Chapter 14

Caleb of the tribe of Iuda (feing fome knew their lottes already, and that the whole land was now to be diuided) 6. demandeth, according to Gods promife made by Moyfes (for his true and good report of the fame land, when he with others viewed it) that Hebron be geuen him, and his feede to inherite, 13. which Iofue confirmeth vnto him.

his is it, which the children of Ifrael poffeffed in the Land of Chanaan, which Eleazar the prieft, and Iofue the fonne of Nun, & the princes of the families by the tribes of Ifrael geue to them: ² dividing al thinges by lotte, as our Lord had commanded in the hand of Moyfes, to the nine tribes, and the half tribe. ³ For to two tribes and a half, Moyfes had geuen poffession beyond Iordan: besides the Leuites, which received no land among their brethren: 4 but a)into their place fucceded the children of Iofeph divided into two tribes, of Manaffes and Ephraim: neither did the Leuites receive other portion in the Land, but cities to inhabite, and their fuburbes to feede their beaftes and cattel. ⁵ As our Lord had commanded Moyfes, fo did the children of Ifrael, and they divided the Land. ⁶ Therfore the children of Iuda came to Iofue in Galgal, and Caleb the fonne of Iephone the Cenezeite spake to him: Thou knoweft what our Lord fpake to Moyfes the man of God concerning me & thee in Cadesbarne. ⁷ Fourtie yeares old was I when Moyfes the feruant of our Lord fent me from Cadesbarne, to view the Land, and I reported to him that which to me femed true. ⁸ But my brethren, that had gone vp with me, difcouraged the hart of the people: and I neuertheles followed our Lord my God. 9 And Moyfes fware in that day, faying: The Land, which thy foote hath troden, shal be

^a The Leuites having their portions in other maner, yet there were twelve tribes to receive portiõs by reafon that Iacob adopted Iofephs two fonnes. *Gen.* 48.

thy poffession, and thy childrens for euer, because thou haft followed our Lord my God. ¹⁰ Our Lord therfore hath granted me life, as he promifed vntil this prefent day. It is a) fourtie and fiue yeares, fince our Lord fpake this worde to Moyfes, when Ifrael walked through the wildernes: this day am I eightie and fiue yeares old 11 fo luftie, as I was at that time when I was fent to view: the ftrength of that time contineweth in me vntil this day. as wel to fight as to goe. 12 Geue me therfore this mountaine, which our Lord promifed, thy felfe also hearing it, wherein are the Enacims, and great cities and fenfed: b) if perhaps our Lord be with me, and I shall be able to deftroy them, as he promifed me. 13 And Iofue bleffed him, and deliuered to him Hebron in poffession. ¹⁴ And from thence forth c)Hebron belonged to Caleb the fonne of Iephone the Cenezeite, vntil this prefent day: because he folowed our Lord the God of Ifrael. ¹⁵ The name of Hebron before was called Cariath Arbe: Adam the greatest among the Enacims was layd there: and d)the Land ceafed from battels.

^a After the viewing of the land *Num. 13.* the Ifraelites remained in the defert 38. yeares: fo they were nere feuen yeares in warres.

b Gods promife is euer fure on his part, but becaufe it is conditional, if we ferue him fincerly, our wil being free, he faith: if perhaps our Lord be vvith me.

^c Onlie the countrie of Hebron was geuen to Caleb, for the citie it felf and fuburbes belonged to the Prieftes. *chap. 21. v. 11.*

^d See before chap. 11. v. 23.