The Argvment of the Third Booke of Kinges.

VVith commemoration of king Dauids old age, of his appointing a ſucceſsour, and of his death, in the firſt and part of the ſecond chapters, this booke conteyneth two other principal partes: the former is of king Salomon: of his entrance to the kingdom; his deuotion; wiſdom; magnificence; richeſſe; great familie; building of the Temple; and other ſumptuous palaces; of his fal alſo into luxurie, and idolatrie; in the reſt of the ſecond chapter to the end of the eleuenth. The other part sheweth the diuiſion of the kingdom; onlie two tribes remayning to Roboam, Salomons ſonne, with title of king of Iuda; and tenne paſsing to Ieroboam his ſeruant, called king of Iſrael. So folow the ſeueral reignes of Abias, Aſa, and Ioſaphat kinges of Iuda: and of Madab, Baaſa, Ela, Zambri, Amri, Achab with Iezabel, and Ochoſias kinges of Iſrael: with the preaching, miracles, and other actes of Ahias, Elias, Eliſeus, and other prophetes, in the other eleuen chapters.

The contentes of this booke, diuided into three partes.