

Chapter 3

The victorie against Og king of Bafan of the giants flock is repeted, 12. Ruben Gad and halfe tribe of Manafses haue poffefsion on the other fide Iordan from their brethren. 23. Moyfes praying that he may goe ouer Iordan, for the finnes of the people is denied.

Therfore turning we went vp by the way of Bafan: and Og the king of Bafan came forth to meete vs with his people to fight in Edrai. ² And our Lord faid to me: Feare him not: becaufe he is deliuered into thy hand with al his people and his land: and thou fhalt doe to him as thou haft done to Sehon king of the Amorrheites, that dwelt in Hefebon. ³ Therefore the Lord our God deliuered into our handes Og alfo the king of Bafan, and al his people: and we ftroke them to vtter deftruction, ⁴ waifing al his cities at one time. There was not a towne that efaped vs: fixtie cities, al the countrie of Argob the kingdome of Og in Bafan. ⁵ Al the cities were fenfed with verie high walles, and with gates and barres, befide innumerable townes that had no walles. ⁶ And we deftroyed them, as we had done to Sehon the king of Hefebon, deftroying euerie citie, and men and wemen and children: ⁷ but the cattel, and the fpoyles of the cities we tooke for our praye. ⁸ And we tooke at that time the land out of the hand of two kinges of the Amorrheites, that were beyond Iordan: from the torrent Arnon vnto the mountaine Hermon, ⁹ which the Sidonians cal Sarion, and the Amorrheites Sanir: ¹⁰ al the cities, that are fituated in the plaine, and al the Land of Galaad and Bafan as farre as Selcha, and Edrai cities of the kingdome of Og in Bafan. ¹¹ For onlie Og the king of Bafan remayned of the ftocke of gigantes. His bed of yron is fhewed, which is in Rabbath of the children of Ammon, hauing nine cubites in length, and foure in

breadth after the meafure of ^{a)}the cubite of a mans hand. ¹² And we poffeffed the Land at that time from Aroer, which is vpon the banke of the torrent Arnon, vnto the halfe part of mount Galaad: and the cities therof I gaue to Ruben and Gad. ¹³ And the other part of Galaad, and al Bafan of the kingdome of Og, I deliuered to the halfe tribe of Manaffes, al the countrie of Argob: and al Bafan is called the Land of gigantes. ¹⁴ Iair the fonne of Manaffes poffeffed al the countrie of Argob vnto the borders of Geffuri, and Machati. And he called Bafan by his owne name, Hauoth Iair, that is to fay, the townes of Iair, ^{b)}vntil this prefent day. ¹⁵ To Machir alfo I gue Galad. ¹⁶ And to the tribes of Ruben and Gad I gaue of the Land of Galaad as farre as the Torrent Arnon, halfe of the torrent, and the confines vnto the torrent Ieboc, which is the border of the childrẽ of Ammon: ¹⁷ and the plaine of the wilderneffe, and Iordan, and the borders of Cenereth vnto the fea of the defert, which is moft falt, at the foote of mount Phafga againft the eaft. ¹⁸ And I commãded you at that time, faying: The Lord your God geueth you this land for an inheritance, goe wel appointed before your brethren the children of Ifrael al you ftrong men: ¹⁹ except your wiues, and litle ones and your cattel. For I know you haue much cattel, & they muft remaine in the cities, which I haue deliuered you, ²⁰ vntil our Lord geue reft to your brethren, as he hath geuen to you: and they alfo poffeffe the Land, which he wil geue them beyond Iordan: then shal euerie man returne to his poffeffion, which I haue geuen you. ²¹ Iofue alfo at that time I commanded, faying: Thyne eyes haue feene what the Lord your God hath done to thefe two kinges: fo wil he doe to al the kingdomes, to the which thou fhalt paffe. ²² Feare them not: for the Lord your

^a Longer forte of cubites are a foote and 9. inches: fo this bed was 15. foote and nine inches long, and 7. foote brode. *Vitruuius Agricola.*

^b Efdras adding thefe wordes, and often times the like, did not againft the law, becaufe fuch additions are agreable and not contrarie to that which was written before.

God wil fight for you. ²³ And I prayed our Lord at that time, faying: ²⁴ Lord God thou haft begonne to fthew vnto thy feruant thy greatnes, and moft mightie hand. For neither is there other God either in heauen, or in earth, that is able to doe thy workes, and to be compared to thy ftrength. ²⁵ I wil paffe ouer therfore, and wil fee this excellent Land beyond Iordan, and this goodlie mountaine, and Libanus. ²⁶ And our Lord was angrie with me ^a)for you, and heard me not, but faid to me: It fufficeth thee: fpeake no more to me of this matter. ²⁷ Goe vp to the toppe of Phafga, and caft thine eies round about to the weft, and to the north, and the fouth, and the eaft, and behold it. For thou fhalt not paffe this Iordan. ²⁸ Command Iofue, and encourage and ftrengthen him: for he fhall goe before this people, and fhall diuide vnto them the Land, which thou fhalt fee. ²⁹ And we abode in the valley againft the temple of Phogor.

^a See *Num. 20. v. 12.*