

Chapter 40

According to Gods commandment Moyfes erecteth the Tabernacle, vvith al thinges appertayning, the firft day of the fecond yeare after their deliuerie from Ægypt. 32. God replenisheth the fame vvith his Maieftie, a cloude remayning ouer it by day, and a piller of fire by night, but vvhen they shal march, the fame pafseth before them.

And our Lord fpake to Moyfes, faying: ² The ^afirft moneth, the firft day of the moneth, thou fhalt erect the tabernacle of the teftimonie, ³ and fhalt put in it the arke, and fhalt let downe before it the veile: ⁴ and bringing in the table, thou fhalt fet vpon it the thinges that are commanded after the rite. The candlefticke fhall ftand with the lampes therof, ⁵ and the altar of gold whereon the incenfe is burned, before the arke of teftimonie. Thou fhalt put the hanging in the entrie of the tabernacle, ⁶ and before it the altar of holocaufte: ⁷ the lauer between the altar and the tabernacle, which thou fhalt fill with water. ⁸ And thou fhalt compaffe about the court with hanginges, and the entrie therof. ⁹ And taking the oile of vnction thou shalt anoynte the tabernacle with the veffel therof, that they may be fanctified: ¹⁰ the altar of holocaufte and al the veffel therof: ¹¹ the lauer with the foote therof; al fhalt thou confecrate with the oile of vnction, that they may be ^bmoft Holie. ¹² And thou fhalt bring Aaron and his fonnes to the doore of the tabernacle of teftimonie, and hauing wafhed them with water, ¹³ thou fhalt reueft them with the facred veftimentes, that they may minifter to me, and the vnction of them may profper to

^a The Tabernacle, prepared in the firft yeare and erected the firft day of the fecond yeare, fignifieth the Church of Chrift prepared in the old Teftament, & eftablifhed, exalted, and confirmed in the new.

^b More holie then anie thīg without the Sanctuarie, but the *Sancta Sanctorum* it felfe was then moft holie of al places in this world.

an euerlasting priefthood. ¹⁴ And Moyfes did al thinges which our Lord had commanded. ¹⁵ Therefore the firft moneth of the fecond yeare, the firft day of the moneth, the tabernacle was placed. ¹⁶ And Moyfes erected it, and put the bordes and feete and barres, and reared the pillers, ¹⁷ and fpred the roofe ouer the tabernacle, putting ouer it a couer, as our Lord had commanded. ¹⁸ He put alfo the teftimonie in ^a)the arke, thrufting barres vnderneath, and the oracle aboue. ¹⁹ And when he had brought the arke into the tabernacle, he drew before it the veile to fulfil the commandement of our Lord. ²⁰ He fette the table alfo in the tabernacle of teftimonie at the north fide without the veile, ²¹ ordering the bread of propofition before it, as our Lord had commanded Moyfes. ²² He fette the candlefticke alfo in the tabernacle of teftimonie ouer againft the table on the fouth fide, ²³ placing the lampes in order, according to the precept of our Lord. ²⁴ He fet alfo the altar of gold vnder the roofe of teftimonie againft the veile, ²⁵ and burned vpon it the incenfe of fpices, as our Lord had commanded Moyfes. ²⁶ He put alfo the hanging in the entrie of the tabernacle of teftimonie, ²⁷ and the altar of holocauftes in the entrie of the teftimonie, offering on it the holocauftes, and the facrifices, as our Lord had commanded. ²⁸ The lauer alfo he fet between the tabernacle of teftimonie and the altar, filling it with water. ²⁹ And Moyfes and Aaron, and his fonnes wafhed their handes and feete, ³⁰ when they entred the roofe of couenant, and went to the altar, as our Lord had commanded Moyfes. ³¹ He erected alfo the court round about the tabernacle and the altar, drawing the hanging in the entrie therof. After al thinges were perfited, ³² the cloude couered the tabernacle of teftimonie, and the glorie of our Lord filled it. ³³ ^b)Neither could Moyfes enter the roofe of couenant,

^a A gomor of Manna was now put in the arke mentioned before. *chap. 16.*

^b VVithout al doubt (faith *S. Auguftin. q. 173. in Exod.*) Moyfes prefigured other perfons when he entred into the cloud on mount Sinai, and others now when he could not enter into the tabernacle

the cloude couering al thinges, and the maieftie of our Lord shining, because the cloude had couered al thinges. ³⁴ If at anie time the cloud did leaue the tabernacle, the children of Ifrael went forward by their troupes: ³⁵ If it hong ouer, they remained in the fame place. ³⁶ For the cloude of our Lord hong ouer the tabernacle by day, and a fire by night, in the fight of al the children of Ifrael throughout al their manfions.

replenifhed with the glorie of God. In Sinai he fignified thofe that penetrate the profound myfteries of Chrift, here the Iewes who vnderftād not the fame.