

Chapter 13

God commandeth Iofue to diuide the land (defcribing the limites therof) amongft nine tribes and a half. 8. With a recapitulation of the partes already geuen, on the other fide Iordan, to the other two tribes and a half. The tribe of Leui (v. 14. & 33.) hath their prouifion in other maner.

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Iofue was old, and ftricken in age, and our Lord faid to him: Thou art old, and of a great age, and there is a verie large countrie left, which is not yet diuided by lotte: ² to witte, al Galilee, Philifthijm, and al Gefhuri. ³ From the trubled riuer, that watereth Ægypt, vnto the borders of Accaron againft the North: the Land of Chanaan, which is diuided vnto fiue Lordes of the Philifthiimes, the Gazeites, the Azotians, the Afcalonites, the Getheites, and the Accaronites. ⁴ But on the South fide are the Heueites, al the Land of Chanaan, and Maara of the Sidonians as farre as Apheca, and the borders of the Amorrheite, ⁵ and his confines. The countrie alfo of Libanus againft the Eaft from Baalgad vnder mount Hermon, til thou enter into Emath. ⁶ Of al that dwel in the mountaine from Libanus, vnto the Waters Maferephoth, and al the Sidonians. I am he that wil deftroy them from the face of the children of Ifrael. ^a Let it come therfore into a portion of the inheritance of Ifrael, as I haue commanded thee. ⁷ And now diuide the Land in poffeffion to the nine tribes, and to the half tribe of Manaffes, ⁸ with the which Ruben & Gad haue poffeffed the Land, which Moyfes the feruant of our Lord deliuered to them beyond the ftreames of Iordan, on the eaft fide. ⁹ From Aroer, which is fituate on the banke of the torrent Arnon, and in the middes of the valley, and al the champayne of Medaba, as farre as Dibon: ¹⁰ and al the cities of Cehon, the King of the Amorrheite, which reigned in Hefebon vnto the borders of the children of

^a Thefe partes are defigned though not yet conquered.

Ammon. ¹¹ And Galaad, and the border of Geffuri and Machati, and al mount Hermon, and al Bafan, as farre as Salecha, ¹² al the Kingdome of Og in Bafan, which reigned in Aftaroth and Edrai, he was of the reliques of the Raphaims: and Moyfes ftroke, and deftroied them. ¹³ And the children of Ifrael would not deftroie Geffuri and Machati: and they haue dwelt in the middes of Ifrael vntil this prefent day. ¹⁴ But to the tribe of Leui he gaue no poffeffion: but the facrifices and victimes of our Lord the God of Ifrael, that is his inheritance, as he fpake to him. ¹⁵ Moyfes therfore gaue poffeffion to the children of Ruben according to their kinredes. ¹⁶ And their border was from Aroer, which is fittuate on the banke of the torrent Arnon, and in the middes of the valley of the fame torrent: al the plaine, that leadeth to Medaba, ¹⁷ and Hefebon, and al their villages, which are in the champayne. Dibon alfo, and Bamothbaal, and the towne Baalmaon, ¹⁸ and Iaffa, and Cedi-moth, and Mephaath, ¹⁹ and Cariathaim, and Sabama, and Sarathafar in the mountaine of the Valley. ²⁰ Bethfогor and Afedoth, Phafga and Bethiefimoth, ²¹ and al the champayne cities, and al the Kingdomes of Sehon the King of the Amorrheite, that reigned in Hefebon, whom Moyfes ftroke with the princes of Madian: the Heueite, & Recem, and Sur, and Hur, and Rebe Dukes of Sehon inhabitantes of the Land. ²² And Balaam the fonne of Beor the foothfayer, did the children of Ifrael kil by the fword with the reft that were flayne. ²³ And the riuer of Iordan was made the border of the children of Ruben. This is the poffeffion of the Rubenites by their kinredes of cities and villages. ²⁴ And Moyfes gaue to the tribe of Gad and to his children poffeffion by their kinredes, the diuifion wherof is this. ²⁵ The border of Iafer, and al the cities of Galaad, and the half part of the Land of ^a)the children of Ammon: as farre as Aroer, which is againft Rabba: ²⁶ and from Hefebon

^a This part the Amorreithes had taken and poffeffed, otherwife the Ifraelits were prohibited to take anie thig from the Ammonites. *Deut. 2.*

vnto Ramoth, Mafphe and Betonim: and from Manaim vnto the borders of Dabir. ²⁷ In the valley alfo Bethhara, and Bethnemra, and Socoth, and Saphon the other part of the Kingdom of Sehon the King of Hefebon: the end of this alfo is Iordan, vnto the vttermoft part of the fea Cenereth beyond Iordan on the eaft fide. ²⁸ This is the poffeffion of the children of Gad by their families, their cities, and villages. ²⁹ He gaue alfo to the half tribe of Manaffes, and their children poffeffion according to their kinredes, ³⁰ the beginning wherof is this: from Manaim al Bafan, and al the kingdoms of Og the King of Bafan, and al the villages of Iair, which are in Bafan, threefcore townes. ³¹ And the half part of Galaad, and Aftaroth, and Edrai, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bafan: to the children of Machir, the fonne of Manaffes to the half part of the children of Machir according to their kinredes. ³² This poffeffiō diuided Moyfes in the champayne countries of Moab, beyond Iordan, againft Iericho on the Eaft fide. ³³ But to the tribe of Leui he gaue no poffeffion: becaufe our Lord the God of Ifrael him felf is their poffeffion, as he fpake to them.