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Now the death of Moses the servant of the LORD came; and he was buried in the land of Moab: and his son Nun, which was called Joshua, the minister of Moses, his servant, gathered all the elders of Israel together, and said unto them,

"The Lord your God, he is God of gods, the Lord of lords, a great king, a king of kings, of all the earth;" (Deut. 4:32).

And his servant, his elder, Joshua, the son of Nun, spake and said unto the people, saying, (Deut. 28:1).
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Jordan, to go in to possess the land, which the LORD your God giveth you to possess it."

12. And to 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 your ps, saying, "The LORD your God hath given you rest, and hath given you this land.

14. Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle, shall remain in the land which Moses gave you on this side Jordan; but ye shall pass before your brethren armed, all the mighty men of valour, and help them;

15. Until the LORD have given your brethren rest, as He hath given you, and the LORD also have possessed the land which the LORD your God giveth them: then ye shall return unto the land of your possession, and enjoy it, which Moses the LORD'S servant gave you on this side Jordan toward the sunrising."

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15. And they answered, Joshua, saying, "All that thou commandest us we will do, and whithersoever thou sendest us, we will go.

16. According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things, so will we hearken unto thee:

17. Only the LORD thy God be with thee, as He was with Moses.

18. Whosoever he be that doth rebel against thy commandment, and will not hearken unto thy words in all that thou commandest him, he shall be put to death.

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2. And Joshua the son of Nun sent out of Shittim two men to spy secretly, saying, "Go view the land, even Jericho."

And they went, and came into an harlot's house, named Rahab, and lodged there.

2. And it was told the king of Jericho, saying, "Behold, there came men in hither to night of the children of Israel to search out the country."

3. And the king of Jericho sent unto Rahab, saying, "Bring forth the men that are come to thee, which are entered into thine house: for they be come to search out all the country."

4. And the woman took the two men, and hid them, and said thus, "There came men unto me, but I wist not whence they were:

5. And it came to pass about the time of shutting of the gate, when it was dark, that the men went out: whither the men went I wot not; pursue 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 laid in order upon the roof.

7. And the 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 laid down, she came up unto them upon the roof:
And she sent them away, and they departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the window.

And they went, and came unto the mountain, and abode there three days, until the pursuers were returned:

and the pursuers sought them throughout all the way, but found them not.
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3. 9-4. 10 (r. p. 298). CUTTING OFF, AND MEMORIAL. (Alternation.)

3. 9-16 (t. above). THE CUTTING OFF. (Alternation.)

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3. 3. And they commanded the People, saying,

6. When ye see "the ark of the covenant of "the LORD your "God, and the priests of "the Levites "bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it.

4. Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not passed this way heretofore.

5. And Joshua said unto the People, "Sanctify yourselves: for to morrow the LORD will do wonders among you."

6. And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, "Take up the ark of the covenant, and pass over before the People." And they took up the ark of the covenant, and went before the People.

7. And the LORD said unto Joshua, "This day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee."

8. And the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying, "When ye come to the brink of the water of Jordan, ye shall stand still in Jordan."

9. And 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 without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Hivites, and the Perizzites, and the Girgasites, and the Amorites, and the Jebusites.

11. Behold, the ark of the covenant of "the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, that the waters of Jordan shall be cut off from the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon an heap."

12. And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of "the LORD, that the ark of the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, that the waters of Jordan shall be cut off from the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon an heap."

13. And as they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all his banks all the time of harvest,) the waters which came down from above stood and rose up upon an heap very far from the city "Adam, that is beside "Zaretan: and those that came down toward the "sea of the plain, even the "salt sea, failed, and were cut off: and the People passed over right against Jericho.

14. And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of "the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan, and all the Israelites passed over on dry ground, until
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4. 1-9 (p. 294). THE MEMORIAL.
(Repeate<5 Alternation and Introversion.)

1. 1. Twelve men.
2. 2. Twelve stones.
3. 3. Twelve men.
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5. 5. Twelve stones.
6. 6. Twelve stones.
7. 7. Twelve stones.
8. 8. Twelve stones.
10. 10. Twelve men.
11. 11. Twelve men.
15. 15. Twelve men.
17. 17. Twelve men.
18. 18. Twelve men.
20. 20. Twelve men.
22. 22. Twelve men.
23. 23. Twelve men.

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1. Take ye twelve men out of the people, out of every tribe a man.
2. And command ye them, saying,
3. ‘Take you hence out of the midst of Jordan, out of the place where the priests’ feet stood firm, twelve stones, and ye shall carry them over with you,
4. and leave them in the lodging place, where ye shall lodge this night.’
5. Then Joshua called the twelve men, whom he had prepared of the children of Israel, out of every tribe a man:

6. That this may be a sign among you, that when your children ask their fathers in time to come, saying, ‘What mean ye by these stones?’
7. Then ye shall answer them, ‘That the waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off: and these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel for ever:

8. And the children of Israel did so as Joshua commanded, and took up twelve stones out of the midst of Jordan, as the LORD spake unto Joshua,
9. according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel, and carried them over with them unto the place where they lodged, and laid them down there.

10. For the priests which bare the ark stood in the midst of Jordan, until every thing was clean passed over, that the ark of the LORD passed over, and the priests, in the presence of the people.
11. And it came to pass, when all the People were clean passed over, that the ark of the LORD passed over, and the priests, in the presence of the people.
12. And the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and half the tribe of Manasseh, passed over armed before the children of Israel, as Moses spake unto them:
13. About forty thousand armed for war passed over before the LORD unto battle, to the plains of Jericho.
14. ‘On that day the LORD magnified Joshua in the sight of all Israel; and they feared him, as they feared Moses, all the days of his life.
15. And the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying,
And it came to pass, when all the kings of the Amorites, which were on the side of 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 from before the children of Israel, until we were passed over, that their heart melted, neither was there any spirit in them any more, because of the children of Israel.

2 At that time the LORD said unto Joshua, “Make thee sharp knives, and circumcise again the children of Israel the second time.”

3 And Joshua made him sharp knives, and circumcised the children of Israel at the hill of the foreskins.

4 And this is the cause why Joshua did circumcise: All the People that came out of Egypt, that were males, even all the men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came out of Egypt.

5 Now all the People that came out were circumcised: but all the People that were born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, they had not circumcised.

6 For the children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the People, that were men of war, which 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 sware unto their fathers that He would give us, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

7 And their children, whom He raised up in their stead, them Joshua circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way.

8 And it came to pass, when they had done circumcising all the People, that they abode in their places in the camp, till they were whole.

9 And the LORD said unto Joshua, “This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you.” Wherefore the name of the place is called Gilgal unto this day.

10 And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho.

11 And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched corn in the selfsame day.

12 And the manna ceased on the morrow, after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

And 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 the LORD’s host said unto Joshua, “Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest is holy.”

And Joshua did so.

Now Jericho was straitly shut up because of the children of Israel: none went out, and none came in.
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6. 1-19 (H1, p. 296). THE CITY GIVEN.

(1ntroduction and Alternation.)

H1 d | 1, 2. The City given.
  e f | 3, 4. Encompassing.
  g | 6. Promise.
  e f | 7-15. Encompassing.
  g | 16. Promise.

2 the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4. II.

said. This is the continuation of the Captain's words, 5. 15. See note on 3. 7.

See. 1. Fig. Asteriskus. Ap. 6.

I have given. It was Jehovah's to give.


rams' horns = trumpets of Jubilee, of long sound.

Ex. 19. 13.

the seventh day = on the seventh day.

flat = under it. Probably into the ground. Cp. 11. 13. Jer. 49. 2. See note on v. 20.


he. In Heb. text written "they", but read "he".

In some codices, with five early printed editions, both written and read "he".

before. Some codices, with five early printed editions, and Aram., Syr., Vulg., add "the ark of".

sent = marching.

reward = the main or central body. Cp. Num. 10. 25.

came = marched.

going = marching.

make = cause your voice to be heard.

the seventh time. Cp. Heb. 11. 20.

accursed = devoted. Probably because this was the "first-fruits" of conquest. Num. 31. 4.

she hid. Cp. 2. 4.

trouble it. A warning of Achan's sin (7. 25).

vessels = utensils, or weapons.

are. Heb. = "they" are.

consecrated = holy. See note on Ex. 3. 5.

20-27 (H2, p. 296). THE CITY TAKEN.

(1ntroduction and Alternation.)

H2 h | 20. The city taken.
  i k | 21. The city destroyed.
  i | 22, 23. Exception. Rahab.
  i k | 24. The city burned.
  l | 24-25. Exception. Rahab, &c.
  h | 26, 27. The city cursed.

20 flat = under itself. Cp. v. 5. Jericho was thrice built, and thrice destroyed; so that the city of Joshua's

17 And the city shall be 7accursed, even it, and all that are therein, to 2the LORD: only Rahab the harlot shall live, &c. and all that are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent.

18 And as in any wise keep yourselves from the accursed thing, lest ye make yourselves accursed, when ye take of the 7accursed thing, and make the camp of Israel a curse, and trouble it.

19 But all the silver, and gold, and 2vessels of brass and iron, are consecrated unto 2the LORD: they shall come into the treasury of 2the LORD.

6. 20.

20 So the People shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the People heard the sound of the trumpet, and the People shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down 8flat, so that the
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21 And they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, woman and young man, and old, and ox, 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 unto her."

23 And 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; and they brought out all her kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel.

24 And they burnt the city with fire, and all that was therein:

only the silver, and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the LORD.

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

26 And Joshua adjured them at that time, saying, "Cursed be the man before the LORD, that riseth up and buildeth this city Jericho: he shall lay the foundation thereof in his firstborn, and in his youngest son shall he set up the gates of it."

27 So the LORD was with Joshua; and his fame was noiseed throughout all the country.

28 But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing: for Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the accursed thing; and the anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Israel.

2 And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which is beside Beth-aven, on the east side of Beth-el, and spake unto them, saying, "Go up and view the country." And the men went up and viewed Ai.

3 And they returned to Joshua, and said unto him, "Let not all the People go up; but let about two or three thousand men go up and smite Ai; and make not all the People to labour thither; for they are but 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 about thirty and six men: for they chased them from before the gate even unto Shebarim, and smote them in the going down: wherefore the hearts of the People melted, and became as water.

6 And 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.


he shall lay. Prophecy fulfilled in Hiel the Beth-elite. 1 Kings 16. 34.

in = in (the death of) his firstborn.

7. 1-26 (G2, p. 296). THE TRESPASS OF ACHAN.

(Interversion.)

But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing: for Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, "took of the accursed thing; and the anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Israel.


3. go up = go toilingly, thither.


5. melted = became as water. Fig. Hyperbole. Ap. 6.


LORD God = Adonai Jehovah. See Ap. 4. II, VIII (2), and X.

wherefore . . .? Fig. Erotesis. Ap. 6.

would to God. Heb. "would that", No "to God" in Heb. text.

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 at all brought this people over Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us? Would to God we had been content, and dwelt on the other side Jordan!

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8 O LORD, what shall I say, when Israel turneth their backs before their enemies!
9 For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land shall hear of it, and shall environ us round, and cut off our name from the earth: and what wilt Thou do unto Thy great name?"

8 O LORD. Heb. O Adonai; but this is one of the 134 places altered from Jehovah to Adonai by the Sopherim.

10 And the Lord said unto Joshua, "Get thee up; 1 wherefore liest thou thus upon thy face?"

11 Israel hath sinned, 0 and they have also transgressed My covenant which I commanded them: 0 for they have even taken of the 1 accursed thing, and have also stolen, and dissembled also, and they have put it even among their own stuff.

12 Therefore the children of Israel could not stand before their enemies, but turned their backs before their enemies, because they were 1 accursed: neither will I be with you any more, except ye destroy the 1 accursed thing from among you.

13 Up, sanctify the People, and say, 1 Sanctify yourselves against to morrow: for thus saith the Lord 0 God of Israel, 1 There is an 1 accursed thing in the midst of thee, O Israel: thou canst not stand before thine enemies, until ye take away the 1 accursed thing from among you.

14 In the morning therefore ye shall be brought according to your tribes: and it shall be, 1 that the tribe which 1 the Lord 0 taketh shall come according to the families thereof; and the family which 1 the Lord shall take shall come by households; and the household which 1 the Lord shall take shall come by man by man.

15 And it shall be, 1 that he that is 1 taken with the 1 accursed thing shall be 0 burnt with fire, 0 by him that hath transgressed the covenant of 1 the Lord, and because he hath wrought folly in Israel.' 1" 1

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 family of the Zarhites: and he brought the family of the Zarhites 0 man by man; and Zabdi was taken:

18 And he brought his household 0 man by man; and Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was taken.

19 And Joshua said unto Achan, "My son, give, I pray thee, glory to 1 the Lord 13 God of Israel, and make confession unto Him; and tell me now what thou hast done; hide it not from me."

20 And Achan answered Joshua, and said, 0 "My son 0 have sinned against 1 the Lord 13 God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done: 21 When I saw among the spoils 0 a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them; and, 0 behold, they are hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under "it."

22 So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran unto the tent; and, 0 behold, it was hid in his tent, and the silver under 21 it.

23 And they took them out of 0 the midst of his tent, and brought them unto Joshua, and unto all the children of Israel, and laid them out before 0 the Lord.

24 And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, 0 and the silver, and the garment, and the 21 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 they brought them unto the valley of Achor.

25 And Joshua said, 0 "Why hast thou troubled us? 1 the Lord shall trouble thee this day." And all Israel stoned him with stones, and 15 burned them with fire, after they had stoned them with stones.

26 And they raised over him a great heap of stones unto this day.

8. 1–12, 24 (C. p. 289). CONQUEST OF THE LAND. (Introversion and Alternation.)

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8 | 1–12, 24 | (C. p. 289). CONQUEST OF AI. (Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

8. 1–29 (L. above). CONQUEST OF AI. (Introversion and Extended Alternation.)

and. Note the Fig. Invagyndeton (Ap. 6) emphasizing each particular.
4. God. Heb. Elohim. Ap. 4. I. hand. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause) for the power which is in it (Ap. 6). Cp. v. 20, where it is rendered "power".
8. See. Fig. Asterisms. Ap. 6.
9. between Beth-el and Ai. The place of Abraham's altar, Gen. 12. 8: so that the place where the promise of the Land was made, is the place where it began to be fulfilled. Abraham had come down from Sichem: Joshua goes up to Sichem, and builds his altar on the same spot where Abraham had built his. Cp. Gen. 12. 6–8 with Josh. 8. 26–29 and Deut. 11. 30.
10. numbered = inspected or mustered.
12. of the city. Another school of Massorites read of "Ai", with many codices and Aramaic.
13. went. Some codices with three early printed editions, read "lodged in".
15. made as if they were beaten. The only form of the verb in the Heb. Bible.
16. in Ai. Some codices read "in the city".
19. And Joshua and all Israel made as if they were beaten before them, and fled by the way of the wilderness.
20. And all the People that were in Ai were called together to pursue after them: and they pursued after Joshua, and were driven away from the city.
21. And there was not a man left in Ai or Beth-el, that went not out after Israel: and they left the city open, and pursued after Israel.
22. And the Lord said unto Joshua, "Stretch out the "spear that is in thy hand toward Ai; for I will give it into thine hand."

So the Lord turned from the fierceness of His anger. Wherefore the name of that place was called, The valley of Achor, unto this day.

8 And the Lord said unto Joshua, "Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the People of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: 8see. I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and his People, and his city, and his land: 8And thou shalt do to Ai and her king as thou didst unto Jericho and her king: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the city behind it."

3 So Joshua arose, and all the People of war, to go up against Ai: and Joshua chose out thirty thousand mighty men of valour, and sent them away by night.
4 And he commanded them, saying, 8or. Behold, ye shall lie in ambush against the city, even behind the city: go not very far from the city, but be ye all ready:

5 And, 8and all the People that are with me, will approach unto the city: and it shall come to pass, when they come out against us, as at the first, that we will flee before them,

6 (For they will come out after us) till we have drawn them from the city; for they will say, 'They flee before us, as at the first,' therefore we will flee before them.

7 Then ye shall rise up from the ambush, and seize upon the city: for the Lord your God will deliver it into your hand.

8 And it shall be, when ye have taken the city, that ye shall set the city on fire: according to the commandment of the Lord shall ye do. 8See. I have commanded you.

9 Joshua therefore sent them forth: and they went to lie in ambush between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side of Ai: but Joshua lodged that night among the People.

10 And Joshua rose up early in the morning, and numbered the People, and went up, he and the elders of Israel, before the People to Ai.

11 And all the People, even the people of war that were with him, went up, and drew nigh, and came before the city, and pitched on the north side of Ai: now there was a valley between them and Ai.

12 And he took about five thousand men, and set them to lie in ambush between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side of the city.

13 And when they had set the People, even all the host that was on the north side of the city, and their liers in wait on the west of the city, Joshua went that night into the midst of the valley.

14 And it came to pass, when the king of Ai saw it, that they hasted and rose up early, and the men of the city went out against Israel to battle, he and all his People, at a time appointed, before the plain; but he wist not that there were liers in ambush against him behind the city.
And Joshua stretched out the spear that he had in his hand toward the city.

And the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they 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.

And when the men of Ai looked behind them, they saw, and, behold, the smoke of the city ascended up to heaven, and they had no power to flee this way or that way: and the People that fled to the wilderness turned back upon the pursuers.

And when Joshua and all Israel saw that the ambush had taken the city, and that the city, and they had, and the smoke of the city ascended, then they turned again, and slew the men of Ai.

And the other issued out of the city against them; so they were in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some on that side: and they smote them, so that they let none of them remain or escape.

And the king of Ai they took alive, and brought him to Joshua.

And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they smote the men of Ai, both of men and women, and smote with the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all the Israelites returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword.

And so it was, that all that fell that day, both of men and women, were twelve thousand, even all the men of Ai.

And Joshua drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out the spear, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.

And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it a heap for ever, even a desolation unto this day.

Only the cattle and the spoil of that city Israel took for a prey unto themselves, according unto the word of the Lord which He commanded Joshua.

And Joshua hanged the king upon a tree until eventide: and as soon as the sun was down, Joshua commanded that they should take his carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the city, and raise thereon a great heap of stones, that remaineth unto this day.

Then Joshua built an altar unto the Lord God of Israel in mount Ebal,

As Moses the servant of the Lord commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the Book of the Law of Moses, an altar of whole stones, over which no man hath lift up any iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings unto the Lord, and sacrificed peace offerings.

And he wrote there upon the stones a copy of the law of Moses, which he wrote in the presence of the children of Israel.

And all Israel, and their elders, and officers, and their judges, stood on this side the ark and on that side before the priests the

And it came to pass, when all the kings which were on this side Jordan, in the hills, and in the valleys, and in all the coasts of the great sea over against Lebanon, the Hittite, and the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, heard thereof;

Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the Lord, as well the stranger, as he that was born among them; half of them 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.

And 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.

There was not a word of all that Moses commanded, which Joshua read not before all the congregation of Israel, with the women, and the little ones, and the strangers that were conversant among them.
14 And they said unto him, “From a very far country thy servants are come because of the name of the Lord thy God: for we have heard the fame of Him, and all that He did in Egypt,
15 And all that He did to the two kings of the Amorites, that were beyond Jordan, to Sihon king of Heshbon, and to Og king of Bashan, which was at Ashtaroth.
16 Wherefore our elders and all the inhabitants of our country spake to us, saying, ‘Take victuals with you for the journey, and go to meet them, and say unto them, ‘Who are ye?’ and from whence come ye? ’”

Therefore now make ye a league with us.

They made a league as if they had been ambassadors.

They were made as if they had been ambassadors. Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read “furnished themselves with provisions”, as in vv. 11 and 12.

Bottles = skins.  
Mouldy = become crumbling.

Men.  
Behold.  
The men.  
Made a league = solemnised a covenant.

22. The question of Joshua.  
Y.  
The sentence of Joshua.  
“Now therefore,” &c.

24. Reply to question by Gibeonites.

19 But 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 This we will do to them; we will even let them live, lest wrath be upon us, because of the oath which we sware unto them.”

21 And the princes said unto them, “Let them live; but let them be hewers of wood and drawers of water unto all the congregation;” as the princes had promised them.

22 And Joshua called for them, and he spake unto them, saying, “Wherefore have ye beguiled us, saying, ‘We are very far from you;’ when ye dwell among us?”
10 Now it came to pass, when Adoni-zedec king of Jerusalem had heard how Joshua had taken Ai, and had utterly destroyed it; **as he had done to Jericho and her king,** so he had done to Ai and her king; and how the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Joshua and with the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valor among them;

2 That they feared greatly, because Gibeon was a great city, as one of the royal cities, and because it was greater than Ai, and all the men thereof were mighty.

3 Wherefore Adoni-zedec 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,

"Come up unto me, and help me, that we may smite Gibeon:

for it hath made peace with Joshua and with the children of Israel."

4 Therefore the five kings of the Amorites, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king of Eglon, gathered themselves together, and went up, and all their host, and encamped before Gibeon, and made war against it.

5 And the men of Gibeon sent unto Joshua to the camp to Gilgal, saying, "Slack not thy hand from thy servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us:

for all the kings of the Amorites that dwell in the mountains are gathered together against us."

6 So Joshua ascended from Gilgal, and all the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valor.

7 And *the Lord* said unto Joshua, "Fear them not: for I have delivered them into thine hand; there shall not a man of them stand before thee."

8 Joshua therefore came unto them suddenly, and went up from Gilgal all night.

9 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.*

10 And they answered Joshua, and said, "Because it was certainly told thy servants, how that *the Lord thy *God *commanded* His servant Moses to give you all the land, and to destroy all the inhabitants of the land before you, therefore we were sore afraid of *our lives because of you,* and have done this thing.

11 And now, *behold,* we are in thine hand: as it seemeth good and right unto thee to do this thing."

12 And so did he unto them, and delivered *them* out of the hand of the 17 children of Israel, that they slew them not.

13 And Joshua made them that day hewers of wood and drawers of water for the congregation, and for the altar of *the Lord,* even unto this day, in the place which He should choose.

14 And he *commanded* the *LORD* their God. O N T (p. 303) 10

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3-27 (U, above). KINGS. (Extended Alternation.)

3-27 (i, above). ISRAEL'S ASSEMBLAGE FOR WAR. (Alternation.)
11 And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, and were in the going down to Beth-boron, that the Lord cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: they were more which died with 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 delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, "Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; And thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon."

13 And the sun stood still, and the moon: for thus shall the Lord be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the Lord do to all your enemies against whom ye fight." 22 And afterward Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees; and they were hanging upon the trees until the going down of the sun, that Joshua commanded, and they took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, which remain until this very day.

14 And there was no day like that before it or after it, that the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, lest the children of Israel should go up to fight against their enemies.

15 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp at Gilgal.

16 But these five kings fled, and hid themselves in a cave at Makkedah.

17 And it was told Joshua, saying, "The five kings are found hid in a cave at Makkedah."

18 And Joshua said, "Roll great stones upon the mouth of the cave, and set men by it for to keep them:"

19 And stay not, but pursue after your enemies, and smite the hindmost of them; suffer them not to enter into their cities: for the Lord your God hath delivered them into your hand."

20 And it came to pass, when Joshua and the children of Israel had made an end of slaying them with a very great slaughter, till they were consumed, that the rest which remained of them entered into fenced cities.

21 And all the people returned to the camp to Joshua at Makkedah in peace: none moved his tongue against any of the children of Israel.

22 Then said Joshua, "Open the mouth of the cave, and bring out those five kings unto me out of the cave."

23 And they did so, and brought forth those five kings unto him out of the cave, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, and the king of Eglon.

24 And it came to pass, when they brought out those kings unto Joshua, that Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and said unto the captains of the men of war which went with him, "Come near, put your feet upon the necks of these kings." And they came near, and put their feet upon the necks of them.

25 And Joshua said unto them, "Fear not, nor be dismayed, but be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the Lord do to all your enemies against whom ye fight."

26 And afterward Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees; and they were hanging upon the trees until the going down of the sun, that Joshua commanded, and they took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, which remain until this very day.

27 And that day Joshua took Makkedah, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof he utterly destroyed, all the souls that were therein; he let
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none remain: and he did to the king of Makkedah 1 as he did unto the king of Jericho.

s1 29 Then Joshua passed from Makkedah, and all Israel with him, unto 2 Libnah, and fought against Libnah:

r2 30 And 3 the LORD delivered it also, and the king thereof, into the hand of Israel; and he smote it with the 4 edge of the sword, and all the 38 souls that were therein; he let none remain in it; but did unto the king thereof 5 as he did unto the king of Jericho.

s3 31 And Joshua passed from Libnah, and all Israel with him, unto 6 Lachish, and encamped against it, and fought against it:

r3 32 And 7 the LORD delivered 31 Lachish into the hand of Israel, which took it 8 on the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the 28 souls that were therein, according to all that he had done to Libnah.

s4 33 Then Horam king of 9 Gezer came up to help Lachish; and Joshua smote him and his people, until he had left him none remaining.

s5 34 And from Lachish Joshua passed unto 10 Eglon, and all Israel with him; and they encamped against it, and fought against it:

r4 35 And they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the 28 souls that were therein he utterly destroyed that day, according to all that he had done to Lachish.

s6 36 And Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him, unto 11 Hebron; and they fought against it:

r5 37 And they took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof, and all the 28 souls that were therein; he left none remaining, according to all that he had done to Eglon; but destroyed it utterly, and all the 28 souls that were therein.

s7 38 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, to 12 Debir; and fought against it:

r6 39 And he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the 28 souls that were therein; he left none remaining: as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the king thereof; 28 as he had done also to Libnah, and to her king.

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40 So Joshua smote all the 3 country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale, and of the springs, and all their kings: he left none remaining, but utterly destroyed all that breathed, 28 as 8 the LORD 9 God of Israel 10 commanded.

41 11 And Joshua smote them from 12 Kadesh-barnea even unto Gaza, and all the country of Goshen, even unto Gibeon.

42 And all these kings and their land did Joshua take at one time, because 8 the LORD 13 God of Israel 14 fought for Israel.

43 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.

28-39 (p. 303). CITIES OF THE KINGS.

(Repeated Alternation.)

V 1 r1 | 28. Makkedah taken.

s1 | 29. Libnah taken.

r2 | 30. Libnah taken.

s2 | 31. Lachish taken.

r3 | 32. Lachish taken.

s3 | 33. Eglon taken.

r4 | 34. Eglon taken.

s4 | 35. Libnah taken.

r5 | 36. Libnah taken.

s5 | 37. Adv. to Debir.

r6 | 38. Adv. to Debir.


r7 | 40. Adv. to Libnah.

s7 | 41. Adv. to Lachish.

r8 | 42. Adv. to Eglon.

s8 | 43. Adv. to Eglon.

s9 | 44. Adv. to Libnah.

s10 | 45. Adv. to Lachish.

s11 | 46. Adv. to Debir.

(As) according as.


30 edge=mouth. Fig. Pleonasism. Ap. 6.

31 Lachish. Destroyed and rebuilt seven times. A strong city, as shown by recent explorations.

32 on the second day. A most significant statement. In 2 Kings 18. 17, 2 Chron. 32. 9, Sennacherib besieged it; yet when Rabshakeh returned from Jerusalem he found the siege raised (2 Kings 19. 8). Similar proof of its strength given in Jer. 34. 7.

33 Gezer. See note on 1 Kings 9. 16, 17.

34 Eglon, about two miles east of Lachish, now Ajlun.

35 Hebron, before called Kirjath-arba, Judg. 1. 10. Some Canaanites afterwards returned here, Judg. 1. 9-11.

36 Debir = Oracle: south of Hebron. Called Kirjath-sepher = Book Town (15. 15. Judg. 1. 11), and Kirjath-sannah = Precept Town (15. 42).


41 Kadesh-barnea. This verse describes Joshua's conquests West, South, and North.

42 fought for Israel. For the reason, see Ap. 23 and 25.

11. - 1-9 (U, p. 303). KINGS. (Extended Alternation.)

U 1 t u | 1-5. Kings' assemblage.

v 6.- Promise of Jehovah. Given.

w | 7. Command to Joshua.


1 when Jabin . . . heard. Note the stages: (1) Jericho, unsuspecting; (2) Ai, a sortie; (3) Gibeon, confederacy; (4) Jabin, aggressive.

Hazor. Celebrated in Judg. 4. 2, 17.

2 of the mountains = in the hill country, of the plains = in the low country.


11 And it came to pass, 1 when Jabin king of 2 Hazor had heard those things, that he sent to Jobab king of Madon, and to the king of Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph.

2 And to the kings that were on the north of the mountains, and on the plains south of Chinneroth, and in the valley, and in the borders of Dor on the west, 3 And to the Canaanite on the east and on the west, and to the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Jebusite in the
mountains, and to the Hivite under Hermon in the land of Mizpeh.

4. And they went out, they and all their hosts with them, much people, even as the sand that is upon the sea shore in multitude, with horses and chariots very many. And when all these kings were met together, they came and pitched together at the waters of Merom, to fight against Israel.

6. And the LORD said unto Joshua, “Be not afraid because of them; for tomorrow thou shalt overtake them and destroy them, as Israel did unto Anak in Kiriath-sepher, which is Hebron, in the south country.

8. And the LORD delivered them into the hand of Israel, who smote them, and chased them unto great Zidon, and unto Misrephoth-maim, and unto the valley of Mizpeh eastward; and they smote them, until they left them none remaining.

9. And Joshua did unto them as the LORD bade him: he houghed their horses, and burnt their chariots with fire.

10. And Joshua at that time turned back, and took Hazor, and smote the king thereof with the sword; for Hazor beforetime was the head of all those kingdoms. And Joshua burnt Hazor with fire, as the LORD commanded Moses.

11. And they smote all the souls that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying them: there was not any left to breathe:

12. And all the cities of those kings, and all the kings of them, did Joshua take, and smote them with the edge of the sword, and he utterly destroyed them, as Moses the servant of the LORD commanded.

13. But as for the cities that stood still in their strength, Israel burned none of them, save Hazor only; that did Joshua burn.

14. And all the spoil of these cities, and the cattle, the children of Israel took for a prey unto themselves;

15. As the LORD commanded Moses his servant, so did Moses command Joshua, and so did Joshua; he left nothing undone of all that the LORD commanded Moses.

16. So Joshua took all that land, and all the hills, and all the south country, and all the land of Goshen, and the valley, and the plain, and the mountain of Israel, and the valley of the same;

17. Even 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.
23 So Joshua took the whole Land, according to all that the Lord said unto Moses; and Joshua gave it for an inheritance unto Israel according to their divisions by their tribes. And the Land rested from war.

12 Now 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 on the east:

2 O Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt in Heshbon, and ruled from Aror, which is upon the bank of the river Arnon, and from the middle of the river, and from half Gilead, even unto the river Jabbok, which is the border of the children of Ammon;

3 And from the Plain unto the sea of Chinneroth to the sea of Chinneroth, and to the sea of Jazer;

4 And the coast of Og king of Bashan (which was of the remnant of the giants) that dwelt at Ashtaroth and at Edrei,

5 And in Geshur and in Maachath; and half of Gilead, even unto the border of the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and of the half tribe of Manassesh.

6 And these 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; which Joshua gave unto the tribes of Israel for a possession according to their divisions;

8 In the mountains, and in the valleys, and in the plains, and in the springs, and in the wilderness, and in the south country; the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites:

9 The king of Jericho, one;
The king of Ai, which is beside Bethel, one;
The king of Jerusalem, one;
The king of Hebron, one;
The king of Jarmuth, one;
The king of Lachish, one;
The king of Eglon, one;
The king of Gezer, one;
The king of Debir, one;
The king of Geder, one;
The king of Hormah, one;
The king of Arad, one;
The king of Libnah, one;
The king of Adullam, one;
The king of Makkedah, one;
The king of Beth-el, one;
The king of Tappuah, one;
The king of Japhlet, one;
The king of Aphek, one;
The king of Lasharon, one;
The king of Magon, one;
The king of Hazor, one;

20 The king of Shimron-meron, one;
The king of Achshaph, one;
The king of Taanach, one;
The king of Megiddo, one;
The king of Kedesh, one;
The king of Jokneam of Carmel, one;
The king of Dor in the coast of Dor, one;
The king of the nations of Gilgal, one;
The king of Tirzah, one;

All the kings thirty and one.

13 Now Joshua was old and stricken in years; and the Lord said unto him, "Thou art old and stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.

2 This is the land that yet remaineth: all the borders of the Philistines, and all Geshuri, and the borders of the Geshuri, and the borders of the Japhleti, and the borders of the Arabah, and the borders of the Coyicans, and the borders of the Sidonians, which dwelt on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea, from Baalbek unto the south country; and the borders of the Hittites, the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; the land of the children of Israel.
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3 Sihor. Heb. "the Sihor". lords. Heb. goren, a prince; first occurrence. Used only of the Philistine princes. Josh. 13. 3. Judg. 3. 3; 16. 5, 8, 18, 21, 27, 30. 1 Sam. 5. 8, 11; 6. 4, 4, 12, 16, 18, 7, 7; 29. 2, 6, 7. 1 Chron. 12. 19. the Gittites. Some codices, with three early printed editions, Sept., and Syr., read "and the." Thus: "also the Avites on the south".

5 the entering into = the pass of. 6 children = sons.

\textbf{3:33 (G, p. 307). EAST OF JORDAN.} (Alt.CONN.)


even as. So a special reading called Sevir (Ap. 34), but Heb. text reads "as".

Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut. 34. 5.


16 coast = border.

by. A special various reading called Sevir (Ap. 34) reads "as far as", with some codices, and early printed editions, Aram., Syr., and Sept.

19 Zareth-shahar = light of the dawn, because it catches the rays of the rising sun. Cp. Subscription to Ps. 22.

21 dukes = anointed [leaders], called kings in Num. 31. 8.


28 And. This is the middle verse of this book.

Zur, and Hur, and Reba, which were 6 dukes of Sihon, dwelling in the country.

22 6 Balaam also the son of Beor, the soothsayer, did the 6 children of Israel slay with the sword among them who were slain by them.

23 And the border of the 6 children of Reuben was Jordan, and the border thereof. This was the inheritance of the 6 children of Reuben after their families, the cities and the villages thereof.

24 And Moses gave inheritance unto the tribe of Gad, even unto the 6 children of Gad according to their families.

25 And their 6 coast was Jazer, and all the cities of Gilead, and half the land of the 6 children of Ammon, unto Aroer that is before Rabbah;

26 And from Heshbon unto Ramath-mizpeh, and Betonim; and from Mahanaim unto the border 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, Jordan and his border, even unto the edge of the sea of Chinnereth on the other side Jordan eastward.

28 This is the inheritance of the 6 children of Gad after their families, the cities, and their villages.

29 And Moses gave inheritance unto the
13. 29.

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half tribe of Manasseh: and this was the possession of the half tribe of the children of Manasseh by their families.

30. And their coast was from Mahanaim, all Bashan, all the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, and all the towns of Jair, which are in Bashan, three score cities:

31. And half Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, were pertaining unto the children of Machir the son of Manasseh, even to the one half of the children of Machir by their families.

32. These are the countries which Moses did distribute for inheritance in the plains of Moab, on the other side Jordan, by Jericho, eastward.

33. But unto the tribe of Levi Moses gave not any inheritance: but the LORD their inheritance, as He said unto them.

14. And these are the countries which the children of Israel inherited in the land of Canaan, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, distributed for inheritance to them.

2. By lot was their inheritance, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses, for the nine tribes, and for the half tribe.

3. For Moses had given the inheritance of two tribes and an half tribe on the other side 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 inheritance among them.

5. As the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did, and 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,

4. Yes, I knowest the thing that the LORD said unto Moses the man of God concerning me and thee in Kadesh-barnea.

7. Forty years old was I when Moses sent me from Kadesh-barnea to spy out the land; and I brought him word again as it was in mine heart.

8. Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the People melt: but as wholly followed the LORD my God.

9. And Moses knew on that day, saying, Surely the Land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children’s for ever, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.

10. And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, as He said, these forty and five years, even since I spake this word unto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old.

11. As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.

12. Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.”

13. And 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 that he wholly followed the LORD: and the name of Hebron before was Kirjath-arba: which Arba was a great man among the Anakims. And the land had rest from war.
15 This then was the lot of the tribe of the children of Judah by their families; even to the border of Edom the wilderness of Zin southward was the uttermost part of the south coast.

2 And their south border was from the shore of the salt sea, from the bay that looketh southward:

3 And it went out to the south side to Maaleh-acrabbim, and passed along to Zin, and ascended up on the south side unto Kadesh-barnea, and passed along to Hezron, and went up to Adar, and fetched a compass to Karkaa:

4 From thence it passed toward Azmon, and went out unto the river of Egypt; and the goings out of that coast were at the sea:

5 And the east border was the salt sea, even unto the end of Jordan. And their border in the north quarter was from the bay of the sea at the uttermost part of Jordan:

6 And the border went up toward Debir from the north quarter, and turned toward Gilgal, that is before the going up to Adummim, which is on the south side of the river:

7 And it passed toward the south side to Maaleh-acrabbim, and passed along to Zin, and ascended up on the south side unto Kadesh-barnea, and passed along to Hezron, and went up to Adar, and fetched a compass to Karkaa:

8 From thence it passed toward Azmon, and went out unto the river of Egypt; and the goings out of that coast were at the sea:

9 And the border was drawn from the top of the hill unto the fountain of the water of Nephthoah, and went out to the cities of mount Ephron; and the border was drawn to Baalah, which is Kirjath-jearim:

10 And the border compassed from Baalah westward unto mount Seir, and passed along unto the side of mountain Jearim, which is Chealon, on the north side, and went down to Beth-shemesh, and passed on to Timnah:

11 And the border went out unto the south side of Ekron northward: and the border was drawn to Shicron, and passed along to mount Baalah, and went out unto Jabneel; and the goings out of the border were at the sea.

12 And the west border was to the great sea, and the coast thereof. This is the coast of the children of Judah round about according to their families.

13 And unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a part among the children of Judah, according to the commandment of the LORD to Joshua, even the city of Arba the father of Anak, which is Hebron:

14 And Caleb drove thence the three sons of Anak, Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai, the children of Anak.

15 And he went up thence to the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir before was Kirjath-sepher.

16 And Caleb said, "He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife."

17 And Otniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.

18 And it came to pass, as she came unto him, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she lighted off from him a blessing; and Caleb said unto her, "What wouldest thou?"

19 Who answered, "Give me a b blessing; for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water." And he gave her the upper springs, and the nether springs.

20 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Judah according to their families.

21 And the uttermost cities of the tribe of the children of Judah toward the coast of Edom southward were Kabzeel, and Eder, and Jagur.

22 And Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadhah,

23 And Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan,

24 And Ziph, and Telem, and Bealoth,

25 And Hazor, Hadattah, and Kerioth, and Hezron, which is Hazor,

26 Amam, and Shema, and Moladah,

27 And Hazar-gaddah, and Heshmon, and Beth-pelet,

28 And Hazar-shual, and Beer-sheba, and Bizjathah,

29 Baalah, and Im, 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 the cities are twenty and nine, with their villages:

33 And in the valley, Eshtaol, and Zoreah, and Ashnah,

34 And Zanoah, and En-gannim, Tappuah, and Enam,

35 Jarmuth, and Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah,
38 And Shinaraim, and Adithaim, and Gederah, and Gedorothaim; fourteen cities with their villages:
37 Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdal-gad,
38 And Dilean, and Mizpah, and Joktheel,
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 Jiphath, and Aphon, and Nezib,
44 And Keilah, and Achzib, and Maresah;
nine cities with their villages:
45 Ekron, with her towns and her villages:
46 From Ekron even unto the sea, that lay near Ashdod, with their villages:
47 Ashdod with her towns and her villages, Gaza with her towns and her villages, unto the river of Egypt, and the great sea, and the border thereof:
48 And in the mountains, Shamir, and Jattir, and Sooch,
49 And Dansah, and Kirjath-sannah, which is Debir,
50 And Anab, and Eshtemoah, 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 Humnah, 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 Cain, Gibeath, and Timnah; ten cities with their villages:
58 Halhul, Beth-zur, and Gedor,
59 And Mararath, and Beth-anath, 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, Beth-arabah, Middin, and Seccach,
62 And Nibshan, and the city of Salt, and En-gedi; six cities with their villages:
63 As for the Jebusites the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the children of Judah could not drive them out: but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Judah at Jerusalem unto this day.

16 And the lot of the children of Joseph fell from Jordan by Jericho, unto the water of Jericho on the east, to the wilderness that goeth up from Jericho throughout mount Beth-el,
2 And goeth out from Beth-el to Luz, and passeth along unto the borders of Archi to Ataroth,
3 And goeth down westward to the coast of Japhleti, unto the coast of Beth-horon the nether, and to Gezer: and the goings out thereof are at the sea.
4 So the children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, took their inheritance.

5 And the border of the children of Ephraim according to their families was thus: even the border of their inheritance on the east side was Ataroth-addar, unto Beth-boron the upper;
6 And the border went out toward the sea to Michmethah on the north side; and the border went about eastward unto Taanath-shiloh, and passed by it on the east to Janohah;
7 And it went down from Janohah to Ataroth, and to Naarah, and came to Jericho, and went out at Jordan.
8 The border went out from Tappuah westward unto the river Kanah; and the goings out thereof were at the sea. This is the inheritance 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 drove not out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer: but the Canaanites dwell among the Ephraimites unto this day, and serve under tribute.

17 There was also a lot for the tribe of Manasseh; for it was the firstborn of Joseph; to wit, for Machir the firstborn of
Manasseh, the father of Gilead: because he was a man of war, therefore he had Gilead and Bashan.

2 There was also a lot for the rest of the children of Manasseh by their families; for the children of Abiezer, and for the children of Helek, and for the children of Asriel, and for the children of Shechem, and for the children of Shemida: these were the male children of Manasseh the son of Joseph by their families.

3 But Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, had no sons, but daughters: and these are the names of his daughters, Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.

4 And they came near 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 were on the other side Jordan:

6 Because the daughters of Manasseh had an inheritance among his sons:

and the rest of Manasseh's sons had the land of Gilead.

7 And the coast of Manasseh was from Asher to Michmethah, that lieth before Shechem, and the border went along on the right hand unto the inhabitants of En-tappuah.

8 Now Manasseh had the land of Tappuah: but Tappuah the border of Manasseh belonged to the children of Ephraim;

9 And the coast descended unto the river Kanah, southward of the city of Ephraim among the cities of Manasseh: the coast of Manasseh also was on the north side of the river, and the outgoings of it were at the sea:

10 Southward it was Ephraim's, and northward it was Manasseh's, and the sea is his border; and they met together in Asher on the north, and in Issachar on the east.

11 And Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher Bethshean and her towns, and Ibleam and her towns, and the inhabitants of Dor and her towns, and the inhabitants of Endor and her towns, and the inhabitants of Taanach and her towns, and the inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns, even three countries.

12 Yet the children of Manasseh could not drive out the inhabitants of those cities; but the Canaanites would dwell in that land.

13 Yet it came to pass, when the children of Israel were waxen strong, that they put the Canaanites to tribute; but did not utterly drive them out.

14 And the children of Joseph spake unto Joshua, saying, "Why hast thou given me but one lot and one portion to inherit, seeing all the children of Joseph are as great a people, and as great as the children of Israel?"

15 And Joshua answered them, "If thou be a great people, then get thee up to the wood country, and cut down for thyself there in the land of the Perizzites and of the giants, if mount Ephraim be too narrow for thee."

16 And the children of Joseph said, "The hill is not enough for us: and all the Canaanites that dwell in the land of the valley have chariots of iron, both they who are of Bethshean and her towns, and they who are of the valley of Jezreel."

17 And Joshua spake unto the house of Joseph, even to Ephraim and to Manasseh, saying, "Thou art a great People, and hast great power: thou shalt not have one lot only: 18 But the mountain shall be thine; for it is the wood, and thou shalt cut it down: and the outgoings of it shall be thine: for thou shalt drive out the Canaanites, though they have iron chariots, and though they be strong."

18 And the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and set up the tabernacle of the congregation there. And the land was subdued before them.

2 And there remained among the children of...
18. 2.

JOSHUA.

18. 21.

the LORD, God - Jehovah Elohim. Ap. 4. I. 
go through = walk to and fro.
5 divide it. Tracing the boundaries by the ravines, it is said that there is some resemblance in outline to the tribal signs, as given in notes on Num. 2.
6 describe = map, the description. The Fig. Ellipsis (Ap. 6) here may be filled in by saying "the surveys or maps".
7 Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on first occurrence, Deut. 34. 5.

18. 8-19. 51 (K, p. 312). SURVEY EXECUTED. (Alternation.)
N | 18. 10. The division by lot.
N | 19. 51. The division by lot.
8 walk. See note on "go", v. 4.
10 Joshua cast lots. He directing Eleazar the priest, without whom no lot could be cast. See note on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55.
according to. Some codices, with five early printed editions, read "in their portions".

18. 11-19. 50 (M, above). JOSHUA'S ALLOTMENT. (Divisions.)
11 came forth. i.e. from the bag containing the Urim and Thummim. See note on Ex. 28. 30. Num. 26. 55.
12 mountains = hill country.
18 Arabah. See note on Deut. 1. 1.

the son of Hinnom, and which is in the valley of the" giants on the north, and descended to the valley of Hinnom, to the side of Jebus on the south, and descended to En-rogel,
17 And was drawn from the north, and went forth to En-shemesh, and went forth toward Gelliuth, which is over against the going up of Adummim, and descended to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben,
18 And passed along toward the side over against "Arabah northward, and went down unto Arabah:
19 And the border passed along to the side of Beth-hoglah northward: and the outgoings of the border were at the north bay of the salt sea at the south end of Jordan: this was the south coast.
20 And Jordan was the border of it on the east side. This was the inheritance of the 1children of Benjamin, by the 2coasts thereof round about, according to their families.
21 Now the cities of the tribe of the 1children of Benjamin according to their families were Jericho, and Beth-hoglah, and the valley of Keziz,
children. Heb. sons.
10 came up. i.e. out of the bag. See v. 1.
16 the children of Zebulun = the sons of Zebulan.
Some codices, with Sept. and Vulg., read "the tribe of
the sons of Zebulan".
17 came out. See note on vv. 1 and 10.
22 coast = boundary.
33 outgoings = utmost limits.

19 And Haphraim, and Shihon, and Ana­rath,
20 And Rabbith, and Kishion, and Abez,
21 And Remeth, and Engannim, and En­haddah, and Beth-pazzer;
22 And the coast reacheth to Tabor, and
Shahazimah, and Beth-shemesh; and the out­goings of their border were at Jordan: sixteen
cities with their villages.
23 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the
children of Issachar according to their families,
the cities and their villages.

24 And the fifth lot 13 came out for the tribe of
the children of Asher according to their families.
25 And their border was Helkath, and Hali,
and Beten, and Achshaph,
26 And Alammelech, and Amad, and Misheal;
and reacheth to Carmel westward, and to Shihor-libnath;
27 And turneth toward the sunrising to Beth­dagon, and reacheth to Zebulun, and to the
valley of Jiphthah-el toward the north side of
Beth-emek, and Neiel, and goeth out to Cabul
on the left hand,
28 And Hebron, and Rehob, and Hammon,
and Kanah, even unto Zidon;
29 And then the coast turneth to Ramah,
and to the strong city Tyre; and the coast
turneth to Hosah; and the outgoings thereof
are at the sea from the coast to Achzib:
30 Ummah also, and Aphek, and Rehob:
twenty and two cities with their villages.
31 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the
children of Asher according to their families,
these cities with their villages.

32 The sixth lot 1 came out to the children of
Naphtali, even for the children of Naphtali
according to their families.
33 And their coast was from Heleph, from
Allon to Zaanannim, and Adamith, Jebneel, unto Lajum; and the outgoings thereof were at Jordan:
34 And then the coast turneth westward to
Aznoth-tabor, and goeth out from thence to Hukkok, and reacheth to Zebulun on the
south side, and reacheth to Asher on the west
side, and to Judah upon Jordan toward the
sunrise.
35 And the fenced cities are Ziddim, Zer, and
Hammath, Rakkath, and Chinnereth,
36 And Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor,
37 And Kezesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor,
38 And Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and
Beth-anath, and Beth-shemesh; nineteen cities
with their villages.
19. 39. **Joshua.**

39 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naphtali according to their families, and the cities of their villages.

40 And 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, Shaalbain, and Ajalon, and Jethlah, and Elon, and Thimmath, and Ekron, and Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalath, and Jehud, and Bene-berak, and Garhimon, and Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the border before Japho.

42 And the coast of the children of Dan went 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.

43 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families, these cities with their villages.

49 When they had made an end of dividing the Land for inheritance by their tribes, the children of Israel gave an inheritance to 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 the inheritances, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, divided for an inheritance 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.

20. 1. **Joshua.**

1 The word. Heb. = mouth. Put by Fig. Metonymy (of Cause) for what is spoken by it. Ap. 6.

2 And the seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families.

39 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naphtali according to their families, and the cities of their villages.

40 And 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, Shaalbain, and Ajalon, and Jethlah, and Elon, and Thimmath, and Ekron, and Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalath, and Jehud, and Bene-berak, and Garhimon, and Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the border before Japho.

42 And the coast of the children of Dan went 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.

43 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families, these cities with their villages.

49 When they had made an end of dividing the Land for inheritance by their tribes, the children of Israel gave an inheritance to 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 the inheritances, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, divided for an inheritance 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.

20. 1—21. 42 (D, p. 307). SACRED. CITIES. (Division.)

D 1. | 20. 1—9. Cities of Refuge.

2. | 21. 1—42. Cities of the Levites.

20. 1—9 (O1, above). CITIES OF REFUGE. (Alteration.)


2 children = sons.

3 killeth any person = smiteth a soul. Heb. nephesh. See Ap. 13. Lit. a killer, smiting a soul.

4 unwittingly = unknowingly (Anglo-Saxon).

5 until. The cities of refuge, being cities of the priests, bore the sin of the manslayer. What the high priest was to the Levites, the Levites were to the nation. On the Day of Atonement, therefore, all the sins of the nation came into his hand. On his death he was freed from the Law (Rom. 7. 1—3; 1. 4—5), and those whom he represented were freed also. Cp. Rom. 5. 9—11.

7 appointed = separated, and thus sanctified.


21. 1—42 (O2, above). CITIES OF THE LEVITES. (Introversion.)

1. 1—42. CITIES OF THE LEVITES. (Application granted.)

1 Eleazar the priest. See note on 14. 1.

children = sons.

7 And 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 by Jericho eastward, they assigned 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 sojourneth among them,

that whosoever killeth any person at unawares might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.

21 Then came near the heads of the fathers of the Levites unto Eleazar the priest, and unto Joshua the son of Nun, and unto the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel;
2 And they 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 And the children of Israel gave unto the Levites out of their inheritance, at the Levantment of the LORD, these cities and their suburbs.

4 And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites: and the children of Aaron the 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 And 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 the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.

7 The children of Merari by 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 And the children of Israel gave by lot unto the Levites these cities with their suburbs, as the LORD 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 mentioned by name,

10 Which the children of Aaron, being of the families of the Kohathites, who were of the children of Levi, had: for theirs was the first lot.

11 And they gave them the city of Arba the father of Anak, which city is Hebron, in the hill country of Judah, with the suburbs thereof round about it.

12 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, gave they to Caleb the son of Pheneah for his possession.

13 Thus they gave to the children of Aaron the priest Hebron with her suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Libnah with her suburbs.

14 And Jattir with her suburbs, and Eshtemoa with her suburbs,

15 And Holon with her suburbs, and Debir with her suburbs,

16 And Ain with her suburbs, and Juttah with her suburbs, and Beth-shemesh with her suburbs; nine cities out of those two tribes.

17 And out of the tribe of Benjamin, Gibeon with her suburbs, Geba with her suburbs,

18 And Anathoth with her suburbs, and Almon with her suburbs; four cities.

19 All the cities of the children of Aaron, the priests, were thirteen cities with their suburbs.

20 And the families of the children of Kohath, the Levites which remained of the children of Kohath, even they had the cities of their lot out of the tribe of Ephraim.

21 For they gave them Shechem with her suburbs in mount Ephraim, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Gezer with her suburbs.

22 And Kibzaim with her suburbs, and Bethhoron with her suburbs; four cities.

23 And out of the tribe of Dan, Eltekeh with her suburbs, and Gibbethon with her suburbs, and Aijalon with her suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her suburbs; four cities.

24 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh they gave Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Beesh-terah with her suburbs; two cities.

25 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon with her suburbs, Dabareh with her suburbs,

26 And Jarmuth with her suburbs, and En-gannim with her suburbs; four cities.

27 And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with her suburbs, and Abdon with her suburbs,

28 Helkath with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs; four cities.
32 And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; 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 And unto the families of the children of Merari, the rest of the Levites, out of the tribe of Zebulun, Jokneam with her suburbs, and Kartah with her suburbs, Dimnah with her suburbs, Nahalal with her suburbs; four cities.
35 These cities were every one with their suburbs, and Jahazah with her suburbs, Kedemoth with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs; four cities.
36 And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Mahanaim with her suburbs, Heshbon with her suburbs, Jazer with her suburbs; four cities in all.
37 And these cities were every one with their suburbs round about them: thus were all these cities.
38 So all the cities for the children of Merari by their families, which were remaining of the families of the Levites, were by their lot twelve cities.
39 All the cities of the Levites within the possession of the children of Israel were forty and eight cities with their suburbs.
40 These cities were every one with their suburbs round about them: thus were all these cities.
41 And the LORD gave unto Israel all the Land which He sware unto their fathers; and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand.
42 There failed not of any good thing which the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.
43 And the LORD gave unto Israel all the Land which He sware unto give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.
44 And the LORD gave them rest round about, according to all that He sware unto their fathers: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand.
45 There failed not of any good thing which the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.

22 Then Joshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh,
2 And said unto them, "You have kept all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, and have obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you:
3 Ye have not left your brethren these many days unto this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment of the LORD your God.
4 And now the LORD your God hath given rest unto your brethren, so as He promised them; therefore now return ye, and get you unto your tents, and unto the Land of your possession, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave you on the other side Jordan.
5 But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the Law, which Moses the servant of the LORD charged you to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and to cleave unto Him, and to serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul."}

32 Kartah. Some codices, with five early printed editions, Aram., and Vulg., read "and Kartah."
36 And out of the tribe of Reuben. See note on v. 38.
37 Kedemoth. Some codices, with six early printed editions, and Sept., read "and Kedemoth."
38 By an Homoeoteleuton (Ap. 6) some scribe, writing as far as "four cities" at end of v. 35, went back with his eye to the same words at the end of v. 37, and so omitted, by an accident, the two verses 36 and 37, and continued at v. 38, which commences with the same words which end v. 35. Hence they are not contained in the current text of the Hebrew Bible. The A.V. puts these verses in, however, without a note; the R.V. also, but with a note. The two verses are contained in all the early printed Hebrew Bibles, the Sept. and Vulg., and very many codices. They were first omitted by Jacob ben Chayim (1524, 1525), and the current Hebrew printed texts have followed him.

B
A2 | 10-34. East of Jordan.
B
A | B a | 1. Two and a half tribes. Called.
   | b | 2-6. Their charge.
   | a | 7-9. The half tribe. Allotted.
   | b | 7-9. Their dismission and return.
2 Moses the servant of the LORD. See note on Deut. 34. a
4 According as.
5 And. Note the Fig. Polysemantic (Ap. 6) in this verse.
8 divide = share.
9 children = sons.
Shiloh. See note on 18. 1.
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Canaan, to go unto the country of Gilead, to the Land of their possession, whereof they were possessed, according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

10 And when they came unto the borders of Jordan, that are in the land of Canaan, 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 And 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 over against the land of Canaan, in the borders of Jordan, at the passage of the children of Israel."

12 And when the children of Israel heard of it, the whole congregation of the children of Israel gathered themselves together at Shiloh, to go up to war against them.

13 And the children of Israel sent unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, into the land of Gilead, Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest,

14 And with him ten princes, of each chief house a prince throughout all the tribes of Israel; and each one was an head of the house of their fathers among the thousands of Israel.

15 And they came unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, unto the land of Gilead, and they spake with them, saying,

16 Thus saith the whole congregation of the LORD, "What trespass is this that ye have committed against God of Israel, to turn away this day from following the LORD, in that ye have builded you an altar, that ye might rebel this day against the LORD?"

17 Is the iniquity of Peor too little for us, from which we are not cleansed until this day, although there was a plague in the congregation of the LORD?

18 But that ye must turn away this day from following the LORD, and it will be, seeing ye rebel to day against the LORD, that to morrow He will be wroth with the whole congregation of Israel.

19 Notwithstanding, if the Land of your possession be unclean, then pass 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 against us, in building you an altar beside the altar of the LORD our God.

20 Did not Achan the son of Zerah commit a trespass in the accursed thing, and wrath fell on all the congregation of Israel? and that man perished not alone in his iniquity."
22. 28. JOSHUA. 23. 10.

28 Behold = behold ye. Not the Fig. Asterisms. pattern = construction.
and you. Note Fig. Ellipses, "and [between] you." Ap. 6.
29 God forbid = far be it from us.
30 it pleased them. Heb. "was good in their eyes".
34 Ed. Heb. Ed., "a witness." This, and the verb "shall be", not in the received Hebrew text. (Some codices have it.) Lit. "called the altar. A witness it is, &c." God = the God. Heb. hâ Elohim. Ap. 4. 1.

23. 1–24 (A. p. 289). JOSHUA ENDING HIS WORK. (Alteration.)

Assembling of Israel.

D E n | 2. Advancing age.

3 And when Phinehas the priest, and the princes of the congregation and heads of the thousands of Israel which were with him, heard the words that the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the children of Manasseh spake, it pleased them.

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 committed this trespass against the LORD: now ye have delivered the children of Israel out of the hand of the LORD."

23. 1–24 (D, above). ADDRESS TO ISRAEL. (Introversion, with Extended and Simple Alternation.)

2 called. Probably at Shiloh.


4 Behold. Fig. Asterisms. Ap. 6.

5 as = according as.

6–8 (r, above). EXHORTATION. (Introversion.)

6 Be ye therefore very courageous to keep and to do all that is written in the Book of the Law of Moses, that ye turn not.

7 That ye come not among these nations, these that remain among you;

8 But cleave unto the LORD your God, as ye have done unto this day.

9 For the LORD hath driven out from before you great nations and strong: but as for you, no man hath been able to stand before you unto this day.

10 One man of you shall chase a thousand: for the LORD your God, as it is that fought for you, as He hath promised you.

1442 they should so say to us or to our generations in time to come, that we may say again, "Behold the pattern of the altar of the LORD, which our fathers made, not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices; but it is a witness between us and you."

29 God forbid = far be it from us.

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23. 11.

JOSUA.

11 Take good heed therefore unto your souls, that ye love the Lord your God.

12 Else if ye do in any wise go back, and cleave unto the remnant of these nations, even these that remain among you, and shall make marriages with them, and go in unto them, and ye perish from off this good land which the Lord your God hath given you.

14 And, behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth:

and ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord your God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, and not one thing hath failed thereof.

Therefore it shall come to pass. that as all good things are come upon you, which the Lord your God promised you; so shall the Lord bring upon you all evil things, until He hath destroyed you out of this good land which He hath given you.

When ye have transgressed the covenant of the Lord your God, which He commanded you, and have gone and served other gods, and bowed yourselves to them; then shall the anger of the Lord be kindled against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good Land which He hath given unto you."

24 And Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and called for the elders of Israel, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before the Lord.

And Joshua said unto all the People, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Your fathers dwelt on the other side of the flood in old time, even Terah, the father of Abraham, and the father of Nachor: and they served other gods.

And I took your father Abraham from the other side of the flood, and led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, and gave him Isaac.

And I gave unto Isaac Jacob and Esau: and I gave unto Jacob Esav mount Seir, to possess it; but Jacob and his children went down into Egypt.

I sent Moses also and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt, according to that which I did among them: and afterward I brought you out.

And 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.

And when they cried unto the Lord, He put darkness between you and the Egyptians, and brought the sea upon them, and covered them; and your eyes have seen what I have done in Egypt: and ye dwelt in the wilderness a long season.

And I brought you into the Land of the Amorites, which dwelt on the other side Jordan; and they fought with you: and I gave them into your hand, that ye might possess their Land; and I destroyed them from before you.

Then Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, arose and warred against Israel, and sent and called Balaam the son of Beor to curse you.

And I would not hearken unto Balaam;
therefore he blessed you still: so I delivered to you out of his hand. 

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 Hivites, and the Jebusites; and I delivered them into your hand. 

And I sent the hornet before you, which drave them out from before you, even the two kings of the Amorites; but not with thy sword, nor with thy bow. 

And I have given you a land for which ye did not labour, and cities which ye built not, and ye dwell in them; of the vineyards and oliveyards which ye planted not do ye eat. 

Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the LORD. 

And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD. 

The People answered and said, “God forbid that we should forsake the LORD, to serve other gods: 

For if the LORD our God be with us, surely we have no occasion to fear any man. 

And if ye forsake the LORD, and serve strange gods, then He will turn and do you hurt, and consume you, after that He hath done you good.” 

And the People said unto Joshua, “Nay; but we will serve the LORD.” 

And they said, “We are witnesses.” 

Now therefore put away,” said he, “the strange gods which are among you, and incline your heart unto the LORD God of Israel. 

The LORD our God will serve, and His voice will we obey.” 

So Joshua made a covenant with the People that day, and set them a statute and an ordinance in Shechem. 

And Joshua wrote these words in the book of the law of God, and took a great stone, and set it up there under an oak, that was by the sanctuary of the LORD. 

And Joshua said unto all the People, “Behold, this stone shall be a witness unto us; for ye hath heard all the words of the LORD which He spake unto us: it shall be therefore a witness unto you, lest ye deny your God.” 

So Joshua let the People depart, every man unto his inheritance.

And it came to pass after these things, that Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, being an hundred and ten years old. 

And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in Timnath-serah, which is in mount Ephraim, on the north side of the hill of Gaash. 

And Israel served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that overlived Joshua, and which had known all the works of the LORD, that He had done for Israel.
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32 And the bones of Joseph, which the children of Israel brought up 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 it became the inheritance of the children of Joseph.

33 And Eleazar the son of Aaron died; and they buried him in a hill that pertained to Phinehas his son, which was given him in mount Ephraim.

But the sons of Israel departed every one to their place, and to their own city. And the sons of Israel worshipped Astarte (i.e. the Asherah; see Ap. 42) and Astaroth, and the gods of the nations round about them; and the LORD delivered them into the hands of Eglom king of Moab, and he ruled over them eighteen years.