

## Chapter 8

*Salomon buildeth diuers cities, 7. maketh the refidue of the Chananites tributarie, 12. offereth the ordinarie hoftes of facrifices in the folemne feaftes, 14. difpofeth the Prieftes and Leuites in their offices, as Dauid had ordained: 17. and fendeth shippes to fetch gold from Ophir.*

**A**nd twentie yeares being complete after that Salomon built the houle of our Lord and his owne houle: <sup>2</sup> he built the cities, which Hiram had geuen to Salomon, and made the children of Ifrael dwel there. <sup>3</sup> He went alfo into Emath Suba, and obteyned it. <sup>4</sup> And he built Palmira in the defert, and he built other cities very wel fenfed in Emath. <sup>5</sup> And he built Beth horon the vpper, and Beth horon the nether, walled cities hauing gates and barrigates and lockes. <sup>6</sup> Balaath alfo and al the ftrongeft cities that were Salomons, and al the cities of the chariotes, and the cities of the horfemen. Al thinges whatfoeuer Salomon would, & difpofed, he built in Ierufalem and in Libanus, and in al the land of his dominion. <sup>7</sup> Al the people that was leaft of the Hetheites, and Amorrheites, and Pherezeites, and Heueites, and Iebufeites, which were not of the ftocke of Ifrael, <sup>8</sup> of their children: and of the pofteritie, which the children of Ifrael had not flaine, Salomon fubdewed to be tributaries, vntil this day. <sup>9</sup> Moreouer of the children of Ifrael he fette not to ferue the kinges workes: for they were men of warre, and the chiefe captaines, and princes of his chariotes and horfemen. <sup>10</sup> And al the princes of king Salomons armie were two hundred fiftie, which taught the people. <sup>11</sup> But the daughter of Pharao he remoued from the citie of Dauid, into the houle, which he had built for her. For the king fayd: My wife shal not dwel in the houle of

Dauid the king of Ifrael, <sup>a)</sup>because it is fanctified: because the Arke of our Lord is entered into it. <sup>12</sup> Then Salomon offered holocaustes to our Lord vpon the altar of our Lord, which he had built before the porch, <sup>13</sup> that euerie day there might be offering on it, according to the precept of Moyfes, in the Sabbathes, and in the Calendes, and in the festiual daies thrife a yere, that is to say, in the Solemnitie of Azymes, and in the Solemnitie of weekes, and in the Solemnitie of tabernacles. <sup>14</sup> And he appoynted according to the difpofition of Dauid his father the offices of the Prieftes in their minifteries: & the Leuites in their order that they should prayfe, and minifter before the Prieftes according to the rite of euerie day: & the porters in their diuifions by gate and gate: (for fo Dauid the man of God had commanded. <sup>15</sup> Neither did they tranfgrefse of the kinges commandementes as wel the Prieftes as the Leuites, touching al thinges, that he had commanded, and in the custodies of the treafures. <sup>16</sup> Salomon had al expenfes prepared, from the day that he founded the houle of our Lord, vntil the day wherein he perfitted it. <sup>17</sup> Then went Salomon into Afiongaber, and into Ailath to the coaft of the Red fea, which is in the Land of Edom. <sup>18</sup> And Hiram fent vnto him by the handes of his feruantes, shippes, and cunning mariners, and they went with Salomons feruantes into Ophir, and they tooke from thence foure hundred fiftie talentes of gold, and brought it to king Salomon.

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<sup>a</sup> Salomon was yet fo farre from communicating with Infidels, that he fuffered not his wife (an infidel) to be prefent where the Arke of God had bene placed. *1. Par. 15.*