

## Chapter 35

*Cities and fuburbes are appointed for the Leuites, among the other tribes. 6. Of which fix shal be for refuge of such as vnwittingly kil anie man, 22. where, keping them felues til the death of the high Prieft, they shal be safe. 30. VVilful murtherers conuicted (fo be it by more then one witnes) muft die forthwith.*

**T**hese things also spake our Lord to Moyfes in the champion countries of Moab vpon Iordan, against Iericho: <sup>2</sup> Command the children of Israell that they geue vnto the Leuites of their poffessions <sup>3</sup> cities to dwel in, and their fuburbes round about: that them felues may abide in the townes, and the fuburbes may be for their cattel and beastes: which from the walles of the cities outward, round about, shal reach the space of a thousand paces. <sup>4</sup> Toward the East shal be two thousand cubites: and toward the South in like manner shal be two thousand: toward the sea also, which looketh to the West, shal be the same measure: and the North part shal be limited with equal boundes. And the cities shal be in the middes, and the fuburbes without. <sup>5</sup> And of the same townes, which you shal geue to the Leuites, fix shal be separated for the ayde of fugitiues, that he may flee to them which hath shed blood: and beside these other fourtie two townes, <sup>6</sup> that is, in al fourtie eight with their fuburbes. <sup>7</sup> And those cities, that shal be geuen of the poffessions of the children of Israell, from them that haue more, moe shal be taken away: and that haue lesse, fewer. Eache shal geue townes to the Leuites according to the measure of their inheritance. <sup>8</sup> Our Lord said to Moyfes: <sup>9</sup> Speake to the children of Israell, & thou shalt say to them: When you shal haue passed ouer Iordan into the Land of Chanaan, <sup>10</sup> determine what cities shal be for the succour of fugitiues, that haue not voluntarily shed blood: <sup>11</sup> in which when the fugitiue shal be, the kinsman of him that is killed can not kil him, vntil he stand in the fight of the multitude, and his cause be iudged. <sup>12</sup> And of those cities, that are separated

for refuge of the fugitiues, <sup>13</sup> three shal be beyond Iordan, and three in the Land of Chanaan, <sup>14</sup> as wel for the children of Ifrael as for ftrangers and foiourners, that he may flee to them, which hath not voluntarily shed bloud. <sup>15</sup> If any man ftrike with yron, and he die that was ftrooken, he shal be guiltie of murder, and him self shal die. <sup>16</sup> If he caft a ftone, and he that is ftrooken die: he fhall be punished in like manner. <sup>17</sup> If he that is ftrooken with wood die, he fhall be reuenged by the ftrikers bloud. <sup>18</sup> The kinfman of him that is flaine, shal kil the murderer, <sup>a</sup>)as fowne as he apprehendeth him, he shal kil him. <sup>19</sup> If through hatred one push a man, or caft any thing at him by ftratageme: <sup>20</sup> or being hisemie, ftrike him with his hand, and he die: the ftriker shal be guiltie of murder. The kinfman of him that is flaine as fowne as he findeth him, shal kil him. <sup>21</sup> But if by chance medlie, and without hatred, <sup>22</sup> and enmitie, he do any of thefe thinges, <sup>23</sup> and this be proued in the hearing of the people, and the queftion debated betwen him that ftroke, & the next of bloud: <sup>24</sup> the innocent shal be deliuered from the hand of the reuenger, & by fentence shal be brought backe into the citie, to which he had fled, and he shal tarie there, <sup>b</sup>)vntil the High prieft, that is anointed with the holie oile, do die. <sup>25</sup> If the murderer be found without the limites of the cities, that are deputed to the banished, <sup>26</sup> and be ftrooken of him that is the reuenger of bloud: he shal be guiltles that killed him. <sup>27</sup> For the fugitiue ought to haue ftayed in the citie vntil the death of the High prieft. And after he is dead, then shal the murderer returne into his countrie. <sup>28</sup> Thefe thinges shal be perpetual, and for an ordinance in al your habitations. <sup>29</sup> The murderer shal be punished by witneffes: none shal be condemned, at the teftimonie of one man. <sup>30</sup> You shal not take a price

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<sup>a</sup> Yet not before fentence of death. *v. 12. & 24. S. Aug. q. 65. in Num.*

<sup>b</sup> Myftically this fignified, that the way to true life was not open before Chrifts death. *Theodor. q. 51. in Num. S. Greg. ho. 6. in Ezechielem.*

of him, that is guiltie of bloud, he also shal die forthwith.  
<sup>31</sup> The banished and fugitiues before the death of the  
High priest may by no meanes returne into their owne  
cities. <sup>32</sup> Pollute not the land of your habitation, which  
is polluted with the bloud of innocentes: neither can it  
otherwise be expiated, but by his bloud, that shedeth  
an other mans bloud. <sup>33</sup> And so shal your possession be  
cleansed my self abyding with you. For I am the Lord  
that dwel among the children of Israel.