

Chapter 15

The borders of the lotte of Iuda, 13. including Calebs particular inheritance (16. out of which he geueth Cariath Sepher, and his daughter to Othoniel, for winning it:) 21. with the names of the cities therof. 63. The Iebufeite yet dwelling with Iuda in Hierufalem.

Therfore the lotte of the children of Iudas by their kinredes was this: From the border of Edom, vnto the defert of Sin againft the South, and vnto the vttermoft part of the fouth coafte. ² The beginning therof was from the toppe of the moft falt fea, and from the brinke therof, that looketh to the South. ³ And it goeth forth againft the Afcent of the Scorpion, and paffeth through into Sina: and ryfeth vp into Cadebarne, & reacheth into Efron, afcending to Addar, and cōpaffing Carcaa, ⁴ and thence paffing through into Afemona, and reaching to the Torrent of Ægypt: and the borders therof shal be the great fea. This fhall be the end of the fouth coaft. ⁵ But on the Eaft fide the beginning fhall be the moft falt fea vnto the vtmoft partes of Iordan: and thofe places that looke to the North from the brinke of the fea vnto the fame riuer of Iordan. ⁶ And the border goeth vp into Beth hagla, and paffeth from the north into Beth Araba: afcending to the ftone of Bohen the fonne of Ruben. ⁷ And reaching as farre as the borders of Debera from the Valley of Achor, againft the North looking toward Galgal, which is oppofite to the Afcent of Adommim, on the fouth fide of the torrent: and paffeth the waters, that are called The Fountayne of the funne: and the endes therof fhall be to the Fountayne rogel. ⁸ And it afcendeth by the valley of the funne of Ennom on the fide of the Iebufeite toward the South, this is Ierufalem: and thence rearing it felf to the toppe of the mountayne, which is againft Geennom toward the Weft in the toppe of the Valley of Raphaim againft the North. ⁹ And it paffeth through from the toppe of the mountaine to the fountaine of the water Nephtoa: and reacheth to the townes

of mount Ephron: and bendeth into Baala, which is Cariathiarim, that is to say, a citie of wooddes. ¹⁰ And it compasseth from Baala against the West, vnto mount Seir: and passeth by the side of mount Iarim toward the North into Cheflon: and goeth downe into Bethfames, and passeth into Thamna. ¹¹ And it reacheth toward the North coast of a part of Accaron at the side: and bendeth to Sechrona, and passeth mount Baala: and cometh into Iebneel, and is shut vp with the end of the great sea toward the West. ¹² These are the borders of the children of Iudas in circuite in their kinredes. ¹³ But to Caleb the sonne of Iephone he gaue a portion in the middes of the children of Iudas, as our Lord had commanded him: Cariath Arbe the father of Enac, that is Hebron. ¹⁴ And Caleb destroyed out of it the three sonnes of Enac, Sefai and Ahiman & Tholmai of the stocke of Enac. ¹⁵ And from thence going vp he came to the inhabitantes of Dabir, which before was called Cariath sepher, that is to say, a citie of letters. ¹⁶ And Caleb said: He that shall strike Cariath-sepher, and take it, I will geue him Axa my daughter to wife. ¹⁷ And Othoniel the sonne of Cenez, the younger brother of Caleb tooke it: and he gaue him ^aAxa his daughter to wife. ¹⁸ Who going together, she was moued by her husband to aske a field of her father, and she fighed as she fate on her affe. To whom Caleb said: What aileth thee? ¹⁹ But she answered: Geue me a blessing: ^ba South and drie Land thou hast geuen me, ioyned also a waterie. Caleb therefore gaue her a waterie ground aboue & beneath. ²⁰ This is the possession of the tribe of the children of Iudas by their kinredes. ²¹ And the cities from the vttermoſt partes of the children of Iudas by the borders of Edom on the South:

^a Though it was prohibited that the nephew should marie his aunt, yet the vncle was not exprefly forbid to marie his neece by Moyſes law. *Leuit. 18.* And albeit there is the ſame degree of confanguinitie, yet not the ſame incōuenience, by reaſon the ſame perſon remaineth ſubiect, that was inferior before mariage.

^b Becauſe ordinarily the fourth part of the world is more drie and barren then other partes, a barren place is called a fourth land, in reſpect of more fertile ground.

were Gabfeel and Eder and Iagur, ²² and Cina and Dimona and Adada, ²³ and Cades, and Afor, and Iethnan, ²⁴ Ziph and Telem and Baloth, ²⁵ Afor the new and Carioth, Hebron, this is Afor. ²⁶ Amam, Sama, and Molada, ²⁷ and Afergadda and Haffemon and Bethphelet, ²⁸ and Haferfual and Berfabee and Baziothia ²⁹ and Baala and Iim and Efem, ³⁰ and Eltholad and Cefil and Harma ³¹ and Siceleg, and Medemena and Senfenna, ³² Labaoth and Selim and Aen and Remon. Al the cities twentie nine, and their villages. ³³ But in the champayne countries: Eftaol and Sarea and Afena, ³⁴ and Sanoe & Engannim and Taphua and Enaim, ³⁵ and Ierimoth, and Adullam, Socho and Azeca, ³⁶ and Saraim and Adithaim and Gedera and Gederothaim: fourteene cities, and their villages. ³⁷ Sanan and Hadafta and Magdalgad, ³⁸ Delean and Mafepha and Iecthel, ³⁹ Lachis and Bascath and Eglon, ⁴⁰ Chebbon and Leheman and Cethlis ⁴¹ and Gideroth and Bethdagon and Naama and Maceda: fixtene cities, and their villages. ⁴² Labana and Ether and Afan, ⁴³ Iephtha and Efna and Nefib, ⁴⁴ and Ceila and Achzib and Mareza: nine cities, and their villages. ⁴⁵ Accaron with the townes and villages therof. ⁴⁶ From Accaron vnto the fea: al places that bend toward Azotus and the villages therof. ⁴⁷ Azotus with the townes and villages therof. Gaza with the townes and villages therof, vnto the torrent of Ægypt, and the great fea is the border therof. ⁴⁸ And in the mountayne: Samir and Iether and Socoth ⁴⁹ and Danna and Cariath fenna, this is Dabir: ⁵⁰ Anab and Iftemo and Anim, ⁵¹ Gofen and Olon and Gilo: eleuen cities and their villages. ⁵² Arab and Ruma and Efaan, ⁵³ and Ianum and Beth thaphua and Apehca, ⁵⁴ Athmatha and Cariath-arbe, this is Hebron, and Sior: nine cities and their villages. ⁵⁵ Maon and Carmel and Ziph and Iota, ⁵⁶ Iezrael and Iucadam and Zanoë, ⁵⁷ Accain, Gabaa and Thamna: ten cities and their villages. ⁵⁸ Halhul, and Bethfur, and Gedor, ⁵⁹ Mareth, and Beth-anoth, & Eltecon: fix cities and their villages. ⁶⁰ Cariathbaal, this is Cariathiarim the citie of wooddes, and Arebba: two cities and their villages. ⁶¹ In the defert Beth-araba, Meddin, and Sachacha,

⁶² and Nebfan, and the citie of falt, and Engaddi: fix cities, and their villages. ⁶³ But the Iebufeite the inhabitant of Ierufalem the children of Iudas ^a)could not defstroy: and the Iebufeite dwelt with the children of Iudas in Ierufalem vntil this prefent day.

^a The Iebufeites kept a ftrong caftle in Ierufalem, til king Daud tooke it from them. *2. Reg. 5.*