

Chapter 7

Nehemias appointeth watchmen in Ierufalem, 5. and calling the people together reciteth the number of thofe, which came firft from Babylon. 68. Likewife of their cattel, 70. and the giftes of certaine chiefe men towards the reparations.

And after the wal was built, & I had put on the doores, and numbred the porters, and finging men, and Leuites: ² I commanded Hanani my brother, and Hananias prince of the houfe of Ierufalem (for he femed as it were a true man, and one that feared God about the reft) ³ and I fayd to them: Let not the gates of Ierufalem be opened vntil the heate of the funne. And when they yet ftood by, the gates were fhut, and barred: and I fette ^a watchmen of the inhabitants of Ierufalem, euery one by their courfes, and euery man againft his houfe. ⁴ And the citie was exceding large and great, and the people few in the middes therof, & there were no houfes built. ⁵ But God gaue me in my hart, and I affembled the princes and magiftrates, and common people, that I might number them: and I found a booke of the number of them, that came vp firft, and there was found written in it: ⁶ Thefe are the children of the prouince, which came vp from the captiuitie of them that were tranfported, whom Nabuchodonofor the king of Babylon had tranfported, and returned into Iurie, euery one into his owne citie. ⁷ They that came with Zorobabel, Iofue, Nehemias, Azarias, Rahamias, Nahamani, Mardochæus, Belfam, Mefpharath, Begoai, Nahum, Baana. The number of the men of the people of Ifrael. ⁸ The children of Pharos, two thoufand an hundred feenty two. ⁹ The children of Saphatia,

^a Three fpecial defences of a citie, are the ftrength of walles, fhutting and opening the gates in due time, & diligēt watchmen: fo to the cuftodie of faithful foules three thinges are neceffarie; the grace of God, due regard of the outward fenfes, and continual watch againft our inuifible enemies.

three hundred feuentie two. ¹⁰ The children of Area, fix hundred fiftie two. ¹¹ The children of Phahathmoab of the children of Iofue and Ioab, two thoufand eight hundred eightene. ¹² The children of Aelam, a thoufand two hundred fiftie foure. ¹³ The children Zethua, eight hundred fourtie fue. ¹⁴ The childeren of Zachai, feuen hundred fixtie. ¹⁵ The childeren of Bannui, fix hundred fourtie eight. ¹⁶ The children of Bebai, fix hundred twentie eight. ¹⁷ The children of Azgad, two thoufand three hundred twentie two. ¹⁸ The childeren of Adonicam, fix hundred fixtie feuen. ¹⁹ The children of Beguai, two thoufand fixtie feuen. ²⁰ The childeren of Adin, fix hundred fiftie fue. ²¹ The childeren of Ater, childeren of Hezecias, ninetie eight. ²² The childeren of Hafem, three hundred twentie eight. ²³ The children of Befai, three hundred twentie foure. ²⁴ The children of Hareph, an hundred twelue. ²⁵ The children of Gabaon, nyntie fue. ²⁶ The childeren of Bethlehem, and Nerupha, an hundred eightie eight. ²⁷ The men of Anathoth, an hundred twentie eight. ²⁸ The men of Bethazmoth, fourtie two. ²⁹ The men of Cariathiacim, Cephira, and Beroth, feuen hundred fourtie three. ³⁰ The men of Rama and Geba, fix hundred twentie one. ³¹ The men of Machmas, an hundred twentie two. ³² The men of Bethel and Hai, an hundred twentie three. ³³ The men of an other Nebo, fiftie two. ³⁴ The men of an other Aelam, a thoufand two hundred fiftie foure. ³⁵ The childeren of Harem, three hundred twentie. The childeren of Iericho, three hundred fourtie fue. ³⁶ The childeren of Lod Hadid and Ono, feuen hundred twentie one. ³⁷ The childeren of Senaa, three thoufand nine hundred thirtie. ³⁸ The Priests: The children of Idaia in the houfe of Iofue, nine hundred three. ³⁹ The childeren of Emmer, a thoufand fiftie two. ⁴⁰ The childeren of Phafhur, a thoufand two hundred fourtie feuen. ⁴¹ The children of Arem, a thoufand feuentene. The Leuites: ⁴² The children of Iofue & Cedmiel, the children ⁴³ of Cenia, feuentie foure. The finging men: ⁴⁴ The childeren of Afaph, an hundred fourtie eight. ⁴⁵ The porters: The childeren

of Sellum, the children of Ater, the children of Telmon, the children of Accub, the children of Hatita, the children of Sobai: an hundred thirtie eight. ⁴⁶ The Nathineites: The children of Soha, the children of Hafupha, the children of Tebbaath, ⁴⁷ the children of Ceros, the children of Siaa, the children of Phadon, the children of Lebana, the children of Haguba, the children of Seimai, ⁴⁸ the children of Hanan, the children of Geddel, the children of Gaher, ⁴⁹ the children of Raaia, the children of Rafin, the children of Necoda, ⁵⁰ the children of Gefem, the children of Aza, the children of Phafea, ⁵¹ the children of Befai, the children of Munnim, the children of Nephuffim, ⁵² the children of Bacbuc, the children of Hacupha, the children of Harur, ⁵³ the children of Befloth, the children of Mahida, the children of Harfa, ⁵⁴ the children of Bercos, the children of Sifara, the children of Thema, ⁵⁵ the children of Nafia, the children of Hatipha, ⁵⁶ the children of the feruantes of Salomon, the children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of Pharida, ⁵⁷ the children of Iahala, the children of Darcon, the children of Ieddel, ⁵⁸ the children of Saphia, the children of Hatil, the children of Phohereth, who was borne vnto Sabaim, the fonne of Amon. ⁵⁹ Al Natheneites, and the children of the feruantes of Salomon, three hundred nyntie two. ⁶⁰ But these be they which came vp from Thelmela, Thelharfa, Cherub, Addon, and Emmer: and could not flewe the house of their fathers, and their feed, whether they were of Ifrael. ⁶¹ The children of Dalaia, the children of Tobia, the children of Necoda, six hundred fourtie two. ⁶² And of the Priests, the children of Habia, the children of Accos, the children of Berzellai, who tooke a wife of the daughters of Berzellai a Galeadite, and he was called by their name. ⁶³ These fought their writing in the register, and found it not: & they were caft out of the Priesthood. ⁶⁴ And Atherfatha faid to them, that they fhould not eate of the Holies of holies, vntil there

ftood vp a Prieft learned and cunning. ⁶⁵ Al the multitude as it were one man fourtie two thoufand three hundred fixtie, ⁶⁶ befide their men feruants and wemen feruantes, which were feuen thoufand three hundred thirtie feuen: and among them finging men, & finging wemen, two hundred fourtie fue. ⁶⁷ Their horfes, two hundred fourtie fix, their mules, two hundred fourtie fue, ⁶⁸ their camels, foure hundred thirtie fue, affes fix thoufand feue hundred twentie.

Hitherto is reported what was written in the Register. From this place forward goeth on in order the hiftorie of Nehemias.

⁶⁹ a) And certaine of the princes of families gaue vnto the worke. Atherfatha gaue into the treafure of gold a thoufand drachmas, phials fiftie, tunikes for Prieftes fue hundred thirtie. ⁷⁰ And of the princes of families there gaue into the treafure of the worke of gold, twentie thoufand drachmas, and of filuer two thoufand two hundred pound. ⁷¹ And that which the reft of the people gaue, of gold twentie thoufand drachmas, and of filuer two thoufand pound, and tunikes for Prieftes fixtie feuen. ⁷² And the Prieftes, and Leuites, and porters, and finging men, and the reft of the common people, and the Nathineites, and al Ifrael dwelt in their cities. And the feuenth moneth was come: and the children of Ifrael were in their cities.

^a S. Ierom here noteth whēce he receiued eech part of this booke, which is al Canonical Scripture being al alike fo declared by the Church.