

Chapter 4

The formes of the brafen altar, 2. of the lauatorie (or Sea) with figuers of twelue oxen, 6. of other tenne smal lauatories, 7. tenne candlestickes, 8. tenne tables, and an hundred baffens, a great hal for the Priestes, 10. and other veffel, and ornamentes of the Temple are described.

3. Reg. 7. **H**e made also an altar of braffe, ^{a)}of twentie cubites in length, and of twentie cubites in bredth, and of ten cubites in height. ² ^{b)}A Sea also cast, ten cubites from brimme to brimme, round in compaffe: it had fiue cubites in height, and a cord of thirtie cubites did compaffe it round about. ³ There was also vnder it the fimilitude of oxen, and certaine engrauinges of ten cubites on the outside compaffed the belie of the Sea, as it were with two rewes. ⁴ And the oxen were caft: and the Sea it felf was fette vpon the twelue oxen, of the which three looked toward the North, and other three to the Weft: moreouer other three to the South, and the three that remayned, to the Eaft, hauing the Sea vpon them: and the hinder partes of the oxen were inward vnder the fea. ⁵ Moreouer the thickneffe therof had the meafure of a palme, and the brimme therof was as it were the brimme of a chalice, or of a cripped lilie: and it held three thoufand metretes. ⁶ He made also ten lauatories: and fet fiue on the right hand, and fiue on the left, that they might wafh in them al thinges, that they would offer for holocauft: moreouer in the Sea the priestes were washed. ⁷ And he made also ^{c)}ten golden candlestickes, according to the fashion which they were commanded to be made by: and he fet them in the temple, fiue on the right hand, & fiue on

^a As wel the Temple as the Altars, and other appertinances were made after the forme of Moyfes Tabernacle altares of facrifice & incense, and the rest: but greater in quantitie, of more precious matter, and more excellent workmanship.

^b A great brafen veffel, and fome other thinges that were not before.

^c Also a greater number of candlestickes, and other the like.

the left. ⁸ Moreouer alfo ten tables: and he fet them in the temple, fwe on the right hand, and fwe on the left. Phials alfo of gold an hundred. ⁹ He made alfo the court of the prieftes, and a great hal: and doores in the hal, which he couered with braffe. ¹⁰ Moreouer he fet the Sea on the right fide agaynft the Eaft toward the South. ¹¹ And Hiram made cauldrons, and flesh hookes, and phials: and accomplished al the kinges worke in the houle of God: ¹² that is to fay, two pillers, or pommels. and the chapters, and the heades, and as it were certayne litle nettes, which should couer the heades ouer the chapters. ¹³ Pomegranates alfo foure hundred, and two litle nettes, foe that two rewes of the pomegranates were ioyned to ech litle nette, which couered the pommels, and the heades of the pillers. ¹⁴ He made feete alfo, and lauatories, which he put vpon the feete: ¹⁵ one fea, alfo twelue oxen vnder the fea. ¹⁶ And the cauldrons, and flesh hookes, and phials. Al the veffels did Hiram his father make for Salomon in the houle of our Lord of moft pure braffe. ¹⁷ In the countrie of Iordan did the king caft them, in a clay ground betwen Socot and Saredatha. ¹⁸ And the multitude of veffels was innumerable, fo that the weight of the braffe was not known. ¹⁹ And Salomon made al the veffels of the houle of God, and the golden altar, and the tables, & vpon them the loaues of propofition, ²⁰ the candleftickes alfo with their lampes to giue light before the oracle, according to the rite, of moft pure gold: ²¹ and certayne florifhing thinges, and lampes, and golden tonges al were made of moft fine gold. ²² The veffels alfo of perfume and censers, and phials, and litle mortars, of moft pure gold. And he graued the doores of the inner temple, that is, in *Sancta fanctorum*: and the doores of the temple without of gold. And fo al the worke was finished which Salomon made in the houle of our Lord.