

7:3.....But in particular they will make no marriages with them for that is the ultimate compromise

7:4.....This sort of covenant or union with the false gods will lead God's people away from Him.

7:5.....Israel will remove everything that belongs or pertains to paganism

7:6.....Here is the support for God's closeness to Israel:

They were a "holy" people...
the Lord's choice
elevated above the other peoples of the earth.

7:7.....The reality of the Lord's choice..not for ulterior purposes

7:8.....But He just loved them and for that fact, He

would keep His oath
brought them out and
redeemed them.

7:9.....Know then...the Lord is God faithful in keeping covenantal mercies and

7:10.....judgmental to those who hate and oppose Him. love and justice are combined in the character of God..perfectly.

7:11.....So you will protect the relationship by no compromise with evil nor making concessions to paganism in defiance of God.

III. Conclusion

The concept is that God loved His people...they should have responded by loving Him. In our age we have a similar setting in 1 John..He first loved us, we are able to love Him. But compromise with evil and pagan ideals are serious threats to the reality of the relationship and every believer needs to be aware of that threat and desirous of the health of the body. We appreciate your listening today and trust the Word of God to guide and enrich us as time continues.
