in Ashtaroth and in Edrei: (who remained of the rest of the giants) for these did Moses smite, and cast them out.

- ¹³ But the children of Israel expelled not the Geshurites nor the Maachathites: but the Geshurites and the Maachathites dwell among the Israelites even unto this day.
- ¹⁴Only unto the tribe of Levi he gave none inheritance, but the sacrifices of the Lord God of Israel are his inheritance, as he said unto him.
- ¹⁵ Moses then gave unto the tribe of the children of Reuben inheritance, according to their families.
- ¹⁶ And their coast was from Aroer, that is on the brink of the river Arnon, and from the city that is in the midst of the river, and all the plain which is by Medeba:
- ¹⁷ Heshbon with all the cities thereof, that are in the plain: Dibon and Bamothbaal, and Beth-baal-meon:
- ¹⁸ And Jahazah, and Kedemoth and Mephaath:
- ¹⁹ Kirjathaim also, and Sibmah, and Zerethshahar in the mount of Emek:
- ²⁰ And Beth-peor, and Ashdoth-pisgah, and Beth-jeshimoth:
- ²¹ And all the cities of the plain: and all the kingdom of Sihon King of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, whom Moses smote with the Princes of Midian, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, the dukes of Sihon, dwelling in the country.
- ²² And Balaam the son of Beor the soothsayer did the children of Israel slay with the sword, among them that were slain.
- 23 And the border of the children of Reuben was Jordan with the coasts. This was the inheritance of the children of Reuben according to their families, with the cities and their villages.
- ²⁴ Also Moses gave inheritance unto ye tribe of Gad, even unto the children of Gad according to their families.
- ²⁵ And their coasts were Jazer, and all the cities of Gilead and half the land of the children of Ammon unto Aroer, which is before Rabbah:
- ²⁶ And from Heshbon unto Ramath-mizpeh, and Betonim: and from Mahanaim unto the borders of Debir:
- ²⁷ And in the valley Beth-aram, and Bethnimrah, and Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of the kingdom of Sihon King of Heshbon, unto Jordan and the borders even unto the Sea coast of Cinneereth, beyond Jordan Eastward.

- ²⁸ This is the inheritance of the children of Gad, after their families, with the cities, and their villages.
- ²⁹ Also Moses gave inheritance unto the half tribe of Manasseh: and this belonged to the half tribe of the children of Manasseh according to their families.
- ³⁰ And their border was from Mahanaim, even all Bashan, to wit, all the kingdom of Og King of Bashan, and all the towns of Jair which are in Bashan, threescore cities,
- ³¹ And half Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, were given unto the children of Machir the son of Manasseh, to half of the children of Machir after their families.
- ³² These are the heritages, which Moses did distribute in the plain of Moab beyond Jordan, toward Jericho Eastward.
- ³³ But unto the tribe of Levi Moses gave none inheritance: for the Lord God of Israel is their inheritance, as he said unto them.

- ¹ These also are the places which the children of Israel inherited in the land of Canaan, which Eleazar the Priest, and Joshua the son of Nun and the chief fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, distributed to them,
- ² By the lot of their inheritance, as the Lord had commanded by the hand of Moses, to give to the nine tribes, and the half tribe.
- ³ For Moses had given inheritance unto two tribes and an half tribe, beyond Jordan: but unto the Levites he gave none inheritance among them.
- ⁴ For the children of Joseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim: therefore they gave no part unto the Levites in the land, save cities to dwell in, with the suburbs of the same for their beasts and their substance.
- ⁵ As the Lord had commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did when they divided the land.
- ⁶ Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou knowest what the Lord said unto Moses the man of God, concerning me and thee in Kadesh-barnea.
- ⁷ Forty years old was I, when Moses the servant of the Lord sent me from Kadesh-barnea to espy the land, and I brought him word again, as I thought in mine heart.
- ⁸ But my brethren that went up with me, discouraged the heart of the people: yet I followed still the Lord my God.
- ⁹ Wherefore Moses sware the same day, saying, Certainly the land whereon thy feet have trodden, shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's forever, because thou hast followed constantly the Lord my God.
- ¹⁰ Therefore behold now, the Lord hath kept me alive, as he promised: this is the forty and fifth year since the Lord spake this thing unto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness: and now lo, I am this day four score and five years old:
- ¹¹ And yet am as strong at this time, as I was when Moses sent me: as strong as I was then, so strong am I now, either for war, or for government.
- ¹² Now therefore give me this mountain whereof ye 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.

¹³ Then Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh, Hebron for an inheritance.

¹⁴ Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite, unto this day: because he followed constantly the Lord God of Israel.

¹⁵ And the name of Hebron was before time, Kirjath-arba: which Arba was a great man among the Anakims: thus the land ceased from war.

- ¹ This then was the lot of the tribe of the children of Judah by their families: even to the border of Edom and the wilderness of Zin, Southward on the Southcoast.
- ² And their South border was the salt Sea coast, from the point that looketh Southward.
- ³ And it went out on the Southside toward Maaleh-acrabbim, and went along to Zin, and ascended up on the Southside unto Kadesh-barnea, and went along to Hezron, and went up to Adar, and fetched a compass to Karkaa.
- ⁴ From thence went it along to Azmon, and reached unto the river of Egypt, and the end of that coast was on the Westside: this shall be your South coast.
- ⁵ Also the East border shall be the salt Sea, unto the end of Jordan: and the border on the North quarter from the point of the Sea, and from the end of Jordan.
- ⁶ And this border goeth up to Beth-hoglah, and goeth along by ye Northside of Beth-arabah: so the border from thence goeth up to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben.
- ⁷ Again this border goeth up to Debir from the valley of Achor, and Northward, turning toward Gilgal, that lieth before the going up to Adummim, which is on the Southside of the river: also this border goeth up to the waters of En-shemesh, and endeth at En-rogel.
- ⁸ Then this border goeth up to the valley of the son of Hinnom; on the Southside of the Jebusites: the same is Jerusalem. also this border goeth up to the top of the mountain that lieth before the valley of Hinnom Westward, which is by the end of the valley of ye giants Northward.
- ⁹ So this border compasseth from the top of the mountain unto the fountain of the water of Nephtoah, and goeth out to the cities of mount Ephron: and this border draweth to Baalah, which is Kirjath-jearim.
- ¹⁰ Then this border compasseth from Baalah Westward unto mount Seir, and goeth along unto the side of mount Jearim, which is Chesalon on the Northside: so it cometh down to Bethshemesh, and goeth to Timnah.
- ¹¹ Also this border goeth out unto the side of Ekron Northward: and this border draweth to Shicron, and goeth along to mount Baalah, and stretcheth unto Jabneel: and the ends of this coast are to the Sea.

- ¹² And the West border is to the great Sea: so this border shall be the bounds of the children of Judah round about, according to their families.
- ¹³ And unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh did Joshua give a part among the children of Judah, as the Lord commanded him, even Kirjath-arba of the father of Anak, which is Hebron.
- ¹⁴ And Caleb drove thence three sons of Anak, Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai, the sons of Anak.
- ¹⁵ And he went up thence to the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir before time was Kirjath-sepher.
- ¹⁶ Then Caleb said, He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, even to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife.
- ¹⁷ And Othniel, the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.
- ¹⁸ And as she went in to him, she moved him, to ask of her father a field: and she lighted off her ass, and Caleb said unto her, What wilt thou?
- ¹⁹ Then she answered, Give me a blessing: for thou hast given me the South country: give me also springs of water. And he gave her the springs above and the springs beneath.
- ²⁰ This shall be the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Judah according to their families.
- ²¹ And the utmost cities of the tribe of the children of Judah, toward the coasts of Edom Southward were Kabzeel, and Eder, and Jagur,
- ²² And Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadah,
- ²³ And Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan,
- ²⁴ Ziph, and Telem, and Bealoth,
- ²⁵ And Hazor, Hadattah, and Kerioth, Hezron (which is Hazor)
- ²⁶ Amam, and Shema, and Moladah,
- ²⁷ And Hazar-gaddah, and Heshmon, and Beth-palet,
- ²⁸ And Hazar-shual, and Bersheba, and Biziothiah,

- ²⁹ Baalah, and lim, and Azem,
- ³⁰ And Eltolad, and Chesil, and Hormah,
- ³¹ And Ziklag, and Madmannah, and Sansannah,
- ³² And Lebaoth, and Shilhim, and Ain, and Rimmon: all these cities are twenty and nine with their villages.
- ³³ In the low country were Eshtaol, and Zoreah, and Ashnah,
- ³⁴ And Zanoah, and En-gannim, Tappuah, and Enam,
- ³⁵ Jarmuth, and Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah,
- ³⁶ And Sharaim, and Adithaim, and Gederah, and Gederothaim: fourteen cities with their villages.
- ³⁷ Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdal-gad,
- ³⁸ And Dilean, and Mizpeh, and Jokthel,
- ³⁹ Lachish, and Bozkath, and Eglon,
- ⁴⁰ And Cabbon, and Lahmam, and Kithlish,
- ⁴¹ And Gederoth, Beth-dagon, and Naamah, and Makkedah: sixteen cities with their villages.
- ⁴² Libnah, and Ether, and Ashan,
- ⁴³ And Jiphtah, and Ashnah, and Nezib,
- ⁴⁴ And Keilah, and Achzib, and Mareshah: nine cities with their villages.
- ⁴⁵ Ekron with her towns and her villages,
- ⁴⁶ From Ekron, even unto the Sea, all that lieth about Ashdod with their villages.
- ⁴⁷ Ashdod with her towns and her villages: Azzah with her towns and her villages, unto the river of Egypt, and the great Sea was their coast.
- ⁴⁸ And in the mountains were Shamir, and Jattir, and Socoh,
- ⁴⁹ And Dannah, and Kirjath-sannah (which is Debir)

- ⁵⁰ And Anab, and Eshtemoh, and Anim,
- ⁵¹ And Goshen, and Holon, and Giloh: eleven cities with their villages,
- ⁵² Arab, and Dumah, and Eshean,
- ⁵³ And Janum, and Beth-tappuah, and Aphekah,
- ⁵⁴ And Humtah, and Kirjath-arba, (which is Hebron) and Zior: nine cities with their villages.
- ⁵⁵ Maon, Carmel, and Ziph, and Juttah,
- ⁵⁶ And Jezreel, and Jokdeam, and Zanoah,
- ⁵⁷ Kain, Gibeah, and Timnah: ten cities with their villages.
- ⁵⁸ Halhul, Beth-zur, and Gedor,
- ⁵⁹ And Maarath, and Beth-anoth, and Eltekon: six cities with their villages.
- ⁶⁰ Kirjath-baal, which is Kirjath-jearim, and Rabbah: two cities with their villages.
- ⁶¹ In the wilderness were Beth-arabah, Middin, and Secacah,
- ⁶² And Nibshan, and the city of salt, and Engedi: six cities with their villages.
- ⁶³ Nevertheless, the Jebusites that were the inhabitants of Jerusalem, could not the children of Judah cast out, but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Judah at Jerusalem unto this day.

- ¹ And the lot fell to the children of Joseph from Jordan by Jericho unto the water of Jericho Eastward, and to the wilderness that goeth up from Jericho by the mount Beth-el:
- ² And goeth out from Beth-el to Luz, and runneth along unto the borders of Archiataroth,
- ³ And goeth down Westward to the coast of Japhleti, unto the coast of Bethhoron the nether, and to Gezer: and the ends thereof are at the Sea.
- ⁴ So the children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim took their inheritance.
- ⁵ Also the borders of the children of Ephraim according to their families, even the borders of their inheritance on the Eastside were Atroth-addar, unto Beth-horon the upper.
- ⁶ And this border goeth out to the Sea unto Michmethah on the Northside, and this border returneth Eastward unto Taanathshiloh, and passeth it on the Eastside unto Janohah,
- ⁷ And goeth down from Janohah to Ataroth, and Naarath, and cometh to Jericho, and goeth out at Jordan.
- ⁸ And this border goeth from Tappuah Westward unto the river Kanah, and the ends thereof are at the Sea: this is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ephraim by their families.
- ⁹ And the separate cities for the children of Ephraim were among the inheritance of the children of Manasseh: all the cities with their villages.
- ¹⁰ And they cast not out the Canaanite that dwelt in Gezer, but the Canaanite dwelt among the Ephraimites unto this day, and served under tribute.

- ¹ This was also the lot of the tribe of Manasseh: for he was the first born of Joseph, to wit, of Machir the first born of Manasseh, and the father of Gilead: now because he was a man of war, he had Gilead and Bashan.
- ² And also of the rest of the sons of Manasseh by their families, even of the sons of Abiezer, and of the sons of Helek, and of ye sons of Asriel, and of the sons of Shechem, and of the sons of Hepher, and of the sons of Shemida: these were the males of Manasseh, the son of Joseph according to their families.
- ³ But Zelophehad the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, ye son of Manasseh, had no sons, but daughters: and these are the names of his daughters, Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah and Tirzah:
- ⁴ Which came before Eleazar the Priest, and before Joshua the son of Nun, and before the princes, saying, The Lord commanded Moses to give us an inheritance among our brethren: therefore according to the commandment of the Lord he gave them an inheritance among the brethren of their father.
- ⁵ And there fell ten portions to Manasseh, beside the land of Gilead and Bashan, which is on the other side Jordan,
- ⁶ Because the daughters of Manasseh did inherit among his sons: and Manasseh's other sons had the land of Gilead.
- ⁷ So the borders of Manasseh were from Asher to Michmethah that lieth before Shechem, and this border goeth on the right hand, even unto the inhabitants of En-tappuah.
- ⁸ The land of Tappuah belonged to Manasseh, but Tappuah beside the border of Manasseh belongeth to the sons of Ephraim.
- ⁹ Also this border goeth down unto the river Kanah Southward to the river: these cities of Ephraim are among the cities of Manasseh: and the border of Manasseh is on the Northside of the river, and the ends of it are at the Sea,
- ¹⁰ The South pertaineth to Ephraim, and the North to Manasseh, and the Sea is his border: and they met together in Asher Northward, and in Issachar Eastward.
- ¹¹ And Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher, Beth-shean, and her towns, and Ibleam, and her towns, and the inhabitants of Dor with ye towns thereof, and the inhabitants of En-dor with the towns thereof, and the inhabitants of Taanach with her towns, and the inhabitants of Megiddo with the towns of the same, even three countries.

- ¹² Yet the children of Manasseh could not destroy those cities, but the Canaanites dwelled still in that land.
- ¹³ Nevertheless, when the children of Israel were strong, they put the Canaanites under tribute, but cast them not out wholly.
- ¹⁴ Then the children of Joseph spake unto Joshua, saying, Why hast thou given me but one lot, and one portion to inherit, seeing I am a great people, for as much as the Lord hath blessed me hitherto?
- ¹⁵ Joshua then answered them, If thou be much people, get thee up to the woods, and cut trees for thyself there in the land of the Perizzites, and of the giants, if mount Ephraim be too narrow for thee.
- ¹⁶ Then the children of Joseph said, The mountain will not be enough for us: and all the Canaanites that dwell in the low country have chariots of iron, as well they in Beth-shean, and in the towns of the same, as they in the valley of Jezreel.
- ¹⁷ And Joshua spake unto the house of Joseph, to Ephraim, and to Manasseh, saying, Thou art a great people, and hast great power, and shalt not have one lot.
- ¹⁸ Therefore the mountain shall be thine: for it is a wood, and thou shalt cut it down: and the ends of it shall be thine, and thou shalt cast out the Canaanites, though they have iron chariots, and though they be strong.

- ¹ And the whole Congregation of the children of Israel, came together at Shiloh: for they set up the Tabernacle of the Congregation there, after the land was subject unto them.
- ² Now there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, to whom they had not divided their inheritance.
- ³ Therefore Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye so slack to enter and possess the land which the Lord God of your fathers hath given you?
- ⁴ Give from among you for every tribe three men, that I may send them, and that they may rise, and walk through the land, and distribute it according to their inheritance, and return to me.
- ⁵ And that they may divide it unto them into seven parts, (Judah shall abide in his coast at the South, and the house of Joseph shall stand in their coasts at the North)
- ⁶Ye shall describe the land therefore into seven parts, and shall bring them hither to me, and I will cast lots for you here before the Lord our God.
- ⁷ But the Levites shall have no part among you: for the Priesthood of the Lord is their inheritance: also Gad and Reuben and half the tribe of Manasseh have received their inheritance beyond Jordan Eastward, which Moses the servant of the Lord gave them.
- ⁸ Then the men arose, and went their way: and Joshua charged them that went to describe the land, saying, Depart, and go through the land, and describe it, and return to me, that I may here cast lots for you before the Lord in Shiloh.
- ⁹ So the men departed, and passed through the land, and described it by cities into seven parts in a book, and returned to Joshua into the camp at Shiloh.
- ¹⁰ Then Joshua cast lots for them in Shiloh before the Lord, and there Joshua divided the land unto the children of Israel, according to their portions:
- ¹¹ And the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came forth according to their families, and the cost of their lot lay between the children of Judah, and the children of Joseph.
- ¹² And their coast on the Northside was from Jordan, and the border went up to the side of Jericho on the North part, and went up through the mountains Westward, and the ends thereof are in the wilderness of Beth-aven:

- ¹³ And this border goeth along from thence to Luz, even to the Southside of Luz (the same is Beth-el) and this border descendeth to Atroth-addar, near the mount, that lieth on the Southside of Beth-horon the nether.
- ¹⁴ So the border turneth, and compasseth the corner of the Sea Southward, from the mount that lieth before Beth-horon Southward: and the ends thereof are at Kirjath-baal (which is Kirjath-jearim) a city of the children of Judah: this is the West quarter.
- ¹⁵ And the South quarter is from the end of Kirjath-jearim, and this border goeth out Westward, and cometh to the fountain of waters of Nephtoah.
- ¹⁶ And this border descendeth at the end of the mountain, that lieth before the valley of Ben-hinnom, which is in the valley of the giants Northward, and descendeth into the valley of Hinnom by the side of Jebusi Southward, and goeth down to En-rogel,
- ¹⁷ And compasseth from the North, and goeth forth to En-shemesh, and stretcheth to Geliloth, which is toward the going up unto Adummim, and goeth down to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben.
- ¹⁸ So it goeth along to the side over against the plain Northward, and goeth down into the plain.
- ¹⁹ After, this border goeth along to the side of Beth-hoglah Northward: and the ends thereof, that is, of the border, reach to the point of the salt Sea Northward, and to the end of Jordan Southward: this is the Southcoast.
- ²⁰ Also Jordan is the border of it on the Eastside: this is the inheritance of the children of Benjamin by the coasts thereof round about according to their families.
- ²¹ Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Benjamin according to their families, are Jericho, and Beth-hoglah, and the valley of Keziz,
- ²² And Beth-arabah, and Zemaraim, and Beth-el,
- ²³ And Avim, and Parah, and Ophrah,
- ²⁴ And Chephar-haammonai, and Ophni, and Gaba: twelve cities with their villages.
- ²⁵ Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beroth,
- ²⁶ And Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah,

²⁷ And Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah,

²⁸ And Zela, Eleph, and Jebusi, (which is Jerusalem) Gibeath, and Kirjath: fourteen cities with their villages: this is the inheritance of the children of Benjamin according to their families.

- ¹ And the second lot came out to Simeon, even for the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families: and their inheritance was in the midst of the inheritance of the children of Judah.
- ² Now they had in their inheritance, Bersheba, and Sheba, and Moladah,
- ³ And Hazar-shual, and Balah, and Azem.
- ⁴ And Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah,
- ⁵ And Ziklag, and Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susah,
- ⁶ And Beth-lebaoth, and Sharuhen: thirteen cities with their villages.
- ⁷ Ain, Remmon, and Ether, and Ashan: four cities with their villages.
- ⁸ And all the villages that were round about these cities, unto Baalath-beer, and Ramath Southward: this is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families.
- ⁹ Out of the portion of the children of Judah came ye inheritance of the children of Simeon: for the part of ye children of Judah was too much for them: therefore the children of Simeon had their inheritance within their inheritance.
- ¹⁰ Also the third lot arose for the children of Zebulun according to their families: and the coasts of their inheritance came to Sarid,
- ¹¹ And their border goeth up Westward, even to Maralah, and reacheth to Dabbasheth, and meeteth with the river that lieth before Jokneam,
- ¹² And turneth from Sarid Eastward toward the sun rising unto the border of Chisloth-tabor, and goeth out to Daberath, and ascendeth to Japhia,
- ¹³ And from thence goeth along Eastward toward the sun rising to Gittah-hepher to Ittah-kazin, and goeth forth to Rimmon, and turneth to Neah.
- ¹⁴ And this border compasseth it on ye Northside to Hannathon, and the ends thereof are in the valley of Jiphtah-el,
- ¹⁵ And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Beth-lehem: twelve cities with their villages.

- ¹⁶ This is the inheritance of the children of Zebulun according to their families: that is, these cities and their villages.
- ¹⁷ The fourth lot came out to Issachar, even for the children of Issachar according to their families.
- ¹⁸ And their coast was Jezreel, and Chesulloth, and Shunem,
- ¹⁹ And Hapharaim, and Shion, and Anaharath,
- ²⁰ And Rabbith, and Kishion, and Abez,
- ²¹ And Remeth, and En-gannim, and En-haddah, and Beth-pazzez.
- ²² And this coast reacheth to Tabor, and Shahazimath, and Beth-shemesh, and the ends of their coast reach to Jordan: sixteen cities with their villages.
- ²³ This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar according to their families: that is, the cities, and their villages.
- ²⁴ Also the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families.
- ²⁵ And their coast was Helkath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph,
- ²⁶ And Alammelech, and Amad, and Misheal, and came to Carmel Westward, and to Shihor-libnath,
- ²⁷ And turneth toward the sun rising to Beth-dagon, and cometh to Zebulun, and to the valley of Jiphthah-el, toward the Northside of Beth-emek, and Neiel, and goeth out on the left side of Cabul,
- ²⁸ And to Ebron, and Rehob, and Hammon, and Kanah, unto great Zidon.
- ²⁹Then the coast turneth to Ramah and to the strong city of Zor, and this border turneth to Hosah, and the ends thereof are at the Sea from Hebel to Achzib,
- ³⁰ Ummah also and Aphek, and Rehob: two and twenty cities with their villages.
- ³¹ This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families: that is, these cities and their villages.
- ³² The sixth lot came out to the children of Naphtali, even to the children of Naphtali according to their families.

- ³³ And their coast was from Heleph, and from Allon in Zaanannim, and Adaminekeb, and Jabneel, even to Lakum, and the ends thereof are at Jordan.
- ³⁴ So this coast turneth Westward to Aznoth-tabor, and goeth out from thence to Hukkok, and reacheth to Zebulun on the Southside, and goeth to Asher on the Westside, and to Judah by Jordan toward the sun rising.
- ³⁵ And the strong cities are Ziddim, Zer, and Hammath, Rakkath, and Cinnereth,
- ³⁶ And Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor,
- ³⁷ And Kedesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor,
- ³⁸ And Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and Beth-anah, and Beth-shemesh: nineteen cities with their villages.
- ³⁹ This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naphtali according to their families: that is, the cities and their villages.
- ⁴⁰ The seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families.
- ⁴¹ And the coast of their inheritance was Zorah, and Eshtaol, and Ir-shemesh,
- ⁴² And Shaalabbin, and Ajalon, and Jethlah,
- ⁴³ And Elon, and Timnathah, and Ekron,
- ⁴⁴ And Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalath,
- ⁴⁵ And Jehud, and Bene-berak, and Gath-rimmon,
- ⁴⁶ And Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the border that lieth before Japho.
- ⁴⁷ But the coasts of the children of Dan fell out too little for them: therefore the children of Dan went up to fight against Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and possessed it, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem, Dan after the name of Dan their father.
- ⁴⁸ This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families: that is, these cities and their villages.
- ⁴⁹ When they had made an end of dividing the land by the coasts thereof, then the children of Israel gave an inheritance unto Joshua the son of Nun among them.

- ⁵⁰ According to the word of the Lord they gave him the city which he asked, even Timnath-serah in mount Ephraim: and he built the city and dwelt therein.
- ⁵¹ These are ye heritages which Eleazar the Priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the chief fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel divided by lot in Shiloh before the Lord at the door of the Tabernacle of the Congregation: so they made an end of dividing the country.

- ¹ The Lord also spake unto Joshua, saying,
- ² Speak to the children of Israel, and say, Appoint you cities of refuge, whereof I spake unto you by the hand of Moses,
- ³ That the slayer that killeth any person by ignorance, and unwittingly, may flee thither, and they shall be your refuge from the avenger of blood.
- ⁴ And he that doeth flee unto one of those cities, shall stand at the entering of the gate of the city, and shall shew his cause to the Elders of the city: and they shall receive him into the city unto them, and give him a place, that he may dwell with them.
- ⁵ And if the avenger of blood pursue after him, they shall not deliver the slayer into his hand because he smote his neighbor ignorantly, neither hated he him beforetime:
- ⁶ But he shall dwell in that city until he stands before the Congregation in judgment, or until the death of the high Priest that shall be in those days: then shall the slayer return, and come unto his own city, and unto his own house, even unto the city from whence he fled.
- ⁷Then they appointed Kedesh in Galilee in mount Naphtali, and Shechem in mount Ephraim, and Kirjath-arba, (which is Hebron) in the mountain of Judah.
- ⁸ And on the other side Jordan toward Jericho Eastward, they appointed Bezer in the wilderness upon the plain, out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead, out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan, out of the tribe of Manasseh.
- ⁹ These were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourned among them, that whosoever killed any person ignorantly, might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the Congregation.

- ¹ Then came the principal fathers of the Levites unto Eleazar the Priest, and unto Joshua the son of Nun, and unto the chief fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel.
- ² And spake unto them at Shiloh in the land of Canaan, saying, The Lord commanded by the hand of Moses, to give us cities to dwell in, with the suburbs thereof for our cattle.
- ³ So the children of Israel gave unto the Levites, out of their inheritance at the commandment of the Lord these cities with their suburbs.
- ⁴ And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites: and the children of Aaron ye Priest, which were of the Levites, had by lot, out of the tribe of Judah, and out of the tribe of Simeon, and out of the tribe of Benjamin thirteen cities.
- ⁵ And the 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 half tribe of Manasseh, ten cities.
- ⁶ Also the children of Gershon had by lot out of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of ye tribe of Naphtali, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.
- ⁷ The children of Merari according to their families had out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.
- ⁸ So the children of Israel gave by lot unto the Levites these cities with their suburbs, as the Lord had commanded by the hand of Moses.
- ⁹ And they gave out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, these cities which are here named.
- ¹⁰ And they were the children of Aaron being of the families of the Kohathites, and of the sons of Levi, (for theirs was the first lot)
- ¹¹ So they gave them Kirjath-arba of the father of Anak (which is Hebron) in the mountain of Judah, with the suburbs of the same round about it.
- ¹² (But the land of the city, and the villages thereof, gave they to Caleb the son of Jephunneh to be his possession)
- ¹³ Thus they gave to the children of Aaron the Priest, a city of refuge for the slayer, even Hebron with her suburbs, and Libnah with her suburbs,

- ¹⁴ And Jattir with her suburbs, and Eshtemoa, and her suburbs,
- ¹⁵ And Holon with her suburbs, and Debir with her suburbs,
- ¹⁶ And Ain with her suburbs, and Juttah with her suburbs, Beth-shemesh with her suburbs; nine cities out of those two tribes.
- ¹⁷ And out of the tribe of Benjamin they gave Gibeon with her suburbs, Geba with her suburbs,
- ¹⁸ Anathoth with her suburbs, and Almon with her suburbs: four cities.
- ¹⁹ All the cities of the children of Aaron Priests, were thirteen cities with their suburbs.
- ²⁰ But to the families of the children of Kohath of the Levites, which were the rest of the children of Kohath (for the cities of their lot were out of the tribe of Ephraim)
- ²¹ They gave them the city of refuge for the slayer, Shechem with her suburbs in mount Ephraim, and Gezer with her suburbs,
- ²² And Kibzaim with her suburbs, and Beth-horon with her suburbs: four cities.
- ²³ And out of the tribe of Dan, Eltekeh with her suburbs, Gibbethon with her suburbs,
- ²⁴ Aijalon with her suburbs, Gath-rimmon with her suburbs: four cities.
- ²⁵ And out of the half tribe of Manasseh, Tanach with her suburbs, and Gathrimmon with her suburbs: two cities.
- ²⁶ All the cities for the other families of the children of Kohath were ten with their suburbs.
- ²⁷ Also unto the children of Gershon of the families of the Levites, they gave out of the half tribe of Manasseh, the city of refuge for the slayer, Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, and Beshterah with her suburbs: two cities.
- ²⁸ And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon with her suburbs, Dabereh with her suburbs,
- ²⁹ Jarmuth with her suburbs, En-gannim with her suburbs: four cities.

- ³⁰ And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with her suburbs, Abdon with her suburbs,
- ³¹ Helkath with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs: four cities.
- ³² And out of the tribe of Naphtali, the city of refuge for the slayer, Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, and Hammoth-dor with her suburbs, and Kartan with her suburbs: three cities.
- ³³ All the cities of the Gershonites according to their families, were thirteen cities with their suburbs.
- ³⁴ Also unto the families of the children of Merari the rest of the Levites, they gave out of the tribe of Zebulun, Jokneam with her suburbs, and Kartah with her suburbs,
- ³⁵ Dimnah with her suburbs, Nahalal, with her suburbs: four cities.
- ³⁶ And out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer with her suburbs, and Jahazah with her suburbs,
- ³⁷ Kedemoth with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs: four cities.
- ³⁸ And out of the tribe of Gad they gave for a city of refuge for the slayer, Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, and Mahanaim with her suburbs,
- ³⁹ Heshbon with her suburbs, and Jazer with her suburbs: four cities in all.
- ⁴⁰ So all the cities of the children of Merari according to their families (which were the rest of the families of the Levites) were by their lot, twelve cities.
- ⁴¹ And all the cities of the Levites within the possession of the children of Israel, were eight and forty with their suburbs.
- ⁴²These cities lay every one severally with their suburbs round about them: so were all these cities.
- ⁴³ So the Lord gave unto Israel all ye land, which he had sworn to give unto their fathers: and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.
- ⁴⁴ Also the Lord gave them rest round about according to all that he had sworn unto their fathers: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them: for the Lord delivered all their enemies into their hand.
- ⁴⁵ There failed nothing of all the good things, which the Lord hath said unto the house of Israel, but all came to pass.

- ¹ Then Joshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh,
- ² And said unto them, Ye have kept all that Moses the servant of the Lord commanded you, and have obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you:
- ³ You have not forsaken your brethren this long season unto this day, but have diligently kept the commandment of the Lord your God.
- ⁴ And now the Lord hath given rest unto your brethren as he promised them: therefore now return ye and go to your tents, to the land of your possession, which Moses the servant of the Lord hath given you beyond Jordan.
- ⁵ But take diligent heed, to do the commandment and Law, which Moses the servant of the Lord commanded you: that is, that ye love the Lord your God, and walk in all his ways, and keep his commandments, and cleave unto him, and serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.
- ⁶ So Joshua blessed them and sent them away, and they went unto their tents.
- ⁷ Now unto one half of the tribe of Manasseh Moses had given a possession in Bashan: and unto the other half thereof gave Joshua among their brethren on this side Jordan Westward: therefore when Joshua sent them away unto their tents, and blessed them,
- ⁸ Thus he spake unto them, saying, Return with much riches unto your tents, and with a great multitude of cattle, with silver and with gold, with brass and with iron, and with great abundance of raiment: divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren.
- ⁹ So the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and half the tribe of Manasseh returned, and departed from the children of Israel from Shiloh (which is in the land of Canaan) to go unto the country of Gilead to the land of their possession, which they had obtained, according to ye word of the Lord by the hand of Moses.
- ¹⁰ And when they came unto the borders of Jordan (which are in the land of Canaan) then the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the half tribe of Manasseh, built there an altar by Jordan, a great altar to see to.
- ¹¹ When the children of Israel heard say, Behold, the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the half tribe of Manasseh have built an altar in the forefront

of the land of Canaan upon the borders of Jordan at the passage of the children of Israel:

- ¹²When the children of Israel heard it, then the whole Congregation of the children of Israel gathered them together at Shiloh to go up to war against them.
- ¹³ Then the children of Israel sent unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to ye half tribe of Manasseh into the land of Gilead, Phinehas the son of Eleazar the Priest.
- ¹⁴ And with him ten princes, of every chief house a prince, according to all the tribes of Israel: for every one was chief of their fathers household among the thousands of Israel.
- ¹⁵ So they went unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, unto the land of Gilead, and spake with them, saying,
- ¹⁶ Thus saith the whole congregation of the Lord, What transgression is this that ye have transgressed against the God of Israel, to turn away this day from the Lord, in that ye have built you an altar for to rebel this day against the Lord?
- ¹⁷ Have we too little for the wickedness of Peor, whereof we are not cleansed unto this day, though a plague came upon the Congregation of the Lord?
- ¹⁸ Ye also are turned away this day from the Lord: and seeing ye rebel today against ye Lord, even tomorrow he will be wroth with all the Congregation of Israel.
- ¹⁹ Notwithstanding if the land of your possession be unclean, come ye over unto the land of the possession of the Lord, wherein the Lord's Tabernacle dwelleth, and take possession among us: but rebel not against the Lord, nor rebel not against us in building you an altar, beside the altar of the Lord our God.
- ²⁰ Did not Achan ye son of Zerah trespass grievously in the execrable thing, and wrath fell on all the Congregation of Israel? And this man alone perished not in his wickedness.
- ²¹ Then the children of Reuben and the children of Gad, and half the tribe of Manasseh answered, and said unto the heads over the thousands of Israel,
- ²² The Lord God of gods, the Lord God of gods, he knoweth, and Israel himself shall know: if by rebellion, or by transgression against ye Lord we have done it, save thou us not this day.

- ²³ If we have built us an altar to return away from the Lord, either to offer thereon burnt offering, or meat offering, or to offer peace offerings thereon, let the Lord himself require it:
- ²⁴ And if we have not rather done it for fear of this thing, saying, In time to come your children might say unto our children, What have ye to do with the Lord God of Israel?
- ²⁵ For the Lord hath made Jordan a border between us and you, ye children of Reuben, and of Gad: therefore ye have no part in the Lord: so shall your children make our children cease from fearing the Lord.
- ²⁶ Therefore we said, We will now go about to make us an altar, not for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice,
- ²⁷ But it shall be a witness between us and you, and between our generations after us, to execute the service of the Lord before him in our burnt offerings, and in our sacrifices, and in our peace offerings, and that your children should not say to our children in time to come, Ye have no part in the Lord.
- ²⁸ Therefore said we, If so be that they should so say to us or to our generations in time to come, then will we answer, Behold the fashion of the altar of the Lord, which our fathers made, not for burnt offering nor for sacrifice, but it is a witness between us and you.
- ²⁹ God forbid, that we should rebel against the Lord, and turn this day away from the Lord to build an altar for burnt offering, or for meat offering, or for sacrifice, save the altar of the Lord our God, that is before his Tabernacle.
- ³⁰ And when Phinehas the Priest, and the princes of the Congregation and heads over the thousands of Israel which were with him, heard the words, that the children of Reuben, and children of Gad, and the children of Manasseh spake, they were well content.
- ³¹ And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the Priest said unto 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 us, because ye have not done this trespass against the Lord: now ye have delivered the children of Israel out of the hand of the Lord.
- ³² Then Phinehas the son 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, unto the land of Canaan, to the children of Israel, and brought them answer.

³³ And the saying pleased the children of Israel: and the children of Israel blessed God, and minded not to go against them in battle, for to destroy the land, wherein the children of Reuben, and Gad dwelt.

³⁴ Then the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad called the altar Ed: for it shall be a witness between us, that the Lord is God.

- ¹ And a long season after that the Lord had given rest unto Israel from all their enemies round about, and Joshua was old, and stricken in age,
- ² Then Joshua called all Israel, and their Elders, and their heads, and their judges, and their officers, and said unto them, I am old, and stricken in age.
- ³ Also ye have seen all that the Lord your God hath done unto all these nations before you, how the Lord your God himself hath fought for you.
- ⁴ Behold, I have divided unto you by lot these nations that remain, to be an inheritance according to your tribes, from Jordan, with all the nations that I have destroyed, even unto the great Sea Westward.
- ⁵ And the Lord your God shall expel them before you, and cast them out of your sight, and ye shall possess their land, as the Lord your God hath said unto you.
- ⁶ Be ye therefore of a valiant courage, to observe and do all that is written in the book of the Law of Moses, that ye turn not there from to the right hand nor to the left,
- ⁷ Neither company with these nations: that is, with them which are left with you, neither make mention of the name of their gods, nor cause to swear by them, neither serve them nor bow unto them:
- ⁸ But stick fast unto the Lord your God, as ye have done unto this day.
- ⁹ For ye Lord hath cast out before you great nations and mighty, and no man hath stood before your face hitherto.
- ¹⁰ One man of you shall chase a thousand: for the Lord your God, he fighteth for you, as he hath promised you.
- ¹¹ Take good heed therefore unto yourselves, that ye love the Lord your God.
- ¹² Else, if ye go back, and cleave unto the rest of these nations: that is, of them that remain with you, and shall make marriages with them, and go unto them, and they to you,
- ¹³ Know ye for certain, that the Lord your God will cast out no more of these nations from before you: but they shall be a snare and destruction unto you, and a whip on your sides, and thorns in your eyes, until ye perish out of this good land, which ye Lord your God hath given you.

- ¹⁴ And behold, this day do I enter into the way of all ye world, and ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that nothing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord your God promised you, but all are come to pass unto you: nothing hath failed thereof.
- ¹⁵ Therefore as all good things are come upon you, which the Lord your God promised you, so shall the Lord bring upon you every evil thing, until he have destroyed you out of this good land, which ye Lord your God hath given you.
- ¹⁶ When ye shall transgress the covenant of the Lord your God, which he commanded you, and shall go and serve other gods, and bow yourselves to them, then shall the wrath of the Lord wax hot against you, and ye shall perish quickly out of the good land which he hath given you.

- ¹ And Joshua assembled again all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and called the Elders of Israel, and their heads, and their judges, and their officers, and they presented themselves before God.
- ² Then Joshua said unto all the people, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Your fathers dwelt beyond the flood in old time, even Terah the father of Abraham, and the father of Nachor, and served other gods.
- ³ And I took your father Abraham from beyond the flood, and brought him through all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, and gave him Isaac.
- ⁴ And I gave unto Isaac, Jacob and Esau: and I gave unto Esau mount Seir, to possess it: but Jacob and his children went down into Egypt.
- ⁵I sent Moses also and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt: and when I had so done among them, I brought you out.
- ⁶ So I brought your fathers out of Egypt, and ye came unto the Sea, and the Egyptians pursued after your fathers with chariots and horsemen unto the Red Sea.
- ⁷ Then they cried unto the Lord, and he put a darkness between you and the Egyptians, and brought the sea upon them, and covered them: so your eyes have seen what I have done in Egypt also ye dwelt in the wilderness a long season.
- ⁸ After, I brought you into the land of the Amorites, which dwelt beyond Jordan, and they fought with you: but I gave them into your hand, and ye possessed their country, and I destroyed them out of your sight.
- ⁹ Also Balak the son of Zippor King of Moab arose and warred against Israel, and sent to call Balaam the son of Beor for to curse you,
- ¹⁰ But I would not hear Balaam: therefore he blessed you, and I delivered you out of his hand.
- ¹¹ And ye went over Jordan, and came unto Jericho, and the men of Jericho fought against you, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Girgashites, the Hivites and the Jebusites, and I delivered them into your hand.
- ¹² And I sent hornets before you, which cast them out before you, even the two kings of the Amorites, and not with thy sword, nor with thy bow.

- ¹³ And I have given you a land, wherein ye did not labor, and cities which ye built not, and ye dwell in them, and eat of the vineyards and olive trees, which ye planted not.
- ¹⁴ Now therefore fear the Lord, and serve him in uprightness and in truth, and put away the gods, which your fathers served beyond the flood and in Egypt, and serve the Lord.
- ¹⁵ And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served (that were beyond the flood) or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but I and mine house will serve the Lord.
- ¹⁶ Then the people answered and said, God forbid, that we should forsake the Lord, to serve other gods.
- ¹⁷ For the Lord our God, he brought us and our fathers out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage, and he did those great miracles in our sight, and preserved us in all the way that we went, and among all the people through whom we came.
- ¹⁸ And the Lord did cast out before us all the people, even the Amorites which dwelt in the land: therefore will we also serve the Lord, for he is our God.
- ¹⁹ And Joshua said unto the people, Ye cannot serve the Lord: for he is an holy God: he is a jealous God: he will not pardon your iniquity nor your sins.
- ²⁰ If ye forsake the Lord and serve strange gods, then he will return and bring evil upon you, and consume you, after that he hath done you good.
- ²¹ And the people said unto Joshua, Nay, but we will serve the Lord.
- ²² And Joshua said unto the people, Ye are witnesses against yourselves, that ye have chosen you the Lord, to serve him: and they said, We are witnesses.
- ²³ Then put away now, said he, the strange gods which are among you, and bow your hearts unto the Lord God of Israel.
- ²⁴ And ye people said unto Joshua, The Lord our God will we serve, and his voice will we obey.
- ²⁵ So Joshua made a covenant with the people the same day, and gave them an ordinance and law in Shechem.

- ²⁶ And Joshua wrote these words in the book of the Law of God, and took a great stone, and pitched it there under an oak that was in the Sanctuary of the Lord.
- ²⁷ And Joshua said unto all the people, Behold, this stone shall be a witness unto us: for it hath heard all the words of the Lord which he spake with us: it shall be therefore a witness against you, lest ye deny your God.
- ²⁸ Then Joshua let the people depart, every man unto his inheritance.
- ²⁹ And after these things Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the Lord died, being an hundred and ten years old.
- ³⁰ And they buried him in ye border of his inheritance in Timnath-serah, which is in mount Ephraim, on the Northside of mount Gaash.
- ³¹ And Israel served the Lord all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the Elders that over lived Joshua, and which had known all the works of the Lord that he had done for Israel.
- ³² And the bones of Joseph, which the children of Israel brought out of Egypt, buried they in Shechem in a parcel of ground which Jacob bought of the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem, for an hundred pieces of silver, and the children of Joseph had them in their inheritance.
- ³³ Also Eleazar the son of Aaron died, whom they buried in the hill of Phinehas his son, which was given him in mount Ephraim.