

CHAPTER 18

INTRODUCTION TO 2 CHRONICLES 18

Ver. 1. *Now Jehoshaphat had riches and honour in abundance*, etc.] Still more and more, (see ^{<4175>}2 Chronicles 17:5), and which moved Ahab to desire friendship and affinity with him, to which Jehoshaphat agreed:

and joined affinity with Ahab; king of Israel, married his son Joram to Athaliah, a daughter of Ahab by Jezebel of Zidon; which marriage proved of bad consequence to Jehoshaphat and his family.

Ver. 2. *And after certain years*, etc.] Two years, according to the Syriac and Arabic versions, or in the third year after the affinity was contracted, (see ^{<1221>}1 Kings 22:2),

he went down to Ahab to Samaria; to pay him a visit upon the alliance, civil and matrimonial, contracted between them:

and Ahab killed sheep and oxen for him in abundance, and for the people that he had with him; entertained him and his retinue in a very grand and liberal manner:

and persuaded him to go up with him to Ramothgilead; from hence, to the end of the chapter, it is the same with (^{<1224>}1 Kings 22:4-37).